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IRCA DX TEST BULLETIN

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1992 - * PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME * WIMS-1420, MICHIGAN CITY, IN WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST FROM 3:00 TO 4:00 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. FROM 3:00 TO 3:30 AM. A 2 TOWER DIRECTIONAL ANTENNA SYSTEM WILL BE USED, WITH THE MAIN RADIATION TO THE SOUTHEAST. FROM 3:30 TO 4:00 AM, A 5 TOWER DIRECTIONAL ANTENNA SYSTEM WILL BE USED, WITH THE MAIN LOBE 16 DEGREES EAST & SECONDARY LOBE TO 196 DEGREES SOUTHWEST. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. ROBERT SCHILLING - CHIEF ENGINEER, WIMS-AM, 685 E. 1675 NCRTH, MICHIGAN CITY, IN 46360.

TESTS ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR IRCA



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DEADLINE: MONDAYS

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 860 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEMO 2/23 1027 man singing Mexican-style ball man saying "Que avites(?) de La Poderosa. woman w/nortena mx w/ violins; man w/talk possible ad. Recognized slogan from having DXed in S. Cal. New from here and #3 pseudo-Mexican (that is, licensed to Mexico but based in the USA). Fair then poor; KTRB faded up, KHLO splatter (5P-HI)
- 1140 UNID, man singing 2/23 1020 Mexican style ballad, then signal slipped under KRAX, Mexico or CA? Poor then very poor, het from 1143, lightning QRM. (5P-HI) (prob. an XE, as I don't know of a Cal. in SS-on 1140 PM)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 657 NORTH KOREA, P'yongyang BC Station, Kangnam 3/8 1622-Typical No. Korean choral mx opera-style w/lead tenor; faded out by 1629 as 2YC faded in //SW 6400,6250,3320,3250. Poor then very poor, lots of KPUA-670/QMQQ-690 QRM (5P-HI)
- 738 UNID, w/strong carrier, weak audio (woman spoke) at 1356 2/18. I keep hoping for Tahiti. (LG-MT) (Sounds like you might have hrd them. PM)
- 890 ALASKA, Homer-KBBI 2/17 0807 In the middle of American Public R.'s new age mx show "Echoes" w/station break by man "You're listening to...KBBI Homer Public R. It's 3 minutes after 11. Currently it's 5 degrees in downtown Homer...." Back to "Echoes." Only second time hrd, first time was last yr. Poor QRM KNUI-900 (5P-HI*)
- 1494 JAPAN, UNID woman in JJ w/Pop mx at 1435 on 3/12. Lots of splat and fading. (PM-OR)
- 1521 TAIWAN, monster het and weak audio in CC at 1446 3/12. (PM-OR)
UNID, man and woman spoke, vy weak 1347 3/5. Who? (LG-MT) (Taiwan maybe? PM)
- 1548 UNID, man spoke weak 1339 3/10. Who? (LG-MT) (4QD? PM)
- 1566 UNID, woman spoke, vy weak 1359-1400 3/12 Don't believe there was an IS on the hour. (LG-MT)
- 1575 THAILAND, Bangkok-VOFA-3/4 1457 End of VOAs Khmer broadcast w/IS and EE s-off pause. At 1500 Asian sounding Man with ID, "This is the Voice of Free Asia, Bangkok, Thailand. The following is our EE program, which is broadcast every weekday from 10-10:30 PM Bangkok time or 1500-1530 UTC on frequency 1575 Khz or 190.5 Meters. The Voice of Free Asia; now here is the news." Then military mx, 2nd man with the nx. Completely lost around 1515,200 kept fading up w/stuff like Beach Boys mx. Poor to very poor, het and QRM(5P-HI)
UNID, woman spoke 1401 2/2. No DU/TP carriers elsewhere on the dial. (LG-MT)
- 1584 JAPAN, weak hets off freq (several) with JJ talk. Most seemed // but slightly off freq. 100 watters! at 1423 3/12. (PM-OR)
- 1593 JAPAN, weak JJ talk at 1415 3/12. (PM-OR)
- 1602 JAPAN, weak JJ talk 1414 3/12. (PM-OR)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

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HQ-150-SM2 Loop
- 5P-HI DALE PARK-P.O. BOX 22778-HONOLULU, HI 96823
- 5P-HI* DXING AT SEA LIFE PARK,WAIMANALO,HI
AT'S-803A, Selec-A-Tenna
- PM-OR YOUR EDITOR
SP-600JX-Term. 200' NE/SW, Ground system

DX WORLDWIDE EAST

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Some interesting Mexican news to pass along, via Carl Huffaker in Huasca, Mexico, between Pachuca and Tulancingo in the huasteca. "Express Radio"-590 in Mexico, DF, has gone EE and carries the Larry King show weeknights, with ads, PSA's, some news, and some ID's still in SS. Carl indicated that it may sound like two stations at times. The call remains the same - XEPH. On Frank Merrills 1550 unID in the #22 column, XENU does ID "Radio 1550, La Poderosa". So, it was what you had suspected, Frank. Carl has been sending Tim Hall updates on the Mexican scene and says there is so much change that even one evening's sitting produces almost a page of notes on EC XE's. Tim is hopefully working on an updater for the club. Thanks, Carl, for your reports and the copy from Audio Pico DX Orizaba.

PAN-AMERICANA DX (Hyde-VA) unless denoted

- 620 NICARAGUA, Radio Nicaragua 0830 2/24 & daily like a local. "La Voz Oficial de la Gobierno Central", early morning wake-up pgm "Radial Campasino" with the roosters at 0830. (Huffaker-MEXICO)
- 760 MEXICO, San Cristobal de las Casas XERA -0400 gd most eve's til then. Full data ID's on the hour and halfhour w/"R - A, 760" every five min. or so. Has typical gov't: pgm's heavy on propaganda. (Huffaker-MEXICO)
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILL S, Bonaire PJB 0310 3/5 Booming in w/gos. mx, EE talk.
- 810 BAHAMAS, Freeport ZNS3 0312 3/5 Mixing w/WGY/unID SS, prob. Cuba. UC mx.
- 820 CUBA, Havana 0302 3/5 Fr, SS talk.
- 825 ST. KITTS, Basseterre 0305 3/5 R. Paradise fr, preaching in EE.
- 830 BELIZE, Belize City 0318 3/5 Fr, reggae/male dj in EE.
- 840 MEXICO, Tuxtla Gutierrez XE10 Daily after 1130 s/on. Lots of "R. Capitol" ID's and Tuxtla Gutierrez ads, but no call letters even at ToH. (Huffaker-MEX)
- 900 CUBA, Sta Clara 0320 3/5 R. Progreso fr //640 w/ a radio play.
- 910 CUBA, Matanzas 0327 3/5 Reloj fr in mess w/"RRR" code.
- 950 CUBA, Arroyo Arenas 0330 3/5 R. Musica Nacional alone, "La Musica Cuba". +Sancti-Spiritus 0331 3/5 Reloj pr u/dominant Havanan. (Leo.-The above Cuban is a good one; hard to hear. ed)
- 1190 MEXICO, Guadalaajara XEWK 0714 2/24 Weak in WOWO SP, w ID "desde la Guadalaajara X-E-W-K...". Nice, New here. (Laskowski-IN) (Good one, Tom. ed)
- 1200 CUBA, Trinidad 0335 3/5 Pr w/SS folk singing.
- 1210 CUBA, Sancti-Spiritus 0336 3/5 //1200 but stronger.

