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NEW MEMBER: Frank Castellanos of Pembroke Pines FL. RENEWALS: Terry
 Ryan of Bellerose NY, Bill Leahy of Parker CO, Bill Nittler of Mancos
 CO. A Big Welcome To Frank And Thank You All Very Much For The Support

THE ANARC WINTER SWL FESTIVAL: Will be held in Kulpville PA on March
 15-16 1995. IRCA is looking for someone to represent the club at the
 SWL Festival. Participation can range from answering questions about
 IRCA to participating in discussion groups and/or selling IRCA products
 to other attendees. If you're planning on going and want to represent
 the IRCA, please contact me as soon as possible. Phil Bytheway, 9705
 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334 (206) 356-3927 (work/24 hour voice
 mail).

RADIO SPAIN: Noted signing on at 0100 UTC on 3225 kHz // 9630 & 11815
 from their Cariari Costa Rica relay. WRTH says 100 kw and it is a big
 signal here in Southern California. Radio Spain must have checked with
 the people on 3315 kHz and found out how nice it is to transmit with
 no on channel or co-channel QRM. They may not transmit on Saturday or
 Sunday, not noted this past weekend.....

DX TEST BULLETIN arranged by IRCA and NRC CPC
 For more detailed information see page 3 of this DX Monitor

All Times are EST - Eastern Standard Time

DATE	DAY	TIME	FREQ	CALL	LOCATION
3/ 3/96	Sun	0100-0115	- 690	- HCJB	- Quito Ecuador
3/ 4/96	Mon	0200-0300	- 730	- KBSU	- Boise ID (IRCA)
3/ 9/96	Sat	0230-0300	- 960	- KMA	- Shenandoah IA (NRC)
3/ 9/96	Sat	0400-0430	- 960	- WTCH	- Shawano WI (NRC)
3/10/96	Sun	0300-0400	- 770	- WWCN	- Estero FL (NRC)
3/11/96	Mon	1230-0100	- 1460	- WCMB	- Harrisburg PA (IRCA)
3/11/96	Mon	0100-0200	- 1400	- KNOR	- Norman OK (IRCA)
3/11/96	Mon	0230-0300	- 560	- KLVI	- Beaumont TX (IRCA)
3/16/96	Sat	0300-0330	- 1250	- KBTC	- Houston TX (NRC)
3/16/96	Sat	0430-0500	- 1290	- KALM	- Thayer MO (NRC)
3/16/96	Sat	0530-0600	- 1290	- WOPP	- Opp AL (NRC)
3/18/96	Mon	0100-0130	- 1340	- WOOW	- Greenville NC (IRCA)
3/25/96	Mon	1230-0130	- 910	- WSBA	- York PA (IRCA)
3/25/96	Mon	1230-0100	- 1390	- WZZB	- Seymour IN (NRC)
3/25/96	Mon	0330-0400	- 1440	- WBLA	- Elizabethtown NC (NRC)

DX WORLDWIDE EAST

Report from: Mark Connelly - W1ALION

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(Connelly-MA) = Billerica, MA <home> (GC = 71.22 W / 42.54 N)

Receivers used: JRC NRD-525, Drake R8A

Antenna systems: two 37 m slopers (east, west) to MWDX-7
phasing unit with 50 m horizontal loop as
floating ground for noise reduction via
transformers; MWT-3 regenerative preselector

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NEWSFLASH: The R8A is here ! I've been having fun with this great
radio.

DATES: 1996 (UTC/GMT)

TIMES: UTC/GMT

* TRANS-ATLANTIC DX *

- 567 IRELAND, RTE Radio 1, Tullamore, FEB 9 0437 - light music, then
man in EE; fair. (Connelly-MA)
- 585 SPAIN, RNE1, Madrid et al., FEB 9 0438 - man in SS; good.
(Connelly-MA)
- 756 GERMANY, Braunschweig / Ravensburg, FEB 9 0435 - man in GG;
fair to good. (Connelly-MA)
- 765 SWITZERLAND, R. Suisse Romande, Sottens, FEB 9 0524 - woman
w/ FF talk, teletalk; good. (Connelly-MA)
- 774 SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, FEB 9 0523 - man & woman in SS; good.
(Connelly-MA)
- 882 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC Wales / R. 4, Washford et al., FEB 16 0452 -
folk music, then EE talk; excellent. (Connelly-MA)
- 891 ALGERIA, Algiers, FEB 16 0455 - female AA vocal & violins;
good. (Connelly-MA)
- 909 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC R. 5 synchros., FEB 20 2250 - EE talk
to good peak. (Connelly-MA)
- 945 FRANCE, R. France I., Toulouse, FEB 20 2253 - piano music;
fair. (Connelly-MA)
- 954 SPAIN, R. Espana, Madrid, FEB 20 2254 - man & woman in SS;
o/ other. (Connelly-MA)
- 972 UKRAINE, Kopani, FEB 20 2255 - Slavic talk by woman; good,
o/ possible GG station. (Connelly-MA)
- 1008 NETHERLANDS, Flevoland, FEB 20 2256 - repetitive new-age /
jazz piano music; then man in Dutch; strong, 5 dB better than
WINS/CFRB-1010. (Connelly-MA)
- 1017 GERMANY, Rheinsender, FEB 20 2258 - female vocal (maybe
Enya), then woman in GG; barely o/ others. (Connelly-MA)
- 1044 MOROCCO, Sebaa-Aioun, FEB 17 0001 - sign-off w/ AA anthem;
big signal, way o/ Spain. (Connelly-MA)
- 1062 DENMARK, Danmarks R., Kalundborg, FEB 9 0410 - oldie "You've
Got Your Troubles" by the Fortunes (1965); loud. (Connelly-MA)
- 1089 UNITED KINGDOM, TalkRadio synchros, FEB 20 2353 - EE
teletalk; to good peak. SAH of 3 Hz present. (Connelly-MA)
- 1098 SLOVAKIA, Nitra, FEB 9 0420-0424 - Slavic folk-style vocal
(almost Alpine in style), then Slav talk by man, followed by
"In the Summertime" by Mungo Jerry (1970); good. (Connelly-MA)
- 1098 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, FEB 20 2349 - SS
talk by man, o/ growl. (Connelly-MA)
- 1215 UNITED KINGDOM, Virgin Radio synchros, FEB 21 0004 - "London
Calling" by the Clash; good. Spain way under w/ SS talk.
(Connelly-MA)
- 1251 LIBYA, Tripoli, FEB 21 0010 - AA vocal on whopping S9+25
carrier; audio chewed up by heavier than normal domestic slop.
(Connelly-MA)
- 1287 CZECH REPUBLIC // SLOVAKIA, FEB 7 0511 - Slavic talk by
woman; fair. (Connelly-MA)
- 1305 SPAIN, FEB 9 0402 - SS talk o/ bad growl. (Connelly-MA)

- 1314 NORWAY, NRK, Kvitsoy, FEB 7 0512 - "Claire de Lune" played on a harp; excellent. (Connelly-MA)
- 1386 RUSSIA (KALININGRAD), Bolshakovo (t), FEB 7 0515 - talk in unID language. (Connelly-MA)
- 1422 GERMANY, Heusweiler, FEB 7 0502 - GG news by man; good. (Connelly-MA)
- 1431 unID (possibly UKRAINE), FEB 7 0516 - bits of pop music, big het against WKKS-1430. (Connelly-MA)
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA, Doha, FEB 21 0306 - male AA Koranic vocal; excellent, S9+40. (Connelly-MA)
- 1530 VATICAN, FEB 7 0454 - Slav talk; excellent, way o/ WSAI. (Connelly-MA)
- 1608a unID, FEB 7 0456 - RTTY signal believed to be from Europe, per propagation characteristics. (Connelly-MA)
- 1610a NORWAY, Rogaland, LGB TLX, FEB 7 0456 - "LGB TLX" Morse code alternating w/ data packets; dominating the channel. (Connelly-MA)

