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DX CALENDAR

Sun. Feb. 25	WLBK 1360	DeKalb, IL	1kw	0100-	EST NRC/CCM
Mon. 26	KRXY 1600	Lakewood, CO	5kw	(0200-0300*)	EST NRC/CCM
	WBIU 1210	Denham Spgs, LA	1kw/10kw	0530-0600	EST NRC/CCM
Sat. Mar. 3	KABC 790	Los Angeles, CA	5kw	0300-	EST ANARC
Sun. 4	KWCK 1300	Searcy, AR	5kw ND	0300-0330	EST NRC/CCM
Mon. 12	KTHO 590	S. Lake Tahoe, CA	2500w	0400-0430	EST NRC/CCM
	KLLK 1250	Willits, CA	5400/2700w	0430-0500	EST NRC/CCM
Sun. 18	WLBE 790	Leesburg, FL	5kw	0330-0400	EST NRC/CCM
	WQBQ 1410	Leesburg, FL	5kw	0400-0430	EST NRC/CCM

WLBK-1360, P. O. Box 448, DeKalb, IL 60115 will conduct a DX TEST on 2/25/90 beginning at 0100 EST. This test will include both voice and code IDs. Thanks to Mr. Jim Casey, CE, WA9KVJ. Jim can be found on 40 meters at 7180 kHz most evenings. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for NRC.
KRXY-1600, per a last-moment phone call from Wayne Heinen, will have a rare silent period 0200-0300 EST or later while installing an NRSC-1 filtering system. IRCA thanks both Mr. Girard Westerberg, Chief Engineer, and Wayne Heinen for this info. -Wayne Heinen/phone
KABC-790, Los Angeles, CA, has had several previous DX Shows as part of the Ray Briem Show. This one, starting Midnight PST on Friday night, 0300 EST on Sat. morning, will be on KABC only. Unlike most of DX Calendar, this is part of regular programming; Ray Briem is, himself, an experienced SWL. Listed as ANARC above, it is not actually affiliated with any particular group. George Wood, from Radio Sweden, will be in the studio along with Stewart Mac Kenzie of ASWLC. A chat is planned with Don Schmidt of SCADS, and tentatives include a rep from "Affordable Portables", Tom Meijer of Radio Nederland, and Steve Miller of Radio West, Vista, CA. Info received from Greg Hardison, a KABC employee.
WBIU-1210, P. O. Box 68, Denham Springs, LA 70727-0068 will conduct a DX TEST on 2/26/90, 0530-0600 EST. The test will consist of tone, voice and Morse Code IDs. Reports to Mr. Sam North. Arranged by CCM for NRC.
KWCK-1300, Drawer 1300, Searcy, AR 72143 will conduct a Special DX Test on Sunday 3/4/90, 0300-0330 EST. KWCK will operate with 5kw ND and the test will include Morse Code IDs. Reports to Mr. Ken Simmons, Operations Director. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the NRC.

The remainder of DX Calendar write-ups are unchanged from last issue. -DEE

Bulletin Schedule

Future bulletins will be dated 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. Anniversary Issue will be Saturday, March 17, 1990, celebrating 26 years since IRCA's formation as National Radio Club, Inc., shortly thereafter changed to IRCA. The first issue of our bulletin was dated March 17, 1964. This year's Anniversary Issue will coincide with issue #25 but the publishing schedule will probably change in future years so that the Anniversary Issue will be #24, the historical first issue #. A more detailed explanation will appear in a future club history. -DEE

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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 Deadlines: 2/24, 3/10, 3/24, etc. * * * compiled 2/12/90

In our unending quest to improve the usefulness of BI, I'm gonna try creating two new listings at the top of the column with the information you can really use...

OFF THE AIR

call	KHz	power/antenna	state/city
WECH	1490	1000/1000	ND FL MILTON was ctry, now silent, to be religion upon sale
KDLB	1590	500/	ND-D OK HENRYETTA was country, reported silent

ON THE AIR

KBUC	830	250/250	DA-1 TX CIBOLO new station on the air
WKZA	960	1000/	ND-D PA KANE was silent, back on w/rock oldies
WPIE	1160	1000/500	DA-2 NY TRUMANSBURG new, adult contemporary
WSJR	1230	1000/1000	ND ME MADAWASKA was silent, back on with AC
WLVC	1340	1000/1000	ND ME FORT KENT was silent, back on with AC
CHRV	1480	10000/10000	DA-2 PQ DRUMMONDVILLE was silent, back on

MORE NEW STATIONS

KQSR	660	5000/5000	DA-2 ND WILLISTON granted extension of time
new	700	2500/850	? TX FORNEY new station application
KVGR	720	1000/500	DA-2 CA TEMPLETON requests extension of time
WRBR	720	5000/	ND-D MS RICHLAND granted extension of time
WKNL	760	2500/	DA-D TN KNOXVILLE requests extension of time
KKVV	1060	5000/	DA-D NV LAS VEGAS wants CP to reinstate exp permit
new	1100	10000/1000	DA-2 CA BAKERSFIELD new station reapplication
WNHA	1140	10000/	DA-D NH CONCORD granted CP to reinstate exp permit
WKWA	1160	10000/1000	DA-N AL MOBILE granted extension of time
WELX	1160	500/250	ND FL CALLAHAN wants ext. of time (+ sync. xmtr)
WBCQ	1180	700/	DA-D PA QUAKERTOWN granted extension of time
WMII	1330	700/500	DA-2 TN HENDERSONVILLE granted reinst. of exp. CP
WWLO	1430	2500/	DA-D FL GAINESVILLE granted extension of time

CHANGES IN EXISTING FACILITIES

call	KHz	power/antenna	state/city
KIAM	630	5000/1000	ND AK NENANA applies for 5000 w ND nights
KHDL	630	1000/32	DA-1 WA OPPORTUNITY reapplies to move to 840 KHz; 50000/250 w DA-N
KTCJ	690	500/	DA-D MN MINNEAPOLIS reapplies for 1500/500 w
KPBC	770	10000/1000	DA-2 TX GARLAND on the air ex-1040 KHz, Dallas TX
KKMC	880	10000/1000	DA-2 CA GONZALES app. returned for 50000/2500 w
WSML	1190	1000/	DA-D NC GRAHAM granted ext. of time for 1200 move
WWES	1270	1000/	ND-D VA HOT SPRINGS app. dismissed for 5000/ ND-D
KSHY	1370	1000/	ND-D WY CHEYENNE granted ext of time for 1530 move
WINU	1510	1000/	DA-D IL HIGHLAND granted ext. of time for 880 move
KTER	1570	250/	ND-D TX TERRELL applies for 600 w DA-D only
WPUL	1590	1000/	ND-D FL SOUTH DAYTONA applies for 4500 w ND-D
KSSA	1600	5000/1000	DA-N TX COCKRELL HILL applies for 215 w nights

CALL LETTER CHANGES

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

KSMI	660	CA Orcutt is now	* KGDP	WMRZ	1230	IL Moline is now	WLLR
WLOR	730	GA Thomasville	WSTT	KSSC	1230	MO Joplin	\$ KWAS
KRTH	930	CA Los Angeles	\$* KKHJ	WKJN	1300	LA Baton Rouge	WIBR
KRIA	930	TX Terrell Hills	\$ KISS	KIOT	1310	CA Barstow	\$ KIQQ
WBNN	1030	IN Union City	WBYG	KFKF	1340	KS Kansas City	\$* KNHN
WJBU	1080	FL Port St. Joe	WJOE	KICX	1360	NE McCook	* KNGN
KVOJ	1130	TX Edna	\$* KTRM	KHTX	1400	CA Truckee	KHTZ
WAIA	1170	FL St. Augustine Beach	\$* WAIA	KDOK	1490	TX Tyler	\$ KYZS
				WCZE	1530	FL Babson Park	WXPQ
KAMJ	1230	AZ Phoenix	* KPMX	WXXO	1600	FL Winter Garden	* WXTO
WBAB	1240	NY Freeport	\$ WGBB				

CALL LETTER CHANGES THAT NEVER HAPPENED: WCHB-1440 Inkster MI never changed to WMKM; those calls instead will go to the new CP on 1200 in Taylor MI, which has the same owners as the old WCHB. The WMKM calls, incidentally, are for a business news format and stand for "Make Money." EEEccccchhhhh!! (It's a shame Kokomo IN already has "WIOU"...)

