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NEW MEMBERS: Craig Rathbone of Denver CO, Glen Hansen of Portland OR Jeff Roll of Piscataway NJ. REJOIN: Joseph Phaturos of Pittsburg PA. RENEWALS: Steve Hawkins of Manteca CA, John Adams of Seaside OR, Charles Taylor of Grifton NC, Randy Stewart of Springfield MO, Bill Eberle of East Syracuse NY. Welcome to Craig, Glen and Jeff. Glad to have you back Joseph and thank you all very much. You people make it go and give me job security.

SOFT DX MONITOR: IRCA members who have access to the Internet can now receive the "soft DX Monitor" which contains CPC info, all three Round ups and other information. It is "published" each Thursday. To receive the SDXM, send your email address to: bytheway@atk.com. Only IRCA members can receive the SDXM.

<u>PUBLISHER & DXWW-Editor:</u> IRCA is still looking for a DXM PUBLISHER & DXWM-E editor. Contact Phil Bytheway.

1997 CONVENTION: The deadline for convention bids is October 15 1996. If you are interested in hosting the 1997 IRCA Convention in your location, contact me for more information. Phil Bytheway, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117, or bytheway@atk.com or (206) 356-3927 (work).



A WORD FROM YOUR CPC

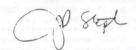
Your donations, in the form of stamps or checks (no cash, please) are solicited for continuing to arrange DX tests for the '96-'97 DX season. So far this year, these are at a 5 year low for the IRCA CPC.

Your donations pay for the cost of printing and mailing DX tests request letters. "reminder" phone calls to stations who have agreed to run tests, printing and mailing of Certificates of Appreciation, mailing of DX test Morse Code tapes, and other facets of the CPC operations.

Don't forget - if you would like to participate in our "CPC Newsflash" service to notify DXers of late-breaking DX tests (for which we are not given enough lead time to publish in DX Monitor and/or DX News), simply send a supply of self-addressed, postage-paid postcards to the CPC address below. We will use the cards to notify you of late-breaking tests, and we will let you know when we have used your last card (so you can send new supply). To assist us. PLEASE INCLUDE A NOTE TELLING US WHETHER YOU ARE MEMBER OF IRCA, NRC, OR BOTH.

Your donations, or postcards for our "CPC Newsflash" service, may be sent to: J.D. Stephens, IRCA CPC Chairman, P.O. Box 605, Huntsville, AL 35804-0605.

Thanks again for your support!



DX TEST BULLETIN

** DX TESTS ARRANGED BY IRCA (AND OTHERS) **

NOTE: EVEN IF YOU DON'T HEAR THE TEST, BE SURE AND DROP A CARD, LETTER, OR E-MAIL TO THE STATION PERSONNEL, THANKING THEM FOR THEIR TROUBLE.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1996 - WYTI-1570, P.O. BOX 430, ROCKY MOUNT, VA 24151 WILL TEST AT 2500 WATTS NONDIRECTIONAL (5,000 IF POWER INCREASE IS GRANTED BEFORE THE TEST DATE) BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:30 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S, TEST TONES, VOICE ID'S & BLUEGRASS MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. EARL SHELTON - OPERATIONS MANAGER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC).

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1996 - WAPF-980, P.O. BOX 1649, MCCOMB. MS 39648 WILL TEST AT 5,000 WATTS NONDIRECTIONAL BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:30 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MARCH MUSIC, POLKAS, TEST TONES, VOICE ID'S, AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. RICHARD WATTS-CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC).

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1996 - KBNA-920, 2211 EAST MISSOURI AVENUE, SUITE S-300, EL PASO, TX 79903-3838 WILL TEST BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:30 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S, TEST TONES, AND VOICE ID'S. THE TEST TIME WILL BE DIVIDED BETWEEN 3:60 WATTS DIRECTIONAL AND 1:000 WATTS NONDIRECTIONAL. PHONE CALLS (NONE COLLECT, PLEASE) WILL BE TAKEN DURING THE TEST AT (915) 779-7550, RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DAVID STEWART - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC).

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1996 - WAKK-1140, P.O. BOX 1649, MCCOMB, MS 39648 WILL TEST AT 1.000 WATTS NONDIRECTIONAL BETWEEN 1:30 & 2:00 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MARCH MUSIC, POLKAS, TEST TONES, VOICE ID'S, AND MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. RICHARD WATTS-CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC).

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1996 - KAMA-750, 2211 EAST MISSOURI AVENUE, SUITE S-300, EL PASO, TX 79903-3838 WILL TEST AT 10,000 WATTS DIRECTIONAL DAYTIME PATTERN BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:30 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. TEST TONES, AND VOICE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DAVID STEWART - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC).

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1996 - WHLY-1580, 2010 S. MICHIGAN, SOUTH BEND, IN 46613 WILL TEST AT 1,000 WATTS NONDIRECTIONAL BETWEEN 6:00 & 7:00 AM EDT. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S, PLUS 50's "DOO-WOP" AND 60's MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. MIKE SHANNON - OPERATIONS MANAGER. (ARRANGED BY LYNN HOLLERMAN AND J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC).

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DX WORLDWIDE II

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Greetings everyone. With the sunspots at their minimum, this promises to be a great season. Pat Martin called recently and told me about hearing another Indian station. Let's hope it goes up from there.

More and more broadcasters are getting onto the Internet. A couple of the latest additions include two major Latin American networks: CARACOL (located at http://latina.lati-

no.net.co/empresa/caracol/caracol.htm) and Radio Nacional de Venezuela

(http://165.247.176.136/Radio-Nacional/). Unfortunately, their web sites are both in Spanish and neither included lists of outlets, but both bear watching in the future

I also came across a Spanish medium wave DX club with a web site. It's called the Medi DX News. Their web site at

http://www.geocities.com/SiliconValley/4847/ includes some loggings, station information, and other items in Spanish and English.

TRANSPACIFIC

AUSTRALIA: 3UZ-927 has moved to FM, AM has been replaced with Sport-927, new call not yet known. Current list of expanded band stations:

- 1611 Nelson Bay (Lemon Tree Passage), due on 11/96 with 400w, license holder is 2AM 1620.
- 1620 Australian Dance Music Radio, Nerang, currently playing nonstop techno-pop, 400w
- 1629 Hospital Radio Network, Newcastle, 10 watts, to become 100w, IDs as HRN.
- 1629 Footscray Community Radio, Spanish & Vietnamese, 150w.
- 1638 Radio Lebanon Australia, Castle Hill, currently 100w, soon to be 400w
- 1665 Greek Radio, Kingsgrove (Sydney suburb), Greek music. 200w, to be 400w

1692 "Hot FM" Nerang, running 10w [DXC]
A new ABC transmitter on 1062 at Renmark (Berri)
South Australia began operation in July with 2.5kw.
The 1062 service will carry ABC Radio National & replace 1305 5MV Renmark (Berri) which carries R Regional. [David Onlev]

R National is relayed nationwide from Sydney or Melbourne, with stns running their own state news 3-4 times a day, i.e. 7am, 1230, 7 & 10 pm. Regional R. is usually locally based & carry own pgms during drive time, link to capital or regional center the rest of time, & carry the capital stns evenings [Graham Austin,NZDXL] CHINA: Radio Guangdong 603 is mostly English during the day [Arctic] China Radio International has plans to install several new high powered SW & MW xrs [NZDXT] Xuchang PBS is on 1288 with 1330 s/off [Arctic]

