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RENEWALS: James Rustik of Kent WA, Mike Hardestar of Jacksonville NC, Don English of El Paso TX, Thomas Laskowski of South Bend IN, Shawn Axelrod of Winnipeg Canada. Thank You All Very Much.....

EDITORS E-MAIL ADDRESSES: Lynn Hollerman has informed me that she will be putting the DXM editors who have e-mail addresses on the web page. The web address is: <http://fly.hiwaay.net/~waholler/irca.htm>.....

DX WORLDWIDE EAST EDITOR: The IRCA needs an Editor for this column. For more details contact: Phil Bytheway 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117

CONVENTION AUCTION: Auction items needed for '96 Convention. Send what ever you can to: Lee Freshwater 414 SE 3rd St, Ocala FL 34471. IRCA bookends are going to be available again this year, along with a couple of surprises from the woodworking shop. We need station T-shirts, Mugs, Stickers, DX materials.....Call your local station, and ask them to contribute !!! This is a worthy cause Lee needs some help.

CONVENTION FLYER: The IRCA Convention Committee (Lee) is putting a flyer together in co-operation with the local Chamber of Commerce. It will cover things to do in the area, and other local information...The local Travel Center is also helping out with this...If you think you might be attending the convention, and would like a copy, just let me know. These "packets" will be ready in May. Your doing good Lee..The Pub.....



DX TEST BULLETIN

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

HCBJ-690, CASILLA 17-17-691, QUITO, ECUADOR WILL BE TESTING ON THE FOLLOWING DATES AND TIMES:

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 1996 BETWEEN 1:45 & 2:00 AM EDT.
SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 1996 BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:15 AM EDT.
SUNDAY, JULY 7, 1996 BETWEEN 4:00 & 4:15 AM EDT.
SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 1996 BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:15 AM EDT.
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1996 BETWEEN 1:15 & 1:30 AM EDT.

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, HCBJ. (ARRANGED BY MR. RICH MCVICAR OF HCBJ FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL DXERS)

C-FUN

Past member Andrew Rimmington of Coquitlam, BC sends along an unusual item he heard recently...

If you think you heard CFUN-1410 on 650 during the last week of March, relax: that was just CISL-650 gloating a little.

Old timers may recall that in the late 1960's, CFUN lost a fight with CKLG-730 for the Vancouver BC T40 market. They changed their format and their call letters (to EZL and CKMO? my memory is foggy), and DJ Red Robinson did an "End of an Era" broadcast to mark the passing of the old CFUN. Some years later the station reverted to the CFUN calls; since then it's been through as many format changes as Red Robinson has had jobs.

Most recently, CFUN has been competing with CISL for the baby-boomer market -- the same folks who were listening to CKLG and CFUN in the 1960's. And Red Robinson has turned up as a DJ on CISL. CFUN finally conceded defeat and switched to an all-talk format; and CISL and Red Robinson have been having a merry time all week chortling about it. The station is running an advertising campaign aimed at the former CFUN audience ("If your old radio station isn't FUN any more,..."), while Red dusted off the tapes of that "CFUN -- End of an Era" broadcast and has been playing them in his morning drive-time slot. It was disconcerting to tune 650 and hear those "Fun in the sun, C-FUN" and "Number 1, C-FUN" jingles from the 1960's!

Geomagnetic Indices

Tabulated from WWV at ~0518 GMT nightly

Geomagnetic Summary April 11 1996 through April 16 1996

GEO - Geomagnetic activity pca - polar cap absorption
maf - major flare SA - Solar Activity
mas - major storm spe - satellite proton event
mis - minor storm ss - severe storm

Date	FLUX	A	K	SA	GEO	OTHER
4/11	68	8	4	very low	quiet-active	-
12	68	20	2	very low	quiet-active	-
13	69	7	3	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
14	69	21	3	very low	quiet-mis	-
15	68	16	3	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
4/16	68	9	5	very low	quiet-mis	-

BROADCASTING INFORMATION



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DEADLINES: 2nd & 4th Saturdays.

Compiled: 04/12/96

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

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

MI. Petoskey 750 khz. 1000/330 DA-2

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

FL. Fort Myers ~~WCRM-1350~~ inc. to 2000-D

MO. Marshfield ~~KMRF-1510~~ inc. to 1000-D, DA, 400-CH

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

MS. Port Gibson WKPG-1320 move to 1020 khz., inc. to 5000-D

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

OH. Columbus WRFD-880 inc. to 23000-D, 6100-Ch

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

CA. Los Angeles ~~KXED-1540~~ becomes KXMG "Mega 1540"
FL. Largo ~~WNZE-820~~ becomes WAPJ
IN. Fort Wayne ~~WJHK-1380~~ becomes WHWD "Hollywood"
KY. Hartford WLLS-1600 requests WSNR
LA. Norco ~~WADU-830~~ becomes WFNO
MI. Battle Creek ~~WELL-1400~~ becomes WWKN "Keener 14"
MO. Cape Girardeau ~~KCGQ-1220~~ becomes KGIR
NE. Omaha ~~KEZO-1490~~ becomes KOSR "Omaha's Sports Radio"
NY. Syracuse ~~WNDR-1260~~ becomes WNSS
OR. Eugene ~~KROK-840~~ becomes KKNX
PA. Farrell ~~WRQQ-1470~~ becomes WICT "Cat"
Pittsburgh ~~WYJZ-860~~ becomes WAMO
TN. Knoxville ~~WUTK-850~~ requests WIOL
TX. Floydada ~~KAWA-900~~ becomes KFLP

FORMAT CHANGES:

CA. Oceanside ~~KKSM-1320~~ was KKLO, hot AC//FM, now variety, alternative
Redding ~~KNRO-600~~ was nx, talk, adds Sports By-line
San Diego ~~KCBQ-1170~~ was oldies, now hot AC//KKLO-F
Santa Rosa ~~KSRO-1350~~ was nx, talk, adds Sports By-line
KY. Corbin ~~WCJT-680~~ was country, talk, now AS, talk
MI. Battle Creek ~~WWKN-1400~~ was WELL, country//FM, now ABC Oldies "Keener"
MS. Vicksburg ~~WVIX-1490~~ was silent, to be urban
MO. Lexington ~~KLEX-1570~~ was silent, to be religion
NV. Reno ~~KHIT-630~~ was rock//FM, now SMN Real Country
NJ. Paterson ~~WPAT-930~~ was soft AC, now SS
NY. Canandaigua ~~WCGR-1550~~ was oldies, adds JSN oldies
Syracuse ~~WNDR-1260~~ was country, now CHR//FM

FORMAT CHANGES (CONT.):

- NC. Asheville → WSKY-1230 was talk, adds Sports By-line
 Spring Lake → WCIE-1450 was silent, now black gospel//WMFA
 ND. Minot → KRRZ-1390 was oldies/talk/sports, adds WWL AS
 OH. Cincinnati → WUBE-1230 was sports, now AS (all contemporary artists)
 PA. Farrell → WICT-1470 was WRQQ, class rock/FM, now C&W//WICT-FM
 Shippensburg → WSHP-1480 was Xtian country, rptd. silent
 Tunkhannock → WEMR-1460 was country, adds WWL country
 TX. San Angelo → KGKL-960 was rock, now classic country
 VA. Lynchburg → WLL-930 was silent, to be black gospel
 Narrows → WNRV-990 was country//WBNK, now C&W//WRIC-FM
 Portsmouth → WSVY-1350 was urban AC, now black gospel
 Radford → WRAD-1460 was country//FM, now WWL AS
 WA. Bellevue → KELV-1540 was silent, nor urban "k-fox"
 Seattle → KRPM-1090 was country//FM, now dance AC//FM
 WV. Point Pleasant → WBSG-1030 was country//FM, now s. gospel

Ye editor passes on the following tip:

CA. Vallejo KXBT-1640 will move to 1630 'shortly'.