FORMAT CHANGES (new & silent stn are now at the beginning of the column)

WGTO 540 FL PINE HILLS was religion, now rock oldies
 KKWM 570 TX DALLAS AC "Warm" // FM, to be sold to owners of KLIF-1190, who will // their news-talk format until they sell 1190 KHz
 KGDP 660 CA ORCUTT was KSMI, traditional country, back to these calls and religious programming (Riordan-CA)
 WBBO 780 NC FOREST CITY new age // FM, to be rlgd w/new calls upon sale
 WGRt 810 IN INDIANAPOLIS was gospel, now fine arts // WSYW-FM
 WAIT 850 IL CRYSTAL LAKE was oldies, now easy listening
 KCLW 900 TX HAMILTON was country, CHR, now rock oldies & CHR
 KKJH 930 CA LOS ANGELES was KRTH, rock oldies, to be Spanish upon sale
 CKXY 1040 BC VANCOUVER was CHR, now AoR "Rock 1040"
 WAMT 1060 FL TITUSVILLE was country, now Spanish
 KWJj 1080 OR PORTLAND was country, now traditional country
 KTMR 1130 TX EDNA was KVOJ, religious, now Spanish to Victoria
 WHWY 1170 FL ST. AUGUSTINE BEACH was WAIA, remains travellers info.
 KPMX 1230 AZ PHOENIX was KAMJ, adult contemporary, now talk, sports
 WXXU 1300 FL COCOA BEACH was gospel // WXXO, now Spanish // WXTO
 WLIF 1300 MD BALTIMORE was WFBR, business news, now AC // FM "Lite 102"
 KLBO 1330 TX MONAHANS was country, now satellite adult contemporary
 KNHN 1340 KS KANSAS CITY was KFKE, country // FM, now all news
 WFMJ 1390 OH YOUNGSTOWN adult stds, takes the MOYL format of WHOT-1330, which has bought 1390 & will run // until it sells 1330
 WQIC 1450 MS MERIDIAN was WMDN, adult contemporary, now black
 WMAJ 1450 PA STATE COLLEGE was rock oldies, now adult standards
 KEYG 1490 WA GRAND COULEE was country // FM, now satellite country
 WSBV 1560 VA SOUTH BOSTON was CHR, country, now religion
 KZOK 1590 WA SEATTLE was SMN "Kool" oldies, now SMN "Z-Rock" heavy metal
 WXTO 1600 FL WINTER GARDEN was WXXO, gospel, now Spanish to Orlando

Salvaging the good reputation of a contributor Dept.: last month I ran that Mike Riordan sent in an item that KESP-1290, which was country, was off the air. Mike reported, and I knew perfectly well, that they were Spanish. (I even used their calls for a trivia? a couple months ago!) Musta had country on the brain. Sorry Mike. Oh, and they're still off.

On the other hand, often BI is TOO fast now: I report changes at times just before they happen, cuz I often talk w/networks, program & equipment suppliers, stn personnel, etc. as well as BI contributions and DX reports. Particularly with stn sales or changes in larger cities, format or call changes (e.g., KGNR to KCTC) might not take effect immediately. Keep listening - and if it doesn't happen as scheduled, let me know so we can run any needed correction. Just the price ya gotta pay for having the fastest, most complete station info available to DXers anywhere...

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

KKWM-570-TX*, KYJC-610-OR, WFGH-620-SC, WWAX-750-PA, WBBO-780-NC*, WPIC-790-PA, KHLO-850-HI, WRMR-850-OH, KWOF-850-IA, WGCN-910-SC, KFEL-970-CO, KKIM-1000-NM, WCCD-1000-OH, WPYK-1010-AL, WTSJ-1050-OH, KAHU-1060-HI, KACO-1090-TX, WWWW-1100-OH (sold to former owners of WRMR-850), KEZQ-1150-AR, WSNW-1150-SC, WBCQ-1180-PA (unbuilt CP), WGAR-1220-OH (splits from FM), KOTS-1230-NM, KTDQ-1230-OR, KKFN-1230-SD, WOCC-1240-MA, WZBO-1260-NC, WYYN-1270-FL, KVCL-1270-LA, KDIA-1310-CA, KEIN-1310-MT, KZAM-1320-OR, WSGG-1330-AL, WYCB-1340-DC, KLID-1340-MO, KORQ-1340-TX, KAPA-1340-WA, WIOU-1350-IN, KLFF-1360-AZ, WRSR-1360-NY, WLTG-1370-NC, WSPF-1380-NC, KHOB-1390-NM (now silent), WFMJ-1390-OH*, WMCS-1400-ME, KBCH-1400-OR, WMML-1410-AL, KTMF-1410-CA, WKTH-1410-MI, KCUL-1410-TX, KRIL-1410-TX, KSES-1420-CA, WZYX-1440-TN, KATE-1450-MN, WBPA-1460-KY, WBZN-1460-WI, WECM-1490-FL*, WWSR-1490-FL, KRIB-1490-IA, KFBN-1490-MT, WPAK-1490-VA, WGEN-1500-IL, WPGA-1500-IL, KMND-1510-TX, WTKM-1540-WI, KSRB-1570-AR (now silent), WFEL-1570-MD

STATION SALES THAT FAILED: WKGN-1340-TN

Much of the station data for this column comes from weekly issues of The M Street Journal and assorted DX Monitor columns. Other contributors this issue: Mike Riordan (Goleta CA)



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DX Worldwide - West

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DEADLINE: TUESDAYS

We have a good turnout for you this week. Along with reports from Dave Williams and Tim Hall, John Bryant went out on another DXpedition. Also we have a report from Doug Lamerson in Honolulu that KULA is now testing on 1460 KHZ with a tape loop and tones. Power is 5 KW and should be coming on soon. Doug said within a couple of weeks. Format should be Soft Rock. Anyone hearing the station should send reports to: Robert N. Palitz C.E.-KULA-970 North Kalaheo Avenue-Kailua, HI 96743. Transmitter/Tower is located in Honolulu and is using KSKS/KIKI tower. Also 1380-KIPO (ex KLNI) should be back on the air soon, NPR type station with Jazz and information format. Also 5KW. Also the ICRT station in Taiwan should be moving to 1566 from 1548 soon with 10KW. Also this from Doug Lamerson. Thx for the info. On with reports:

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 630 MEXICO, Guadalajara-XETK 1/31 1348 Fair through KHOW w/ID by man, "La T-K" and "Radio T-K" slogans, local ads. New XE #169 (TRH-CA)
- 640 MEXICO, Unid-SM 2/4 0715-0915 Spent two hours trying to ID the station u/KFI. Faded up a couple of times w/dance mx, possible live remote from a disco. Thought I hrd a couple of "Radio Fresnillo" IDs, suggesting XEYQ. After 0900 I hrd completely different programming which sounded more like a Cuban. Still need XEYQ. (TRH-CA)
- 660 MEXICO, Unid 1/31 1337 Ad read by man, then possible mention of Aquí en Chihuahua." Possibly XEACB still needed here. (TRH-CA)
- 670 MEXICO, Torreón XETOR 1/31 1321 Poor-fair but steady u/KBOI/KWNK/GMT -6 TC a couple of local ads and songs. New XE#168 (TRH-CA)
- 820 HONDURAS, HRLP16 (presumed) 2/4 0704 Poor but easily identifiable u/WBAP w/distinctive flute signature. Semi-regular catch now. Frequent use of "Radio Moderna" slogans, but few if any local mentions.
- 850 MEXICO, Hermosillo XEUS 2/4 0122 Fair-good w/KOA. (TRH-CA)
Classical mx pgm //SW6115. (TRH-CA)
- 920 MEXICO, Ensenada-XESDA Extensive monitoring in late January and early February yielded the following info: Schedule is 1400-0802 w/XE anthem at s/on and s/off. Full ID at s/on and s/off, unlikely to ID more than once during the day. Power is 2.5 KW (although I suspect the night power is 250 watts or less). Address sounded like Avenida Juarez 529, Ensenada, B.C. Mentioned that they serve listeners on the Tijuana-Ensenada Highway. Best chance for WC DXers to hear this one is at 1400 s/on, when they come on w/2.5 KW and give a full ID. All other XE stations on 920 s/on at 1200 or 1300 and usually faded out by this time. (TRH-CA) (Thx for the info.PM)
- 950 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEKAM returned to the air sometime in early Feb. without the spurs on 890 and 1010. Lets see how long it lasts. (TRH)
- 1030 MEXICO, Los Mochis XEMCM? 2/4 0117 Fair on top of channel w/ad for some event taking place in Culiacan. "Radio Fama" IDs. Is anyone else hearing this one, and if so, can you confirm call letters?(TRH)
- 1600 MEXICO, Tecate XETCT Regarding Dale Parks recent logging, the signs at the border (which you practically drove by my house to get to,hi) are for the TIS station on 1610, which has been inactive since 1985 and is unlikely to return now that Balboa Park has a strong TIS on 1610 which is audible all the way to the border. XETCT is EE mx(CHR) but strictly SS anmts. (TRH-CA)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 550 HAWAII, Wailuku-KMVI- noted at 0455 w/excellent dominant signals Discussion of local Hawaiian events and TCs for Hawaii. (JB-WA*)
- 594 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOAK-JJ talk from 1100-1140 2/3 (DW-OR)
- 648 AMERICAN SAMOA, Pago Pago-WVUV. First noted at 0630, half hour after SS at TX as a het. In audio for many hours. Superb peaks. Wx was predicted 100 Knot winds and high surf. Noted for many hours. Peaks were into S-6 range. Western Samoa 1062, 1251 unheard, others unchecked, too lousy. (JB-WA*)

