

IRCA CPC TEST BULLETIN

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1991 — KWCO-1560, CHICKASHA, OK WILL REPEAT ITS SPECIAL DX TEST WHICH WAS ORIGINALLY BROADCAST ON NOVEMBER 4. TEST WILL RUN FROM 1:01 TO 1:31 AM EST AND WILL INCLUDE VOICE & MORSE CODE ID'S AND MARCH MUSIC. ALTHOUGH NOT REQUIRED FOR A QSL, MR. TURNER WOULD ALSO LIKE TO RECEIVE TAPE RECORDINGS OF THIS DX TEST. SEND RECEPTION REPORTS TO MR. TED L. TURNER - CE, KWCO-AM RADIO, CHICKASHA, OK 73023.

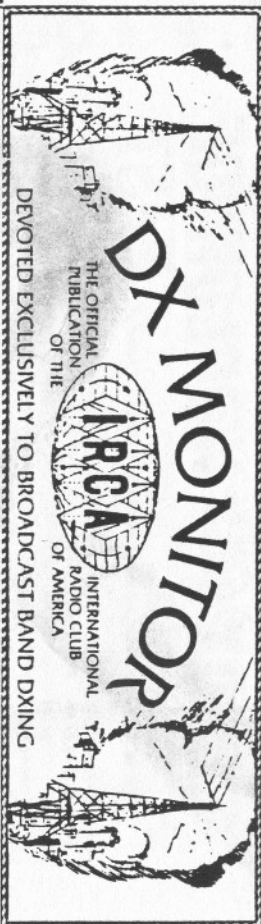
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1991 — KSAJ-1560, ABILENE, KS WILL BE CONDUCTING A SPECIAL TEST FOR IRCA BETWEEN 6:00 & 6:15 AM EST. ACCORDING TO THE ENGINEER, THE TEST WILL CONSIST OF "SOMETHING THAT WILL REALLY CUT THROUGH THE QRM". SEND RECEPTION REPORTS TO: MR. E. JOE ECK - CHIEF ENGINEER, KSAJ-AM RADIO, BOX 69, ABILENE, KS 67410.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1991 — KXOL - 1320, CLINTON, OK WILL AIR A SPECIAL DX TEST FOR IRCA BETWEEN 1:30 & 2:00 AM EST. WILL INCLUDE TONES AND CODE ID'S. SEND REPORTS TO: DENNIS BURTON, KXOL-AM RADIO, 1730 NEPTUNE DRIVE, CLINTON, OK 73601

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1991 — WGEE-1360, GREEN BAY, WI WILL TEST BETWEEN 2:00 & 3:00 AM EST WITH VOICE & CODE ID'S & COUNTRY MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. STEPHEN G. KONOPKA - CHIEF ENGINEER, WGEE-AM RADIO, P.O. BOX 23333, GREEN BAY, WI 54305.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1991 — KPAY-1060, CHICO, CA WILL TEST FOR THE IRCA FROM 3:30 TO 4:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S & MARCH MUSIC. POWER WILL BE 10 KW. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DAN BUTNER - CHIEF OPERATOR, KPAY-AM, 2654 CRAMER LANE, CHICO, CA 95928.

TESTS ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR IRCA.



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CONVENTION 1992: Please see the information in DXM #8. We got to start thinking about next years convention now. Contact President Bytheway.

MEMBERSHIP LIST: I have been requested to print a membership list in the DXM. If you do not want your name published please let me know. Thanks.

1991 CONVENTION: We will have a report on this very soon. Everyone had a good time. I know I sure had a good time. I did have to put up with the snoring of one club president. But all in all a fine time, thanks to the Hillikers for all of there hospitality and planning. The time went fast.

DX WORLDWIDE EAST

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Another excellent turnout this week, and welcome back, Tom. Since reports lately have been fairly regular, here are the reporting guidelines for the column: Reports are accepted from states east of the Mississippi River in the U.S. and from Ontario and east in Canada. Also, if you live overseas in the Atlantic region, Europe or Africa, report to DXWW-E. Members in Central or South America may report to DXWW-W or DXWW-E depending on their own judgement, but I'd expect only Mexico or western S. Am. to go to DXWW-W with the rest going here in DXWW-E. Caribbean reporters belong in DXWW-E, also. Back to the U.S., if you live in any of the states bordering the west banks of the Mississippi (LA, AR, MO, IA, MN) your DX is probably still of best use in DXWW-E, so use your own judgement. Wherever you live, once you begin reporting to one of the columns you must continue reporting to that column (i.e. cannot alternate back and forth). I do not usually like to select deadlines since most all international DX material is relevant - if it does not arrive at this QTH in time for a column it automatically goes to the next one. As for material to report, anything unusual that may help others hear and ID a particular station of an international nature. Everything outside the USA is game excepting Canadian stations which go to the RoundUps. Any and all material relating to foreign DXing including articles, station changes, QSL's, etc. are of interest here also, but keep in mind that DX Monitor hosts columns for both international changes (DXWWI) and all QSL's (Verification Signers). If something is received here that is more appropriate for another column it will be forwarded with delay - so again be selective. Other things like interesting stories or long descriptive writing probably belongs in the Forums. If you have long lists of loggings please categorize them and put them in frequency order if possible, using the format seen here in the column. It sure makes it easier to organize a column this way.

TRANS - ATLANTIC DX

- 153 ALGERIA, Bechar 0210 10/14 Gd w/AA mx, m ancr. Virtually nightly during summer when line noise was low. (Merriman-VA)
- 162 t FRANCE, Allouis 0214 10/14 M in what sd/lk FF just about at noise level. I've hrd them better. (Merriman-VA)
- 171 MOROCCO, Nador 2348 10/20 Gd w/AA mx, Algeria-153 also gd at time. (M.-VA)
- 549 ALGERIA, Oran/Les Trembles 2339 10/10 Gd w/AA chant. (Connelly-MA)
- 612 MOROCCO, Sebba-Aloun 2342 10/10 AA pgm pr/fr in slop. (Connelly-MA)
- 666 PORTUGAL, Lisboa 2344 10/10 Poor w/bits of PP audio. (Connelly-MA)
- 702 MOROCCO, Sebba-Aloun 2246 10/10 Bits of AA chant. (Connelly-MA)
- 711 t MOROCCO, Laayoune 2322 10/10 Strong w/AA mx (potent carrier but w/ shallow audio). (Connelly-MA)
- 765 SENEGAL, Dakar 2205 10/10 Gd w/w in FF. Up to xint (local-like) by 2300; African shouting vocal. (Connelly-MA)
+2345 10/24 Strong, sd/lk a speech in a native lang being simultaneously translated into FF. Best on loop. (Merriman-VA)
- 837 AZORES, Barossa 2327 10/10 Gd w/PP talk. (Connelly-MA)
- 882 t CANARY ISLANDS, 2309 10/10 Het here during TA opening restricted to low-latitude paths. (Connelly-MA)
- 891 ALGERIA, Algiers 0335 10/9 AA chanting to good peaks. (Connelly-MA)
- 1044 MOROCCO, Sebba-Aloun 2356 10/10 To gd peaks w/AA vocal. (Connelly-MA)
- 1062 PORTUGAL, Norte 2356 10/10 Bits of PP talk. (Connelly-MA)
- 1088 ANGOLA, Luanda 2255 10/10 African mx poor. Note that this is still on 'old plan' 1088 instead of 1089. (Connelly-MA) (Yes, this is also still noted in WRTH as such. I'd noticed carriers here once or twice at Byron Rd. but was never able to pull audio through the awful domestic slop. ed)
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA, Duba 0321 10/11 Fadey u/WKB, mostly loud whistle (het generated here by 1520/1521. ed) but bits of AA chanting here & there. (Wyllie-MA)