* PAN-AMERICAN DX *

- 1025 TURKS & CAICOS, Caribbean Christian Radio, FEB 16 0447 - back on split channel w/ southern US preacher; good through WBZ slop. (Connelly-MA)

DX TEST BULLETIN

** DX TESTS ARRANGED BY IRCA & NRC **

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 1996 - KMA-960, 209 NORTH ELM, SHENANDOAH, IA 51601 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:30 & 3:00 AM EST AT A POWER OF 5,000 WATTS. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MAY BE RUN IN CONJUNCTION WITH A PROOF OF PERFORMANCE TEST. THERE WAS NO CONTACT NAMED TO WHOM RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT, BUT IT WAS NOTED THAT QSL CARDS WOULD BE SENT IN RESPONSE TO CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 1996 - WTCH-960, 1456 EAST GREEN BAY, SHAWANO, WI 54166 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 4:00 & 4:30 AM EST AT A POWER OF 1,000 WATTS. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE COUNTRY MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DOUG ERDMAN. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 1996 - WWCN-770, 21025 SOUTH TAMiami TRAIL, ESTERO, FL 33928 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 3:00 & 4:00 AM EST AT A POWER OF 1,000 WATTS. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S & BIG BAND MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. "JOEY C.". (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1996 - WCMB-1460, 3605 VARTAN WAY, HARRISBURG, PA 17110 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:30 & 1:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S, TEST TONES, AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. BOBBY GRAY - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1996 - KNOR-1400, 2020 EAST ALAMEDA, NORMAN, OK 73071 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 2:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S, VOICE ID'S, AND OLDIES MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. TONY SELLARS - OPERATIONS MANAGER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1996 - KLVJ-560, 2885 INTERSTATE 10, BEAUMONT, TX 77702 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:30 & 3:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S & VOICE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DAVID CUNNINGHAM (KCSFER) - TECHNICAL DIRECTOR. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 1996 - KBTC-1250, P.O. BOX 30, HOUSTON, MO 65483 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 3:00 & 3:30 AM EST AT A POWER OF 1,000 WATTS. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S & COUNTRY MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. FRED CLIFT. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 1996 - KALM-1290, P.O. BOX 15, THAYER, MO 65791 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 4:30 & 5:00 AM EST AT A POWER OF 1,000 WATTS. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S & INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. FRED DAVE WATSON. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

BROADCASTING INFORMATION



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DEADLINES: 2nd & 4th Saturdays.

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

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

CA. San Jose KKSJ-1370 moves xmtr, now DA-1

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

AL. Hartselle WYAM-890 inc. to 2500-D, ND
MI. Petoskey WJML-1110 28-N
MI. Rockford WISZ-810 3600-D (CP)

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

IA. Mason City KGLO-1300 move xmtr, now DA-2
MI. Traverse City WTCM-580 inc. to 15000/800 DA-2
MO. Gladstone KGGN-890 dec. to 960-D, DA

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

AL. Jacksonville WUXL-810 becomes WNSI
AK. St. Paul (new)-540 becomes KUHB
CA. Concord KKIS-1480 becomes KRHT (CP)
Los Angeles KGFJ-1230 requests KYPA
Pasadena KPPC-1240 requests KXPA
Pomona KTSj-1220 requests KWPA
KY. Winchester WLNT-1380 becomes WINH
MN. St. Louis Park KJJO-950 becomes KSGS
SC. Charleston WUJM-1450 becomes WQNT
VA. Dublin WKNV-810 becomes WPIN
Fairlawn WCQR-890 becomes WKNV (CP)
Staunton WINF-900 becomes WKDW
Waynesboro WVAO-970 becomes WINF "Information"

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL. Birmingham WAPI-1070 was AS, becomes AP nx
Decatur WAVD-1400 was classic rock//WINJ, now SMN oldies
Dothan WGZS-700 was s. gospel, now Prime sports
Madison WUMP-730 was sports, adds Sports By-line, Prime sports
Ozark WQLS-1200 was AS, now oldies//FM
Tuscaloosa WACT-1420 was s. gospel, adds Taylor talk
AK. Anchorage KHAR-590 was AS, adds WVI AS
AR. Bellafonte KNWA-1600 was rock, now classic country
Dardanelle KCAB-980 was country, talk, now PRN, EFM talk
De Queen KDQN-1390 was country//FM, now SS
Heber Springs KAWW-1370 was s. gospel, C&W//FM, now s. gospel, C&W//FM
Paragould KDRS-1490 was talk, now SS
CA. Mojave KVOY-1340 was country, talk, now country
Porterville RTIP-1450 was full service AC, now nx, talk, sports
Ridgecrest KLOA-1240 was oldies, talk, adds JSN oldies
Willows KIQS-1560 was SS, now country (remains Rancho weekends)

Thanks, Steve & Bruce! This was an unusually long column because the FCC has finally caught up with all the applications that backed up during the government shutdown last month, so we should be caught up now! Valentine's Day just passed, 1 month till Spring (it was 80 degrees here earlier this week!), but now it's raining again, I'm Febru-weary! 73's.

CO. Grand Junction	KQIL-1340	was country, adds Prime sports
FL. Marco	WODX-1480	was oldies, now Prime sports
Saint Petersburg	WSUN-620	was sports, adds Sports By-line, Prim. sports
GA. Jesup	WLOP-1370	was country//FM, adds SMN C&W //FM
Macon	WDEN-1500	was s. gospel, now country//FM
Savannah	WCHY-1290	was nx, sports, now SMN Real country, adds ABC's Moby
West Point	WCJM-1310	was country//FM, now urban
ID. Nampa	KFXD-580	was nx, talk, adds Prime sports
IL. Granite City	WGNW-920	was talk, adds Prime sports
Mattoon	WLBH-1170	was country, now stds., talk
Zion	WKGa-1500	was country, now reg. Mexican//WTAQ
IN. Muncie	WERK-990	was silent, to be nx/talk (March)
IA. Davenport	KFOC-1580	was AS, now urban
Waverly	KWAY-1470	was country, now JSN soft AC
KY. Central City	WNES-1050	was country, adds Prime sports
Flemingsburg	WFLE-1060	was country//FM, adds JSN CD country
Florence	WKYN-1160	was all Imus, now Imus, sport//WUBE
Hardinsburg	WHIC-1520	was country//FM, rptd. silent
Hindman	WKCB-1340	was gospel, now religion
Nicholasville	WNVL-1250	was urban, now black gospel
Winchester	WINH-1380	was WLNT, talk, now Xtian country
MD. Morningside	WPGC-1580	was Hip Hop, now urban/talk
MA. Dedham	WBPS-890	was sports, now AS
MI. Mount Pleasant	WCEN-1150	was stds., talk, now WWI/CNN nx/talk
MS. Forest	WQST-850	was country, now black gospel
Monticello	WMLC-1270	was country, gospel, now PRN nx/talk
Natchez	WNAT-1450	was silent, now blues
Starkville	WKOR-980	was talk, sports, adds Prime sports
Yazoo City	WAZF-1230	was country, talk, now urban AC (mix of blues, jazz, oldies)
NV. Reno	KOZZ-1450	was classic rock//FM, now rock//FM
NY. Oswego	WSGO-1440	was AS, now SMN stds//WTLA
ND. Minot	KTYN-1430	was AS, rptd. silent
OR. Gresham	KMUZ-1230	was soft AC, classical, now SS//KWBY
Pendleton	KTIx-1240	was AC, talk, sports, now talk, sports
PA. Bloomsburg	WCNR-930	was country, now AS
Easton	WIPI-1230	was sports, adds Prime sports
Elizabethtown	WPDC-1600	was sports, adds Prime sports
Pittston	WARD-1550	was talk, shopping, now sports//WKQV,shop
SC. Charleston	WONT-1450	was WUJM, silent, now nx, talk
Columbia	WCOS-1400	was all nx, now 1 on 1 sports (uses slogan WVOC-2)
Manning	WYMB-920	was country, now 1 on 1, Fan sports
TN. Madisonville	WRKQ-1250	was country, now religion
Sevierville	WSEV-930	was country, adds JSN country
TX. Dallas	KLIF-570	was talk, sports, adds Prime sports
Pharr	KVJY-840	was AS, now nx, talk, sports (mix of local, ESPN, WWI, CNN Headline nx)
VA. Crozet	WCYK-810	was country//WCYK-FM, now country//WVAO-FM
Fairlawn	WKNV-890	was WCQR, new, to be religion
Lexington	WREL-1450	was country, now EFM, WWI talk
Lynchburg	WVLR-1230	was black gospel, now urban //WJJS (remains black gospel Sundays)
Staunton	WBRG-1050	was religion, adds black gospel
Waynesboro	WKDW-900	was WINF, all nx, now country
WVAO-970		was silent, now all nx
WA. Bremerton	KBRO-1490	was variety, now SS AC
Lakewood	KNTB-1480	was black gospel, now SS AC//KBRO
PE. Charlottetown	CFCY-630	was hot AC, now country

