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NEW MEMBERS: Edwin Gibson of Brownsburg IN, Sam Capece of Buffalo NY. **RENEWALS:** Wes Weathers of Lancaster CA, Richard Kowalczyk of Toronto Canada, Jim Jenkins of Madison FL, Bruce Portzer of Seattle WA, Donald Ingram of El Segundo CA. A Big Welcome to Edwin & Sam. Thank You..

SALE: Shack Rationalization Sale: HQ180 \$250, HQ150 \$150, HQ160 \$125, Radio West loop \$30, all plus shipping. Other classic vacuum tube gear, air core loops etc. SASE for full list. Harry Helms 7445 Andasol St, San Diego CA 92126 or e-mail to hightext@delphi.com.

URL: Lynn Hollerman has notified the publisher that she has under construction an IRCA Web page. She says there are some things to look at, and she would appreciate any comments or suggestions! The URL for the IRCA Web page is: <http://fly.hiwaay.net/~waholler/irca.htm>. Lynn told me that URL stands for Uniform Resource Locator. Lets give this a push and help Lynn and the IRCA. Lynn is located at: ircacpc@aol.com.....

AOR AR7030: I have some other reviews at hand and I do not think you should dash out and put your hard earned cash down on the AR7030 until they have been in production for awhile, maybe a 100 units and they get out in the field. I could tell you in 10 minutes if the strong signal handling figures were correct. This area separates the good ones from the bad ones.

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
3/25/96	Mon	1200-1230	- 720	- WRZN	- Hernando FL (IRCA)
3/25/96	Mon	1230-0100	- 1390	- WZZB	- Seymour IN (NRC)
3/25/96	Mon	1230-0130	- 910	- WSBA	- York PA (IRCA)
3/25/96	Mon	0100-0130	- 930	- WKXY	- Sarasota FL (IRCA)
3/25/96	Mon	0130-0200	- 1280	- WTMV	- Sarasota FL (IRCA)
3/25/96	Mon	0200-0230	- 850	- WRUF	- Gainesville FL (IRCA)
3/25/96	Mon	0230-0300	- 980	- WLUS	- Gainesville FK (IRCA)
3/25/96	Mon	0330-0400	- 1440	- WBLA	- Elizabethtown NC (NRC)
3/25/96	Mon	0400-0430	- 1320	- WAMR	- Venice FL (IRCA)
3/30/96	Sat	1200-0200	- 1270	- WMIZ	- Vineland NJ (NRC)
3/31/96	Sun	1200-1230	- 1270	- WLIK	- Newport IN (NRC)
4/01/96	Mon	0100-0130	- 1360	- KNIR	- New Iberia LA (IRCA)
4/01/96	Mon	0515-0545	- 1110	- WTBQ	- Florida NY (IRCA)
4/06/96	Sat	1200-0200	- 1260	- WNRK	- Newark DE (NRC)

DX TEST BULLETIN

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

Note: Check out the special "IRCA Ocala '96" DX tests arranged by our own Lee Freshwater, beginning March 23rd. Lee sez "The tests are being run as the first function of the 1996 IRCA Convention to be held in Ocala, Florida July 19-22, 1996. Due to music licensing agreements, some station will not be able to run music during these tests, while others will. Feel free to include all reports and/or tapes in one envelope, but please use separate sheets for each station. I will be forwarding all the reports to the individual stations for their use, after I issue the IRCA QSLs. I don't need return postage, but will forward postage with all the reports (I send to the station)." THANKS, LEE !!!

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1996 - WEAG-1490, STARKE, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 650 WATTS, NONDIRECTIONAL. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. BEN DICKERSON - OWNER/GENERAL MANAGER. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1996 - WMOP-900, OCALA, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:30 & 1:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 3,200 WATTS, NONDIRECTIONAL. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. DICK ANDREWS - OWNER/GENERAL MANAGER. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1996 - WOCA-1370, OCALA, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 1:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 5,000 WATTS, NONDIRECTIONAL. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. BOB HOUCK - OWNER/GENERAL MANAGER AND MR. CLYDE MOELLER - CHIEF ENGINEER. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1996 - WTCM-1290, OCALA, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:30 & 3:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 5,000 WATTS, NONDIRECTIONAL. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. LARRY WHITTIER - GENERAL MANAGER. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 - WRZN-720, HERNANDO, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 10,000 WATTS, NONDIRECTIONAL. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. PAT BRINKER - GENERAL MANAGER. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 - WZZB-1390, P.O. BOX 806, SEYMOUR, IN 47274 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:30 & 1:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: BLAIR TRASK. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 - WSBA-910, P.O. BOX 910, YORK, PA 17405 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:30 & 1:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S, TEST TONES, AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. STEVE JOHNSTON - ENGINEERING MANAGER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 - WKXY-930, SARASOTA, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 1:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 5,000 WATTS, NONDIRECTIONAL. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. CHARLES HERNANDEZ - OWNER/GENERAL MANAGER AND MR. TONY HERNANDEZ. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 - WTMY-1280, SARASOTA, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:30 & 2:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 500 WATTS, DIRECTIONAL. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. MIKE CRAFT - GENERAL MANAGER. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 - WRUF-850, GAINESVILLE, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 5,000 WATTS, NONDIRECTIONAL. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. BOB CLARK - GENERAL MANAGER, MR. DON RICE - CHIEF ENGINEER, AND THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 - WLUS-980, GAINESVILLE, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:30 & 3:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 5,000 WATTS, NONDIRECTIONAL. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. BILL MORRIS - OWNER/GENERAL MANAGER. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 - WBLA-1440, P.O. BOX 458, ELIZABETHTOWN, NC 28337 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 3:30 & 4:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. BUDDY PAIT. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 - WAMR-1320, VENICE, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 4:00 & 4:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND MENTION OF ALL STATIONS TESTING. POWER WILL BE 5000 WATTS, NONDIRECTIONAL. A SPECIAL "IRCA OCALA '96 CONVENTION" QSL WILL BE ISSUED FOR CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, OCALA, FL 34474. (ARRANGED BY LEE FRESHWATER FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1996 - WMIZ-1270, VINELAND, NJ WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 2:00 AM EST. NO OTHER INFO WAS PROVIDED ON THIS TEST. (ARRANGED BY DAVE SCHMIDT FOR THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 1996 - WLKJ-1270, 640 WEST HIGHWAY 25/70, NEWPORT, TN 37821 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:30 AM EST AT A POWER OF 5,000 WATTS. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S & MARCH MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DWIGHT WILKERSON. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1996 - KNIR-1360, BOX 12948, NEW IBERIA, LA 70562-2948 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 1:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. RICK MOREL - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1996 - WTBQ-1110, 62 NORTH MAIN STREET, FLORIDA, NY 10921 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 5:15 & 5:45 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S, TEST TONES, AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. ROB MCCLEAN - PROGRAM DIRECTOR. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 1996 - WNRK-1260, NEWARK, DE WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 2:00 AM EST. NO OTHER INFO WAS PROVIDED ON THIS TEST. (ARRANGED BY DAVE SCHMIDT FOR THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 1996 - HCJB-690, CASILLA 17-17-691, QUITO, ECUADOR WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:15 & 12:30 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)

MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1996 - WYTI-1570, P.O. BOX 430, ROCKY MOUNT, VA 24151 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:30 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. EARL SHELTON. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)



DX WORLDWIDE II

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Greetings. Time for another column. The biggest news this time is some new expanded band activity from Australia. Pat Martin has already heard one of them and more are apparently on the way. These would be good targets for those of you on the east coast, as the print handicapped stations which operated on 1620 and 1629 were heard in ON & MA a few years ago.

Since this is around the club's anniversary, here is a quick re-intro. I've been an IRCA member since 1966 and have served as editor-in-chief, president, DX Worldwide editor, and various other functions. I currently use a Drake R8A with a Kiwa loop, plus a Yaesu FRG-7 and Radio West loop as backup. Due to the large number of Seattle locals, plus the noise level at home, most of my serious DXing these days is done with Beverage antennas along the coast, and most casual DX is done on the car radio going to and from work. In real life, I'm an electronics engineer and work for a consulting firm designing various types of communications systems. My wife Evelyn and I have two kids, Theresa, 8, and Steven, 5, who occasionally show brief periods of interest in radios before moving on to other activities.

