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NEW MEMBERS: Sam Dellit of Australia, Christopher Downie of Johnstown PA, Lynn Gillis of Jacksonville FL. **RENEWALS:** David Owens of Lemon Grove CA, Craig Healy of Seekonk MA, Neil Kazaross of Barrington IL, Richard Gordon of Seattle WA, TW Cairns of Bayside CA, Cary Simpson of Tyrone PA, Don Fraker of Electra TX, Thomas Laskowski of South Bend IN, Jack Woods of Waldport OR, Mark Connelly of Billerica MA, Shawn Axelrod of Winnipeg Canada. A Big Welcome to Sam, Christopher, Lynn and Thank You Very Much.

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KUSA: This station has been heard by many people across the country on 1660 kHz from Las Vegas, they are getting ready for NAB Convention April 10 - 13 in Las Vegas. Here is a Las Vegas phone number 702 - 896 - 0341. Reception reports to: Dave Hartup Xetron Corp, 460 West Crescentville Rd, Cincinnati OH 45246 Xetron is an engineering company hired by USA Digital to run the test. Maximum power can be 10 KW, power for the test is not known. All of this information came from: Mike Igo, Ernest Cooper, Mike Hardester and Gary Jackson. Try them they might be on. Good Listening and Thank You All For The Information.

ELECTION CORRECTION

The return address printed on the election ballots has a small error which is delaying their timely delivery by the Post Office. The ZIP code should be 98501-8408, not the 98504-8408 as printed. My apologies for this blunder but if those of you who have not yet voted pick up on this correction, your ballots should not be delayed. Good voting - Reid.

POSITION(s) OPEN - IRCA EDITOR-IN-CHIEF/PUBLISHER

Bill Hardy regrets that he will be unable to serve as Editor-in-Chief of 'DX Monitor' as originally announced. The Editor-in-Chief is responsible for receiving all DXM columns and pasting them up for the printer, 34 issues per year.

The club is also in need of a Publisher, who is responsible for getting 'DX Monitor' printed and distributed to all IRCA members 34 times per year. Traditionally, the EiC and Publisher have been located near each other (they have also been the same person as well), but arrangements can be made if they are in different locations.

If you are interested in either of these major responsibilities for our club, or a combined offer to edit and Publish 'DX Monitor', please contact IRCA Publishing Coordinator Phil Bytheway, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle, WA 98117, or via e-mail phil_bytheway@atk.com. We need to have a new Editor-in-Chief and Publisher by the end of August, to replace Ralph Sanserino who is retiring. Thank you!

DX TEST BULLETIN

**** DX TESTS ARRANGED BY IRCA & NRC ****

SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 1995 - WWOL-780, 1263 WEST MAIN, FOREST CITY, NC 28043 WILL CONDUCT A RESCHEDULED DX TEST BETWEEN 3:00 & 4:00 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S, MORSE CODE ID'S, & MARCH MUSIC. POWER WILL BE 10 KW USING A NONDIRECTIONAL ANTENNA PATTERN. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. JULIUS BLANTON - ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 1995 - WNRK-1260, NEWARK, DE WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 2:00 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, AN UNSPECIFIED SELECTION OF MUSIC, MORSE CODE ID'S AND WILL RUN AT POWER LEVELS RANGING FROM 42 WATTS TO 1,000 WATTS. PREPAID PHONE CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT (302) 737-9675. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DAVE SCHMIDT - CHIEF ENGINEER, c/o MID-ATLANTIC RADIO SERVICES, P.O. BOX 11502, WILMINGTON, DE 19850. (ARRANGED BY DAVE SCHMIDT FOR THE NRC CPC)

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 1995 - WCGW-770, 3950 LEXINGTON ROAD, VERSAILLES, KY 40383 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 1:30 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE "SPECIAL IDENTIFIABLE MUSIC" AND MORSE CODE ID'S. PREPAID PHONE CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT (606) 245-1770. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. TOM MULVANEY. (ARRANGED BY TOM MULVANEY FOR THE NRC CPC)

MONDAY, APRIL 10, 1995 - KGYN-1210, P.O. BOX 130, GUYMON, OK 73942 WILL CONDUCT A RESCHEDULED DX TEST BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:30 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S AND MORSE CODE ID'S. POWER WILL BE 10 KW. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. BILL WELDON. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 1995 - KFDF-1580, P.O. BOX 573, FORT SMITH, AR 72902 WILL CONDUCT A REPEAT OF THEIR MARCH DX TEST BETWEEN 2:00 & 3:00 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. STUART ROWLAND (K15SX) - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 1995 - KNZZ-1100, 1360 E. SHERWOOD AVENUE, GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81501 WILL CONDUCT A RESCHEDULED DX TEST BETWEEN 3:00 & 3:30 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DWIGHT MORGAN - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

BROADCASTING INFORMATION



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Much of this information was compiled from M Street Journal, DXM, and various other sources.

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

OR. Woodburn 670 khz. 1000/250 ND

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

WI. Milwaukee WIMJ-620 inc. to 50000/10000 DA-2

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

AL. Montgomery WLWI-740 dec. to 10000-D

Phenix City WPNX-1460 dec. to 4000/140 ND

VA. Christianburg WJJJ-1260 inc. to 2800-D

WI. Ladysmith WLDY-1340 change to 1000/1000 ND

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FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

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|--------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| ND. Bismarck | KBMR-1130 | mod. CP to 710 khz., 10000-D, DA-2 |
| SC. Atlantic Beach | WMTW-1190 | move to 1200 khz. 5500/9 ND (CP) |
| WI. Hudson | WMIN-740 | inc. to 950-D, DA |
| Tomahawk | WJJO-810 | dec. to 980-D |

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| DE. Seaford | WECY-1280 | becomes WJPY |
| IN. New Albany | WZCC-1570 | becomes WXLN |
| IA. Cedar Rapids | KHAK-1360 | becomes KTDF |
| KS. Mission | KBEA-1480 | becomes KCAZ |
| MS. Cleveland | WOHT-1410 | becomes WKZB |
| MO. St. Louis | WKBO-1380 | becomes KRAM (K-rams) |
| NV. Laughlin | KOWA-870 | becomes KLSQ |
| NC. New Bern | WSFL-1380 | becomes WCOO |
| OH. Cleveland | WRDZ-1260 | becomes WMIH |
| Niles | WFNE-1540 | becomes WNIO |
| OR. Phoenix | KDOV-1300 | becomes KAPL |
| SC. Columbia | WOMG-1320 | becomes WTSW |
| Greenville | WSSL-1440 | becomes WGVL "Greenville" |
| Surfside Beach | WYAK-1270 | becomes WCKN |
| TX. Wichita Falls | KLLF-1290 | becomes KWFS |
| WA. Seattle | KULL-770 | becomes KRPM |