PAN - AMERICANA D X

- 530 unID, 2337 10/10 unID language (non-EE) talk, strongly hetted by Algeria-531. (Connelly-MA) (Could be Costa Rican Rumbo. ed)
- 535 GRENADA, St. George's 0115 9/28 Reggae mx, low volume. (Wyllie-MA)
+0219 10/25 Super sig w/pop mx, cleanest signal on loop. (Herriman-VA)
+2338 10/10 local anmts / Carib. EE talk by man. (Connelly-MA)
- 555 ST. KITTS, Basseterre ZIZ 2340 10/10 Talk by m in Carib.-EE in WGAN slop. (Connelly-MA)
- 580 PUERTO RICO, San Juan WKAQ 2341 10/10 Loud w/PR nx by m in SS. (Con)
- 590 CuBA, 0120 9/25 Reloj w/"RR" code. (Wyllie-MA)
- 600 SURINAM, Paramaribo 2341 10/10 Indian (Hindi) fem. vocal, o/ Venezuelan. (Connelly-MA)
- 620 ANTIGUA, St. John's 2343 10/10 Carib.-EE talk / local anmts o/u SS (Venezuela or DR?) (or Cuba? ed) & stiff het from Canaries-621. (Connelly)
CuBA, Colon 0018 10/11 20/59 w/speech //600. 600 listed 150kW. (M.-VA)
+0218 10/15 //600, gd behind WSKQ (also SS). (Wyllie-MA)
- 630 PUERTO RICO, San Juan WQBS 2343 10/10 SS talkshow killing WPRO. (C.-MA)
- 640 GUADELOUPE, Arnouville 2240 10/10 Gd w/FF talk by msw; o/SS stn. (C-MA)
- 670 VENEZUELA, Caracas YVLL 2320 10/10 Loud w/"Rumbos deportivo" sports pgm, compl. w/march mx. like similar US pgms. (Connelly-MA)
+0303 10/5 Gd w/chorus ID "Radio Rumbo". (Wyllie-MA)
- 680 CuBA, 0140 9/28 R. Progreso u/WRKO. 2 listed. (Wyllie-MA)
+0028 10/12 Mixing w/WCBM //670 which was really rolloing in. (Herriman-VA)
- 700 COLOMBIA, Cali 0205 9/28 HJCX gd w/nx, occ "CARACOL" ments. (Wyllie-MA)
CuBA, 0305 9/28 Reloj code/voice ID's. (Wyllie-MA)
JAMAICA, Montego Bay 0307 9/28 Fem anc r w/talk show, "This is JBC, Radio One" ID. (Wyllie-MA)
+2359 10/20 JBC ending rlg's pgm, inv. to write to Box 373, Kingston. (M.-VA)
+2355 10/11 Xint w/horse race results/racing nx, other sports nx. (Mer.-VA)
- 705 ST. VINCENT, Kingstown 2245 10/10 Acc't EE talk by m, fr. Also 2318 10/10 loud w/FF pgm. (Connelly-MA) (Interesting to note FF here. ed)
- 710 VENEZUELA, Caracas YVYK 2321 10/10 Ven.ments o/u other SS. (Connelly-MA)
- 720 VENEZUELA, Porlamar YVQL 2318 10/10 Ads ment Porlamar. Mixed w/CHTN & other SS. (Connelly-MA)
JAMAICA, Kingston 0345 9/28 M ID "This is RJR" in depep voice. (W.-MA)
- 740 PUERTO RICO, San Juan WIAC 2324 10/10 "W-I-A-C" jx in SS, SS talk, o/ presumed YVNC. (Connelly-MA)
- 750 VENEZUELA, Caracas 0421 9/28 EE/SS rock songs. "750 Caracas" ID. Strong. (Wyllie-MA)
t +YVKS 0115 10/20 SS rock, many ments Ven. Gen. on top. (Herriman-VA)
+2332 10/10 Xint w/SS talk, new version of '70s disco hit "Rock the Boat". (Connelly-MA)
- 760 GUYANA / VENEZUELA, 2335 10/10 Georgetown w/shrill East Indian (Hindi) fem. vocal o/YVQQ Puerto la Cruz w/SS pgm. & ment's "Venezuela del Oriente". (Connelly-MA)
CuBA, 0251 10/4 RCN QRM, RR code noted. (Wyllie-MA)
- COLOMBIA, Barranquilla 0249 10/2 "RCN" ID's. Formerly LV de Barranquilla on this freq. (Wyllie-MA)
- 770 COLOMBIA, HJJX 0427 9/28 Many "RCN" ID's o/WABC. (Wyllie-MA)
t BRAZIL, 2302 10/10 PP talk behind WABC. (Connelly-MA) (Time is good for a ZY. ed)
- 780 t VENEZUELA, 2346 10/10 Ecos del Torbes anfd R. Coro suspected to be the 2 SS stn's battling it out here. (Connelly-MA)
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, Roadtown, Tortola 2208 10/10 ZBVI loud w/nx of the islands by w in Carib. EE. (Connelly-MA)
VENEZUELA, YVMN 2341 10/27 SS m w/"R. Coro" ID fol/by upbeat mx, on top on all antennas. (Herriman-VA)
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES, Bonaire PJB 2325 10/10 Xint w/SS rlg's talk, o/u unID SS mx. (Connelly-MA)
+0428 9/28 Strong w/s/off and Anthem, TWR. (Wyllie-MA)
- 810 COLOMBIA, Bogota 0324 10/11 Many "CARACOL" ment's, occ o/WGY. (Wyllie)
+0040 10/12 m in SS, singing "CARACOL" promo by f group. Mixing w/ZNS3. (Herriman-VA)
BAHAMAS, Freeport ZNS3 0028 10/9 Ending rlg's pgm w/f preacher, Northern Bah. ID. WGY phased. Gen. on top. (Herriman-VA)

