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KCRV-1370 PO BOX 9 CARUTHERSVILLE MO 63680 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST FOR THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB ON MONDAY MORNING OCTOBER 28th, 1991 BEGINNING AT 0515 ELT. THIS TEST WILL CONSIST OF TONES, MUSIC, CODE & VOICE ID'S. THANKS TO CLEAT STANFILL GM FOR ARRANGING THIS TEST.....THANKS.

R8: DRAKE KNOWS ABOUT THE PROBLEMS WITH THIS RECEIVER I SURE HOPE THEY FIX THEM. A TOP OF THE LINE BUILT IN THE USA RECEIVER I AM CHEERING FOR THEM TO DO GOOD. A SOLIDSTATE RECEIVER WITH GOOD AUDIO AND NO DIGITAL READOUT NOISE ON THE BCB WHAT MORE COULD WE ASK FOR FELLOW DXERS.

Here is the latest on the 1991 IRCA Convention in Monterey CA Nov 1-3. Meeting room (adjacent to pool) will be open Thursday evening for early arrivals. Otherwise, we will open up at noon on Friday Nov 1. There will be free snacks, sodas, beer, etc. for all registered attendees. The setting will allow for mostly informal talks and getting to know fellow members. These chit-chat sessions are a lot of fun and it is great to talk about shared interests with other DXers. So, bring receivers; veries and anything else you want to show off. I will have a small display of radio broadcasting and DXing in the 20s and 30s, with old magazines, picture postcards and radio logs. For anyone interested in the history of the hob by and radio in general. Also, bring items for the auction! One person's "junk" may be another's treasure, hi! Station tours of KNNY, KXDC-FM & AM and others are planned, and I am working on one tower site tour. Guest speaker Saturday night will be KTOM AM & FM executive Bob Sherry. He is the former owner of KIDD - 630 here, and was a former NBC radio staff announcer in New York, with radio experience back to 1939. So, hope you'll join Phil Bytheway, Ralph Sanserino, Robert Wien, Al Buckalew, Rich Toebe Art Peterson and others at the 1991 IRCA Convention in Monterey CA at the Casa Munras Hotel. Registration info has been in past DXMs; hope to see you there, if only for one day. For more information, directions, etc call the hotel, or Jim Hilliker, (408) 646-5105 (0700-1300 ELT M-F) or Saturday (408) 373-1234 (0900-1500). Thanks Jim Hilliker.