FORMAT CHANGES:

| | | |
|---------------------|------------|--|
| AL. Butler | WPRN-1330 | was country, adds SMN Real country |
| Monroeville | WYNI-930 | was AC, becomes country |
| Valley Head | WQOR-870 | was AC, now country |
| AZ. Sierra Vista | KTAN-1420 | was country, now SMN AS |
| CA. Bakersfield | KGEO-1230 | was AC, adds SMN AC |
| Fortuna | KAJK-1090 | was AC//FM, adds SMN AC//FM |
| Fowler | KRGO-1220 | was SS AC, now R&B days, ethnic nights |
| Fresno | KEYQ-980 | was talk, sports, adds SR sports |
| CA. Palm Springs | KCMJ-1140 | was sports, now AS |
| Soledad | KVRG-700 | was silent, now SS hits//KBRG-FM |
| Visalia | KTHX-1400 | was talk, sports//KEYQ, adds SR Sports |
| CO. Manitou Springs | KXRE-1490 | was SS//KRRU, now Prime sports |
| CT. Bridgeport | WTCC-600 | was full service, adds Major-talk |
| DE. Seaford | WJPY-1280 | was WECY, gospel, RUB, now gospel, SMN Urban Ac |
| GA. Murrayville | WKZD-1330 | was s. gospel, ads MGS Christian C&W |
| IL. Aurora | WKKD-1580 | was oldies, now SMN Real country |
| Danville | WDAN-1490 | was nx, talk, adds Sports by-line |
| IA. Cedar Rapids | WHOF-1360 | was KHAK, country//FM, now religion |
| KY. Eminence | WPKF-1600 | was country, now gospel |
| Louisville | WRES-1080 | was nx, ads talk and sports |
| LA. Lake Charles | KLCL-1470 | was sports, adds Prime Sports |
| MA. Boston | WNRB-1510 | was religion, adds MGX Contemp. Xtian |
| Haverhill | WHAV-1490 | was oldies, talk, now SS |
| MI. Marine City | WIFN-1590 | was talk, sports, adds Sports By-line |
| Whitehall | WEFG-1490 | was travel info, now WWL 70's oldies//FM |
| NJ. Princeton | WHHW-1350 | was soft AC, talk, now WWL 41 soft AC |
| NY. Dunkirk | WDOE-1410 | was JSN soft AC, to be JSN oldies (April) |
| Glens Falls | WWSC-1450 | was full service, adds Major-talk |
| NC. Kinston | WODW-1230 | was SMN Real country, adds ABC Moby |
| OH. Cleveland | WMIH-1260 | was WRDZ, religion, now all Catholic |
| Ironton | WIRO-1230 | was country, now Prime sports//WZZW |
| Marietta | WYLI-910 | was nx, talk, now silent (to return in May) |
| New Boston | WIOI-1010 | was EZL, now talk |
| Youngstown | WBBW-1240 | was AS, now SR sports |
| OK. Norman | KNOR-1400 | was sports, now SMN AS |
| PA. Annville | WWSM-15610 | was silent, now classic country |
| Lancaster | WLAN-1390 | was contemp. Xtian, now AS |
| Mckeesport | WIXZ-1360 | was country, sports, now Prime sports |
| SC. Greenville | WGVL-1440 | was WSSL, country, now nx, talk |
| TN. Gallatin | WYXE-1130 | was silent, now BCN country (bluegrass 6-8 AM, 1-2 PM) |

FORMAT CHANGES (CONT.):

Nashville WSM-650 was country, now classic country
TX. San Antonio KZEP-1250 was SS talk, to be KZDC, rock (April)
Wichita Falls KWFS-1290 was farm, talk, sports, adds SS 6 PM-mid-
night
VA. Staunton WTON-1240 was full service AC, now full service C&W
WA. Everett KRKO-1380 was oldies, now nx/talk (to carry WWI talk,
and Major-talk)
WV. Beckley WWP-620 was talk, adds Sports Byline
Huntington WHRD-1470 was travel info, now Prime sports//WZZW

Mike Hardester of Jacksonville, NC. confirms earlier info on WQDW-1230.

Shawn Axelrod of Winnipeg, MB. passes on the following info:

NF. Gander CKGA-650 to be local pgming and //VOCM
Marytown CHCM-740 to be local pgming and //VOCM
YT. Whitehorse C----810 new station run by CBC for Environ-
ment Canada, bdcst wx 24 hr/day, 50 w.,
not on air yet
AB. Cold Lake CHCL-1450 now silent, not to return to air

Dale Park of Honolulu, HI. passes on the following info:

Tom Leykis drops KFYY-910 AZ., adds KFH-1330- KS., KVON-1440
CA and WTHI-1480 IN., Ken Hamblin adds WGL-1250 IN., KCSJ-
590 CO., and KPNW-1120 (weekend reruns), Art Bell adds KRAE-1480
WY., his "Dreamland" show ads KTRH-740 TX. and KHVH-830 HI.,
SUn net adds KGU-760 HI. for show "Talkin' Pets", WWI Mike
Walker's Gossip Page" adds WJNO-1230/1330 FL., Hamblin live on
KEEL-710 LA.

Ye editor passes on the following info (originally submitted by
Larry Godwin of Missoula, MT.):

NV. Laughlin KLSQ-870 was silent, KOWA, now SS "La Super Q"

Pat Martin of Seaside, OR. passes on the following info:

OR. Eugene KASH-1600 was silent, back on with country

NV. Las Vegas "NAB-1660" station broadcasting from NAB convention
in Las Vegas, may be running several thousand watts,
easily audible here in San Jose at night! Noted
running Aerosmith album 3/23 here, not on past mid-
night.

Whew, a long column. 3 weeks till my trip to Las Vegas. San Jose is
still here, it hasn't floated away yet, but it's come close! With
all the rain and weird weather, feels more like December than spring!
73's.