- 820 CUBA, 0218 9/27 Fr w/SS mx, "Progreso" ID. (Wyllie-MA)
 t VENEZUELA, Upata VVSH 2306 10/10 "Continental" and Vn. ment's, SS tlk, hetted by Morocco-819. Also 2347 10/10 "Mundial" ID (?) o/growl. (Con-MA)
- 825 ST. KITTS, Bas. 0023 10/26 Strong w/EE rigs pgm, sig like the old days, best on loop. Also 0119 10/8 Fr sig. (MerrimanOVA)
- 830 unID, 0405 10/11 Weak, EE & SS talk. On 9/28 betw. 0428-0420 (? ed) weak w/EE accent talk. Suspect R. Belize. (Wyllie) (Likely Belize. ed) BELIZE, 0128 10/8 Xint w/Carib. acc't'd EE, sports update. A surprise gd on all antennas. Also ID and spot for co. in Belmopan. Way atop again 10/14 0105 w/nx. (Merriman-VA)
- 860 unID, 2350 10/10 Screamed "Ritmo!" slogan. Boxy audio (telephone quality). (Connelly-MA) (DR? ed) CUBA, 0340 10/11 SS mx, "R. Progreso" ID, gd. (Wyllie-MA)
- 870 COLOMBIA, 0337 10/11 Sports in SS, thought I hrd "CARACOL" ID but not sure. I know it was Col. (Wyllie-MA)
- 880 VENEZUELA, Caracas YVKU 2308 10/10 "Onda Mundial" & "Tricolor" ment's, Caracas given as QTH. Totally killing WCBS!! (Connelly-MA)
- 885 t MONTserrat, 2259 10/10 Bits of talk, poor. (Connelly-MA)
 +0010 10/25 Are the6 back on? (yes. ed) Man (or men) in what sd/lk EE. Fr carrier but weak modulation. (Merriman-VA)
- 890 COLOMBIA, Bogota 2352 10/10 Apparat "TODELAR" ID, SS mx. (Connelly)
- 895 NEVIS, 2258 10/10 Gd w/EE talk by w. (Connelly-MA)
- 900 BARBADOS, Bridgetown 2257 10/10 Soft soul vocal, then ment's of local phone hot-line & Barbados PSA's. (Connelly-MA)
- CUBA, 0320 10/11 R. Progreso //860/740. (Wyllie-MA)
- 910 VENEZUELA, Maquetia YVRQ Disco oldie "Heaven Must Be Missing an Angel", then talk by w ment "Mundial" net. (ConnellyOMA)
- 960 CUBA, 0530 10/6 Reloj mixing w/domestics. (Connelly-MA)
 +0327 10/12 RR. 3 listed, don't know which one. (Wyllie-A)
- 970 unID, (maybe Virgin Islands?) 0525 10/6 Calypso mx u/VYVZ. (Connelly)
- 990 VENEZUELA, Barquisimeto YVTA 0521 10/6 Lively SSLA mx, "es Tricolor" ID, gd. (Connelly-MA)
- 1020 VENEZUELA, La Ascuncion YVRS 2355 10/10 "Margarita" ID gd despite heavy WBZ slop. (Connelly-MA)
 +0206 10/12 Upbeat mx, sign ID and ment of Nueva Esparta, the state they are in. Fr - KDKA phased. (Merriman-VA)
- 1060 MEXICO, Mex. City XEEP 0519 10/11 Dominating channel, clear "Radio Educacion" ID 0519, 0601. Soft-spoken lady ancr. Gd o/KYW/WPMX. First time hrd. (Laskowski-IN) (Welcome back, Tom. Been a while! ed)
- 1080 CUBA, Guines 0005 10/11 RCH //1120, o/another SS spkr. (Merriman-VA)
- 1090 MARTINIQUE, 0513 10/6 Carib. Creole style FF, gd. Also 2358 Carib. FF gd o/SS stn. (Connelly-MA)
- 1100 CUBA, Jaruco 2348 10/11 RCH gd w/WVME phased. Mx & m ancr in SS // 1080/1120. (Merriman-VA)
- COLOMBIA, Barranquilla HJAT 0515 10/6 Atop w/local ads. (Connelly-MA)
- ANTIGUA, St. John's ZDK 2226 10/10 LOUD w/EE mx by Carib.-acc't'd m. (Con)
- 1110 MEXICO, Mexico City XERED 0601 10/9 Gd, alone w/m ID "mil ciento y diaz amplitude modulata, con cinquenta mil watts de potencia, Radio Red..." ment Mexico City. New. (Laskowski-IN)
- 1120 CUBA, Aretemisá CMCW 0055 10/8 Radio Cadena Habana xint w/upbeat mx, many sign ID's around 0100. KMOX phased. (Merriman-VA)
- 1160 BERMUDA, Hamilton VS83 0511 10/6 Gd w/BBC mx, also 10/10 2230 again good w/BBC relay, WSKW phased, some WKPE-1170 slop. (ConnellyOMA)
- 1165 ANTIGUA, St. John's CRL 0517 10/6 Gd w/EE preaching. (Connelly-MA)
 +0103 10/9 Caribbean Radio Lighthouse starting EE rign pgm, completely in the clear w/WVVA phased. (Merriman-VA)
- 1180 CUBA, 2359 10/10 Radio Taino bombing in, anmts in EE "Welcome to Cuba" fol/by SS TC/ID. Super sig all ant's. (Merriman-VA) (Anyone hera the R. Taino outlet up 830 lately?? ed)
 t +Cuba assumed 0310 10/12 SS mx, sd/lk R. Taino; sig sure sd/lk it. (Wyllie)
- 1205 CAYMAN ISLANDS, George Town 0035 10/14 Fr at best, some audio, rigns pgm, ID'd by checking //1555. W/dual VFO's //checking is a snap on the R8. WGLW-1210 phased and semi-local WAGE no problem. (Merriman-VA) (// checking on the R71A is also very easy, Al. It sure comes in handy, huh? ed)
- 1210 VENEZUELA, Barcelona YVZT 10/10 2235 Ads for businesses in Barcelona, Venezuela. (Connelly-MA)
- 1270 CUBA, Camaguey CHMD 0212 10/11 R. Reloj w/pips, gd. (Townshend-DC) (Good to hear from you again, Bill. ed)
- 1310 CUBA, La Fe CHOL 0228 10/11 SS talk by mEW, fr w/WDCT o/. (Townshend)
- 1505 t ANGUILLA, 2328 10/13 R. Anguilla likely the one w/EE m zancr, what sd/lk R. Anguilla ID but not sure, tough copy. Best on slopers w/local WTOP phased. (Merriman-VA) (Almost no doubt Anguilla, Al. ed)