Steve Mittman of Seal Beach, CA. passes on the following info:
 CA. Lancaster KAVL-610 now all sports, "Sports Radio 610"

Bruce Portzer of Seattle, WA. passes on the following info:
 WA. Seattle — KLFE-1590 was Xtian C&W, now Xtian EZL
 Tacoma KMTT-850 currently adult rock/?FM, will be sold, co to all nx and change calls



DX Worldwide - West

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DEADLINE: TUESDAYS

A good turnout this week with lots of E MAIL reports. DX WORLDWIDE WEST is now getting more tips VIA E MAIL than VIA the postman. A comment or two on the E MAIL situation here. For some reason some reports have not been getting through, especially attached with a file. The messages seem to get through OK. There was some problems during the storm with the phone lines, but that was been fixed. Here on the Northcoast, none of the big providers have local numbers, so we have to use another source. It is a small company out of Vancouver, WA that has set up a local number. They are somewhat limited, but it does work. Hopefully all your tips are making it through. In DX related news, VIA E-MAIL-David Martin-OZ DX in Australia reports a new station on only a few days, 2AM-Sydney-400 W, 24 hours a day. This may be what I have been hearing instead of Dance Radio. I have taped tent. reports out to both. Also Caribbean Christian Radio is back on 1025 KHZ (2/20), reported here and earlier by Dave Williams. On with the show.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 540 MEXICO, S.L.P. XEWA good on top of CBK with XE pops tunes and ID in SS at 0700 2/19 (PM-OR)
- 640 CUBA, Radio Progreso, very strong w/KFI nulled 2/13 from 0355 to 0401 w/woman ancr. Cuban nx at 0357, program name seemed to be "Reportero R-C." Woman IDed as "Radio Progreso" at 0400. New 1995 WRTH lists two outlets here. (LBG-MT)
- tCUBA, Radio Progreso, Suddenly peaking over KFI w/man reading items in SS that were separated by pips and Morse code. Faded out after 3 minutes at 0901 2/5 (5P-HI)
- tCUBA, man in SS u/o KFI was mentions of Cuba at 0540 2/19 (PM-OR)
- 1025 TURKS AND CAICOS, Caribbean Christian Radio-apparently is here again 0210 2/17, Gospel pgm ID as "Caribbean Christian Radio" in EE (DW-OR)
- +Also hrd with Black preacher w/caribbean accent at 0325 2/21. I wonder if this is where they are going to stay? (PM-OR)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 525 UNID, R-W-E 1/31 0736 CW beacon(Russia?) (MEM-OR)
- 531 JAPAN, Morioka, JOQG-w/ EE call letters given just before pips at 0959.55 "J-O-Q-G" on 2/20 (PM-OR)
- NEW ZEALAND, Auckland, Pacific Islands Radio, good with man in (presumed) samoan at 0850 2/19. (PM-OR)
- AUSTRALIA, Kempsey, 2MC, good w/pop mx and @MC ID at 1330 on 2/19 (PM-OR)
- 540 JAPAN, Synchron-good u/o KVIP w/JJ talk at 1250 2/20 (PM-OR)
- 558 REPUBLIC OF KOREA, fair u/o others with KK talk at 1320 2/20 (PM)
- 648 UNID, sounded like a jammer at 1459 2/8. Pat, have you heard anything like that here? (LBG-MT) (No I haven't, but with VOA now using the Russian TX for North Korean broadcasts, it doesn't surprise me. I am glad I logged VOA there before this started up. PM)
- 702 AUSTRALIA, Sydney, 2BL-good w/tel talk at 0940 2/19. (PM-OR)
- 729 JAPAN, Nagoya, JOCK, fair w/JJ talk at 1345 2/20 (PM-OR)
- 765 UNIDS, A growl of stations here at 1032 2/20 (PM-OR)
- 774 JAPAN, Akita, JOUB, again a super strong signal here are 1300 w/JJ talk. 40DB over S9, but none of the other JJs were near

- that strong 2/20 (PM-OR)
783. RUSSIA, very weak w/YL in RR at 1033 2/20 (PM-OR)
- 792 AUSTRALIA, Brisbane,4QG good w/YL in accented EE, classical mx at 1250 2/20 (PM-OR)
- 837 JAPAN, Niigata-JOQK, fair with YL in JJ at 1056 2/20 (PM-OR)
- 855 UNIDS, A growl if stations here at 1049 2/20 (PM-OR)
- 936 AUSTRALIA, Brisbane,4PB good with nx at 1350 2/19 (PM-OR)
- 972 REP. OF KOREA, Tangjin, 1352 2/12. Loud het, poor audio in the splatter w/woman in KK (NHP-BC)
- 1017 TONGA, good with woman in presumed Togan at 0930 2/19 (PM-OR)
- 1053 REP. OF KOREA, jammer 1357 2/12. Poor to fair signal w/usual whooshing sounds, mostly u/local splatter. This has been in more often than 1566 this season. 1566 normally much more common(NHP-BC)
- 1080 HAWAII, Honolulu,KWAI, Now airs Hindi pgm Sunday mornings. Already broadcasts Samons Christian show UTC Tuesdays 0700-0800 and Tongan show UTC Sat 0700-0900 (5P-HI) (Thx for the tip on this, as someone might mistake KWAI for something more rare. PM)
- 1098 MARSHALL ISLANDS, Majuro-V7AB(?) Raggaee pop version of "Ohh Child" at 1124 by male singer (British I think), slogan "The hottest Hits Anytimeon V7AB(?)" country piano mx, woman DJ w/sign off, kids chorus w/apparent NA, carrier off at 1133. Ex WSZO, not sure of exact call letters. Fair, loud het de KFAX-1100 on 2/1 (%P-HI)
- 1134 tJAPAN, Tokyo,JOQR, 1356 2/12 Traces of a man talking from titme to time, good signal carrier. (NHP-BC)
- 1179 JAPAN, Osaka JOOR, good w/man in JJ, some splash from 1180 on 2/19. This JJ gets out pretty good. (PM-OR)
- 1287 tJAPAN, Sapporo, JOHR 1353 2/12. Inst. mx traces in the 1290 splatter. (NHP-BC)
- 1306 JAPAN, Synchros here w/JJ talk at 0955 2/19 (PM-OR)
- 1521 JAPAN, NHK2 station(s) w/mx box at s/off 1503 2/7. 1995 WRTH lists 5 stations here all 1KW. New (LBG-MT) (Good catch, Larry.PM)
- 1548 tSRI LANKA, DW from 1019 to 1126 UTC 2/13 hrd Aussie 4QD trading places on the channel w/German language news and opinion. Mentions of Berlin, Yugoslavia, etc throughout, but GG was unusually stronger than the Aussie. But I couldn't get an ID. (MMG-HI) (It sounds like it was DW you hrd. I believe NHP-BC hrd them a few years ago off the WestCoast on a boat, so they do have a signal in this direction. PM)
- 1557 RUSSIA????? Pop mx in EE RR talk 2/7 at 1533, some Morse Code QRM in there. A 10KW Vladivostok private station is listed, will have to check this out more. (DW-OR)
- 1566 REPUBLIC OF KOREA, Cheju,HLAZ 2/14 1504 talk in CC (DW-OR)
- 1593 JAPAN, NHK2 station(s) w/mx box at s/off 1502 2/7. 1995 WRTH lists 2 stations here, both 10KW. New (LBG-MT)
- 1602 JAPAN, NHK2 station(s) with mx box s/off at 1501 2/7. 1995 WRTH 5 stations here, all 1KW. New (LBG-MT) (Good catch Larry.PM)
- 1620 AUSTRALIA, still hearing the UNID pop mx station(s) here, but I am not sure if it is the same station(s), hrd at 1010 2/20 w/ pop mx, Aussie accent DJ, but weaker than earlier. I've got to get an ID out of this!! This time, I did catch a mention of Sydney. 2AM-Tourist Radio-Sydney is now on w/reported 400 W.(PM-OR)