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TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 531 AUSTRALIA, Dalwallinu-6DL-fair w/ABC Nx at 1400 on 10/6 and 10/7, some 2MC QRM. (PM-OR)
- 540 AUSTRALIA, Longreach-4QL-fair with ABC nx at 1401 10/6 (PM-OR)
WESTERN SAMOA, Nuutoi-2AP-good with talk in Samoa at 0645 10/7 good island mx. (PM-OR)
- 558 **AUSTRALIA, Burnie-7BU-fair with 7BU IDs and spots o/UNID Aussie, presumed 4AM. Pop mx at 1409 10/2. Also heard weather forecast followed by another 7BU spot. 2KW. New (PM-OR)
- 576 **PHILIPPINES, Cebu City-DYIM good with Newscast w/mentions of Cebu City, very good holding its own for well over 1/2 hour, 1330 Unneeded as I QSLed this back in 84, but nice to hear. (PM-OR)
- 612 tGUAM?, Agana-KUAM-possible U.S. sounded rock station at 1412 on 10/4. U.S. sounding DJ, but faded, so couldn't make out much. Again unneeded, but nice to hear. (PM-OR)
- 630 NEW ZEALAND, Napier-2YZ good and all alone at 1334 on 10/5-with talk about the North Island, weathercast and TC (PM-OR)
- 639 tAUSTRALIA, Katherine-8KN-hrd again with light Jazz after 1400 on 10/5, was //2485. Would like to get something verifiable on this, so I could send them a report. Will keep trying. (PM-OR)
- 648 AMERICAN SAMOA, Pago Pago-WVUV-good with Ros Stewart song and WVUV ID at 1346 10/7. Best heard in a while. (PM-OR)
- 666 tNEW CALEDONIA, Noumea-FR3-probab the one w/weak island mx under strong carrier at 0645 9/7. (PM-OR)
- 693 tAUSTRALIA, Brisbane-4KQ-poss. the one with Pop mx in splash from 690/700, weak. (PM-OR)
- 702 NEW ZEALAND, Auckland-1XP-fair to poor w/telephone talk show on travel, several spots for travel agencies at 0915 10/7. Good "Radio Pacific" IDs heard several times. (PM-OR)
- 720 UNIDS, several stations mixing at 1340 10/4, caught what sounded like JJ, Indonesian? or the Philippines. Too bad it wasn't stronger as the freq. sounded like a Graveyarder! (PM-OR)
- 765 AUSTRALIA or NEW ZEALAND? poss. Aussie here at 1417 10/6 with non-stop pops, but faded before I could hear much. (PM-OR)
- 801 AUSTRALIA, Gosford-4GO-good w/slight QRM from KPQD-800 at 1412 10/3, several 4GO IDs, pop mx. (PM-OR)
- 864 AUSTRALIA, Hobart-7HO-fair to good signals (sounded like the old days) with pops and "7HO" short jingle, some QRM during fades 4GR? at 1357 10/6. (PM-OR)
- 873 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2GB-Armchair copy at 1330-10/6-w/telephone talk. Excellent! (PM-OR)
- 945 tAUSTRALIA?, poss. (3BO?) with pop mx, lost to sunrise in trying to get some talk, but just mx at 1434 10/7. (PM-OR)
- 954 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2UE-fair o/JOKR at 1350 10/3. Talk show. (PM-OR)
- 963 tAUSTRALIA, more Rock mx at 1423 10/7. No IDs. (PM-OR)
- 1017 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2KY-good w/racing results at 1341 10/4 (PM-OR)
- 1062 AUSTRALIA, Thursday Island-4TI-good with ABC news at 1402 10/6 holding its own on channel. (PM-OR)
- 1125 tAUSTRALIA?, trying to get an ID out of this is hard, just too weak, soft pops, no splat, but too weak, tried around 1415 on 10/3,4,5,6,&7th. Will keep trying. Only thing listed is 5MU-Murray Bridge, S.A. (PM-OR)
- 1152 AUSTRALIA, Wagga Wagga-2WG-good w/pops at "2WG" ID into song. Haven't hrd this in a long time, at 1412 10/5. (PM-OR)
- 1161 AUSTRALIA, Maryborough-4MB-fair w/Net programming at "4MB" jingle (sweeper) at 1350 10/7. Just rec. veri too. (PM-OR)

- 1170 HAWAII, Honolulu-KOHO-good mixing w/KLOK with JJ talk at 0859 "K-O-H-O" ID at 0900 10/7. Haven't hrd this for a while. One on the more rare Hawaiians these days. (PM-OR)
- 1179 AUSTRALIA, Melbourne? 3RPH? Soft talk in strong het on 1180, at 1403 10/6. No ID hrd. (PM-OR)
- 1215 NEW ZEALAND, Kaikohe-1ZE good w/pop mx //1044,1035 at 1335 10/7. (PM-OR)
- 1404 UNID,Unk talk at 1409 10/6 over what sounded like an Aussie? Maybe another Phil. station?, too weak to copy. (PM-OR)
- 1584 UNID, non-stop hard rock station at 1410 10/6. No talk or IDs hrd in the period up to 1435, when it was gone. Have hrd that Palau runs this stuff. Will try again. (PM-OR)

PM-OR YOUR EDITOR
 SP-600-JX17, Term. 200' SW/NE wire, 2000' NNW Bev, 1500' East Bev, 45' Vert,35' Vert.,60 foot NE wire, Ground system.



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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 740 KVFC CO, Cortez ex-KISZ due to return to air around mid-October with Good Time Rock and Roll satellite service. (BN-CO)
- 1260 KRKE CO, Aspen ex-KSNO heard with "Rocky Mountain Country" & "Our name's changed, but the music's the same." (BN-CO)
- 1470 KRKI CO, Estes Park ex-KSIR heard most evenings at SSS with rock music. (BN-CO)
- 1480 KCMZ TX, Dallas 9/30 0545 xint and steady signal for 15 minutes with many ID's as "Memories 1480." Nostalgia music, several local spots, another ID "This is the Original Hits Station," legal ID on hour "Wonderful music. wonderful memories, KCMZ, Dallas-Ft. Worth." Call change, ex-KDBN. (RW-CA)
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- 590 KID ID, Idaho Falls 9/27 2238-2242 good, with local news during half-time of local high school football. Spot for Computerland "170 Park Ave., downtown Idaho Falls." ID at 2241 "That's the K-I-D news update, now back to the game." New for me. (JH-CA)
- KSUB UT, Cedar City 9/27 2156 fair, all alone with high school football game, ment. of Cedar City High many times, with legal ID 2201. New for me. (JH-CA)