648 U.S.S.R., Vladivostok-presumed in language, poor 1640 UTC. (JB-WA*)
666 NEW CALEDONIA, Noumea-FR3,het noted at 0830 for 1 1/2 hrs or so.
666 UNID, Hrd unknown language Asian type at 1500, closed (JB-WA*)
with 3+1 time pips and off. Would swear not JJ. (JB-WA*)
684 FIJI, Radio One hrd 1323 moderate level at 0905 (JB-WA*)
Noted at 1505 seemed // to 891 for Fijian Radio One which was also
noted. Believe at least some Fijian channels are AN now. (JB-WA*)
(Yes, they have been for some time now.PM)
693 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOAB 1100-1140 JJ talk on 2/3. (DW-OR)
*Also presumed open carrier at 1506.
702 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2BL hrd quite early 0915. Was strongest of many
Aussies hrd through night. Highest level around S7 or S8. Vy
steady. (JB-WA*)
738 TAHITI, FR3-Noted noted 0515 25-30 minutes after SS at tx. Monitor-
ed AN, //s on SW both noted, vy weak. (JB-WA*)
747 WESTERN SAMOA (?) het and some audio around 0830-0930.(JB-WA)(John,
Western Samoa is still on 1404, hasn't moved to 747 as yet. Maybe
JJ.PM)
760 HAWAII, Honolulu-KGU-at 0500 w/beginning of College Baseball game.
"KGU Hawaii's first in News. Good. (JB-WA*)
774 FIJI, Suva-Radio Fiji 2 0636. (JB-WA*)
AUSTRALIA, Melbourne-3LO-presumed this at 1520, exc. signal.(JB-WA*)
783 U.S.S.R., Presumed Slavic language programming,poor at 1610.(JB-WA*)
792 AUSTRALIA, Brisbane-4QG noted at 1045, MOR mx. (JB-WA*)
837 AUSTRALIA, Rockhampton-4RK-noted from 1045, Moderate signal.(JB-WA*)
JAPAN, Niigata-JOQK-1140 UTC 2/3. JJ Old MOR mx. (DW-OR)
846 JAPAN, NHK, JJ MOR mx. 1140 2/3. (DW-OR)
KIRIBATI, First hrd at 0730 monitored for many hours. (JB-WA*)
AUSTRALIA, Cairns-4CA, peak at 1030,fair. (JB-WA*)
855 AUSTRALIA, Maryborough/Eidsvoid-4QB/4QO,ABC net 1045. (JB-WA*)
873 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2GB- presumed moderately 1045. (JB-WA*)
891 FIJI, Latoka-Radio Fiji 2, vy strong signals throughout night.//
on 774 also most of the night. Hindi programming. "this is Radio
Two in Suva" ID on hour. (JB-WA*)
927 UNID, did not sound Aussie 1045 (JB-WA*) (Prob. Fiji.PM)
954 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOKR-boring talk by 2 men in JJ good level 1520(JB-WA*)
972 SOUTH KOREA, HLC-A-Female talking until fade at 1630.Good level and
// to 6015. 972 was louder. (JB-WA*)
981 UNID, Commercial Aussie noted w/excellent signal at 1045-1055 tune
out. (JB-WA*)(3HA has been hrd. PM)
990 HAWAII, Honolulu-KHVV-struggling w/ XECL Mexicali, AN (JB-WA*)
1017 TONGA, A3Z-first noted 0547 3/4 hr before SS in Tonga. Followed
throughout the night. Did not do normal s/off at 1005, though
played choral NA at 1003. Last hrd at 1614 w/poly talk and Island mx
Best program was tune in "The World Tomorrow totally about sexually
transmitted diseases. Did not check SW //. (JB-WA*)
1035 SOLOMON ISLANDS, Radio Hapi Isles-SIBC dominated co-channel NZ sta-
tion for 15-20 minutes 0845-0900. // 5020 SW. (JB-WA*)
NEW ZEALAND, Wellington-2ZB-noted from 0730 for many hrs. (JB-WA*)
1053 JAMMER, Bubble jammer noted vy strongly from 1500-1530. Presumed
Korea. (JB-WA*)
JAPAN, Nagoya-JOAR-Good level long after dawn on coast,JJ program-
ming at 1602. (JB-WA*)
1080 NEW ZEALAND, Auckland-1ZB came up and dominated 50KW KWJJ in Port-
land for a few minutes after SS at 0725. No ID but NZ accents and
programming. (JB-WA*) (Good catch.PM)
1098 MARSHALL ISLANDS, Majuro, first noted 0542, 30 min after SS at tx.
Monitored most of night. Last noted at 1142 recheck. (JB-WA*)
1116 AUSTRALIA, Brisbane-4BC-at 1055,fair. (JB-WA*)
1134 SOUTH KOREA, KBS presumed in KK at 1525 good level. (JB-WA*)
1188 t WALLIS AND FUTUNA, FRO-weak warbly het noted from 0715 for about 2
hours. Tx sounded sick. (JB-WA*)
1242 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOLF-presumed big signal w/female talking in JJ. Audio
quality not up to par 1525 to 1530. Still at 1600. (JB-WA*)
1323 FIJI, Radio One hrd // 684 EE programming at 0900. (JB-WA*)
1332 t AUSTRALIA, 4BU presumed in moderate audio 1005-1015. (JB-WA*)(Also
could have been NZ. PM)
JAPAN, Nagoya-JOSF- poor level in JJ 1635. (JB-WA*)
1377 U.S.S.R., Vladivostok presumed, vy quiet inst. poss. //5015 at
1532 UTC. (JB-WA*)
1386 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2EA-exc. audio at 1120 (JB-WA*)
1475 MALAYSIA, 1205 to 1215 ran World News in presumed Tagalog until
1210, then MOR inst mx. Signal moderate. (JB-WA*)

Geomagnetic Indices

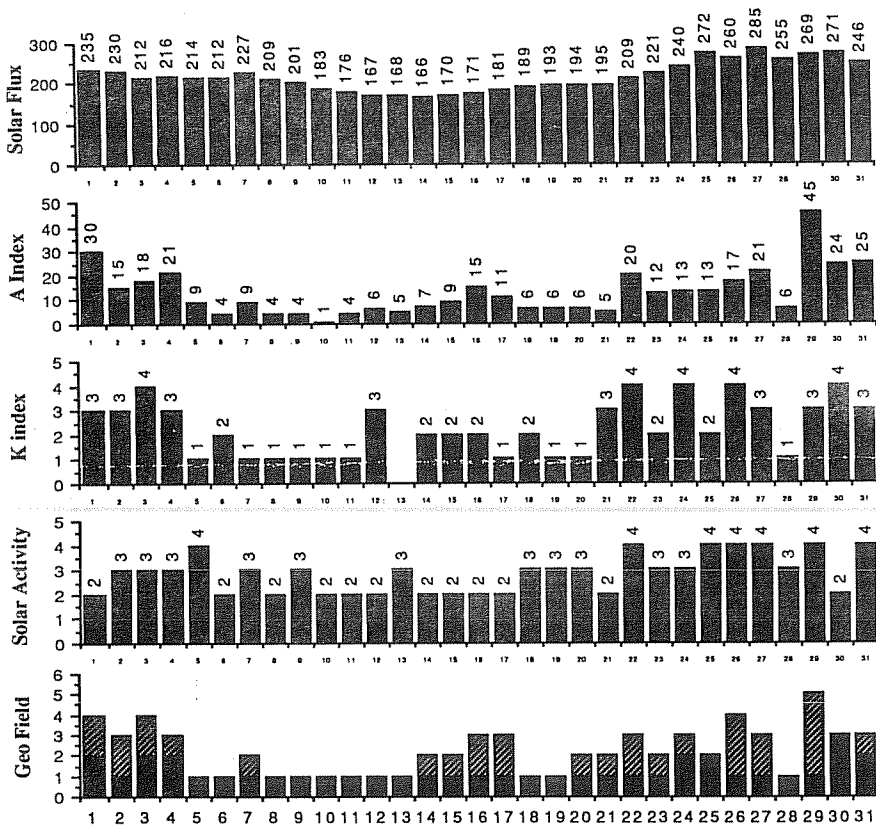
Here is the Geomagnetic activity for December 1989 taken directly from the WWV broadcast at 18 minutes past the hour (usually tabulated at 0518 or 0618). The bar graphs for the Solar Activity and Geomagnetic Field data have the following breakdown:

- Solar Activity**
1. Very Low
 2. Low
 3. Moderate
 4. High
 5. Very High

- Geomagnetic Field**
1. Quiet
 2. Unsettled
 3. Active
 4. Minor Storm
 5. Major Storm
 6. Severe Storm

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. Anybody read this??