That's all. Get your taxes done, 3 days till their due! 73's.



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Contest standings as of April 13, 1996:

DOMESTIC CONTEST

Name	Points
1 Carl DeWhitt	1,849
2 David Yocis	1,521
3 Stan Weisbeck	1,457
4 Lee Freshwater	1,236
5 Dan Sys	1,196
6 Nigel Pimblett	1,077
7 John Tudenham	1,003
8 Ted Wendland	656
9 John C. Johnson	216
10 Dale Park	114
11 Mike Sanburn	73

FOREIGN CONTEST

Name	Points
1 David Yocis	49
2 Larry Godwin	37
3 Dale Park	28
4 Nigel Pimblett	23
5 John C. Johnson	6



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DEADLINES: 5/6, 6/3, 7/2

A short column this week, as I am ready to head out to the NAB convention in Las Vegas. I will be there covering some of it for Radio World. Then I will be going to LA for a few days. This column is being typed early. A couple reports just were received from NICK HALL-PATCH and CHUCK BOEHNKE and they will be held until next time. An earlier report from Chuck will be included. So away we go.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

720 MEXICO, UNID MM 3/25 1200-1259 Man w/UTC-6 TCs XE anthem. No slogans, local ads, city mentions, or anything. Killed by KDWN OC at 1238 and presumed XEUV s/on 1259. Whatever it was, it is new for me, as I have logged XEUV (which is UTC-7) here. Possibly XEDE or XEAVR. I know XEVAR gets out well. This after several MMs monitoring this channel without luck. (TRH-CA)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

243 RUSSIA, Razdolnoye FE on 4/3 at 1238. Fair w/RS pops (CB-HI)

675 UNID, 4/3 at 1227 w/heavy choral mx good Korea? (CB-HI)

693 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOAB 4/3 1220 w/2 men talking as though they were asking each other questions, good level (CB-HI)

747 JAPAN, Sapporo-JOIB 4/3 1400 w/NHK in EE, very good (CB-HI)

801 UNID, Guam? Light adult contemp. mx, no rr, possible ID at 1359 by Aussie sounding man, mx seemed gospel, lots of lightening noise and local QRM at 1350 3/22 (5P-HI) (How about 2XL-Radio Rhema? This sounds like it could have been them, especially w/DU accent.PM)

1170 SOUTH KOREA, Kimje KBS 3/29 1425 w/2 woman talking in JJ, mentioned phraseword "Americans" several times. (CB-HI)

1323 UNID 3/29 1553 w/man talking in UNID language then chimes at 1600 abrupt s/off. Fair China or Russia? (CB-HI) (Chinas FS seems to be reported here more often lately.PM)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

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REPORTERS FOR THIS ISSUE:

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- 670 KLTT CO, Commerce City is new here, per call to station. The 800 kHz affiliate in Brighton, CO (ex-KLTT) is now KLDC. Heard 4/7, under KBOI with relig. program ending at 0800, weak ID, then "Hope For the Present" program. Stronger 4/9 0800 when man said "You're listening to Hope for the Day on KLT (not KLTT), the mighty 670." Phone number is 303-631-2800. Thanks to Wayne Heinen for tip. (LBG-MT)
- 840 KKNX OR, Eugene (ex-KDBS, ex-KOOK) 4/13 1000 very strong in KVEG null. Bloomsberg News Radio program ended, then man said "News and talk around the clock, KKNX, Eugene and Springfield." (LBG-MT)
- 850 KBLV WA, Bellevue 4/4 1230 back on with Black AC ID'ing as "KBLV Bellevue-Seattle." That makes the 3rd Black station in the market (1420, 1560 & 1540). Had been off for quite some time. Non-stop Black/Urban AC, with occasional IDs. Also some Rap music. (PM-OR)
- + 4/5 2015 noted back on the air with urban/Black music, occasional IDs as "AM 1540, the Rhythm of the City," legal ID 2053. Otherwise no announcements. Had been silent of several months. (bp-WA)
- + Ex-silent is back! 4/6 0857 had strong signal with legal ID, then what I think was soul music. Sounded like what KXBT-1640 would play. (LBG-MT)
- + 4/8 1000 noted back on the air with an automated Urban/R&B format ID'ing as "The Rhythm of the City...1540 AM." Calls remain KBLV as per legal ID. (DS-BC)