VERIFICATIONS

- 738 REPUBLIC OF KOREA, Taegu, HLKG, letter and pins, along with KBS pgm sked in 55d after f/up. (PM-OR)

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.

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Tropical Band DX Roundup

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Here we are with another Tropical Band column. Your support is much appreciated. This week we have reports from Dale Park-Hawaii, Dave Williams-Oregon and Matt Stutterheim-Connecticut.

- 3223 INDIA, Shimla, All India Radio, Trad. raga mx //AIR Lucknow on 3245, fair w/QRM North Korea-3220 at 1625 on 2/9 (5P-HI*)
INDIA, Shimla, All India Radio on 2/14 1532, woman in EE nx, mixing w/INDO, AIR ID at 1545. (DW-OR)
- 3225 UNID, Spain??? or relay?????, piano mx man in rapid SS mention of Colombia and Central America at 0352. Next AM at 1056, repeated chime IS, then EE sign on as "Radio Exterior de Espana, much stronger. Believe this to be the same station as 7 hours earlier, not listed in 95 WRTH. (MS-CT) (Couldn't find a thing listed in the 96. I wonder if a Latin in relaying Spain. Any help? PM)
- 3230 SOUTH AFRICA, Radio Oranje, two stations mixing, one with EE pops DJ in UNID lang, with a Dutch sound, suspect S. Af. 0352 2/18 (MS-CT)
- 3255 LESOTHO, Probably them w/BBC discussion at 0350-2/18 (MS-CT)
- 3270 NAMIBIA, assumed the one w/rel pgm in EE at 0358 2/18 (MS-CT)
- 3305 UNID, station w/EE ID ".....Broadcasting Corporation" at 0400 on 2/18, into rapid fade (MS-CT) (Zimbabwe????PM)
- 3390 SOUTH AFRICA, SABC Meyerton, BBC EE Radio show ending "Ride with George" at laughing s/off ///6090, poor at 1743 2/9 (5P-HI*)
- 3970 SOUTH AFRICA, SABC Meyerton, Nightline Africa, poor w/loud co channel het at 1620 2/9 (5P-HI*)

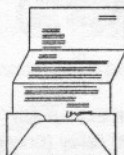
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- 530 (HAR) CA, Tustin (5/55 freeways interchange) the widening of the Santa Ana Freeway has been completed and this HAR now seems to be defunct. The signs along the freeways alerting motorists about this station are still up, but some of them have been draped with canvas. (SMM-CA)
- 610 KAVL CA, Lancaster 2/5 0445 format change to all-sports noted. ID as "Sports Radio 610." (Note that nearby Simi Valley has a "Sports Radio 670!). (SMM-CA)
- 850 KOA CO, Denver 2/4 0605 weak signal under CKBA coming out of newscast with "Newsradio 85...KOA" ID. Into talk programming. Sure not the "powerhouse" I remember them to be years ago. New. (DS-BC)
- KHLO HI, Hilo 2/4 0950 real bonus here: briefly faded up over CKBA & KMTT with Doobie Brothers tune and a nice clear ID "All gold...KHLO, Hilo." New. (DS-BC)
- KMTT WA, Tacoma 2/4 0900 fair signal mixing with CKBA. Legal ID "KMTT AM & FM Tacoma-Seattle, The Mountain." Into Sunday morning public affairs programming. Dominated the frequency later in the day. New. (DS-BC)
- CKBA AB, Athabasca 2/4 0430 dominated the frequency all night with C&W and "All hit country...85 CKBA" IDs and jingles. New. (DS-BC)
- (CKMA) BC, Abbotsford 2/4 0420-1700 after 2 years of hoping & nightly checking my "pesty local" finally surprised me with an extended silent period enabling me to log some basic "most wanteds" and an unexpected surprise. (DS-BC)
- 910 KNEW CA, Oakland 2/11 0027 up over KALL briefly with country music, introduced song as "...here is George Strait on KNEW, 910 AM..." CKDQ weaker than normal, and fairly well nullled. New one. (NP-AB)
- 1120 KMOX MO, St. Louis 2/5 2310 fair under KPNW with NHL post game wrap up show. ID "St. Louis Blues hockey on KMOX." Been looking for this one for along time. New state. (DS-BC)
- 1170 KVOO OK, Tulsa 2/6 2255 weak mixing with CKGY in KPUG null with spot for basketball action "This Saturday on KVOO." New. (DS-BC)
- 1420 KGIM SD, Aberdeen 2/5 0200 quick "KGIM, Aberdeen" ID after Shania Twain song, then into ABC news. New one for me. (NP-AB)
- 1500 HAR CA, Anaheim Su 1/28 while driving through Orange County, noticed that this HAR

was no longer providing traffic info for the Anaheim Pond area, but rather was transmitting something like Morse code—but sounding "soft" and irregular.

