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**NO BULLETIN NEXT WEEK**

Because our regular printer will be closed one week for the holidays, it is possible we will not be mailing next issue until the following week in which case you will either receive a double-dated issue or two separate issues in the same envelope. In the meantime, we are checking into a backup printer and will, if the amount of material available warrants, attempt to produce a normal bulletin next week. -DEE

**Bulletin Schedule**

Future bulletins will be dated December 30; January 6, 13, 20, 27; Febr. 3, 10, 17, 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; and Apr. 7 to complete the weekly issues, then Apr. 21, May 5, May 26, June 16, July 14 and Aug. 11, 1990.

**DX CALENDAR**

Sat. Jan. 6	WKMT	1220	Kings Mtn, NC	1kw/105w	0100-0300	EST	NRC/Hall
Mon. 8	WADN	1120	Concord, MA	5kw DA	0200-0230	EST	NRC/Klein
	WMNY	1570	Santee, SC	5kw ND	0400-0430	EST	NRC/CCM
Mon. 15	WKEN	1600	Dover, DE	5kw	0200-0400	EST	NRC/Schmidt
	KCAM	790	Glennallen, AK	5kw ND	0400-0500	EST	NRC/CCM
	KABI	1530	Abilene, KS	250w etc.	0530-0600	EST	NRC/CCM
Mon. 22	WILD	1090	Boston, MA	5kw ND	0200-0230	EST	NRC/Klein
Sun. 28	WAGL	1560	Lancaster, SC	50kw DA	0400-0430	EST	NRC/CCM
Sun. Feb. 4	WRSW	1480	Warsaw, IN	1kw	0530-0555	EST	NRC/CCM
Mon. 5	WCIL	1020	Carbondale, IL		0630-0700	EST	NRC/CCM

WKMT-1220, P. O. Box 1220, Kings Mountain, NC 28086 will be conducting annual Proof of Performance tests on Sat. morn 1/6/90, 0100-0300. The test will run at both 1kw and 105w non-directional. The program will consist of audio tones between 100 Hz and 10 kHz, white noise, music and both voice and Morse code IDs. The tests will be completed by 0300, and the station will be on automatic operation with interspersed Morse code IDs until 0600 when regular programs will resume with Southern Gospel Music. Direct all reports to Mr. Don Holtzinger, CE. Don would appreciate info on signal strength, band conditions and fading, co-channel and adjacent channel interference, and if you have C-QUAM Stereo, whether or not the stereo light lights up! Arranged by Tim Hall and the CO CPC Machine for NRC. WADN-1120 Concord, MA will conduct a DX TEST using 5kw directional (basically west). Programming will consist of 1 kHz test tones, Morse Code IDs and vocal IDs by both male and female announcers. Correct reports will be verified by Mr. Michael Klein, NVIL, WADN Radio, Damonmill Square, Concord, MA 01742. Arranged by Michael Klein with assistance from Peter George and the Colorado CPC Machine for the National Radio Club. WMNY-1570 Santee, SC will use 5kw non-directional with 1 kHz tone and code IDs breaking the tone. Info by phone from Wayne Heinen, CO CPC Machine/NRC. KCAM--790 will program information on Glennallen, Alaska, and the mission that runs the station. There will be voice and code IDs. The regular programming ends a little after 0400 EST and the special test will run for one hour after that. Reports should go to: "Dan", P. O. Box 249, Glennallen, Alaska 99588. --Info phoned by Wayne Heinen for the Colorado CPC Machine and NRC. Additional CPC write-ups will appear next issue. If you notice ANY errors, please let Don Erickson, IRCA HQ, know right away.

**PANAMANIAN INCURSION** - If last week's US operation in Panama resulted in any unusual DX, please let your editor(s) know!

# DX Worldwide - West



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**DEADLINE: TUESDAYS**

Another short column for you this week. Apparently conditions haven't been good anywhere around. Thanks again to Chris Knight for the regular reports.

## PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 660 MEXICO, Tampico, XEAF or R?. This station may be XEAR (ex 1490). According to Tim Hall, since he pointed out that many Mexicans are moving to clears. XEAF is on another frequency and another city, but the calls of this station on 660 do sound like XEAF(hi) (CK-CO)
- 820 HONDURAS, Tegucigalpa-HRLP16, SS thru WBAP OC/TT, LA mx, many "Radio Moderna" IDs (looked in WRTH and found HRLP16 at 0712 12/4. (CK-CO)

## TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 738 TAHITI, man in FF as usual with Island mx. at 0712 on 12/11. If this station ever broadcasted with 100% modulation, the signal would be fantastic! (PM-OR)

## THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS:

- CK-CO CHRIS KNIGHT-598 SOUTH CLARION DRIVE-PUEBLO WEST, CO. 81007  
FRG-7, Sanserino Loop
- PM-OR YOUR EDITOR  
SP-600JX, 200 Foot SW/NE LW, Ground system

## EASTERN DX FORUM continued from Page 11

sunset. I'm planning to make it to Robert Kramer's GTG later this month and am looking forward to meeting many more IRCA members. Until the next, Happy Holidays and 73.