- 850 KHHO WA, Tacoma back on the air with these calls 4/1. Noted 4/1 1015 with newstalk, with slogan "KH20." With many of the old Seattle DJs, talking about the old KTNT-1400 and the like. Very good signal here, a bit better than the KMTT, so maybe some transmitter work too. New address: 950 Pacific Avenue Suite 1200, Tacoma, Wa 98402. Sounds like they want to be a "Tacoma based station" rather than Seattle. (PM-OR)
- +4/1 0844 good in KOA null with talk about coming on the air, including learning how to use all the new equipment at the station. ID as "H20." 1st ad on the air was for Sunset Chevrolet in Tacoma. Ex-KMTT. (RW-CA)
- +4/2 0850 noted back on with all-news format, references to the "South Sound" area. "K-H-2-O" slogan except for legal ID at top of hour. Ex-KMTT, had been silent for several weeks. Probably came on 4/1. Seems weaker than KMTT, have to null KOA at night to hear them despite distance (30 miles). (bp-WA)
- +Ex-KMTT 4/5 1000 all alone, on tip from Bob Wien. Casual ID was "K-H-2-O," also "The Voice of the south Sound, KHHO, Tacoma." New. (LBG-MT)
- 1320 KGDC WA, Walla Walla 4/8 0842 & 0900 good both times over KCTC (5kw only 100 miles away and in same direction!), and KCMR with ID to hear something at 9:55 "...here on high country 1320, KGDC," country music, nice ID on hour "High Country 1320, KGDC, Walla Walla" into USA network news. Religious program after news at 0904. New. (RW-CA)
- 1570 KUAU HJ, Haiku is on the air at this exact moment, 0144 3/31/96. Richard Miller called me to listen, program is Dodger baseball. Station has received license and will be on regularly soon after he returns from a necessary mainland trip. (CB-HI)
- *****
- 570 CKEK BC, Cranbrook 3/28 0020 good on top with local spots and sports report from CKNW-980. Haven't heard this in years. (PM-OR)
- 620 KGTL AK, Homer 4/3 0210 good on top with adult standards, ID "AM 620, KGTL" into "Night and Day" by Frank Sinatra. (PM-OR)
- 630 KIDO ID, Boise 4/2 0754 strong with "Today's Radio 630, KIDO" ID. (LBG-MT)
- KHIT NV, Reno 4/1 0840 usual good signal now alternative rock, ex-C&W. ID "Rock 104.5." ID still KHIT. (RW-CA)
- 660 CFFR AB, Calgary 4/4 0031 Dairyland milk ad, Macklin Ford ad, and ID atop. (MEM-OR)
- 690 KRCO OR, Prineville 4/1 0952 good in XETRA null thru KNBR slop after CBU fade-out with mention of Prineville & Redmond, then "Thought for the Day." Not heard in a long time! (RW-CA)
- 700 KBYR AK, Anchorage 4/3 solid good signal with "AM 7, KBYR," talk format. (PM-OR)
- 750 KFQD AK, Anchorage 4/3 0220 good on top of KXL with oldies, ID "AM 750 stereo KFQD." (PM-OR)
- 770 KNWX WA, Seattle 4/1 0927 good over KCBC with ID "KNWX news time is 6:27," traffic report. (RW-CA)
- 840 KSWB OR, Seaside 4/10 0900:15 weak in KVEG null with legal ID by woman. Ran oldies across the hour. (LBG-MT)
- 850 KLHO HJ, Hilo 4/5 0800 weak with KOA partially nulled, during oldies program. Man said "All...850, KHLO, Hilo..." (LBG-MT)
- 890 KBBI AK, Homer 4/3 good dominant with odd jazz, weird music, ID at 0259:50 "KBBI Homer." (PM-OR)
- 920 KSRM AK, Soldotna 4/3 0245 "Playing great songs, KSRM," (PM-OR)
- 930 KROE WY, Sheridan 4/5 on top of KSEI with C&W. No break at 2300, but at 2303 man gave legal ID, then (delayed) CBS news began. No way was operating on listed 17 watts! New. I had local KLCY nulled. (LBG-MT)
- 940 (KFRE) CA, Fresno 3/25 0300-0340 totally off, KGRL in to NE, XEWW with ID to SE, CJIB to north. (RW-CA)
- 970 KDWG MT, Billings 3/25 0410 faded up briefly over KBEE/KBBK with ID "Today's hot new country favorites, on Cat Country, KCTR (FM)." Guess AM simulcast of FM. Ex-KCTR, been after this call change for 3 years since convention! (RW-CA)
- KTRW WA, Spokane 4/3 0800 weak signal in momentary KBBT silence (sounded like their automation unit screwed up). Sports talk and legal ID "The Score...KTRW, Spokane," into newscast. New. (DS-BC)

- 1010 KXYQ OR, Milwaukie 4/11 1000 moderately strong in CBR null. Man referred to "Portland's only ??? radio atation ... 1010-AM, The Voice." Then USA Radio News. (LBG-MT)
- 1030 KMAS WA, Shelton 4/8 2225 ID with weather loud then gone, power drop? (MEM-OR)
- 1090 KRPM WA, Seattle now with rhythmic AC (dance music), ex-C&W. Do not plan to change calls for a while I was told. Slogan "Kiss-FM." (PM-OR)
- +Started new format of light rock // KCIN-106.1 on afternoon of 3/25, now IDing as "K-I-S-S" or "Kiss FM 106, the new sound of Seattle." Dropped C&W format mid Match after purchase by owners of KMPS & KYCW (the other two Seattle C&W stations), ran //KMPS & KYCW for a few days, then noted with sound effects (children playing, birds chirping, etc) for a couple days prior to starting new format. Call change seems likely in near future. (bp-WA)
- +3/26 2300 noted with new Urban-AC format calling themselves "Kiss 106... the Rhythm of Seattle." Simulcasts KCIN-106.1. Ex-C&W. (DS-BC)
- 1210 CFYM SK, Kindersley 4/10 0410 ID mention of CFYM 1330/1210 "No Twingie music." Mixing with KBSG. // 1330, w/CFYM alone. (MEM-OR) ("twingie"??-NJ)
- 1230 KBAR ID, Burley 3/31 0800 ended a Perry Como tune and ID'd as "Oldies 1230 KBAR," then ABC news. (LBG-MT)
- KVOC WY, Casper made a rare evening appearance 4/12 at 2300 with legal ID by woman, then ABC news. QRM from KDIX. (LBG-MT)
- 1240 KTHE WY, Thermopolis 4/11 0800 on top with legal ID & ABC news. (LBG-MT)
- 1250 ?KQYN? CA, 29 Palms 4/8 0937 almost positive this is what I had with ID as "K-Queen" and NOS music "I Can't Stop Loving Your" at 6:37am. Will keep checking. (RW-CA)
- 1260 ?KNNS? CA, San Fernando 4/8 0945 tentative with sports // 540 way under KOIT, too weak to ID, will keep checking... (RW-CA)
- 1300 KAPL OR, Phoenix ex-KDOV on top 3/31 0959. Man said "This is KAPL, AM-13 in (what sounded like) Troy." (LBG-MT)
- 1310 CHLW AB, St. Paul Sun. 3/31 1000 had ID jingle, then began "The Voice of Hope" which seemed to be in German. (LBG-MT)
- 1400 KODI WY, Cody 4/13 0800 s/on with instrumental SSB. (LBG-MT)
- 1450 KBFI ID, Bonners Ferry 4/2 0800 gave call ID through KGRZ. (LBG-MT)
- KLBM OR, La Grande (with local KGRZ nulled) 4/6 0800 squeaked in with ID for sister station KBKR Baker City. (LBG-MT)
- 1460 ?KARR? WA, Kirkland 4/4 2300 assumed the one with Family Radio program ending, no ID. (LBG-MT)
- 1510 KDKO CO, Littleton 4/13 0759 in with call ID behind nulled KGA. (LBG-MT)
- 1550 KVAN WA, Vancouver 4/1 0853 blowing KPIX away with ID "Catch the wave, on 1550, K-Van." (RW-CA)
- 1560 KZIZ WA, Sumner 4/1 0848 good with time check of 12 before 6, Black choir music in KNZR null. Still in an hour later! (RW-CA)
- 1590 KIRS NV, Sun Valley ex-KHIT 4/9 1000 strong on this loop bearing. Bloomsberg Radio News ended, then ID "This is AM 1590, KIRS, Sun Valley-Reno-Sparks-Carson City," then into ABC news. New. (LBG-MT)
- 1600 KOHI OR, St. Helens 4/5 0859 on top with apparent s/on. There was the sound of a Volcano erupting, and a man with hillbilly accent mentioned "Volcano Broadcasting." Gave day/night powers, etc. (LBG-MT)

LOCAL NEWS

- 650 CISEL BC, Vancouver 3/28 1148 & other mornings this week with "Number 1, C-Fun," other old CFUN-1410 jingles and IDs. (AJR-BC)
- 690 (KQMQ) HI, Honolulu 3/17 off for presumed transmitter maintenance, back on at 0753:56. Usual KNBR-680, XETRA noted. (5P-HI)
- 760 (KGU) HI, Honolulu 3/17 0640 off for presumed transmitter maintenance, station shares tower with KQMQ. Usual KFMB-CA noted. (5P-HI)
- 1410 CFUN BC, Vancouver played their last tune at 0857 on 3/27 and became "Talk With Attitude" at 0900. Local during AM drive, CHUM satellite talk the remainder of the day. This is the second "once-legendary" Vancouver AM station to abandon music in as many months (the other being CKWX-1130). (DS-BC)