- 1570 TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS, 2319 10/10 Gospel pgm by w, xint. Atlantic Radio Beacon. (Townshend-DC)
- 1610 ANGUILLA, The Valley 0302 9/28 Strong, rigs m asking for donations. Soft mx played while taking phone calls. (Wyllie-MA)
+2214 10/10 Like a local w/gospel mx. (Connelly-MA)
- 1620 UNID, After seeing Ray Moore's rpt's in DX Nx decided to check here. At 1012 10/25 m or pos. 2 men speaking, weak, heavy storm QRN, had faded some by 1017. Again 10/27 1048 m speaking, a bit better but heavy QRN. Nothing really readable except for 2 words that sd/lk "...welcome to..." I'm a long way from calling this an Aussie - I'm inclined to think this is a TIS stn off 1610 or pos assigned 1620 for some reason. On 10/27 had completely faded by 1057. Interesting and def. needs some work. Best on 10/25 on loop, 10/27 on slopers. (Merriman-VA)

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PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 570 MEXICO, Monterrey-XEBJB 10/22 0742 Poor-fair through KLAC with Nortena mx and "B-J-B La Nortena" shouted between songs. KLAC's switch to chatty IRN programming makes it possible to null them a bit. New XE#231. (TRH-CA)
- 880 UNID, Pr 10/25 0742-HUGE OC, looped N/S. Unsure if US or XE station. (TRH-CA)
- 950 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEKAM 10/25 0744 Noted w/progressive rr program tonight, drowned out by its own tx hum! Format remains talk though. These people don't have a CLUE, hi. (TRH-CA)
- 1500 MEXICO, Mexico City-XEAI (presumed) 10/26 0905 HUGE signal way o/KSJK on car rx and at home with mentions of Mexico City, 7-digit phone numbers (All other parts of Mexico have 5-and 6-digit numbers). Mentioned day and night power now 50KW. Slogan "Radio Noticias Canal 1500" used often, but format remains Tropical, not News. No call ID noted. (TRH-CA)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 620 HAWAII, Hilo-KIPA-Good signal o/KGW as early as 0330 with MOR Stardust type programming. First time hrd this early for a long time. On 10/28. (PM-OR)
- 670 HAWAII, Hilo-KPUA-also good all alone on freq. at 0334 with Pops and KWXX and KPUA IDs 10/28. (PM-OR)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 540 KHKN CA, Carmel Valley 10/27 1500 call change, ex-KPUP and format change, was oldies, now SMN "Real Country." ID "KHKN, Carmel Valley, Salinas Valley and Monterey Bay, 540 AM, Kickin' Country." Older C&W music. Other ID "The central coast's only real country station, AM 540, KHKN, Kickin' Country." Call change took place 10/25. No longer // 104.3 FM, now KHKN-FM, SMN "Hit Country." (JH-CA) +10/28 0359 usual good signal, //KCWR-550, but ID on hour as "The home of real country, KHKN, 540 AM, Carmel Valley, Salinas Valley, Monterey, Kickin' Country." Call change, ex-KPUP. (RW-CA)
- 1080 KRPX UT, Price 10/28 0908 good over KSCO with KWJJ nulled. Oldies, ID "101.7 KPRQ and 1080 AM, KRPX." They were silent for a long time but back on air again. (RW-CA)
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- 530 WNWD650 CA, Castaic 10/22 NEW STATION with TIS/community information for the Castaic Lake Recreation Area, along I-5 just north of LA. Fair through local WNSB415 OC. Local WNAG556 off again tonight. New, CA #236. (TRH-CA)
- 620 KTAR AZ, Phoenix 10/24 2050 in tight null of KIDD-630 with sports talk show and ID. Rare since moving into town in 1990 with 630 QRM. (JH-CA)
- 660 (KTNN) AZ, Window Rock MM 10/21 0235 noted with OC, leaving unID Mexican station. Back a few minutes later. Station has dropped IRN feed (which has moved to KXRC-NM 99.9). (TRH)
- 700 WLW OH, Cincinnati 10/23 0653 faded up over KFAM with local spot for heating company, TC & ID "WLW morning show time is 6:53, 7 minutes before 7." A bit longer before fading out. Increasingly rare here. (JH-CA)
- KFAM UT, North Salt Lake City 10/26 0900 pretty weak with ID. (LG-MT)
- KMJY WA, Newport 10/22 0900 strong with very brief s/on. (LG-MT)
- 820 XEYX BCN, Mexicali 10/26 2238 in with local ad, atop WBAP. (LG)
- 830 KIKI HI, Honolulu 10/27 weak with definite ID 0900, then oldies. Normally WCCO dominates at this hour on this loop bearing, but snowstorm blocked northerly reception this AM. (LG-MT)
- 890 (KDXU) UT, St. George 10/24 0818 still not on at this hour. S/on usually around 0700 but varies widely, giving the channel potential for good SRS DX. (TRH-CA)
- 990 (KKIS) CA, Pittsburg 10/26 0540 totally off. (RW-CA)
KRKS CO, Denver 10/26 0600 briefly good on top with KKIS off. "Through The Bible," simple ID "It's 4:00, KRKS, Denver," into USA network news. Not needed here. (RW-CA)

- 1010 KCHJ CA, Delano 10/15 0205 ending network news in Spanish, then English & Spanish IDs with Radio Juventud slogan into Spanish music. Fair-good. (bp-CA)
- 1020 KCKN NM, Roswell 10/26 0855 very strong with ID "Your Kickin' Country Connection, the Bluegrass Express." (LG-MT)
- 1030 KBUF KS, Holcomb-Garden City 10/15 0900 loud with C&W, "Serving the heartland of America...your 25,000 watt information source...KBUF Holcomb-Garden City" into ABC-I news. No QRM at first, but by 0902 KTWO was mixing with them. (bp-CA)
- WBZ MA, Boston MM 10/21 0220 fair-good in KJDJ null during KTWO SP. Local talk & lots of IDs. Good conditions this week! (TRH-CA)
- 1230 KWG CA, Stockton 10/12 0045 good-null in KWXYZ null, with oldies and IDs for KSGL-FM 101. (bp-WA)
- 1320 KUTR UT, Salt Lake City 10/24 2057-2105 loud with local spots, 1 minute Mutual news update, legal ID. Call change here, ex-KBUG, easy to hear but just never logged, hi. (JH-CA)
- 1460 ?KKCS? CO, Colorado Springs 10/28 0820 tent. call change ex-KYSN. Ad for Office Depot "...with 10 stores serving you throughout Colorado." into C&W. Briefly over mess, then faded rapidly under CJMH-KENO-KTYM with KCKX nulled. Last heard in 1979 as KYSN. C&W format. (RW-CA)
- 1470 CJVB BC, Vancouver 10/28 0855 good way over mess with s/on, O Canada. Have they done something to their DA? Way over KBSN-KELA. (RW-CA) (Apparently they've changed their DA since KAPS, 60-70 miles south, moved to 660. See 9/28 WDXR and Patrick and Bill's forums in 10/26 WDXF.--NH)
- 1510 KAPX CA, San Rafael 10/22 1610 heard weak mid-day in KMPG-1520 null. Not new here, only CC last time, heard mid-day in 1986 as KTIM. (JH-CA)
- 1600 KUBA CA, Yuba City 10/11 0945 dominant with local ads, promo, IDs. (bp-WA)