Rick Evans, Apt. 19, 5104 North Lovers Lane, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53225

I was up for awhile both Sunday and Monday mornings, and had a couple of good DX sessions. I don't know why I hadn't been able to hear KDKA-1020 before as it was in like a bomb Sunday, but weak again Monday. Out of 14 new stations in those two days, 6 were on new frequencies for me here and one was a new state (KFI-640 Calif.). I still have five frequencies on which I haven't heard anything yet and have little hopes for anything quick. They are 910, 1260, 1280, 1300, and 1350, all adjacent to my local NSPers on 920, 1250, 1290, and 1340. I also haven't heard anything on 710 or 730, but I have hopes there. Things are in there, but no IDs yet. This afternoon, I listened for the first time to Business News Radio on WNVR-1030 Vernon Hills, Ill. It wasn't so bad, frequent generic time checks ("20 minutes before the hour" type of thing). It seemed geared for the quick in and out listener. I've started to highlight my catches in the NRC log with the yellow marker. Makes it easier to spot which stations you've already heard. Gotta run. 73. Have a happy set of holidays!

### DEADLINE CHANGE

**EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**, all editors should mail their columns with the intention of getting them to Riverside by Saturday. No column should be mailed any later than Wednesday if it can be avoided. Tuesday mailing would be preferred. This will remain in effect until early next year. DX Worldwide - East has not arrived for this issue even though we are mailing a day later than usual. Also, last issue's Eastern DX Forum arrived late because the USPS routed it via Rock Springs, WY. Both EDXF sections are found in this issue. -Don Erickson

### Editors

Repeating, for the benefit of all weekly editors (DXWW, DXR and DXF), if an emergency arises and it is possible, HQ appreciates early notification so that steps can be taken to keep the column appearing with as little interruption as possible. In the event there are NO reports for your column and it is impossible for you to do a column with your own contribution, you are requested/expected to send HQ notice by deadline day.



WESTERN  
DX  
ROUNDUP

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WDXR deadlines are each Monday. Use Eastern time.

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 540 KKJZ CA, Hesperia Fr 12/8 back on the air today (after lengthy absence to install new high-powered xmtr) with these new calls. Very strong sig. (50kw??). 95% of the audio was from the right channel, & stereo kept going on & off, so C.E. was probably making adjustments, 3/2-second delay simulcast of classical FM (new format for FM; jazz moves to AM in Jan.). Legal ID 1803 (and computer dropped in at exactly 103 every hour): "You're listening to KKJZ, Hesperia, AM 540, simulcasting with KKGO-FM, Los Angeles." (SMM-CA)
- 990 KIXA CA, Pittsburg-Concord 12/4 0851 usual good signal //FM, news, ID on hour "Playing a better mix of music, KKIS-FM Walnut Creek, and KIXA-AM, Pittsburg-Concord." Call change, ex-KKIS. Thanks to RT-CA for this tip. (RW-CA)
- KKIS +12/8 2000 excellent with ID "Playing a better mix of your favorite music, Kiss FM, KKIS-FM 92.1 Walnut Creek, and KKIS-AM 990 Pittsburg-Concord." Have they reverted back to KKIS calls? I'd tuned in fully expecting to hear KIXA calls as reported by Bob in the previous tip. (NH-WA)
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- 540 CBK SK, Watrous 11/29 2143 with AdCon music "musical memories," ID as "CBC Saskatchewan" with weather for Regina & vicinity. Fair signals. (RCW-WA)
- 560 KSFO CA, San Francisco 11/29 2232 with gold oldies music, request/contest program. SID for both AM & FM. KVI-570 splat less than normal. (RCW-WA)
- 580 KCMX OR, Ashland 11/29 2255 with Talknet (Almanac doesn't list KCMX as carrying this program). Very weak with KVI-570 splat pretty bad and unID south of the border music station under. IDs as "Ashland-Medford" vicinity. (RCW-WA)
- 700 KSUR CA, Soledad 12/4 1600 poor with ID thru heavy KNBR-680 splash. PSA, then back into classical music // FM. New station. (RW)
- 760 KRZN CO, Thornton 12/3 0200 "The all new 7-60 KRZN," KRPM-770 slop and lotsa static. (pb-WA)
- 820 (WBAP) TX, Ft. Worth 12/4 0200 off, OC, TT's. Logged HRLP16 in their absence. (CK-CO)
- 930 KRTH CA, Los Angeles is currently simulcasting "K-Earth 101," America's #1 oldies station. Has been bought by KWIZ-1480/96.7 and will go Spanish in January. (SMM-CA)
- 1050 KMTA MT, Kinsey 11/30 0800 ID after C&W music, "Southeastern Montana's Country Home, KMTA, Kinsey-Miles City" and into CBS news. Briefly on top of freq., Spanish interference. (pb-WA)
- KFVR WA, Dishman 11/30 ID by woman after weather at 0604, and into community news. Mixing with C&W music, over & under. (pb-WA)
- 1060 KPAY CA, Chico 11/30 2137 with AdCon music, local ads, Mutual news, Talknet at 2200. Good signals but competing with unID Top 40 station under. As per phone call, nite power is 10,000 with NW lobe; ZIP is 95928; CE Daniel Butner. (RCW-WA)
- 1110 KJTT WA, Oak Harbor 12/2 1436 weak with local weather, classified ads, EZL/oldies music, ABC news. Heavy QRN. Lots promos



# Central DX Roundup

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## FOR THE RECORD

Report in Eastern time. No tips over 2 weeks old. Deadline: Saturdays.  
RIDING GAIN

- [TML-IN] = Tom Laskowski, 1334 East Miner Street, South Bend, IN 46617  
ICOM IC-725.
- [RS-MO] = Randy Stewart, 4225 West La Casa, Springfield, MO 65802.  
Late model TRF w/transfilter mods, 4' spiral loop.
- [JcJ-MT] = Your editor using an ICOM IC-R71A with a 23" ferrite bar loop.

## SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1030 WJKZ TN White Bluff, EX-WBDX. 12/2. 2115 w/spot for a food store, many IDs as "KZ Country." C&W music. [TML-IN]

## DOWN THE DIAL

- 540 WDFT TX Ferris, 11/28 fair to good atop. 1821 w/Gospel music. Dallas and Ft. Worth traffic report. [RS-MO]
- 620 KGW OR Portland, 12/4 unusually good. 0350 w/SID, talk show "Art Collins Program from downtown Portland on 6-20 KGW." Not needed, but it's been sometime since last logging. [JcJ-MT]
- 810 WSJC MS Magee, 12/1 good to excellent way o/usual pest KCMO. 1751 w/ID "81 Gospel, WSJC" and Gospel music. [RS-MO]
- 820 WOSU OH Columbus, 12/1 fair to good o/u/WBAP. 1758 with NPR's "All Things Considered." Promo for local "Sportsline" program, and ID. [RS-MO]
- 850 CKBA AB Athabasca, 12/6 weak in KOA null. 0400 w/Standard Broadcast News. 0403 w/weather, "Central Alberta Radio" slogan. C&W music. 0415 w/PSA. Finally heard! AB#43. [JcJ-MT]
- 890 WQIS MS Laurel, 12/1 excellent, little or no WLS. 1740 with slogan "Q-89 New Music, Playing the strong songs." Local events calendar. Black music format. [RS-MO]
- 980 WITY IL Danville, 11/29 fair, in briefly then lost. 1958 w/ID, IL State Lottery numbers. [RS-MO]
- 1150 WZBQ AL Tuscaloosa, TENTATIVE. 12/1 fair to poor, on top briefly. 1725 w/spot for Christophers Sports Bar in Tuscaloosa then a syndicated Metro Weather with Alan Archer. [RS-MO]
- 1220 KOMC MO Branson, 12/1 fair nearly buried in SSS mess (40 miles from me.) 1702 w/CBS News, ID "The songs never go out of style, Unforgettable KOMC." [RS-MO]
- 1320 KSIV MO St. Louis, 11/28. 1725 w/"Through The Bible" program ending at 1729. "KSIV" ID & weather. Faded. Rare here. [TML-IN]
- 1340 KWOR WY Worland, 12/4 weak. 1300 w/ID "KTHE AM Thermopolis, KWOR AM and KKLX FM Worland" into Mutual News. 70s rock format. ID would indicate a simo-cast between KTHE-1240 and the Worland AM & FM. Noted here that KWOR is still the call of the AM. We'll keep you posted. [JcJ-MT]
- KYLT MT Missoula, 12/3 good, on top this GY. 0855 w/rock oldies. 0900 ID "13-40 KYLT Missoula" into Unistar Radio Network News. More oldies followed. [JcJ-MT]
- 1560 KLTI MO Macon, 11/28. 1742 w/news item on a new quasar. ID "Radio station KLTI in Macon, Missouri. Computer controlled programming." 1755 w/Missouri Network News. New. [TML-IN]

## UNIDS

- 730 unID 12/1 fair to poor. 1805 with NBC News, "Metro Scan" traffic report, call-in show "The Bottom Line." Soon lost in garbage and couldn't pick out a call. Any ideas? [RS-MO]
- 1470 unID 12/5 on top. 1805 out of Mutual News w/CST TC, mention that they couldn't air "Oklahoma News". Said "KKUI Weather" and a promo for "Great American Cowboy Show. C&W music. Lost by 1810. The "KKUI" call seemed very clear (tape replayed). Is this a call change I don't know about? Help! [JcJ-MT]

## IDING THE UNIDS

- Robert Wien offers some help on some unIDs in the 12/2 CDXR:
- 1340 [SA-MB]'s unID with the slogan "The wiz" could be WIZE, Springfield, Ohio.
- 1370 [SA-MB]'s unID might be KIKS, Iola, KS. Nothing logical, KIKS is the closest. More information needed.
- 1430 [SA-MB]'s unID "WXTZ" is EX-WIRE. This per M-Street Journal. Slogan is "W-ecstasy."
- 1580 [SA-MB]'s unID could be WSRF, closest in call letters, but a little late for them (0810).

CDXR Continues....

Thanks Bob. On the CFEZ-1570 Taber, Alberta call letter issue, Bob says his verie shows the call CFEZ. This should finally clear the confusion about this Alberta station being reported as CFUZ at times.

25 YEARS AGO

12/22/1964 issue of DX Monitor....DeWayne Bruce complained about the Christmas lights causing static....Frank Merrill, Jr. said snow had brought down his antenna, and his dog broke it off some more....Nick Hall-Patch brought yuletide greetings from Saint (?) Nick.



OPEN MIKE



Better to slip with the foot than the tongue. I hope all of you had a nice Christmas, and that the new year, 1990, will be filled with DX. Thanks to Randy and Tom we have a column this week! 73, John.