DX TESTS

- 720 (WRZN) FL, Hernando 3/25 0000-0030 nothing heard. (FA-ID)
850 (KRUF) FL, Gainesville tried but not heard, just KOA/CHMA with Tacoma off the air.
(bp-WA)
+3/25 0200-0230 nothing heard under KOA. (FA-ID)
910 (WSBA) PA, York 3/25 0030-0130 nothing heard. (FA-ID)
930 (WKXY) FL, Sarasota 3/25 0100-0130 nothing heard under KSEI. (FA-ID)
940 (KSWM) MO, Aurora 4/8 0300-0330 tried, not heard under KFRE, KWBY in their null.
(RW-CA)
980 (WLUS) FL, Gainesville 3/25 0230-0300 nothing heard. (FA-ID)
1110 (WTBQ) NY, Florida 4/1 0515-0545 nothing heard under KFAB. (FA-ID)
1200 KFNW ND, Fargo 4/6 in strong with code IDs 0507 & 0517. (GJ-CA)
?KFNW?+4/6 0520 much to my surprise I heard very faint code. Too much QRM from other
stations, but the code sure was in there. But, I could not copy what it said. I
presume I did hear a slight smattering of the test. Wonder if that was day or nite
power? (CB-HI)
1270 (WKIK) TN, Newport 3/31 0000-0030 nothing heard, KTFI dominant. (FA-ID)
1280 (WTMY) FL, Sarasota 3/25 0130-0200 nothing heard. (FA-ID)1320
(WAMR) FL, Venice 3/25 0400-0430 nothing heard. (FA-ID)
1360 (KNIR) LA, New Iberia 4/1 0100-0130 nothing heard. (FA-ID)
1390 (WZZB) IN, Seymour 3/25 0030-0100 nothing heard. (FA-ID)
1440 (WBLA) NC, Elizabethtown 3/25 0330-0400 nothing heard. (FA-ID)

HELP WITH UNIDS

- 900 LBG-MT's log of 2/11 in DXM #25 could be KBIF-CA running Spanish religion. (5P-HI)

UNIDS

- 930 3/25 0105 unID C&W fading good over KKJH looping SE while trying for WKXY-FL test.
Possibly KAFF-AZ? (RW-CA)
950 3/25 0325 unID C&W weak under KJR and mess, looped east, KFRE/KAHI off. Ideas?
(RW-CA)
1250 4/1 0915 unID barely over KTMS with ID "... playing your favorites all day, and all night,
we're the original hits station..." Per call to KQYN-CA, not them. Pat thinks it might be
KCST-OR. Looped NW/SE. OR/WA stations in good at the time, too! (RW-CA)
1210 4/10 2300 jumble of stations here, including CFYM. Which one had 5 pips on the hour?
(LBG-MT)
1580 4/5 0900 heard call that sounded like KJOR. Maybe KGAL, but didn't sound like it.
(LBG-MT)
1640 4/4 0000 pirate with rock music weaker than KXBT and very good when KXBT went off.
Unexpected. (MEM-OR)

It appears that the DX season is still going strong. The next WDXR deadline is Saturday, May 4th, let's hear from you!

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

RIDING GAIN

- [VAL-DX] **Valhalla Beach**, MB DX'pedition 4-5/6
Attending: Shawn Axelrod, Wayne McRae, Lorne Chestnut, and Larry Shewchuk
Equipment 3 Icom IC-R70's with filter mods and Palm boards, Grundig 700.
14 longwires and beverages.
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Realistic DX-400, Realistic TM-152, GE Superadio III, Worcester Space Magnet 2.
- [CAD-TX] **Charles A. Dobbins**, Houston, Texas.
Radio Shack DX-160, 80m inverted V antenna, MFJ-956 tuner. Sony ICF-SW7600.
- [TMJ-IL] **Tom Jasinski**, Shorewood, Illinois.
FRG-7, Quantum loop.
- [RCP-IN] **Robert C. Pote**, Greenwood, Indiana.
Drake R8A, Quantum loop.
- [JcJ-MT] Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A, "Radio West" loop.

SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1380 **WKBQ MO**, St. Louis. **EX-KRAM**. Station has changed back to former calls WKBQ and is CHR ||WKBQ-FM 104.1 Jerseyville, IL. Noted on 3-29 KRAM dropped its remaining talk shows and had returned to CHR format full time simulcasting WKBQ. The format change may be due to the station's poor night signal which is 1000 watts beamed NE from Dupo, IL about 10 miles SSE of St. Louis. [EB-MO]

DOWN THE DIAL

- 540 **CBEF ON**, Windsor. 3-27 poor with interference from KWMT, WZER. 1939 with FF programming, male announcer in FF with frequent mentions of Windsor. [RCP-IN]
- 640 **WCRV TN**, Collierville. 3-29. 0729-0750. 0730 ID "WRCV Collierville, Memphis" into "Through The Bible" program. Signal faded out by 0750. [CAD-TX]
- 770 **KPBC TX**, Dallas. 3-10 with Kkob interference. 0249-0328 with Christian programming, slogan "Christian Radio KPBC" or "Christian Radio 770 KPBC." Heard this one trying for the WWCN DX Test. [CAD-TX]
- 790 **KFGO ND**, Fargo. 4-5 fair to poor w/WWKY, WMC. 0048 noted with news promo with calls mentioned. Country music. 0100 legal ID into CBS News. [EB-MO]
- 900 **CKBI AB**, Prince Albert. 4-1 good. 0120 with GTO oldies broadcast. Mentioned GTO no longer has an 800 number, now you pay for requests at 604-877-6322. 0121 local spot cluster. [JcJ-MT]
- 950 **KKFN CO**, Denver. 4-6 fair to good on west wire to null CFAM out. 0610 with ID and sports talk. A long time target caught at last. NEW!! [VAL-DX]
- WWJ MI**, Detroit. 4-7 good to fair w/KKFN, KPRC, others. 0359 noted with CBS Newsradio promo, "All news, all the time, Newsradio 950 WWJ" slogan, jingle, legal ID at 0400 into CBS News. DST into effect while logging this one. [EB-MO]