TRANS ATLANTIC

BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA: The station which was widely heard testing from Ft. Meade, MD on 1670 in early February is on its way to Bosnia, where it will operate on 1143 [Arctic]

GERMANY: *Radio Ropa* has left MW/SW and is now L W/FM only. *MDR* will probably leave MW for FM. *Evangeliums Rundfunk* will start on 4/1 24 hr with 700/120 kw [Arctic]

IRAQ: Radio of the Iraqi Army is reported on 1527 1900-2300 [Arctic]

IRELAND: *United Christian BCers* moved from 864 to 549 kHz on 1/6 to avoid QRM from Paris [Arctic] The Irish Government is questioning the need for LW BCer *Atlantic 252*, since it is owned mainly by R Luxembourg and its target audience is in the UK. It

has been suggested that the transmitter would be better served by relaying RTE Radio One. [MWC] RTE Radio One is facing a major shake up because it is losing listeners to commercial stations. It has started 24 hr operation, & is introducing new pgms & presenters to appeal to persons aged 25-40. [BDXC]

KUWAIT: Current MW Schedule

540 0000-2359 ArabicKWT/Gulf Main Program
630 0000-2359 ArabicKWT/Gulf Main Program
963 0200-2100 ArabicKWT/Gulf Holy Quran
11340000-2359 ArabicKWT/Gulf Main Program
1269 2100-1800 ArabicKWT/Gulf Music Program
1800-2100 English KWT/Gulf
1341 0200-0700 ArabicKWT/Gulf Holy Quran
0700-1500 ArabicKWT/Gulf Second Program
1500-2100 ArabicKWT/Gulf Holy Quran

[DX Antwerp]

VOA-1548 has probably increased power recently as it is hrd evenings w/excellent signal in Singapore [Arctic] *VOA-1548* was scheduled to increase power to 600 kw in January [VOA "Communications World" pgm] **MALTA:** *DW-1557* left the air 1/15/96. The xr site will be dismantled and a summer resort will be built on the site [Arctic]

NETHERLANDS: *VNR-1395* is now using full power of 120 kw, but pauses 1900-2200 UTC to avoid QRM with Albania. They are still looking for a new freq, 720 is one of the freqs being considered [Arctic]

SAO TOME: *VOA-1530* is scheduled to increase power to 600 kw [VOA "Communications World"]

SLOVAKIA: BBC is testing 1521 evenings with 600 kw [Media Network]

SPAIN: Some local broadcast times for Spanish networks: *Cadena SER* - 07.20-07.30 07.50-08.00 08.20-08.30 08.50-09.00 12.20-14.00 14.05-14.30 15.07-16.00 19.00-20.00 20.15-20.25 local time in Spain. Local programs in the morning are called "Hoy por hoy" *Cadena COPE (Radio Popular)* local programs: 12.30-16.00 local time in Spain; they also are heard at several times in the morning hours, such as the following recent logs 999 Madrid at 07.56 UTC, 900

Bilbao at 07.36 UTC, 1134 Pamplona at 06.59 UTC 07.55 and 08.03, 1134 Salamanca at 08.21 UTC, 1314 Valladolid at 07.57, UTC 1143 Oviedo at 08.51, UTC 1134 Astorga at 08.22 UTC with local ad, 1134 Astorga at 07.43 08.02 UTC 08.09 UTC, 1224 San Sebastian at 08.01 UTC; 08.22-08.24 local ad, 1296 Valencia at 08.09 UTC Local programs in the morning are called "Primera Hora"
RNE Radio 5 local programs: every hour + 10 min / + 26 min / + 40 min / +55 min [Van Arnhem, Kotanet]

SWITZERLAND: ERF Radio Reviva has asked the Swiss PTT for use of 1566, no definite answer yet [Arctic]

PAN AMERICAN

BELIZE: Radio Belize has left MW. The VOA outlets on 1530 and 1580 are the only MW stations in the Country. VOA has signed an agreement with the Belize government allowing them to carry broadcasts for third parties on a lease/barter basis. VOA operates 0100-0400, 0400-1200 is available to qualified broadcasters. [Fidonet]

COLOMBIA: *Emisora Nuevo Continente 1590* replaced R Zona Metropolitana in early 1995. [Play DX]

HJLJ Radio 1500, Cali, strong in Finland on 1500.3 1/31 w many id's. [Mantyla, AM DX Newsflash]
 Some other off freq Colombians, via Arctic:
 1049.9 RCN Granada, ex LV de la Conquistista
 1290.3 RCN Giradot, ex Ondas del Puerto
 1330.1 R Super, Tunja
 1570.2 Armonías Boyacenses
 1589.9 Ondas del Rioseco
 1649.8 LV del Rosario, Junín, Cundinamarca, announces 1650 HJNJ or HJLJ

ECUADOR: HCJB plans to upgrade its 690 outlet from 25 to 50 kw with a new xr this year [DXC]

GUYANA: GBC is planning to return to the air on SW in early 1996 on 3290 & 5950 with 10 kw. [NZDXT]

HONDURAS: New Stations, via Arctic

540 HROW R Atlántida, La Ceiba
 550 HRXT Radio X, Tegucigalpa
 560 HROY R Jupiter, Comayagua
 560 HROT, R Montserrat, Danlí
 570 HROX R El Triunfo, Choluteca
 580 HROU R Unión, Gracias
 590 HROV LV de Lepaguare, Jutacalpa
 720 HRNG Super Stereo Costa Sur. Choluteca
 730 HRXG Cadena Dial, Santa Bárbara

780 HRSE Estéreo Sol 2000. Choluteca
 850 HRIF R Inspiración, La Entrada
 1030 HRRH R Ticante, Ocotepeque
 1100 HRVS LV de Suyapa, Juticalpa (relay)
 1190 HRZQ R Tegucigalpa, San Pedro Sula (relay)
 1190 HRFS R Familiar, Morazán
 1220 HRGW R Patria, Catacamas
 1230 HRSM R Samaritano, San Marcos de Colón
 1240 HRVN R Venus, Santa Bárbara
 1330 HRFL R Florida, La Entrada
 1340 HRED R Red, Olanchito
 1380 HREJ R Voz Evangélica, Choluteca
 1400 HRAU R Alegre, Sava Colón
 1430 HRTF R Recuerdos, Juticalpa
 1440 HRRY Radio Mía, San Marcos de Colón
 1460 HROC R Ranchera, Olanchito
 1550 HRJO R Campeona, Comayagua

MÉXICO: Former IRCA member Jef Jaisun, on vacation in Mexico reports hearing *XEUN* on 940, ex 860. Not sure what happened to *XEQ*. Also, via Arctic, *XEOLA-710* is now La Reina Grupera & *XETU-980* is now R Tampico.

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES: New address for TWR is PO Box 388, Bonaire. [Play DX, via DXC]

PERÚ: OBX4I R Santa Rosa has been hrd on 1498.2 in Sweden [Arctic]

PUERTO RICO: *WRSJ-1560* is now EE all nx [BDXC via Arctic]

TURKS & CAICOS: *Caribbean Christian Radio* is being noted on 1025 (ex-1020) with usual US preachers. Signal is very strong on the east coast with a slight het from Spain-1026 and some residual slop from phased WBZ-1030. Noted back on 1020 on Jan 22. It's not clear what they are doing, but the freq bears watching. [Mark Connelly et al]

VENEZUELA: the new Venezuelan Radio & TV Handbook is now available. It is a complete list of radio and TV stations, including FM, MW, VHF, UHF, cable and satellite systems. A list never seen before, over 50 pages long. Only US \$ 10.00 or 20 IRC's. Checks or Money Orders not accepted. Write to: Manuel Rodriguez P.O. Box 65657, Caracas 1066-A, Venezuela. If you want more information e-mailed to: mrodrigu@coniciv.ve [Internet]

540 delete YVUR
 760 YVQQ, Doble Q, Puerto La Cruz will run the "Radio Restauración" pgm 0000-1100. The Evangelic organization plans more air time on the stn
 1140 news R Margariteña in Porlamar [Arctic]

TRANSPACIFIC

AUSTRALIA: ITU Zone 3 has been given an expanded MW band from 1602 to 1701, and the Spectrum Management Authority is already issuing licenses for this part of the band! Maximum power on these freqs will be 5 kw. *2AM-1620* is now on with 400 kw, country music and tourist info. Address: K Fisher, 365A, Port Hacking Road, Caringbah, NSW 2229. [OZDX/NZDXT] *7QN-630* & *7SH-1584* now carry R National [DXC]

CHINA: *Guandong-603* is English most of the day w/IDs as Radio Guandong [Arctic]

FIJI: FBC has cut all networks back to 0600-2300 local time to reduce operating costs. Other potential cost-cutting moves include closing one of the five outlets, placing another two "on trial", and sacking a third of the staff. [NZDXT]

HONG KONG: The BBC relay will be dismantled before China takes over the colony in 1997, in order to prevent the Chinese authorities from using the station. They are presently jamming the BBC [Media Network]

KIRIBATI: The Island government has decreed that all the islands in the country shall be on the same calendar day. This would move the International Date Line 30 degrees to the east to bring the Line Islands and Phoenix Islands into synchronization with the rest of the country. One of the outcomes of this move is that the eastern part of Kiribati will be the first to see the new day, year, and millennium. [NZ Herald via NZDXT]

KOREA: AFKN has not yet changed any freqs as planned per WRTH-96 [Arctic]

MACAO: Per recent visit to Macao, all stations are operating as listed in WRTH-96. 735 is heavily QRMed by Taiwan at night & will probably change freqs in the future [Arctic]

NEPAL: has English 1415-1425 on 5005 (and perhaps MW too. bp), otherwise runs 0730-1830 in presumed Nepalese (or so they still relay BBC at times? bp) [NZDXT]

NEW ZEALAND: *R Rhema Queenstown* opened 12/14 on FM; it appears that the planned 1251 outlet has been cancelled. "The Wireless Station" in Hawke's Bay is a new station on 1530, with pre 1950's music. *2YA-567* had a fire in its transmitter in September, and was operating at 25 kw for a while, it is now back to normal 50 kw. The Radio Liberty Network has

suspended its VOA broadcasts on *1386 576 1233 1323* [NZDXT/DXC]

The New Zealand Minister of Communications has stated that NZ will not participate in the band expansion to 1701 kHz, in order to protect expanded band users in Australia & the US as well as cordless phone users [NZDXT]

The *RNZ Network* is for sale. There are currently 4 expansion to the 41 AM/FM stations, advert bureau, production studio & sports service, one each from Canada, the US, Britain, & Australia. [NZDXT] (It's interesting that they're all foreign investors, especially when you consider the size of the network they're trying to buy. bp)

PHILIPPINES: *DWOO-774* in Quezon has changed calls to *DWAT*. It operates with 25 kw AM stereo, and will install a new antenna system in Feb 96 [Arctic]

SOURCES: New Zealand DX Times (NZDXT), Arctic Radio Club, DXers Calling (formerly DX Australia) (DXC), British DX Club (BDC), and Medium Wave News (MWN), plus others as noted.