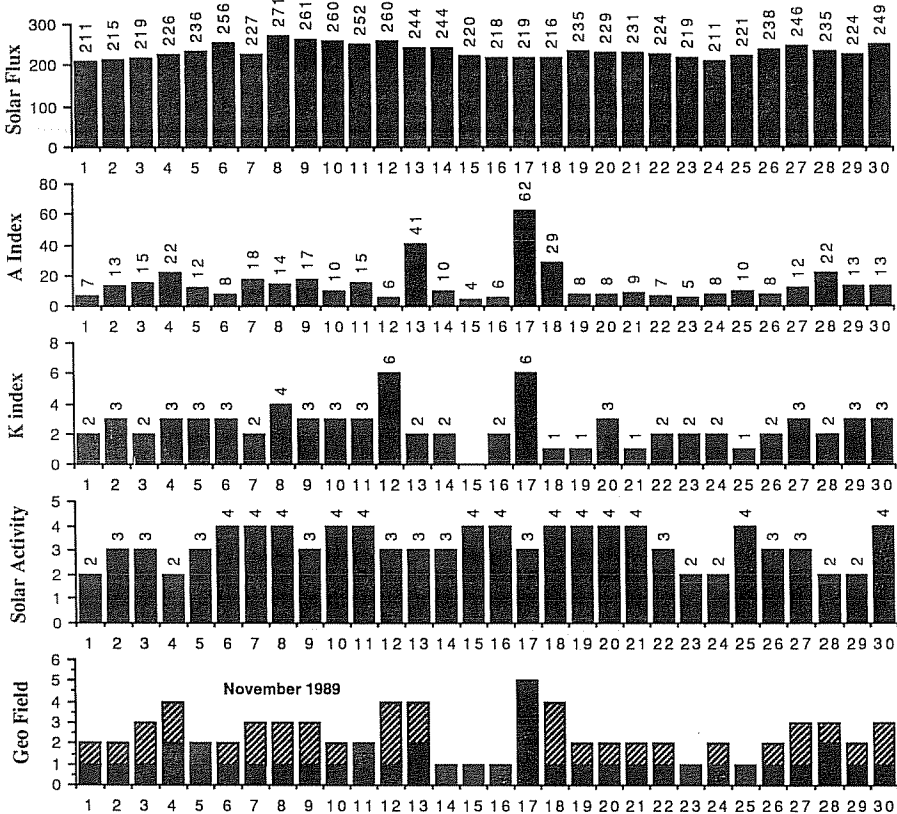
## Geomagnetic Indices

Here is the Geomagnetic activity for November 1989 taken directly from the WWV broadcast at 18 minutes past the hour (usually tabulated at 0518 or 0618). The bar graphs for the Solar Activity and Geomagnetic Field data have the following breakdown:

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| <p>Solar Activity</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Very Low</li> <li>2. Low</li> <li>3. Moderate</li> <li>4. High</li> <li>5. Very High</li> </ol> | <p>Geomagnetic Field</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Quiet</li> <li>2. Unsettled</li> <li>3. Active</li> <li>4. Minor Storm</li> <li>5. Major Storm</li> <li>6. Severe Storm</li> </ol> |
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When the Geomagnetic Field is given as a range (e.g. quiet to unsettled), I've tried to show that by superimposing a second bar graph on top the first, with a different fill code.

The month started off fairly quiet. There was a major storm on the 12th and quite a few flares scattered throughout the month. Flares occurred on 11/6-8, 10-11, 15-16, 18-21, 25 and 30, with corresponding Satellite Proton Events from 11/8-9, 27-29 and 30+. In addition, Polar Cap Absorption occurred on 10/9 and 30. Since the sun's cycle is actually 27 days (not 30 or 31), I'm thinking about doing this every 27 days rather than each month, so adjacent cycles can be compared easier. What do you folks think? phil bytheway.





# Eastern DX Roundup

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DEADLINE: Monday's at my QTH for ALL winter issues