- 990 **CBW** MB, Winnipeg. 3-19. 0630-0700. CBC News with emphasis on Winnipeg and MB. Other CBC items such as World Report. No CBW ID. New logging here, report sent. My first Canadian in several years. [CAD-TX]
- 1020 **KBCS** OK, Perry. EX-KASR. 3-18. 2130-2148 with country music, slogan "KBCS Classic Country 1020." Promo for Cowboy season tickets. 2148 ID "KBCS Perry, Stillwater with more country music." [CAD-TX]
- 1040 **WYFX** FL, Boynton Beach. 4-5 poor w/WHO. 0435 noted with Urban/AC, "Foxy 1040" slogan and local spots. [EB-MO]
- 1070 **WDIA** TN, Memphis. 3-28 under local KENR. 0645-0700 with Gospel music, local Memphis weather, ID "The News Station 1070 WDIA." New logging for me here in Houston. [CAD-TX]
- 1220 **KVSA** AR, McGehee. 3-28. 1851-1859 with local news with mentions of Pine Bluff and Monticello. Local weather and then sign off read by staffer Jerry Lee. Mentioned 1,000 watts during announcement. [CAD-TX]
- 1250 **KEZQ** AR, Little Rock. EX-KURB. 3-18. 2006-2035 with EZL music, local spots, slogan "Unforgettable KEZQ AM 1250." Spot for University of Arkansas Medical Center, weather for Little Rock. [CAD-TX]
- 1280 **WWTC** MN, Minneapolis. 3-28 good to poor w/WNAM, WGBF. 0443 noted with up-beat music, "Radio Aahs" ID. ||WAOZ-1360, WJDM-1660, etc. [EB-MO]
- 1290 **KKAR** NE, Omaha. 3-20. 0659-0715. Local weather, 0700 CNN News, 0705 local news. Jingle "News radio 1290 K-KAR." Also "Omaha's News Radio K-KAR." First time heard, report sent. [CAD-TX]
- WKLJ** WI, Sparta. 4-6 fair w/CIFX and WMCS. 0758 with talk and news. Another long time target heard. NEW!! [VAL-DX]
- 1330 **WOLD** VA, Marion. 3-28. 0005 in briefly with call that sounded like WOLD, but format was talk (mentioned Limbaugh and Wall Street Journal Report) and not the Gospel format as per NRC 16th AM Log. Any ideas? Is WOLD full time? [TMJ-IL]
- 1340 **KRBA** TX Lufkin. 3-27. 2050-2115 with Lufkin Panthers vs. Longview Lobos high school baseball. ID "Sports leader of east Texas, 1340 KRBA." [CAD-TX]
- WBBL** MI, Grand Rapids. 4-6 fair. 0500 with clear "WBBL 1340 AM Grand Rapids" ID. New one for us!! [VAL-DX]
- 1360 **KRKK** WY, Rock Springs. 4-1 strong. 0100 with legal ID "1360 is KRKK Rock Springs, Green River." Into rock oldies. [JcJ-MT]
- WWLG** MD, Baltimore. 4-1 poor in garbled mess during KNIR DX Test. 0115 with dual ID "Legends 13, WWLG Baltimore and Legends 13 WASA 1330." [RCP-IN]
- 1380 **WHWD** IN, Fort Wayne. EX-WQHK. 3-31 very good. 1715 with slogan "Radio Hollywood" and new format of playing movie themes and BBD music. [RCP-IN]
- WINH** KY, Winchester. 3-31 deep fades. 1722 with "Christian country 1380 where the sun always shines." [RCP-IN]
- 1390 **KXSS** MN, Waite Park. 4-5 fair. 1725 with NOS music and talk about St. Cloud and Waite Park. Another target down for Wayne and Lorne. [VAL-DX]
- 1480 **WJBM** IL, Jerseyville. 4-5 fair to poor w/others. 0237 noted with country music, "The news and information authority for the tri-county area, 1480 WJBM" slogan. Pretty good for only 32 watts! [EB-MO]
- 1510 **KQHN** TX, Nederland. 3-27. 1758-1812. 1800 ID "News talk 1510 KQHN Nederland, Texas serving all of southeast Texas" into CBS News. 1805 with Bob West Sports Wrap program. [CAD-TX]
- WWHN** IL, Joliet. 3-29 poor w/WLAC, best in LSB mode. 1806 with UC/Gospel. "WWHN, your Gospel station." Also a drive-time report for Chicago area. [RCP-IN]
- 1520 **KACY** LA, Lafayette. 3-16. 2134-2230 with Lafayette Ice Gators hockey game. Many local spots. ID "This is KACY Lafayette. All sports radio." [CAD-TX]
- 1560 **WTOD** OH, Toledo. 3-30 fair while there. 1845 with country music song ending and abrupt sign off. [RCP-IN]
- 1580 **KCWW** AZ, Tempe. 3-17. 0719-0754 with country music. 0736 with full ID "AM 1580 KCWW." First time ever heard here, normally SS controls 1580! [CAD-TX] (Charles, you should hear them here, KCWW dominates 1580! John)

1590 KVGB KS, Great Bend. 3-21. 2100-2116. ID at tune-in into ABC News. Weather for the "Golden Belt" into a DJ show with a Lori Cobb as hostess. Slogan "Fresh sound of B-104 FM." [CAD-TX]

1600 KLLZ MN, Walker. 4-5 fair to good. 1655 with rock music (Not country as per NRC Log.) ID as "KLLZ 1600 AM Walker, Bemidji." Finally for Wayne and Lorne, their closet not heard!! [VAL-DX]

1610 KEC699 NY, Seneca Falls. 4-6 good signals rising up over the MN TIS below. 0520 with talk about the waterfall, NY address, and lots of Seneca Falls mentions. New logging for us!! [VAL-DX]

TIS MN, Anchor Lake. 4-5 in all day and all night and all morning. Somebody go and shut this guy off so we can DX 1610 again! Also a pest at home on the loop most nights. [VAL-DX]

1640 KXBT CA, Vallejo. 3-28 very good to local-like with fair stereo. 0351 with urban oldies, "1640 AM KXBT" ID's and 0400 with legal ID "1640 KXBT Vallejo." [EB-MO]

DX TESTS

770(WWCN) FL, Estero. 3-10 DX Test. 0249-0330 listened for test, but only heard KPBC and some of KKOB. [CAD-TX]

940 KSWM MO, Aurora. 4-8 DX Test w/CBM, XEQ?, and other unID's. 0300-0330 heard several code strings, TT, and voice ID. [TMJ-IL]

1110(WTBQ) NY, Florida. 4-1. 0515-0545 listened during this time for the DX Test. Nothing heard. XERED and others with WWWE-1100 slop. [TMJ-IL]

1200 KFNV ND, Fargo. 4-6 DX Test 0500-0600. Fantastic signal, local quality, 30dbs on the Drake while on daytime pattern until 0530. Nighttime pattern also heard, but faint at times. I called the station, they were pleased they were getting out so well. [RCP-IN]

1260 WNRK DE, Newark. 4-6 DX Test poor, but did get two code ID's at 0020 and 0027. New state for Wayne!! Best catch of the night. [VAL-DX]
+4-8 DX Test. 0000-0200 spot checked frequency, heard TT, but no other ID's. Also heard TT at 0325? Not sure if this was part of WNRK's test. [TMJ-IL]

1270 WLIK TN, Newport. 3-31 good to fair w/WKBF, WXYZ, WQNR, unID SS, Cuban time tick. 0000-0055 heard six code strings and two voice ID's. First ID mentioned on the air with tones until 0030, but test ran until at least 0055. Probably extended time due to late start. Nothing heard before 0015. [TMJ-IL]
+3-30 DX Test. 2300-2330 thought this one might make it here with 5,000 watts, but nothing heard in form of a test. [CAD-TX]