The month started off slightly active. There were minor storms on the 1st and 29th (28 days apart!!) and quite a few flares scattered throughout the month. Flares occurred on 12/5, 22, 25-28 and 31, 3 major flares on the 29th, Satellite Proton Event / Polar Cap Absorption ending on 12/1 (left over from November): phil bytheway.



---DXWW - West continued from previous page---

- 1476 U.S.S.R., Vladivostok-First hrd around 1000, Probable. Typical Classical mx hrd past 1535. (JB-WA*)
- 1494*** PAUPA/NEW GUINEA, Radio Enga-First hrd as weak het around 0930. Later around 1130 or 1200 threshold audio, mx was PNG types, talk sounded Pidgin. Threshold audio in bits. Identical audio type on 1593, Radio West Sepik presumed. 1593's audio did not seem // with 3205 at all times. (JB-WA*)
- 1593 PAUPA/NEW GUINEA, Radio West Sepik het and some bits, refer to 1494 above. (JB-WA*)
- 1620 AUSTRALIA, RPH audio hrd of these channels for 3-5 hours, but no confirmed ID. (JB-WA*)
- 1629 AUSTRALIA, refer to above 1620. (JB-WA*)

John Bryant went on to say by 1030 the MW band low, med, and high was full of audio or hets. Most thought to be Aussies. All this was on Feb. 4, 1990.



WESTERN
DX
ROUNDUP

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WDXR deadlines: Mondays.

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- (RK) Rolan Kunkel-189 Del Monte Ln-Morgan Hill, CA 95037
- (GL) Gary Larson-2806 Lincoln-Burbank, CA 91504
GE Superadio
(GL-CA1) DX'ing from Azuza, CA near Azuza Pac. U.
- (AWP) Art Peterson-851 31st Street-Richmond, CA 94804
FRG-7 with mechanical filters, 300' lw (folded)
- (RT) Rich Toebe-2972 Martin Ave.-Pleasanton, CA 94566
Sony ICF-2010
(RT-CA1) I-5 road trip SF to LA, Delco car radio
- (RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118
GE Superadio, GE long-range portable, SM-2

OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

- 980 KEYQ CA, Fresno per verie, correct calls are now KEYQ, not KEYK!
My mistake! (RW-CA)
+2/8 1400+ surprise to find this with oldies, many slogans;
"9-80 KEY your original hits station, 9-80 Key," also "KEY AM
9-80 in Fresno and AM 1400 in the south valley." Legal ID on
hour was a quick "KEYQ Fresno and KEYX Visalia." Strong
signal. (RT-CA1)
- 1320 KCTC CA, Sacramento 2/5 0808 ex-KGNR good over KUTR with ID "Welcome
to the new Easy 1320, KCTC, Sacramento, a service of the
Tribune Corporation" into CBS news. (RW-CA)
+2/5 2120 now with EZL format, slogan is "Easy 13-20," not //
"Soft 96 FM" which is still KCTC despite Sacramento Bee's radio
column of 2/3/90 which lists the calls as KYMX. Ex-KGNR.
(RT-CA)
- 1400 KEYX CA, Visalia 2/8 noted // 980 KEYQ, but always weaker than 980
except near Bakersfield. Ex-KHTZ. (RT-CA1)
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- 515 "SAK" MT, Kalispell (Smith Lake) 1/8 0425 beacon fair under "CL."
(AWP-CA)
"CL" WA, Port Angeles (Clallam Co.) 1/8 0425, beacon fair mixing
with and over "SAK." (AWP-CA)
- 520 "BF" WA, Seattle (Boeing Field) 1/8 0427, beacon fair with QRM from
"INE." (AWP-CA)
- 521 "INE" MT, Missoula (Ninemile) 1/8 0428 beacon good & steady. (AWP)
- 530 TIS CA, San Jose International Airport 2/5 2128 a big surprise--
continuous loop with short jingle sung by female & anct. by
male promoting the opening of Terminal A on Feb. 11. No call
letters heard, good signal. (RT-CA)
- 540 KPUP CA, Carmel Valley 1/8 0450 fair with misc. QRM, ID'ing as
"clear channel KPUP." As close as this is to me, still didn't
sound like a clear channel! (AWP-CA)
- KKJZ CA, Hesperia 2/5 0930 in strong with jazz. (GL-CA1)
- 550 KRAI CO, Craig 2/7 0857 poor under KUZZ/KOY with C&W music, then
time check & legal ID on the hour. Still no sign of KLLV.
(TRH-CA)
- 580 KUBC CO, Montrose 1/31 0859 fair with KMJ. Ad for J&M Lumber in
Montrose, weather by man, ID into AP news (KMJ had NBC news).
Rare here, mostly heard at Beverage site. (TRH-CA)
- 590 KTHO CA, South Lake Tahoe 1/20 2238 Honda snow blower ad, ID, AdCon
music. (RK-CA)
- 620 KIGS CA, Hanford 1/21 1725 man/woman in PP with music leads. (RK)
+MM 2/5 0302 fair, s/off announcement entirely in Spanish
accompanied by instrumental version of "The Impossible Dream."
Former pest, now seldom heard--power cut?? (TRH-CA)
- KSTR CO, Grand Junction 2/5 1929-1945 fair-good over KTAR with C&W
music, IDs by man, slogans "K-Star" & "Colorado Country." Lost
at 1945 power cut/pattern change. (TRH-CA)

620 KGW OR, Portland 2/5 2018 fair under KTAR. Talk show hosted by woman, several IDs. Never caught at SSS before. (TRH-CA)

630 KXDC CA, Monterey 2/5 0320 with EZL over a talk station and some KFI-640 slop. Weak signal. (GL-CA) (Gary, note this is KXDC and not KXTC as you reported.--NH)

650 CISL BC, Richmond 2/7 0735 fair on top of usual pest XETNT with car giveaway promo, "C-Isle" slogans, local ads. (TRH-CA)

660 KTNN AZ, Window Rock 2/5 0317 strong with Interstate Radio Network with "Highway to Health." (GL-CA)

KGDP CA, Orcutt 2/5 0944-1000 good over KTNN with donation requests, several "KGDP" IDs, into USA network news on hour. Ex-KSMI. (RW-CA)

+2/5 2324 noted with these calls & old satellite religion format asking listeners for donations to keep the station on the air. Question: when they were KSMI, were they co-owned with KSMI-102.5, a C&W station in the same market? (TRH-CA)

+2/8 1607 back to these calls with woman urging listeners to donate money to KGDP, how many people complained when it disappeared so now that it's back, to show support. Ex-KSMI. (RT-CA1)

700 KFAM UT, North Salt Lake City 1/20 2329 EZL music in KSUR null. ID at 2331 "KFAM AM 700." Yes in KSUR null, it's fairly strong here. (RK-CA)

730 KRVC OR, Medford 2/4 0159 poor-fair poking through XEX with ID by man, then back to music. Rare here, no sign of usual pest KSVN tonight. (TRH-CA)

790 KOQO CA, Clovis 1/20 2345 very good, Spanish pop music in KABC null, "mas musica en stereo." (RK-CA) (Rolan, this became KOQO a year or so ago!--NH)

840 KVEG NV, N. Las Vegas 2/5 0400 end of Billy Goodman Happening disclaimer & s/off. OC stayed on with occ. IDs. (GL-CA)

KVEG+2/5 0400+ noises like equip. on/off or osc. on/off. (GL-CA)

880 KRVN NE, Lexington 1/27 2335 weather along major freeways around nation. (RK-CA)

890 KDXU UT, St. George 2/5 0314 fair with Sports Trivia promo, "Dixie's 890 KDXU" ID and # 673-5890 into music. (GL-CA)

900 KBIF CA, Fresno 1/21 1743 ID & relig. programs. (RK-CA)

CJVI BC, Victoria 1/14 0045 country music & ID. (RK-CA)

920 KQLO NV, Reno 1/17 2206 NBC news followed by ID and local weather, ad for Social Security with local phone number "for those really down on their luck." (RK-CA)

930 KRTH CA, Los Angeles 1/14 0051 ID as "101 K-Earth Radio," ads, etc. Oldie music. (RK-CA)

KSEI ID, Pocatello 1/14 0048 AdCon music, ID. (RK-CA)

940 KFRE CA, Fresno 2/5 0312 ment. of two FMs joining net in Yernio (I think) CA and then weather for Pac. NW. Lots of KRTH-930 slop. Weak signal. (GL-CA)