GEOCLOCK

I don't recall ever seeing it mentioned in DX Monitor, but there is a very good software program called Geoclock, which a lot of members would find useful. Basically, it is a collection of very impressive maps, which includes a continuously updated display of areas in daylight and night. The maps range from various projections of the entire world to continents, groups of countries or states, and even portions of states (for instance there is one of Western Washington and southwest B.C.). The program also has the ability to calculate and display sunrise & sunset times for any place on the planet, as well as great circle bearings and distances between any two locations. It also includes a data base with the latitude and longitude of an enormous number of places (for example it lists three places in Luxembourg, and a couple dozen in the Northern Territories of Australia).

The program is available as Shareware. You may be able to find it on bulletin boards, or from ham-related Web Sites, or on-line services. You can also download the shareware version with about four maps from the Geoclock BBS at 703-241-7980. The cost for the program and a few maps is \$35 (DOS & Windows versions are available), about 100 other maps are available either from their BBS (after you register) or by ordering from them. A ham package is also available for another \$30, which includes an azimuthal map centered on your home town. Their address is Geoclock, 2218 N Tuckahoe St., Arlington VA 22205. 73 til next time. bp.

BROADCASTING INFORMATION



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

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

FL. Clarnoona 1150 khz. ???

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

CO. Brush	KSIR-1010	inc. to 25000/280 DA-1
IL. Taylorville	WTTM-1410	changes to DA-1
SC. Florence	WJMX-970	inc. to 17000-D
WA. Seattle	KELE-1050	dec. to 440-N

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

CA. Oakhurst	KTNS-1090	change power
Simi Valley	KWNK-670	change power
GA. Augusta	WGBC-580	change power
IL. Sycamore	WSQR-1560	add night service
MI. Benton Harbor	WHFB-1060	add night service
NM. Albuquerque	KXKX-1190	add night service
NY. Warsaw	WCJW-1140	change power
SC. Charleston	WQNT-1450	change power
TX. Lampasas	KCYL-1450	change power
VA. Fairlawn	WKNV-890	change power (CP)

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

AZ. Scottsdale	✓ KOPA-1440	becomes KSLX
NV. Reno	✓ KNRC-630	becomes KHIT
NC. Washington	✓ WRRF-930	becomes WDLX
PA. Easton	✓ WPII-1230	becomes WEEX
WA. Yakima	✓ KZTA-930	becomes KJOX "Jocks"

FORMAT CHANGES:

AZ. Scottsdale	✓ KSLX-1440	was KOPA, nx, now classic rock//FM
AR. Bentonville	✓ KESE-1190	was AS, now Bloomberg nx
De Queen	✓ KDQN-1390	was SS, adds JSN Regional mexican
CA. Indio	✓ KUNA-1400	was reg. Mexican//FM, now JSN reg. Mexican
CO. La Junta	✓ KBZZ-1400	was talk, now JSN country
CT. Waterbury	✓ WWCO-1240	was talk, adds PRN talk
FL. Eustis	✓ WKIQ-1240	was talk, adds PRN talk
GA. Dalton	✓ WDAL-1430	was talk, adds PRN talk
IA. Sioux City	✓ KSCJ-1360	was talk, adds PRN talk
KY. Central City	✓ WMTA-1380	was talk, now Reach s. gospel
Winchester	✓ WINH-1380	was Xtian country, adds MGX Xtian C&W
MA. Dedham	✓ WRPS-890	was variety, now brokered sports shows
MO. Maryville	✓ KNIM-1580	was AC//FM, adds ABC oldies
NM. Espanola	✓ KDCE-950	was reg. Mexican, now JSN regional Mex.
PA. Williamsport	✓ WLYC-1050	was AS, now WW1 soft AC//WPGY
RI. Wickford	✓ WKFD-1370	was talk, stds., adds PRN talk

SC. Greenville	WPCI-1490	was business, jazz, adds jazz from KLON
TX. Rollingwood	KJCE-1370	was ABC urban gold, now ABC urban AC (pick up ABC Tom Joyner & Doug Banks)
VA. Farmville	WPAK-1490	was urban, now black gospel
Saltville	WXY-1600	was s. gospel, now country

BROADCASTING INFORMATION COLUMN #2 (COMPILED 3/12/96)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

NJ. Mechanicville WPMI-1160 moves to 1160 khz., 5000/570 ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

CA. Oakland	KDIA-1310	change power
OR. Bend	KBND-1110	change power

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

AZ. Tolleson KXEG-1010 inc. to 7500-D

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL. Fort Payne	WFPA-1400	was country//WKEA, now oldies (will still sim. country overnight)
CA. Los Angeles	KYPA-1230	was KGFJ, black gospel, now motivational
Pomona	KTSJ-1220	was SS, now motivational//KGFJ
Pomona	KMNY-1600	was business, adds brokered Asian
CO. Aurora	KYBG-1090	was dance CHR//KQKS, now SS
GA. Eatonton	WKVQ-1520	was gospel, now AS
Manchester	WFDR-1370	was talk, now WWL AS (black gospel w/e's)
IL. Peoria	WIRL-1290	was oldies/talk/sports, now talk/sports
IN. Marion	WGOM-860	was AC, talk, now nx/talk/sports
KY. Elkhorn City	WBPA-1460	was AC//WPKE-FM, now CHR//WPKE-FM
Paducah	WDXR-1450	was all nx, now all sports
Prestonburg	WPRT-960	was AC//FM, now CHR//FM
LA. New Orleans	WGSO-990	was all nx, now SS AC
MD. Walkerville	WWTL-700	is new, gospel and ethnic
NY. Cobleskill	WDCS-1190	was silent, now country, stds., AC
Mechanicville	WPMI-1160	was silent, now variety
PA. Pittston	WARD-1550	was sports, shopping, now Bloomberg, nx, shopping
TX. Edna	KTMR-1130	was SS, rptd. silent
WI. Sparta	WKLJ-1290	was variety, now WWL/CNN Headline nx

BROADCASTING INFORMATION COLUMN #3 (COMPILED 3/12/96)

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

NY. Batavia 1490 khz.

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

AZ. Black Canyon Cty	KUET-710	change to DA-2 (CP)
CA. Oakhurst	KTNS-1090	inc. to 1000-D
GA. Augusta	WGAC-580	inc. to 3900/840 DA-2
MO. Kansas City	KFEZ-1190	change power
SC. Charleston	WQNT-1450	inc. to 848/848
TN. Nashville	WNQM-1300	change power
TX. Lampasas	KCYL-1450	dec. to 910/910 ND
VA. Fairlawn	WKNV-890	inc. to 10000-D (CP)

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

CA. Carmichael	KFIA-710	inc. to 1000-N, modify DA
ID. Nampa	KTIK-1340	move to 1350 khz., 5000/600 DA-N
OH. Cleveland	WRMR-850	inc. to 50000-D, DA-2

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

AZ. Wickenburg ~~KTIM-1250~~ becomes KBSZ "Breeze"
 GA. West Point ~~WCJM-1310~~ becomes WPLV
 NC. Greensboro ~~WVWB-1320~~ becomes WTCK "Ticket"
 PA. Loretto ~~WJRV-1400~~ becomes WEBG

FORMAT CHANGES:

CA. Los Angeles ~~KTNO-1020~~ was regional Mexican, now SS talk
 Ukiah ~~KUKI-1400~~ was nx, talk, sports, adds PRN talk
 Vallejo ~~KXBT-1640~~ is new, ABC urban gold (local days, ABC nights)
~~KXBT-1190~~ was R&B oldies, now ABC urban gold//1640
 CO. Commerce City ~~KLDC-670~~ is new, religion
 Grand Junction ~~KNZZ-1100~~ was nx, talk, adds PRN talk
 FL. Titusville ~~WAMT-1060~~ was stds/C&W/talk, now stds., 1 on 1 sports
 Winter Haven ~~WSIR-1490~~ was AC, now regional Mexican
 MO. Clinton ~~KDKD-1280~~ was talk, sports, adds PRN talk
 NY. Patchogue ~~WALK-1370~~ was AC//FM, now AS "Sunrise 1370"
 OH. Youngstown ~~WRWK-1390~~ was talk, adds Imus
 PA. North East ~~WEYZ-1530~~ was WW1 stds., now WW1 country
 SC. Hartsville ~~WHSC-1450~~ was talk, now Bloomberg nx
 TN. Franklin ~~WAKM-950~~ was country, adds WW1 country
 TX. Dallas ~~KMRT-1480~~ was regional Mex., now SS romance AC
 Dumas ~~KDDD-800~~ was country//FM, adds SS days
 Kerrville ~~KERV-1230~~ was stds., talk, now all AS
 WI. Shawano ~~WTCH-960~~ was talk, farm, C&W, adds ABC country
 WY. Laramie ~~KLDI-1210~~ was oldies, adds PRN talk

Wow, now I'm all caught up! 3 columns in 1! Time to take a rest,
 Happy St. Patrick's days, may the luck of good DX smile on you! 73's.