FRENCH POLYNESIA: Radio Tahiti reported in a recent QSL that "in the short term" they will be BCing only on FM & satellite, strongly suggesting SW & possibly MW will be taken off the air [HCJB via DXC]

MARSHALL ISLANDS: V7AB-1098 is now 25kw [NZDXL]

NEW ZEALAND: Address for Radio Tarana-1386 is P.O. Box 5956, Wellesley Street, Auckland; runs Hindi 0500-1800 Thu-Sun, Cantonese 0500-1800 Mon-Wed IDing as CitiWave, Korean 2200-0500 daily. Hokanui Gold 558 has been leasing an RNZ xr at Dacre, but will move to FM due to the sale of the RNZ network. New Majori station in Auckland "Huia Mai" on 1179 with 1kw, currently on 1830-2130 & 0700-0900 [NZDXL]. Radio Rhema has been testing potential xr sites at Kaitaia on 549 and Whangarei on 621. An xr on 549 in Wanganui is also planned [DXC]. Auckland station Reo Atumotu 1593 has been off since mid-August due to funding problems [NZDXL]. The BBC relay on 990 in Auckland has made "significant improvements" in its xr/antenna system & now has a much stronger signal, the owners of the BBC relay in Wellington have been testing since 8/30 on 1233 & asking for reports to Worldwide BCing, Box 800 Shortland Street, Auckland [NZDXL].

PHILIPPINES: New stations include DYRL -1035 5kW and DYCC-1458 (co-owned with DYAA), both noted well in Australia. [EDXC]

SRI LANKA: beginning 5/25 until further notice, has changed its time zone from UTC+5½ to UTC+6½,due to power rationing caused by a major drought (which might also affect some radio stations as TV BCs were cut back to 9 p.m. signoff. bp) [NZDXT]

TAIWAN: BCC-2 and Chung Hua BC are now 24 hr. Fu Hsing BS is now on from the following 4 stns: Taipei 1st-558 909 1089, 2nd 594 1377; Taichung 594 684 1089 1512; Kaohsiung 549 846 1476; Hualien 693 909 1089 1512. [Arctic]

TONGA: A new outlet is being heard on 1233 by Aussie/NZ DXers, & suspected to be on one of the outer islands. [DXC/NZXDL]

PAN AMERICAN

ARGENTINA: Radio Ciudad de Banfield (nominally 1230), pirate station, noted on second harmonic of 2459.9 by Argentine DXer [DXC] The government has taken steps to expand the AM band to 1700 kHz. So far 3 stns have been authorized R Universidad de Buenos Aires 1620 5kw, R Municipal 1650 5kw, and Universidad Tecnológica de Avalenada 1680 1kw. [Arctic]

BOLIVIA: R Televisión Colonia, Yapacani, Dpto de Santa Cruz is on 1143 //6657/107FM [Arctic]

COLOMBIA: HJGQ-1100 LV Mayor, HJZY-1390 R Lemas 24hr, HJRL-1430 now 15/2 kw "La Romantica de Risaralda", HJZB-1490 Tulua, 5kw 1000-0500 "La Emisora de los Vallecaucanos" [Arctic]

COSTA RICA: TIECO-960 sked 1200-2400, TIRN-1560 R Nicoya 5kw 1000-0300 [Arctic]

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: HIBS-670 Radio Dial, San Pedro de Macoris 5kw, slogan "La Amiga del Sur" [Arctic]

ECUADOR: LV de Chinchipe 3570.2 is a new str close to the Peruvian border in Zumba. S/on in the range of 1130-1215 [ARDXC via NZDXT]

GUATEMALA: R Maya 3324.8 signs off at 0330 [DXC]

HAITI: 4VMK-860 R Men Kontre, LesCayes on 1100-0100, 4VAM-1280 R Metropole "La Dynamisme" [Arctic]

MÉXICO: XEHGR-620 is Globo 6-20 ex Radio 6-20, XEFR-1180 is R Capital ex-R Felicidad, XEDA-1290 is Radio 13, ex Rock & Radio, XEEST-1440 is Oro 14-40 [Arctic]

TRANS ATLANTIC

CANARY ISLANDS: RNE-R5 de Santa Cruz de la Palma has dropped its MW xr on 1098 kHz and is now FM only [MDXN]

CEUTA: The 1584 station was renamed Radio Olé Costa del Estrecho, but now relays the FM pgms from the SER network, with no local pgms. The station continues to drift off freq. The owners are keeping it on the air only to avoid losing their MW license. and the stn may eventually disappear [Medi DX, via Arctic]

GERMANY: RadioRopa Info 271 has reduced the Burg xr to 90 kw, a new 50kw xr will be installed later this year. NDR-612 Kiel will become Jugenradio (youth radio) under the name "Power 6-1-2". Oranienburg will move from 177 to 180 when Delta 171 (see Netherlands) comes on [Arctic]

ICELAND: Rikisutvarpid 1 has a new xr on 1485 with 5 kW 0645-0100. [MDXN] More recent reports from the station deny this change [Arctic]

ITALY: RAI Radiouno began all-news format 4/1 on 846/900/1332. Some music will remain. The service is inspired by BBC Radios 4&5 [Arctic]

LEBANON: Continental Electronics has been issued a \$33 million contract to modernize Radio Lebanon, including new MW SW & FM xrs. [World of Radio] The outlets on 837 & 990 are now 24 hour [Arctic]

NETHERLANDS: "Delta 171" is a new station with 1000 kw on 171 near Apeldoom, It will start operation in 1997 with rock mx. [Arctic]

POLAND: The giant 646 m tall mast at LW-station Gombin near Plock (225 kHz) can be restored. Action from local residents was rejected by the constitutional court. Now it is planned to bring Gombin back on the air until 1998. This giant mast was broke down in 1991 during a mistakable exchange of a stretch rope (sic.bp) (the same reason, that has now make MW-Mast of Westdeutscher Rundfunk fall). In the past this facility with the power of 2000 kW has distributed the first program of Polish Radio to whole of Europe and North Africa. Polish Radio has temporarily been broadcasting on 225 kHz currently over an old 600-kW-transmitter at Raczyn, near Warszaw. (Polish Radio Foreign Service 3/9 via EDXP).

PORTUGAL: When carrying local programs the following R. Renascença stations use the following IDs: 576, Voz de Braga, Braga

891, Voz de Algarve, Faro 927, Voz de Alenteio, Evora

963, Voz de Lisboa, Lisboa (Seixal)

1251, Voz do Alto Tamega, Chaves 1251, Onda Media do Porto, Oporto

[Radiomaailma, via MDXN]

QATAR: QBS has ordered a 2MW medium wave xr [Arctic]

A 1500 watt xr has been placed into operation on 954 kHz [MDXN] (Are these the same xr? bp)

SAUDI ARABIA: A new high powered transmitter at El Affif has been hrd on 1530 [Arctic]

SOUTH AFRICA: Capital Radio in transkei has been off the air since late 1994 when its mw & sw antennas were struck by lightning. Replacement parts were unobtainable due to the embargo, and local repairs were unsuccessful. The station is now up for sale. [HCJB via NZDXT]

SWITZERLAND: On Aug 28 Swiss Telecom began tests of the reactivated 1566. This frequency will carry a new privately owned station called "Radio Eviva" (Zunch: starting 10/1 | Thomas Voelkner, EDXP)

VOICE OF VIETNAM ON MEDIUM WAVE

The following is a list of medium wave outlets in Vietnam, as listed on the Voice of Vietnam's Web Site. The list includes both foreign and domestic service outlets. Note that the frequencies listed here are the "official" ones and a couple have been known to be slightly off channel. The Web site also contains a very detailed program schedule in English, which is rather interesting given the number of local residents which have access to the Internet.