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DX Worldwide - West

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DEADLINES: 4/10, 5/1

We are getting close to ending the weekly columns for a while, so please watch the deadlines. A nice report this week from Rich Toebe. So on we go.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 890 CUBA, location unknown 3/15 0451 clear "Radio Progreso" ID hrd during "Noticieros" by male, female with many mentions of Cuba & Estados Unidos, o/XENY w/KDXU off. Sat on this for almost an hour thying to ID the mess, was mostly equal with the Mexican. Not list-in in the "95" WRTH. (RT-CA)
MEXICO, Culiacan-XENY 3/15 0500 this faded up o/Cuba, with adult male and child talking, hrd mention of "Musica Siempre" & call ID on the hour. Good timing at 0502, KDXU came back on with reduced power so XENY just underneath, Utah disappeared again two minutes later and chila mentioned Fresno, California(!!) KDXU back strongly at 0508. (RT-CA)
- 1040 MEXICO, Guadalajara-XEBBB-3/11 0703 "Radio Rama" ID by male, laser sounds, soon faded to CKST--sat on this for quite a while, heard same again at 0732, finally hrd "La Energia" ID at 0748. Tough to pick out as was usually equal to or u/CKST. (RT-CA)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 531 AUSTRALIA, West Kempsey-2MC-fair w/US Pops and 2MC ment at 0845 3/19. (PM-OR)
- 594 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOAK-3/16 1410 good crystal clear signal w/JJ talk by male, faded only minutes later. (RT-CA)
- 621 TUVALU, presumed the Island mx in 620-KIPA splat. KOTK way behind KIPA at 0715 3/19. (PM-OR)
- 1476 RUSSIA, Tevrichanka-3/16 1405 clear signal with rapid RR by male into mx that would have gotten a DJ shot in Brezhnev was still running things. hi. Sounded like Urban CHR! (RT-CA) (Yes, the Russians will play about anything these days. PM)
- 1566 SOUTH KOREA, Cheju-HLAZ 3/16 1340 clear signal w/orch. mx, into talk that sounded JJ or KK, no sure. (RT-CA)
- 1620 UNID, 3/16 1325+ weak signal w/noise, but fading in and out was male operatic singing! No clue as who this was, any ideas? Looped the same direction as TPer. Was looking for TISers. (RT-CA) (possibly a Russian as they seem to be using this part of the band, but so in N. Korea on 1614+ or - Khz. PM)

VERIFICATIONS

- 630 PHILIPPINES, Quezon City-DZMM-rec. prepared cd back from ABS-CBN International in Brisbane, CA-through local US office, as they are trying to sell Sat. programming from DZMM and ABS-CBN in the Philippines. Then a few days later, I received a full-detailed letter from them. Cd was signed by Jose Ramon Olives-Director and the letter was signed by Manuel Lopez Jr-Marketing Manager for ABS/CBN International. Finally after 2 and 1/2 yrs or trying. Philippine QSL #13. This time #13 was lucky! (PM-OR)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

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Drake R8, term. 200' SW Antenna-Ground system
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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 860 KAPN UT, Salt Lake City 3/10 0704-0710 weak thru jumble over/under CFPR/KVVA,
KTRB off. Weather for Salt Lake City, then news story about Nixon, couple of
PSA's, promo for "news when you want it" at 0710. Not heard since being KLZX!
Call change. (RW-CA)
- 960 KIXW CA, Apple Valley 3/13 0850 call change ex-KZXY very good in KABL null with a
"Kicks prize package giveaway," La Vegas entertainment update at 0850, ID as
"Highway Country, 107 (FM) and 101 (FM). Per call to station, they are now
KIXW on AM. No legal ID on hour! (RW-CA)
- 530 WNXX966 CA, Madera 3/11 2200 Cal Trans TIS giving fog warnings & instructions on
what to do when visibility gets down less than 500' (Calif. Highway Patrol will lead
cars through fog bound area!). (GJ-CA)
- CFHS ON, Fort Frances 2/25 0542 TIS extolling the virtues of Ontario and the cheap
Canadian dollar. Amazing clear signal at times. (NP-AB)
- 620 KOTK OR, Portland 2/25 0747 ID as "Super Talk 620, KOTK," gave phone number for
listeners line. (NP-AB)
- 630 KWRO OR, Coquille 3/4 0150 completely dominating the channel; disappeared 0152,
came back on a few seconds later, ID'd as "AM 63 KWRO your country station."
Equipment test? (RT-CA)
- 640 CFOB ON, Fort Frances 2/25 0746 after hearing the Fort Frances TIS on 530, thought
I'd check here, and sure enough heard ID "AM 64, CFOB" and Zappa Costa tune.
(NP-AB)
- 740 ?WLWI? AL, Montgomery 3/19 0630 possibly the one with talk & an ID in the noise (KCBS
open carrier) "WLWI." (PM-OR)