DX TEST

- 1370 (KCRV) MO, Caruthersville 10/28 0520 DX test tried for in tight KEEN null. Nothing heard except unID talk show and C&W (probably MT & UT stations). (RW-CA)

LOCAL CHANGES

- 570 KVI WA, Seattle 10/21 1005 noted with new AM drive show of "personality" news, similar to KGO & KNBR, with 3-4 oldies songs per hour. Has also added Mutual news at :00 & :30. Still oldies evenings and most of weekend--I suspect they'd like to be full time talk, but since KIRO, KJR, KOMO, KING and KLAY already run network talk at night there's not much left to choose from. (bp-WA)
- 1360 KKMO WA, Tacoma 10/28 0940 new morning format of non-stop big band and adult standards, ex-adcon. No anncts until 0959, when they ran a string of sponsored PSA's, i.e. one about missing children "brought to you by" an RV dealer, then studio anncr. with weather and traffic. (bp-WA)

UNIDs

- 880 10/28 0526 unID TT good over mess, looping N-S. (RW-CA)
- 890 10/28 0348 unID OC most of morning, loop seemed to be NE-SW. Maybe KPTO-CA testing? More likely KDXU judging on strength. Over WLS. (RW-CA)
- 1030 10/28 0430 unID Spanish fading over KJDJ good with KDUN nulled, then faded rapidly. Domestic or Mexican? (RW-CA)
- 1060 10/28 0434 unID with soft piano classical music for good half-hour alone over KUKQ with CJAM nulled. Mexican? (RW-CA)
- 1490 Kool Gold in jumble 10/15 0215 & 10/16 0840. (bp-CA)

Hope everyone had a good time at the convention!



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FRG-7, 2 1/2' loop.
- [JcJ-MT] = Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A with a "Radio West" loop.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 730 WHOS NC Shelby, 10/4 surfaced o/KKDA briefly. 0600 with ID, Rock music, song by Niel Diamond. [TMJ-IL]
- 840 KWPN NE West Point, 10/17 good o/WHAS. 0750-0810 w/"AM 8-40, FM 108" ID. Mentioned West Point. Spot for local bank in Tekamah and a promo for Nebraska pork products. [TMJ-IL]
- 870 KORD WA Pasco, 10/19 good o/KPRM. 0753 with satellite fed rock oldies. "Zippo In The Morning" program. Tri-Cities weather, "KORD" IDs. [SA-MB]
- KOWA NV Laughlin, 10/16 poor. 2009 w/C&W music, "K-O-W" and "cow" IDs. New for me, NV#10. [SA-MB]
- 1230 CILW AB Wainwright, 10/19 good. 0835 with TC, C&W music, "North Central Alberta Network" \\1370. New, AB#50. [SA-MB]
- 1240 KWDS MO Jefferson City, 10/23 poor in mess. 0635 with local news, weather, "KWDS" ID. New for me, MO#50. [TMJ-IL]
- WJMC WI Rice Lake, 10/23 fair in mess. 0700 ID. New one for me, WI#81. [SA-MB]
- 1310 KLIX ID Twin Falls, 10/30 strong. 0350 w/promo for Paul Harvey 5 times a day. C&W format. IDing as "Best in country, 1310 clicks." Not normally dominant here! [JcJ-MT]
- 1360 WMAC GA Metter, TENTATIVE. 10/27 w/WMOB. 2030-2045 with several spots for nearby Statesboro, GA. No ID. [TMJ-IL]
- 1370 KCRV MO Caruthersville, 10/13 fair o/XEMON. 2351-2359 with Rock music and request line. [TMJ-IL]
- WABD KY Ft. Campbell, 10/13 surfaced briefly w/WCOA, XEMON. 0004 with mention of Ft. Campbell area. [TMJ-IL]
- WCOA FL Pensacola, 10/12 good. 0015-0110 with talk show. "WCOA Pensacola's News Talk Radio. AM 13-70." Best bet up here for Florida Panhandle area. [TMJ-IL]
- 1520 KACY LA Lafayette, 10/8 good o/weak KMPL. No sign of KOMA all evening. 2045-2200 with Rock oldies. [TMJ-IL]

FREQUENCY CHECKS

- 950 WCTN MD Potomac, TENTATIVE. 10/22 strong u/WJPC, WWJ. 0000-0003 with TT. No ID. (Tue. after 1st Mon. F/C.) [TMJ-IL]
- 1370 KCRV MO Caruthersville, 10/28 fair to good w/KDTH, WGCL. 0637-0645 w/DX Test. TT (variable), code IDs. [TMJ-IL]
- 1530 WBMT PA Shenandoah, TENTATIVE. 10/21 weak u/WCKY. 0040-0045 with TT. No ID. (Mon. after 3rd Sun. F/C.) [TMJ-IL]
- 1600 WINX MD Rockville, TENTATIVE. 10/21 weak o/mess. 0015-0018 with TT. No ID. (Mon. after 3rd Sun. F/C.) [TMJ-IL]

25 YEARS AGO

November 19, 1966 issue of DX Monitor...Bruce Portzer of Seattle said his totals were 214 heard and 13 verified....SM Tom Jasinski on the USS Brumby (stationed at Boston) logged 12 states....Rick Evans of Gary, IN said he had a 100' of wire running along his livingroom ceiling....John Johnson of Keflavik, Iceland found out his next duty station would be Rota, Spain.



OPEN MIKE



Never bet on a sure thing unless you can afford to lose.
Robert Wien ask me to clarify an entry in the 10/26 CDXR, [VAL-DX]s
1140 CFXX is in Calgary. Thanks for your valuable help. 73, John.



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- (LLH-WV) Leonard L. Hyde Rt. 1 Box 28, Ballard, WV 24918
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(homebrew)
- (RCR-PA) Robert Ritchie 210 S. Walnut St., Martinsburg, PA -
16662; Superadio II + 400' longwire.
- (KRS-OH) Keith R. Short 3515 Medina Ave., Columbus, OH 43224;
Sangean ATS-803A + Select-A-Tenna.