There are quite a few discrepancies between this listing and the one in the 1996 WRTVH. I suspect this list is more accurate since it comes direct from the Station. All times below are UTC.

Freq	Locn	Svc	Comments
549	1	D2	
558	4	D2	
576	3	D2	
594	3	D1	
630	1	D1	
648	3	D1	
655	Ho Ch	Mihn City	See below
657	4	D1	
666	3	D1	
675	1	D1	
693	3	D1	
693	?	D3	Ede, Bana
720	2	D1	
720	3	D2	
738	3	D2	
747	?	D3	Southern Khmer
765	3	D1	
774	3	D1	
783	2	D1	
846	2	D2	
900	2	D2	
999	2	D2	
1008	?	FS	See Below
1089	3	D2	
1089	?	D3	Giari
1242	Hanoi	FS	See Below

The following comments apply to the various services:

D1: this is Channel One of the Domestic Service. It broadcasts news, current affairs, and music 2200-1600 (1700 Fri) UTC. Listed shortwave parallels include 5925 and 10060. These outlets appear to be parallel throughout the country.

D2: this is Channel Two of the Domestic Service. It broadcasts 2200-1600 UTC with economic, cultural, social, literature, art, and educational programs. Listed shortwave parallels include 4960 and 12035.

There is also a broadcast of "General Programs Broadcast from Ho Chi Minh City" listed as being on 655 (sic), which matches recent receptions by Patrick Martin and several DU DXers. Airtime for these programs is given at 0530 & 1130 UTC (no program length given). This may or may not be the Channel One station listed above on 657.

No specific transmitter sites are given for the various outlets, except by region. I've identified their regions as follows

- 1. Northern Vietnam (presumably the Hanoi area)
- 2. "From Nghe An province to Northern Hai Van Pass"
- 3. Central Vietnam and the Central Highlands
- 4. Southern Vietnam (presumably the Ho Chi Mihn City area)

D3: This is channel 3, a service of ethnic minority broadcasts. They include Southern Khmer on 747 2200-2245 0400-0445 & 1300-1345, Ede on 639 2200-2230 0430-0500 & 1130-1200, Giarai on 1089 2200-2230 0430-0500 & 1130-1200, and Bana on 639 2230-2300 0400-0430 & 1200-1230. It's not clear what these outlets carry (if anything) the rest of the time, since most of them aren't listed as outlets as Channel One or Two.

There is also a Channel Four, which is carried only on FM.

The Foreign Service has Two Medium Wave Outlets. 1008 broadcasts no neighboring countries as follows Time Program

- 1100 English to China //9730 7285
- 1130 Thai to China //9730 7285
- 1200 Mandarin to China //10010 12135
- 1300 Mandarin to China //10010 12135
- 1330 Cantonese to China //10010 12135
- 1330 Khmer to Laos/Cambodia //9730 7285 (That's how they have it listed!)
- 1400 Lao to Laos/Cambodia //9730 7285
- 1430 Indonesian to Laos/Camb //7400 7230 5940
- 1530 Vietnamese to Laos/Cambodia
- 1530 Thai to Laos/Cambodia, //s?
- (Another schedule conflict!)
- 2200 Mandarin to China, no listed //
- 2230 Cantonese to China //10010 12135

1242 carries programs for foreigners in Hanoi as follows

French 1300 Russian 1130

Spanish 1100 Japanese 1200 1400 Cantonese 2230

Thai 2300 1500 Khmer 2330

Indonesian 0930 1030 1430

UNITED CHRISTIAN BROADCASTERS

The following is the transcript of an interview by Wolf Harranth (in German) on RADIO AUSTRIA IN-TERNATIONAL "Kurzwellen-Panorama" broadcast Saturday, 3 August 1996, and transcribed by DSWCI.

A couple of weeks ago UCB, United Christian Broad-casters, appeared 2300-0030 on 6199. The station was observed before on 864 and then on 549 - the frequency of "Reflections Europe" and, earlier, "Radio Fax" which would indicate a transmitter location in southern or southwestern Ireland. We know UCB from its satellite transmissions via ASTRA, under "Sky Sports", 11.509, on 7.56. But does UCB indeed hold a license for SW and MW? Graham Wilson is UCB's Technical Manager. We reached him at the station's headquarters in Strike-on-Trent, and I asked him to first of all tell us who owns and operates UCB.

Graham Wilson (English, with German voice-over): UCB is a company set up by a group of people from New Zealand - our parent company in New Zealand is called "Radio Rhema". The company was established ten years ago today. Initially we broadcast for two years from the Isle of Man and using the facilities of "Manx Radio" which was received very successfully. We then pulled from the IOM, ceased broadcasting there to build up our resources and our studios and station here on the UK mainland.

WH: Are your ASTRA scheduled for a direct audience or for re-broadcasting?

GW: Both really. We certainly have quite a large direct audience on satellite, mainly in the UK and Germany, but also as far south as Algiers, and we have a listener, I believe, in Iceland. We reach far and wide on ASTRA but we use it for rebroadcasting as well. It's an ideal medium for that.

WH: You lease a lot of air-time. Could just any Christian broadcaster or even an individual person qualify for a time slot?

GW:Anyone who wishes to submit material for rebroadcast, as long as it is possible by our manager and is acceptable qualitywise and in content, then, yes, we are always open to offer new ideas.

WH: Some time ago UCB was being observed on MW allegedly via "Reflections Europe". Now you are on SW. Do you have a valid license for these broadcasts?

GW: Yes, on the shortwave we are just running test transmissions in the moment - we never used the facilities of "Reflection Europe" by the way, this is a totally separate station. And, yes, we have a frequency which is allocated to us by the Russian government for SW and also for MW and LW, but they are much long-term projects.

WH: Does this mean that you broadcasts from Russia?

GW: No, the frequencies themselves are allocated from the Russian Federation. We're in the process, on the long and medium wave frequencies, of receiving clearance from the ITU and obtaining a license within the UK. Possible broadcasting sites might be Ireland or the Isle of Man.

WH: So where does this program come from?

GW: That is coming from Ireland, carrying the UCB programming on a test, again licensed by the Russian and the Irish authorities. We have a protocol by the Russian authorities.

WH: And the Irish part is being done by well-known "Vision Ltd." - My last question to Graham Wilsom concerned their future plans.

GW: Well, our immediate desire is really out to continue to build a power audience on ASTRA. We plan to also in the long term future to have two stations, one which would be for the younger generation and one which would be for the older generation.

WH: United Christian Broadcasters Ltd. can be reached via: Hanchurch Christian Centre, Stoke-on-Trent ST4 8RY, UK. Their correct e-mail is: ucb@icl-net.co.ul (and no longer: h/w.netcentral.co.uk) /steveb/ucb/html)

"LONG AND MEDIUM WAVE STATIONS IN EU-ROPE, NORTH AFRICA AND MIDDLE EAST"

Herman Boel is an active and experienced Belgian LW/MW Dxer. After the years he had been monitoring the entire LW/MW Spectrum in order to compile the whole BCB Stations in Europe, North Africa and Middle East Territories.

