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NEW MEMBERS: Charles Dobbins of Houston TX, Yasuyuki Hashimoto of Japan. **RENEWALS:** Allison Smith of Glenmont NY, Shel Remington of Keauu HI, John Sampson of Minneapolis MN, Richard Evans of Milwaukee WI. Welcome to Charles and Yasuyuki and Thank You All Very Much.....

FROM THE DESK OF THE PUBLISHER: I told Phil that I would not say any more on the front page, but I lied. I read the forum report by JD in the number 15 DXM with great interest and I agree with him that this is the age of desktop publishing and high-quality printshops and I sure hope that he has desktop publishing and a high-quality printshop close by, because he just volunteered to be publisher and all of the members that agree with him can be his helpers. As soon as I get the ok from the BOD I will FedEx the bank account to you JD, so stand by. The reason I use a copy center instead of a high-quality printshop is **MONEY**. The size of the IRCA membership tells us that we use a copy center at this time, the copy center I use has lower prices than the local high-quality printshops. The NRC has a larger membership roll than we do so they get to use a high-quality printshop, but they must also watch the **MONEY**. If the IRCA membership wants a higher printshop quality DXM then you must be willing to pay the price for the higher quality. Just about everyone gets tense when you even think about a dues increase, but if you want quality you must pay for it, no one wants a dues increase so we stay where we are at for the time being.

DX TEST BULLETIN arranged by IRCA and NRC CPC
 For more detailed information see page 2 of this DX Monitor

All Times are EST - Eastern Standard Time

DATE	DAY	TIME	FREQ	CALL	LOCATION
1/23/96	Tue	0230-0300	1460	KLTC	Dickinson ND (IRCA)
2/ 3/96	Sat	0400-0430	640	KYUK	Bethel AK (NRC)
2/ 4/96	Sun	0100-0115	690	HCJB	Quito, Ecuador
2/ 4/96	Sun	0400-0430	750	KFQD	Anchorage AK (NRC)
2/ 4/96	Sun	0400-0500	650	KYAK	Anchorage AK (NRC)
2/ 5/96	Mon	1200-1230	1590	WPWA	Aston PA (IRCA)
2/ 5/96	Mon	0100-0130	1340	WOOW	Greenville NC (IRCA)
2/ 5/96	Mon	0300-0400	1480	WABB	Mobile AL (IRCA)
2/10/96	Sat	0200-0230	1400	WTCY	Harrisburg PA (IRCA)
2/12/96	Mon	0000-0030	1230	WNCC	Newton NC (IRCA)
2/12/96	Mon	0100-0130	569	WGAI	Elizabeth City NC (NRC)
2/17/96	Sat	0100-0200	1450	WBSR	Pensacola FL (IRCA)
2/19/96	Mon	0000-0030	630	WIRC	Hickory NC (IRCA)
3/ 3/96	Sun	0100-0115	690	HCJB	Quito, Ecuador

DX TEST BULLETIN

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

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 1996 - WANM-1070, P.O. BOX 14369, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32317-4369 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 3:00 & 3:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. **POWER WILL BE 10 KILOWATTS USING A NONDIRECTIONAL ANTENNA PATTERN.** RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. JOHN MATTHEWS - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1996 - KLTC-1460, P.O. BOX 1478, DICKINSON, ND 58602-1478 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:30 & 3:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S & VOICE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: SENATOR RAY DAVID - OWNER & GENERAL MANAGER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 1996 - KGYN-1210, P.O. BOX 130, GUYMON, OK 73942 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 3:00 & 4:00 AM EST. **POWER WILL BE 10,000 WATTS.** THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. TERRY MILLER - PROGRAM DIRECTOR. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1996 - KYUK-640, POUCH 348, BETHEL, AK 99559 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 4:00 & 4:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE POLKAS, MARCH MUSIC, AND "ID'S EVERY 5 MINUTES" (NO WORD ON WHETHER OR NOT THESE WILL BE CODE ID'S). **POWER WILL BE 10,000 WATTS.** RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. JOE SEIBERT - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1996 - HCJB-690, CASILLA 17-17-691, QUITO, ECUADOR WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 1:15 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S AND "OTHER UNIQUE ITEMS". CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS WILL BE VERIFIED WITH A SPECIAL QSL CARD. ACCORDING TO THE STATION, **IF YOU HEAR CODE, YOU MUST REPORT EXACTLY WHEN YOU HEARD IT AND WHAT CHARACTERS YOU HEARD.** TAPE RECORDINGS ARE WELCOME, BUT TAPES CANNOT BE RETURNED. PLEASE INCLUDE ONE INTERNATIONAL REPLY COUPON OR FIRST CLASS POSTAGE IN U.S. OR CANADIAN STAMPS FOR A REPLY TO YOUR RECEPTION REPORTS, WHICH MAY BE SENT TO: MR. RICH MCVICAR (HC1JMN) - FREQUENCY MANAGER, ATTN: 690 DX TEST, c/o ENGLISH LANGUAGE SERVICE, HCJB. (ARRANGED BY MR. RICH MCVICAR OF HCJB FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL DXERS)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1996 - KFQD-750, 9200 LAKE OTIS PARKWAY, ANCHORAGE, AK 99507 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 4:00 & 4:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES AND MORSE CODE ID'S. **POWER WILL BE 50,000 WATTS.** RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. GREG WILKINSON. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1996 - KYAK-650, 500 L. STREET, SUITE 200, ANCHORAGE, AK 99501 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 4:00 & 5:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. **POWER WILL BE 50,000 WATTS.** RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. ERIK KUHLMAN. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1995 - WPWA-1590, 12 KENT ROAD, ASTON, PA 19014 61021 WILL CONDUCT A RESCHEDULED DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO MR. LLOYD B. ROACH (K3QNT) - PRESIDENT. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1996 - WABB-1480, 1551 SPRINGHILL AVENUE, MOBILE, AL 36604 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 3:00 & 4:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. ED JURICH (N0PVC) - CHIEF OPERATOR. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1996 - WTCY-1400, 3400 NORTH 6TH STREET, HARRISBURG, PA 17110 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, VOICE ID'S, AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. THOMAS L. WALKER (WA3MBF) - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1996 - WNNC-1230, BOX 940, NEWTON, NC 28658 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, VOICE ID'S, AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DAVE LINGAFELT - PRESIDENT & GENERAL MANAGER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1996 - WBSR-1450, P.O. BOX 8057, PENSACOLA, FL 32505 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 2:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE OLDIES MUSIC AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. GEOFF ELKINS - ASSISTANT PROGRAM DIRECTOR. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

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DX Worldwide - West

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As you may see above, I now have access to an E. Mail address. You can now send your tips to me via E. Mail if you wish. DX this week hasn't been too good. I did get a report from Eric Bueneman this week. So away we go.

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- 756 UNID, probably the German, mostly carrier but bits of mx in the splash at 0530 1/9/96. (PM-OR)
- 1314 UNID, probably Norway with a strong carrier at about 0530 on both 1/9 and 1/10. (PM-OR)

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 580 MEXICO, Piedras Negras 1/3 0309 good over WKTY with legal ID in SS then "XEMU, Country Girl of the Air" ID in EE, gave address as P.O. Box 196, Eagle Pass, TX 78852, into a string of local ads, including one for CocaCola, another EE/SS ID, "Rancherita del Aire" Jingle. (EB-MO)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 531 JAPAN, Morioka-JOQG-good w/m&f in JJ at 0910 1/6 (PM-OR)
- 864 KOREA, either North or South in splash at 0923 1/6 (PM-OR)
- 873 RUSSIA, Unknown Siberian location, with pop mx and YL in RR at 0927 1/6 (PM-OR)
- 1614 D.R.KOREA, Soldiers station with KK pops and male in KK, quite good getting up to S9 at times at 1530-1545 1/7. Best I have ever hrd them. They must run some power there. (PM-OR)

AM broadcast stations operating on 1720 through 4000 kHz:

↑ Tropical Band DX Roundup ↑

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All Times are UTC Deadline: Tuesdays

We have a couple tips from Eric Bueneman this week.