- 670 (KWNK) CA, Simi Valley 9/24 0315 off air, leaving KBOI dominant. (bp-CA)
- 680 (KNBR) CA, San Francisco 9/30 0400-0500 with OC, then totally off, TT's, then totally off again. Back on RS at 0500. Only 2nd time heard off in 14 years. Freq. dead. (RW-CA)
- 690 (XETRA) BCN, Tijuana 9/30 0309 also totally off, but only usual KVNA in CBU null. (RW-CA)
- 700 KSUR CA, Soledad per CE Barry Walsh, call change from KOJY began on 8/1. Sorry for leading people astray by not checking on this more quickly. (JH-CA)
- 720 ?WGN? IL, Chicago 9/27 2345 poor-fair under KDWN, but audible under Dodgers game, with Chicago Cubs game, heard "...with Harry Carey from Busch Stadium in St. Louis." (JH-CA)
- 800 KSOS UT, Brigham City 9/30 0840-0900 good in KGO-810 splash null, XEROK already faded out. IDs as "Cool Gold 800," ID on hour "Cool Gold is KSOS, Brigham City." Ex-KNKK. (RW)
- 830 *KPLS* CA, Orange 9/24 0130-0300 1 kHz TT with no IDs, 1100-1310 testing with apparent 20 kHz tone, producing "carriers" on 810 & 850 (badly QRM'ing KMDY). IDs 1203, 1306 "This is KPLS, City of Orange testing." Strong in West Los Angeles area. (bp-CA)
- KIKI HI, Honolulu 9/28 0900-0925 weak with oldies. I phoned the announcer, who confirmed the songs I heard. Was much stronger running 250 watts from my TX and CO locations years ago. First Hawaiian from MT. (LG-MT)
- 850 KMDY CA, Thousand Oaks 9/24 1030 with adcon // KMJO-92.7 "The home of grown up rock." Ex-comedy. (bp-CA)
- 870 KIEV CA, Glendale will have power boost from 10kw to 15kw in near future (days), announcement by station talkshow hosts Cam Curry and Larry. (MR-CA)
- 960 KQKL CA, Apple Valley has dropped "Kool Gold" oldies, now same satellite oldies as KBET-1220. Still ID'ing as "Kool AM 960" so don't confuse with KOOL in Phoenix. (bp-CA)
- 1200 CHMG AB, St. Albert 9/25 0150 o/u CKDA with Oldies Coast to Coast and MG-1200 ID. No sign of WOAI. (bp-CA)
- 1230 KBRN WA, Spokane 9/22 0330 fair in KWXYZ null with BRN features. (bp-WA)
1250. KWSU WA, Pullman 9/29 0910 very strong, ending CBC news, then ID as "NW Public Radio, KWSU, Pullman-Moscow." Never before heard a U.S. station carrying CBC program. (LG-MT)
- 1250.5 KNEU UT, Roosevelt 9/29-10/1 around 0830-0915 moderately strong, noted off frequency. ID as "Basin Country, KNEU" 9/29 0906. Phoned station to inform. (LG-MT)
- 1290 KKSB CA, Santa Barbara 9/24 1500 ID & satellite C&W good thru KFRN-1280 splat. (bp-CA)
- 1310 KLIX ID, Twin Falls 9/25 0132 dominant with C&W, "Playing your favorites till the cows come home, KLIX-1310." (bp-WA)
- 1320 KUTR UT, Salt Lake City 9/25 0125 with promo describing format (mix of LDS & adcon music), "1320 KUTR, Sounds Like Utah" into Chuck Mangione tune, good in KWKW-1330 splat. (bp-CA)
- 1380 KSMJ CA, Sacramento 10/5 0100 logged at excellent level during Giants vs Dodgers game. (MS-CA)
- 1440 KUHL CA, Santa Maria 9/29 0100 briefly dominant over KDIF & KMED with USC vs Oregon football. (MS-CA)
- 1470 KYUU KS, Liberal 9/26 2200 ID "KYUU-KSLs" and Mutual news. (BN)
- ?KHND? ND, Harvey 9/26 2140 with girls basketball. Assumed KHND as ad for First State Bank & Harvey mentioned often. (BN)
- 1480 KZSN KS, Wichita 9/30 0623 in briefly as strong as KCMZ was earlier with American Music Makers, jingle "KZSN, FM 102." For awhile this and KCMZ took turns dominating! UNID Larry King way behind 'em. (RW-CA)
- 1510 KAPX CA, San Rafael 9/27 2215 fair-poor with s/off "KAPX, the A-Pex...now leaves the air and will return at sunrise..." Fighting KIRV/KGA interference. New here. (JH-CA)
- LLLB UT, West Jordan 9/28 2108 faded up over KIRV/KAPX/KFNN/KNSE mix. ID "You're listening to the new KLLB (?) -- America's favorite Gospel." New for me. Not heard as KZZI. (MS-CA)
- 1560 KZIZ WA, Sumner re the recent logging, KZIZ is still daytime