1 Possibly this is related to the new HAR testing on 1700. Still this way 2/8. (SMM-CA)

- 1530 WSAI OH, Cincinnati 2/5 1859 "Our call letters for wonderful songs and information, 1530, WSAI, Cincinnati," into CBS news. (NP-AB)
- 1540 CBXD AB, Edson 2/9 1402 CBC news, relay of CBC programming from Edmonton (CBX). Only second time heard, and some QRM from a CBC Vancouver relay (only one I found listed was CBXH Cooper Creek). (NP-AB)
- 1570 CKMW MB, Winkler 2/9 0103 "CKMW Weather" by a woman, into country music. Over CKTA, which is extremely unusual. (NP-AB)
- 1660 WJDM NJ, Elizabeth 2/7 0650-0710 and 2/9 0550-0710 good at times but noisy. Apparently has gone from oldies to Radio Ahs kids programming. Various IDs as "WJDM, 1660 AM, Radio Ahs, great music for great kids" (2/7 0700 gave location as "Elizabeth-New York"). 0700 after ID, the morning wake-up program "All American Alarm Clock Show" began with chicken clucks & a good morning theme song. Played music, gave weather reports & time checks, but did not seem to have newscasts. Gladly reported; first new state on MW in 30 years! (AWP-CA)
- +2/7 0710-0725 good but fading slowly out after NJ LSR at 0700 in February. Noted with Radio Ahs // KPLS-830. Break in programming at 0720 with weather for the "Tri State Area," ID "...currently 10 degrees here at Radio Ahs 1660 AM." Gone by about 0730. New, state #41. (RW-CA)
- + 2/8 0140 Radio Ahs programming, with song by Michael Jackson, ID at 0200 "...on Radio Ahs, WJDM, 1660 AM, Elizabeth and New York..." (NP-AB)
- 1670 KTRK MD, Fort Meade 2/5 thanks to Larry Godwin heard testing 2/5 1030-1100, playing soft rock with KTRK IDs. Radio in shop, so used car radio! Lots of electrical noise making station fade in & out, otherwise with my receiver probably a good strong signal. 2/6 0000 they started using test tone and left air, so may not be on 24 hours as stated. (GJ-CA)
- + 2/5 2044 pop music, many IDs phonetically spelled. Listened on & off to 0500 with steadily improving signal. Mentioned using 5000 watts with omnidirectional antenna. Also heard (with no call letters heard) 2/6 2345 with good signal, went off at 2400, DJ saying they'd be back on at "6:00am, 0600 hours for you military types." Many thanks to Larry Godwin for alerting me to this one. (NP-AB)
- +2/7 0730-0740 almost surely the one with heavy rock music until 0730, ID as "1670 AM," very clear time check on tape of "34 minutes after 7 o'clock," into song "Broken Wing" at 0735. Faded rapidly, gone by about 0740. Thanks to Larry Godwin for tip! New, state #42! (RW-CA)
- 1700 *HAR* CA, Anaheim Su 1/28 2325 while driving through Orange County new HAR noted testing: "Testing 1,2,3,4,5,5,4,3,2,1. This is a test of the Highway Advisory Radio, owned and operated by the City of Anaheim..." A portion of the message included an automated (female) voice announcing the date & time, but the time was over 3 1/2 hours ahead of time! Th 2/8 same message noted still repeating and the automated clock still ahead of true time. (SMM-CA)

DX TESTS

- 650 (KYAK) AK, Anchorage 2/4 0430-0500 tried, not heard, only strong KSTE (as usual), KMTI/XETNT in their null, CISL way behind. Unneeded anyway. (RW-CA)
- 750 (KFQD) AK, Anchorage 2/4 0400-0430 tried, not heard. KXL in strong in KCBS null, KOAL under as usual. Unneeded. (RW-CA)
- 1480 WABB AL, Mobile 2/5 0802 caught code ID with city and call letters. Unable to copy any voice through the QRM. Heard other code a bit later, but not as clear. New state #42. (NP-AB)

UNID

1680 approx. 2/5 0428 unID mentioning "Testing 1,2,3,4,5, 5,4,3,2,1. This is the City of Anaheim Highway Advisory Radio Network operated by the City of Anaheim..." woman repeating the time. Anyone have correct frequency/address for this? (RW-CA) (See 1700 tip above.--NJ)

That's all for this week. Thanks to all who reported!

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RIDING GAIN

- [SA-MB] **Shawn Axelrod**, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.
Icom IC-R70 with filter mods and Palm board.
4' box loop, Quantum loop, 100' longwire.
- [TMJ-IL] **Tom Jasinski**, Shorewood, Illinois.
FRG-7, Quantum loop.
- [Kaz-IL] **Neil T. Kazaross**, Barrington, IL. neilkaz@interaccess.com
Icom IC-R70, Several phased miniBev's 420' to 670'.
- [FM-IL] **Frank W. Merrill**, Macomb, Illinois
Kenwood R-1000, various longwires at various lengths.
- [RCP-IN] **Robert C. Pote**, Greenwood, Indiana.
Drake R8A, Quantum loop.
- [RS-MO] **Randy Stewart**, Springfield, Missouri.
Yaesu FRG-100 modified by EEB with 6-kc Collins filter, 4-kc filter. Sony SRF-42.
15" Sanserino box loop.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 540 **WDAK** GA, Columbus. 2-8 fair, mixing with KWMT and others. 2004 coming out of sportscast with promo for giveaway. Numerous call mentions. Phone number 596-5110 given. [RS-MO]
- 560 **WMIK** KY, Middlesboro. 2-9 fair. WIND not heard. 1800 with ID, news. Marty Robbins song out of news. [RCP-IN]
- 580 **KLBG** LA, Alexandria. 2-8 fair, mixing with stronger WIBW. 2120 with gospel music, call ID. Had heard CBS News at top of hour, possibly them too. Apparent format change as listed as oldies in the 1996 NRC log. [RS-MO]
- 610 **CKYL** AB, Peace River. 2-7 with WDAF phased. 0304 with weather, ID "The Mix (??) 6-10 CKYL" before fading. Much interference including first suspected KDAL and an unID with country. 610 sounded like a GY. This now beats CJDC-890 for my northern most NA DX. [FM-IL]
{Nice catch, Frank. CKYL is heard here in Billings often. I have relatives in Peace River and spent some time there in 1992 at a Johnson family reunion. Interesting area as Peace River is in a deep valley. John.}
- 740 **WRPQ** WI, Baraboo. 1-29. 1735 with "Music favorites for Sauk County 24 hours a day... on WRPQ Baraboo." Quickly lost to CBL. New for me. [FM-IL]
- 750 **KJEL** MO, Lebanon. 2-4 very good with WSB nulled. 1806 with news and happenings in the Lebanon area. [RCP-IN]
- 840 **KVEG** NV, Las Vegas. 1-20 far u/WHAS' OC. 0529 seconds before WHAS audio returned with "You're listening to the KVEG radio network." What is this network? Long sought, unsuccessfully at SSS. New for me. [FM-IL]
- (WHAS) KY, Louisville. 1-20 at 0504 with just OC at full power until 0529. Audio returned in middle of a song, and announcer gave apology for "technical problems." [FM-IL]