- 3925 JAPAN, Radio Tampa-12/20 0725 weak signal w/mx and local ads in JJ, signal weaker than on 10/31, some Ham QRM this time(EB-MO)
- 3995 RUSSIA, Khabarovsk-12/20 0720 vly weak w/possible talk in RR(EB-MO)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

- EB-MO ERIC BUENEMAN(NUOIH), 631 COACHWAY LN-HAZELWOOD,MO 63042-1347
Realistic DX-400, Worcester SM-2, SANGEAN ATS-803A, homebrew antenna
- PM-OR YOUR EDITOR
Drake R8, Terminated EWE(U) antenna, 900' NNW Beverage, Ground System



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REPORTERS FOR THIS ISSUE:

- (LGB) Larry Godwin-2390 Clydes Dale Lane-Missoula, MT 59801
Hammarlund HQ-150, Sanserino air-core box loop & KIWA loop
- (GL) Gary Larson-2806 Lincoln-Burbank, CA 91504
- (MS) Mike Sanburn-P.O. Box 1256-Bellflower, CA 90907
GE Superadio II
- (SW) Stan Weisbeck-411 E. Sinto #203-Spokane, WA 99202
Sony 2010, KIWA loop
- (RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118
GE Superadio II, GE long-range portable, SM-2

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 630 KNRC NV, Reno 1/1 0555 good with ID "This is AM 630, KNRC, Reno, broadcasting K-Hit 104.5, Hit Kickin' Country." Was KRCV a week ago, so changed recently. (RW-CA)
- 840 KTIC NE, West Point ex-KWPN dominant with satellite sports talk show 1/1 1731. At 1734 announcer said "This is One-on-One Sports on KWPN-FM, West Point." I phoned station; announcer said it IDs for KTIC only on top of hour. New catch. (LGB-MT)
- 600 CJWW SK, Kaskatoon 1/4 0850 weak, lots of splatter from KAQQ-590. C&W, many mentions of Saskatoon and gave local weather report. It was minus 36 degrees Celsius (-32 F). Brrr! (SW-WA)
- 800 KPdq OR, Portland 12/28 1000 weak, lots of KJRB-790 splatter. Religion, caught ID "KPDQ, Portland-Vancouver." New for me. (SW-WA)
- 830 (KPLS) CA, Orange 1/1 0601 totally off, Japanese coming in good on 828. (RW-CA)
- 840 WHAS KY, Louisville 12/16 0220 weak in KVEG null. Oldies on "84 WHAS." (SW-WA)
- 850 KMTT WA, Tacoma 12/27 1600 weak, lots of fading, but not bad for 1:00pm local time! Album rock music on "103.7, The Mountain" // FM. (SW-WA)
- CKMA BC, Abbotsford 1/6 0959-1002 muscled through KOA briefly, playing oldies across the hour. News at 1001 but didn't hear ID. I phoned station to confirm, based on song title. Announcer said station IDs as "85 Radio Max." New catch. (LGB-MT)
- 870 WWL LA, New Orleans 12/16 0232 weak, mixing with at least one unID, "The Road Gang on 8-70 WWL." (SW-WA)
- 900 CHML ON, Hamilton 12/30 2300 moderately strong with "CHML News." Strong QRM from CKBI, no sign of CJVI or XEW on this unusual evening. (LGB-MT)
- CKBI SK, Prince Albert has dominated this frequency during after-dark hours every day in early January. Maybe increased power or changed antenna. (LGB-MT)
- 950 KMER WY, Kemmerer 1/1 1736 on top with legal ID during C&W program. (LGB-MT)

- 1010 KXYQ OR. Milwaukee 12/16 1900 fair over/under CBR. Talk radio, calls itself "The Voice." New for me. (SW-WA)
- 1060 CKMX AB. Calgary 1/1 1015 ex-CFCN with KPAY off for unknown reason (had been on 15 minutes earlier!). Promo to call 1-800-248-1945 for requests, ID as "AM 1060, CKMX," into Teresa Brewer song. (RW-CA)
- 1090 KLWJ OR. Umatilla 12/29 0900 weak, mixing with CKRX, caught top of the hour ID. (SW)
- 1120 ?KZSJ? CA, San Martin 1/2 believed the Spanish-speaker under/over KANN after apparent power-up 1030-1040. Announcer mentioned Sacramento & San Jose. (LBG-MT)
- KPNW OR. Eugene 1/3 1030 strong atop KANN with ID as "Newsradio 1120, KPNW." Paul Harvey at 1031. (LBG-MT)
- 1200 KFNW ND. West Fargo 12/30 0929 weak, religion, gave legal ID between programs. (SW-WA)
- 1280 KDYL UT. Salt Lake City strong 1/2 at 1000 during nostalgia program, with ID "The memory station, KOVO-Provo. This is AM 1280, KDYL." Then CNN Radio news. (LBG-MT)
- KUDY WA. Spokane 11/0859 on top. Announcer said "AM station for inspiration and information...KUDY." Also in 1/3 1000 with call ID. New catch; was probably my closest unheard. (LBG-MT)
- 1400 KVTO CA, Berkeley 12/31 0500 a reverse Murphy! Faded up to dominance for top of hour ID "You are listening to the Bay area's...KVTO Berkeley-San Francisco-San Jose." Into Asian talk & music. Ex-KBLX & KRE for me. (MS-CA)
- CJEK BC, Sparwood 12/31 1000 gave multiple IDs, including unlisted CFGI-1200 Canal Flats. Promoted "E-K Radio" and also mentioned CKEK-Cranbrook. QRM from KRPL. (LBG-MT)
- 1410 KBNP OR. Portland 1/3 0000 good over CFUN with Business Radio Network. Sounds much stronger than 9 watts! Still on day power? (SW-WA)
- +1/5 1000 strong in CFUN null, ended news on Bloomsburg Information Radio, then ID "This is Portland Business Radio, AM 1410, KBNP, Portland." New catch. (LBG-MT)
- WIZM WI. La Crosse 12/9 0206 weak in CFUN null. News/talk "WIZM, La Crosse's news station." New state for me (#33) and first new state in over two years. (SW-WA) (Congratulations Stan!--NH)

DX TEST

- 1170 CKGY AB. Red Deer 12/30 0200-0400+ DX test heard under loud KCBQ and louder KVOO. Seemed to be mostly broken 1 kHz tone with some IDs thrown in. Lasted well beyond cut-off time. Caught a brief segment on tape. Report sent. (MS-CA)

LOCAL NEWS

- 900 KGRB CA, West Covina per call from Steve Mittman, 12/28 at noon they signed off, then changed to // KMQA 98.3. Now no big bands, but Spanish simulcast of the FM. 12/30 & 12/21 noted no power decrease at LSS 4:45pm. Maybe this violation could cause FCC to grant the license to operator who will follow proper requirements. (GL-CA)

UNIDS

- 620 1/3 0754 weak with SSB, so apparent s/on. (LBG-MT)
- 1230 SSB weak at 2309 12/31. Very odd time for s/off! Possibly played during basketball or football game. (LBG-MT)
- 1400 12/31 0340 nostalgia & standards station with slogan "K-Joy 1400." Call letters given at 0356 & 0442 sounded like KKJF. Good signal but fadey. Music titles "Always" "Longer" "Stranger in Paradise" "Unforgettable." My guess is either Santa Paula, Visalia, or Provo changed call letters. Help. (MS-CA)

Thanks to our WDXR reporters this issue. If you are hearing interesting DX be sure to report it to either EDXR, CDXR, or WDXR!

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Central DX Roundup



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Deadline: Saturdays

Please report all times as Eastern. Tips over a month old will not be included. Include only what would be considered as DX, or unusual format diversions if it is a 50kW nearby or a local station. Your tips should be of help to other DX'ers, so include helpful information such as formats.