- =====  
(KZ-NY) Karl Zuk, Croton-on-Hudson, NY; GE Superadio w/cattail antenna, whip, and hair-balls.  
(NJW-ON) Niel J. Wolfish, 178 Florence Ave., Willowdale, ONT., M2N 1G4 ICOM R71A w/80' longwire; Sony ICF-2010  
(KVJ-GA) Karl Jeter, 2115 Scarbrough Rd., Stone Mountain, GA-30088 HQ-150, ATS-803A, 4' Loop  
(RCR-PA) Robert C. Ritchey, 210 S. Walnut St., Martinsburg, PA-16662; DX-160, 400' longwire  
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- 516 YWA ON, PETAWAWA 12/3 0200 Morse code beacon w/25 watts; strong on the Superadio. (KZ-NY)  
800 WPJM SC, GREER 11/25 1715 oldies, "Classic Connection", SC Net Nx. (KVJ-GA)  
820 WXEZ IL, CHICAGO 11/25 1755 EZL, news, and spots for Homer's Furniture & Dodge cars. First time heard since old WAIT days! (KVJ-GA)  
830 WADU LA, NORCO 11/25 1830 w/WCCO nulled, beautiful mx, ID mentioning "Norco-Kenner", Power/Pattern change after ID. (KVJ-GA)  
830 WWMO NC, EDEN 11/25 1713 GOOD - BRIEFLY, religious mx, female DJ w/heavy southern accent, ID as "WMMO" by man. (RCR-PA)  
890 WHNC NC, HENDERSON 11/17 1556-1617 POOR w/MYL and at 1600: "Great songs, great memories, the original hits are coming to you on 890 WHNC, Henderson." Spots for Ford, Dr. Pepper. (NJW-ON)  
920 CJCH NS, HALIFAX 12/01 1742 GOOD w/rock mx, ID by man as "92 CJCH", PSA, series of ads. (RCR-PA)  
940 WMAZ GA, MACON 11/15 0730 POOR female said: "61 degrees at the WMAZ-News Center", into news. (NJW-ON)  
940 WCPC MS, HOUSTON 11/14 0730 POOR w/TC, ID, temp, into local nx, wx and sports. (NJW-ON)  
990 WEEB NC, SOUTHERN PINES 11/25 1859 u/WIVK w/start of Duke Univ. basketball game broadcast. (KVJ-GA)  
1000 WKMK FL, BLOUNTSTOWN 11/25 1833 loud signal, dominating frequency w/cw, spot for Quincy Mobile homes and firearms safety PSA...I wonder if they forgot to pull the switch? (KVJ-GA)  
1090 KAAV AR, LITTLE ROCK 11/24 1809 GOOD w/gospel mx, ID and wx by man, back to gospel mx. (RCR-PA)  
1130 KWKH LA, SHREVEPORT 11/27 1745 POOR in mess w/WCXI, WISN AND WDGY. Sports read by female, promo for KWKH Super Bowl Giveaway." (NJW-ON)  
1300 WLXG KY, LEXINGTON 11/25 1553-1614 POOR w/interference from WXRL and a gospel station. Oldies by the Beatles, CCR, etc., ID'ing as "WLXG-Classic 1300 AM." (NJW-ON)  
1310 WCCW MI, TRAVERSE CITY 11/26 1700 POOR w/CIWW; dual am/fm ID and slogan as "The Classic Hits Leader", into "Eus Stop" by the Hollies. (NJW-ON)  
1310 KNOX ND, GRAND FORKS 11/17 0700 POOR w/CIWW; ABC nx, spot for Century Creations on South Washington, and spot for Broadway Furniture. (NJW-ON)  
1310 WIBA WI, MADISON 11/17 0641 FAIR w/promo for college hockey (Wisconsin Badgers vs. Northern Michigan Wildcats); "the tradition continues on AM-1310, WIBA" into mx. (NJW-ON)  
1320 WFHR WI, WISCONSIN RAPIDS 11/27 1717 POOR w/Gordon Lightfoot record and promo for their FM affiliate (??), Dan Rather commentary. No sign of WJAS or WOBL. (NJW-ON)  
1340 WLEW MI, BAD AXE 11/27 0001 POOR w/UPI nx; s/off at 0005 by man w/SSB. (NJW-ON)

1470 WZGO PA, PORTAGE 11/27 1610 EXCELLENT, ex-WWML, new format, rock  
 oldies from 50s and 60s, ID's as "Z-Gold WZGO." (RCR-PA)  
 1490 WZOE IL, PRINCETON 11/19 0125 FAIR w/"Horse With No Name" by  
 America; 0127 announcement of an event at the Marshall County  
 Courthouse, calls and wx. (NJW-ON)  
 1580 WCCF FL, PUNTA GORDA 11/26 1948 GOOD w/Buccaneer Wrap-up Show,  
 Goodies Powder ad, ID as "1580 WCCF" by man. (RCR-PA)

UNIDENTIFIED'S

890 unID 11/17 1533 somebody w/a children's religious program. (NJW-ON)  
 1110 unID 11/26 0747 somebody w/"Ask the Professor" program sponsored by  
 the University of Detroit. Various Civil War questions asked;  
 lost before ID; POOR w/CKTY and WJML. (NJW-ON)  
 1310 unID 11/17 0640 POOR w/WIBA; PSA sponsored by the Kentucky     ?,  
 spot for Union 76 and Highland 76 (?). (NJW-ON)

COMMENTS

Thanks to all of this week's reporters. Remember that the DX season is  
 well upon us so crank up those receivers and send those loggings in.  
 Let's all work together to make IRCA the best BCB club around! Even if  
 you only have one or two loggings, send them in...every little bit  
 helps. And please remember to use ELT in the 24-hour format. I'm  
 mailing all columns to Don on Tuesday's in order to make the Saturday  
 issue date. Till next time, CONTINUED GOOD DX my friends...Mr. B

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP  
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as "K-J-T-T (or K-Jet) AM, 11-10, Oak Harbor." Station mgr,  
 Dave Bowden advises that FCC approval expected soon for 1000/  
 500 on 1520. Also due to personnel shortages, not using PSSA  
 authorization and s/off is 6pm local. Very friendly and  
 interested in QSL's. (RCW-WA)  
 1270 \*KPLY\* NV, Sparks 12/4 0414 with OC, then TT later on. XEAZ/KJUG in  
 their absence. (RW-CA)  
 1300?\*KAZN\*?CA, Pasadena 12/4 0417 suspected good with TT over KYNO/KROP/  
 KMPS, looping SE, then nice Japanese music, but never ID'd.  
 Music suggests KAZN. (RW-CA)  
 1340 KVIV TX, El Paso 12/7 0340 good in Spanish, local KRYT-1350 nulled.  
 Mexican music, "6-noted whistle," "Radio Viva" slogan. (CK-CO)  
 1450 KUUB MT, Bozeman 12/3 0406 end of news, "Cube" jingle, into Jim  
 Bohannon Show. Uses "Cube" slogans, not "Q-B" as I reported in  
 12/2 DXM. (Better signal this time). (CK-CO)  
 1470 KWIV WY, Douglas 12/5 2207 Wyoming Cowboys BKB on the "Wyoming Radio  
 Network." // 1030, 1260, 1270, 1290, 1330, 1450 & 1490. (CK)  
 1530 (KFBK) CA, Sacramento 12/4 0440 totally off. (RW-CA)  
 1580 KNIX AZ, Tempe changing calls to KCWW on 1/1/90, per phone call.  
 Will become center for new satellite C&W service. (RW-CA)