only. Their CE told me last March that they didn't have any immediate plans to go fulltime but probably will at some point, and if they do, they'll beam north to protect KNZR. (bp-WA)

- 1600 KATZ MO, St. Louis 9/22 R&B music, about presumed KRRY with oldies, "KATZ" ID at 0221. (PM-OR)
- 1610 TIS CA, somewhere 9/30 0849 weak fighting with Chief Joseph. Same station that bp reported 9/6; mentioned "agricultural pests get out of control...agricultural inspection is the first line of defense...Exit on the old Interstate." Heard a woman announcer afterward; don't know if same station. (LG-MT)
- TIS ID, Dworshak Project, Ahsahka 9/22 0215 talk about Clearwater, interference from Wenatchee Nat. Forest TIS. (PM-OR)
- TIS WA, Chief Joseph Dam strongest ever 9/29 0915. Phoned station, which confirmed power as 10 watts and acknowledged a report from Chicago! Thanks to BH for help. (LG-MT)

LOCAL CHANGES

- 630 KXDC CA, Monterey still // to 101.7 FM with same new-age type format, but now IDs with slogan "101.7 FM, Radio Pacific" except for legal IDs. Heard legal ID 10/3 0752 "KXDC, Carmel-Monterey-Santa Cruz." No ment. of FM or AM! (JH-CA)
- 1240 KNRY CA, Monterey as of 10/1 KNRY is back to reg. sked of 0900-0100 everyday. Also, carries "Way Back Now," a local Big Band show M-F 1900-2100 with Ed Dickinson. (JH-CA)
- 1340 KIST CA, Santa Barbara SMN Pure Gold oldies evenings and overnight. Still locally live produced oldies daytime... strange! Semi-local KOGO-1590 Ventura, CA carries SMN Pure Gold oldies with good signal in Santa Barbara area! (MR-CA)

ID'ing the unIDs

- 820 LG's unID strong OC is probably XEYX, Mexicali. They turn on their OC about 5am (PLT) which blasts in up here with 10kw. Would easily make it to MT. (RW-CA)

UNIDs

- 1190 New Spanish station interferes with KORG middays in my area (Santa Barbara, CA). (MR-CA)
- 1380 10/5 0107 Talknet ID dominant o/u KTMO/KSMJ. KSRV or KHJJ? (MS)

Thanks for all the reports this week!



Central DX Roundup

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DOWN THE DIAL

- 610 KARV AR Russellville, 9/23 poor w/WDAF nulled. 1735 with Arkansas Sports News. Slogan "Regional Radio 'Carve' (KARV)."
[RS-MO]
- 640 CHOG ON Richmond Hill, 9/21 good. 0302 w/CHR music, ID "AM 6-40 The Hog" & "Toronto's Hog." Last logged as CFGM. [TML-IN]
- 740 WRPQ WI Baraboo, 9/21. 0221 out of Satellite Network News with "WRPQ Baraboo..." into Simon & Garfunkel song. New here. Power listed as 9 watts. [TML-IN]