RIDING GAIN

- [TMJ-IL] **Tom Jasinski**, Shorewood, Illinois.
FRG-7, Quantum loop.
[RCP-IN] **Robert C. Pote**, Greenwood, Indiana.
Drake R8A, Quantum loop.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 560 WJLS **WV**, Beckley. 12/18 Poor, in briefly in w/WIND. 1712 with religious format. Down-home country gospel music. [RCP-IN]
590 KBHS **AR**, Hot Springs. 12/26 with deep fades. 1801 with country format. Local weather, many local spots. Temp. for Little Rock. CBS News at top of hour. [RCP-IN]
770 WVNN **AL**, Athens. 12/21 good in WABC null. 1924 with Dr. Dean Edell show. Promo for Ollie North talk show. [RCP-IN]
880 WRFD **OH**, Columbus-Worthington. 12/17 very good at this time, o/WCBS. 1556 with religious format. Handel's "Messiah's." [RCP-IN]
920 WIRD **NY**, Lake Placid. 12/22 briefly heard. 1803 with mention of their FM on 105.5 in Lake Placid. [RCP-IN]
970 WMVN **MI**, Ishpeming. 12/29 with WHA and WMAY. 1655 to 1705 signoff and again on 12/30 from 0632 to 0920. "Your Alternative rock for Marquette" and "Radio 9-70" slogans. Playing modern rock music. Local weather for Marquette. Ispheming and calls mentioned on the hour. [TMJ-IL]
1090 WKFI **OH**, Wilmington. 12/19 very weak u/WFCV. 1059 with promo for late breaking news on WKFI. [RCP-IN]
1140 WAWK **IN**, Kendallville. 12/19 very poor, interference. 1132 with oldies format. [RCP-IN]
1350 KRNT **IA**, Des Moines. 12/17 poor. 0030 with NOS format. Legal ID at bottom of hour. Radio Shack spot into an Elvis song. [RCP-IN]
1380 WMP5 **TN**, Millington. 12/25 good o/WBEL, KRAM, WQHK. 1825-35 with Black Gospel. Calls mentioned at the bottom of the hour. First time heard. [TMJ-IL]
1550 WCVL **IN**, Crawfordsville. 12/25. 0910 with country format. Legal ID followed by Christmas wishes from the staff of WCVL. I bagged this 250 watter with the new Drake R8A and the Quantum loop. [RCP-IN]

DX TESTS

- 590 WVLC **KY**, Lexington. 12/18 DX Test heard with much interference from WOW and WKZO. 0230-0300 test started promptly at 0230. Code noted. March music. No voice ID's heard. Made tape and sent it promptly. Received verie letter and magnet. [RCP-IN]
1170?CKGY? **AB**, Red Deer. 12/30 DX Test. 0200-0400 listened during this time for the IRCA DX Test. The only thing resembling code was a possible letter "G" at 0330. There was too much WWVA, KVOO, and SS Radio Caracol. [TMJ-IL]
1350(WGDN) **MI**, Gladwin. 12/17 DX Test. 0030-0100 listened, but nothing heard. [RCP-IN]

25 YEARS AGO

January 23, 1971 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" - Robert Zoller of Westland, MI added a new state, AZ, logging K00L - Bill Nittler of Englewood, CO mentioned 1970 was his poorest DX year ever - Frank E. Aden, Jr. Of Boise, ID told about KYME-740 announcing their going off the air - New member Rick King of St. James, MB said he was 16. Best catch so far was KNX-1070 - Steve Taaffe of Dayton, IN told about logging pirate WRFL-1550.

OPEN MIKE

A journey of a thousand miles begins with a cash advance. Robert mentioned logging some foreign DX recently. Turks and Caicos on 1020 and XEROK-800. Nice catches, Robert. January is half over, hope your new year's DX is coming in strong. 73, John.

IRCA Mexican Log, 3rd Edition

After months of preparation, IRCA has published the 1994 edition of the IRCA Mexican Log. The log lists all AM stations in Mexico by frequency, including call letters, state, city, day/night power, slogans, schedule in UTC/GMT, formats, networks and notes. In addition, stations that have changed frequency since 1990 are cross-referenced on the old frequency. The call letter index gives call, frequency, city and state. The city index (listed by state, then city) includes frequency, call and day/night power. The log has been completely updated from the 1990 edition and carefully cross-checked by IRCA members in Mexico and the US. This will be an indispensable reference for anyone who hears Mexican radio stations. Size is 8 1/2" x 11" and three hole punched for easy binding (optional). Prices: IRCA/NRC members - \$6.00 (US/Canada/Mexico/seamail), \$7.00 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$7.50 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$8.00 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$2.00 to the above prices.

Sunrise/Sunset Maps

12 maps showing 15 minute sunset and sunrise times for the US and 12 maps showing hourly sunset and sunrise times for the World. Explanation includes use of the maps and examples of DX made possible by a knowledge of SR/SS times. Prices: IRCA/NRC members - \$2.25 (US/Canada/Mexico/seamail), \$2.75 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$3.00 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$3.50 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$1.00 to the above prices.

IRCA Foreign Logs

The IRCA has published nine volumes of the IRCA Foreign log. Each volume contains the several hundred actual tips that were reported to the DXWW sections during an entire year, compiled and retyped in a book format. In addition, special features include: articles on foreign DXing (volumes 6, 7 and 8), utility lists (volumes 7 and 8), shortwave parallels (volume 8) and BCB propagation (volumes 6, 7 and 8). The IRCA Bookstore still has volumes 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 of the IRCA Foreign Log available for \$2.50 each (overseas airmail add \$2.50/book).

An Introduction to Broadcast Band DXing

This tri-folded brochure is ideal for explaining the Broadcast Band DXing hobby and the IRCA. It can be included with reception reports and given to other interested folks. Sub topics include "What is DXing?", "Broadcasting's early years," "The first DXers," "Clubs helped listeners share," "Our hobby today," and "DX clubs still unite listeners." It is two color printed on heavy stock. Price is \$0.35/brochure (US and Canada), \$1.00 (rest of the world). Minimum order is 10.

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Red and black masthead with the IRCA logo and name. Great for using when writing for verifications. 100 sheets, \$5.00

To order any of the above items from the IRCA Bookstore, send the correct amount (in US funds) to
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Eastern DX Roundup

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 Drake R-8. Superradio II, Panasonic RF-2600

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- LOGGINGS
- 540 WWCS PA Canonsburg 12/30 2000-2200 good all evening w/relay of
 BBC World Service. Normally heard only at SSS so maybe
 day power left on. (LLH-VA)
 WZER WI Jackson 12/27 1755 Fair, Religious mx and ID "Z-54-WZER-
 Jackson-Milwaukee" Also seen reported as Brookfield, WI.
 Which is correct? (Both 95 M-Street and Broadcasting
 Yearbook 94 lists as Jackson, Wi.-ed) (SDW-MS)
 CBEF ON Windsor. 1/8 0310-0330. Fair at times w/electric music
 mix of country, classical, etc. Lot of "Ici Radio
 Canada" IDs, all French programming // stronger 690 &
 860. (JD-AL)
 CBK SK Regina 1/8 0215-0225 Strong at times w/ relay of Radio
 Nederland. (JD-AL)
 550 WCKY OH Cincinatti 1/8 0400-0410. Fair at times w/ABC news,
 weather, ID, talk. First time heard since they moved
 to 550. (JD-AL)
 KSD MO St. Louis 12/28 1749 xltnt w/spots, promo for SW
 Missouri basketball, etc. Slogan: "The Big 550." ID as
 "550, KSD AM.." Long wanted, never heard before. (LLH-VA)
 560 WVOC SC Columbia 12/30 2145 in/out, at times xltnt w/SC
 Gamecocks basketball (LLH-VA)
 WEBC MN Duluth 12/29 Fair w/WHBQ QRM talk pgms and "News Talk
 56-WEBC" IDs at 0105 & 0150. Legal ID during Art Bell
 at 0230. "News-Talk 56 WEBC Duluth-Superior" First
 logging in 30+ years of DX'ing. (SDW-MS)
 580 WHP PA Harrisburg 1/8 1739-1759 Tlk show w/plenty of callers
 lots of QRM. Clear "go ahead you're on WHP.." by annrc
 (LH-AL*)
 WCHS WV Charleston 1/9 1900 ID into nx. (LH-AL*)
 WBIL AL Tuskegee 1/9 1908 Ad for Calhoun Foods.."right here in
 Tuskegee, Alabama.." (LH-AL*)