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 880 KTMT OR, Phoenix 3/2 fair above jumble with S. Medford basket-
ball game, 2300 ID. (PM-OR)
- 990 KSSM CA, Santa Barbara 3/9 0928 call change, ex-KTUN excellent
in KKIS null. AP sports, many local spots, ID "Barbra
Streisand on Sam 990." Thanks to Goleta DX'er for this
tip. (RW-CA)
- 1020 KKFR AK, Eagle River ex-KCFA and ex-silent, noted back on the
air 3/2. Slogan "Fire 1020," "Christian Hit Radio for
Alaska." Same fair signal at 300 miles here in Kodiak, 24
hours. (RJO-AK)
- 1040 CKST BC, Vancouver 3/10 0738 good all alone with rock music and
ID "The spirit of radio, this is Coast 10-40." Also at
0758 "No other city in Canada has a coast like Vancouver.
This is Coast 1040." DJ also gave number to call,
280-1040. Last heard as CIMA. Never heard this on 800.
(JH-CA)
+3/10 0900 with rock music and ID as "Coast 1040, the Spirit
of Radio." Much stronger than CIMA ever was at this hour;
different transmitter? (LG-MT)
- 1350 KBID CA, Bakersfield 3/9 0932 finally nabbed this after four
straight MMs of tent. logging. Very good in KSRO null, KCKC
already faded out. Several local spots, ID "???", on KBID,"
music from "The King & I." Call change, ex-KBAD. (RW-CA)
+3/13 0050-0056 fair-good in KSRO null with EZL/MOR/big band
music. Out of one Glenn Miller-type instrumental, ID 0051
"All your favorites, all the time, on 13-50, KBID,
Bakersfield." Into Herb Alpert & Tijuana Brass song. ID
0056 "More of the very best on KBID." Star Wars Theme.
Last heard as KLYD. (JH-CA)
- 1480 KDFL WA, Lakewood 3/13 1324 noted with religious music, promo
for church service "Friday on KDFL." Legal ID 1500 "KDFL,
Lakewood." Formerly Sunday only, sharing time with KTCN,
apparently has taken over KTCN's former Mon.-Sat. schedule.
(BH-WA1)

(KTGN) WA, Lakewood apparently gone, now KDFL seven days per week - see KDFL tip above. (BH-WAI)

540 (KHKX) CA, Carmel Valley 3/13 0645-0930 totally off for unknown reason. Back on when checked at 0930, but was off at 0900. A very rare SP! (JH-CA)

CBK SK, Regina 3/13 0655 good with full s/on, Canadian anthem, IDs, etc. Only XEWA was heard before, around 0650.

550 KOY AZ, Phoenix 3/13 0734 fair over KCWR with local promo & ID. Again, rarely heard since KPUP/KHKXN came on 540 here. (JH)

KBOW MT, Butte 3/13 0659-0700 good over KCWR (which had "KCW" IDs). Also with country music, then live DJ "This is country 5-50, KBOW, Butte." Into CBS news. New here. (JH)

590 KUGN OR, Eugene 2/14 0353 fair with Talknet, IDs. Mixing with KSUB, KRSO, KAQQ. Rare here. (TRH-CA)

600 (KKLQ) CA, San Diego Fr 2/14 0327 off, leaving CHRX, KIIIX, KSJB, et al. (TRH-CA)

610 KONA WA, Kennewick-Richland-Pasco 3/9 0432 weather "for southeastern Washington," MOR music. Faded out about 0457 and came back 0501 but into severe mess with KFRC, possible KYJC and strengthening 4QR-612. Fair to very poor. (5P)

700 KSUR CA, Soledad I know Pat Martin's 2/21 logging of this local says he heard call ID as KOJY, but they are still KSUR! 3/11 1900 ID after AP news "You're listening to the easy FM, KSUR, Soledad-Salinas-Santa Cruz and KSUR-FM, Greenfield-Monterey. (JH-CA)

720 *KDWN* NY, Las Vegas 3/8 0525 off on rare SM SP (vs. usual MM) with TT. (RW-CA)

+SM 3/8 0315 OC most of the night, TTs later. (TRH-CA)

750 KXL OR, Portland 3/3 0428 PSA's, 0429 "KXL Newsradio 7-50" slogan, back to recorded Talknet. Fair to poor, local electrical QRM. (5P-HI)

760 (KFMB) CA, San Diego Fr 3/6 0329 OC tonight, and OC or off each of the next few nights. 3/15 target date for 50kw night operation has been pushed back to May. Station will be 5000/50000 U2, with night pattern running N-S. Three towers at new nighttime site will straddle the proposed extension of CA highway 52 west of Santee. (TRH-CA)

KRZN CO, Thornton 3/6 0330-0500 poor-fair under KSJL and KFMB OC. Unistar NOS and slogans "The Memory Station," & "Colorado's AM 7-60." ID at 0500 "AM 7-60, KRZN Thornton-Denver, your original hits station." Nev, CO #48. (TRH)

(KGU) HI, Honolulu 3/3 0420 noted off, station board operator says engineer took it down for maintenance. Tent. KFMB severely distorted. Back on at 0650 recheck. More problems: at 1240 carrier only with weak Rush Limbaugh feed bled through; back on RS at 1400 recheck, but off again at 1454. (5P-HI)

KSJL TX, San Antonio 3/6 0355 fair on top of channel, mixing with Cuban station and KRZN with KFMB off. SMN "Touch" black adult contemporary format (ex-SMN "Z-Rock"). Slogans include "The Touch" and "The Spirit of Joy and Love for San Antonio." (TRH-CA)

770 KKOB NM, Albuquerque 3/3 0430 national ads, slogan "...50,000 watts...", Holiday Inns ad. Ralph Turner with weather "From 7-70 KOB," back to Bob Brinker at 0433. Poor to very poor, local QRM. (5P-HI)

KULL WA, Seattle 3/6 0413 poor-fair under KKOB with "K-double-O-L Oldies" slogan and OLD format. Local ads & promos. (TRH-CA)

+3/13 1415 good with promo "We're so new, we're still building a new stereo transmitter and tower to cover from Canada to the Oregon border." (BH-WAI)

820 WBAP TX, Fort Worth 3/3 0233-0236 good signal with little fading. Heard weather forecast, spot for Knox Fuel Stop, spot for organic gardening show followed by ID, then C&W music. (DG-CA)