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DEADLINE: TUESDAYS

Not alot of DX this week to report. There is some information out of OZ DX-AUSTRALIA that is interesting. It is a list of the expanded band in AUSTRALIA! Yes, they are using the 1610-1700 Khz area too in the 9KHZ plan. The first station was Australian Dance Radio-1620 Khz-Nerang,Q. They were running 10 watts. Now they are off looking for a 400 Watt TX. They may be back on by now (3/12). The second station is 2AM-1620 Khz-400 watts-Sydney. It has been logged here and I received a verie this past week. Following is the list.

<u>Freq.</u>	<u>Power</u>	<u>Location</u>
1611	1/2 watt	Burgmann College, Canberra ACT
	5 watts	Kaleen High School, Canberra ACT
	5 watts	Kambah High School, Canberra ACT
	5 watts	Lake Tuggeranong Secondary College, Canberra ACT
	5 watts	Telopea Park High School, Barton,Canberra ACT
	1 watt	Francis Greenway High School, Woodberry NSW
	400 watts	Dickinson, Chiltern VIC (GB Radio)
	400 watts	AVS Communications, Altona VIC
	400 watts	AVS Communications, Wingfield VIC
	400 watts	AVS Communications, Horsham VIC
	500 watts	ABA, Geelong VIC
	5 watts	Willetton Serior High School, WA
	5 watts	Graham, Morayfield Q

- 1620 *400 watts 2AM, Tourist Radio, Sydney NSW
 *400 watts Australian Dance Radio, Auscoast BC, Nerang Q
 400 watts Auscoast BC, Manly (Brisbane) Q
 400 watts Queanbeyan NSW
 400 watts Osborne Park, WA
- 1629 100 watts Newcastle School of Announcing, NSW
 1 watt Department of Health, Parkville VIC
 400 watts Williamstown North VIC
 400 watts Holmview Q
- 1638 400 watts Hy-Grade Properties, Pennant Hills (Sydney) NSW
 400 watts Ferny Creek VIC
- 1647 400 watts Heart N' Soul Productions, Pennant Hills NSW
- 1656 400 watts A Class Property, Pennant Hills (Sydney) NSW
 1 watt Education Dept., Southport Q
 1/2 watt Willunga High School, SA
- 1683 400 watts Isaacs Ridge (Canberra) ACT
 400 watts Kingsgrove (Sydney) NSW
 400 watts Campbellfield (Melbourne) VIC
 400 watts Mt. Coot-tha (Brisbane) Q
- 1692 500 watts ABA, Darwin NT

* denotes stations that have all ready signed on. All this information from John Wright, OZ BC Echo/David Martin. Some of those should be possible, especially the 400-500 watters. All the RPH stations were logged in North America with 500 watts each. The new address for Australian Dance Radio is Attn. Steve Harvey. P.O. Box 609, Nerang Q 4211

Gary Jackson of Sacramento CA sends along info on the reported "RWE" beacon. He believes to be on 526 Khz, instead of the reported 525 Khz. It is located at Camp Roberts, CA near Atascadero, CA on Hy 101. Thx for the help on this.

VERIFICATIONS

- 1620 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2AM rec. full detailed advertisement from stations QSL manager in 21d w/taped report. Station is 400 watts operating from the old 2EA tower at Homebush Bay. Also sent a friendly hand written letter from John Wright-31 Chamberlain Avenue, Caringbah NSW 2229 AUSTRALIA. I had sent the first report to Aust. Dance Radio and the report was forwarded down to 2AM. The taped report was tent. Nice to have this one #191 Aussie QSL. (PM-OR)

AM broadcast stations operating on 1720 through 1000 kHz

** Tropical Band DX Roundup **

- 3225 COSTA RICA, Spanish Foreign Radio is the UNID MS-CT station per NASWA Journal 3/96. This is the station's New World relay site. (5P-HI*) (Thx for the help on this.PM)
- 3985 CLANDESTINE, Radio Echo of Hope on 2/16 1708 UTC. KK discussion on the Tok-do/Takeshima Island land dispute between South Korea and Japan; woman w/ID at 1714 program talk and KK folk mx. Went off at 1805 (Passport 95-96 says 1700), good despite slight jamming cochannel. This station is based in South Korea and beams to North Korea and Japan. (5P-HI*)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

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Please use Eastern Time.

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- (FA) Frank Aden-4096 Marcia Place-Boise, ID 83704
Modified FRG-7, modified Radio Shack TRF, Sony SRF-42 AM stereo Walkman,
45' N-S longwire, 180' L-longwire, 4' box loop
- (AB) Art Blair-7420 Telegraph Avenue-Orangevale, CA 95662
NRD-515, Palomar loop
- (LBG) Larry Godwin-2390 Clydes Dale Lane-Missoula, MT 59801
Hammarlund HQ-150, Sanserino air-core box loop & KIWA loop
- (HLH) Harry Helms-7445 Andasol St.-San Diego, CA 92126
Drake R8, Quantum loop
- (GJ) Gary Jackson-7735 Center Parkway-Sacramento, CA 95823
FRG 8800, KIWA loop
- (SJ) Steve Jarvis-133 Park #4-Long Beach, CA 90803
Sony 2010, KIWA loop
- (DL) Doug Lamerson-1777 East-West Rd.-Honolulu, HI 96848
Hammarlund HQ-180AX, 2' air core box loop
- (PM) Patrick Martin-P.O. Box 843-Seaside, OR 97138-0843
Drake R8, 900' NNW Beverage, 1500' E Beverage, terminated 200' SW wire
- (RJO) Rod O'Connor-P.O. Box 3488-Kodiak, AK 99615
Superadio I and 4' loop
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Kenwood R-500 and KIWA loop
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Drake R8A, KIWA loop
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GE Superadio II, Ford car radio, Pioneer SX203, Sony SRF42
- (DS) Dan Sys-27423-32nd Avenue-Aldergrove, BC V4W 3J3
GE Superadio II
- (RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118
GE Superadio II, GE long-range portable, Select-Antenna
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- 620 TIS CA, Inglewood 1130 noted with mentions of Great Western Forum, Hollywood Bank, Manchester Blvd. (MS-CA) (Mike, you had the date as "2/96," did you mean 2/26? -- NJ)
- 630 KHIT NV, Reno 3/4 0937 usual good signal over mess with several local spots, ID near top of hour. Ex-KNRC for me. (RW-CA)
- 650 WSM TN, Nashville 3/7 2359 end of state/local news, then ID "AM 650, WSM, Nashville" then into NBC news. Hadn't heard them in a couple of years. (NP-AB)
- 720 (KDWN) NV, Las Vegas MM 3/4 0800 failed to s/on. I believe they didn't come on until around 0900. (LBG-MT)
- 740 CBL ON, Toronto 3/5 0105 end of CBC news, then into CBC Overnight. On top of CBX and KCBS for several minutes. (NP-AB)