590 WMBS PA Uniontown 12/28 1844 good w/winter wx advisory. other wx. Spots, PSAs, Many mentions of "WMBS, Uniontown.." Intro RO mx. Not heard here in several years. (LLH-VA)

WOW NE Omaha 1/8 0200 ID as "WOW and WOW-FM" (LH-AL)

CJCL ON Toronto 1/8 0006-0010 Popped up in WVLC fade w/ weather, "am 590 CJCL" ID, into sports talk. (JD-AL)

610 WTVN OH Columbus 1/01 0036 good w/wx, and phone calls answered "WTVN- hello." Big surprise as WSLC usually dominant here. New. (LLH-VA)

660 KTNN AZ Window Rock 12/26 0130 Strong w/fading. Navaho mx, ID's as "the 50,000 Watt voice of the Navaho Nation- KTNN Window Rock", NBC nws at 0200, IRN w/country mx later. (SDW-MS)

KTNN AZ Window Rock 1/6 0020-0031 C&W mx w/YL DJ anncing mx, giving local HS basketball scores, NBA scores, # to call in for requests (520-871-HITS), 0029 "...on K-TIN," KTNN jingle to more C&W mx. Good signal, WFAN overtook at 0031. Caught them thx to a tip from J.D. Stephens. (LH-AL)

(I sat on this channel quite a while and had NO luck... congrates !! I am still trying-ed)

KTNN AZ Window Rock 1/4 2345-0015+. Strong at times w/ country music, NBC news, community event annmcts, lengthy ID mentioning "The Voice of the Navajo Nation" Thanks to a tip from Tom Bryant, who says they have been operating day & night at 50kw NDA for weeks due to technical problems. New. AZ #8 (JD-AL)

750 CKGB ON Timmins 1/8 0120-0135+. Fair at times, over & under WSB w/country music, "Today's Hot Country" slogans and jingles., local ads and PSA's, many mentions of "750-CKGB." (JD-AL)

840 WCTG SC Columbia 12/28 1715 Fair in QRM w/ sign off "WCTG operates on 840 khz with 50,000 watts of power" also heard "Columbia SC" First time logging of station.(SDW-MS)

870 WWL LA New Orleans 12/24 0105 noted silent, returned at 0430. Also silent 12/30 0115- 0400. Only uniden SS heard. (SDW-MS)

1130 CKWX BC Vancouver 1/8 0145-0155. Fair at times w/country music, frequent IDs as "CKWX AM-1130" (JD-AL)

1140 CKXL AB Calgary 1/8 0200-0250. Very strong & swamping WRVA much of the time w/oldies, lots of "GTO Good Time Oldies" slogans, many "XL-1140" slogans. (JD-AL)

1160 WERD GA East Point 12/30 2145 Good with "oldies" ID as "WERD East Point-Atlanta" at 2200. NRC Log lists as 10,000/400 but often hrd blasting in after midnight atop channel. Seldom ID's- Don't think they ever reduce power. (SDW-MS)

(You're right, at 2240 on 1/11 they are booming in at S-9 here in Central Florida..Some fading but a Good signal..I should be getting a mix of KSL/WJJD/WAMB-ed)

1210 KOKK SD Huron 12/30 1845 Fair in WGMP null with American Country Countdown..New Year's Greeting from local business in Huron, Sioux Falls, etc , wx from "KOKK The Weather Authority" Sudden dis-appearance at 1908. (DSW-MS)

1280 WHVR PA Hanover 12/31 1619-1633 Rock Oldies, NBC news, "Hanover's News, Talk & Entertainment Station.." (KVJ-GA)

WKST PA New Castle 1/3 1600 "This is Newsradio 12-80-WKST." Female anncr, "1280 WKST" I also heard WHVR mixing in/out on this day as well. (KVJ-GA)

1290 WQMS SC Sumpter 1/1 0803 weak, promo for "Family Forum" pgm, Gospel mx. (KVJ-GA)

WCBL KY Benton 12/28 1809 with live coverage of "Holiday Classic" basketball..."You're listening to WCBL Sports." Ads for State Farm Insurance, Country Chevrolet.." (KVJ-GA)

1300 WKCY VA Harrisonburg 12/30 1630-1644 "The News Station" AP Net News, numerous PSA's." K-C-Y- AM 1300" (KVJ-GA)

WOAD MS Jackson 1/4 2015 "The All New Gospel 1300- WOAD - playing gospel hits and oldies all day.." (KVJ-GA)

1310 WJRA AL Priceville 12/28 1747 s/off. mentioning sign-on "at sun rise tomorrow.." weak signal..New (KVJ-GA)

1320 WMSR TN Manchester 1/4 1958 s/off noted at odd time w/"Your Information Station, AM 1320" and menta 6 AM sign-on. (KVJ-GA)

1330 WZCT AL Scottsboro 1/6 1100 coming in fair w/semi local WKZD nulled; w/gospel mx. A new daytime catch-rare! (KVJ-GA)

1370 WLLN NC Lillington 1/4 1710 "AM Christain 1370" Goodyear ad, contest promo, Christain country format.. (KVJ-GA)

1380 KBWD TX Brownwood 12/29 0245 with call ID, mention of Brownwood "Majic- 1380" slogan. (DSW-MS)

1520 WTRI MD Brunswick 12/31 1000-1110 in/out, alternating w/WDSL. 50's RO mx, British accented anncr calling himself the "Rock & Roll Professor" USA nx at 1100, then wx and local spots read by British accented female anncr. ID: ".AM 1520- oldies and more- WTRI- Brunswick, MD.." Unusual to say the least. Still 500 watts ?? (LLH-VA) (My database shows 9300 W days/ 250 night and 1400 w critical hours-ed)

WOOO IN Shelbyville 1/11 2037 mixing w/WWKB with new Oldies format (satellite)...Caught one local break with "Community Calander" ..Mentions of Shelbyville..(LF-FL)

1550 WRHC FL Coral Gables 1/6 2158-2203 SS mx, t1k to "This is WRHC" (SS accent) into more SS. Lots of QRM

WWWN GA Vienna 12/31 0606-0638 Strong signal, Gospel music pgm, with anncmts by man. Several IDs by anncr both as "3-W-N" and "WWWN in Vienna, 15-50 AM on your radio dial." Commercial for the Bank of Dooly.. (HL-LA)

WBSC SC Bennettsville 12/31 0645-0655. Fair signal with much interference from WWWN. Gospel mx pgm w/anncmts by man. Two brief ID's simply mentioning call letters and "Bennettsville, SC.." Commercial for Rogers Beauty Supply in Laurinburg, NC. (LH-LA)

WCVL IN Crawfordsville 1/04 0542 Weather related cancellations much talk about snowey weather, believe I hearda dual ID but could not make out other station (KVJ-GA)

1590 WHPY NC Clayton 12/31 1000 poor in mess w/preaching. ID "This is WHPY in Clayton, NC..It's 10 AM.."New Usually hear WCSL or WOKX here. (LLH-VA)

1600 WIDU NC Fayetteville 12/30 1740 briefly xlnt w/spots and holiday wishes from Fayetteville businesses. Into Black GOS mx. New. Normally have WTZQ or WXMV here at SSS. (LLH-VA)