- KVFC CO, Colorado Springs 3/19 0640 fair under/over talk station with old rock and a "K-V-F-C" ID. (PM-OR)
- 770 (KCBC) CA, Riverbank 3/8 0400 noted off. "New Mexico's News Authority Supertalk 7-70 KOB, KKOB" dominated frequency. (RT-CA)
- CHQR AB, Calgary 3/8 0450 good signal in tight KKOB null. Talk show with "QR 77" ID during promo for upcoming program. New for me, ex-810. (RT-CA)
- 790 KKON HI, Kealahou 3/6 1050 relay of KOAI-FM 95.1 with music by Sting, Allman Band. Local programming began at 1059 with ID "News, talk and sports 24 hours a day plus Hawaiian Sunrise music in the morning..." into Hawaiian music. (5P)
- 860 (KTRB) CA, Modesto 3/10 0700 noted totally off, possibly knocked off due to storm? (RW-CA)
- 940 (KFRE) CA, Fresno 3/11 0631 noted totally off. XEQ on top. (RW-CA)
- 1090 KBOZ MT, Bozeman 2/28 0621 end of Brooks & Dunn song. ID "...K-A-M," DJ Steve requesting calls at 800-766-3252. Other country music heard but no ads or ID's until 0659 when man gave ID "K-B-O..." into Ai news. Called station to confirm, spokesman said KBOZ has local DJ's 0700-2000, and otherwise runs Jones' US Country service. New and MT #1 from here. Poor over KINF. (5P-HI)
- 1110 KRLA CA, Pasadena 2/26 0056 oldies, "Oldies 11-10, KRLA Pasadena" ID. Fair, talk station underneath. (5P-HI)
- ?KFAB? NE, Omaha 3/1 0054 tape delayed Ken Hamblin, 0058 promo for "Mid America Sportsline" talk show at 6:05pm weekdays, ID missed, NBC news. Poor over/under KRLA and lots of lightning. (5P-HI)
- 1120 KPNW OR, Eugene 2/28 0150 "Mike Reagan Show" and slogan "Newsradio 11-20, where you never get to think(!)," 0200 ID, Ai news, 0207 Art Bell. Nowever, the next night The Dolans were noted in this time slot. (5P-HI1)
- 1230 KSBN WA, Spokane 2/25 1059 nice clear ID as "KSBN, Spokane, Business Radio 1230, the sound of business." (NP-AB)
- 1280 CHQB BC, Powell River 2/25 0904 ID as "We're Coast Radio, 1280 CHQB Powell River." (NP-AB)
- 1310 KLIX ID, Twin Falls 3/3 0916 "KLIX Morning Report," ad for travel agent, farm news, into CNN Headline Sports. (NP-AB)
- 1410 WIZM WI, LaCrosse 3/15 0430 fair in jumble with tele talk, tag "on WIZM," spots. 3/18 0334 good on top with Art Bell Show, 38 degrees in LaCrosse, "Your news station, WIZM." Good with local news & weather break. (PM-OR)
- 1440 WGEM IL, Quincy 3/18 0430 good on top of mess with pause at bottom of hour, Bruce Williams show. New news, local promo, "on WGEM." (PM-OR)
- 1450 KVML CA, Sonora 3/3 1929 good signal in KEST null, Tom Leykis show then "Newstalk 14-50 KVML" ID into break at half hour. Not heard in ages. (RT-CA)
- 1460 KKCS CO, Colorado Springs 3/11 0223 good with "KKCS" ID's between country songs. (PM-OR)
- KDWA MN, Hastings 3/11 0220 jingle heard in jumble. Later heard with oldies and jingle "K-D-W-A." Listed as 41 watts! (PM-OR)
- KKPR NE, Kearney 3/11 0159:55 fair in jumble with adult standards format, "KKPR Kearney" ID. (PM-OR)
- KENO NV, Las Vegas 3/3 2000 "1460 Sports, KENO" ID, CNN news, plug for NBA coverage at 2005. (NP-AB)
- ?WBNS? OH, Columbus 3/11 02225 possibly the one with all sports net, local break for scores (Ohio, IL, etc). Too much QRM to tell for sure. Sounded like "W-B-N-S" mention. (PM-OR)
- 1470 WLOL MN, Brooklyn Park 3/18 0500 as "AM only" with ID "KLBB Minneapolis-St. Paul, and KLOL Brooklyn Park." New. (PM-OR)
- 1480 KMRT TX, Dallas 3/11 0402 fair over others in Spanish and ID "K-M-R-T Dallas-(Ft, Worth?). (PM-OR)
- 1490 KBKR OR, Baker 3/1 0919 ID as "OK Gold 1450 and 1490," into Paul Harvey's "The Rest of the Story." (NP-AB)
- KTEL WA, Walla Walla 3/3 0900 ID as "KTEL, K-Tel, AM & FM...the nation's number one all country and western station..." then ABC news. (NP-AB)
- 1500 KSJX CA, San Jose 3/11 0634 noted simulcasting KCBS-740 flood info instead of usual ethnic programming due to local flooding emergency. (RW-CA)

- 1520 KOMA OK, Oklahoma City 3/1 0055+ on top of everyone (!) with religious oriented talk program, call ID on hour, then mentioned they were returning to FM simulcast of oldies music. Surprised by signal strength; usually KTRO dominates. (RT-CA)
- 1550 KSFT MO, St. Joseph 2/27 2000 "... playing the original hits of the 40's, 50's and 60's, ... KSFT St. Joseph," into Sinatra tune. (NP-AB)
 +3/15 0315 fair with QRM from KPIX with AM Only //1140 (KGEM), tagged "K-S-F-T." Also 3/18 0459:55 "on your memory station KSFT, St. Joseph." (PM-OR)
- 1590 KVGB KS, Great Bend 3/11 0250 fair with sports promo "...on KVGB." (PM-OR)
 KLLL TX, Lubbock 3/15 ID out of network news at 0305 "K-L-L-L." Totally dominant for a while. (PM-OR)
- 1600 KATZ MO, St. Louis 3/11 0405 "K-A-T-Z" contest, promo, over/under KYGO. R&B music. (PM-OR)
 WWRL NY, New York 3/15 0256 ID in jumble of KATZ/KCRG, etc, with "1600 WWRL" ID. (PM-OR)
- 1610 WNXK966 CA, Madera 3/11 1015 Cal Trans temporary HAR telling of road closure of I-5 at Los Gatos Creek where bridge was washed out just south of highway 198 cut-off to Coalinga. Gave alternate routes to take & mentioned Cal Trans would be inspecting the bridge. (GJ-CA)
- ?TIS? MT, Moiese National Bison Range 3/19 0735 presumed the source of TIS talking about "the range" and many mentions of bison, mixing with Yellowstone TIS. (PM-OR)
- TIS WY, Yellowstone Nat. Park 3/19 0742 fair with repeated message "Welcome to Yellowstone National Park," info on sites, etc. New for me. Reported. (PM-OR)
- 1620 TIS TX, Channel View 3/9 0550 fair with continuous weather for Houston area. This 10 watter sure gets out! (PM-OR)

LOCAL NEWS

- 830 KHVH HI, Honolulu 2/26 has added CBS Talkradio networks "Dreamland with Art Bell" 2200-2400 (first hour delayed to following Sun. 2100-2200). This replaces Dr. Laura rerun. (5P-HI)

DX TESTS

- 750 ?KERR? MT, Polson 2/20 0206 nothing heard under KGU QRM & probable KXL talk, save for possible country music 0214, brief code burst 0218 and then music in key of D, again possible code 0222, nothing more. (5P-HI)
- 930 (KWOC) MO, Poplar Bluff 3/13 0200-0220 test tried, not heard under KSEI with KKHJ nulled, weak jumble underneath probably CJCA & KRKY. (RW-CA)
- 960 (KZIM) MO, Cape Girardeau 3/6 0200-0230 nothing heard, had hoped this one might make it. (FA-ID)
- 1250 (WKBR) NH, Manchester 3/6 0100-0130 nothing heard, did not expect to. (FA-ID)
- 1330 (WPPI) GA, Carrolton 3/4 0500-0600 nothing heard. (FA-ID)
- 1340 KTCR WA, Kennewick 2/26 0400-0600 // with KUJ but much weaker. Was able to make out some of the announcements and was able to clearly hear the tones. (FA-ID)
- 1420 KUJ WA, Walla Walla 2/26 0400-0600 good strong signal, mentions of test for IRCA, gave address and ran tones with announcements as to what they were. (FA-ID)
- 1580 (KFDF) AR, Ft. Smith 3/4 0200-0300 nothing heard. (FA-ID)