- 800 CKLW ON, Windsor 3/4 0018 phone numbers for listeners in Windsor and in Detroit, then plug for "Windsor Now" program. New catch. Had been trying for CJAD after Larry Godwin's tip, but hey, I won't complain! (NP-AB)
- 820 CHAM ON, Hamilton 3/5 0104 ID as "Your country, 820 Cham," then into "Crying, Loving, or Leaving" program. This one has been almost regular this week. (NP-AB)
- 830 KFLT AZ, Tucson 2/26 2003 non-stop music until time check & ID at 2015, mixing with KNCO. (AB-CA)
- 860 KNUJ MN, New Ulm 2/29 2108 girls high school basketball, New Ulm vs Willmar. (NP)
- 930 KROE WY, Sheridan 3/3 0951 heard an "AM 030 KROE Sports Check." (NP-AB)
- 960 KSRA ID, Salmon 3/8 2045 end of country song, then man mentioned "KSRA comes to the end of its broadcast day..." New catch. Calgary area stations (including CFAC) weaker than usual tonight. (NP-AB)
- KNEB NE, Scottsbluff 3/2 2305 weather, info about Platte Valley Stock Car Club meeting, into Sports Byline USA. (NP-AB)
- KLAD OR, Klamath Falls 3/8 2054 ID at the end of Shania Twain song "...Any Man of Mine, on KLAD..." Another new one for me. (NP-AB)
- KALE WA, Richland 3/8 2053 heard man mention "... keeping you informed on KALE" through the jumble. (NP-AB)
- 980 KVLV NV, Fallon 3/7 2100 country music, ID "With news on the hour, we're KVLV, Fallon," into ABC news. (NP-AB)
- 1010 KXYQ OR, Milwaukie 3/8 0937 Portland traffic report, news, EBS system test at 0958 mentioning "KXYQ serves the metropolitan Portland area." Rare to hear anything through CBR. (NP-AB)
- 1020 KDKA PA, Pittsburg 3/2 2323 "It's 11:23 at KDKA," ad for a jean store. (NP-AB)
- 1060 KYW PA, Philadelphia 3/2 2318 "KYW Newsradio" ID, report on Phillies exhibition game, then time check "KYW newstime 11:19." (NP-AB)
- 1210 KLDI WY, Laramie on top 3/3 2300. Man said "The station for good time oldies, KLDI-Laramie." There was a report in DXM it might have moved to 1250; not so. (LBG-MT)
- 1230 ?KATO? AZ, Stafford 2/29 0119 ID sounded like "12-30 KATO," under KGFJ and others. (MS-CA)
- KGFJ CA, Los Angeles 2/28 2258 legal ID "KYPA 1230 is KGFJ Los Angeles." New format: "Your Personal Achievement station." Call change pending. (MS-CA)
- KXLO MT, Lewistown 3/5 2300 man said "Serving the heart of... KXLO, Lewistown, MT" then ABC news. (LBG-MT)
- 1240 KLVJ ID, Mountain Home 3/6 0800 ended "That's My Side" program and gave legal ID. (LBG-MT)
- KEVA WY, Evanston 3/8 1002 had local temp. and call ID. Odd to hear it so late. (LBG-MT)
- CJOR BC, Osoyoos gave call ID at 1000 3/8 and 3/9. Seemed to mention FM 102.9. (LBG-MT)
- 1260 KRKE CO, Aspen 3/3 1028 in for 6+ minutes over usual dominant KOIT. (AB-CA)
- 1270 KAJO OR, Grants Pass 3/1 1055 Toyota ad, ID, news and sports at 1057. (AB-CA)
- 1300 KAPL OR, Phoenix 3/1 1101 religious with talk by Pastor Jack; KDIA splat. (AB-CA)
- 1330 KGAK NM, Gallup 3/4 0952 eating up KWKW with sports. ad for Charley's Coffee Shop on I-66 in Gallup. Still in 30 minutes later, good conditions to Rockies this morning! (RW-CA)
- 1400 KEZC AZ, Yuma 2/10 2234 coming out of weather, ID "KEZC, Yuma, Arizona." (MS)
- 1570 CKEG BC, Nanaimo 2/96 2330 good nighttime signal throughout the month of Feb., with C&W music and "C-Keg" IDs. (MS-CA)
- 1590 KIRS NV, Sun Valley 3/4 0505 strong in KLIV null over KXSP with Bloomsburg info net news, partial ID "K-S Sun Valley." Listed as KIRS. Ex-KHIT for me. Wonder what night power is? (RW-CA)
- +3/5 0145 inserted local ID "Bloomsburg News Radio" programming. (NP-AB)
- 1600 KOHI OR, St. Helens gave legal ID at 0900 3/5; possibly s/on. QRM form KCPX. (LBG-MT)
- KCPX UT, Centerville 3/5 0958 interrupted Spanish program for ID in English, then resumed "La Hora Internacional." Slogan is "Radio Fiesta." (LBG-MT)

- 1660 WJDM NJ, Elizabeth 2/26 0605 in fair // KPLS-830 with Radio Ahs, rather fadey at times (strange fade pattern). (RW-CA)
 +3/2 0332-0403 fair-weak but faded up near the hour. Radio Ahs programming "Beauty and the Beast" at the hour, and clear "Home of Radio Ahs, WJDM 16-60" ID by man at hour. Announcer hard to make out. Music good at times. (SJ-CA)
- 1670 KTRK MD, Fort Meade 2/7 2117-2210 in & out with soft rock (Elton John, Styx, etc), voice not clear and music weak. Lots of static that night. Gone at 0710. (SJ-CA)
 ?KTRK?+2/96 2300 noted distinct signal here several times, even on car radio. Not enough for an ID. (MS-CA)
- 1700 *TIS* CA, Anaheim 2/29 2100 has been noted testing here all month. TIS on 1500 is still on the air. Is KRCK-1500 planning to start soon? (MS-CA)
 HAR CA, Anaheim 3/2 1330 Highway Radio still testing with tape loop. Still 2 1/2 hours fast on time given. (SJ-CA)

DX TESTS

- 610 KCSR NE, Chadron 2/24 0200-0230 heard several code IDs, not bad for 136 watts (was listed as such), fairly good signal. (FA-ID)
 KVNU UT, Logan 2/25 0230-0300 heard several code IDs, at end of test ran announcement for NRC. Good signal as usual. (FA-ID)
 KONA WA, Tri-Cities 2/26 0400-0430 heard only code IDs at end of test, not very strong, they are usually pretty good here but KFRC was dominant. I wonder what pattern they were using? (FA-ID)
 (KONA)+2/26 0400 DX test not heard. (MS-CA)
- 650 (KYAK) AK, Anchorage 2/4 0400 DX test not heard. (MS-CA)
- 730 KBSU ID, Boise 3/4 0200-0234 strong over CKLG with march music, code IDs every 6-7 minutes. Switched to falk music around 0227. (bp-WA)
 +3/4 0200-0300 huge signal on DX test. Code IDs, march music, Cajun & bluegrass tunes. Voice ID mentioned Boise-Nampa-Caldwell. Report sent. (MS-CA)
 +3/4 0200-0300 in strong at times on DX test over CKLG/KSVN, with KCBS nulled. March music at beginning of test, code ID at 0243. Unneeded. (RW-CA)
 +3/4 0200-0300 noticed power switch at 0159, then into code and march music. This continued until 0230 then into country/bluegrass music mixed with code IDs. Dropped power at 0300, had regular ID and back into regular programming. I taped the first 1/2 hour in stereo off the SRF-42. (FA-ID)
 +3/4 0200-0300 "local like" in signal with 15kw. March music and Morse code IDs. Unneeded, as they are a regular here. (PM-OR)
 +3/4 0235-0300 unID appliance QRN wiped out the first half of this test. When they switched off whatever it was at 0235 code was present under CKLG. Another full minute of code at 0248. In between sounded like C&W rather than advertised march music. Never got above CKLG; very difficult to separate them on loop bearing here. Heavy atmospheric noise this am compounded the problem. Apparently off at 0300 per sked with mention of "...AM, 730." (DL-HI)
 +3/4 strong signal for 15kw, with march music & Morse code IDs. (GJ-CA)
 (KBSU)+3/4 tried for test, but not a peep for the entire hour, only regular CKLG. (RJO-AK)
- 740 KBRT CA, Avalon 3/2 0300-0330 local station very strong with KCBS under. Code at 0300 and after every song, all music was by Amy Grant. Good test with eight separate code IDs. (SJ-CA)
 +3/2 0300-0330 DX test heard like a local, hi. Multiple code IDs and Christian music by Amy Grant. Taped. (MS-CA)
 +3/2 0300-0330 code IDs made it through very well. May have had some music selections, but could not differentiate from others, no voice IDs heard. Signal level ran from strong to very weak. (FA-ID)
 +3/2 0300-0330 fair-good under KCBS mostly with Morse code IDs. (PM-OR)
 +3/2 0309-0330 weaker than expected under KCBS with code IDs every 3-4 minutes and occasional bits of music. (bp-WA)
 +3/2 0325 fell asleep just before this test began, but woke up in time to hear the last 5 minutes. Good signal over/under KCBS with Christian music & several Morse code IDs. No sign of CBX. New. (DS-BC)

- 750 (KFQD) AK, Anchorage 2/4 0400 DX test not heard. (MS-CA)
 930 (CJYQ) NE, St. John's 2/24 0100-0200 nothing heard under KSEI & KAGI, had high hopes for this one. (FA-ID)
 1200 (WTLA) NY Utica 2/24 0200-0230 nothing heard, did not expect to. (FA-ID)
 1210 (KGYN) OK, Guymon 1/29 0300-0400 noted with IRN programming as always. Some Morse code heard at 5 minutes before scheduled start time, so night have ran an hour early! (MS-CA)
 1400 (KSIM) MO Stickston 2/26 0100-0130 nothing heard, thought this one had a chance to make it. (FA-ID)

UNID

- 980 Announced call sounded like CJRR at 0800 3/3. Maybe FM affiliate of CKRM? (LBG-MT)
 1210 3/8 2300 station gave 5 pips, 1 second apart. Could be domestic or foreign. (LBG-MT)
 1320 3/4 1005 and 3/5 1040 unID both these days with C&W music fading over KCTC/KCNR looping NE/SW. No one listed fits this format. Closest is maybe KAQC-AZ but loop bearing is wrong. Doubt CHMB, KSMX or KOLT. Is KAVI-CO back on the air? (RW-CA)
 1320 3/4 1023 unID with "Venus" fading up good in KCTC null over KCNR, then faded out. Not KCTC, suspect either KKLQ-CA or KAWC-AZ. KKLQ is CHR // KKLQ-FM San Diego, I think, so don't think them (they were KSDT & nostalgia which fits!). Ideas? (RW-CA)
 1639.9 3/4 0030-0200 station here with adult contemporary music very strong at times. Commentary by male announcer, IDs as "1640 AM and 107.7 FM." Announcer gave time check as AK standard time? (PM-OR)
 1640 Tuned across the channel 3/3 2234 and caught powerful open carrier with sporadic test tones and brief bits of distorted C&W music. Many carrier breaks & power level changes; seemed really haphazard operation. +30 over S9 on peaks but fades indicated skywave signal. Carrier cut 2251 and nothing more noted until I quit monitoring 2315. Possibly another test station for the upcoming NAB convention like last year's KUSA? (HLH-CA)
 1640 Assumed pirate back 3/3 with strong but distorted signal at 2245. More readable with nostalgia music at 2308. Unreadable announcement by man who mumbled at 0754. Ran tone at 2315. Noted playing oldies 3/6 at 0754. This is not KXBT-Vallejo, CA, expected to debut here 3/12, per call to station. KXBT plays "classic soul." (LBG-MT)
 1640 2/26 0410 continuous instrumental music (with the occasional light vocal), with no announcements prior to 0505 tune out. Possibly a pirate, as Larry Godwin suggested. (NP-AB)

I'm happy to see everyone trying for the DX tests. Remember to send in your DX'ing tips to the various editors!