(These guys get out VERY well at night for 25W. They are a night pest here..Perhaps they don't lower power?-ed)

SPECIAL INTEREST

1520 WWKB NY Buffalo 1/11 2015 In fair with NEW FORMAT...It's country, ID'ing as "Country Gold KB 15-20 AM" and "AM 1520 W-W-K-B" "We didn't ?? playing the Country Classics just because we play the best new music..We're Country Gold K-B 15-20 AM.." Format is SMN- "Real Country" as near as I can tell.. Same stuff as my local WMOP-900 ..Signal pretty much gone by 2100...see regular logging section. (LF-FL)

1190 WOWO IN Fort Wayne 1/11 Still "Booming" into Florida..Anyone have any info on their changes?? (LF-FL)

UN-IDEN:1

690 ????? Jammer ? 12/30 1735 does anyone know the source of this?? I have been hearing it all fall. Sounds like a raucous AC hum with some really garbled audio behind. I was on freq. when it suddenly came on out of nowhere. (I have heard this as well- no idea - ed) (LLH-VA)

1310 ?????? 12/30 0800-0830 poor to good w/Radio Aahs' programming..Who ??? (LLH-VA)

- 1350 WTLU ?? ?????? 12/30 0930-1015 alone w/UC mx "AM 1350-The Touch" slogans. One ID- "WTLU- The Touch" Of course, went down to nothing between 0959 & 1001..Is this ex-WLOU-KY ?? (I would say it was W T O U in Akron, OH. EX- WSLR, I logged them last season..They were using "The Touch" slogan at that time.-ed)
- 1520 WJPM ?? 1/11 2046 Hrd mixing with WOOO/WWKB..Religious format , end of "Kings Country Gospel" pgm..Hrd mention of Toledo, ments of Ohio, and a Church located just off I-475 exit...Was this EX-WVOI ??? (LF-FL)
- 1530 & 1560 1/7 Did anyone else pick up the same signal on 1530 and 1560 into the early hours of 1/8 I kept hearing a WSAI ID on both my DX440 and the YB 400, tho I'd catch it on 1530, as it should be. I presume WPAD is what I am hearing on 1560, but are they carrying the same pgm at that time ? (LH-AL)
(Lynn, I know at one time a couple of years ago, both WPAD & WSAI were carrying the same Satellite Music service, and you could tune back & forth..Don't know what the status is now- listening to them both tonight and they are separate, but do they simo overnight ??? Any ideas ??? WPAD mixes with WQEW here.-ed)

UN-IDENT:2

- 550 ?????? 12/27 1805 Strong in KSD partial null with CW mx. "Good times, Great Music" spots for Frontier Cellular and Staff ? Chevrolet. Soon lost to KSD, WAYR, etc. Checked several other evenings, not heard. Is KCRS (TX) C&W ??? Other ideas ? (SDW-MS)
- 1140 ?????? 12/31 0230-0700 u/WRVA station fading in at times with talk programs. Heard probable mention of "White Springs,FL." also heard "in California call" and at 0630 heard "1-800-888-9898" Stayed with this till other stations signed on and no ID heard. May have been KHTK but signal was stronger from W then NW. Has KXNO (NV) made recent format change ? (SDW-MS)
Let's see if we can't unravel "part" of the above...White Springs, Fl is the feed point for the "For The People" Network. (A.K.A. Chuck Harder) Their bookstore phone number is 1-800-888-9999..Thats close enough..So what you were hearing on 1140 was a station carrying the FTP network..Their Las Vegas affiliate is on 1340 so thats out..I show 2 stations on 1140 as affiliates.(My list is about a year old) KJSA in Mineral Wells, TX and WRLV in Sayersville, KY..However I show both as Daytime only....Does anyone know of a FTP station on 1140...??-ed
- 1600 ????? 12/26 1615-1700 strong in QRM with Prime Sports Radio pgms Only ID was "Prime Sports Radio for the Tri-States Area--AM 1470 and AM 1600" Also mention of Oldies 106.3 and 107.1 FM. Are WNST and Huntington,WV (1470) // ? (SDW-MS)

UN-IDENT HELP:

Regarding Lynn H. tentative logging of WCQR-890--Fairlawn is about 10 miles from here. WCQR is not on, to my knowledge has never been on..(And I hope it never comes on)..No listing in the phone book. Unless they were testing and I didn't catch it, it could not have been WCQR. I will keep my ears peeled for this so far non-station. (LLH-VA)

DX TESTS

- 590 WVLK KY Lexington 12/18 0230-0300 IRCA Test Good reception despite local pest WKHX in Atlanta. (A pest in Ocala as well!-ed) March music (collegiate) voice IDs and Morse IDs well spaced throughout. Sent tape and verie letter to Tom Devine, CE. On 12/30 received letter, 2 refrig. magnets, clip, letter opener, and a TAPE of the DX test and 30 minutes of their mid-day programming. The tape was studio quality and in Stereo. A very nice response to a

DX Test report!!! Thank you Tom ! (HN-GA)
 590 WARM PA Wilkes-Barre 1/8 No sign of test (LH-AL)
 WARM PA Wilkes-Barre 1/8 0130-0200 IRCA DX Test. Heard several
 tentative code IDs. Will review tape further. (JD-AL)
 770 WCGW KY Versailles 12/18 0100-0130 DX test hear w/voice ID's
 Morse code ID's, IRCA mention. (SDW-MS)
 1020 WIBG NJ Ocean City 1/6 "zzzzzzzzz" (KVJ-GA)
 WIBG NJ Ocean City 1/6 0200-0230 IRCA DX test. Heard several
 weak code IDs during the first 30 minutes. (JD-AL)
 1170 CKGY AB Red Deer 12/30 Possible tones noted at 0254 & 0308 but
 nothing identifiable (KVJ-GA)
 CKGY AB Red Deer 12/30 0200-0230 IRCA Test not heard (JD-AL)
 1340 WOOW NC Greenville- per tip from JD Stephens, this test did not
 run due to the blizzard.
 WOOW NC Greenville 1/8 0100-0130 IRCA Test was a no-show due to
 the big snow storm. Their CE called earlier in the
 evening to say he could not get to the station. Will be
 re-scheduled ! (JD-AL)

 Hey, a GREAT turnout this week!! Welcome to David Warren who sent a
 great report (altho a couple were over 30 days old) Got a nice note from
 Henry Lazarus..Report when ever you can, Glad to have you all aboard...
 DX tests have been a real "bust" for me this year...Either working or
 sleeping....Sorry 'bout the 2 "Un-Iden" sections this week..My fault..
 C U in 7.....All the best.... Fresh



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Today Dec 29 I received a call from Steve Mittman about 900-KGRB ceasing big band at noon Dec 28. It returned later simulcasting KMQA 98.3 Spanish (once co-owned, simul. w/KGRB). Calls to W. Covina unanswered. No one available in LA at KMQA to ask. Radio truly is going downhill - seems money is all anyone cares about. Hope holidays went well for everyone. 73

Larry Godwin, 2390 Clydes Dale Lane, Missoula MT 59801
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[12/31] Greetings, and Happy New Year! Congrats to J.D. for logging CKWX-1130! Now you can try for its spur on 1690, which I hear regularly here. Regarding the DXR sections, as Nancy said in here 12/16/95 column, many (probably most) members report to the editors in their respective time zones. However, provision II.B.1.c.6 of the IRCA Editorial Policy permits members living on or adjacent to the column boundary lines to report to the section they feel more closely represents their conditions. This applies to both the DXR and the DXF columns. However, provision 7. says that a member can't switch back and forth between two sections. I live in the MST zone and believe my local conditions better suit WDXR than CDXR, so I report to Nancy's column. Good DX to everyone in '96!