{Charles, were you listening on the correct date and time? John.}

WMIZ NJ, Vineland. 3-30 DX Test? 0000-0130 heard faint tone, or just a weak het through WKBF and WXYZ. Were they on with a test or was I just hearing things? [TMJ-IL]

1360 KNIR LA, New Iberia. 4-1 DX Test fair w/u/WMOB, WGEE, others. 0100-0130 with several code messages through mess. [TMJ-IL] +4-1 DX Test. 0115-0130 heard code signals at 0115 giving call and city. Full announcement to close the test program by a man mentioned 1000 watts. Mostly signals were under WMOB. Maybe skywave better from Mobile than from New Iberia? Report sent [CAD-TX]
+4-1 DX Test very weak code at start of test, nothing else afterwards. [RCP-IN]
+4-1 DX Test not heard here. Strong KRKK and a few other unIDs under. [Jc-MT]

WOPP AL, Opp. 3-16 DX Test. 0530-0600 with solid half hour of code signals with call and city given. No voice announcements or spots. Report sent, verie received in 14 days. [CAD-TX]

1440(WBLA) NC, Elizabethtown. 3-25 DX Test. 0330-0400 listened, but nothing heard to connect to a test or WBLA. KEYS dominated during this time. [CAD-TX]

1570(WYTI) VA, Rocky Mount. 4-8 DX Test. 0000-0030 tried, but not heard. 1570 was just a garbled mess at that hour. [RCP-IN]
+4-8 DX Test. Listened 0000-0030 for this test, but nothing heard under WBEE and others. [TMJ-IL]

LOCAL CHANGES

1260 WIBV IL, Belleville. 4-15 WIBV dropped all syndicated talk shows and went with a locally originated talk format. Changes were the result of a purchase by former KMOX manager Tim Dorsey. [EB-MO]

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UnIDS

- 890 unID 3-23 strong on peaks, deep fades. Sometimes rivaling WLS. 0156 SS station playing 60's American rock and roll. Any ideas? [RCP-IN]
- 1110 unID 4-1 with audio very distorted. 0531 with "classic oldies" and several old R&B songs with a DJ named "Jellyroll" any ideas? [RCP-IN]
- 1150 unID 4-5. 2130 with Opera program with different pieces from several operas. A mention of the ????? Radio Network and spots. No ID on the hour. Who?? [VAL-DX]
- 1390 unID 4-4. 0009-0015 noted unID with intermittent TT in WGCI null looped NW/SE. Possibly someone doing a frequency check or just maintenance? [TMJ-IL]
- 1480 unID 4-5 fair to poor w/WJBM. 0300 station with "Radio Aahs 1480 KT....." or "KB..." promo. One possibility I thought of was KTHS which is listed as country || FM. Possibly made a format change to serve nearby Branson, MO? Any help? [EB-MO]
- 1610 unID 4-5. UnID TIS 2005 with man and woman talking. Woman gave a phone number that started with "727" and the man announced that you were listening to this information station for the city of "New....." Sounded like a possible "WN" call sign. Any help is appreciated. [VAL-DX]
{Quick help: Maybe WNFN793 New Castle, CO? John.}
- 1650 unID 4-5. UnID at 1958 with good clear Morse code signal "D O B" Does anyone know this one? [VAL-DX]

unIDS HELP

- 1190 unID [SA-MB]'s unID in the DXM #27 CDXR. Dale Park of Honolulu, HI offers this help. This is probably KBCO with Tom Leykis program as per Leykis program, the station's slogan is "K-How-Two" and it is in a duopoly with KHOW-630. Thanks Dale!
- 1290 unID [VAL-DX]'s unID recently with "K-double-A." Larry Godwin of Missoula, MT said this sounds like KCAA-1560-SD. An image? Thanks Larry.
- 1380 unID [CAD-TX]'s unID in the DXM #26 CDXR. Dale Park of Honolulu, HI offers this help. This is probably a mixing product of KARN-920 and crosstown KLRG-1150. 1150 is halfway between 920 and 1380. Ironically, there was (is?) a station on 1380 in Little Rock; can't imagine the interference that station had from the other two. Thanks, Dale!

25 YEARS AGO

May 1, 1971 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" - We were told Charter member Jack E. Alexander, Jr. of Santa Ana, CA married former member Gayle Herring on April 24th - We were also told National Public Radio would make its debut May 3rd with over 400 affiliates lined up - Mike Hardester of Modesto, CA said he was 21 and a member of the "now" generation - Dave Whatmough of Hamilton, OH said he fell asleep minutes before the WGRY test - Toledo, OH won as the convention site over San Diego, CA.

OPEN MIKE

When your work speaks for itself, don't interrupt. Shawn mentioned their DX'pedition (see above) was great DX wise with logging three new Australia stations. He also mentioned the three to five feet of snow and having to cut steps down to the outhouse. On their way back one sled broke when it crashed going down a four foot snow bank. Those guys really love to DX don't they? ☺ I received a verification from KXBT-1640 on April 5th. It is a "QSL Card" - haven't seen a new one of those in years. KXBT said that my report was their first from Montana. ☺ The card also claims that KXBT is "the first expanded band station west of New Jersey." It also says their first regular broadcast day was March 19th. My logging was March 12th during a test phase. A most welcomed verie. The FCC's new revised list of expand band stations lists them (old KNBA call) going to 1630. If they do move from 1640 to 1630 this verification will be quite valuable. Still no Montana stations listed for the expanded band, but counted four North Dakota stations moving. I hope such stations as WRRR-VI-1620 and WZZN-NH-1700 move soon. ☺ Please note we are no longer weekly, so check those deadlines listed at the top. You all have been seeing a lot of national news out of Montana recently, including live shots by the major networks right out of Billings. Makes for interesting press, but don't let the news keep you from making travel plans to the Big Sky state! 73, John.



Eastern DX Roundup

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Well, here we are again at the old word processor. Looks like the DX have "wrapped" for another season. Things are starting to "slow"down..

STARS OF THE WEEK

- (LH-AL) Lynn Hollerman 514 Carrsbrook Rd. Huntsville, AL 35803
SRIII/Yacht Boy 400 w/internal ant VIA E-MAIL
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- (JD-AL) J.D. Stephens 1155 Old Monrovia, # 3E, Huntsville, AL 35806
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VIA E-MAIL
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Drake R8, 35" spiral loop VIA E-MAIL
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LOGGINGS