- 850(KOA) CO, Denver. 2-4. 0205 noted KOA off the air for technical repairs, but nothing new heard. [SA-MB]
+2-4. 0207 noted KOA off the air at tune-in, and off to at least 0500. Nothing new heard. Weak domestics and some SS. [FM-IL]
- 890 CJDC BC, Dawson Creek. 2-7 totally demolishing WLS without phasing. 0218 Still being noted AN with oldies, "Good Time Oldies." Frequent local ID's with full call letters and spots. I've heard this on 13 different nights when northern conditions permit. This one really needs to be tried for, gets out well! [FM-IL]
- 930 WSEV TN, Sevierville. 2-2 blasting in with full 5kW power. 0321 with "All Star Country Radio 9-30 WSEV." Full power most likely for snow-ice emergency. [FM-IL]
- 970 KQAQ MN, Austin. 2-12 with interference phased to very good peaks. 2050 with country music and "Fox Country 102.5" slogan. [Kaz-IL]
- 1010 KSIR CO, Brush. TENTATIVE. 2-8 fair to poor. 2210 probably the one with Denver Nuggets basketball halftime show. No local breaks nor spots heard. [RS-MO]
+2-10 first noted well atop frequency. 1912 with local high school wrestling match. Still loud at 2005 with ID and wrestling PBP. This at a time way past their LSS when I would have suspected them to be lower power. [Kaz-IL]
- KTNZ TX, Amarillo. 2-8 poor, mixing with CFRB, etc. 2300 ID surfaced while listening for the KSIR ID (which never came. ☺ "10-10 AM ... KTNZ. Amarillo's new source for news and information." Into Mutual network news. New for me. [RS-MO]
- 1050 CHUM ON, Toronto. 2-6 fair on crowded frequency. 0632 with oldies. [RCP-IN]
- 1060 WHFB MI, Benton Harbor. 2-9 fair using LSB. Under KYW with WIBC splash. 1820 out of a Debbie Boone song with "We hope you enjoyed our broadcast. WHFB has to leave the air now." [RCP-IN]
- 1080 KVNI ID, Coeur d'Alene. 2-7 good signal with fades. 0224-0323. Finally my ceaseless listening to 1080 to the NW has paid off! Mixture of light rock and oldies. Announcements included a trivia challenge "... weekday mornings at 7:45 with Ken... on KVNI." "Spokane County's KVNI" and "Post Falls' favorite music is right here on 1080 KVNI." ID#2. Still looking for KWJJ, CKSA and KASH here. All possible on nearly dead frequency. Some unID's heard now and then. [FM-IL] {Frank, KVNI gets into Billings often. Great catch for you! John.}
- WHKW KY, Louisville. 2-8 good with interference from WIBC. 1742 with country. Slogan "The New 107. The Hawk." [RCP-IN]
- WKGX NC, Jenoir. 2-1. 2044 with country music. Announcing possibility of 3 inches of freezing rain effecting travel. No night authority listed, obviously on for emergency. Also noted on following two nights, possibly AN. [FM-IL]
- 1130 CKWX BC, Vancouver. 2-1 fair atop crowded channel. 2215 with automated "Country Music Radio, CKWX 11-30 AM" ID's between songs and chatter by live announcer Shelley Frasier. 2220 Canadian "Country Calendar" program. Toll free request line number 1-800-663-5444 given. Much needed for new Canadian province logged. Inspired to try for it by Frank Merrill's logging in 1-27 CDXR. Taped report sent. [RS-MO]
- KILJ IA, Mount Pleasant. 2-1. 2045 with sign off after weather, no SSB. Oldies programming. Obviously using its full 2 hour PSSA. [FM-IL]
- WLBA GA, Gainesville. 2-8 poor in KWKH null. 2150 with Mexican ranchera and nortena music. Fast-talking Spanish announcer. Finally caught ID at 2201 by woman, "This is WLBA 11-30 Gainesville. La Mexicana." New log for me. Listed as daytime only in the 1996 NRC log, but I've noticed this many nights without hearing an ID. [RS-MO]
- 1140 KNAB CO, Burlington. 2-10 way over KSOO with WRVA phased. 1912 with country music. Jingle ID also heard. [Kaz-IL]
- 1190 KBCO CO, Boulder. 2/10 fair to good over phased WOWO. 2009 with rock music and "KBCO 97.3" ID. [Kaz-IL]
- WSDQ TN, Dunlap. 2-3 poor under WOWO and KKOJ. 0847 with clear "WSDQ" ID. New logging for me!! [SA-MB]
- 1260 WDKN TN, Dickson. 2-3. 1932 with sign off. No SSB or other music. "... will return at sunrise." Does that mean they don't use their 500 watt PSA? Note the next day was Sunday, schedule could be different for Sunday mornings. [FM-IL]

- 1280 **WANS** SC, Anderson. 2-3 very strong, apparently on emergency full daytime power. 1953 with "Stay tuned for news on closings, and the best in bluegrass on WRIX." 2106 with emergency weather stuff "...around the Anderson area." "...on X-103 Country WRIX." [FM-IL]
- 1430 **CKYC** ON, Toronto. 1-25. 1658 at end of a talk show in what sounded like Korean. Spot in same language for CIBC (Canadian Imperial Bank Of Commerce) which finally ID'ed this for me, but still not sure if still CKYC. Had been hearing unID Asian station here earlier in January as well. Format change? [FM-IL]
- 1460 **WCMB** PA, Harrisburg. 1-30. 1717 with "...that's central Pennsylvania business... on Hot Talk 14-60 WCMB." Spot for Harrisburg magazine. Obviously late on the switch. New for me. [FM-IL]
- 1530 **WMBE** WI, Chilton. 1-29. 1729 with "AM 15-30 WMBE" at tune-in. WSAI fadeback killed WMBE. New, and leasant surprise. [FM-IL]
- 1600 **WQZQ** NC, Hendersonville. 1-30. 1730 talking about a circus coming to Ashville then "1310 WISE and 1600 WQZQ. Unforgettable." NOS format. Could hear || on 1310, but may not have been WISE which is not needed anyway. WQZQ might have been on full power for weather emergency. [FM-IL]
- 1610 **WTF94** KS, Bonner Springs. 1-31. 2311 heard calls only, nothing else intelligible on this Kansas Turnpike TIS. New for me, have now heard both. [FM-IL]
- 1660 **WJDM** NJ, Elizabeth. 2-8 good. 2237 with Radio Aahs children's network. [RS-MO]
- 1670 **KTRK** MD, Fort Meade. 2-5 very, very good here with little fading. Better signal than WJDM-1660. 1755 testing on expanded band playing various music. ID's as "KTRK K-Truck. Kilo Tango Romeo Kilo." Many ID's and address given for veries. [RCP-IN] +2-5 with excellent signal. 2027 testing with variety of cool music including some old rare R&B. Announcement "KTRK Kilo Tango Romeo Kilo, K-Truck." [FM-IL] +2-5 good signal, perfectly clear. 2226 with great music by Queen. ID's as "KTRK K-Truck" and "Kilo Tango Romeo Kilo." New logging for me. [SA-MB] +TENTATIVE. 2-7 good signal with slight fading. Slightly stronger than WJDM-1660. 1830-2300 with several announcer mentions of technical information about the station. Playing popular rock music. Station people report that this station is completely portable and will be dismantled and sent to Bosnia! Sign off to be at 0000 returning at 0600 2-8 and off for good at 1700. There was no mention of the KTRK calls. Heard only a frequent "ABS" identification. [TMJ-IL] {For those who missed the address to send reports it is: ABS, Room 340, 601 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. Attention: Dave Browne.}

DX TESTS

- 560 **WGAI** NC, Elizabeth City. 2-12 DX Test heard in WIND null. 0100-0130 heard several long code strings. Someone with talk also heard, possibly WEBC. [TMJ-IL]
- 640(KYUK) AK, Bethel. 2-3 DX Test not heard. Only CHOG, CFOB, and KFI. [SA-MB]
- 650(KYAK) AK, Fairbanks. 2-4 DX Test tried for, but nothing heard. Only a mix of WSB and CKGB. [RS-MO] +2-4 DX Test not heard. Only CKOM, WSM, and HJKH. [SA-MB]
- 750(KFQD) AK, Anchorage. 2-4 DX Test tried for, but no success. Just a mix of WSM and HJKH ("RCN Antena 2"). [RS-MO] +2-4 DX Test not heard. Only WSB and CKGB. [SA-MB]
- 1070 **WANM** FL, Tallahassee. (NO TIMES LISTED) Easily ID'ed "WANM" calls in country music at tune in despite heavy interference. [FM-IL]
- 1090 **KBOZ** MT, Bozeman. 2-12 DX Test. 0230-0300 heard three code strings. First at 0233 with good signal, second at 0240 was weaker, and 0244 was weaker still. Nothing more heard. [TMJ-IL]
- 1190 **WBSL** MS, Bay Saint Louis. 2-2 some fading u/XEWW. 0025 with "Conducting tests of equipment." Playing various types of music from NOS, blues, to hard rock. Gave mailing address. MS is on CST, so time for this is illegal, no?
- 1230(WNNC) NC, Newton. 2-12 DX Test. 0000-0030 nothing heard but a jumble of stations with nobody dominant! [TMJ-IL]

- 1400 WTCY PA, Harrisberg. 2-10 DX Test poor o/WBAT and others. 0200-0230 heard TT and code during this IRCA DX Test. [TMJ-IL]
 +2-10 DX Test tried for 0200-0230, but not heard. 1400 a crowded mess. [RCP-IN]
 1590(WPWA) PA, Chester. 2-5 DX Test not heard. [SA-MB]

UnIDS

- 600 unID 1-20 poor. 1915 someone with SSB at sign off. [FM-IL]
 1060 unID 2-9 very tough u/KYW and interference from WIBC. 1825 with religious format. Slogan heard "All New Radio" and call sounding like "WLUS." New call? [RCP-IN]
 1070 unID 2-8 unID poor way under dominant CHOK and with KFDI, KNX, etc. also mixed. 2039 with possible CBC programming || CBW-990 looping northeast/ southwest. Most likely much needed CBA, but not enough surfaced to be useable. [RS-MO]
 1090 unID 2-12 unID excellent peaks burying KAAY. UC music and "KS-104" ID's and a spot mentioning someplace that was "...1 mile west of I-35." Any ideas? Gone after 1915. [Kaz-IL]
 {Neil, this is heard here easily. It's KYBG Aurora, CO. Possibly the "I-35" was actually "I-25"? I believe the "KS-104" is KQKS 104.3's slogan. John.}
 1480 unID 1-21. unID at 0443 with country music. Jingle sounded like "The Best Music WMEM." Nothing similar listed except nearby WJBM, but this seemed to be skywave. [FM-IL]
 1570 unID 2-7. unID at 0337 with promo for "K-Rock, rockin' country mobile DJ service." Gave phone number 784-0100 and mentioned the "Coolie" area. Suspect something NW of me. Any ideas? [FM-IL]
 1600 unID 2-12 unID at 0705 messing up 1600 looped EW. Sounded like some kind of USB or LSB signal. Heard previous week also. Faded around 0715.