Mike Sanburn, PO Box 1256, Bellflower CA 90707

[1/1] Welcome to 1996! I started this year off with radio in mind. Today I was driving all around DXing and photographing studios and towers. I noted a new station on 1610 Khz on the Sunset Strip in Hollywood's record store district. They call themselves Atlantic Sunset: Underground Radio. The signal carries well into Beverly Hills. When you start to get out of range there is a loud distinct growl. The phone # given on the air is 213-6-SUNSET, but you will need to know the daily revised password to receive a goody package. Some of the stations I snapped pictures of today include the studios of KKHJ-930 and the 6 towers near Sunset and Alvarado which I believe belong to KBLA. In the area near Elysian Park behind County USC Medical Center, on the corner of Soto and Multnomah there are 3 closely arranged in-line towers, the center one being tallest. I am guessing this is KFVB or KLAC. About a mile north of there on the top of a hill are 3 more in-line towers spaced further apart. KRLLA had billboards nearby

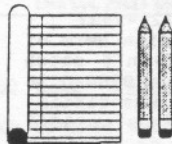
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and I'm guessing it was their site. If there are any local tower bufix who can confirm what these locations are, please drop me a postcard. I closed out 1995 by logging the CKGY DX test - also logged KVTO-1440 in Berkeley. 1400 in Santa Paula has apparently changed call letters and is now using the slogan K-Joy. Sorry to see KFRE has dropped their music format. Maybe they'll reconsider at some later date. I'd like to echo J.D. Stephens comments in his recent EDXF. Let's keep DX Monitor alive and well. Best DX to everybody in '96 - 73

Your WDXF Editor

Two items of note: First, please remember to cast your ballot for the 1996 Convention Location and get it in by January 30th. Second, I hope you all read J.D. Stephens' recent EDXF in the 12/30 DX Monitor. It's quite a frank discussion on the issue of the electronic vs printed medium for our beloved bulletin. All IRCA members should be following this issue closely if for no other reason than becoming informed. As one of the editors that currently does not have E-Mail (it, and Internet access, has just become available to me at work - but it's only for job-related uses), I take no offense at J.D.'s remarks. Personally, I rather enjoy transferring the 'snail mail' to a nice looking WDXF column, but I wouldn't get 'on-line' for the sole purpose of IRCA. It will quite interesting to see what happens next.....

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Strange tones this evening (2035, 1/1) on 1710 kHz. Probably some kind of beacon. Upper side band. also 1620 kHz, WNYB180 in IL, quite strong at 2145. QRM from another weak one. Cold front on the way! Finally heard WJDM-1660 before Christmas, thanks to a call from Randy Davis in Jeffersonville, IN. Seems to be on every evening now. I voted Ocala in '96, but I expect the Western DXers will carry the day for CA. That's OK too, only a long way for me. I've also had to forget going to Italy for EDXC-'96. Col. XYL has acquired a health problem that makes it unwise for her to go and I don't wish to go alone. Too expensive anyway! Talk about eyes that lie; the 104.5 MHz advertising station I mentioned is actually 103.5. I saw a floor covering van last week with "Tune to 103.5 FM" on the rear door. I suppose some local agency is renting out or selling these little stations. Tones on 1690 kHz about 1825, Jan. 2, best on USB. Best of DX from the ole Col.

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Another year has come to a close, and 1996 has arrived. 1995 saw its ups and downs. The big downer was that my trusty Realistic DX-200 gave up the ghost after almost 13 years this past spring. I used the GE Superadio III for a while before moving the Realistic DX-400, which I had been using for SW DX, to my primary AM ECB receiver, in October. I purchased a slightly used Sangean ATS-803A receiver at a hamfest, and now use it on SW. The Superadio III is now being used as a portable DX rig for travel. The year was good on AM ECB, as I added a new country when I heard the WVWI-1000 test. I spent a lot of time on TV this season, adding 129 new stations between 12/25/94 and 12/24/95. FM wasn't too bad, either, adding some 40 new stations in the same period. Locally, two stations, KSD-550 and KRAM-1380, have been fine tuning their formats like mad. KSD has now gone talk on weekdays, staying SMN Adult Standards on weekends. KRAM-1380 has dropped talk between 0100

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and 1000 ELT, back to simulcasting WKBQ-104.1's CHF format. KRAM has dropped Roger Friedenber and Art Ball (both are back on KSD-550), as well as Jim Bohannon. Sports talk has taken Bohannon's place on KRAM. KJSL-630/KSTL-690 has added another sister station...WDCD-1540 (ex-WPTR) in Albany, NY. Crawford Broadcasting has purchased the station, which I haven't heard since 1984. Crawford has been on a buying spree lately, one of their recent acquisitions is KKPZ-1330 Portland, OR (ex-KUPL). The talk stations owned by Crawford have a fundamentalist slant. KJSL/KSTL and KRAM were three of the stations toured during St. Louis DX Get-Together '95. Local Part 15 station "KXLW"-107.1 has returned to the air, this time with a pop-oriented '70s format, IDing as "Cougar 107". Power is eight-tenths of a watt at 22 feet above ground level. Competitor KIHT-96.3 has their '70s format slanted towards rock. I've been also spending some time DXing on SW as well, hearing some very interesting catches. Also had excellent conditions on AM the morning of 12/20, hearing KNX-1070, KNBR-680 and WWKB-1520, among others. Believe it or not, I've only gotten WWKB and WNED-TV 17 from Buffalo! That will tell the average DXer what four inches of snow can do for you! Also, good FM conditions on the morning of 12/21, noting KFLW-98.9 St. Robert, MO on with an oldies format. As for having DX Monitor online, I'm all for it, as long as we have a hard copy edition for those who do not have computers or an online service. '73 and good DX, NOUHI.

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Tried my hand at listening MM 1/8 but nothing new. No sign here of WOOV-1340 but no big surprise as I have a local there. Didn't catch WARM-590 because I tuned in too late. I was thinking it was 0200-0230 when it was actually scheduled for 0130-0200. Ironically, I was sitting next door on 600 listening to WMT-600 until 0200!! Radio Aahs on 1360 turned out to be Cincinnati, unnn here. And CKY-580 fairly decent with oldies mixing with a weak CKAP-580, both not needed here. Some good looking DX tests scheduled for during the week but no good here as I work the overnight shift. I won't begrudge them, tho, as I know others need them as well. I'll be glad when the Super Bowl is over so I don't have to hear about the Packers anymore--and I haven't even tried to listen to any of the Green Bay stations this winter. It has to be horrible to listen to local news up there right now, hi!! '73.

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550	WCKY	Doug Walker, CE	1111 St Gregory St Cincinnati OH 45202	L	267f	RH
580	WKTY	Ken Kahler, PD		L-	17	NP
590	CFNL	Bob Hunter, CE	P O Box 880 Ft Nelson BC V0C 1R0	LB	700	PM
660	KCRO	Vern J Wirka, ChiefOp	3615 Dodge Omaha NE 68131	PB	13	HL
	WESC	John Landrum	P O Box 660 Greenville SC 29602	PB	7	HL
	KSKY	George Whitaker, CE	4144 N Central Expwy, Suite 266 Dallas TX 75204-2180	PB	9	HL
680	KHKR	Roger Lonquist, Managing General Partner	P O Box 4111 Helena MT 59604	L	124	NP
729		Ai Guilim, English Section	Jiangxi PBS, c/o China Natl Radio Beijing, P R China	LQ++	90	PM
750	CJVR	Bayne Opseth, CE [VE5BKO]	Box 750 Melfort SK S0E 1A0	L	20	NP
756	1YA	<i>Illegible</i>	Broadcasting House Bowen St, P O Box 2092 Wellington, New Zealand	QB-	24	NP
760	XENY	Carmen Guzman de Ojeda, Gerente General	P O Box 1472 Nogales AZ 85628	LB	45	NP
790	KCOR*	<i>Illegible</i>	City Hall, 2600 Barrett Ave Richmond CA 94804	P	30f	CVJ
819	2GL	Jane Shaw, ABC Corporate Relations	GPO Box 9994 Sydney NSW 2001 Australia	L--	24	NP
850	CKBA	Bob Hunter, CE	P O Box 1800 Athabaska AB T0G 0B0	LB	173	PM
990	KATD**	Michael Martindale, CF	1251 Monument Blvd Suite 260 Concord CA 94520	L	7	PM
				L-	8	IDS
1030	KBEQ	Ben Meyer	4717 Grand Ave., #640 Kansas City MO 64112	PB	19	HL
1070	WINA	Alan Williams, CE	P O Box 496, 501 East Main St Charlottesville VA 22902	LB	12	RH
	WZBZ***	Barry Lunderville, O	Burlington VT			SSH
1090	CKRX	Tyler Eventt, CE	401 Mavor Magrath Dr South Lethbridge AB T1J 3L6	LB	77	DS