- 550 WCKY OH Cincinnati 4/5 1822 fair w/spots, ID: "Talk Radio 550-WCKY." First time logged since call & freq shuffle w/WSAI and WLWA. (LLH-VA)
- 560 WMIK KY Middlesboro 4/12 2254 Lots of QRM, ID "WMIK-Middlesboro, Kentucky" @ 2300, into nx. (LH-AL)
- WMIK KY Middlesboro 4/10 2314-2330+. Strong w/satellite "Solid Gospel" service, local spots, ex, PSAs. This seems to be a regular the last week or so. Me thinks this new automated system they told David Gasque about which forgot to power down one night is less an "accident" than they would like us to believe. (JD-AL)
- 710 WEKC KY Williamsburg 4/8 0200-0245. Swamping WOR and the Cuban with automated country music, national spots, lengthy station features, shows, and "Real Country Stereo 710 WEKC" (whew!) slogans. (JD-AL)
- 720 WMXY GA Hogansville 4/3 1935-1945. Strong and obliterating WGN with Urban Contemp. music, many "X-720" slogans (JD-AL)
- 1100 KKLL MO Webb City 4/5 1815 up briefly w/country voiced m. anncr Springfield and Webb City mentions. (LLH-VA)
- 1270 WOMW OH Defiance 3/29 2348 MOR mx, ID by m. Fair #18 on this freq. (WT-DC)
- CFGT PQ Alma 3/30 good in WXYT null while looking for WMIZ test w/local wx, FF rock oldies and "Radiomedia" promo. ("Radiomedia" is the result of last years Radiomutel and Telemedia merger.) (MB-ON)
- 1540 KXEL IA Waterloo. 3/18 0030 Strong signal. Noted ID "This is AM 15-40 KXEL at 100 watts" WHAT ?? Did I hear right?? 100 watts ?? Soon gone. (WW-MA)

1570 WTLK NC Taylorsville 4/8 0000 ID, into CW mx, Strong sig.(LH-AL)
 WXLN IN New Albany 4/5 1920 fair w/wx, several "WXLN" mentions.
 (LLH-VA)

1590 WMIM PA Mount Carmel 4/8 0034-0100. Playing songs by Tony
 Bennett, B. Streisand, Platters. ID as "Thank you for
 listening the memories 1590 WMIM" Tuned back in at 0121
 and noted ID : "WMIM Mount Carmel". First time logged
 here, Good signal but fadey. (WW-MA)

1640 KXBT CA Vallejo 4/8 0420-0421 4/9 0012-0016 & 0042-0043, oldies
 with annmcts by man mentioning "Soul Food Cafe". Talked
 to CE Alan McCarthy who is a DXer and a Ham and who said
 to tell everyone that he WANTS reports and WILL QSL.
 (HL-AL)

SPECIAL INTEREST

1030 WSFV? TN Memphis 4/6 1720-1800 Former WXSS now "Super Sport Ten
 Thirty- W S F V" Not sure of calls, may be W S S V.
 One on One sports during the time I listened. (PB-AL)

1460 WRAD VA Radford format change from modern CW to WW1 Adult Stnds
 noted on 3/6. (LLH-VA)

UN-IDEN:

880 ???? ?? 4/01 0320 Somebody in WCBS null w/Bloomberg Business
 Network, mixing in and out with CW (presumed KRVN)
 and SS which I believe was Radio Paraguana, Venezuela.
 (PB-AL)

1440 ???? ?? 3/27 1733-1740 CW 300hz (?-ed) Fair-Good o/WAJR. Any
 ideas ??? (WT-DC)

1570 WXLA? ?? BAY ?? IDed as "Christain radio 24 hours a day, we're
 WXLA (?) Bay ?" into more Xtain mx. Who ??? (LH-AL)

1612 ????? ?? 0020 Very weak voice's. Noted it better with BFO on and
 tuned to zero beat. Once briefly I thought I heard NOAA
 weather forcast. This might have been on 1610 but I got
 it better on 1612. Who is this ? Too weak for any Ids or
 locations. (WW-MA)

HELP WITH UN-IDEN:

My now infamous "WWWS" logging was nothing more than a
 typo ..Of course, the calls are still WWSW. Sorry for
 the misunderstanding. (I'm just glad to know that I am
 not the ONLY one who has typos!!-ed) (LLH-VA)

SPECIAL FLORIDA DX TEST SECTION:

850 WRUF FL Gainesville. 3/25 0200-0215 Morse Code at varying audio
 freq. Unneeded- Hrd 11/15/78. Fair-Good (WT-DC)

WRUF FL Gainesville 3/25 DX Test NOT heard. Too much WEEI(WW-MA)

930 WKXY FL Sarasota 3/25 DX Test NOT heard. Too much QRM. (WW-DC)

Note on WKXY: Their computer somehow got BOTH the TEST
 and REGULAR programming on the air at the same time.
 The owner decided to TURN OFF the Transmitter until he
 could drive out to the station and set things right!!.
 That's why it "blasted" in at :16-ed)

1280 WTMY FL Sarasota 3/25 0155-0200 Low freq. morse code. Fair
 u/WROC. #20 on this freq. (WT-DC)

WTMY FL Sarasota 3/25 DX Test NOT Heard. Too much WADO (WW-MA)

1290 WTRC FL Ocala 3/23 0240-0245 CID, other words, Fair u/WFBG.
 # 22 on this freq. (WT-DC)

DX TESTS

690 HCJB Quito, Ecuador 4/7 0015-0030 NOT heard. CBF rules the
 roost. (WT-DC)

910 WSBA PA York 3/25 DX Test Good signal with low/high and deep *
 tones. Code ID "This is WSBA York, PA Testing." 0110
 (WT-DC)

WSBA PA York 3/25 0115 fr o/CKLY's Oldies with repeated code
 IDs. Not needed. QSLed in 1976. (MB-ON)

940 KSWM MO Aurora 4/8 0300-0330 No Show, just CBM. (WT-DC)

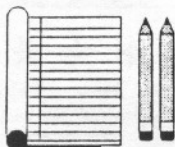
KSWM MO Aurora 4/8 very weak CIDs every 5 minutes. Really messy
 freq. New for me. (TB-TN)