- 840 ?FWPN? NE, West Point probably the weak one dominating on this loop bearing 3/8 0905 with local NE news & weather. Seems like was past LSR for this one, though. (LG-MT)
- 920 ?KQEU? WA, Olympia 3/15 1200 new ID with no call letters: "AM 920, the Capital, your new South Sound source for local news and information. The Capital, Olympia-Lacey-Tumwater." Then local news. 1203 "KQ-92 is now AM 920, the Capital." Noted on road 3/13 with lots of "AM 920, the Capital" slogans. Still adcon format. Maybe a call change is imminent? (BH-WA)
- 930 (KKHJ) CA, Los Angeles MM 2/17 0317 off, leaving unID C&W looping north, unID EZL/BFL looping east. OC, tones later. (TRH)
- 1030 KMAS WA, Shelton MM 3/2 0456 good with MOR/OLD, ABC-I news, promo for local high school, several IDs. Station was "stuck" on their 10kw day power, per Doug Martin who called the station. (TRH-CA)
- 1040 KLHT HI, Honolulu MM 3/2 0530 noted in passing with relig. and "K-Light" slogans. (TRH-CA)
- WHO IA, Des Moines 3/9 0347 fair with weather & ID. Under was unID EZL or relig. music. (JH-CA)
- 1060 KKDS UT, So. Salt Lake City 3/7 2303 ID "The Imagination Station, KKDS, Salt Lake City-Ogden-Provo." Songs by children and Weird Al. Signal abruptly dropped out at 2338 so maybe somebody forgot to power down at sunset? (MS-CA)
- 1080 KRLD TX, Dallas 3/2 0255-0300 good signal, no fading, some splatter from XEPRS-1090. Larry King Show, then legal ID "KRLD Dallas-Fort Worth," followed by CBS news. (DG-CA)
- 1090 KING WA, Seattle 3/13 1045 lit my stereo light with its talk format! (BH-WA1)
- 1180 (KERI) CA, Wasco-Green Acres MM 3/2 0525 totally off. Had been NSP lately. (TRH-CA)
- VOA FL, Marathon MM 3/2 0525 man/woman in Spanish with news features between songs. Mixing with unID talk (KOFI, KKAR, or WHAM). Rare here now. (TRH-CA)
- 1190 KEX OR, Portland 3/4 0559 ads for Motel 6, RV Show of Shows at Multnomah City Expo Centre. ID "Newsradio 11-90 KEX Portland, the Early Morning Update" with local news, traffic update, weather. Fair with het from 1188. (5P-HI)
- 1190 CFSL SK, Weyburn 3/10 0445 fair-poor with C&W music. (PM-OR)
- 1200 WOAI TX, San Antonio 3/3 0237-0300 strong with little fading. The Sports Final, then legal ID "WOAI, The Power of Information in San Antonio," followed by CBS News. (DG-CA)
- 1320 ?KUTR? UT, Salt Lake City MM 3/2 0130 huge, // KCPX-98.7 and ID'ing as "KCPX AM & FM." Has there been a call change here? (TRH-CA) (Yes, see last issue.--NH)
- 1340 KORV CA, Oroville 3/4 2319 good signal briefly on top with spots for heating & air conditioning business, and for Masters Choice Shingle Roofing in Oroville. ABC news at :20 after. Report sent. Also noted tentative KATA with ments of Arcata--still needed. (MS-CA)
- 1350 ?KABQ? NM, Albuquerque 3/9 2230 had been casually listening to KSRO, then an ID came up in English read by man with heavy Spanish accent: "K-(A-B)-Q Radio 13-50." Awesome! Will try for this one again. (MS-CA)
- 1450 ?KOZZ? NV, Reno 3/1 0224 weak in jumble, no ID heard but "Weather for Reno." (PM-OR)
- KEYY UT, Provo 3/1 0200 fair in jumble with relig. program and blip ID. (PM-OR)
- KCLX WA, Colfax 3/7 0900 s/on with rooster crow, with my local KGRZ totally nulled out. (LG-MT)
- 1480 (KRED) CA, Eureka apparently now with reg. MM SP, hours unknown, thanks to tip from CM-CA. KBMS in good MM's with KPHX and KWIZ nulled. (RW-CA)
- 1490 KSPE CA, Santa Barbara 3/8 0200+ faded up over KRKC in time for a good ID in Spanish. (MS-CA)
- 1500 KSTP MN, St. Paul 3/13 poor-fair 0030-0045 in partial KSJX null with Tom Snyder Show, one ID heard. Rare. (JH-CA)
- 1530 (KFBK) CA, Sacramento 3/9 0130 noted with open carrier. (MS-CA)

- 1550 KUAT AZ, Tucson 3/2 0936-0940 ID, then a news story about the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, followed by Morning Edition. Sure is weird hearing NPR on AM station owned by the Univ. of Arizona in Tucson. (DG-CA)
- 1610 ---- CA, Hilt 3/2 2320 CA fruit and vegetable inspection station fair above jumble with repeated message. (PM-OR)

LOCAL CHANGES

- 1080 KWAI HI, Honolulu 3/9 0302 noted for first time with CNN Radio Hourly News. (5P-HI)
- 1370 KEEN CA, San Jose semi-local will stay country, but soon will use a satellite network except for morning drive. (JH-CA)

DX TESTS

- 650 KMTI UT, Manti 3/9 0230 exactly, tones under KYAK and CISL faded out by 0235. No marches or music heard at all. Tried again 0255, not heard, only KYAK and CISL in tight SE null on loop. (RJ0-AK)
- +3/9 0230-0300 logged test at good levels with KFI-640. Many code IDs and big band music. UT #35. (MS-CA)
- +3/9 0230-0302 mostly fair with nice DX & equipment test. Poor at times due to heavy KRDX interference and fading, along with man-made noise in my building. But, when on top, KMTI was easily heard. Several polkas, TT's, Morse code IDs and voice IDs such as 0236 heard "The all-new 6-50, KMTI, Manti." 0238 & 0245 gave live TC, and phone number at 0245. 0250-0300 long big band medley. 0301 final ID and s/off, with man saying KMTI would be back on air at "5:55 tomorrow morning." New. Last heard on 1590 in 1986. (JH-CA)
- +3/9 0231 fair above jumble with polkas, tone, code IDs. Unneeded, but nice to hear DX test. (PM-OR)
- +3/9 0242 excellent way over KRDX on DX test with polka music (vs. march music listed in DXM), IDs including station phone number, code IDs, one ID as "Utah's big AM, KMTI, Manti." Good test, unneeded, already verified both on 1590 and 650. (RW-CA)
- (KMTI) UT, Manti 3/9 0240-0300 tried for DX test, nothing heard except very dominant KYAK & CISL lurking underneath. Not exactly awaiting the return of KORL to the local airwaves, hi. (5P-HI)
- 900 ?KALT? TX, Atlanta 3/7 0600-0630 noted weak Morse code at top of hour, then nothing else but XEW. (MS-CA)
- 970 (WDAY) ND, Fargo MM 2/17 0300-0400 not a trace. (TRH-CA)
- 1020 (WRIX) SC, Homeland Park MM 3/2 0200-0300 not heard, KTNQ much louder than normal tonight. (TRH-CA)
- 1090 ?KTNS? CA, Oakhurst 3/9 0300 very weak steady tone for approx 2-3 minutes beneath regular pest XEPRS & Mexican trumpets. KING way under on VERY tight SE null with ads for SeaFirst bank and teletalk, also ad for KIRO-TV Channel 7. Tried again 0315, no further tones, code or march music. TENTATIVE, but no report sent. (RJO-AK)
- (KTNS)+3/9 0300-0330 DX test not heard here, only strong XEPRS. Tried to null it and did hear "KING newstalk 1090" ID 0309. Later unID country music, possibly KBOZ, also un-needed here. But no sign of KTNS or any TT's, Morse code, march music here. Still needed. Was it on? (JH-CA)
- +3/9 0300-0400 tried, not heard, in XEPRS null. Apparently not on, should have made it here easily. Only KBOZ/KING noted in mess. (RW-CA)
- +3/9 0300-0400 DX test not heard. (MS-CA)
- +3/9 0300-0400 not heard, just KING/XEPRS mix. (PM-OR)
- +3/9 0303 tried for test, only heard KING with ABC news & Deb Norville rerun, and very rare XEPRS! Fresno-area pipeline not working tonight. Last possible test to log from HI; so far only KPAY-1060 and KUAI-720. (5P-HI)
- 1320 (KXOL) OK, Clinton 3/2 0130-0200 tried, not heard. (MS-CA)
- +MM 3/2 0130-0200 not heard. No-show again? (TRH-CA)
- 1340 ?KGFW? NE, Kearney MM 2/17 0217 possible Morse code at 0217, 0218 1/2, and a tone like a dial tone. (TRH-CA)