960 KQKL CA, Apple Valley 2/3 1100 out of rock oldie to ID "We're S. California's oldies station, KQKL, Apple Valley," into 3 Dog Night song, then "Cool AM 960" and song by The Supremes. (GL-CA1)

970 KAFY CA, Bakersfield 2/8 1558 talk show in Spanish with immigration lawyer answering questions from listeners, IDed at 1602 with legal call in English, then "Radio Kafy" & "Lo Maximo" slogans. (RT-CA1)

990 7KKIS? CA, Pittsburg-Concord 2/5 missed ID, rock at about 0303 strong. "92.1 Kicks FM" ID with promo 0309 Super Clubs Resort "Kix(?)" SID into AdCon. Some KFWE-980 slop. (GL-CA)

CBW ME, Winnipeg 2/9 0813 good on top of channel with CBC morning program. Local news & weather for Manitoba. Pleasant surprise as this station is very rare since KRKS went NSP. (TRH-CA)

1000 KVSD CA, Vista 2/8 2347 says they'll be changing calls on 2/12, but won't say what the new calls will be. Probably no format change. (TRH-CA)

1080 KGVY AZ, Green Valley 2/3 2014 poor-fair through XEPRS-1090 & KNX-1070 slop with distinctive s/off announcement including song "Good Night Sweetheart." Said they'd be back at dawn. Rare here with XEPRS on. Still has a very good BBD format. (TRH)

+2/6 0800 noted with s/on mixing with XE station. On weekends, s/on is 0900. No SSB. (TRH-CA)

1110 KRLA CA, Pasadena 2/3 2025 noted in passing with LA Clippers BKB. Must have moved here from KRTH-930 as KRTH is about to be sold and switch to some sort of Spanish format. (TRH-CA)

(KRLA)+2/5 0301 "This is all-oldies KRLA Pasadena leaving the air for

KRLA transmitter maintenance." After about 30 seconds the carrier
cont'd went off. Spanish noted under, KPIP? 2/5 0403 also off.
UNID in distance. (GL-CA)

1220 KRGO CA, Fowler 2/8 1530 noted in passing with Duke Ellington tune,
call letter ID. (RT-CA1)

KBET CA, Santa Clarita 2/1 is now 1kw days (was .5). CE A. Castiglione
was at a remote KKB game at Hart H.S. vs Burbank (girls).
After it he let me hear a great stereo signal on his truck
radio. Future plans call for a new xmtr off Hwy. 14 between
Sand Cyn. & Soledad Cyn. w. side of fwy with 3 towers, power
10kw day, 1kw nite. Old site will be dismantled. Also, he
says he had to rewire much of the station in the past year.
2/5 0405 faint with CHR music. Some KGFJ slop. (GL-CA)

1250 KHOT CA, Madera 1/21 1813 Spanish music, ads for Madera. (RK-CA)

1290 KAZA CA, Gilroy 1/21 1815 Spanish call-in music request. (RK-CA)

1300 KMPS WA, Seattle MM 2/5 0143 on top of channel with promos, IDs,
simulcasting FM 94. Amazing how poorly KAZN gets out. (TRH)

1330 KLBS CA, Los Banos 1/21 1820 man with music, uses mild echo/reverb.,
ads in PP. Never heard in English yet. (RK-CA)

1340 KSGR ID, Nampa 2/5 0423 good on top with ID "Your favorite oldies,
on AM 1340, KSGR." (RW-CA)

1350 KBAD CA, Bakersfield 2/8 1620 noted with hard rock music, British-
accented DJ who used slogans "Your alternative radio station,
13-K," and "Rock of the 90's." (RT-CA1)

1370 KGEN CA, Tulare 2/8 1515 noted with Spanish talk, many "KGEN" calls
in Spanish, also "Radio Popular" slogans. (RT-CA1)

1390 KMIX CA, Turlock 1/14 0258 ID, ads, country music. (RK-CA)

1400 KKCB CA, San Luis Obispo 1/9 0047 in KBFN null with Tigers KKB, ads
for San Luis Obispo. (RK-CA)

1500 KSJX CA, San Jose 2/5 0248 fair-good with "Off the Record" with Mary
Turner. Wondered if I was hearing KRCK at first. Many spots
during break. "And now back to Off the Record on 92.3 KSJO."
Talking about the Hooters. (GL-CA)

1530 KCLR TX, Ralls 2/9 0724 poor-fair under KFEBK with Ranchera, slogans,
IDs, mention of 5kw power. Note the time--before Cincinnati
LSR. (TRH-CA)

1580 KCWW AZ, Tempe 2/5 2033 in jumble with KDAY & XEDM. Country music,
followed by "KCW" slogan. Ex-KNIX. (RT-CA)

1637.93 "RR" CA, San Rafael 1/6 0629 experimental 100 mW MW beacon operated
by Steve McGreevy sunset--sunrise sending "RR" and a long dash,
in very strong. (AWP-CA)

1650.62 "C4" CA, Palo Alto 1/6 0631 experimental 100 mW MW beacon operated
by Herb Vanderbeek, NSP, in fair except when swamped by "TI."
(AWP-CA)

1650.67 "TI" AZ, Kingman 1/6 0632 experimental 100 mW MW beacon operated
by Rex Wilson at times putting in a respectable signal that
swamped "C4" even though it's 15 times farther away from me!
Has been widely heard in the western states & even in Hawaii.
All of these beacons are modulated on/off carrier, so use your
BFO. Also on NSP. (AWP-CA)

DX TESTS:

1020 (WCIL) IL, Carbondale MM 2/5 0630-0700 tried for, not heard. (TRH-CA)

UNIDS

- 550 1/31 0926 unID C&W under KUZZ/KOY/KOAG, looping NE. KRAI or KBOW
perhaps? Both still needed here. Still no sign of KLLV ex-1560.
(TRH-CA)
- 890 MM 2/5 0634 poor with s/on "KVS(??)" is licensed by the FCC... Most
likely KVOZ, needed for f/up report. (TRH-CA)
- 990 2/6 0852 male annrc. "good morning, 6:52 in ---- Utah(??)" into C&W
song. Soon lost. Possibly needed KTLK, but last I heard they were
AdCon/MOR. (TRH-CA)
- 990 2/6 0855 pretty sure I heard a "KSVP" ID as I returned to this freq.
Have been trying to catch this station for months. Way under KKIS,
stomped on almost immediately by XECL s/on. (TRH-CA)

Good turnout this week. Keep up the good work, everyone! ♥



Central DX Roundup

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FOR THE RECORD

Report in Eastern time.

Deadline: Saturdays.

RIDING GAIN

- [SA-MB] = Shawn Axelrod, 30 Becontree Bay, Winnipeg, MB R2N 2X9
ICOM IC-R70, 3' box loop, 140' longwire, Mini TUN-3.
- [TML-IN] = Tom Laskowski, 1334 East Miner Street, South Bend, IN 46617
ICOM IC-R71A, loop.
- [SS-WI] = Steve Schretter, 104 Brookdale Drive, So. Milwaukee, WI 53172
ICF-SW20, Select-A-Tenna.

DX TESTS

- 1020 WCIL IL Carbondale, 2/5 fair w/KDKA. 0635 w/ID "WCIL Carbondale" into old song "Goodie, Goodie." 0637 code ID. [SA-MB]
- 1480 WRSW IN Warsaw, 2/4 poor. 0544 w/code IDs, lots of music. More code IDs. This is new for me, IN#16. [SA-MB]
+2/4 good at times, poor copy due to WNDU-1490 slop. 0530 w/voice and code IDs, Military march music. Code IDs heard at 0538, 0545, 0551 (twice). Not needed. [TML-IN]
- 1560 WAGL SC Lancaster, 1/28 very strong. 0400 w/station history, details on info such as pattern, power, etc. TT & March music. Also stereo test. Code IDs. This was the most interesting test I've ever heard! Not needed, however. [TML-IN]

DOWN THE DIAL

- 760 KCCV KS Overland Park, 2/3 fair. 0755 w/"Christian Perspective" program. No ID on hour, 0810 "KCCV" ID. [SA-MB]

FREQUENCY CHECKS

- 1290 WCOW WI Sparta, 1/25 very strong. 0102 with TT (1 kHz), ID "This is WCOW Sparta, Wisconsin testing." TT continued, ended about 0105 or so. New for me! [TML-IN]

TIS

- 1600 ---- WI Kenosha, 2/4 good w/Milwaukee TIS nulled. 2330 w/"Wisconsin Vacation Radio" mentioning location of 9 other TIS stations 530kHz. Tourist information. New TIS. [SS-WI]

IDING THE UNIDS

Tom Laskowski offers some help on [SA-MB]'s unID in the 1/20 CDXR: 1390 unID w/phone number "591-TALK". This is almost certainly WGCI in Chicago. Their format is talk, and the 591 exchange is used in Chicago. Thanks Tom!