UNIDS

- 720 2/27 0621 bits of American-accented talk by man & woman way under static and KGU-760/KQMQ-690 QRM. WGN has been heard here. (5P-HI)
- 1460 3/11 0159:55 "In... county, this is WEE?" or something similar. Into net news (CBS?). KKPR blatted it out. (PM-OR)
- 1560 3/13 0336 unID Spanish blasting in way over KNZR, usually nothing noted under KNZR! Faded out before ID. Is this a domestic? Looped ESE. (RW-CA)

Note new Saturday WDXR deadlines at the beginning of the column. There is also a new address to send reports! The 1995 IRCA convention will be held July 14-15-16 in Boise. ID. We hope to see you there!

Central DX Roundup



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DEADLINE: 4/29, 5/27, 7/1, 7/29, 8/18, 9/2.

RIDING GAIN

- [VAL-DX] DX'pedition at Valhalla Beach, MB 3/11-12
2 Icom IC-R70's with PLAM board and 4kHz filter, Grundig 700
9 beverages or longwires.
Attending: **Shawn Axelrod**, **Wayne McRae**, and **Lorne Chestnut** of Winnipeg.
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- [JcJ+NjH-MT] **John** and **Nancy** using an Icom IC-R71A with a Radio West loop.

SPECIAL INTEREST

- 690 **WVCY** WI, Oshkosh. **EX-WXOL**. Station is back on the air. First noted 3/14 at 1820.
Religious format. Milwaukee's 107.7 becomes WVCY-FM and is simulcast some of
the time. [TN-WI]

DOWN THE DIAL

- 570 **WWNC** NC, Asheville. 3/17 poor in mess. 0005 with country music, male announcer.
Frequent ID's including "570 WWNC," "Western Carolinas' Number One Station,"
and "North Carolina's Number one." Local spots including a frozen food giveaway
conducted by WWNC and Engle's (?) grocery stores. Weather wrapped up with the
slogan "The forecast you can always depend on." [TK-MO]
- 610 **CKTB** ON, St. Catherines. 3/11 good. 2210 with programming in an Indian sub-continent
language (Hindi or Pakistani?) Lots of spots for Scarborough and Toronto area
merchants. Not AC as per the log. Some EE mixed into the spots. [VAL-DX]
- 740 **KATK** NM, Carlsbad. 3/12 good. 0100 with lively Mexican music, spots for the M & M
Record Shop, "KATK" ID by woman in EE. New for us. [VAL-DX]
- 830 **KOTC** MO, Kennett. 3/11 fair. 1840 with country music. ID's as "Cotton Country" or
"Country 8-30." "KOTC ID on the hour. New!! [VAL-DX]
- 960 **WERC** AL, Birmingham. 3/6 in and out of mess. 0159 with "News-talk 960 WERC" cart ID,
promo for Paul Harvey. ABC News on top of hour. 0206 with "Our call letters:
WERC. Our dial position: 960." Don't you wish every station IDed that way at least
once an hour? Into unID call-in talk program. [TK-MO]
- 970 **KFEL** CO, Pueblo. 3/11 good on top of all others. 1940 with country music. Several
"Classic Country KFEL" IDs. [VAL-DX]

CDXR Continued.....

- 1310 **KOKS** IA, Keokuk. 3/4 fair to poor. 1659 with "Good Times Oldies Magazine" program. Host was a male announcer and featured music of the late 50s and early 60s. Local and national spots. [TK-MO]
- 1330 **KFH** KS, Topeka. 3/16 good. 2345 with promo for Art Bell, "KFH" ID, Jim Bohannon Show. [NjH-MT]
- 1340 **KKYD** CO, 3/12 good. 0835 with Radio Aahs programming. New!! [VAL-DX]
- 1360 **KMRN** MO, Cameron. 3/11 good. 1907 with local news and weather. Missouri lottery results. New for us. [VAL-DX]
- 1400 **KART** ID, Jerome. 3/22 in through others. 0200 with legal ID. [NjH-MT]
- 1470 **KHND** ND, Harvey. 3/12 good. 0820 with what can best be described as Easy Listening Religious Music. ID. [VAL-DX]
- 1530 **KMAM** MO, Butler. 3/11 fair. 1915 with country music. Spots for local merchants. Still || to their 92.1 with FM ID's. New!! [VAL-DX]
- 1540 **KXED** CA, Los Angeles. 3/12 good. 0720 with Mexican music. Yes News on the OJ trial in SS. New!! [VAL-DX]
- 1570 **WFUR** WI, Grand Rapids. 3/10 fair. 1856 legal ID only heard. [TN-WI]
- 1580 **KRLL** NM, Albuquerque. 3/12 good on top 1580. 0858 with country music and "KRLL Albuquerque" ID, New!! [VAL-DX]

DX TESTS

- 620 **WTMT** KY, Louisville. 3/13 DX Test poor u/WRJZ. Still not bad, considering they are only 500 watts. 0100 with mentions of IRCA and J. D. Stephens. Code ID included repeated calls and city. 10-second TT's and frequent announcements that a DX test was in progress. Polkas, Andrews Sisters, Hank Williams, Jr. for music [TK-MO]
- 930 **KWOC** MO, Poplar Bluff, 3/13 DX Test good over WTAD. 0200 with voice IDs and music. [TN-WI]
+3/13 DX Test tried for but not heard. Nancy and I listened between 0200-0230, but only heard CJCA or KSEI. [JcJ+NjH-MT]
- 1420 **KUJ** WA, Walla Walla. TENTATIVE. 2/26 DX Test. Heard bits of TT at 0424 and again 0438. Tone was higher pitched than the usual 1 KHZ. TT was buried under a talk station and a country station. Nothing else heard. Was this them? [KAZ-IL]
- 1610 **KOC-745** WY, Fort Laramie. 3/12 good, alone on 1610. 0616 with info on the Fort Laramie historic site. New!! [VAL-DX]
- WFPF-929** IL, Naperville. 3/11 good signals with the Caribbean beacon and at least two others. 2146 giving announcements and info on the Main Street and Eagle Street bridge detours. [VAL-DX]
- WPBC-251** IL, Bureau County. 3/11 good with the group fade up. 2158 with "Thanks for tuning into WPBC-251 16-10 on your dial." New!! Thanks to Mike Hardester for the great listing which sure helped with the TIS's heard on this and other DX'peditions. It makes listening much easier. [VAL-DX]
- IL, Chicago. 3/11 fair to good mixing with others. "HAR." 2150 with a computerized update for traffic and time on various freeways in the Chicago area. This is updated regularly to give new situations as they arise, so the announcements vary over time. New!! [VAL-DX]