He has achieved one of the most difficult works to get: An accurate and constantly up-to-date list with all broadcasters in these areas. This publication is a must for the senous LW/MW DXer in order to check every frequency and station heard. Some features of the list are:

- Complete list of LW and MW Stations by frequency.
- Stations from Europe, North Africa and Middle East.
- The most received transatlantic and Asian Station are mentioned.
- Logs including: Freq, ITU Country Code, Station, Location, Power. Schedule and language details.
- List by Country Order with addresses.
- Revised twice per year.

If anyone is interested in this list, they can write to: Herman Boel. Welvaartstraat 91A, B-9300 Aalst, Flanders - Belgium (Info via MDXN)

CREDITS: Arctic DX Club, DXers Calling (DXC), New Zealand DX League (NZDXT), Medi-DX Club (MDXC), Ejectronic DX Press (EDXP), various others as noted.

BROADCASTING (INFORMATION



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DEADLINES: 2nd & 4th Saturdays. Compiled: 09/15/96 Much of this information was compiled from M Street Journal , DXM, and various other sources.

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

AL. Fairhope Hartselle 1160 khz. 50000/13000 DA-2

285-D, ND 830 khz.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

AL. Montgomery TX. Abilene

WMSP-740 dec. to 10000-D, DA-2

KEAN-1280 changes to ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

CA. Folsom

KIOQ-1030 inc. to 5000-N, DA-2 (CP)

Salinas

KHTX-1460 change to 10000/10000 DA-1 (this station not on air-ed.)

WUSS-1490 dec. to 290/290 ND

NJ. Atlantic City TX. Kingsport

WKCV-1090 inc. to 1800-CH, ND

VA. Colonial Heights WSTK-1290 inc. to 25000-D, ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

IL. Vernon Hills MN. Ortonville

WNVR-1030 inc. to 4000-D, DA-1 (CP)

KDIO-1350 dec. to 670/38 ND-1 WMSW-1120 dec. to 2600-D, ND

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

CA. Eureka

PR. Hatillo

KTMA-1480 becomes KGOE

KKGM-620 becomes KBZS "The Buzz" CO. Grand Junction

GA. Barrollton

WLBB-1100 becomes WWWE

Macon

WMAZ-940 becomes WMWR WMVN-970 becomes WZAM

MI. Ishpeming NM. Hobbs

KHOB-1390 becomes KUCU

ND. West Fargo

KQFN-1550 becomes KQWB

OH. Canton

WPGY-1520 requests WINW Cincinnati WAOZ-1360 becomes WAZU

KXXY-1340 becomes KEBC

OK. Oklahoma City Pawhuska

KRIG-1500 becomes KOMH

Sallisaw

KKID-1560 becomes KKUZ

PA. Philadelphia

WGMP-1210 becomes WPTS WRIP-1260 becomes WMAK

SC. Lake City TX. Alice

KDSI-1070 becomes KOPY

VA. Lynchburg

UT. Salt Lake City KCNR-1320 becomes KFNZ "Fan" WVLR-1320 becomes WJJS

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL. Cullman

WFMH-1460 was country//FM, adds ABC Real C&W

KUKQ-1060 was rock, now sports AZ. Tempe

KBZS-620 was KKGM, stds. now talk, sports CO. Grand Junction

(Greaseman, WW1, 1 on 1 sports, ESPN)

	Montrose	KUBC-580	was	ABC oldies, now ABC stds.
CT.	Norwalk	WNLK-1350	was	talk, sports, ads Judy Jarvis talk
	Stamford	WSTC-1400	was	nx, talk, jazz, adds Judy Jarvis talk
FL.	Orlando	WWNZ-740	was	nx, talk, adds Major talk
GA.	Macon	WMWR-940	was	WMAZ, nx, talk, sports, adds Fan sports
HI.	Wailuku	KMVI-550	was	AC, Hawaiian, now JSN AS
ID.	Rexburg	KRXK-1230	was	reg. Mexican, talk, adds JSN reg. Mex.
IL.	Urbana			urban, adds ABC Banks
KS.	Dodge City	KGNO-1370	was	ABC Real Country, now ABC country
LA.	Lafayette			talk, sports, now CSN children's
				urban AC, Cajun, now talk, sports
	New Orleans			talk, adds USA Daybreak
	La Plata			AC//WSMD-FM, now classic hits//WSMD-FM
	Northampton			nx, talk, sports, adds Major talk
	Ishpeming			WMVN, hot AC//FM, now AP nx
MN.	Aitkin			WW1 country, now WW1 AS
MO.	Kennett			country, now ABC Real country
MT.	Bozeman	KOBB-1230	was	oldies "Bob", now stds. Bob sr."
NY.	White Plains	WFAS-1230	was	stds., sports, adds Major talk
NC.	Havelock	WCPQ-1330	was	silent, now Radio 1 C&W//FM
ND.	West Fargo	KQWB-1550	was	KKFN, sports, now WW1 AS (keeps
			Imus	s in the morning)
OH.	Cleveland	WHK-1420	was	sports, now religion
OK.	Ardmore	KVS0-1240	was	country//FM, talk, now JSN oldies,
			tall	•
	Pawhuska	KOMH-1500	was	KRIG, C&W//FM, now ABC oldies
PA.	Easton	WEEX-1230	was	sports, now ABC Real country (uses
			ABC	's Moby in the morning)
SC.	Newberry			oldies//F, now United talk
TX.	Gig Spring	KBYG-1400		talk/sports/oldies, now ABC stds., (adds tejano nights)
	Terrel1	KPYE-1570		stds., talk, adds Major talk
UT.	Salt Lake City			KCNR, nx, talk, now sports "K-fan"
				KAPN, nx, now nx, talk

Steve Mittman of Seal Beach, CA. passes on the following tip:

CA Port Hueneme KTRO-1520 new talk format began 9/6,
ID "Ventura Country's Hot Talk AM 1520",
line up: Dr. Laura 9 AM-noon (tape delayed
from prior day), Ron Reagan noon-3PM, Leykis 3-7 PM/KOSB-990.

This adds to tip reported in last column. Thanks, Steve!