- 530 CIAO ON, BRAMPTON 10/17 1032 FAIR w/New Wave type mx and DJ
speaking oriental language, probably Chinese [see
editor's comment after next logging]. New. (LLH-WV)
- 530 CIAO ON, BRAMPTON 10/15 1945 FAIR in unidentified language
(see above report from 1/17...language may be Chinese -
ed). First station I've ever picked up on this
frequency that wasn't a TIS. I believe this station
broadcasts in more than 1 foreign language. [
According to the 1992 NRC AM Radio Log, CIAO broadcasts
in German, Italian and "other" languages - ed]. (KRS-
OH)
- 680 WPTF NC, RALEIGH 10/22 1915 FAIR w/some QRM from an unID
station. Was into WPTF Sportsline and apoligizing for
technical difficulties with a satellite service; they
were supposed to carry a live auto race. (KRS-OH)
- 690 KGGF KS, COFFEYVILLE 10/30 2155-2200 ads for Christmas mx,
Fiberall, ice cream (last 2 ads played twice), into
talk show w/guest from Houston, then female announcer
talking about tomorrow night's (Halloween) program,
ending w/ "Mid America's standard, this is K ???, ABC
news upcoming..." into mx. Then "KGGF-Coffeyville..."
and "Here's the latest from ABC news..." at 2200. Lots
of static and QRM. (LE-AL)
- 710 WFNR VA, CHRISTIANSBURG (date and time? - ed) station is
SILENT after a lightning strike to the tower in early
October; calls to the station are unanswered. (LLH-WV)
- 740 KRMG OK, TULSA 10/29 2127-2128 w/ad + phone # 254-1608,
"...it's 7:28 at 7-40 KRMG..." into wx forecast for
Tulsa, radar report, then another ad. Strong signal.
(LE-AL)
- 790 WMRZ FL, S. MIAMI - FT. LAUDERDALE 10/11 0038 "Crying in
the Chapel" by Elvis. In/out o/Cuban. Tin Pan
classics from the 40s to the 60s. At 0048, "790
Memories - WMRZ"; legal ID at 0100. Atop channel since
0042. New. (LLH-WV)

- 790 WTAR VA, NORFOLK 10/29 1900 GOOD carrying audio feed from CNN Headline News. During commercial break announcer came in with "WTAR Newstime is 7:15 PM" ID. (KRS-OH)
- 830 WMMO NC, REIDSVILLE 10/11 0110 Pest "Wham-O" unusually poor tonight. Ho-ro mx and preacher as always. (LLH-WV)
- 920 WBAA IN, WEST LAFAYETTE 10/25 0659-0700 FAIR-GOOD w/s/on announcement mentioning that WBAA's studios are located on the ground floor of the Everett C. Elliot Hall of Music on campus of Purdue University; local wx, into NPR "Morning Edition" program at 0700, then lost to WOKY and KDHL. (MB-ON)
- 920 KDHL MN, FARIBAULT 10/23 0659 FAIR - GOOD w/Minnesota wx, dual ID as "This is the KDHL broadcasting network, KDHL, Faribault, KWMB 1190 AM, Wabasha" into ABC nx at 0700. (MB-ON)
- 920 WAFS GA, ATLANTA 10/31 1759 FAIR - GOOD in auroral conditions w/USA Network nx, female announcer giving local wx "Currently on Peachtree St., it's 77 degrees...by the way I hear it's snowing in Minneapolis"; "WAFS Atlanta" ID noted at 1800, then disappeared, presumably due to power/pattern change at this time. I logged WGST on this frequency in 1987. (MB-ON)
- 940 WECO TN, WARTBURG 10/23 0715 FAIR o/CBM w/s/on mentioning 5000 watt power and ending with "This is WECO...this is pure country." Logged on equipment test in 1980. (MB-ON)
- 940 WCPC MS, HOUSTON 10/13 1925 GOOD playing bluegrass mx on frequency usually dominated by CBM. ID's as "WCPC - Houston, MS" then giving wx and into ads for Piggly Wiggly and a local garage. Does CBC still broadcast on the AM Band? [They sure do using many different call signs throughout the Canadian provinces -ed]. (KRS-OH)
- 960 WFIR VA, ROANOKE 10/29 1835 GOOD w/sports nx and a 3-day wx forecast...then into Dan Rather commentary from Madrid, Spain. (KRS-OH)
- 980 WONE OH, DAYTON 10/21 1834 P-F over usual mush of CFPL, WWRC, etc., w/talk on upcoming Bengals game; ID as "AM 980 WONE" into c/w. (MB-ON)
- 980 WCUB WI, TWO RIVERS 10/15 0705 P-F in dogfight w/CFPL, w/Wisconsin state wx; 0708 talk by m/ann "it's 8 minutes past 6 o'clock on the Breakfast Show on WCUB" into c/w song. (MB-ON)
- 990 KWAM TN, MEMPHIS 10/12 2025 w/gospel mx o/WIVK; TN/FL football game. Fair w/WIVK nulled. KWAM is new to me as I normally receive WIVK on this frequency. (KRS-OH)
- 1010 CFRB ON, TORONTO 10/13 1955 STRONG w/WINS nulled with a talk show (in Canada of all places) debating sexual harrasment involving Justice Clarence Thomas. CFRB also announced Toronto's loss in the baseball playoffs to Minnesota. (KRS-OH)
- 1050 CHUM ON, TORONTO 10/21 1940 w/ad for store in Toronto; ID as "10-50 CHUM"; talk about Halloween contest...into Anne Murray mx at 1941. (LH-AL)
- 1060 KYW PA, PHILADELPHIA 10/21 1942 "KYW newstime 7:43..." into story about fire; wavering signal. (LH-PA)

- 1130 KWKH LA, SHREVEPORT 10/13 1955 GOOD (rarely picked up here). ID = "1130 KWKH" and into a promo advertising where you hear this tone (3 beeps) this is a severe weather alert. (KRS-OH)
- 1340 WPBR FL, PALM BEACH 11/2 2107 FAIR w/disclaimer, ID as "Talk 1340" by m/ann; phone # as 1-800-874-3454...into "Dateless and Desperate on WPBR." (RCR-PA)
- 1470 WPNC NC, PLYMOUTH 10/25 1958 FAIR w/series of local ads, technical difficulties preventing broadcast of Plymouth H.S. football; ID as "1470 WPNC", NC Network nx. (RCR-PA)

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TENTATIVES & unID's

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- 540 unID 10/23 1830 FAIR w/ ID given as "AM 540, Your Christian Music Station"...gave no call signs...and into Gospel mx. Lost station at 1840 to an unID Spanish station. (KRS-OH)
- 570 KLDD TX, DALLAS 10/30 2142-2143 mentions of "Talk (t) radio 5-70 KL ??", man talking about Dallas...talking w/caller at 2143, phone # that sounded like "777-1570." Lots of Spanish QRM. (LE-AL)
- 670 unID 10/23 2040 STRONG Spanish station o/frequency dominated by WMAQ. Suspect this may be WWFE but not sure since I don't understand Spanish. I do not believe WMAQ broadcasts in Spanish. (KRS-OH)
- 720 unID 11/27 0150-0200 Weak-nil, unID c/w mx, female announcer w/Southern accent. (RCR-PA)
- 740 unID 10/20 0304 POOR o/nothing in particular (CBL off) w/marine wx giving wind speed in knots...into "Do It To Me One More Time" by the Captain & Tenille. Would KRMG in land-locked Oklahoma have marine wx? [I seriously doubt it -ed]. KCBS is one of my most-wanted stations, but they're all news. (MB-ON)
- 860 CJBC ON, TORONTO 10/23 2130 DJ in French, possible (t) ID; some kind (Gospel?) of choir performance. Fair signal. (LE-AL)