UNIDS

820 12/4 0346 unID TT good in KGO null, probably either WBAP or KGNW.  
 (RW-CA) (See Chris's tip above.--NH)  
 1210 12/4 0427 TT good o/u KEBR, looping N-S. Several possibilities.  
 Maybe KBSC? (RW-CA)  
 1400 12/1 0218 "Magic 105" slogan. Looped NNW-SSE. (CK-CO)  
 1400 12/1 0220 "Love 98.7 FM" slogan. Looped N-S. Rock music. (CK-CO)

Happy New Year to everyone! ♥

IRCA Finances Revisited

Your Secretary-Treasurer has been requested to correct a mis-statement that  
 we are saving an annual fee by using postage stamps instead of a First  
 Class Permit. The only annual fee we would have had to pay is for a permit  
 to mail ZIP+4 presort in order to save .9 cents per bulletin. The \$60 fee  
 for a permit to mail without postage stamps is a one-time fee. However,  
 the club now saves a minimum of 2.5 cents per bulletin by using philatelic  
 postage so a ZIP+4 presort mailing would cost more. On the other hand,  
 judging from the poor delivery times reported by most members, it is  
 possible we will eventually need to go to a permit to encourage the Postal  
 Service to process the bulletins more quickly.



# Western DX Forum

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Have received some interesting information from a couple of stations lately, and thought I'd pass it on. From KRRU 1480: "Our post sunset authority of 107 watts is only used Fri. and Sat. All other days we sign off at sunset." Can they do that? (Sure. The post sunset power is an option-Rth.) Also, the answer to why Neil and I have had such luck hearing local FB games at the Beverage site. From KRDC 1330: "In response to your question, KRDC has an assigned power of 50 watts at night, HOWEVER there is an FCC loophole which allows a station to stay on at full power after sundown if they are broadcasting a program which would otherwise be unattainable in the market. It's sort of categorized as public service. Therefore, you picked us up at 5 kw because we were airing Shasta College football. We also stay on at full power for Giants, Lakers, CBS sports and Costas Coast-to-Coast." So sports talk and beer commercials are public service? Rth, is this legit? (What a lousy attempt at snowing you, Tim, hi. I've had to power down in the middle of sports. And as I reported from WA, KRDC powered down in the middle of play-by-play - didn't wait 'til end of game that time. Jay, is what KRDC's saying true?-Rth.) Given the above info, the college sports list in the upcoming Almanac may prove to be a useful DX tool, especially for we WC DX'ers who had previously found the early evening hours an unproductive time to DX. Speaking of the Almanac, work is progressing (I know you've heard that before, but it's true, hi), the main problem being folks who promised to do certain sections not doing them. As work progresses on the delinquent sections, I'm gathering new info for the network lists and will update as many as possible prior to publication. Most are in good shape at this time. One last note - if you have any information on XE stations which you haven't reported to DXM, please send it to me at the above address. Neil Kazaross and I are doing our best to monitor the rapidly changing Mexican AM band in hopes of putting out a new IRCA Mexican list in the near future. The new list will be computer-generated and available sorted several different ways for your convenience. Thanks and good DX.  
73 de TRH

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Greetings! Well, the big 4-0 (as in years) is just around the corner (January) and already my warranty is starting to run out. A recent visit to the Eye Doc found me needing (dare I say it?) Bifocals. It was at that moment I suddenly realized a need to get a decent typewriter (no more hand-scribbling reports to Ric) and also made a vow to double space my reports to keep Ric away from becoming the next candidate for bifocals, hi. (No, just glasses period, hi-Rth.) On a more serious note, I've ordered my Almanac and a gift sent to HQ. I can't imagine not sticking by my club. Hoping others will be able to do likewise. The radios (ICF-2010 and ICOM R-70) have arrived and now I'm waiting for the R. West loop to arrive from PA. Using a Palomar "active," the BCB is fair at best with the JJs dominating the dial; a few CC have been noted; and aside from local FEN 648, the only other EE station is FEBC 1188 Seoul. Long-term plan is to do an update of Nick Hall-Patch and Paul Routenburg's "Transpacific Shortwave Parallels" list done in (I think) October 1986 (Reprint #F82-3). However, I doubt I'll be completed before the 1989/90 season is over. Stay tuned for late breaking details, and have a Happy Holiday Season and Happy New Year of DX! 73.

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Happy 1990's! Hey Mike, I've got 3 years on you and just getting around to reading glasses - maybe, hi. Tim, back in September from Reid Wheelers house in Olympia, WA Monday Night FB was dominating 1330, and it turned out to be KRDC well after sunset. What you're being told by KRDC differs with what we heard; right in the middle of the game they suddenly dropped out of sight, presumably to 50 watts. Now I know IDs are given only at the beginning and end of a program so as not to interrupt continuity (The Messiah for example) at KNBA (granted this was before post sunset) I had to pull the plug on the last race from Golden Gate Fields because it was sunset. I also found out just how many people actually listened to the ponys, hi. Jay called me regarding a possible service for the club. A computer bulletin board for radio/DX-related information and whatever else we can think up with a Sacramento home base. My knowledge of computers is limited to airline computers, but some of you computer wiz kids out there might be interested. Like your feedback on this. And through the grapevine, word is not to look for anything new in the Sacto area for a while, nor any changes. Mike, hope you get your shack fully setup; looking forward to your DX from Okinawa. Your mention of a few CC reminds me of the days before 9 kHz spacing when China had a mega watt station on 1040 and was nearly local-like some mornings back in the '60s. That's it for another week. Best of DX in the new year and 73 de Rth. .