1 month till my trip to so. CA, will visit somme DX'ers in the area. 6 days till fall begins, DX is getting better... 73's.

phil bytheway - Seattle WA - bytheway@atk.com Tabulated from WWV at ~0518 GMT nightly

Geomagnetic Summary September 12 1996 through September 18 1996

GEO	-	Geomac	metic	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
9/12	68	21	5	very low	quiet-mis	-
13	67	16	3	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
14	67	10	3	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
15	66	17	3	very low	unsettled-active	-
16	68	20	3	very low	quiet-mis	-
17	69	6	4	very low	quiet-active	-
9/18	69	19	1	very low	guiet-mis	-



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DEADLINE: TUESDAYS

Another good turnout this week with reports from Albert Lehr, Jack Woods, Nigel Pimblett, Shawn Axelrod and Eric Bueneman. So away we go.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 630 HONDURAS, several locations Radio America 9/13 0250 Fair to good signals w/very fast talking man calling Sports event, poss. Baseball. Several mentions of Cuba and Nicaragua. Clear ID 0305 with "Radio America Tegucigalpa" These are //610.NEW! (SA-MB)
- CUBA, Guanabacoa Radio Progresso 9/12 0430 Mix of Latin American 640 and EE Pops. (SA-MB) MEXICO, Fresnillo XEYQ 9/13 0315 Poor signals in KFI null w/ballad mx and clear XEYQ ID in SS. (SA-MB)
- 720 BRAZIL, Porto Alegre Radio Guaiba fading in and out w/PP talk in WGNs null 0803 9/16. I've hrd this 6 times in the past 7 months during KDWN's MM silent period, so I'm surprised that no one else in the West has reported them. Try for them 0800-0900 Look for an .8 Hz SAH w/WGN and listen for a deep-voiced male ancr. (AL-CA)

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

UNID, carrier at 0250 9/17, no audio. Measured 1196.987 Khz. No other TA carriers noted. (AL-CA)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 657 tCHINA? woman in CC march mx 1331 9/19. Right on freq. with N. Korea about 13hz higher. (AL-CA)
 756.06v UNID, woman in CC 1332 9/9 and 1250 9/19 (AL-CA)
- HAWAII, Honolulu-KHVH 1230 8/26. "KHVH News update" by woman, then 830 wx. Nice to hear a strong Hawaiian other than KHLO. (NP-AB)
- AUSTRALIA, Canberra 2RN 1258 9/1. Plug for ABC pgm then ID "Radio 846 National 846" into ABC News. (NP-AB)
- 864 tAUSTRALIA, Toowoomba 4GR 1254 9/1. presumed the one giving UK soccer scores. (NP-AB)
- 891 AUSTRALIA, Adelaide-5AN 1231 8/31 ABC News by woman. My best ever
- reception of this one, Also on 9/1 (NP-AB)
 SOUTH KOREA, Very loud 1323 9/14. Man and woman in KK (AL-CA) 972
- AUSTRALIA, Melbourne-3PB(3PNN) 1240 9/1. Presume the one with 1026 Radio Australia pgm, lost to pop mx station. New catch if them. (NP-AB) (You prob. had 3PB mixing w 4MK. PM)
- 1107 UNID, 1244 9/1 Station came up for about a minute w/woman in Or.
- lang. Possibly 2EA? (NP-AB) (Yes, I think so.PM)
 UNID, 1237 9/1 In weakly w/program of pop mx, phone conversations 1116 too (NP-AB)
- UNID, weak 1237 9/9 w/choir/opera singing (AL-CA) 1221.7v
- UNID, 1227 9/1 Weak w/what sounded Turkish or something similar 1620 w/some talk by man. 2AM? (NP-AB) (I would guess 2AM.PM)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

- SHAWN AXELROD-30 BECONTREE BAY-WINNIPEG MB R2N 2X9 SA-MB Rx Icom R70 w/Plam Board and Filter Mods, 140' LW
- ALBERT LEHR-1979 DE VACA WAY-LIVERMORE CA 94550-5609 AL-CA Rx: Allied A-2515, homebrew sync detector, PFM equip, 4' sp.loop
- NIGEL PIMBLETT-1146 QUEEN STREET-MEDICINE HAT AB T1A 184 NP-AB Kenwood R5000 and Drake R8A, 1000' bev and 260 degrees



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FRG 8800, KIWA loop

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Drake R8, 900' NNW Beverage, 1500' E Beverage, terminated 200' SW wire (SMM)Steve Mittman-P.O. Box 3222-Seal Beach, CA 90740-2222

Kenwood KRC-939 AM stereo car radio

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GE Superadio II, GE long-range portable, Select-Antenna

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

ID, Twin Falls is back on, //KBSU, running joint IDs. (FA-ID) 1450 KEZJ

XETIN BCN, Tijuana clarification on my report in 9/7 DXM: it's a daytimer, and no one at KNNZ knows what time it signs on. (LBG-MT)

CA, Alturas 9/3 2200 good on top with ID "Tule Lake, California, this is KKFJ 570 KKFJ Alturas, reaching out for you." Ex-KCNO. Thanks to RW for tip. (PM-OR) (Tule Lake??-NJ)

AK, Homer 9/6 mixing with KOTK off north Beverage, with original hits // 620 KGTL 910-KKSN, 1140-KGEM, etc. ID at 0317 "K-G-T-L, AM 620." (PM-OR)

ND, Williston 9/19 0752 strong with "66 Keys Country" ID. (LBG-MT) 660 KEYZ

KS, Colby on top 9/21 0753 with weather for KS & CO, ID as "K-Triple-X," then 790 KXXX C&W. New. (LBG-MT)

820 CHAM ON, Hamilton 9/9 2058 strong with ID "Your country, 820 Cham (1 word)." Announcer's name was Brian Williams. (LBG-MT)

890 **KBBI** AK, Homer 9/6 good on top of channel with Blues music, weather at 0329, soon lost to CJDC. (PM-OR)

900 KKRT WA, Wenatchee 9/16 0838 good over CJVI with weather, ID "KKRT," local spot. Unneeded, but good signal for 72 watt night power. (RW-CA)

910 ?CKDQ? AB, Drumheller 9/16 0836 susp. fair in KNEW null with ID "You're listening to the best in country, on Q-91." Started fading out. Unneeded. (RW-CA)

970 KBEE CA. Modesto 9/16 0951-1000 with new C&W format, ex-NOS. ID'ing as "AM 970, The Bull." Legal ID on hour "KBEE, Mosesto, KBUL Oakdale." (RW-CA)

1450 KVSL AZ. Show Low 9/14 0800 weak but readable with "Real Country... Radio, KVSL" through KGRZ. New. (LBG-MT)

KBFI ID. Bonners Ferry 9/20 2258 surely the one with B.F. Cougars football (LBG-MT)

- 1520 KTRO <u>CA.</u> Port Hueneme 9/9 0610 noted with new talk format, ex-Spanish. Usual good signal. (RW-CA.
 - +Fri 9/6 began new talk format. Uses "Ventura County's Hot Talk AM 1520" slogan as well as calls which now stand for "K-Talk Radio." Satellite line-up includes Dr. Laura Schlessinger. PhD. 9am-noon (1 day delay). Ron Reagan 12-3, and Tom Leykis 3-7pm // 990 Santa Barbara (which is considered the same market. As late as Th 9/12 local morning host was mentioning he couldn't yet take calls because their "expensive phone system wasn't yet installed!" (SMM-CA)
 - +9/12 1040 now on with an apparent talk show format, the hard to tell because nobody was calling ir. Host rattling off many topics for possible discussion, plus local promos for upcoming Ventura County events & local spots; also gave out the complete local high school football schedule for the weekend. Affiliated with CNN Radio, which is carried at the top of the hour. Fair signal. (EC-CA)
- 1600 WXVI AL, Montgomery 8/28 Black Gospel minister, ID at 0359:50 "W-X-V-I" lost to KATZ. Haven't heard this in a while. (PM-OR)
 - KATZ MO, St. Louis 8/28 0357 "This is the Midnight Man on KATZ." (PM-OR)
- 1610 TIS CA, Berkeley 6/8 0910 TIS/HAR heard talking about fires and Berkeley PD. Good signal. They also have a bumper sticker for their station. (GJ-CA)
 - (TIS) <u>CA</u>, Hollywood (Sunset Blvd) Sa 8/17 the the "Talking Billboard" with audio clips from Fox's hit series "The X-Files" is now defunct. Considering how short-lived it was, and presuming its expensive cost, I can't imagine how it could possibly have been a profitable venture for Fox! Also, I wonder what became of the transmitter? (SMM-CA)
 - TIS MT, West Glacier noted at 1800 9/10 while in this town. Barely audible in Apgar, 3 miles away. This one will be difficult to DX. (LBG-MT)
- 1620 TIS CA, Burbank 8/26 0850 "This is Burbank Information Radio, 16-20 on your AM dial." (PM-OR)
 - *TIS* CA. Orange County 9/6 1100 new Caltrans Freeway 55 TIS/HAR testing. (GJ-CA) +9/10 California Dept. of Transportation (Caltrans), heard with test loop some 20 miles from transmitter site. (EC-CA)
- 1630 (KXBT) CA, Vallejo silent 9/8 0900. This might evolve into a regular Sun. AM silent period. (LBG-MT)
- 1640 ?KWJC? WA. Greenacres 9/9 0554 suspected good through KXBT-1630 splash looping NE/SW with instrumental version of "Somewhere My Love," then alternative music by Everclear. A little fadey at times but generally good. Tuned out 0600. Called PM-OR for address on this guy, but he doesn't have one. Anyone have an address for them? (RW-CA)
- 1700 TIS WA, Amanda Park 9/9 0857 moderately strong with news of craft fair in Hoquiam.
 (LBG-MT)