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RIDING GAIN

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DOWN THE DIAL

- 620 **WTMJ** WJ, Milwaukee. 3-3 fair. 0704 with mention of Career Expo sponsored by Southbridge Mall. I haven't heard this one since the early '60's when I lived in Chicago. Back then their slogan was "Voice Of The Milwaukee Journal." [RCP-IN]
- 640 **WGOC** TN, Blountville. 2-26 fair, much interference. 1813 with PSA for AA, spot for Food Country USA supermarket. News and "happenings of Cobb County." [RCP-IN]
- 680 **WPTF** NC, Raleigh. 3-7 good to poor w/CJOB, KNBR, and WJCE. 0407 noted with morning show promo, "6-80 WPTF" ID, into Gol Gross, with talk on school prayer. I don't normally get them here ... may have been on 50 kW ND for a weather emergency, some bad storms in that part of the country that morning. [SA-MB]
- 850 **WRMR** OH, Cleveland. 2-25 fair, but steady. 1755 with "Music Of Your Life" hosted by Bill Murray. Station ID, spot for Central Cadillac. [RCP-IN]
- 970 **WNIV** GA, Atlanta. 3-8 fair to poor with WAVG, WMAY, XEJ. 0117 noted with Contemporary Christian music, calls, promo. The "NIV" stand for "New International Version" as in the NIV Bible. Atlanta #12 from here! [EB-MO]
- 1120 **WDUF** VA, Duffield. 2-29 fair with KMOX. 1803 with Gospel format, several country Gospel songs back to back. 1815 with sign off and SSB. Mentioned concluding its broadcast day, and 1000 watts of power. [RCP-IN]
- WUST** DC, Washington. 3-1 over KMOX for a short time. 1750 with Ethnic male and female hosts speaking in Iranian. Station ID at top of hour mentioned "...coming from the Nation's Capital." [RCP-IN]
- 1260 **WMIH** OH, Cleveland. 2-28 poor w/WNDE and CFRN. 2235 with weather and a promo for the Rosary program. New for me. [SA-MB]
- 1360 **WLKB** IL, DeKalb. 2-28 fair. 1831 with PSA for IL Department Of Highways. "WLKB" ID. New logging for me. [SA-MB]

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- 1370 **WGHN** MI, Grand Haven. 2-28 poor. 1914 with weather and "WGHN" ID. New. [SA-MB]
 1440 **WGVL** SC, Greenville. 3-1 on top briefly. 2030-2035 with "...talk.... 14-40 WGVL" into a sports broadcast. First time heard. [TMJ-IL]
 1560 **WAGL** SC, Lancaster. 2-29 much interference and quick fades. 1710 with country format. Music back to back. [RCP-IN]
 1660 **WJDM** NJ, Elizabeth. 2-27 noted off air at 2315 with OC and TT. [TMJ-IL]
 +3-1 weak, but still very readable above noise level. Music and many partial jingle ID's as "Radio Aahs, 16-60," but gave full ID on the hour. 0300 ID sounded like they said Elizabeth, New York instead of Elizabeth, New Jersey. The 0400 ID jingle said "WJDM 16-60 covering the Tri-State area." [DNH-TX]
 +3-9 good with Radio Aahs programming. [NJ-MT]

DX TESTS

- 610 **KCSR** NE, Chadron. 2-24 DX Test. 0200-0230 heard several code strings. Heard with WDAF and WIP. Was rather surprised it made it through. WDAF was not that strong this night. [TMJ-IL]
 +2-24 DX Test in mess. 0200 with code ID. New!! [SA-MB]
 (KONA) **WA**, Tri-Cities. 2-16 DX Test. 0400-0430. Listened, nothing but WDAF, WIP, and WZZK. [TMJ-IL]
KVNU UT, Logan. 2-25 DX Test. 0230-0300. WDAF was too strong, but "possible" code heard at 0230 during a few seconds pause of WDAF. Nothing else heard. [TMJ-IL]
 {Tom, KVNU did indeed send code at 0230, very weak here in Billings. John.}
 730 **KBSU** ID, Boise. 3-4 DX Test poor u/CKDM and CKAC. 0200 with code ID. New!! [SA-MB]
 +3-4 DX Test fair to poor w/CKDM and FF Canadian. 0200-0245 with code and march music. [TMJ-IL]
 740 **KBRT** CA, Avalon. 3-2 DX Test. 0300-0330. Heard eight groups of code during test. Very strong at times, but never heard any voice. CBL and KRMG fairly dominant at times, but KBRT's 10kW punched through the interference. [RCP-IN]
 +3-2 DX Test very good. 0300-0330. Code and Christian music heard with unlooperable CBL. At the beginning of the test (first code string) KBRT was almost as strong as CBL! Good signal at 1734 miles! [TMJ-IL]
 +3-2 DX Test fair. 0304 with code ID's and religious type music. New!! [SA-MB]
 930(CJYQ) NE, St. Johns. 2-24 DX Test. 0100-0200, too much semi-local WAUR, nothing heard. [TMJ-IL]
 +2-24 DX Test not heard. 0100 only WAUR and CJCA. [SA-MB]
 1200 **WTLA** NY, North Syracuse. 2-24 DX Test. 0200-0230 heard numerous (and short) code strings, TT, and voice ID's. Heard with WOAI and WLXX. [TMJ-IL]
 +2-24 DX Test poor. 0200. Code ID's at 0207-0208. [SA-MB]
 1400(KSIM) MO, Cape Girardeau. 2-26 DX Test. 0100-0130, nothing recognizable heard during this DX Test. A no show again. [TMJ-IL]
 +2-26 DX Test not heard. [SA-MB]

LOCAL CHANGES

- 1270 **KFCC** TX, Houston. 3-1. As per phone call with KFCC's program director, the station confirms 300 watts daytime power. They have recently moved from Bay City into Houston. Format is "international" talk, music in SS and EE. Some Asian. 3-4 noted 0304 jingle ID and they were on all night which indicated 24 hour operation. Address is PO Box 1235, Stafford, TX 77497.

UnIDS

- 620 unID 2-25 unID. 0020 possible "WRJZ" calls and "??? Sixty-Two" slogan. Format Gospel program. This in WTMJ null and het (621 Canary Islands?). [TMJ-IL]
 1190 unID 2-28 unID u/WOWO. 2030 someone with Lykis talk program. Is this TX? [SA-MB]
 1260 unID 2-28 unID fair u/WNDE. 2230 with classical and opera music. Ideas? [SA-MB]
 1600 unID 2-27 unID still here messing up frequency at sunrise and sunset. Suspect someone is off frequency by several hundred cycles! Also noted 3-1, 0700. Either off frequency or terrible modulation. At times it is so strong that it totally over rides WCGO. Noted also on the car radio on the way to work at 0810 miles away from any TVI. Am I the only one hearing this??? [TMJ-IL]

1680 unID 2-27 unID with OC. 0000-0715. E/W loop, slight modulation (noise) mixed with MER beacon. Any ideas? [TMJ-IL]

unIDS HELP

890 unID My unID in the 2-24 CDXR u/WLS turned out to be WQIS Laurel, MS. [RCP-IN]
25 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1971 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" - Lee J. Freshwater of Muncie, IN said he was 20 and a sophomore at Ball State - Joe A. Markewicz of Winnipeg, MB told about Winnipeg getting new postal zip numbers on April 13th - Ray Kramer (Brother of Robert) of Chicago, IL said he was 16 and a junior at Prosser Vocational High School - Robert Kramer's verie total was 590.

OPEN MIKE

The only way to amuse some people is to slip and fall on an icy pavement. A big CDXR welcome to David Hogg. We will look forward to your future reports. Shawn mentioned the cold weather has prevented a DX'pedition. He says they have received 155% or normal snow. Nancy and I thank all of you who have sent congratulations and kind words on our recent marriage. 73, John.



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R-70 w/22" R. West Ferrite Loop, '86 GMC
w/fender antenna VIA E-MAIL
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- (RB-NY) Ray Bauernhuber 141-12 243 St. Rosedale, NY 11422-2127
GE Superradio U.S.P.S.