unIDs

- 740 unID 3/12 poor. 0230 with call-in program dealing with business matters. Gave a phone number with a 407 area code. Is this one of the FL stations? [VAL-DX]
- 780 unID 3/12 poor u/WBBM and unID Mexican. {No time noted} Dual ID heard "W???" and WAT-248." [VAL-DX]
- 1160 unID 3/11 fair to poor. 1930 with a basketball game. Partial ID as "The All New K (C or T) AM. Any ideas? [VAL-DX]

unID HELP

- 1610 unID [VAL-DX]'s unID in 3/18 issue with "Operville" on 929 and 1610 ID. Mike Hardester offers help, he said this might be WFPF-929 in Naperville, IL. Thanks, Mike!
- 1620 [VAL-DX]'s tentative call WPAM217 listed in 3/18 issue might be WNWZ-910 in Bensenville, TX according to Mike Hardester. Thanks, Mike!

1641 unID [VAL-DX]'s unID in 3/18 issue with "MIN" or "MF" call. Mike Hardester offers help, he said he suspects this is a MEDFER on 1641.97 with a "new" callign of MIN. He mentions if it is it is EX- LEK and is operated by Kyle Koehler of Aitken, MN. Thanks, Mike!

+David Braun said [VAL-DX]'s unID is indeed "MIN" which is located in Aitkin, MN and operated by Kyle Koehler. This is per the Medfer list in the March 1995 issue of "The Lowdown" by LWCA. The don't show an "IH" on 1680.

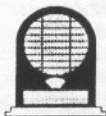
1680 unID [VAL-DX]'s unID in 3/18 issue with "IH" beacon. Mike Hardester offers help, he said this might be a MEDFER from CA and will do more checking. Thanks, Mike!

25 YEARS AGO

April 4, 1970 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor"...Harry L. Helms Jr. of Fort Mill, SC said most stations in Dixie regard DXers as harmless nuts....Bill Nittler of Englewood, CO told of the birth of his 5th daughter, Lesley Renee....Larry Godwin of Englewood, CO added New Jersey for state number 50....Chuck Albertson of Bellevue, WA added his 100th station.

OPEN MIKE

If you do not expect the unexpected, you will not find it. Shawn mentioned this was Lorne's first DXpedition. Lorne was amazed by all the new stations he heard. He also mentioned foreign DX was even better, so check out the foreign columns. The Boise convention is just 3 months away. We are looking forward to seeing all of you. 73, John-John.



Eastern DX Roundup

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RADIO ACTIVE INPUT

- *****
(MB-ON) Mike Brooker, 99 Wychrest Ave., Toronto, On M6G 3X8
Panasonic RF-2200, RFB-45
(TF-CT) Tony Fitzherbert Fairfield, CT ATS-703a atop Lazy Susan.
(TF-HN) Ski week at Bartlett N.H, with GE Superadio
(TF-MA) Amesbury and Lowell, Mass on I-495 with car radio.

IN THE LOG

- *****
540 WLIX NY, Islip 2/26 2115 Black gospel preacher, weak but steady, audible signal in the mountains. (TF-NH)
600 WICC CT, Bridgeport 2/26 2030-21-5 Old radio pgms, ID at 2100, "Service 60, WICC" followed by AP Radio news, good steady signal. (TF-NH)
640 WHLO OH, Akron 3/11 1735 Cluster of Christian music selections, then they were ID'ed by the DJ, followed by an ID for AM 640, WHLO "not heard here in a while. (TF-CT)
740 WJIB MA, Cambridge 3/3 1939-2000 Harvard-Cornell BB, many PSA's during the halftime reports, NRC member and station owner Bob Bittner ID'ed the station at 1956, 5 watt signal rolled in over CBL on a 20 mile stretch of I-495, 25 to 35 miles north of the transmitter!!! (TF-MA)
750 WMXH PA, Olyphant 2/20 1725 Mix of standards and current mx, ID for "Mix 750, WMXH Olyphant PA, where the music is all mixed up!" (TF-CT)
960 WHYL PA, Carlisle 2/24 1750 Standards, ID at 1800 for WHYL-Carlisle-Harrisburg, signal way over WELI. (TF-CT)
1200 WCHB MI, Talyor 2/20 1745 Talk traffic, commercials, ID for News - Talk 1200, WCHB, gone at 1800, good signal. (TF-CT)

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- 1310 WDCT VA, Fairfax 2/24 1736 Traffic report for an accident on the Beltway, other DC traffic, soon gone under WGH.. (TF-CT)
- 1310 WGH VA, Newport News 2/20 1730 Sports talk with Allen -?-, call 671-1313 to talk, ID's "The Score - 1310", gone at 1745. (TF-CT)
- 1350 WIOU IN, Kokomo 2/25 0824-0830 Fr-poor 0/usual pest CKDO w/ID as "Oldies 1350 WIOU on a Super 70'2 Saturday morning" long rundown of birthday and other events happening on Feb. 25th, promo for contest to call WIOU at 455-3882 when you hear "the phrase that pays", into Supertramps's "The Logical Song". (MB-ON)
- 1360 CJVL PQ, Ste Marie de Beauce 2/25 1750 Easy listening music, CJVL musical souder at 1800, news in French by female announcer, good sigonal. (TF-CT)
- 1480 WDAS PA, Philadelphia 3/5 1716 Black gospel preacher with many mentions of Philadelphia, show was "The Hour of" way under WZRC and WSAR, verie was bvack in four days! (TF-CT)
- 1570 WKDB MD, Towson 3/11 1805 ID for "AM 1570, WKDB, great music for great kids", story about a hen named Jaqueline flying an airplane to Seattle, and riding a train (not Amtrak!!), and an ID at 1715 for "The station that plays music for great kids and those who used to be", good signal atop freq. (TF-CT)
- 1590 WPTH VA, Richmond 2/25 1810 Blasting in here with gospel music and ID for "All new AM 1590, WPTH" does anyone have a correct address for this station, log is wrong, PO returned report. (TF-CT)