- 770 WCAL MN Northfield, 9/18. 0700 heard WCAL ID quickly then NPR News. [TML-IN]
- 780 KSPI OK Stillwater, 9/23 noted with nostalgia format, announcing as "Memories 780." I don't know if this is a new (or even recent) format change, but I haven't seen anything about it in "Broadcasting Info" this past year. [RS-MO]
- 790 KFYO TX Lubbock, 9/24 fair-poor atop heavy co-channel noise. 2139 with country music, call ID. [RS-MO]
- KGHL MT Billings, 9/18 good. 0710 w/C&W music, "The Country Giant 7-90 KGHL" and spots for Red Barn Market, Western Ranch Supply. 0729 with "The Outdoorsman." Enough for a report this time, 2nd time heard. [TML-IN]
- KURM AR Rogers, 9/23 noted playing gospel music, going into CBS News at 1800. I haven't seen any format changes listed for this one, but don't know how recently this change occurred. [RS-MO]
- 800 CHAB SK Moose Jaw, 9/18. 0717 w/song by Little River Band, "CHAB community update" and "Your community station AM 800 CHAB" SID. [TML-IN]
- 930 KISS TX Terrell Hills (TENTATIVE), 9/22 fair in mix. 2035 may have been the one playing oldies with the promo "Bringing back your favorite memories of the 50's and 60's, San Antonio's own Lee....." Soon faded into mess. [RS-MO]
- 940 WCPC MS Houston, 9/22 good, loud. 2041 w/gospel music, weather for Houston, ID "WCPC Houston." New for me. [RS-MO]
- 1070 CHOK ON Sarnia, 9/24 strong, way o/KHMO. 2229 w/Blue Jays network game, spots for Canadian businesses such as Citadel Insurance Co., etc. 2234 SID "CHOK." [RS-MO]
- 1110 WMMX OH Fairborn, 9/26. 1945 w/spot w/call in address. "Message Music Radio WMMX" then sign off announcements. [TML-IN]
- 1360 WGEE WI Green Bay, 9/24 fair o/WSAI. 2213 spot for local bakery, canned slogan "You've got it...???...number one country, WGEE" into country music. Soon faded. [RS-MO]
- 1390 WMCT TN Mountain City, 9/16. 0202 fade up w/"It's 2:02 on WMCT" into song by Jennifer Warens. New here. [TML-IN]
- 1470 KERE KS Atchison, 9/17 briefly fair. 1940 with promo mentioning "Care (KERE) Radio" and back to Royals game. [RS-MO]
- 1590 WZRZ MS Jackson, 9/24 good, dominant. 2200 w/BBD music, ID "1590 AM WZRZ Jackson, Mississippi" into Satellite News Network News. [RS-MO]


UNIDS

- 1390 unID 9/23. 0059 w/ID "Magic 13-90 the station St. Cloud turns to for music." Few spots, nostalgia format. Assume MN station. No call heard. Might be KXSS? [TML-IN]

25 YEARS AGO

October 22, 1966 issue of DX Monitor....Larry Godwin of Berkeley, CA logged the 50kw 890 Pusan, South Korea station...Bruce Portzer of Seattle, WA sent in his first report, mentioned he was 15 and a sophomore at Glacier HS. Bruce was DXing with a Hallicrafters S-40a....13 DX Specials were lined up for November.

OPEN MIKE

 Talent knows what to do, tact knows how to do it. Keep sending in those tips! Even one or two items is enough for a report! Remember we're weekly now! 73, John.

*** IRCA Foreign Logs ***

Before the creation of the IRCA Foreign DX Reference, the IRCA published nine editions of the IRCA Foreign log. Each edition contained the actual tips that were reported to the DXWW sections during an entire year (2 years in Volume 9), recompiled and retyped in a book format. In addition, special features include: articles on foreign DXing (Vols. 6-9), utility lists (Vols. 7-8), shortwave parallels (Vols. 8-9) and BCB propagation (Vols. 6-8). IRCA archives still has Volumes 3, 4 and 6-9 of the IRCA Foreign Log available to all for \$2.50 each. Make checks out to Phil Bytheway and send them to: 9705 Mary N.W., Seattle, WA 98117



Eastern DX Roundup

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- (KVI-GA) Karl V. Jeter 2115 Seabrough Rd., Stone Mountain, GA-30088; HQ-150 +4' amplified loop, longwires.
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- 1100 WLBB GA, CARROLLTON 9/27 1828 broadcasts WSB-TV Channel 2 6:00 news audio (from Atlanta, obviously); "Country 11, WLBB" ID. (KVI-GA)
- 1170 WRJL AL, HANCEVILLE 9/24 1959 w/promo for "Nighline-352-9596 where you can call, leave name/location, and say what gospel music means to you..."; sign-off, slogan, "share the Joy." (KVI-GA)
- 1190 WHMT TN, HUMBOLT 9/25 2237 "Pure Gold 1190 AM", rock oldies, 1968 Countdown, in WOWO null, good solid signal. (KVI-GA)
- 1190 WBSL MS, BAY ST. LOUIS 9/26 *0703 w/dominant signal, "WBSL, 1190-AM American Music" into c/w. (KVI-GA)
- 1210 KOKK SD, HURON 9/25 0658 ID, into c/w before being buried by WSBI - Static, TN sign-on. (KVI-GA)
- 1230 WNNC NC, NEWTON 9/24 2142 United Way promo, rock oldies, "1-2-3 Radio". (KVI-GA)
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COMMENTS