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I have not written for ten months, primarily because I have not had the time to DX. Seems that work and PTA activities (I enjoy working with kids) keep me occupied. Last time I rolled in a lot of new catches was when WJBX-1450 here went silent. The six weeks that passed before 1450 came back with Spanish WCUM allowed four new catches on 1450 and one on 1460. Present totals at our present location and our prior suburban Philadelphia home are 1006 received, veries attempted from 912 stations; 722 have verified - modest totals. This winter will see me hit the dials again. Like many of you I enjoy visiting stations -- often to do a history for a column I have ort of neglected in another DX publication. In anticipation of some visits next summer, could someone send directions to the locations of AM stations in suburban Chicago, Youngstown, Ohio, and Pittsburgh? Rich, I will certainly try to contribute to your column when either DX or station visits yield information. Bt the way, metropolitan Danbury, CT, 25 miles away has four AM stations, all of which format different forms of oldies. WINE-940 Brookfield plays rock oldies, on "Solid Gold 940", WREF-850 Ridgefield formats a mix of adult standards and soft rock oldies, with lots of local news and information, WLAD-800 "Radio 80", Danbury formats a blend of rock oldies and adult contemporary music, with information galore during AM Drive, and WPUT-1510, eleven miles west, in Brewster, NY, formats adult standards and soft rock oldies, with CNN news feed, and local information for Putnam County. Geov Parrish questions that with WMCA dropping its financial news for religion, which AM station will offer business news in NY. Answer--according to NY Newsday, WPAT-930 is looking at possibly a satellite feed for business news, and WQXR-1560 is starting to program talk during the day, digressing from the total simulcast of its FM's classical-fine arts format. WPAT AM-FM have for years simulcast easy listening music, but the AM now carries local college sports and this digression may lose it the generous ratings that the station has enjoyed in the Arbitrons. All for now.

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Greetings! I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving, and is well on the way to preparing for Christmas...I had a week off at Thanksgiving, but with visiting relatives, I was unable to get much DXing in, despite having some free time. Conditions as well haven't been the greatest, either, as we seem to alternate between Spring-like "static-y" and winter conditions. All of this adds up to no DX to report to EDXR! A local change on the FM dial which also impacts on AM: in Nov., WQXI-FM "94-Q" changed to WSTR "Star 94", and as this is pretty much 100% simulcasted on AM, anyone hearing this call/slogan on 790 has WQXI-AM. Yes, the classic Atlanta calls are retained on AM, except the only time you will hear them mentioned is at the top-of-the-hour ID. Format, strangely enough, remains almost identical to the old 94-Q, the so-called "Hot A.C." (or CHR without the heavy metal and rap). 17-year-veteran morning man Gary McKee was replaced with a team from San Diego, Jack Murphy and Terrence McKeever (seems like I read they were from KSON), and to date, they are the only on-air DJs on the station. The other big change was the return of the nightly (1900-2300) "Jazz Flavors" program. I had intended to tape the actual call change but unfortunately, a well-placed power failure stopped that effort (that being the same night as the deadly weather across the SE, including the Huntsville tornado) and I wasn't ready with a battery-powered alternative. My verie total has been stuck at 1389 for awhile now...I sure would like to pass that 1400 mark by year's end, but it would take a mighty effort, hi! Return percentage so far this year is running behind last year's-to-date, 68% to 76%. Most unusual response from a station lately was from KLEB-1600; they sent 3 bumper stickers, 2 pens, a key chain/knife, 4 45-rpm records (all of which were unknown country demos) and for the verie, a note scrawled on the back of a business card! Well, I have scheduled another week off at Christmas, so maybe I'll have some good DX to report. Until then, 73's.

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Greetings! Just a few quick update notes. I finally got my IRCA technical reprints about two months ago. Ralph Sanserino has done a fine job with what was a heavy 271-page order from me. I can't wait to get some of these projects underway this winter, especially the various antenna designs. Thanks go to Karl Zuk for the postcard he sent me in response to my forum about his new column in Monitoring Times. Karl, if these communications magazines are mad at our clubs just because they feel there is no promotional reciprocation, then it's nothing that can't be solved by a gentlemen's agreement. Also, thanks to Shawn Axelrod for his reply to my questions about the use of special computer power line supply wiring to cut down on line noise. Shawn, I'm still interested in possibly using this solution someday, however I feel that it is a little more than I want to be involved with at this time because of installation difficulties. In addition, I failed to mention in my first letter that I live about a half mile away from a massive substation complete with large high tension towers along a railway. On humid and rainy days you can hear the electricity crackle as it leaks to ground. It's that bad. I've not asked Toledo Edison to do anything about it because under the circumstances I don't feel there is much that can be done. As for TV interference, I plan to try a number of pre-manufactured and kit RFI filters at the set itself. If these don't work, I will use an insulation transformer as I agree with you that it clears up the horizontal pulse noise quite well. If you shop around, Shawn, you can buy a good isolation transformer for much less than \$300. I bought a brand new 500 watt Triad for \$79 at a local parts distributor. Still not cheap, but not out of sight either. Finally, I noted at the end of your letter that you said you water the ground rod in your receiver's antenna system to insure better reception. I agree with that too, Shawn, but I just can't pass up the obviously cheap one-liner: Will it bloom for you in spring? Till next time, 73's.