LOGGINGS

- 600 WICC CT Bridgeport 3/6 1310 Good w/Oldies in Clearly- Plenty of
"WICC" mentions. (RB-ON)
- 740 WGSM NY Huntington 3/6 1305 Very Good The only easily received
C&W in NY is from this 25KW Long Island station. (RB-ON)
- 910 WRKL NY New City 3/6 1315 Very Good. Rockland County station
w/news & primary reports. (RB-ON)
- 1070 WKMB NJ Stirling 3/6 1300 Fair w/ C&W music; 250 watts in fairly
good w/noise. ID as "WKMB-Stirling" (RB-ON)
- 1390 WMPO OH Middleport/Pomeroy 3/1 0705 fr o/WRTK w/local nx, ad for
Blenheim Memorial Hospital, sports, WMPO ID at 0710 into
C&W song. (MB-ON)
- 1450 WCTC NJ New Brunswick 3/6 1220 Good w/"WCTC NewsTalk Time is
1222" into NX. (RB-NY)
- 1500 WGHT NJ Pompton Lakes 3/6 1255 Poor-Fair, ID as "1500-WGHT" into
Oldies. (RB-NY)
- 1570 WXLN IN New Albany 3/9 2130 Poor w/ HS Basketball Regionals.
Numerous mentions of New Albany Bulldogs. "We'll be
right back on WXLN"..Numerous spots for Jeffersonville
sponsors." It's amazing to me that the only time these
Indiana stns get out well, is during a HS basketball
game. Have noticed the same thing in the deep South
during HS Football season. New logging for me. (LF-FL)

1660 WJDM NJ Elizabeth 2/28 1200noon. Very Good w/Radio Ahas in most days & night. (MEM-MA)
 WJDM NJ Elizabeth 3/6 1030 Good w/Great Music for Great Kids; News Just for Kids & Their Families. I believe this is Radio OZ and not Radio Aahs; too much programming aimed at children-thus it's Radio "OZ" in my mind, until corrected at 1055 w/jingle promo for "Saying No to Drugs" ID at TOH as "Your listening to Radio OZ, 1660-WJDM Elizabeth, New Jersey" (Ray-I thought there was no difference in "Radio OZ & Aahs"-ed) (RB-NY)

SPECIAL INTEREST

970 WWWS PA Pittsburgh. In response to my question in last weeks DXM, JD writes that "the station ran a test for IRCA in Jan 95, and the verification letterhead mentioned the slogan "3WS"." I checked back issues, and everyone who reported that tests listed it as WWSW. ?????

1640 KXBT CA Vallejo I have heard from MANY people via the internet, Steve Ratzlaff/Mike Hardester/Mark McMilan/Robert Rusk/ just to name a few. KXBT IS ON & TESTING !!!!Playing continuous music (black oldies according to Steve) Some code ID have been hrd, but mostly music. Supposed to be 24hrs by 3/19...I have not had a chance to try for this one here. I am sure Nancy & John will have more in their columns..Lets all try for this !!! (LF-FL)

DX TESTS

770 WWCN FL Estero 3/10 Not heard u/WABC (MB-ON)
 (Note: Lynn passed on an E-mail that the test WAS heard in New Zealand !- ed)

960 KMA IA Shenandoah, NOT heard on scheduled DX Test 3/9. Checked 0225-0300, but only a jumble of stns noted- one with a "Sports One (?) phone in pgm. Would have loved to have bagged another 3-letter call! (MH-NC)

KMA IA Shenandoah, NOT heard on scheduled DX Test 3/9. Couldn't null out pest WFIR. For some reason (the calls perhaps?) this is one of my MOST wanted stations. (MB-ON)

WTCH WI Shawano, NOT heard on scheduled DX Test 3/9. Checked 0400-0425, but as w/earlier check of 960, a jumble of stns. WI is one of 2 unheard states, so would have loved to have hrd this test as well. Maybe next year ? (MH-NC)

WTCH WI Shawano, NOT heard on scheduled DX Test 3/9. Not needed. Heard on SSS in 1991. (MB-ON)

1460 WCMB PA Harrisburg, 3/11 0041 poor with code ID's noted under CJOY's Good Time Oldies. Not needed. QSLed back in 1977 (MB-ON)

TIS/ ETC.

530 NC WPGU847 Wrightsville Beach logged 3/6 @ 1230 while in Wilmington (5 miles distance). M anncr "Winter Fire Warnings," info on Board of Alderman meeting, and complete ID. W anncr w/synthesized date/time annmnts. QSL already back (2 days!!), but lists frequency as 1620, planned change ? Power = 10 watts. (MH-NC-TRUCK)

1613 NC Jacksonville. "Talking House" First noted 3/9 @ 0200-0220 Poor w/M anncr for Choice Realty, and annc. location as 101 Bedford Green. First such "talking house" in this area...air distance (maybe) 3 miles. Located today, and in truck, distance is about 3-tenths of a mile. Antenna is a 5 or 6 foot piece of wire hanging out of an upstairs window. Sign in yard says to tune to 1610. Now to see if I can get a QSL ! (MH-NC-R70 & TRUCK)

 NICE to hear from Mark McMillan. Glad to hear that I am carrying on well in his place ! HI...Got a chance to have lunch with member Jim Jenkins of Madison,FL. All we have to do now is get him more ACTIVE in this organization!!! Hope to have CONVENTION info in the next two weeks. Will start on that as soon as the DX TESTS are complete this weekend!!



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1995 was a good year for MW QSLs. I managed to get 92 new ones, which was up from the 85 the year before. The DX tests have sure been great. I caught WIXN-1460 and WANM-1070 tests. All that made it through was the code, but that was enough. I sent a tentative taped report to WPPI-1330, but that was doubtful, but I phoned the station and the announcer, who also is a DXer and wanted to hear the tape. It was very poor at best, but there was some tone and maybe morse code a couple of times in the mud. Looking forward to several other tests too. JD, keep up the great work! Received a nice verie letter from WJDM-1660-New Jersey of late. I am pleased with that, giving me a new state. I hope to make Bruce Portzer's get together in February, weather permitting. Good DX to all. 73s. Patrick

Chris Knight, PO Box 128, Firestone CO 80520

[continued from last issue] A few issues ago, Larry Godwin mentioned that he reports to WDXR because of a clause in EP which states to the effect that if a person in near a DXR boundary they can report to whichever DXR reflecting their DX. This is true! There is such a clause. However, Larry is in WDXR country as the border between WDXR and CDXR is the Mountain/Central time zone which went into effect Nov. 1981! If you have a DXM from Nov. 1981 check it out! By an oversight, that was not written into EP until Phil Bytheway became el presidente. There was much confusion about this in 1989 and 1990. So, it was put back to vote by BoD and was re-affirmed in 1990 although the concluding remarks of the affirmation were made in error. The confusion still exists. In recent DXMs, I've seen statements to the effect that the boundary is "The Continental Divide" or "The Boundary is the Pacific/Mountain Time Zone". I wouldn't mind reporting to either, but the question I ask myself frequently when I read DXM is "When did the boundary change this time?" Phil Bytheway has assured me via E-mail that WDXR territory is everything in the Eastern Time Zone. Time zones are easy. Everyone knows which time zone they are in, but not everyone knows if they live east or west of the continental divide or the 110 degree line. DX here does have a "Central Flavor" to it, but logging a "W" east of the Mississippi is pretty rare.

Gary Larson, 2806 Lincoln, Burbank CA 91504

[2/27] Some local changes here to speak of. 1600 KMNY now has Chinese programs 4P-4A everyday per a 2/25 Orange Co Register radio column. Also 1230 KGFJ began on 2/26 (probably 5 AM my time) with a motivational format of positive programs to help listeners. Call is KYPA and is also simul. on 1220 KTSJ (story said 1240). Some I spoke to at an LA AM/FM also told of a prop. change on this, last week. He thought it also included KPCC 1240 too. Owner is Personal Achievement Radio Inc. in Hollywood but prefix of number I got is Beverly Hills. Called KGFJ 213-930-9090 - recording says new hours are 9A-3P but for KYPA questions, call 310-289-7799. Assuming studio is at offices of new owner. At 610 KAVL, I found out power used. Was sent an affil. list of Prime Sports R. of Dallas by friend there and KAVL has Lancaster - LA so I've tried days to get them and signal is very poor. Spoke to Larry Thornhill who, after I explained reason for call, says power 5000/4000 (nites so. pattern to get to LA better). I mentioned new baseball team/stadium across Av 1 from stn. He says a Ridgecrest stn, KLOA FM is to do the games on air. Hope things are well in Billings MT w/Nancy + John.

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A cousin of mine, visiting from South Korea, is visiting so that he could practice his English. To help him with his education, I decided to take him on a side trip to Maui. It was fairly enjoyable, except for all that driving! Anyway, on the way back from Hana (where we saw Jim Nabors at the airport with his Costco cargo) we stopped by the offices of KUAU-1570 in Ulumala, on the north slope of Mount Haleakala. (Regrettably, I couldn't contact KUAU early enough, so it was an unannounced visit) The place was difficult to find, since although the house number is 490 the neighboring houses are 560 and 590. (I'm told the county keeps changing house numbers over the years.) We surprised owner-operator Richard Miller, who nevertheless gave a short tour. KUAU is in a one-story guest house, occupying the garage, kitchen

and a bedroom; the landlord lives nearby. Also on the property is a short amateur radio-type tower, satellite dish, and partially-built microwave relay dish. Inside the house was a studio where the People's Radio Network was emanating from the board. A few steps away the transmitter sat silent. Equipment was everywhere. Miller says KUAU went off in August, having completed its testing period, and he was waiting for final FCC approval to operate. Unfortunately, it's being held up and the federal government shutdowns haven't helped. Miller also says he's received two legit reports for his DX test besides mine, one from Oregon (Pat Martin's) and one from New Zealand, plus a bogus report from Japan. I thanked him for the tour and souvenir keychains, apologizing profusely. Miller is very much in love with his hobby-turned-profession, much like Bob Bittner in New England. KUAU should return sometime this year.