Thanks to Karl for this issue's loggings. So...until next time,
CONTINUED GOOD DX MY FRIENDS and 73 de Mr. B

*** IRCA AM-FM ALMANAC, 5th Edition 1991 ***

The fifth edition of the IRCA AM-FM Almanac is now available! This 240 page book is a must have cross reference for the serious AM DXer. Within it you will find the current frequency check list, affiliates for news and talk show networks, syndicated music and religious programs, AM-FM simulcasts, station slogans, broadcasting in Canada, AM stereo, sports networks, utility stations and many articles on AM broadcasting. In addition, Volume V contains a section focusing on AM band foreign DXing (including a compressed IRCA Foreign DX Reference). Each list is in frequency order and many include the FM frequencies as well as the AM (great for FM DXers).

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Western DX Forum

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Hi everyone. Well, little by little I'm getting all my antennas back in order. After getting the down-under wire going, I went out and replaced all the splices in the 2,000-foot NNW wire. It works pretty well now, but the matching transformer box (plastic) was pretty much destroyed by the cows in the field! A 1,000-pound-plus cow can really make a mess out of a little plastic box. Oh well, it could be worse. Sometimes I think I live in western Texas! Received a nice Spanish letter from KKHJ 930 Los Angeles. After trying two times in English, I decided to try a report in Spanish. It worked. Maybe all Spanish stations in the U.S. should be tried in Spanish. Follow-up reports out to KBBT 970, KSJX 1500, KBLA 1580, KORG 1190, KNZZ 1100, CKVH 1020, KHIT 1590, KICN 1260, and KRZI 1580. Other reports out to KHJJ 1380, 2GO 801, KQKL 960, 4MB 1161, 4CC 927, KRSO 590, and KRDX 650. Sounds like the old days. Hope to get lots of good DX this winter, both foreign and domestic. I hope that 2,000-foot NNW wire will bring in more Alaskans too. Hope to be at the convention this year. Everything looks okay, as this is a perfect time as I take my vacation in the winter. As a locksmith in a tourist area, it is impossible in the summer. That's it for this time. Good DX to all. 73.

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As of today, 3 October, it appears that turnout for the convention will be very light. I don't know what to make of it. Hope our northern and southern California members can make it, if only for Saturday and the Saturday night banquet and auction. Tour of KXDC 630/101.7 and KNRY 1240 are planned for Friday, with another station tour and possibly a transmitter site tour in Salinas on Saturday. The setting will be very informal with the meeting room next to the pool. Free snacks, sodas, beer, etc. for registered attendees. Guest speaker after the banquet will be KTOM 1380/100.7 sales executive Bob Sherry, former owner of KIDD 630 in Monterey, and former NBC staff announcer in New York in the pre-television days! Bob's career in radio dates back to 1939, and his look at radio's past, present and future should be very interesting. To reach Casa Munras Hotel, get off southbound Highway 1 at the Monterey exit and go straight ahead till you see the sign. Coming from the south, on U.S. 101, take Monterey Peninsula exit and follow signs to State Route 68, then 17 miles to Highway 1. From the north (San Francisco Bay area), take U.S. 101 to State Route 156 (Monterey Peninsula exit) through Castroville, then south on Highway 1. If you need more information call me at (408) 646-5105 Mon.-Fri. 0700 to 1300 Eastern time or (408) 373-1234 Sat. 0900 to 1500. Hope to see you there. 73 and good DX.

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Recent veries are from KWOA 730, KEYY 1450, and KLAU 1540. KWOA went NSP on 1 June and I logged them 2 June. Said they run 159 watts sunset to sunrise. KEYY verie was most welcomed as they never verified my 1962 report. Don't look for KKMT 710 to be on the air anytime soon. CP owner C. Howard McDonald is still looking for backers and a suitable land site for the tower! Nice to have Larry Godwin back in the club. Larry was a great inspiration to me when I was first starting DX'ing. It will be interesting to read of Larry's loggings from Missoula, MT. Anyone who has been to Montana knows Billings and Missoula are in

different galaxies. The new season has started, conditions are sounding pretty good. Check CDXR for my latest loggings. 73, John.