UNIDS

- 1450 9/21 0757 s/on annct. by man, SSB followed. (LBG-MT)
- 1510 9/19 0558 under KGA, a station played song from Cinderella, suggesting kids format. (LBG-MT)

LOCAL NEWS

K-News I'm sure it was ony coincidence, but seemingly as if to personally answer my query in last month's DXM as to K-NEWS' power, the stn's president, in a Letter to the Editor in the 8/12/96 L.A. Times , wrote that their stations are KNNS-1260. Beverly Hills, with 5000 watts fulltime, KNNZ-540 Costa Mesa, with 25000 watts daytime (night power not mentioned), and another 540 station in Tijuana (calls of XETIN & power not given). Also added that "The FCC has just authorized K-NEWS to construct a new 10.000 watt station on 1650 AM, which will cover the entire (SoCal) market 24 hours a day." Actually, I believe 1650 is to be a freq. change for KNNZ-540, though the two will be permitted to simulcast for a long time. Also, would like to know/confirm 1650's City of License allocation. (SMM-CA)

Robert sent along a note that per a phone call to the station, KNFL-1470 Tremonton, UT is back on the air with sports/news format. They must have returned to the air recently, as when John & I passed through Tremonton on Aug. 24th they were still off.

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RIDING GAIN

[SA-MB] Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. saxelrod@mb.sympatico.ca

Icom IC-R70 with filter mods and Palm board. 4' box loop, Quantum loop, 100' longwire.

[EB-MO] Eric Bueneman, NOUIH, Hazelwood, Missouri.

Realistic DX-400, Realistic TM-152, Worcester Space Magnet 2.

[NJ-MT] Nancy Johnson, Billings, Montana Nancy_Johnson@prodigy.com lcom IC-R71A, Yaesu FRG-7, Lafayette HE-30, GE Superadio III, 2 "Radio West" Loops. Or the car radio in the 1995 Mustang. ©

[RCP-IN] Robert C. Pote, Greenwood, Indiana.

Drake R8A, Quantum loop, or 1987 Escort car radio.

[RS-MO] Randy Stewart, Springfield, Missouri.

Yaesu FRG-100 modified by EEB with 6-kc Collins filter, 4-kc filter. Sony SRF-42.

SPECIAL INTEREST

630 (CKRC) MB, Winnipeg. SILENT. 9-11 1900 found CKRC gone. They went silent sometime after 1800 when I last checked. On 99.9 FM only now after being [|630 for about two months. Nice to have CKRC go off, see resulting DX below. [SA-MB]

1030 KOWW MO, Blue Springs. EX-KBEQ. 9-8 fair. 2300 noted with call and format change. Satellite country music. ID "KOWW AM 1030 Blue Springs, Kansas City." Sometimes uses the slogan "The Cow." [RS-MO]

1270 WKBF IL, Rock Island. EX-WHTS. 9-9 dominant. 0345 with Westwood One Adult Standards ||WRTH-1430. "The Quad Cities" station for great memories is the new AM 1270 WKBF." Returning to the WKBF calls, no more "All Hit 98-9." [EB-MO]

1280 KRRF CO, Denver. EX-KXKL. 9-21 good on the car radio along I-90 north of the WY border. 2059 with promo for Imus In The Morning. Also a promo mentioning Air Force football coverage and that all weekend they air BBC programming. Legal "KRRF Denver" ID into BBC News. [NJ-MT]

DOWN THE DIAL

620 KAAM TX, Plano. 9-12 good to fair. 0722 with weather report and "K-double-A M" ID into Beatles' oldie. Again at 2330 with NOS/EZL music. "The unforgetable K-double-A-M." This may have been a previous unID of mine. New for me. [SA-MB]

630 CFCO ON, Chatham. 9-12 fair in KHOW null. 2358 with GTO oldies program and a "6-30 CFCO" ID. [SA-MB]

CKCK SK, Regina. 9-12 good. 0003 with Good Times Oldies (or "GTO") rock oldies. Lots of "6-20 CK" and "CKCK" ID's. This will be a pest now that CKRC is gone. Heard even at mid day here on the car radio! [SA-MB]

KHOW CO, Denver. 9-12 very good, dominant. 0013 with several "KHOW" and "K-how" ID's. This was rare DX last week and me thinks it will be the 630 pest now that CKRC is gone. [SA-MB]

KSLR TX, San Antonio. 9-13. 0727 with KSLR traffic reports. Also "KSLR the best music this side of the....." into religious music. New for me! [SA-MB]

- KTKK <u>UT</u>, Sandy. 9-15 fair to poor u/KHOW. 0730 with a talk program about food and a clear "K-talk, Utah's....." New for me! [SA-MB]
- WTMJ WI, Milwaukee. 9-13 fair. 0701 with local news, weather, and traffic all with "WTMJ" ID in front. [SA-MB]
- 640 CFOB