25 YEARS AGO

2/23/1965 issue of DX Monitor... Membership reached 325... Randy Seaver added country #35..... John Johnson's induction into the US Navy was on 2/25/1965..... Ernie Wesolowski talked about 18.5 inches of snow in Omaha and it's effects on DX.... Larry Godwin was now in Argentina... Janice Stetson was in the 11th grade.



OPEN MIKE

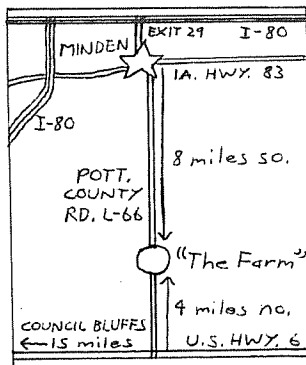


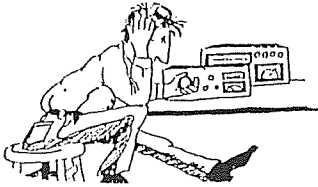
Common sense is instinct. Enough of it is genius. A short column this week despite 3 reporters! Keep those dials turning! 73 John.

Omaha-Council Bluffs Area DX Get-together

On Sat., March 3, 1990, from 2 PM-???? CST, Rick Dau will host a DX Get-together for all interested DXers. Pop, beer, snacks and assorted refreshments will be provided. Bring your radios, QSLs, logbooks, tapes, etc. If you can attend, please let Rick know as soon as possible so he can plan refreshments. For info, write RR 2, Box 64, Oakland, IA 51560, or call Rick at (712) 483-2230, 9:30 PM - 11 PM Tues. thru Sat. and all day Sun. or Mon. Directions to Rick's home appeared last issue. An additional phone call from Rick advises he will present a special prize to the person attending from the greatest distance. A map is included this issue.

-info phoned to IRCA HQ by Rick Dau





Eastern DX Roundup

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

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(WPT-DC) William Townshend, 4500 Connecticut NW 901, Wash., DC-20008
ICF-2010.
(GH-PA) Gary Heisey, Box 310F RD 1, Osterburg, PA - 16667
Philco Radio w/4' Loop
(MB-ON) Mike Brooker, 99 Wychcrest Ave., Toronto, ON M6G 3X8
Panasonic RF-2200, Sony ICF-7600D
(JDS-AL) J.D. Stephens, 122 Brawley Drive, Owens Cross Roads, AL-35763
Panasonic RF-2600, Sony ICF-2001; 30' longwire
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- 550 KUSA MO, SAINT LOUIS 1/27 1759 GOOD almost loud before 1800
pattern switch w/"KUSA 55 Country" and Roger Miller song.
(GH-PA)
560 CJKL ON, KIRKLAND LAKE 1/29 0046 FAIR w/no sign of CFOS.
Parallel to CBL-740 and CBM-940 with CBCs "Jazz Beat" program;
0058 local station ID, wx and ment of upcoming programming;
0100 Standard Broadcast News; 0104 into "Music Radio"
satellite program. (NJW-ON)
570 WTKN FL, PINELLAS PARK 1/29 0032 FAIR ID then Larry King talk
show. (WPT-DC)
740 WNOP KY, NEWPORT 1/17 VERY POOR w/ID and much talk of getting
tickets (for ? event) in Cincinnati. Heard in CBL null.
(GH-PA)
790 WKKY KY, LOUISVILLE 1/15 0420 WEAK with c/w and slogan as "Super
Country KKY." (JDS-AL)
810 KCMO MO, KANSAS CITY 1/16 1735 POOR-FAIR fighting WGY and
CHAM-820 slop w/spot for Energizer batteries; ID as "KCMO News
Time is 4:35" into stock market report. (MB-ON)
850 WYLF NY, PENN YAN 1/17 1655 VERY POOR w/ID and spot for store in
Geneva, NY; WYDE mixing. (GH-PA)
860 KOSE AR, OSCEOLA 1/15 1812 FAIR w/ID and spot for McDonald's in
Osceola, First National Bank and promo for solid gold
scrapbook. (GH-PA)
930 WEOL OH, ELYRIA 1/16 1755 FAIR w/IDs, local spots. New here.
(GH-PA)
980 WAAV NC, LELAND 1/17 1735 POOR w/IDs; "Newstalk 9-80, WAVE"; WRC
mixing. (GH-PA)
1080 WKBY VA, CHATHAM 1/29 1730 FAIR s/off by m/CE. (WPT-DC)
1080 WDJX KY, LOUISVILLE 1/27 1745 FAIR w/ID; "99.7 WDJX" w/rock mx.
Last heard as WCII. (GH-PA)
1090 KAAV AR, LITTLE ROCK 1/22 0305 FAIR nx followed by c/w; WBAL was
silent. (WPT-DC)
1120 WYNO OH, NELSONVILLE 1/22 1730 FAIR u/KMOX s/off by m/CE; no
SSB. (WPT-DC)
1190 WHUM PA, HUGHESVILLE 1/13 0930 FAIR o/nullled WOWO w/Business
Radio Network business nx, PSA for seat belts, ad for United
Negro College Fund, ID and BRN promo as "You're listening to
radio's business solution, BRN Buisness Radio Network on 1190
AM, WHUM"; didn't fade out until after 1000. This could be
the new pest on 1190 now that CJMR is gone. Heard in 1988 as
WELX. (MB-ON)
1190 WLIB NY, NEW YORK 1/22 1725 FAIR-GOOD o/WOVO w/sports report by
m/announcer w/thick African accent (sounded like I was
listening to Nigeria or Ghana on 60 meter SW, hi), 1730 s/off
anct "This is WLIB...New York's only black owned and operated
station with a power of 10,000 watts." Mentioned transmitter
site in Lyndhurst, NJ, no SSB. (MB-ON)
1190 WJES SC, JOHNSTON 1/26 1745 GOOD w/ment of lkw power and complete
data s/off with ID. Oldies songs before WOWO null. No SSB.
(GH-PA)
1190 WECC GA. SAINT MARYS 1/29 1740 VERY POOR in jumble with ID by/m

and mention of Saint Marys. (GH-PA)

1190 WHIY AL, MOULTON 1/29 1800 FAIR promo for Darlan Teri for State Representative; ment of North Alabama, Standard Furniture in Moulton, c/w songs. "WHIY Leaves The Air, Thank You For Listening." No SSB. (GH-PA)

1200 WFSF AL, OZARK 1/29 1805 VERY POOR w/WAGE slop; full data s/off by/m w/ment of 10kw power and Christian mx. No SSB. (GH-PA)

1220 CKCW NB, MONCTON 1/29 1820 POOR w/IDs by/m and rock mx. (GH-PA)

1230 WHCO IL, SPARTA 1/30 0706 POOR w/forest fire prevention PSA; 0707 ID: "and this is 1230 AM WHCO, Sparta", TC and local weather. (NJW-ON)

1230 WBVP PA, BEAVER FALLS 1/30 0057 POOR out of the Tom Snyder show w/legal ID on the hour. (NJW-ON)

1240 WWCO CT, WATERBURY 1/30 0137 POOR "Behind Blue Eyes" by the Who, 0140 non-ID as "WWCO 12-40" into CHR record by Eddie Money. (NJW-ON)

1240 WHBU IN, ANDERSON 1/30 0106 FAIR "AM 12-40 forecast", mention of a way to win \$124 on the Jim Johnson Show in the morning on "WHBU, Anderson" into Talknet. (NJW-ON)

1240 WJIM MI, LANSING 1/30 0200 POOR "This is AM 12-40, WJIM, Lansing...stay tuned for more of the Larry King Show" into NBC nx. (NJW-ON)

1240 WWON RI, WOONSOCKET 1/30 0207 FAIR briefly atop with man mentioning that WWON pays \$12.40 for the best news tip of the week, jingle, into the Big Band Hour. (NJW-ON)

1250 WGL IN, FORT WAYNE 1/24 0755 FAIR w/ID into local nx by/m. WGL Weather Center; no WTAE this time. (GH-PA)

1260 WNRK DE, NEWARK 1/30 1729 FAIR & FADEY w/local nx by/m; talk of Dupont closings in Delaware; WWDC mixing. (GH-PA)

1270 WHLD NY, NIAGARA FALLS 1/30 0001* POOR u/WXYT; noted signed off at this time. (NJW-ON)

1280 WWOK IN, EVANSVILLE 1/15 1731 FAIR w/ID and spot for All In One Rental on Green River Road; adult standard song; last heard as WGBF. (GH-PA)

1290 WCHY GA, SAVANNAH 1/29 1720 BRIEFLY FAIR w/many IDs; man asking people to call in and pledge; mention of Savannah in phone #s. (GH-PA)