DX TESTING

- *****
- 620 WTMT KY, Louisville 3/13 test not heard on freq dominated by WTMJ and WHEN. (MB-ON)
- 1580 KFDF AR, FT Smith 3/4 Not heard, CBJ unnullable. Would have been a potentially easy catch if CBJ still signed off at 0100 like the CBC EE network. (MB-ON)
- +++++
- Thanks to Tony and Mike for this weeks input. The next deadlines are 4/6,4/20,5/11,6/9 and 7/13. 73's Mark N7EIJ.



Western DX Forum ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

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[3/11] Hi Everybody: Called in my reservation the other day for the 1995 IRCA convention in Boise. I was told I was the first! I am looking forward to the convention. As always, it should be a lot of fun. I read with interest a recent forum from Ernie Cooper involving verifications. I am having the same problems. After sending several followups, phone calls, and the like, still many stations will not answer you. I wish they would come right out and tell you that they will not answer reception reports. Instead they lie to you over and over again stating that they get many reports and always answer them. In speaking to other DXers, I find many have the same problems with the same stations! Yes, even the stations that put on the several DX tests do not always answer. I had a time last year to finally get a prepared card back from KDLA-1010-LA! So far nothing back from the WGYJ-1590 test from December. QSLing sure isn't the same as it used to be. I am not sure what the problem is with many stations, as they have the time to yak with you on the phone about your report - even when they call back on their nickel! In less time they could write something down and drop it back in the mail to you. But even though it can be a pain in the neck to get a QSL back, when you do I guess it is worth it all. It must be, for we wouldn't keep QSLing! Good DX to all. Boise in "95"! 73s Patrick

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[3/15] An interesting DX season, to say the least. Once again, IRCA's CPC has generated many excellent

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DX tests and I have tried for, and heard, quite a few of them over the weeks... thank you JD and company. As some might have read in the 'fine print' of WDXR. I have a new receiver, a Drake R-8, and have been using it with the my KIWA loop for a little over two months now. It is definitely quieter than the ICOM R-70... as I have a tremendous amount of locally generated noise to deal with. Fortunately, the noise blander on the R-8 is often effective in reducing the noise... something I didn't have on the R-70. I still occasionally fire up the R-390A or R-393 and do some "tube" DX, but most of my DX these days is done with a timer, so the solid state sets are the ones that get the most use. I have tried to scan the "new" band at least once a week after 11 PM local time... and have heard nothing to report. There are a few unidentified signals here and there, but no real audio to firm up any IDs. Local KPOZ and KRIZ (both of which have been granted frequencies in the new band) are not planning anything at this time... I'll keep you posted. Anyone else have any better luck? I got overwhelmed with IRCA Bookstore orders in January and early February and am nearly caught up now... sorry for any delays. Looks like a lot of folks are interested in TIS stations as indicated by the sales of the latest updater. I am working on a Reprint list updater that will cover all articles published in DXM since January 1992, and should be publishing it in a DXM this summer. That's all for now... best of DX in the remaining season... pb

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TH5-2844

[3/16] Hello again. Hope all of you voted. Nice to see an award named after Ric Heald. First off, I'm no longer in Van Nuys on 7 to 1 shift. Now I'm job hunting. Still busy now working local track meets. Seems rain has gone away for a few days. Several nights ago I drove to Antelope Valley again, just to get away. Not much DX heard. 700 had KFAM as usual plus Spanish - Soledad CA ? - probably, some fading over and under. 1380 there weak toward south. 73

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Greeting from the home of University of Missouri, alma mater of such celebrities as Sheryl Crow and Brad Pitt - and nobodies like myself, hi. Columbia's Hickman High School is gearing up a low-power station on 840 kHz, to debut on March 20. The call is KEWP, inspired by their school mascot, the kewpie. According to an article in the *Columbia Daily Tribune*, the station will broadcast live for five hours a day, and will play a "format tape" (whatever that is) to fill the empty time. The format is slated to include news concerning Columbia School District, and music of various sorts. Broadcasts will be simulcast on the district's public information channel on the city cable system. The faculty advisor is KOMU-TV meteorologist Randy Wright, who three years ago helped lobby the district for a \$50,000 budget to start a radio and TV lab. Although the station's budget was eliminated last year to cut the district's deficit, local businesses donated \$18,000 in equipment to construct KEWP, including what appears in the accompanying *Tribune* photograph to be a very nice Harris Allied MX series console. I was listening to KMOX the other morning when the conversation turned to, of all things, Columbia's KFRU-AM. It seems that one of the KMOX staffers is working on a graduate degree here at MU, and reported to his colleagues that KFRU's programming bore a striking resemblance to that of KMOX. After a commercial break, they came back with KFRU morning man Simon Rose on the line, who in turn put them on the air at KFRU. Several few minutes were spent discussing how both stations had a call-in program called "The Morning Meeting", carried Rush Limbaugh in the early afternoon, and used the slogan "Total Information." All painfully ironic. I doubt that KFRU intentionally used KMOX as a template for its own programming, but at any rate, the whole episode bears witness to the saying, "if you've heard one, you've heard 'em all." On a somewhat related note, the Kansas City weekly *New Times*' "Media Watch" columnist James McKinley has for two issues promised a forthcoming "definitive survey of Kansas City's non-music AM radio," in which he will examine the "large number of uniformed, low-minded, trash-talking citizens out there in AM radioland who like to call up programs and empty their minds of the precious little stored therein." Zowie! But AM is drawing listeners again - that's undeniable. Talk was a shot in the arm for AM, yet at the same time has given the band a lousy image. I remain convinced that talk shows, be they political, medical, sexual, or horticultural, saved AM but what are broadcasters going to do when the fad dies out or the conversation shifts to the Internet? J.D. Stephens: thanks for arranging the DX tests. Your hard work and dedication are much appreciated. 73s to all.