 ON, Fort Francis. 9-12 fair to poor. 1936 with GTO oldies program that was most, but not always ||620 CKCK's GTO program. They seem to do more local spots and announcements than CKCK. [SA-MB]
 - KFI <u>CA</u>, Los Angeles. 9-12 good, on top most of the time. 0019 with lots of "KFI AM 6-40" ID's. [SA-MB]
 - WGST <u>GA</u>, Atlanta. 9-6 fair o/WOI, WWLS. 0305 noted with "Newsradio WGST" slogan, appeal for Red Cross volunteers and info on hurricane Fran. Must have been on 50kW day power since I cannot hear them at all on 1kw night power. [EB-MO]
 - WMFN MI, Zeeland. 9-13 poor u/KFI. 0005 with One On One sports and a clear "Sports radio AM 6-40 the fan, WMFN Zeeland, Grand Rapids." New for me! [SA-MB]
 - WOI <u>IA</u>, Ames. 9-12 fair to good signals with KFI and the Cuban nulled. 0008 with BBC programming. [SA-MB]
 - WWLS OK, Moore. 9-12 poor signals briefly fading up u/KFI. 0730 with local news and spots. [SA-MB]
- 680 WOGO WI, Hallie. 9-3 very good while there. 0541 with slogan "Your Christian station, WOGO" into program of contemporary Christian music. [RCP-IN]
- 710 WAQI FL, Miami. 9-8 fair w/WHB and others. 2205 with SS tropical music and talk, mentions of Miami. Slogan "Radio Mambi La Grande." Full ID mentioned "50,000 watts de potencia." New log. Cuban Rebelde station nowhere to be found. [RS-MO]
- 770 WVNN AL, Athens. 9-2 very steady, rivaling WABC at times. 1938 with "Performance Radio Network" Nascar talk show. Ray Bestos spot. "WVNN. The talk monster." [RCP-IN]
- 840 WHAS KY, Louisville. 9-6. 0230 noted back in stereo again, but only during music. [EB-MO] TX, Amarillo. 9-6 good o/KIOA, WMIX. 0445 noted with calls, ABC Adult Standards, mention of "Unforgettable Music" and "AM 940 KIXZ." [EB-MO]
- 1030 WSFZ TN, Memphis. 9-8 good o/KOWW. 2300 with satellite sports format. During local break they gave phone numbers 901-794-8255 and 800-773-1030. [RS-MO]
- 1070 WDIA TN, Memphis. 9-12 fair in WIBC null w/CHOK under. 0444 with Gospel music format. Black oriented programming. ID "We are WDIA Memphis." [RCP-IN]
- 1090 CKKW ON, Kitchener. 9-7 fair, lots of noise, no sign of WBAL nor KAAY. 0453 with oldies format. Station ID heard with mention of "Tri Cities" area. [RCP-IN]
- 1110 WBT NC, Charlotte. 9-6 good to fair o/KFAB, XERED. 0255 with promo, local spots, weather promo, jingle "1110 WBT" into telephone reports from areas affected by hurricane Fran, including one from a truck driver who had just driven from the affected area. On 50kW ND. [EB-MO]
- 1140 KSOO IA, Sioux Falls. 9-9 at equal strength with WRVA. 0327 noted with "11-4-0 KSOO" ID into ABC Adult Standards. [EB-MO]
- 1200(WOAI) TX, San Antonio. 9-15 with just OC. 0452 noted OC with SS station coming in quite well in null of presumably WLXX. [RCP-IN]
- 1290 WCBL KY, Benton. 9-2 great signal before fading away. 1918 with oldies format, slogan "Great oldies on WCBL." [RCP-IN]
- 1320 WJAS PA, Pittsburg. 9-2 fairly strong signal with quick fades. 0457 with NOS song "Friendly Persuasion" before ID "13-20 WJAS." I haven't heard this station since the spring of 1995. [RCP-IN]
- 1379.60 KJUS TX, Beaumont. 9-10 poor to fair, exactly 400 Hz low. 2225 with soul music, spot for Arcangel Nursing Center in Beaumont. 2231 ID "The urban gold connection, 1380 AM KJUS." First time logged. Only readable in LSB mode, just a loud 400 Hz on 1380 in AM mode. Noise from on-frequency 1380 stations. Exceedingly rare these days to find an US station so far off frequency. Others who may have noticed an annoying het on 1380 may find this to be KJUS. [RS-MO]
- 1470 KRKI <u>CO</u>, Estes Park. 9-16 briefly in good o/KKTY on the FRG-7. 2111 with call letters and "K-rocky" slogan given after a Rita Coolidge song. [NJ-MT]
- 1550 WBSC SC, Bennettsville. 9-6 fair o/KSFT. 0353 noted with info on hurricane Fran, calls, into rock oldie by Dee Clark, "Raindrops." [EB-MO]

UnID'S

620 unID 9-12 poor. 0105 with ABC Information News into NOS or EZL. [SA-MB] 25 YEARS AGO

October 2, 1971 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" _ Joe Markewicz of Winnipeg, MB told about KBMR Bismarck, ND now on 1130 moving from 1350 _ Nancy Gantzer of Fredonia, NY reported hearing KPIK Colorado Springs, CO _ Lee J. Freshwater of Muncie, IN said he was 21 and attended Ball State _ Grant Manning of San Diego, CA resigned as editor of the West Coast DX Roundup.

OPEN MIKE

You can go wrong by being too skeptical as readily as by being too trusting. We wonder if Lee attended Ball State at the same time David Letterman was there? Shawn has found his own "expanded band" with his local CKRC gone. What a way to add to one's totals! We are well into the new DX season, be sure to turn on those radios and listen. You may want to consider entering this years contests, the domestic contest is quite interesting with a new twist this year. We are also into the weekly issues now, so be sure to report often. 73, John.

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* Tropical Band DX Roundap *

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Welcome to another Tropical Band Column. I am glad to see all the support as usual. As Ralph says, you make it all possible. Keep up the good work.

- 2310 AUSTRALIA, Alice Springs NT VL8A 9/20 1232 Poor to fair w/EZL mx
- //2325 (JW-OR)
 2485 AUSTRALIA, Katherine NT VL8K 9/21 0900 good clear signal with
- panel talk about sports, Olympic Games Commentary (JW-OR)
 2850 D.R.KOREA, Pyongyang 9/20 1238 good with choral mx (JW-OR)
- 3250 D.R.KOREA, Pyongyang 9/20 1248 Broadcast ended w/Asian language talk. Carrier stayed on and was still noted 1242 (JW-OR)
- 3324 GUATEMALA, Radio Maya de Barillas 9/17 1043 fair w/SS mx (JW-OR)
- 3330 ZAMBIA, Christian Voice 0400 8/26 in IE w/promo for children's program, ment of 3330 frek and FM in Lusaka then sung ID. This was tough through the CHU CRM (NP-AB)
- 3345 INDONESIA, Ternate 9/20 1255 presumed w/pop mx fair to good (JW-OR)
- 3965 FRANCE, Radio France Internationale 3/6 0440 fair w/talk and IDs in FF (EB-MO)
- 3975 HUNGARY, Radio Budapest 9/6 0400 good to fair over K1MAN w/clas.mx, talk in RR ID news in Ukrainian EB-MO)
- 3985 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC World Service 9/6 3450 good to fair, noted with talk in EE and "BBC World Service" (EB-MO)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

- EB-MO ERIC BUENEMAN(NOUIH) 631 COACHWAY LANE-HAZELWOOD, MO 63042-1347 Sangean ATS-803A, homebrew antenna
- NP-AB NIGEL PIMBLETT-1146 QUEEN STREET-MEDICINE HAT, AB T1A 1B4 Kenwood R-5000, Drake R8A, '000' beverage at 260 degrees
- JW-OR JACK WOODS-PO BOX 1003-WALDPORT, OR 37394 Lowe Europa, ALN-1 outdoor loop, Dymek active antenna, NPM-1 phasing unit.