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DX TESTS, FREQUENCY CHECKS, TIS

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- 720 WGN IL, CHICAGO 11/27 0150 GOOD OC and test tone, TEST ID by m/ann as "This is WGN Chicago radio, 720 kHz performing maintenance tests", would return at 0500, off the air. (RCR-PA)

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QUIPS & QUOTES

FROM LYNN HOLLERMAN: this week I picked up many MW stations in Spanish; KUSA - 550 and WHAS - 840, which are usually powerhouses here, could not be heard (unless they've started broadcasting in Spanish). On 1180 I picked up a **VERY** over-modulated Spanish broadcast. I don't understand Spanish so I cannot figure out which station I'm hearing since the announcer's seldom slow down their talk to give the station's call.

FROM YE EDITOR: to Leonard Hyde I say **THANKS** for joining the IRCA and for your contributions to this issue of **EDXR**. I certainly hope you get years of enjoyment from your IRCA membership just as I have. Most of your loggings should have been sent to James R. Hall, editor of **DX WORLDWIDE EAST**; I forwarded your report to Jim after using your loggings that belonged in **EDXR**; his address is 9839 Presidential Drive, #103, Allison Park, PA 15101-1841. Again, welcome to the IRCA and I look forward to receiving many more of your fine reports in the future.

Also, to Keith Short, thanks for the terrific intro letter. I forwarded it to Richard C. Evans editor of **EASTERN DX FORUM**. It really belongs in his column. If you do not have his address it's: P.O. Box 21883, Milwaukee, WI 53221.

COMMENTS

Thanks to this issue's reporters to **EDXR**...the column is getting better as the season progresses. In particular, a big welcome to Keith Short and Leonard Hyde...looking forward to more terrific reports from you both. Until next issue, **CONTINUED GOOD DX MY FRIENDS** and 73 de Mr. B



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Greetings to all members and much thanks to IRCA President Phil Bytheway for his confidence in me...also to Bill Hardy for his friendship and support. And a special thanks to Ric Heald in whose honor and sense of duty I have volunteered. As the acting **WDXF** editor (until confirmation or otherwise by the BoD), all should know that I intend to perform this job in strict conformance with both the Bylaws and published IRCA Editorial Policy so please, submit your reports accordingly. As a reintroduction, I am a 49-year old married, male civil (mostly) engineer working for the State. I was active in **BCB DX** in the late 60's and early 70's with some 26 states veried using a Halli S-38E. I became reinvolved in 1990 when again I began to have some non-career time on my hands. My primary interest is on the tech side re: collecting and repairing hollow-state equipment. Enuf for now.

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Hello again to all IRCA'ers. This is my first report to WDXF since being elected to the IRCA Board of Directors. A BIG THANKS to all who voted for me. I assure you, I will not let you down. While I cannot promise that you will get everything you want, I can and will promise that if you have anything you would like the board to consider I will bring the matter before the board for consideration. This does not mean I will vote "yes" on everything you want but I will consider both the "good" and "bad" in anything you propose. If you have anything you want me to consider the best way to let me know is to put it in writing. However, if you wish to call me you may call on either of the two numbers shown above. These are business lines that ring in my home. They are answered by an answering machine after business hours and personal calls are sometimes, repeat, sometimes, intercepted after business hours. Be sure to state immediately at the sound of the tone that you are an IRCA Member and then go on to leave me your name and telephone number. I may intercept your call. If I do not intercept your call within about thirty seconds either I am not home or the answering machine is not turned up so I can monitor it. Do not expect a return call if it is long distance for me. I may call you back and I may not call you back. If you leave a message about the subject of your call do not leave a long message. Remember, you are calling on a business line. [non-dx material deleted for the sake of space - ed.]

Well, enough for this WDXF report . . . 73 and good DX, de ASLI

Frank Aden, Jr. [N7SOK], 4096 Marcia Place, Boise, ID 83704

KBOI 670 should have installed its solid state transmitter by now. It may make a difference for reception in some areas. KUCL 730 is silent and no longer listed in the Sunday radio log in the Idaho Statesman. No news on why it is silent, their FM, KZMG 93.1 is still on. KSGO 13 is now KANR, "All News Radio", running 24 hours CNN. Are any of the west coast DXers interested in starting another TA Alert phone net? We had one a few years ago & I think we should try again. 73 for now

John C. Johnson, 979 Neptune Boulevard, Billings, MT 59105-2129

First off, congratulations to Reid on taking over as WDXF editor! Good luck with the column. Only one new verie, that was from KBET-1220. I did receive a call from someone at KHJJ-1380 telling me via phone they confirmed my reception from last year. What sparked the call was another report from "someone in Oregon". I assume that would be Patrick Martin. I noticed Patrick logged KHJJ recently. Hope they send a letter verie. I will not be at the convention in November. It is impossible for me to take time off at that time as the station is in the most important month of the year. No one gets a vacation in November. Hopefully next year's convention will be during July or August. 73, John.

Larry Godwin, 2390 Clydes Dale Lane, Missoula, MT 59801

Greetings! Reid's fingers are being put to the test in this first column. Thanks for volunteering, Reid. DX has been interesting here, if not spectacular. Most AM's, I hear hets on 738 and 891 kHz around 0800-0830 EST, but no audio in weeks. I look for another opening to either Asia or S. Pacific soon. Meanwhile, KIKI-830-Honolulu continues to make it occasionally around 0800 EST. I set a compass beside my SM-2 loop and noticed that true north is about 30 degrees west of magnetic north. I determined this, in a rough way, by checking the bearings on XEYX-820 and KVEG-840, both almost due south of Missoula. The magnitude of the difference between the two norths is particularly great for those of us in these northern latitudes. Will the next NRC log be out soon? Good DX. [Larry-this was received 10/30-ed]

Bill Hardy, 2301 Pacific Ave. Aberdeen, WA 98520

Welcome aboard, Reid! Last week, Larry Godwin commented in a forum that a summer convention might attract more IRCA members than our early November Monterey convention this year, and wondered what happened to Boise's July convention bid. July and August conventions work best for IRCA, but an occasional off-season convention is interesting. Now is the time to think about our 1992 site! I was wondering about the deadline for convention bids, so I checked the IRCA By-Laws. The club President is to solicit bids in August, which must be received by 15 October! If no bids are received, "the President shall announce an extended deadline." The Board then approves or rejects bids, and if more than one bid is approved, ballots must be sent with DXM no later than 60 days after the deadline for bids. Ballots must be sent back by a deadline 30 to 45 days after they were mailed. If bids had been made by 15 October, ballots would go out by 15 December, and be due back by 1 February. Then we could make our vacation plans. We were months behind this timetable in 1991, which I'll discuss next week, along with the fate of Boise's bid. Meantime, anyone wishing to bid for the 1992 convention should write to Phil Bytheway NOW! It's an unofficial tradition that the convention site alternate east and west of the Mississippi River. But if someone out West wishes to bid, that's better than failing to get a good bid from back East. So potential convention hosts, start planning now! 73 and good DX.