25 YEARS AGO

March 6, 1971 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" - Steve Taafe of Bayton, IN received his first NV verie, from KLUC - Mike Hardester of Modesto, CA on 2/22 heard a couple Hawaiians and probably every Cuban that exists - Gary V. Jackson of Sacramento, CA said his best catch is 40 watt CBXQ - Edward B. Haden of Rosamond, CA commented on how the 2/9 earth quake caused his receiver to act up giving him odd signal strength jumps.

OPEN MIKE

Remembering is for those who have forgotten. Shawn mentioned Winnipeg's coldest winter in almost 100 years. 18 days of -20 highs and lows of -30. Randy asked if Nancy and I had a fax machine. Yes and No. We can receive fax's via my computer, but only if my computer is on. ☺ So, we can receive fax's, but would need to set up times. Faxing from the computer is done all the time. I can receive fax's at work, 406-252-9938. But, please address your fax clearly "FOR JOHN JOHNSON - KTVQ ENGINEERING." 73, John.

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Well, March is here !! I understand that I had an attack of Dyslexia last week. Seems I got some initials mixed up, and had a few of you in the wrong state..Sorry about that. The column last week was typed on a Friday afternoon after an all night-er at work Thursday. Boy, it's tuff to have to work for a living !! Anyway, on with this weeks show.

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LOGGINGS

- 560 WQAM FL Miami 2/16 2130 National sports tlk, then clear sta. ID. Fair, under partial nulling of local WFIL. (Ernest, a GREAT catch. I have trouble hearing WQAM here !-ed) (EM-PA)
- 590 WROW NY Albany 2/14 1445 Fair w/ "News Radio 590-WROW" Sports, Financial Desk Update & National News. (RB-NY)
- 600 WICC CT Bridgeport 2/14 1450 Very Good w/ promo for eating Eggs. "Your Dependable News Source-WICC" into Oldies (RB-NY)
- 730 WLIL TN Lenoir City 2/15 1830 Basketball game, w/ commercials mentioning Lenior City and TN. Weak, under CKAC (EM-PA)
- 800 WLAD CT Danbury 2/14 1500 Poor w/ Ad for Colonial Ford, Plenty of mentions of "WLAD" (RB-NY)
- 910 WRKL NY New City 2/14 1510 Fair w/ Discussion on Herpes, Political commentary; "AM-910 WRKL" Rockland County weather. (RB-NY)
- 1230 WFAS NY White Plains 2/14 1540 Fair w/ "AM-1230 WFAS" ads, NOS music; promo for the NY Lottery, VISA ad, into music. (RB-NY)
- 1300 WAVZ CT New Haven 2/14 1545 Poor-Fair w/ "WAVZ AM 1300" NOS music. AM Radio log lists Rock format ??? (RB-NY)
- (RB-My database also shows Rock format-ed)
- 1310 WJLK NJ Asbury Park 2/14 1450 Fair-Good w/ "AM 1310-WJLK" CW music - in nicely from the Jersey shore. (RB-NY)
- 1340 WMID NJ Atlantic City 2/14 1455 Poor-Fair with "1340- WMID" into NOS music. (RB-NY)
- 1350 WNLK CT Norwalk 2/14 1600 Poor w/ ad for Peoples Bank. News, ID "1350-WNLK" (RB-NY)
- 1400 WSTC CT Stamford 2/14 1605 Poor-Fair w/ News, ID as "AM-1400-WSTC" Traffic Report, Weather. (RB-NY)
- WJPS IN Evansville 2/20 2330-2340 Popped up for lengthy station promo mentioning "93.5 WJPS" // FM. Slogan of "Good Times & Great Oldies." A new graveyard state for me.

(JD-AL)

1410 WHTG NJ Eatontown 2/14 1605 Poor-Fair w/ ID as "AM 1410-WHTG" into Backroads Memories Show w/NOS music. (RB-NY)

1460 WVOX NY New Rochelle 2/14 1630 Poor-Fair w/ ID as "AM 1460- WVOX West Chester" NOS music, Lottery promo. (RB-NY)

1660 WJDM NJ Elizabeth 2/13 2333-2345, 2/14 0645-0700 & 2207-2300, 2/15 0050-0054, 0653-0659 & 2325-0000. Good signal but heard through terrible electrical noise which plagues me on this frequency. I was puzzled to hear only IDs which sounded like "Radio Ives" on 2/13 and called the station. I was referred to a separate phone number for WJDM, (908-527-6377) and to Dan Turner, to whom I then spoke. WJDM is now running 24 hours a day, 10kw from Sunrise to Sunset, and 1000 watts at night and is broadcasting a syndicated program (at least during the night) called "Radio Aahs" based in Minneapolis. Only call letter IDs I heard were at the top of the hour and some legal IDs included "Radio Aahs" e.g., "This is WJDM, 1660...Radio Aahs." There are local breaks during the syndicated program, especially at 7 or 8 minutes before the hour when a local weather forecast is given, at the end of which the frequency 1660 is announced but not the call letters (at least in the forecasts that I heard) Rather, the IDs at the end of the weather forecasts mention 1660 AM and Radio Aahs, e.g., "That's the forecast from the station playing great music for great kids at 1660 AM, this is Radio Aahs." All IDs are followed by a short jingle. (HL-LA)

SPECIAL INTEREST

1670 KTRK MD+ Ft. Meade 2/7 2128-0003 sign off. Playing Rock music, Iron Butterfly, Rolling Stones, other Rock. Good signal but very fadey in & out.. ID as "ABS 1670". Last half hour was very poor reception. Said: "If you live 60 miles from Alexandria, Va, you are DX" and asked for reports. Address: ABS-Room 340, 601 North Fairfax St. Alexandria, VA 22314. I noted them saying this was an "Equipment Test". (WW-MA)

UN-IDEN:

1010 WHIN TN Gallitin. JD points out that I am wrong about the slogan for WHIN.. He is Right (as usual) I was confusing WHIN with WFLI-1070 in Lookout Mountain.