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Reid Wheeler is taking over as the new editor of Western DX Forum, pending BoD approval, on Saturday, 2 November. That makes my final deadline in Aberdeen Saturday, 26 October, just days away from the day most of you read this. In fact, you Canadians may be reading this even later, depending on the outcome of your latest postal strike. So remember that after the 26 October deadline, reports go to Reid in Olympia at the address atop the previous page. I hope everyone west of the Mississippi (or from Manitoba westward) will take time to sit down and send a forum to Reid and make him feel welcome. And thanks for your fine support of WDXF so far. 73 and good DX.

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STATE OF THE MONTH PENNSYLVANIA

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TOM LASKOWSKI

560 WFIL Philadelphia	Rare	610 WIP Philadelphia	Occ at SSS
720 WWII Shiremanstown	Once at SRS	910 WBSA York	Rare
1020 KDKA Pittsburg	My 1st log ever	1040 WSKE Everett	Rare at SSS
1110 WKEG Washington	85 SSS	1120 WKQW Oil City	Once in 88
1270 WLBR Lebanon	Once in 88	1280 WHVR Hanover	85 SSS
1290 WQIN Lykens	86 SSS	1320 WJAS Pittsburg	Good nites
1450 WDAD Indiana	Geo storm 3/89		

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1020 KDKA Pittsburg	Dom. at nite	1060 KYW Philadelphia	Most nites
1080 WEEP Pittsburg	Once at SRS	1200 WBZY New Castle	Once at SRS
1210 WCAU Philadelphia	Often at nite	1260 WRIE Erie	DX at ARNES
1340 WMPA Williamsport	DX from ARNES	1400 WLKK Erie	Once at SRS
1460 WMBA Ambridge	Once at SRS	1460 WCMB Harrisburg	DX in ORLEANS

FREQUENCY OF THE MONTH 900 KHZ

MIKE SANBURN

KGRB West Covina CA	Local	KBIF Fresno CA	Occ. at S/ON
XEW Mexico D.F.	Dom. at nite	CJVI Victoria BC	Rare

TOM LASKOWSKI

CHML Hamilton ON	Dom. at nite	XEW Mexico D.F.	Good at nite
KJSK Columbus NE	84 DX test	CFBR Sudbury ON	Rare
WEAS Savannah GA	88 SSS	WGOK Mobile AL	Hrd w/WEAS
KFAL Fulton MO	Rare	WFRO Fremont	Rare SSS

9 WNN0 Wisc. Dells WI Once in 90

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CHML Hamilton ON	Most nites	CKBI Pr. Albert SK	Most SRS
CKDR Dryden ON	Most nites	XEW Mexico D.F.	Most nites
WFRO Fremont OH	Occ SSS	KJSK Columbus NE	Rare SRS
KTIS Minneapolis MN	Most SRS	KFAL Fulton MO	SRS
KKAP Floydada TX	Once SRS	CKVD Val D'or QU	Once SSS
CFBR Sudbury ON	Rare SRS	CJVI Victoria BC	From Vancouver
WBRV Booneville NY	From Orleans ON	---- Cococum Cuba	From Orlando FL
WMOP Ocala FL	From Orlando FL	TIS Beuna Vista FL	From Orlando FL

NEXT MONTH
FREQUENCY 1110 KHZ
STATE ALABAMA

There were no band scans or Classified this month. If you have any for the column please feel free to send them in. As you will see on the next page we have more BEST CATCHES this month. I really do enjoy reading these and hope to hear from more of you in the near future. I will use your words, no editor's changes here this is all yours.
DEADLINE IS ONE MONTH AFTER THIS IS PUBLISHED

BEST CATCHES

BRUCE PORTZER

SOUTH AMERICA: Back in the early 1970's, local KRKO-1380 decided to drop AN programming for a while. The nearest all-nighter was near Kansas City so 1380 was wide open every night. I quickly logged about half the domestic stations on the channel, including several east coasters. Then one night a Spanish station was blasting in, which turned out to be YVJD in Puerto Cabello, Venezuela. I had armchair copy for an hour, with virtually no domestic QRM, then they were gone, never to return. Another case of being in the right place at the right time

TOM LASKOWSKI

SOUTH AMERICA: Surinam on 725 KHZ. It was destroying WGN on 720. I never heard this again. It is also my farthest catch.