- 1450 ?KBBS? WY, Buffalo SM 3/1 0219 random Morse code (not including any of the letters R, B or S). "Close Encounters" tones three times at 0254. 0255 "You're listening to radio station..." (TRH-CA)
- 1530 (KPCR) MO, Bowling Green 3/8 0100+ DX test not heard. (MS-CA)

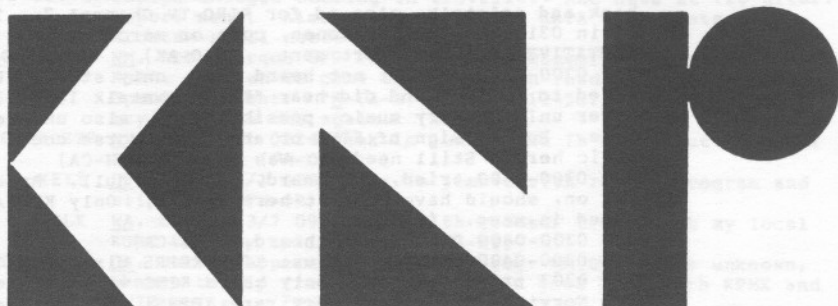
ID'ing unIDs

- 1230 My unID heard here 3/7 was probably KAMJ, Phoenix, AZ and I probably heard them say 101.5, not 102.5. Would've liked to hear a call ID just to make sure. Definitely heard them say 12-30 AM, Phoenix. New. Just in time, now that KNRY is 24 hours. (JH-CA)

UNIDs

- 760 3/6 0400, 3/8 0400, 3/8 0500 appeared out of nowhere with BNV news, then disappeared at the end of each newscast. Probably unneeded CKQR, which has not been heard here in ages. (TRH-CA)
- 1040 3/9 0333 CKST? OC, good signal, went away for a few minutes. Tuned back to hear "AM 10-40." No call ID. OC off air at 0340. (JH-CA)
- 1040 3/9 0553 unID OC running all night, good looping N-S. Must be CKST getting ready to come on the air. Apparently still silent as CIMA, correct? (RW-CA) (See Of Special Interest.--NH)
- 1117.1 MM 2/24 OC Wonder whose spur this is? (TRH-CA)
- 1196.7 2/23 HUGE OC, possible old KANN-1120 spur but couldn't find the one on 1043. Noted several other nights as well. (TRH-CA)
- 1270 3/9 0605 TT good over mess looping NE. KPLY or KTFI? (RW-CA)
- 1320 MM 3/2 0130-0200 unID Larry King again while trying for KXOL test. Looped east. (TRH-CA)
- 1340 MM 2/17 0205 very quick s/off into SSB. Looped NE. (TRH-CA)
- 1340 Tu 2/18 0158 unID Larry King, faded out during station breaks. (TRH-CA)
- 1450 3/1 0255 USA news. (TRH-CA)
- 1490 Fair with KWAC, KTOB, KOWL & others. On top briefly with L.A. Clippers basketball network, in and out several times. (JH-CA) (Date & time?? Only 1490 on Clippers net is KMET-CA.--NH)

I enjoyed listing all the DX tests this week. Great work everyone! My daycare paperwork is all completed and I'm now licensed. The first day for children to come will be March 23, which is my first "skip" week for WDXR. Good timing, hi.



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FRG-7, 2½ foot loop.
- [PAL-MN] = Paul A. LaFreniere, P.O. Box 606, Grand Marais, Minnesota 55604
Zenith Transoceanic, DA-5 Loop.
- [JcJ-MT] = Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A with a "Radio West Loop."

SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1320 KCPX UT, Salt Lake City. EX-KUTR. 3/9 noted now back to using old call KCPX and IDing as "KCPX FM and AM Salt Lake City. A Price Broadcasting Station." Slogan "98.7 KCPX" most of the time. Mixture of old and new lite rock. Not needed as have KCPX verie from 1962. Thanks to Robert Wien for the tip. [JcJ-MT]

DOWN THE DIAL

- 560(WIND) IL, Chicago. 2/24. 0520 noted off the air. [TMJ-IL]
- 690 WNZK MI, Dearborn Heights. 3/8 fair. 0625 with "Crosswalk" program. 0630 ID "We are WNZK Dearborn Heights, Detroit. Broadcasting on 690 days, 680 nights. [PAL-MN]
- 910 WHSM WI, Hayward. 3/8 fair. 0810 with extended spr's scores, local spots. [PAL-MN]
- 930 WLBL WI, Auburndale. 3/8 fair. 1150 with program from CBC. 1200 with ID "Wisconsin Public Radio. AM 930 WLBL Auburndale, Stevens Point." [PAL-MN]
- 1000(WLUP) IL, Chicago. 2/24. 0500 noted off the air. [TMJ-IL]
- 1020 KTNQ CA, Los Angeles. 3/9 strong w/KWIQ nulled. No KCKN. 0350 w/SS programming. Not normally this strong here. Not needed. [JcJ-MT]
- 1070 KNX CA, Los Angeles. 3/6 loud, dominating. 0720 with spot for Oriental Rug Gallery and ID "We're KNX 10-70 NewsRadio." [PAL-MN]
- 1090 KYBG CO, Aurora. 3/8 good. 0850 with program "Money Corner." Mentions of "K-big AM and FM." Must have popped in after switch to day power. [PAL-MN]
- 1130 KBMR ND, Bismarck. 3/7 good w/WISN, KFAN, and others. 0822 with local spots. Hear them from time to time, but usually not this good. Also noted again on 3/8 also good. [PAL-MN]
- 1310 KMBS LA, West Monroe. TENTATIVE. 2/24 u/WIBA while listening for WJLK DX Test. 0020 and again 0100 heard male voice with call letters. [TMJ-IL]
- 1320 KOLY SD, Mobridge. 3/8 good, alone on frequency. 0854 with spot for pharmacy then into weather and sports. [PAL-MN]
- 1490 WTIQ MI, Manistique. 3/6 weak u/WPNA. 0500 with call letters. [TMJ-IL]
- 1590 WONX IL, Evanston. TENTATIVE. 3/7 fair. 0615 with SS and many mentions of Chicago. No ID heard. [PAL-MN]

TESTS TESTS TESTS

- 620(WTRP) GA, LaGrange. 2/24 DX Test not heard. Heard only WTMJ and others including an unID Latin (?Cuban) which was quite strong. [TMJ-IL]
- 650 KMTI UT, Manti. 3/9 poor, lots of splatter from CKRC, CJOB. Some WSB. 0245-0230 with TT, code IDs. "KMTI" repeated. New for me, UT#27. [SA-MB]
+3/9 very weak in WSM null. Lightening static. 0230-0300 with code IDs and TT. Code was too weak to copy due to interference. Signal had long deep fades. Heard nothing after 0245. [TMJ-IL]

CDXR Continues...