HELP WITH UN-IDEN:

1360 WAOZ OH Cincinnati. Mike Hardester's UnIden on 1360 is WAOZ. They beam in his direction at night. They are also a regular on 1360 in the St. Louis area. (EB-MO)

1590 WOKX NC High Point. According to my NRC Log (the latest I got is 1994) The Un-iden from Greensboro, NC that Mike Hardester heard was WOKX. The 1994 NRC Log listed them as Religious, but they may have switched to Adult Stnds. High Point is part of the Greenboro/High Point/Winston-Salem metropolitan area, the third largest in NC (after Charlotte and Raleigh/Durham) (EB-MO)

TIS:

1610 ????? FL Noted "new" temporary TIS on I-75 South. Location is two miles North of the Venice exit. Two weeks ago, a tanker truck hit a bridge. The resulting "inferno" MELTED the bridge, thus closing the Southbound lanes of I-75. TIS explains that ALL traffic MUST exit, and how to follow the detour. This TIS is only a couple of miles South of the "REGULAR" TIS at the Bee Ridge exit. I would guess that at night the two signals must KILL each other. (LF-FL)

DX TESTS
 560 WGAI NC Elizabeth City 2/12 0110-0133 Noted Code Tone Only. High pitched code 0110, low tone 0112-0115. Very high pitched tone 0122. Low tones 0126. Good signal severe QRM from WHYN. (WW-MA)
 630 WIRC NC Hickory 2/19 0000-0030. IRCA DX Test. Heard many lengthy code IDs mentioning Hickory. Seemed almost continuous. (JD-AL)
 710 WFNR VA Christainburg 2/18 0015-0045. NRC DX test. Caught several lengthy code IDs. No increase in signal strength noted at the time they were supposed to go to 10kw. (JD-AL)
 730 WNAK PA Nanticoke 2/18 0300-0400. NRC DX test.. Thanks to phone tip from David Gasque, caught two code IDs, giving call letters many times, during 30 minutes prior to scheduled start time. (JD-AL)
 770 WLWL NC Rockingham 2/19 0117-0131 Noted code only. Weak most of the time. Noted code at 0118, 0127, and 0131, Weak signal. QRM from WABC. (WW-MA)
 770 WLWL NC Rockingham 2/19 0100-0130. NRC DX Test. Heard several high pitched code IDs mentioning "TEST" and call letters. (JD-AL)
 1450 WBSR FL Pensacola 2/17 0100-0200 IRCA DX Test not heard. (JD-AL)

FOREIGN DX (DUE TO LACK OF EDITOR)

535 ---- Grenada St George GBCAM 535 2/13 2050-2100 Mx, then ID with station info at sign off. Fair to good. Clear channel-Radio Vision at 532. (EM-PA)
 720 ---- Jamaica Kingston RJR 2/13 2155 Tlk with mentions of Kingston & ID as RJR. Weak. Heard under CHTN and nulled WGN.

 Announcement Time :: JD suggests using a different symbol to designate a station signing off. OK. lets use the + sign. I have also agreed to help with the Eastern Foreign DX section on a "TEMORARY" basis, until a full time editor can be found..Come on folks, lets get some "New Blood" in on the fun!...Also the FIRST function of the IRCA Convention will be held at the end of March. A SPECIAL DX TEST night is being set up, with a LARGE group of stations all over Florida...More details next week. Special DX Certificates will be issued. This may be your BEST chance to LOG Florida, so plan on being with us ALL night !! That's all folks...all the best....c u in 7 Fresh

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DX here has slowed down quite a bit, but I did recently log what I believe to be the Taiwan Broadcasting Company station on 639 KHZ, running old Rock-A-billy Elvis stuff in Taiwanese. The power listed is 1KW. Hope to get a reply on that one. Nice to hear Bruce Portzer bought a Drake R8A. Hope he does well with it. I sure have been happy with my R8. Dan Sys recently commented on how poor QSLing is these days. Yes, it is really hard to get a QSL out of a lot of stations. It took about 2 years to finally get one from CFNL-590-Ft Nelson, B.C., after logging them around the Christmas of 93. The manager never answered me after making several calls and he hold me that he would reply. They are a NOR-NET station and their CE is in Edmonton most of the time, but the reports are mostly forwarded to him. After making more phone calls I ran him down in Edmonton. He said that he would answer, which he never did. In fact, I finally received my verie from the 3rd CE in the two year period! Canadian stations used to be excellent QSLers. I am now waiting for my CKMK-1240-Mackenzie, BC verie from CKPG. I wonder how long this one will take? It has been out 2-3 months so far. I could write pages on what I have gone through to get that QSL as most DXers that QSL could do. Again that question comes up "Is it worth it?" I still say YES!!! After getting over 2300+ QSLs in the past 31 years, it is really nice to look through the bunch, as many stations I will never hear again and it is nice to have something from them. Most of the time, I don't think of all the \$\$\$ I have spent, as most hobbies take \$\$\$. I get probably less than 50% return on first reports, but with the followups, phone calls, etc. it probably gets up in the 85-90% rate, but it is hard to obtain that. It is nice to have something from that station you stayed up to hear all night! Good DX. 73s Patrick

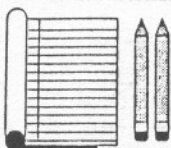
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[2/9] Greetings! Logging KTRK-1670 was fun! It's something we can tell our grandchildren about. I'm finding that WJDM-1660 is a convenient barometer for east-coast reception here. There's never any interference! An observation: most Canadians I've heard lately aren't fussy about IDing right on the hour. They go from fifteen seconds to two minutes past, then start their newscasts. All I know ... 73 and good DX.

Randy Stewart, 4225 W LaCasa, Springfield MO 65802-5615

[2/9] it's been another interesting DX season so far, and it's not over yet. TAs have unfortunately not been plentiful since around Christmas, just a few weak hets from the big Spaniards and the Saudi giant on 1521. I did get good audio from Norway-1314 back in October, sent a taped report to NRK but have heard nothing back (sigh). Speaking of European stations, I've never heard a bloody word from Vatican Radio after a taped report and a follow-up for reception of 1611 back in December 1994 ... anybody got a tip for verifying them? WJDM-1660 has been a regular here -- noted last night (2/8) running Radio Aahs childrens' programming. Finally logged CBF-690 -- verie letter back in a week. Report out also to CKWX-1130 (thanks to Frank Merrill's tip in CDXR in DXM 1/27). Karl Zuk's review of the Sony AM Stereo Walkman (SRF-42, \$30) in *Monitoring Times* inspired me to go out and buy one. I had no prior experience with C-QUAM stereo (or AMAX-certified radios), and it certainly has been interesting. Early conclusions: the radio itself is cute, with fair sensitivity (especially when inductively coupled to my box loop!); audio quality is quite good out of the little mini-phone jack when using good hi-fi headphones or patching it into a component stereo. Two complaints: the slide rule dial is of necessity so tiny that it's hard to tune; and I thought AMAX-certified radios were supposed to have steep 10-kHz notch filters. Despite the "AMAX" logo emblazoned on the case, the SRF-42 (this of course under nighttime skywave conditions when there are signals on every frequency). But the audio is nicely wide-band (especially noticeable compared to the severely rolled-off highs on my Yaesu FRG-100) with good stereo separation, and many stations sound virtually as good as FM (depending of course on the sort of audio processing they use ... even with the new NRSC standards, it sounds like many AM stations are still rolling off their highs around 6-8 kHz). As for C-QUAM itself: it's fine for local groundwave reception, but the wandering "platform-motion" and phase-shifting merry-go-round produced by skywave is enough to give me motion sickness!



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Greetings. I hope everyone had an opportunity to log the Army Broadcasting Station which was operating on 1670 kHz 2/5-8 around the clock. Reports indicate it was heard in Europe and to California as well. A unique opportunity! Until further notice, for those who contact me via the Internet, please do not use past listed addresses. An interim address, at school, is noted above, and as soon as some bugs can be worked out with our (to be) server, I'll post a new address. Very likely, since early January, only a small percentage of my outgoing e-mail and mail to me was received, thus the pending switch. Finally, will the person who sold my name / mailing address to "Crown Trophy" please refrain from such future ventures...I already receive enough junk mail. Also, keep in mind that doing such is illegal in some states. Aside from that and the weather, hope y'all are getting in some Great DX! Very. 73 and Best of DX de Mike.

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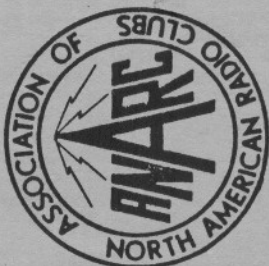
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