EASTERN DX FORUM

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Reports from members living east of the Mississippi River
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Reception was quite nice here Friday evening, Oct. 25. Heard R. Paradise-825 fair to good at 2015 EDT for the first time ever. Didn't last long and not enough data for a report. R. Rebelde, Cuba, was excellent on 670 and 710 with pop mx at 2100 EDT. HJCY-810 (Caracol) very good with football at 2135 EDT. Dual to weak 1130. Cuban football on 550 and 600 at about the same time. R. Reloj-590, the Cuban time station, was good at 2150 EDT. There was a SS classical Mx stn at 2240 EDT on 820. Was listening to a Magnavox D2999 portable without any external antenna. Also was listening at the residence of my primary lady friend, across the Ohio River in Indiana. The noise is much lower over there, especially since I gave her my scanner. Keeps her out of my hair, what there is of it--but I really meant electrical noise! Had a letter from Dario Monferini (Play DX newsletter), Via Davanzati 8, 20158 Milano, Italy. He is a collector (who isn't?) and would like to obtain more materials. So, if you have duplicate pennants or stickers, old QSLs, etc., perhaps you can find a trade with him. Dario is quite the comedian. He and his friends are very generous with stickers, Euro-pirate QSL/promo materials, etc. Tnx and 73.

Mark Connelly, 30 William Road, Billerica, Massachusetts 01821-6079

In early October, WKBR-1250 (NH) was noted back on the air with a religious format. In other events, I took a business trip out to the Hewlett Packard training center in Mountain View, CA. While on the trip, I got to do a bit of DXing and I had several visits with Nail Kazaross. We did some testing of my loop-vs.-active whip cardioid-pattern phasing system using the DCP-1 / RTL-1 / RTU-1 / MPFJ-1024. One night, Neil & I DXed near the Pigeon Point Lighthouse in Pescadero, CA - not far from the Ano Nuevo State Park used in the past by many DXpeditions. TP conditions were off, with just some Hawaiians & the Tahaiti-738 het noted, but Canadians and Pacific Northwest stations were blasting in, frequently overriding closer CA & Mexican stations that usually dominate. At my hotel room in Mountain View, I managed to log Japan-774 on the Sony 2010 at 1341 GMT on 14 Oct: language lessons were heard with a man and a woman repeating the same phrases. Strong TP hets here noted on 837, 891, 972, 1044, 1053, 1079 and 1467. The big news story while I was out there was the Oakland fire. I could easily spot the smoke cloud when I took a ride up to Mt. Tamalpais that Sunday. During the trip, I even managed to get on local radio. KOPY-1050 was having its last day as an oldies station before changing to a Hispanic format. A well-known DJ (last name Gabbert) took my call and found it interesting that I was from the Boston area. Seems that he's good friends with Arnie Ginsberg (presently owner of WXKS-1430/107.9 and in the early '60s Boston's most popular jock on WMEX-1510). Remember to DX on 8 & 9 Nov 1991: a later comparison of foreign loggings may prove interesting. 73 for now.

Mike Hardester, 3118 Gaitway Court, Jacksonville, North Carolina 28546

GREETINGS! With both my wife and I working, "spare" time is becoming rather scarce. However, a couple of items to pass along. I recently did a test drive in a 1992 Sonoma pick-up, and of course, what test drive is complete without a check of the radio? Ahem! Anyway, I noted that the digital read-out goes to 1710 kHz and the owner's manual says that for AM "Stereo" reception, C-QUAM is in use. Sensitivity was better (AM) than on my GMC truck. As for DX...who knows? A recent article in the Lakota Times (newspaper for the Sioux in N&S

Dakota) mentioned that the Standing Rock Sioux ("Seventh Generation Media Services, Inc.") will be putting a station on the air. The target date is 1995, and the call sign which will be requested is KOLA. Although not mentioned, I'm guessing it will be FM: two other stations (KILI and KMHA) which serve the Lakota Nation are also on FM. I'll pass along any further information. All for now. Very 73 and Best of DX!

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Glad to meet all you fellow DXers in the IRCA. I have been a DXer for 25 years, yet never joined a club until now. Why? Who knows? Anyway, I am 39, married, 5 kids, repair custodial equipment for a living. You know, carpet extractors, scrubbers, vacuums, etc. I am a born tinkerer, and love to fabricate my own stuff. I use modified Ford car radios for DXing, and homemade loops. This is a good place to DX, out in the country, no cable TV, little interference except 15 kHz markers from that evil eye downstairs which seems to run 24 hours a day! I am not a big verifier, content just to log the station unless it's something really rare. I recently bought a DX-440, and was somewhat disappointed with it, though I love the digital readout. The darn thing gets spurious responses all over the place if you hook up a wire with no antenna tuner. Longwave reception requires an external loop antenna. Using the internal antenna, you get nothing but hash from the synthesizer, and an untuned wire gets you spurious responses from all over the shortwave spectrum. It's a decent performer for BCB, has a fair filter, and the tunable BFO really helps locate sub-audible heterodynes. For the money it's a good buy, but I still use my Ford radio to DX. If anyone has ever tried an ARN-6 or ARN-59 direction finder for DXing, I would like to hear from you! Anybody else out there love old radios? Drop me a line. I've spent more time the past year learning to use my computer for the hobby than actually DXing. Funny thing is, now that I have the thing set up to log stns, print forms and log sheets, etc., I find that I prefer the handwritten ones! The computer generated forms are too impersonal. WNRV-990, Narrows, VA has changed formats, from AC rock to C&W. No more "Rockin' the two Virginias". (Thank God.) Still daytime only. One of the unique things about this part of the country is bluegrass/gospel (hill-billy) radio stations. There are three of note nearby - WFNR-710, Christiansburg, VA (silent since early Oct.); WGFC-1030 Floyd, VA; and WPAQ-740, Mt. Airy, NC. All are daytime only. If you want to hear what radio programming in the South sounded like 40 years ago, try for these. All three are fanatically dedicated to preserving the genre. Looking forward to a great DXing to all of you. (Leonard, welcome to EDXF. Please report often. My grandmother grew up on a farm near Snowville, VA, just south of Radford, VA, not all that far from Narrows--rce)

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