- 760(WVNE) MA, Worcester. 2/24 DX Test not heard. WJR too strong and unable to null them. Cuban with time tick also being heard. [TMJ-IL]
- 900(KALT) TX, Atlanta. 3/7 DX Test not heard. Too much CHML, CKBI, XEW. [SA-MB]
- 1020 WRIX SC, Anderson. 3/2 poor to good. All alone in KDKA null! 0201-0302 with code and voice IDs. TT, Gospel music. Many DXers called in from midwest and east coast. [TMJ-IL]
- 1090(KTNS) CA, Oakhurst. 3/9 DX Test not heard. KBOZ nullable, should have made it into here. [JcJ-MT]
+Not heard. Too much KAAV and KBOZ. [SA-MB]
+Not heard. Listened 0300-0400, but only KAAV (nulled), WBAL, and a good FF signal (from Martinique??). [TMJ-IL]
- 1310(WJLK) NJ, Asbury Park. 2/24 DX Test not heard. Had only WIBA and others. 0000 heard an unID XE.. with Mexican National Anthem. Only thing resembling code occurred at 0045. [TMJ-IL]
- 1320(KXOL) OK, Clinton. 3/2 DX Test not heard. Had KXYZ very good in WKAN null. Note, also nothing heard during previously scheduled tests. [TMJ-IL]
- 1370 WAZD WV, Glen Dale. 3/8 fair u/CFOK. 0534 DX Test with TT, code ID "WAZD 1370" repeated a minute later. New for me, WV#2. [SA-MB]
- 1450(KBBS) WY, Buffalo. 3/1 DX Test not heard. Checked frequency now and then, but heard only WVON and someone else. [TMJ-IL]
- 1530 KPCR MO, Bowling Green. 3/8 good. About 75% heard u/WCKY. 0606 with voice IDs after code IDs. Music and comedy spots. New for me, MO#58. [SA-MB]

LOCAL CHANGES

- 790 KGHL MT, Billings. As of 3/1 IDing as "Serving the United States And Canada, this is the Country Giant KGHL AM 790 Billings and KGHL FM 95.5 Hardin, Billings." CBS News on hour, country music format. Note, KGHL dropped IRN sometime ago. It gets more confusing. KGHL-FM is EX-KKUL-FM (Not owned by the people who own KGHL AM.). KGHL AM owners' FM here is KIDX (lite rock format). On 3/1 KKUL-FM changed call letters to KGHL-FM and assumed programming of KGHL-AM (country). KGHL sales staff sell KGHL AM, KGHL-FM, and KIDX (FM). Remember KKUL-FM was assigned to Hardin, MT thus the "Hardin, Billings" ID. Antenna is on the old KOUS-TV tower 18 miles east of Billings. [JcJ-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

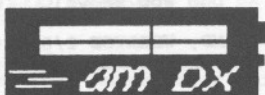
April 1, 1967 issue of DX Monitor....Continuing with the April Fool's tradition this issue contained a copy of "IRCC DX Merrimac"...IRCC "reporter" Qal R. Mann reported if he doesn't have an ID he sends a report to all stations on that frequency (thus resulting in a much higher verie to heard ratio.)....Regular DX Monitor section included a report from Larry Godwin of Berkeley, CA who had been in Denver planning the 1967 convention....Ernest J. Wesolowski of Omaha, NE mentioned the Easter Bunny would bring him his 900th verie....John Johnson reported in from Rota, Spain liking the warm weather.

OPEN MIKE

Skill to do comes from doing. Check those deadlines, no foolin' we're no longer weekly! 73, John.



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- (WPT-DC) William P. Townshend 4500 Conn Ave, NW #90, Washington, DC 20008-4326; SONY ICF-2010.
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- 690 WVOK AL, BIRMINGHAM 2/28 1820 Good w/NASCAR racing on MRN. Spot for "the new all sports 690" starting at 1100 tomorrow morning (2/29). (LLH-VA)
- 780 WPTN TN, COOKEVILLE 2/24 1820 Fair w/"60 Seconds" - a man on the street segment. "Radio for your mind - WPTN - Information Radio." "The new 780." Into "Daynet." Ex 1550 for me. (LLH-VA)
- 800 WDEH TN, SWEETWATER 2/24 1813 Poor mixing with WSVS. Sweetwater, Madisonville ads...into detailed wx. (LLH-VA)
- 810 WMTS TN, MURFREESBORO 2/24 1810 in/out; "Driving you home on a Monday afternoon - WMTS" into c/w. (LLH-VA)
- 890 KVOZ TX, LAREDO 2/28 1820 Good w/rock mx; no sign of WLS; "Laredo's best music - Y95." (LLH-VA)
- 910 WJCW TN, JOHNSON CITY 2/25 1849 in/out w/local WWWR; Johnson City & Bristol ads. (LLH-VA)
- 950 WXGI VA, RICHMOND 2/24 1840 Poor-Fair in WQBE null; old time c/w from the 40's & 50's. (LLH-VA)
- 970 WANV VA, WAYNESBORO 2/24 1845 Fair-Poor in mess w/USA Network Sports. (LLH-VA)
- 1020 WRIX SC, HOMELAND PARK 2/10 1819 Fair-Good w/gospel program, s/off with mention of Anderson. (WPT-DC)
- 1190 WBSL MS, BAY SAINT LOUIS 2/28 1855 Poor in WOWO null with c/w. F/ann mentioned "BSL." (LLH-VA)
- 1190 KUII TX, DALLAS 2/28 1904 Poor in WOWO null mixing w/WBSL. Nx, wx into Talknet. Canned announcement by Bruce Williams: "You're listening to Talknet on KUII." Unusual - Talknet stations are some of the poorest ID'ers. (LLH-VA)
- 1200 WOAI TX, SAN ANTONIO 2/10 0300 Fair with ID by male announcer. (WPT-DC)
- 1260 WSUA FL, MIAMI 2/28 2043 Briefly excellent with m & f announcers in SS. Thought I had a Cuban until I heard an ad with the address given on "Dixie Highway." ID in EE at 2059. (LLH-VA)

1260 WNXT OH, PORTSMOUTH 2/28 2055 in/out w/H.S. bkb, spots for "Bank One" and "Larry Moore's Sporting Goods." [The WNXT calls you gave are correct -ed]. (LLH-VA)

1260 WRIE PA, ERIE 2/28 2103 in/out w/RO mx. (LLH-VA)

1450 WOL DC, WASHINGTON 1/31 0028 noted off the air (NSP pest off at last but my favorite on Saturday afternoons with Doo Wop shows). (WPT-DC)

1540 WMDO MD, WHEATON 2/8 1908 noted on with OC; heard several other times w/OC after s/off. (WPT-DC)

1540 WTBI SC, PICKENS 2/25 1832 Good w/wx, nx; sounds like a TV simulcast but no ID's as such. At ad breaks TV ads replaced by radio spots; s/off at 1845. (LLH-VA)

1550 WCLY NC, RALEIGH 2/12 2146 Good w/end of bkb game; ID by m/ann; ex-WYNA. (WPT-DC)

1550 WBSC SC, BENNETTSVILLE 2/25 1824 Good w/"TV 13 Eyewitness News." Ran TV spots without change (Oprah, Donahue, etc.). SID = "Music 155 - BSC" at 1830... into RO mx. Have they dropped the GOS format? [1992 NRC AM log as them as OLD format - ed]. Still overmodulated and splashing nicely on adjacent frequencies. (LLH-VA)

1570 WOTW PA, LATROBE 2/28 2201 up briefly w/ID then talk ab out Grammy's; gone in a hurry. (LLH-VA)

TENTATIVES & unID's

620 unID 2/25 1850 Poor in mess with 70's/80's style progressive rock. There most evenings between 1800-1900 but never comes up well enough to ID. Looped NNE. Does WVMT still play rock mx? [1992 NRC AM log has them as OLD format -ed]. Help? (LLH-VA)

770 unID 2/24 1830 Good w/"Daynet" - same program as WPTN-780. Was just into 1830 break when they changed pattern and I lost them. Was dominant over WABC before pattern change. (LLH-VA)

840 unID AL, ???? 2/28 1840 Good briefly w/GOS mx then fading. S/off at 1845 - caught only "Alabama." [Should be WBHY in Mobile, AL; 10,000 watts and a REL format -ed].