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1190	WDCS	Kevin A Smith, O/Op	Box 775 Cobleskill NY	L Mbc	12	TMJ
1210	KREW	Don Bennett	Box 146 Sunnyside WA 98944	QB-	11	HL
1220	KCCS	Dan Sheets, PD	4303 Market St NF Salem OR 97301	LBbc	11	DS
1230	KKPC	Bob Moore, GM	900 West Orman Ave Pueblo CO 81004-1499	L	16	NP
1240	WCEM	Joel Scott, OpsMgr	P O Box 237 Cambridge MD 21613	LBbc	4	RH
1280	KFRN	Ward Camot, OpsMgr	105 Linden Ave Long Beach CA 90802	L-	33f	PM
1330	KVOW	Ralph E Hornberger, DirEng	45 East 7th St St Paul MN 55101	L	38	NP
	KOVF		P O Box 430 Lander WY 82520	cf--	26	PM
1350	CKCI	Keith Hamel	182 Harrison Ave #204 Parksville BC V9P 2H3	LB	33f	PM
1370	CFOK	Bob Hunter, CE	P O Box 1800 Westlock AB T0G 2L0	LB	370	PM
1390	KRRZ	John McCann, Eng	Box 10 Minot ND 58702-0010	L	60	NP
	WKDR	Jim Conlon	388A Shelburne Rd Burlington VT 05401	L	11	RH
	CJCY	Roy Finlay, TechDir	457 Third St SE Medicine Hat AB T1A 0G8	L-	8	DS
1400	CHNL-1	Dave Coulter, CE	611 Lansdowne St Kamloops BC V2C 1Y6	LB	12	PM
1430	WYMC	Kim Futrell, PD	P O Box V Mayfield KY 42066	LPBbc	16	HL
1470	KLCL	Bruce L Merchant, ChiefOp	Box 3067 Lake Charles LA	LB	13	TMJ
1500	KSTP	Norm Paetznick, CE	2792 Maplewood Dr St Paul MN 55109	Lbc	8	RH
1540	WNWR	Doug Bertel, Mgr	200 Monument Rd Bala Cynwyd PA 19004	LM	9	RH
1560	WSEZ	Todd E Edwards, CE	P O Box 26 Paoli IN 47454-0026	LMbc	9	RH
					10	HL
				LM-	7	JDS
1610	KDB390	Alan Hull, CommunDir	Wash State Dept of Transportation Box 47300 Olympia WA 98504-7300	L	18	PM

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WHEN the reply came: Number of days elapsed; f = Follow-up; n = Return postage not used; r = Return postage returned

NOTES: * [for this column] = TIS; ** [for this column] = J D had sent his report to the address for KVON-1440; *** [for this column] = Info from brief story on WCAX TV 3 in Burlington

PART II

FREQ	CALL	NAME and TITLE	ADDRESS	WHAT	WHEN	WHO
550	WDEV	Peter S. Dean - Chief Operator	P.O. Box 550 Waterbury, VT 05676	L	6ffff	JDS
560	KLVI	Jimmie Steele - Studio Engineer	P.O. Box 5488 Beaumont, TX 77726	1.MB++	79	JDS
570	KLJP	Norman J. Phillips - Regional Engineering Manager	3500 Maple @ Turtle Creek Suite 1600 Dallas, TX 75219	1.MB+++	70ffffff	JDS
580	XEMU**	Claudio M. Bres - Gerente	P.O. Box 196 Eagle Pass, TX 78852	L	10	JDS

FREQ	CALL	NAME and TITLE	ADDRESS	WHAT	WHTS	WTR
620	WTRP	Red Jones - Sales Manager	P.O. Box 1203 La Grange, GA 30241	LMB	300	JDS
730	KKDA	Hymen Childs - President	P.O. Box 531869 Grand Prairie, TX 75053	LB	7000000	JDS
730	WJYM	Ron Schoedel - PD	8761 Fremont Pike Perrysburg, OH 43551-4255	QLMB	14	JDS
760	KFMB	Mary Jo Stewart	P.O. Box 85888 San Diego, CA 92186-5888	L++	530	JDS
780	WZZX	Al Haynes - GM	P.O. Box 395 Ashland, AL 36251	L	700	JDS
790	WWKY	Stew Williams - PD	520 S. 4th Avenue, Suite 200 Louisville, KY 40202	LB	450	JDS
790	WTSK	Steven R. Sloan - PD	142 Skyland Blvd Tuscaloosa, AL 35405	LB	510000	JDS
800	WDEH	Jerry Thomas - PD	P.O. Box 330 Sweetwater, TN 37874-0330	L	180000	JDS
850	WUTK	Reggie Murphy - Operations Mgr.	P103 Andy Holt Tower University of Tennessee Knoxville, TN 37996	L+	4	JDS
920	WMNI	William Brown - CE	1458 Dublin Road Columbus, OH 43215-1070	LB	7	JDS
920	WBBB	Harry Myers - Station Mgr.	P.O. Box 1119 Burlington, NC 27216-1119	L	6	JDS
920	WTCW	Gregg Yaden - GM	P.O. Box 298 Mayking, KY 41837	LMB	300	JDS
930	WNZS	Kyle D. Dickson - CE	8386 Bay Meadows Rd Suite 107 Jacksonville, FL 32256	LM+	8	JDS
930	WHON	Shern Williams - Office Mgr.	P.O. Box 1647 Richmond, IN 47374	LM+	13	JDS
1000	WDJL	William R. Jones - President/GM	6420 Stringfield Rd. Huntsville, AL 35806	LM+	3	JDS
1030	KTWO	Ken Cook - Director of Engineering	150 N. Nichols Casper, WY 82601	Q	3900000	JDS
1060	WLNO	D. Gayrl Gibson - GM	Oakwood Corporate Center 401 Whitney Avenue, Suite 160 Gretna, LA 70056	LB	11	JDS
1070	WAPI	Bernie Barker - VP/GM	2146 Highland Ave., South Birmingham, AL 35205	L	70	JDS
1120	WTWZ	Terry E. Wood	P.O. Box 31 Clinton, MS 39060	LMB	14000	JDS
1190	WDCS	Kevin A. Smith - Owner	P.O. Box 778 Cobleskill, NY 12043	LM+	14	JDS
1250	WGHB	Tommy J. Williams - GM	P.O. Box 229 Farmville, NC 27828	L	700	JDS
1270	WCGC	Bruce Musso - CE	P.O. Box 888 Belmont, NC 28012	L	1000	JDS
1290	WIRL	Lee Malcolm - PD	P.O. Box 3335 Peoria, IL 61612-3335	LM	60000000	JDS
1330	KWLO	Roger Lundeen - CE	P.O. Box 1330 Watertown, IA 50704	L+	14	JDS
1400	KFRU	Al Germond (NRC Member)	503 Old 63 North CPC Columbia, MO 65201			
1400	WYKC	Bob Evans, Jr. - Owner	P.O. Box 946 Grenada, MS 38901	LB++	6	JDS
1420	KXOW	Eddie Tarpley - GM	P.O. Box 1739 Hot Springs, AR 71902	LM	40000	JDS
1430	WRLT	J. Gibson Prichard - CE	401 Church Street 30th Floor Nashville, TN 37219	LB+	70000	JDS
1440	WHHY	Jimmy Steele - Operations Mgr.	P.O. Box 250210 Montgomery, AL 36125-0210	LB	14	JDS
1460	KIRL	William E. White - GM	3713 Hwy. 94 North St. Charles, MO 63301	L	8000	JDS
1560	WINV	Robert Webb	P.O. Box 927 Beverly Hills, FL 34465	L	130	JDS
1580	WXRS	Lee Studstill - GM	P.O. Box 1580 Swainsboro, GA 30401	L	100	JDS
1580	WGYJ	John Mathis - GM	P.O. Box 10 Atmore, AL 36504	L	5000	JDS