1310 WTUX IN, INDIANAPOLIS 1/17 1725 POOR on top of WTUX Accu-Track Traffic. (GH-PA)

1360 WLCM SC, LANCASTER 1/26 1728 FAIR w/oldies song, local nx at 1730; several IDs. (GH-PA)

1380 WPHM MI, PORT HURON 1/16 1815 VERY POOR in mess with "Michigan Sports Leader, WPHM." (GH-PA)

1380 WNRI RI, WOONSOCKET 1/29 1746 FAIR & FADEY w/spot for Woonsocket hearing aid center. Heard again on 1/30. (GH-PA)

1390 WADA NC, SHELBY 1/9 1835 GOOD with c/w; slogan as "Your Country Alternative - We're Better Than Ever - Crystal 1390, WADA." (JDS-AL)

1440 WGCB PA, RED LION 1/30 1700 VERY POOR and fading w/"WGCB Ends It's Broadcast Day"; ment of 6 AM sign on; no SSB; SCREAMING preacher heard before; WRRO, WAJR pests. (GH-PA)

1490 KJIN LA, HOUME 1/22 0108 PEAKING STRONGLY with c/w; "Louisiana's Hot Country, KJIN, 1490 AM" slogan then back down in the mud. It's nice to log a graveyarder again. (JDS-AL)

1560 KPWS LA, CROWLEY 1/16 2013 FAIR o/WLSA with sports talk show, spot for Crowley Building & Loan + other merchants. Mention of the Cajun Sports Radio Network. (JDS-AL)

1580 WTYO NJ, HAMMONTON 1/16 2250 WEAK w/many IDs; Sinatra song; spot for Invention Submission Corporation. (GH-PA)

1590 WQQW CT, WATERBURY 1/22 0001 GOOD s/off by m/ann w/mention of 5kw power; no SSB. (WPT-DC)

1590 WMIM PA, MOUNT CARMEL 1/18 1725 POOR w/ID and spot for store in Selinsgrove; then WAKR took over. (GH-PA)

1600 KSSA TX, DALLAS 1/15 0200 STRONG o/local WEUP w/SS programming, EE ID by/m as "This is KSSA-FM, KSSA-AM, Dallas." (JDS-AL)

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TENTATIVES, DX TESTS AND unIDs

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1070 unID 1/8 0244 station testing, going up & down the scale w/tones, interspersed w/Top 40 mx such as "Gypsy" by Fleetwood Mac, "Your Wildest Dreams" by the Moody Blues. Often on & off in mid-song. Did anyone else hear this? (JDS-AL)



Western DX Forum

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1596 DEADLINES - MEMBERS ON TUESDAY 11 DAYS BEFORE PUBLICATION DATE

26TH ANNIVERSARY WDXF DEADLINE - 20 MARCH

Every year the third weekend of March is the traditional time for new as well as long-time members of IRCA to re-introduce themselves in the Anniversary Issue. If you've never reported before or if you're a regular contributor, we encourage you to send in a forum, whether brief or extended, telling the rest of the membership a little about yourself, your interest in the hobby, etc. Don't be shy - we don't bite! Previous record for Anniversary forums was 51 - let's top that this year!

GARY LARSON, 2806 LINCOLN, BURBANK, CA 91504 (818) 567-2224

Been out of work for about 3 weeks now - no longer in N. Hollywood. Tonight, 05 February I DX'ed and sent in a report to WDXF. Because it's cold and windy out, signals appear to be better than average. Had a rock station in on 1500 - thought KRCK was on but later KSJO ID'ed. (That's the FM which the AM, KSJQ is //-Rth.) No word on 930 KRTH change yet. L.A. Clippers on KRLA 1110 now. Saw listing of KZXR 1460 Salinas in 03 February WDXR and thought they were heavy metal, not AdCon. JH, interesting about the moving of their transmitter site. As to call KNOB (1410 unID) I was of the impression it was to be the new 1050 in Frazier Park to coverage huge are from Bakersfield to Los Angeles, possibly co-owned by 1220 Canyon Broadcasting. Also, legal city of license for 1220 is Canyon Country, not Santa Clarita, per CE. Gotta go. 73.

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Sure is good to be back in IRCA. I really missed the club. It does seem to me that things have changed, some for the good and some not so good. Mostly I'm referring to the fact that the number of persons that are supporting the various columns have dwindled to just the "faithful" few. Obviously, something is needed to spur present membership into activity and also recruit new membership. Some "radical" measures may be necessary. Glen Kippel had a great idea in his forum of Vol. 27, No. 17. Expanding frequency coverage from 150 to 5050 or 5150 kHz would certainly open up new areas of DX'ing for IRCA membership. I would go even one step further and include FM broadcast, both the foreign and domestic bands from 66 to 108 MHz. All of this coverage would be broadcast stations only and would give a wide range of options for DX that would fit many seasonal and weather variations. The name "IRCA" would become much more "international" in scope. I hope the BoD will give this proposal serious consideration. I realize the concept of including frequencies outside of the usual MW limits will be thought to be "far out" (no pun intended), but the proposed coverage is still basically local and regional broadcasting and will certainly allow the possibility of more foreign DX as well as enhancing the chances of "horizon expanding" for the domestic DX'er. Times have changed, perhaps it's time for IRCA to change some too. (Welcome back to the "blue pages" Chuck. But, please, one favor, double space your forums - I mean my poor, abused, eyes, hi-Rth.)

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Have just returned from a hot and humid 2 weeks in central FL (Tampa-Orlando area). I was able to squeeze in a little time off from the 8-to-5 business I was being paid for to do a little DX and to visit some of the small local station facilities. It's amazing what info you can pick up just by a drop-in visit. Even after briefly explaining my interest in AM radio (a hobby, not a prospective advertiser or FCC rep) I was generally treated with courtesy - most of the station personnel were familiar with DX'ing, veries, etc., but had not ever met one of us "in the flesh." The owner of WKJZ (ex-WIPC) 1280, Lake Wales, FL provided a nice tour of their operations. Of particular interest was the fact that the average age of their personnel is 51+ years as they're staffed extensively with "snowbirds" (that's his policy). WXXY (1360 Winter Haven) was not so friendly. I met with their communication consultant (who advises several of the stations in the area) who didn't want to talk much about future plans - apparently they're about to go off the air while completely rebuilding their offices and make a lot of policy changes. I think he thought I might be some "industrial spy." (Well. . . hi-Rth.) Sounds like they'll be going AM stereo with new call and possibly new frequency in April. Also visited WSIR (ex-WNHN) 1490 Winter Haven and WTAN 1340 Clearwater. The owner of WTAN was especially proud to point out that they've been at the same site with the same calls since 1948. They're located just a stone's throw from the beach at Clearwater and if you could see resort hotel development in the area they much be on some of the most expensive real estate around for a 1,000 watter. All in all it was an informative visit and I've returned with a nice package of bumper stickers, coverage maps and advertiser packs. Some other items of note include: WERA 820 Largo, FL is now operating with their 1 kw night power; broadcast hours are 0600 to 0000 with no changes expected in the future. Also heard the first day broadcasts of the new Pine City facility of WGIO on 29 January. Rumors abound on just who will be using their old Cypress Garden facility. 73.

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Hello to all those in IRCA. My head hangs in sorrow. The orange jersey with the big "7" is stored away in the closet for another year. 55-10. Now I know how all those Vikings fans felt in the '70s. But I'm looking on the bright side - Opening day '90 is only two months away. And this year, Ric, I promise my Royals will dethrone the A's as AL West champions. (We're used to seeing delusionals at work, hi-RtH.) To tie me over 'til then, GO CELTICS! As of this writing (10 February) 947 stations are in the bank. Yes, the big ONE is just around the corner. Six DX tests have made it here over the past 5 weeks (possibly 7, WILD 1090 Boston is a tentative). Those showing up were WADN 1120, WMMY 1370, KABI 1560, WFTW 1390, WAGL 1560 and WRSW 1480. Veries have been received from WMMY (my 1st SC verie) and KABI. I've sent a list of 19 potential test targets to NRC's Wayne Heinen in hopes that more will be scheduled before seasons' end. From the It Must Be the Work of Rod Serling file: On New Year's Eve, I landed WCOA 1370 Pensacola, FL as my last catch of the decade. It was my 904th logging. Being a long-distance telephone operator, I suddenly remembered that Pensacola is in area code 904 (is this where the Twilight Zone music comes in, Ric? (Dee-dee-dee-dee, dee, dee, dee, hi-RtH.) I've been using the IRCA's 1987 frequency check list in going after new stations and so far in February alone, it's produced two great catches in KTYF 1260 and KOJM 610. A report was sent to KAMI 1580 Cozad, NE for its most recent f/c. Other veries have recently arrived from KGMM 1270, CKRC 630 and KFUD 850. According to KFUD's letter, a new religious station will be going on the air in McCook, NE sometime in April. The letter didn't specify, however, if the station would be AM or FM. Will keep my ears (and eyes) open for further developments. Finally, I may be hosting a GTG at my place during the first weekend in March. Keep watching the pages of DX Monitor for details. (When this is published, you'll have one week before that GTG for details-RtH.) 73 to all.