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

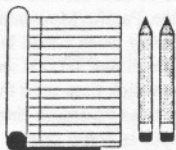
(E-Mail to lbg@selway.umd.edu)

[3/7] Greetings! Welcome to the Club, Lance Thomas! I enjoyed your DXWW report. Your UnID SS on 720 might be a Mexican; I've heard one or more here for years but have never IDed any. Doug Lamerson, congrats on hearing WGMP-1210, one of my most-wanted! Thanks to Mark Connelly and Fresh for keeping DXWW-East alive until we get a new editor. I recently had the experience of logging station #800 twice. I'd included KEBR-1210 in my listings two times. OK, it's a good idea to do a search for duplicates in my database from time to time. Got a nice verie from WJDM, but DX has been slow here since March 1. I hope someone can soon ID the apparent pirate on 1640. Good DX.

Gary Jackson, 7735 Center Parkway, Sacramento CA 95823

[3/7] Latest issue of Radio World has a two-page article on KTRK-1670 Khz. One of their editors was an announcer during their testing period -- and wrote an article about it. Very interesting. The magazine is given free to people who work in the radio industry. I saw it at a radio repair shop. So anyone interested might check local stations or radio related business. 73's

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Miracles do happen. Heard C.I.D.'s from the KBRT-740 DX Test this morning! Best DX for me this season. Looking forward to spring weather, a couple station visits and want to check out some T.I.S./HAR stations to find if they're still there. Low power WYCS-TV24 is new in town. Billed as Kentucky's first Black owned TV station. Hate to tell you Ralph -- USPS bar coded my DXM! (Same for mine--rcw) Lousy service here and it will get worse. Glad to read that Ocala was selected for the July IRCA convention. If air and ground transportation is not too complicated, I intend to be there. Had veries from the WWLS-640, WWNC-1230 and WIRC-630 DX Tests plus WVNA-1590 and WHLO-640. Not many but have about a dozen reports sent out this year to MW stations and two or three to SW stations. Might hear from half! Pumped up by haring KBRT so think will get some Zs this afternoon so I can stay up for the HCJB test. 73 de Col. DX.

Mike Hardester, 3118 Gaitway Ct, Jacksonville, North Carolina 28546-6973

E-Mail: 2Lakota@Abaco.Coastalnet.Com Greetings and a belated Happy Anniversary to IRCA! As is the custom, a reintro is in order. At 46, I'm married and have a daughter in college. So, things are a "bit" quieter around the home. Since retiring from the Navy, I've been back in college working on a degree in Computer Information Systems. This

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doesn't leave a lot of time to DX, however. And, speaking of DX, I've been a member of IRCA since 1969. During that time, I've heard and QSLd 48/48 states (still need VT and WI); provinces are 6/6; and a country count isn't readily at hand...maybe 30-40 hrd/QSLd. Main receiver is an ICOM R-70, and the main antenna is a Radio West 22" ferrite loop. Main interest in BCB DXing these days is TIS/HAR stations. I've been fascinated with them since logging my first one back on 5 May 1974. As you may know, I maintain/update the IRCA Almanac TIS/HAR list (which also includes carrier current stations - what few are left) and non-directional beacons (NDBs). PLEASE, if you have a local TIS/HAR/carrier current station or even NDB that operates in the 510-1720 kHz range, I would appreciate info on your locals! Also, I collect radio (AM/FM/shortwave/utility) and TV-related postcards...not a big collection but in the building stage. New, improved, low calorie E-Mail address above; the "interim" address listed previously (MSHARDES@Horizon.MOC.EDU), which is my school account, is still good as an alternative. Viva la IRCA y Very 73 and Best of DX de Mike.

Rick Evans, 4841 South 26th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53221-2937

The wife has been out of town the past ten days so I've been busy cleaning up the DX den. For a long time, I used to make a duplicate of the column when I typed it (the duplicates would normally get tossed out at the end of the season), and I ran across a few from 3-4 years ago. They were interesting to look at, and see what comments were being made at the time. I also located my copy of DX Monitor #17 for this season and Gary was right--the column was missing. I sent a new copy of it (with a couple of changes that Gary made in his Forum report) to Ralph a couple of weeks ago so hopefully it's already been printed as you read this. Next week's column will be the last of the weekly issues until fall. Hopefully, by then I will be off the heavy overtime I've been on since the first of November, but I'm not taking bets on it, hi. 73.

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Holiday Greetings & Happy 1996. Hope your Christmas/Hanukkah was a happy one. A recent one day surge of stations after Thanksgiving, on 11/27 to be exact had me being quite grateful to have cashed in with four great catches that day. At 0400 ELT I caught WIAN-1240 in Ishpeming, MI giving ID for both them and the station they relay, WDMJ-1320. That evening on SSS I bagged perhaps 3 of my best catches ever in that time frame in the form of WNTY-990 Southington, CT, WESO-970 Southbridge, Mass, and WABI-910 Bangor, Maine. All 3 in a span of 15 minutes from 1645 to 1700 ELT. WESO gave way to unn. Norwich, NY but even that was very highly irregular. All were in well, but the WABI signal was monstrous, possibly the best signal ever gotten from Maine at SSS. Keep an ear out for this one as I had this one in again on 12/15 at the same time. Forgetting pattern change perhaps? The were L&C with adult standards, big legal ID on the hour. Also the new WJDM is easily being heard on 1660 here nightly. Not only is NJ easy now but is destined to be a pest. Operating only to 2200 ELT for now but soon to go 24 hours. Wonder how long it will be before the FCC oversaturates the 1610-1700 kHz part of the dial. I know they have only limited assignments in place now but if their track record for 540-1600 on AM and the increasingly crowded FM dial are any indication the FCC will continue its folly of not having seen a license application that they didn't like. I also thoroughly reject the FCC decision to go ahead and roll back WOWO's night power in favor of WL1B being granted nighttime operation. Money talks. I just now noticed local 1470 is now WLQR, ex-WWMM. Not sure on any format change, will advise. The WLQR used to be on 101.5 here, they are now WRVF. Glad to see today's broadcasters are original and imaginative as well as creative in call changes and

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Went over to the Virginia Tech Library the other day and checked out the Internet for the first time. Tried to send some E-mail, but it seems the state does not pay for interactivity. NRC has a very nice home page. A lot of information, as well as the logs from the Newfoundland DXpedition. Also found an AM station database, under the banner "Elliott's Broadcast Services". Am not sure how accurate or up to date it is. If you list globally, it lists Mexicans and LAs too. The address is <http://www.broadcast.net>, which puts you on the Broadcast Net home page. I found the NRC page using a link on Dennis Burns' "Radio-Active" home page, which is <http://pages.prodigy.com/OH/radioactive>. I congratulate JD on his recent success, but there hasn't been anything special happening here. Just a lot more QRM than normal. I find myself longing for the days of sunspots and AU cx. At least then, there was a chance to hear something. On the FCC, and its professed wishes to diminish QRM: I get the distinct impression they are either lying, or they don't have a clue. Why? The database I just mentioned shows new station outlets approved on all the clear channels. 720 alone had at least ten, all approved for "unlimited" operation. Is this any way to reduce interference? Once all these stations are up and running, 720 will sound like 930 at night. If you haven't heard CHTN yet, better get it now. There's a new 720 for Billerica, MA, so Mark will have a new problem. something doesn't add up here. The consensus is that 70% of AM stations are losing money and many are on the brink. If that's the case, why would anyone in their right mind want to start one up? Yet, they continue to start up, and these new grants will all eventually be on the air, cluttering the airwaves all night long. Herb Newberry noted Radio Aahs on at 0400 with children's programming. Does that make any sense at all? Just one more unlistened to voice babbling on inately all night, adding QRM. Wonder what that station's overnight ratings look like? I now have WNNI on 24 hours on 1260, playing the same satellite rock oldies that no one listens to in the daytime either. No wonder there are very few new AM DXers. If I was just starting out, the AM band would be the last place I'd go. 73 and gud DX de LLH.

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Would you believe we are halfway thru the publishing season already. This is issue 17 out of 34. This is being typed 1/1/96, so a short recap of the 1995 year might seem in order. I picked off 9 new stations compared with 3 in 1994 and 22 in 1993. No veries received since April, 1994. I'm now up to 294 heard here with 28 veries, all since the end of July, 1988. For the newer members, I suppose I should point out that this is my fourth DXing location in the Great Lakes region of Mich, northwest Indiana (Gary/East Chicago), and central Wisc, so it is sometimes hard to get up and listen because a lot of the new stations here for me have been heard other places. I also maintain a log for my mother-in-law's home in extreme southeast Alabama so that can be fun down there although many of those stations were previously heard when I was in Gary, where I had over 1330 heard. The fifth location for my DX logs was in the Philadelphia area. A full re-introduction will be in the anniversary issue. Speaking of which...if you want to go ahead and send in your Forum for that issue ahead of time, feel free to do so when you send in another report. Just mark it as such, and I will hold it aside (more likely, I'll start typing it early). For those who may be only slightly familiar with it, the tradition in the club started with the first year anniversary of reintroducing yourself to the membership and reminiscing about old times. It's a fun issue to type and to read. And that reminds me, it's time for me to renew once again. My first years dues for IRCA was \$4 plus \$2 for first class mail. Any guesses how long ago that was? hi. 73.

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