1200 WKOX (t) MA, FRAMINGHAM 2/24 1910 Very poor with QRM from WOAI, TVI, WOWO/WOGL slop with talk about the Red Sox. "Back to ??? in a minute on "KOX." Ads, including one for Custom Lettering. With WOAI mixing, also w/sports talk, it was hard to tell which station I was hearing at any one time. (LLH-VA)

1270 unID FL, TALLAHASSEE 2/28 2118 in/out w/Florida State vs. Texas A&M baseball. First baseball I've heard so far this season. Spot for Tallahassee State Bank (never did get ID clearly - I have them as WTNT - this sounded like WK something.) [I believe you had WNLS in Tallahassee -ed]. (LLH-VA)

DX TESTS

620	WTRP	GA, LA GRANGE 2/24 0001-0030 NRC DX TEST not heard due to WMAL slop. (WPT-DC)
690	KUSD	SD, VERMILLION 2/17 0300-0330 NRC DX TEST not heard; only CBF. (WPT-DC)
1090	WILD	GA, DULUTH 2/17 0200-0300 NRC DX TEST w/ call letters at 0205, DX and CQ in Morse Code; fair u/WBAL. (WPT-DC)
1250	WTMA	SC, CHARLESTON 2/24 0300-0330 NRC DX TEST not heard due to WWDC slop. (WPT-DC)

EDITOR'S DESK

Thanks to this issue's reporters. All IRCA DX TESTS are arranged by J.D. Stephens. All expenses are "out of pocket" for J.D. so cash or stamp donations are sincerely appreciated. References used for EXDR are M Street Radio Directory (1991), NRC AM Radio Log (1992) and the IRCA AM-FM Almanac, 5th Edition (1991). Until next time, CONTINUED GOOD DX MY FRIENDS and 73 de Mr. B



Western DX Forum

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[20]

Jim Hilliker, 1705 Withers Ave #12, Monterey, CA 93940-1569

(3/5) Hi everyone! As of 3/1, local KNRY-1240 is under new ownership and the first thing that happened was the stn. went 24 hrs., NSPI! That's the 3rd AM stn. in this market to go AN w/NSP since 1/11 KNRY will keep CNN Headline News, but is now mixing up the sked. w/talk shows from the Sun Network in FL. Hrd. "For the People" at 1430 ELT, into KNRY ID and into USA net. nx. KNRY also has gone back to running Larry King around 0300-0500, then back to Sun net. They will keep their sports lineup w/the A's, Lakers and 49ers. Local KIDD-630/KXDC-101.7 is down to 5 employees and there are rumors the stn. could go silent. Plans to have the AM go to Unistar's "AM Only" format have been dropped. Ron Soergel, who showed us the stn. during the convention last November, said he quit last month when the station told him and others they'd have to work without pay for two weeks. As RW has reported, KEEN-1370 stayed country after they were inundated w/calls from loyal listeners. They were responding to the article in the Mercury-News that said KEEN was going // to KBAY (FM). I've also hrd. KEEN plans to either share towers w/KSJX-1500 or build on a new site near where the S.F. Giants want to build a stadium. Not much DX done here lately. Thanks to RW and Tim Hall for IDing my unid. stns. recently. Duncan Shaw: Al "Jazzbeaux" Collins is also on KSRO-1350 Sat. nights from 2200-0300 Eastern. Steve Mittman's mention of Mark Denis doing traffic reports on KFI and KOST reminded me that he was very popular in the early and mid-70s when he did morning drive on the old KEZY-1190 in Anaheim. He talked at my Intro. to Broadcasting class at Fullerton Jr. College in 1973. I'm supposed to talk about AM DXing and IRCA before the Naval Postgraduate School Ham Radio Club in Monterey soon. They called me after they saw a notice in the paper about the IRCA convention in Nov. Gary Jackson's ment. of KFBK's 70th Anniversary reminded me that KFI-640 will be 70 years old on 4/16/92. The old KHJ-930 would've been 70 on 4/13, but dropped those calls on 2/1/86. The 1330 license for KWKW is 70-years-old this year, and the KNX calls are 70, even though KNX was licensed first as KGC in Dec. 1921, and the station considers 1920 their starting date, when the stn. was under amateur status. The bulletin continues to look great. Keep up the good work, everyone! 73 and good DX. Jim.

EASTERN DX FORUM

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Mark Connelly and Neil Kazaross urged me to join the IRCA, something I had been meaning to do for years. Thus, this is my first contribution to Eastern DX Forum, and I thought I should introduce myself. I started DXing in Québec City in 1967, but interests shifted when I entered university in Ottawa in 1971. I returned to the hobby in 1984 and have been at it seriously ever since. I moved to St. John's in 1985 to take a professorial position at Memorial University. I must confess that I spend much more time chasing SW DX, with international MW taking only about 20% of my time at the dials. The main receiver is an Icom IC-R71A (with mods by Don Moman) with a Racal R-17 for back-up. I belong to a lot of clubs, but these days I'm sending my SW logs by electronic mail to Numero Uno and Fine Tuning. My MW material goes to CIDX, NRC and, of course, IRCA by a much slower mechanism: envelopes with stamps. (Sorry, I couldn't resist adding a gentle prompt to get all DXM editors hooked up to some electronic mail service ... Compuserve would do the job!) (Sorry, Jean, but this column is being done my old trusty 23-year-old manual typewriter--rce) I have not counted lately, but my "countries heard" totals must be around 210 on SW and 120 on MW. I've always enjoyed the verie game, so I send reception reports to some of the more unusual catches. Recently, reports to British locals led to interviews on BBC Radio Devon and Greater Manchester Radio, but, unfortunately, my reports rarely meet with that amount of enthusiasm! Nevertheless, I have received some interesting replies so far this year: Radio Syd (gambia) 909.8 kHz, CBC (Barbados) 900 kHz, St. Vincent 705 kHz, Rádio Capital (Sao Paulo) 1040 kHz, RFE (Czechoslovakia) 1287 kHz, Rádio Clube do Angra (Azores) 909 kHz, Radio Barones (Dutch pirate) 1615 kHz, BBC Radio Devon 1458 kHz, Euskadi Irratia (Bilbao, Spain) 1071 kHz, BBC Radio Cumbria 1458 kHz, and, just yesterday, Radio St. Helena 1548 kHz. I am especially pleased with this last QSL as it was for a tentative report with a cassette recording (the tent log is in DXM ed. 938 p.7). (Welcome to EDXF, Jean. Hopefully, I'll be adding a computer to my den in the near future--rce)

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Reports to WYLO-540 and WLTV-1410, addressed from 1991 NRC Log, were returned by the P.O. Forwarding had expired. Current addresses would be much appreciated. (WYLO Radio, 3540-D North 126th Street, Brookfield, Wisconsin 53005, per call to the station on 3/16/92--rce) European station stickers for first response giving correct current addresses. I have a fair-sized farm and was always at a loss as to what I could use for antennas. LLH and his 17 ga. electric fence wire solves that problem. But, I would have to get it off the ground away from animals and machinery. I may have waited too long and gotten too old to bother. A.J. and I took a trip to Las Vegas, NV. Was on the 27th floor of the Flamingo with a good view of McCarran International Airport. So I could easily hear and tape the 530 kHz T.I.S. which identifies as "NON Radio". More later if can find anything of interest in my notes and tapes. Got a package on EDXC-'92 in Tampere, Finland, late August. May go if cost is reasonable to also spend a week or so in the U.K. Still some great AM to be heard in Europe, but it's going fast.