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[3/21] It is sad that two fine DX clubs have closed down recently. ADXR and SPEEDX are no longer operating. Although I am not sure of the specific reasons I can imagine that declining membership and lack of support were major causes of their having to shut down. I think that this is a time for the IRCA to look to itself and think not only of ways to improve itself, but to increase its membership. Even though IRCA

is a Broadcast Band Mediumwave Club, it would seem to me that this would be a good time to consider some expansion in the frequencies covered. No, I'm not advocating complete Shortwave coverage or TV/FM coverage. However, I would hope that we could have some Tropical Band coverage in the columns from time to time. Actually this has happened on occasion I have noticed. It would be nice to see some 120-meter DX being reported on a regular basis and even up to 90 or 60 meters if possible. This is something the BOD should seriously think about! After all, those bands are primarily Broadcast bands aren't they? Most activity in those bands is of a local or regional nature and there is very little "International" broadcasting done in them. Many stations in Latin America have Tropical Band transmitters along with their AM and FM operations plus higher frequency Shortwave. So, I can see no reason why IRCA, in the interest of improving and increasing it's use to members, couldn't start carrying DX reports in those bands. The club would still be "Broadcast Band" oriented although it would be stretching the term in many people's minds. This I realize. But, I do believe it would be to the overall good and would add a little incentive for members to report their DX catches. Aloha and good DX to all from the BIG ISLAND of Hawaii.

IRCA Contests

Contest standings as of March 31, 1995

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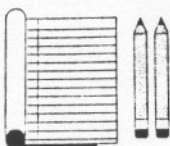
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| States/Provinces | | Letterama | |
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| DX'er | Points | DX'er | Points |
| 1) Lee Freshwater | 951 | 1) Brian Oakley | 130 |
| 2) Brian Oakley | 926 | 2) Roy Millar | 102 |
| 3) Carl DeWhitt | 915 | 3) Mike Sanburn | 79 |
| 4) Nigel Pimblett | 852 | 4) Ted Wendland | 76 |
| 5) John C. Johnson | 835 | 5) John C. Johnson | 75 |
| 6) Richard Turner | 775 | 6) Tom Beaton | 66 |
| 7) Roy Millar | 653 | 7) Nigel Pimblett | 50 |
| 8) Tom Beaton | 544 | 8) Lee Freshwater | 25 |
| 9) Ted Wendland | 408 | 9) Pete Taylor | 24 |
| 10) Michael Bay | 244 | | |
| 11) Dale Park | 4 | | |

| Graveyarders | | Locals | |
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| DX'er | Points | DX'er | Points |
| 1) Roy Millar | 39 | 1) Lee Freshwater | 202 |
| 2) Nigel Pimblett | 36 | 2) Brian Oakley | 168 |
| 3) Mike Sanburn | 30 | 3) Roy Millar | 142 |
| Ted Wendland | 30 | 4) Tom Beaton | 141 |
| 5) Tom Beaton | 25 | 5) Richard Turner | 111 |
| 6) Richard Turner | 24 | 6) Carl DeWhitt | 81 |
| 7) John C. Johnson | 10 | 7) John C. Johnson | 48 |
| | | 8) Michael Bay | 39 |

| Foreign | |
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| DX'er | Points |
| 1) Elliott Straus | 151 |
| 2) Larry Godwin | 56 |
| 3) Roy Millar | 14 |

For complete contest rules, see the September 17, 1994 DX Monitor. Any IRCA member may enter the contests anytime. Your first contest report is your entry. Be sure to report stations for each month by the 10th day of the next month.



Eastern DX Forum

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Long-time and well-known Staten Island NY DXer Peter Clarius died at age 80 around the end of February while shoveling snow in his front walkway. His widow and his son Donn called me to tell me about their loss, and asked what they should do with his many many veries. I suggested they send them here to me, but they decided instead to drive up here and deliver them to me. I, in turn, have sent them to the care of the Committee to Preserve Radio Verifications, 38 Eastern Avenue, Lexington, MA 02173. Jerry Berg, committee chairman, is himself a DXer, and he tells me they have many verie collections of deceased DXers, as well as those of Carroll Weyrich, who is, I'm told, 83, and in good health. Pete was at the NRC convention in Merrimack, NH over las Labor Day weekend, and he treated me to dinner one night while there. I will miss him, and I'm sure many more will, also. This is a wonderful thing for any DXer to do - to leave word what to do with the verifications and other radio data when that time comes. To Karl Zuk: I believe WQQW-1590 CT is still silent, as they have been for two or three years. My verie count is now 4482 AM and 705 FM, with these newly received from AM stations: WEZS-1350-NH, WNQM-1300-TN-TEST, WPIB-1160-NY (for both the TEST and a twilight reception back in 1993), WTLA-1200-NY, ex-WKRL, CJYQ-930-NF, and they state in their verie that they verify only reports which enclose return postage. (I sent them two Canadian quarters, and their reply used 83 cents, I think it was). Continuing, veries also from WFBL-1050-NY and WAMR-1320-FL-TEST. DX has been quite slack here with the only recent DX TEST heard was from WKBR-1250-NH, and they were about third best on the channel, whereas they are a daytime fixture here - odd. I was disappointed not to hear a peep out of WTMT-620-KY, one I've wanted to log for many years. I enjoyed the IRCA Anniversary issue, but I thought there'd be more checking into the Forum columns! It's not too late - let's hear from you via this section of the Monitor! Forward - March!

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It seemed strange last weekend not to be typing a column. Only five more columns until Labor Day. Doesn't that make the summer seem short, hi! Two fairly recent call changes in this area: WYLO-540 Jackson, WI is now WZER. WXOL-690 Oshkosh, Wisc., which has been silent for awhile, is now back on the air as of the middle of March, with a religious format, apparently simulcasting WVCY-FM in Milwaukee. Calls now are WVCY-AM. I was saddened to hear of the passing of Peter Clarius. I never met him but had heard of him over the years. Last May, he sent me a list of some of the old call letters and what they stood for but I never figured out a good way to put it into the column. It was just a listing, not in a Forum manner. Looking at it now makes me wish I had found a way. A couple of samples from it (from Peter Clarius): WSB was Welcome South Brother (Atlanta, GA); WBT was Worlds Best Tobacco (Charlotte, NC); CFRB was Coming from Rogers Batteries (Toronto, Ont). By the time you read this, I will be on my way back home from southern Alabama. Hopefully I can get that log up over a 100 stations. 73.

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