NORTH AMERICA: The Dx test from WZAL McDonough GA on Feb. 25 1985 is at the top of my list. I was going to Purdue and could not have an outside antenna in the dorm so I simply ran a wire from my ICF-2001 to the window frame. I heard the 5KW portion of the test with little difficulty through KXEL. I then listened for the 4 watt portion, not expecting anything, and was I shocked to hear it very weak under KXEL. By the way the QSL from WZAL is perhaps the most attractive one issued by anyone anywhere.

My best surprise catch came last September when one morning I turned on the radio while getting ready for work. Someone on 880 was playing a singing ID "88 Country KJJR". The NRC log shows this Whitefish MT station runs 500 Watts but I never confirmed this as their power when I heard them.

HANK HOLBROOK

TRANS ATLANTIC: 1582 KHZ WIND Nouasseur Air Depot, French Morocco-only 400 Watts 1954, this one widely heard by East coast DX'ers, but that 400 Watts can't be beat!! 1521- Saudi Arabia-12/25/89 Only three Asians (all Middle East QSL'd) all via Atlantic route!!

SOUTH AMERICA: 760 KHZ C B-76 Santiago Chile- Heard on r/s through WJR

1090 KHZ C X- 28 Montevideo Uruguay 3KW heard on DX broadcast.

1070 KHZ L R I Buenos Aires Argentina Heard on 1/27/49 during the evening through QRM. Prize station!!!!

1270 The VERY BEST-1270 KHZ Z Y B-5 Natal Brazil- 12/2/57. Long letter saying I was their first USA listener along with a page newspaper article on my reception 1KW power and my receiver HQ-129X.

CENTRAL AMERICA/CARIBBEAN

780 KHZ A H D Ramey Air Force Base, Puerto Rico Only 22 Watts 3/15/51. From the QSL "Reports like this make a Radio Man feel like a MILLION"

TRANS PACIFIC: 5 P I Crystal Brook Australia-Reception of 1953. If you will look at enclosed photo of my radio room you'll see a 5AD card that QSL's 5PI(had a 4 station network). Note on back of QSL says the girls in the office posted my picture of my DX den with me in it on their bulletin board-HI!!Wonder if I'm still there-HI! My most distant station BCB QSL'd at over 10,000 miles. One of 27 stations QSL'd from Australia (also 11 Hawaii, 10 New Zealand, 1 Fiji, and 1 Alaska KFAR) Over 25 years since I have logged a TP or US West coast-band too cluttered now. 1370 2LT Lithgow Australia is a close second. Only 500 Watts on 9/29/52. Letters of studio and transmitter. Receiver: HQ-129x best RX ever made for BCB!!!

NORTH AMERICA_ 660 KHZ KFAR Fairbanks Alaska3/3/50 Heard from 0337 to 0345 EST. Weak to readable at times. Heard a sports program and announcer's name copied as DEL DAY (odd name and I wasn't sure but the QSL letter confirmed that! Man sang about George Washington, and at that time local grocery stores in the Washington DC carried a coffee by that name. HOWEVER the George Washington spot on KFAR was for temperatures of 18 or 19 degrees below zero. (They used a different spot for different temperatures!) It took about a year for the verie to arrive(we are sorry that this confirmation is so late, however the report was not received at the Engineering Dept. until just a few days ago.) Did not identify the station and had given up on getting a verie. Reception for 3/3/50 and verie dated 1/27/51. ONE OF MY TOP QSL"s Received on AN OLD WESTINGHOUSE TABLE MODEL RADIO!!!!!!GREAT RX.

Thanks to all of you for yor contributions. Hank you pictiures were great and your set up is to be envied . Hope to hear from more of you next time.
REMEMBER ON A CLEAR DAY YOU CAN HEAR FOREVER

Shawn

Table 3: TA1 phase-reversal transformer card / parts list
Vendor codes per Table 2.

Item	Designator	Description/Value	Vendor	Vendor Stock #	QTY
1	-	perfboard(0.6"x1.2")	RS	276-1396 (cut)	1
2	H1,H2	screw, 4-40 X.25"	MOU	572-01880	2
3	H1,H2	spacer, 4-40 X .5"	MOU	534-1450C	2
4	H1	split lockwasher, #4	MOU	572-00649	1
5	H2	solder lug, #4	MOU	534-7311	1
6	P1-P4	flea-clip for .042 hole	MOU	574-T42-1/100	4
7	T1	RF transformer, 1:1	MCL	T1-6-X65	1

Misc. items: buss wire, solder "AS REQUIRED"

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