Leonard Hyde, 1905 Whipple Drive, #26, Blacksburg, Virginia 24060
Spring may be just around the corner, but there is a lot of

good DX out there when conditions are favorable. Got CHTN-PEI on the Beverage the other night in a freak WGN absence. This station is strong, and not nearly as hard as one might think. All it takes is an open channel - though, if we had open channels, you could hear a lot of things you can't normally, hi. Verie in from KHAC-MM in just 10 days! CE Bill Hurne remarked that he was somewhat surprised at the size and scope of the reports in so far - he said that on winter nights at normal power, KHAC has skywave interference just a few miles from the transmitter. Anyway, this was one of the nice ones, and J.D. and the entire CPC effort is to be commended. I can't believe I missed the KMTI-650 test - I kept thinking it was on the 16th, and didn't realize I had missed it until Monday morning. Due to space, or the lack of it, my "Philco-Ford car radio, modified" has been assigned backup status, and now resides on a closet shelf. The cavernous 1930s cathedral style cabinet I built for it is the main reason. The DX440 does most of the DXing chores now. The portability is nice, and the two receivers perform almost identically, but I still don't like the way the DX440 sounds! That, and the tendency it has to jump several dozen kHz at once when tuning with the knob. It also seems much more sensitive to static than the car radio. It IS an excellent receiver - most of us didn't realize how good it was until Mark's article comparing it with the ICF-2010. Too bad Radio Shack has discontinued it. According to the manager at my local "Shack", the new DX390 is a better receiver. Time will tell - I don't plan on buying one anytime soon. Goals for the summer - do a lot of camping, and DX with the Beverage when Cx permit. Redesign the loop, and get a phasing unit built. After years of working myself to a frazzle during the summer, this year is going to be different! 73 and good DX de LLH.

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I have been saving the postage stamps on all my mail for several months. I had been giving them to a friend who has moved away, but I'm still saving them, and if there's anybody out there in IRCALand who saves stamps, let me know, and they're yours if you'll pay my postage in sending them to you. I hate to throw them out if someone is interested in them. Maybe you know somebody who is a philatelist - let me know. My verie total was incorrect in the March 7 Monitor - it read 3398 - it should have said 4398. Anyway, 'tis now at 4402 with the arrival of these newbies: WZZZ-1300-NY-Test1 WWHL-1350-FL; WRSK-1350-VA; and WINV-1560-FL. I doubt I'll be around long enough to reach 4500, so my aim now is to reach 4444. Some DX still filters in among the AN pests. I noted a Canadian on 1350 on 2/16 on the Music Radio Network and carrying Broadcast News at 0300, but no individual ID was given. The WILD-1090-MA DX TEST on 2/17 was a DXer's dream - with voice IDs and Morse code IDs, and a discussion of the station equipment. They're a local here, of course. Once in a while, both WXYT and WCBC will be heard simultaneously on 1270 with the Larry King Show, with the MD outlet about two seconds behind the Detroit station. I still can't enough on WCBC during breaks for a report, but I'm still in there trying! 2/21 was an interesting morning - very Auroral. On 1350, I decided to try to log WBSK-VA, which I did - but in their back-ground, with the usual ANS Auroraed out (WHWH-NJ; WOYK-PA; WNLK-CT) in slid WWHL-FL, for reports to both, and veries in from both. WWHL's all-Talk, except for morning drive time, says their v/s. On 2/24 with WQXR off, WINV-1560-FL came in with a weak signal for a report, and their v/l is in also. He says they often test on Monday AMs. On 3/2, while again trying for verie material on WCBC-1270-MD, I noted an ss with music and mention of Orlando which is probably WHES, not enough to report. On Sun. 3/8, I changed my usual DXing time so as to try for the TEST from WZAO-1370-WV, and in they rode, u/WFEA/WDEA, for a report. I hit onto 1020 at 0632, "just in time to be too late" for ID the station there with old-time radio shows, in/out w/KDKA. And there's somebody on 1600 on the WEEI all-sports network, noted on Mon. 3/9 u/WWRL w/WUNR seemingly off, but I didn't get their ID. I hope the site for the IRCAL convention will be announced SOON, so that we might be able to qualify for discount air tickets when bought a couple months before the flight date! Forward March!



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Welcome to the first IRCA Sportscenter column in some time! I will now be compiling all sports flagship and affiliate lists, publishing information as received in DX Monitor, and sending complete lists to Bill Hardy to be used in the IRCA Almanac and updaters. Any and all submissions and corrections are welcomed at the above address through April and at my San Rafael address (15 Mooring Road, San Rafael, CA 94901-3514) from May through August. Before we get into the listings, I would like to thank Bill for his help and support in getting this column started again. As in past lists, "*" denotes a daytimer and the flagship station is underlined. The commentators' names follow the name of the team. And away we go...

American League

CALIFORNIA ANGELS Al Conin, Bob Jamison

590 <u>KRSO-CA</u>	1230 KPRL-CA	KVOY-CA	KEYX-CA
600 KKLQ-CA	KLAV-NV	1350 KBAD-CA	1430 KAMP-CA
710 <u>KMPC-CA</u>	KMGR-UT	1360 KNNS-AZ	
920 <u>KDES-CA</u>	1240 KSMA-CA	1380 KLPZ-AZ	-FM-
1080 KWAI-HI	1340 KIKO-AZ	1400 KKZZ-CA	
1150 KCKY-AZ	KGLW-CA	KTUC-AZ	92.9 KFSO-CA

SEATTLE MARINERS Dave Niehaus, Ken Levine

550 KENI-AK(1)	990 KRKT-OR	1280 KIT -WA	KGRZ-MT
600 KGEZ-MT(2)	1030 KMAS-WA	1320 KXRO-WA	1490 KVAC-WA
650 KQQQ-WA	1150 KQQQ-WA	CHQM-BC(2)	KLOG-WA
680 KOMW-WA*(1)	1170 KPUG-WA	1340 KKHR-OR(3)	1550 KVAN-WA
710 KIRO-WA	1240 KCVL-WA	KWWW-WA	1600 KEED-OR
730 <u>KULE-WA</u>	KXLE-WA	KLKI-WA	
800 KINY-AK(1)	KGW -WA	1360 KUIK-OR	-FM-
870 KORD-WA	KWIK-ID(2)	1370 KAST-OR(1)	95.9 KULE-WA
920 KXLY-WA	KPRB-OR(1)	1450 KONP-WA	97.1 KNSN-WA

- Notes: (1) Station airs weekend games only
 (2) Station airs only selected games
 (3) Station is pending; would only air selected games

National League

CHICAGO CUBS Harry Carey, Thom Brennaman, Ron Santo, Bob Brenley (1)

570 WNAW-SD	WTCA-IN	1330 WRAM-IL*	1410 WGRD-MI
720 <u>WGN -IL</u>	1060 WNOE-LA	1350 KRNT-IA	1420 WOC -IA
740 WLWI-AL	WRHL-IL*	1370 KLBA-IA*	1440 WGEM-IL
910 WAKO-IL	1090 KYBG-CO	KDTH-IA	1450 WCVS-IL
920 WMOK-IL*	1150 KCKY-AZ	1380 KCIM-IA	WASK-IN
930 WHON-IN	KDEF-NM	1390 KLNT-IA	WLYV-IN
960 WSBT-IN	1290 WIRL-IL	1400 KTUC-AZ	1460 WUFI-IL*
1020 WCIL-IL*	1310 KOKX-IA	KADR-IA	WKAM-IN
1050 WDZ -IL	1320 WNGO-KY*	WBAT-IN	(continued...)