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Howdy! A new look in WDXF for the '90s. After 13 years and 400-plus columns, the Smith Corona has been retired and replaced by a Brother AX-25 electronic typewriter. When repair people estimate 100 bucks just to look at the thing, it's time for a new one. The SC is, by the way, for sale. Still good for general use. Best offer. In the 10 February Broadcast Info, a couple comments. KOBO 1450 Yuba City, is indeed silent as I reported shortly after it happened, but they were Adult Standards, not C&W. And, just as my former boss at KRED predicted, the 1200 CP for Eureka never got off the ground. A transmitter site move to Cottonwood is an understatement - like about 120 miles! Cottonwood is a suburb of Redding. I'm willing to bet the Coastal Commission's infamous delays had a lot to do with the move. All land in the Eureka/Arcata area that's available for development (for the most part) especially for transmitter site (salt marshes) falls under the Commission's jurisdiction, and just waiting for a reply from them can take a year! Whomever applied for 1200 probably got tired of the delays and now want the Redding area, which surprises me as there's already a station on 1230. Thought there had to be 40 kHz spacing locally. In the Ask and Receive department: Got a card from RW with more info on fall Arbitron in Sacto. Number 2 is KFBK 1530, so AM is still alive here - news/talk is popular. Yes indeed, a wise move for KCYC to move to their 1320 AM. KGMR didn't even make a "1" in the ratings and the change will certainly improve things. And with the demise of rock oldies on 1320, KSMJ 1380 has dropped Heart and Soul in favor of a more diverse rock oldies format. Been meaning to comment, Geov, on your trivia question regarding calls that reflect city of license. WACO and WARE are too easy, but did you include the following? KUKI Ukiah, KSFO San Francisco (airline code), KSTN Stockton, KFRE Fresno, KRDG Redding, KRNO Reno, KLAS Las Vegas, and KSAC Sacramento for starters. That's it for this week. Please keep the Anniversary issue in mind. Don't be shy. If you've never before sent a forum, it's really easy and - it's the only time I don't add comments, hi. Tell us a little about you and what part of the hobby you're interested in. WDXF-land as a reminder, is west of the Mississippi, US and Manitoba west, Canada and the Pacific Rim countries. Hope to hear from you. Best of DX and 73 de RtH. .

DX Worldwide - West (continued from Page 6)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

JB-WA*	JOHN BRYANT-POST OFFICE BOX 201-LOPEZ, WASHINGTON 98261 DXing with Guy Atkins at Grayland, Wa.. Guy using NRD-525, John Bryant also using NRD 525-1200' Beverage at 270 degrees term. in fresh water and mouth of beach.
TRH-CA	TIM HALL-350 G STREET #F-1-CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA 92010-4559 ICF-2010, Radio West Loop
DW-OR	DAVID WILLIAMS-HIGHWAY 101-BOX 615-ASTORIA, OREGON 97103 SPR-4, Longwires.

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A report to Eastern DX Forum appeared in DX Monitor two weeks ago. On the same date, I sent another to the other club, which has yet to appear in print, as of the end of January. IRCA, Hail to thee, Oh Number One! Four veries in to bring my AM total to 4350: WWNH-1340, WNTK-1020, WADR-1480 and WZRK-1590. From about 1/8 thru at least 1/16 when I IDed them, CHWO was operating on about 1252 kHz and was easily loggable from 1600 on thru the night. WNTK-1020 NH has been loggable here about an hour before sunset, but they're tough due to slop from WBZ-1030 and KDKA-1020. On Sun. 1/14, on 900, at 1700-1709, the ---- Gospel Hour, with female gospel singers and a screaming preacher, lost at 1709. MM 1/19, and many days thereafter, a FFC on 1480, with MoR FF music and a female announcer who goes down a long list of stations every half hour or so, in French, and the only one I was able to decipher was CFLS-920. A note from NRC's Andrew Rugg says CHR D, Drummondville is back on the air, and that this is they I'm hearing. After many tries, finally, WKZE-1020 CT came thru on top 1/25 1630-1645 s/off w/God Bless America, instead of the usual WNTK-NH, for a report. I may have heard a little of the WKEN-1600-TEST - I did hear what sounded like the two-tone ambulance siren behind the ANers WUNR and WWRL, but they're unn anyway. Wed. 1/17 afternoon was "hot" as WADR-1480 barreled in, in WSAR's null, for a report - one I've been trying to verify for several years. (Ernie, my verie took a f/up, back in the spring of 1970--rce) Their signal shows up around this time of year at that time of day pretty regularly, and ah! At last, a v/1, with a coverage map tossed in. On Tues. 1/23, with no sign of either WJBQ or WETT, a real surprise showed up in the person of WZRK, Jackson, MS, w/MYL at 0200 o/u WAKR w/Larry King. Now - my #1 mystery is a real weakie on 1610. About a month ago, I heard them mention "Why not take a few minutes----sleigh ride----- Roosevelt National Forest." Then on Sun. 1/28, also on 1610, I heard "Now you have a chance to show your gratitude - write to ---- Foundation, NY, NY 10163", then a male vocal and fade out - this at 0213 - probably NOT the same station as the one at Roosevelt National Forest - this sounded very much like WEVD programming. Anybody got any clues? Let's see more of you in this section, and in its Western counterpart! It's the heart of the Club - the most interesting part of the Monitor! Forward - March! (Note: Ernie's report showed up in the 2/12 issue of the "other club"--rce)

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My unidentified TIS on 1610 is apparently the "Wis- //53172 consin Vacation Radio" transmitter in Kenosha, WI. Their loop states that it is the "largest low powered system in the world" with 10 sites where major highways enter Wisconsin. 530 kHz sites (announced as mega-Hertz) are at Genoa City, Beloit, Kieler (north of Dubuque, Iowa), Prairie du Chien, LaCrosse, Hudson, Superior, Hurley and Marinette. Kenosha is identified as AM 1600. Announcement states that the entire system will be operating by February 12th.

In This Issue

All sections except DXWW-East are in this issue. This bulletin is being prepared at deadline rather than waiting until the regular Monday night publishing time or until we receive mail on Tuesday after the holiday. Bulletins should go out on schedule or even a day earlier. Those mailing material for DXM are reminded that we continue to use Saturday as the deadline for ALL columns and plan to continue through the season. Columns received later will be used only if bulletin hasn't already been formatted.

Omaha-Council Bluffs Area DX Get-together

On Sat., March 3, 1990, from 2 PM-???? CST, Rick Dau will host a DX Get-together for all interested DXers. See Page 10 for details.

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EASTERN DX ROUNDUP (continued from Page 12)

- 1090 WILD MA, BOSTON 1/22 0200-0230 POOR-FAIR getting buried by CKKW
DX and WBAL QRM on DX test, w/voice ID by Michael Klein as "This
TEST is medium wave broadcast station WILD,
Whiskey-India-Lima-Delta, QTH is Boston, MA,
Bravo-Oscar-Sierra-Tango-Oscar-November..."; also gave
transmitter co-ordinates in ID announcement, code IDs and
tones. (MB-ON)
- 1120 WADN MA, CONCORD 1/8 0220 TENTATIVE thought I caught a "WADN"
(t) code ID when KHOX and the Cuban faded simultaneously. Nothing
else heard. (JDS-AL)
- 1240 WXGL ME, LEWISTON 1/30 0148 TENTATIVE...POOR out of an oldie with
(t) carted "93 point 9 - The Eagle - WXGL", into another oldie.
(NJW-ON)
- 1250 WBRM NC, MARION 1/29 1710 TENTATIVE...BRIEFLY FAIR in jumble
(t) with Bill's Auto Glass in Marion; mention of NC but no calls.
(GH-PA)
- 1580 WPGC MD, MORNINGSIDE 1/16 2220 TENTATIVE...LOUD noted at this
(t) time with BRN; no IDs. (GH-PA)

Thanks go out to all of this issue's reporters. The DX is out there...all ya gotta do is go get it! Nice to hear from JD again, as well as the other reporters. I'm getting together with Karl Zuk soon and I hope to have some tips on PIRATES! Stay tuned. Also, please try your best to submit your loggings in as close to the column format as possible: that is: Frequency, ID, State and City...Reception cx, details heard and your ID. It's getting difficult between work and the column and I MUST economize my time when preparing the column. I appreciate your efforts in this matter (I am sending logging report sheets to those reporters that could benefit from them...no charge - hi). Also, I prepared this column a bit differently this issue by underlining State and City and printing with an italic printwheel. I hope you like it. Till next time, CONTINUED GOOD DX MY FRIENDS and 73 de Mr. B