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NOTES:	* [for this column] = Verie received about 3 months after J.D. received a letter from the KLIF Operations Manager saying that it was NOT KLIF he heard; ** [for this column] = Station in Piedras Negras, Mexico and verie was in perfect English

This long and rather complex column sets a new record for contributors with 9! Way to go, gang! With Ralph's indulgence, I have to make several important comments about this column, some of which involve changes in column format. First of all, this column was prepared on 1/6/96, a week late because of my visit back home to Vermont over the holidays. Secondly, you'll notice that the column is divided into two parts; Part I was prepared by me from reports sent to me through the Postal Service, while Part II was prepared from a report sent to me by e-mail and extensively reformatted by my wife and slightly modified by me (see additional comments below). Thirdly, a couple of members replied to my comments regarding QSL cards and letters, and so I have decided to add to the number of categories in the "WHAT was received" section. Starting with this column, I'll reserve "Q" for commercially printed QSL cards, use "C" for station-supplied postcards containing verification statements (certificates will now be designated "cf"), and use "F" for form letters (FAXed verifications will be designated "fx"). However, this more extensive categorization will only be successful if every reporter is conscientious about assigning the verification they receive to the proper category. I will also assume that whatever type of verie was received it contained a verification statement, unless told otherwise. Now, on to specific comments regarding the two parts.

Part I: Good to have Bob and Nigel back with us! Tom asks if anyone has reported receiving a verie from KUJ-1420 for their DX test of 2/26/95. Nobody has sent in a tip on KUJ since that time, but I remember listing a signer and address for that station sometime in the past three years, although I couldn't come across it going as far back as the 8/94 column. Can anyone help Tom? Patrick notes that Bob Hunter is the signer for CFNL-590, CKBA-850, and CFOK-1370, although each address is different. Hunter is also the CE for all of the stations in northern British Columbia and Alberta; his busy schedule is undoubtedly the reason for the relatively long reply times. Dan asks how I and other column contributors address our reception reports. Well, I can't speak for the rest of you, but if I don't know who the signer is, I address my report to the Chief Engineer. Dan's return rate has gone from about 90% in the 1960's and 1970's for reports without return postage addressed to the Chief Engineer to 30% now for reports he sends with return postage (where have I heard this before, hi!). He notes that many small Canadian stations use Engineering Services to handle their technical needs and suspects that these services are not very interested in answering reception reports. He wonders whether he would be better off just addressing reports to the radio station in general, hoping the receptionist will redirect the letter to someone who will answer it. What do the rest of you think? How do you address your reports if you don't know the signer? A couple of tips from several reporters were not used per column policy because essentially the same information has appeared in this column in the past two months (policy is actually six months, but I'm feeling generous, hi).

Part II: Because of its length and because it was sent to me by e-mail, I separated J. D.'s report from the other contributions. Let me start right out by saying that I am NOT singling J. D. out nor offering any criticism of his report in any way, but some of the difficulties I encountered in handling his report are germane to recent discussions about an electronic DX Monitor. I am fortunate to have a Mac Ilci in my office at Northwestern University, where I receive and send a large volume of e-mail. I use Eudora as my mail manager and routinely compose all of my other correspondence, including the Verification Signers column, in Palatino font using Microsoft Word 5.1 as my word processor. When I opened J. D.'s e-mail report on my computer, all of the information was there, but it was completely jumbled up. It was obvious that J. D. had spent a lot of time arranging his tips into columns, but when I received it, all formatting had been lost. Part of the problem was that J. D. had used his space bar to justify the information into columns, instead of setting tabs as one normally would. J. D. told me the mail program used by America On-Line did not permit him to set tabs. I suspect CompuServe and Prodigy mailers have the same limitations, although I'm not sure about that. One way around formatting problems is to save the

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report as a Word 5.1 document or a text-only file and send it as an attachment. I do this routinely in Eudora but I don't know whether this is possible with the various on-line mailers. In order to avoid spending a great deal of time reformatting J. D.'s report or retyping it, I pasted it into Word 5.1, sent it to my trusty assistant editor (my wife) at the University of Vermont as an attachment to my e-mail message to her. With her more rapid PowerMac 7100 and more sophisticated Word 6.0 software, she was able to reformat everything and bring all of the information back into columns. She then saved the clean Word 6.0 report as a Word 5.1 document and sent it back to me as an attachment to her e-mail message. I then made some minor modifications and pasted the document into my column as Part II. Because she didn't know exactly what the margins are for the column, she saved everything in Times font so that everything would fit properly. I've left Part II in Times font because conversion to Palatino (a somewhat less compressed font) disrupted the column justification again. The point of all of this is that even if all of the DX Monitor editors and all of the rest of the members of the IRCA were to have the capability of receiving information electronically, we would be using a variety of computers, operating systems, word processors, and mailers, not all of which are compatible with one another. We need to keep this forgotten aspect in mind when deciding who will actually be editing and publishing the DX Monitor electronically should we decide this is an option we are going to explore. Phil has ably demonstrated in publishing the AM DX NewsFlash electronically that he has the hardware, software, and/or technical expertise to meld together a wide variety of electronic contributions into a coherent and aesthetically pleasing bulletin. We need to identify other club members with similar capabilities. Time to get off my soapbox. One final DX-related note to J. D.'s report: Nearly 20 of his veries arrived as a result of sending his reports to stations by FAX after numerous (sometimes 6 or 7) mailed follow-ups were unsuccessful. Some of you may want to try this technique. Hope everyone had a happy holiday season! 73, SSH.

- via Steve Mittman
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BY RICHARD WAGONER

After some 25 years — no one is quite certain when the format was adapted — the big bands have been silenced on KGRB (900 AM) and, in fact, throughout Southern California since KGRB was the last remaining station to play big bands full time.

The station now has a Latino format.

Who made the change? Not the long-time owner, Robert Burdette. Though he had a debilitating stroke, he wanted (and still wants) the station to play big bands. Not his family, which is attempting to get the station back. Certainly not the listeners, many of whom are already forming a group called Citizens for the Preservation of Big Band Radio.

Here's what I know so far: El Dorado Broadcasting has been interested in the station ever since Burdette and his wife Gloria, divorced three years ago. Under the divorce settlement, Robert Burdette remained owner of KGRB.

while sister FM station KBQB (now KMQA, 98.3 FM) went to Gloria, who sold it to El Dorado.

When Robert suffered a stroke 18 months ago, a conservator was put in place and a deal was struck with El Dorado to sell the station for an amount reported to be \$3 million. The battle for control has raged ever since, culminating in what might be described as a hostile takeover on Dec. 28, when the entire staff was escorted out of the building and the format was changed to a simulcast of El Dorado's FM station. *

The Burdette family is objecting to the move and has retained attorney Mark Olson of Covina to regain control of the station.

I will be following this situation closely and hope to report good news in the near future. In the meantime, one of the few remaining reasons to listen to the AM band has disappeared.

*Update: The simulcast lasted only 2 days.

900 is now separate with ranchera music. -SSH

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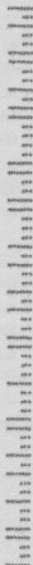
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