Chicago Cubs continued

1470 WQSN-MI		KIWA-IA*	-FM-	98.3 KEMB-IA
WHUT-IN		WCSJ-IL	94.3 WNZE-IN	98.5 WXXQ-IL
1480 WRSW-IN	1570	WIFF-IN	WJNZ-IN	102.3 WRHL-IL
1490 WDAN-IL		WFRL-IL	95.3 WRXX-IL	103.1 WAKO-IL
1510 WINU-IL*	1590	KWBG-IA	95.9 WKUZ-IN	104.9 WAXI-IN
1540 WBNL-IN*		WPCO-IN*	96.9 WLBH-IL	105.5 KIWA-IA
1550 KAPE-MO	1600	KCRG-IA	97.7 WMOI-IL	107.1 WBNL-IN
WJIL-IL*		WCWC-WI	WFRX-IL	107.3 WRSW-IN

Spanish: 1200 WOPA-IL

Notes: (1) These are last year's commentators. Can someone ... the Chicagoland please confirm them?

CINCINNATI REDS Marty Brennaman, Joe Nuxhall

560 WJLS-WV		WATO-TN	WSIP-KY	100.3 WCNB-IN
580 WCHS-WV		WHIO-OH	WMOA-OH	100.9 WPGW-IN
610 WTVN-OH	1320	WLOH-OH*	1520 WOOO-IN	WJAW-OH
680 WCTT-KY	1330	WFIN-OH	1550 WCVL-IN	101.5 WGTR-OH
700 WLW -OH		WKOV-OH	WCDI-IN	101.7 WMCQ-KY
740 WRNR-WV		WTRE-IN	1560 WQXY-KY*	101.9 WVOW-WV
790 WKYK-KY	1340	WCMI-KY	1580 WIFE-IN	102.3 WUGO-KY
810 WEKG-KY*		WBGK-KY	1590 WSRW-OH	WFPC-IN
850 WUTK-TN*		WLBC-IN	1600 WBLY-OH	WCYN-KY
910 WFNS-FL		WKCB-KY		102.5 WHIZ-OH
920 WTCW-KY	1370	WGOH-KY		103.1 WRAU-KY
930 WTKZ-WV		WDEF-TN	-FM-	103.9 WIMC-IN
970 WATH-OH	1380	WHRK-KY		WRBI-IN
990 WJEH-OH*	1390	WMPO-OH	92.1 WMOR-KY	WKKQ-KY
1050 WGAT-VA		WBLL-OH	92.7 WMPO-OH	104.1 WPAY-OH
1110 WCBR-KY*	1400	WVRC-WV	92.7 WCMI-KY	WLBC-IN
1150 WIMA-OH		WPAY-OH	94.3 WKKI-OH	104.9 WWWY-IN
1230 WIRO-OH		WCYN-KY	WRCR-IN	WWKC-OH(1)
1240 WHIZ-OH		WBTH-WV	95.3 WNDI-IN	WKYW-KY
WHBU-IN	1440	WMDJ-KY	95.7 WPTW-OH	105.1 WRNZ-KY
WSFC-KY		WPGW-IN	95.9 WFTM-KY	105.5 WCHO-OH
WFTM-KY	1450	WXVW-IN	96.1 WVNS-WV	106.1 WINN-IN
WMOR-KY	1490	WBEX-OH	96.7 WKOV-OH	WRZZ-WV
1250 WOFR-OH		WFKY-KY	97.7 WJSN-KY	106.7 WSRW-OH
1260 WNDE-IN		WKBV-IN	99.5 WJLS-WV	107.1 KWCB-KY
1290 WVOW-WV		WOMI-KY	100.1 WMDJ-KY	107.3 WCTT-KY

Notes: (1) Station airs night games only.

Information for this column was obtained directly from the teams listed. Remember, get your updates & lists to me. Fight On and 73's from the home of the #2 basketball team in the Pac-10 and the home of the soon-to-be NCAA Basketball champions, hi.



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As my antenna farm began to grow I decided to put together a box that would allow me to go from one antenna to another without having to disconnect the antenna from the back of my Icom R-70. It had to be cheap easy to build and effective. I came up with the idea of a box using banana jacks because they were easy to work with. Now what to mount them onto. I settled on a PVC plastic box used by electricians because they were cheap and easy to drill into. This set up would allow me to put 6 jacks into a box and bolt it down via the bolt holes already molded to the box. All you need is:

- 1- PVC box about 4 to 5 inches square and 2 inches deep
- 1- 20 foot length of wire
- 6- Banana jack (or substitute of your choice)
- 1- Banana plug (or substitute of your choice)
- 2- screws to mount the box

Step one:

Map out where you want to put your jacks insuring you leave enough room to mount them. Then drill the six holes in the face plate you have marked. Then drill a hole on the top of the box to be able to draw out six wires from inside the box for leads from the jacks.

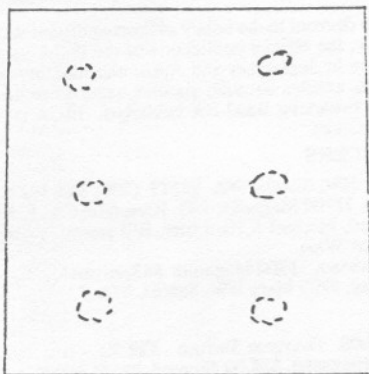
Step two:

Mount the jacks onto the box. Make sure they are on tight. Now cut 6-2 to 2½ foot long pieces of wire and strip off about one inch of coating from each end. Solder one piece of wire onto one separate jack. Repeat until you have all six wires soldered on to separate jacks. This will insure no cross-over from one antenna to another. You may wish to label each wire from 1 through 6 so when you are finished you know who belongs to who.

Step three:

Feed the six wires through the large hole on the top of the box seal it back up (mine came with 4 screws that were removed to open the box up). All you have to do now is mount the box and attach your antennas one to each lead. Take the banana plug and attach it to the left over wire and fit the other end to your receiver.

You are all set to go. To switch from one antenna to another all you have to do is move the plug from one jack to another. This also allows you to keep a good match on your antennas as using a 50 Ohm coax switch with a long wire of several hundred Ohms can cause a mis-match. This gets more of the signal to your radio for less money. Like I said Cheap Easy and Effective. I hope some of you find this of use. And by the way going from one antenna to another on this is easier than going around and around on a switch that will wear out from such repeated motion. If a jack or plug wear out on this model you replace one cheap part instead of a switch in its entirety.



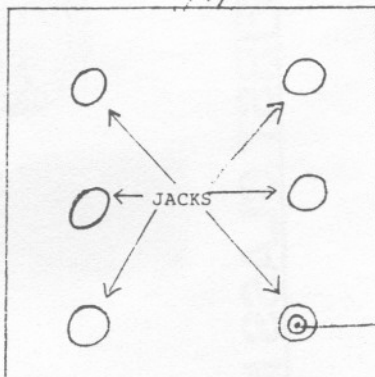
Drill holes spaced evenly around the face of the box for the jacks to go into



Drill a large hole on the top of the box to feed the wires out



Lead out wires to attach to antennas



The Box is completed with the six jacks installed and a wire into the plug for the receiver

Wire to Receiver using the plug

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