1110 WTBQ NY Florida 4/1 0515-0545. IRCA DX Test NOT Heard ! (JD-AL)
 WTBQ NY Florida 4/1 0515-0545. Not a peep, only WBT. (WT-DC)
 1200 KFNW ND Fargo. 4/6 0500-0600. IRCA DX Test hrd very well through
 WOAI (who did NOT go off, despite their CE telling me
 they would!) Lots of clear code IDs, steady tones of
 different pitches, step tones, voice IDs. (JD-AL)
 KFNW ND Fargo. 4/6 0501-0529 strong signal with code mentioning
 Fargo and Test and tones coming in very well despite
 WOAI and much static caused by T-Storms. First station
 heard by me from either North or South Dakota. Many
 thanks to J.D. Stephens for arranging yet another
 great test. (HL-AL)
 KFNW ND Fargo 4/6 0500-0600 This test was a real "honker" here.
 Although WOAI did not leave the air as they said they
 would, it didn't make any difference. San Antonio is in
 KFNW's null, and was inaudible under an incredibly
 powerful signal from Fargo. Even when peaked on WOAI the
 CIDs were still clearly audible under what is always one
 of the strongest clears here in Nashville. Weak CIDs
 were heard after the power/pattern change at 0531, but
 voice was no longer audible. (TB-TN)
 KFNW ND Fargo Started out real strong, VID mentioning IRCA, NRC.
 CID and tones, but each successive ID got weaker until
 the last one was inaudible. Test apparently ended at
 0529. (contrary to DXM) and WOAI did NOT have a silent
 period. (PB-AL)
 1260 WNRK DE Newark 4/6 0000-0200. NRC DX Test not heard. (JD-AL)
 WNRK DE Newark 4/6 NOT heard under strong WNDR, WNDE, and the
 Cleveland gospel stn that seems to change call letters
 religiously. (MB-ON)
 WNRK DE Newark 4/6 0000-0050 Test NOT Heard. (PB-AL)
 1270 WILK TN Newport 3/31 DX Test CW ID hrd 0022, 0026 (LH-AL)
 WLIK TN Newport 3/31 0016 "Kingsport & WLIK" in Morse code.
 Fair in WWDC slop. # 13 on this freq. (WT-DC)
 WLIK TN Newport 3/31 NOT heard. Heard on SSS in 1980. (MB-ON)
 WMIZ NJ Vineland 3/30 NOT heard on freq dominated by WXYT (MB-ON)
 1360 KNIR LA New Berlin 4/1 0100-0130 Not Heard (WT-DC)
 KNIR LA New Berlin 4/01 0107-0130 Heard segments of CID only.
 I no longer solicit verifications, but I do sent reports
 to stations conducting DX tests, which I did with KNIR.
 Received a nice letter on 4/5 from Scott Segraves,
 mentioning that my report was the first one he received
 and also that he was active in the NRC in the early
 50's. (PB-AL)
 1390 WZZB IN Seymour DX Test NOT heard. Too much WDCW, WMZQ. (WW-MA)
 WZZB IN Seymour 3/25 test NOT heard. (MB-ON)
 1460 WCMB PA Harrisburg 3/18 0038 Code & VID's. Strong code, weaker
 voice. Code until 0040 then ads for Tom Lykis Show.
 ID "This is Hot Talk 1460 WCMB Harrisburg". Caught this
 accidently, NOT listed on DX Test lists. (WW-MA)
 1570 WYTI VA Rocky Mount 4/8 DX Test possible CW at 0021.0029 & 0030
 (LH-AL)
 WYTI VA Rocky Mount 4/8 0000-0030. NRC DX Test not heard. (JD-AL)
 WYTI VA Rocky Mount 4/8 NOT heard in what now seems like a
 graveyard since the demise of CFOR, CHLO, & CKLM. (MB-ON)
 WYTI VA Rocky Mount 4/8 NOT Heard. Suspect no-show as this one
 should have made it. (TB-TN)

FOREIGN DX:

1570 XERF MX Cd. Acuna 4/8 0022 lots of SS talk, ments of "Radio
 Frontera" and Mexico. (LH-AL)

 For those waiting, we are STILL going over DX reports on the Special
 FL Tests. I have about 1/2 of the letter written and in the word
 processor. Hope to finish them up in the next couple of weeks. Please be
 patient.....Looks like most of the stations will be interested in doing
 something again next year, My big thrill was being able to help add some
 stations to some of your logbooks....See you in 14.....fresh



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After chasing a carrier night after night for a couple of weeks, I finally pulled through some audio on 1640 kHz at local SRS (0515 to fade out at about 0600 on the morning of April 5th) with a couple of nice clear KXBT IDs intermingled with a gospel show. I tried calling the station, but I presume it was on auto-pilot at 0200 Pacific. Not bad for a thousand watts! I feel as if we are being blessed with some vision of what our ancestral DXers must have experienced 70 years ago before medium wave began to sound like a CB radio. Does anyone have any recollection or record from old magazines or journals, about DXers experiences when the band opened up from 1500 to 1600 around 1940? I am thrilled to be able to relive the excitement of DXing broadcasters on virtually clear frequencies. In turn it also saddens me. How poorly the rest of the band's resources are being managed! Why must we surf through layers of overpowering noise and profit driven broadcasters? No sour grapes, here. After decades of listening to good old AM, I am now realizing its full potential. I almost feel like Pat Martin with catches like these! Enjoy it while you can, and make an extra effort to bag this amazing DX! KZ

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[4/4] DX this spring has been fairly good with logging of several of the DX tests, thanks to J.D. Stephens. With all the great DX tests from both J.D. and Lee Freshwater, I have been able to log three new Florida stations in the last 2 years! There has been some changes here in the NW on the radio scene of late. 850-Tacoma is back on the air with News-Talk, calling themselves K-H2O (KHHO). Then KBLV-1540-Bellevue is back on with Urban AC, IDing as "KBLV-Bellevue-Seattle". Now Seattle has 3 Urban-type stations, the Z-TWINS on 1420-1560 and now 1540. In other local news, KSWB-Seaside has their FM coming on in the near future and they plan to move the music (AC) currently on AM to FM. The AM is going to be all Sports, the first in the area. No complaints here as the splat will be a lot less as they overmodulate. I received QSL #2332 of late in the form of KXBT-1640-CA. It is really a nice card. According to sources, KXBT was the first licensed expanded band station before WJMD. WJMD just made it on the air first. If that is the case, I am especially pleased with the KXBT verie, as the CE noted, "QSL number #1". I also have a QSL letter and coverage map from WJDM. What will be number #3? Hearing and QSLing NJ has been quite a thrill. The state has been very rare to hear on the West Coast and how it is a pest! WJDM is about in every night. I presume that will change when someone here in the West pops on 1660. Anyone know anything about the possible move of KXBT to 1630? I have heard they might move. Why I wouldn't know. Hope everyone has a great Summer and good DX. 73s Patrick.

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[4/1] My inattention caused me to miss anniversary issue so I'll wish a late happy anniversary to IRCA, a great club. I'm unsure of when I became a member but its been many years of great reading, contributing, and enjoying the reports in DXM. I'm in security as a profession and also like FM as well to listen to + keep up on. I also run a few miles every day and assist at track and cross-country events year round. I've recently heard 1640 KXPT-Vallejo nights clear on Superadio II I have. Locally I get repeated phone touchtones on 1610 in San Fernando Valley area. Letters + calls welcome - I work grave shift 11P-7A. 73

Editor's Correction: In Chris Knight's WDXF (#27) the sentence "Phil Bytheway has assured me ... WDXR territory is everything in the Eastern Time Zone" should read "... WDXR is everything in the Pacific and Mountain Time Zones". Sorry, Chris.

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[4/12] Greetings! I enjoyed Bruce's DXWW-II in the 3/23 issue and agree GeoClock is a neat program. It's similar to EarthWatch, which I prefer for its features and graphics. It's hard to believe that the New Zealand Minister of Communications cited interference to U.S. stations as a reason for that country not expanding into the 1600-1700 band. Anyway, Australia did decide to so expand and that may bring us some new catches. Thanks to Chris Knight for helping clarify the DXR reporting guidelines. I think Phil Bytheway is working on this and will soon issue an up-to-date Editorial Policy. I'm glad the KBRT test got out so well! It was one of the "bright" spots of the season for some. Tim Hall believes the station I heard on 540 identifying as both KNNZ and XETIN was the Mexican, as probably the CA station wouldn't include XETIN in its ID. I'd like to phone KNNZ to nail this down but can't locate its phone number. "Information" has no listing. Can a L.A. area member either (1) listen to KNNZ on the hour and determine if it mentions XETIN, or (2) somehow get me KNNZ's phone number? Thanks and good DX.

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