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To follow up on last week's Forum, my eye infection turned out to be an ulcerated cornea which had become infected, and probably has been bothering me for at least two to three months. (It apparently started as a scratch on the eyeball which became infected.) Needless to say, a visit a day to the doctor makes it hard to get other things done, hi. In regards to the 12/2 DXM, I have no problems with an expansion of the club's focus to a range of 510 to 1720 kcs. I just feel that the By-Laws have to be amended first. If we don't follow the C&B-L's, then why have them, and what was the purpose of setting up this club? On the EDXF/WDXF borders, the Mississippi River was chosen for two reasons. It's a readily recognizable divider, and it cut the old CDXF roughly in half. The boundary is not chiseled in granite or marble, but neither Ric nor I have the authority to alter it on a reporter by reporter basis since it is in the club's Editorial Policy. Certainly any changes should have the approval of both editors. I suppose the logical change would be to one editor, but then the workload gets too much at times for one guy who's strictly a volunteer for the job anyway. On Rick Dau's geographical comments, in trucking, TX, OK, NM, AR, LA (west of the Miss. R.) and southern MO are "south-western" while northern MO, KS, NE, IA, MN, SD, ND, CO (Denver and east), northern WI and MI's UP are "midwestern". Southern WI, lower MI, IL, IN, OH, the western tip of NY, PA west of a line running north/south between Pittsburgh and Greensburg are considered Central States. NY, PA, WV, NJ, DE, MD and VA are Middle Atlantic. VA, KY and below are Southern. These are the divisions I normally go by. That's it for this time. 73.

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Well, I certainly haven't contributed anything to these pages in quite some time. All is well in this part of the country at the moment with DX'ing beginning here as the cold weather moves in. I haven't spent a great deal of time at the dials in the past couple of years due to the distractions of a new daughter (who, by the way, is fascinated by my array of radio gear). Actually, I have been checking the bands once or twice a week over the past couple of years but never seem to accumulate enough tips to contribute in a timely manner. I have begun collecting old time radio shows (I have about 150 hours of them right now) as well as radio station metal promotional tokens (these meld my radio and coin collecting hobbies). Locally, WFXP-980 went silent in October (despite their being rated number one in the balloting of favorite radio stations by the local newspaper last spring). They were the only stereo AM station in the immediate area and played a nice mix of oldies but that's the way it goes, I guess. WRBK-1090 has come on the air recently, however. They play music of the '30's and '40's (it is in Flomaton, AL but offices are at 312 E. Nine Mile Road, Pensacola) and are owned by former WCOA-1370 exec. Gordon Towne. Other matters, please note my new mailing address. The USPO decided to build a new post office a year or so ago that is extremely inconvenient to me (I only get to check my box every month or two instead of daily) so my responding to correspondence has been delayed. Please use the above address in the future. Finally, has anyone tried the new ARC (Amplified Receiving Component) from Parsec? It's a very attractive (looks like a stereo component) AM/FM antenna. The AM section apparently has a loop inside the cabinet that is rotatable, has a gain control, and variable (wide/narrow) selectivity. It's not tilttable but it sure looks interesting for \$130. I may get one to try out; I'll write a review if I do. Parsec's number is (302) 651-9189. That's about it from here. 73's..GT

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Seasons Greetings to all. I recently picked up a copy of the premier issue of "Radio Chicago", a radio guide for Chicagoland. It contains a list of AM and FM stations in Chicago along with addresses and program schedules. The list of AM stations is not complete. They left out WLS! Was this a slip up or was WLS left out due to ratings? On Nov. 3rd from 0020-0110 had what sounded like a test tone on 1660. Hd the proper loop bearing for the Wash., D.C. area. This did not sound like the beacons frequently heard around this frequency. Just steady tone. Unfortunately no ID on the top of the hour and was too tired to hang around another hour. Was using my FRG-7 with poor calibration above the ECB. But had the same signal using the R390. A tentative reception report was sent. The new WY2Q-1560, Hazard, Ky, is a pest. They were in at s/on the first 5 days of Dec. WINV-1560 has also been heard along with WSLA. Reception conditions are very noisy here. Have the same problem as Karl Forth. It gets worse around sunset when street lights and indoor lights come on. The 60hz static can at times knock out weak signals. Let's all do what we can to keep the IRCA going! 73's.

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DXing here has been slow of late mostly due to the fact that my Sony ICF-2010 was zapped for the third time. I've decided that it isn't worth trying to fix as its front end is just too sensitive and susceptible to damage by static discharge. I'm now looking for a good used ICOM R71-A. Right now, I'm using my ham transceiver for MW DXing but it has very "muddy" audio and makes it difficult to ID very weak signals. Speaking of ham radio, if there are any ahms out there who would like to meet on the air and discuss MW DXing, drop me a line. I've been getting together with Chris Knight (NO1JK) on the 20 meter band and discussing DXing, exchanging tips, and all kinds of stuff. We've been meeting on or about 14258 USB on Sunday nights around 2200 EST. I also had the pleasure of meeting Rick Nau on Nov. 18 at the Purdue-Iowa game in West Lafayette. We both had a pretty good time and even managed to do a little DXing from my car near

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