Eastern DX Roundup

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			LOGGINGS	
550	WDUN	GA	Gainesville 9/17 1910. Strong w/ Atlanta Braves	promo
330	WDON	GA	slogan as "Home for the Ga Bulldogs, WDUN 55"	(JD-AL)
680	WJCE	TN	Memphis 9/22 2204-2300. In and out over WPTF a	nd Unid
000	WOCE	114	Big Band stn w/"Solid Gold Soul" slogans "The Ju	ice AM
			680" slogans and IDs, music by Marvin Gaye, Spin etc.	(JD-AL)
720	WGCR	NC	Pisgah Forest 9/17 1915 Strong with slogan as "Carolina Radio".	(JD-AL)
740	WGSM	NY	Huntington. (no date-time) Now C&W format with I	D WMJC
,			94.3 often. Very infrequent mentions of WGSM ca	11
			letters	(KZ-NY)
780	WWOL	NC	Forest City 9/17 1925-1927. Strong with s/off	annomt
700	MMOL	110	mentioning owned & operated by Holly Springs Bap	tist
			Broadcasting. Gspl tune in background to the tun	e of
			"Let Freedom Ring." Off at 1927	(JD-AL)
000	LINCY	3.7	Montgomery 9/11 2100 Promo for Sunday pgm, ID,	
800	WMGY	AL	Religious stn.	(LH-AL)
	OHT 1.1		Windsor 9/20 2214 Up briefly with end of a feature	
	CKLW	ON	then "CKLW joins 1 on 1 sports already in progre	ee "
			then "CKLW Joins I on I sports already in progre	(LF-FL)
			Into Sports talk. Poor signal.	
820	CHAM	ON	Hamilton 9/16 0438 Noted u/WBAP with Country for	71 Mac.
			Slogans as "Country Music Radio" and "Your Count	the ness
			CHAM" Mostly poor, but up occ. First logging of	(TE-ET)
			season.	(LF-FL)
920	WYMB	SC	Manning 9/17 2232-2245. In and out with country	//FM
			Many slogans mentioning FMer WHLZ and 92.5	(JD-AL)
	WTCW	KY	Whitesburg 9/17 2245-2300. Good with Country,	program
			promos //FM "K-104" slogans. Dual ID at top of h	iour with
			"WTCW" and "WXKQ"	(JD-AL)
950	WGOV	GA	Valdosta 9/16 2345-2355. Good with Classic Sou	11,
			slogans as "Majic 95" and "Valdosta's Majic 95.	(JD-AL)
1020	WCIL	IL	Carbondale 9/7 0830 Popped up over presumed	JEP
			with local weather, "on AM 1020 WCIL". Surprised	(JD-AL)
1070	KNX	CA	Los Angeles 9/22 2310-2330+ In quite well W/	news,
20.0			sports pam lineup promos, promo for "Chopper 10"	70"
			traffic coverage. (JD-GREAT CATCH-ed)	(JD-AL)

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	1160	WERD	GA East Point 9/17 2259-2314. Strong at times over & under WJJD w/sat prgm via Prime Sports. Legal ID as "You're listening to the last word in sports. WERD-East Point.
			Atlanta's real sports station." New calls & format.
			(JD-AL)
		WERD	GA East Point 9/18 2100 "W-E-R-D- Atlanta's true (sports source?) (drove under a power line right then)" into USA nx. (LH-AL)
	1210	WPTS	PA Philadelphia 9/10 2244-2300 Phillies/Astros postgame many slogan as "Philadelphia's Talk Station", dual promos also mentioning KYW Newsradio. EX-WCAU/WOGL/WGMP
			The 4th callsign I've logged them under. (JD-AL)
	1370	WTAB	NC Tabor City 9/20 2200 Noted SSB, then full s/off. Mention of "owned by WTAB Inccorner ofjoin us tomorrow" Very poor. New (LF-FL)
	1420	WLNA	NY Peekskill (no date-time) Now ALL TALK with Sports Babe,
	1430	WBLR	나타 레트 경기가 있는 경기가 있다면 하는 이렇게 되고 있습니다. 그렇게 되었다고 하나 나는 이렇게 되었는데 그 그 이 씨는 그는데, 그리고 있는데, 그는데, 그는데, 그는데, 그는데, 그는데, 그
		1	local stns." Greenville Tech H.S. Football Scorebaord" Obviously a net of some kind. Mention of "Hometown
			Radio" Finally caught local PSA, "a public service
			annumnt for the Bateburg Regional Community and your Hometown Radio Station WBLR* Lots of QRMNew (LF-FL)
		WNFO	SC Ridgeland 9/20 2311 up w/ directions to local hotels
			and several mentions of "WNFO" sounded like a TIS.
			mixing w/ Span stn & WBLR and 1 unid. New (LF-FL)
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	837	????	?? Unknown WEAK Spanish stn noted here (WW-RI)
	1190		
			Hootie & Blowfish, Genesis, Journey, Natalie Merchant,
			ect. Seemed an FM simo, but never could get an ID.
			Suddenly a nightly regular here. Anyone else hear this
			and can help with an ID. (JD-AL) (JD-I've been "parked" on 1190 the last several nights
			and have not heard it here, YET-ed)
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			FOREIGN DX
	585	RNE1	Spain, Madrid 9/15 Spanish talk, weak signal. Was starting to fade after being in for 3 1/2 hours. Noted it
	760	нјнј	was //855 Spain. 4th Spain ever logged. (WW-RI) Columbia, Barranquilla 9/2 2235 Strong signal with
	760	nono	Spanish music and ID as "RCN Barranquilla/Radio Columbia" (WW-RI)
	800	РЈВ	Bonaire Netherlands Antellies 9/15 2329 ID, man giving address at end of Rel Pgm, into mx. (LH-AL)
	840		St. Lucia 9/2 Radio Caribbean International 1950,
			Noted with Regga type music, deep voice annor English.
			Noted right at sunset, strongest at that time, got weaker
			as time went on. First time logged (received just as
			Hurricane Edouard was passing by and "Fran" was down in the Caribbean) (WW-RI)
	855	REN1	Spain, SER. 9/15 2252. Spanish talk. Strong signal,
			much stronger than 585//. Noted an ID: "Radio Espanola
			Spaina." Good until 2314 started to fade.
	1010	110110	Third Spain stn ever logged. (WW-RI)
	1040	WCXQ	Puerto Rico 9/14 2152 Spanish music noted here. Many Mayaquez mentions. One on top of the hour. First PR
			noted on this freq. (WW-RI)
	1044		SPAIN. SER. San Sebastian 9/15 2017. Strong at times,
			but stayed in good strength. Spanish talk. Two men. 2230 Noted three beeps on half hour. First Spain stn logged. (WW-RI)
	1053		United Kingdom. Talk Radio 9/15 2035. Good but
			slightly weak signal. British accent English Talk. No ID
			noted, but I am sure it was them. Fadey at times. Splash 1050. First UK stn ever noted on AM. (WW-RI)
			1050. First UK stn ever noted on AM. (WW-RI) SPAIN. COPE Weak and briefly in over UK. Beeps on hour.
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Spanish talk. Second Spain stn noted. (WW-RI) 1062 Denmark, Kalundborg. 9/8 2352. Strong at times. Talk in Danish. Some English songs played. Seemed to come in better on 1063 khz. 1134 Croatia ??? 9/14 2110. Unknown language. (not spanish) Noted weak, fady. Could be this? Above noted after a tip from John Thresher 1314 NRK Norway, Kvitsoy. 9/9 0024. Noregian Talk, Classical Music selections. Strongest to date ever heard, Very strong for guite awhile. (WW-MA)

DX TIP- For us in the south where Football is King, the best time to DX seems to be Friday and Saturday nights 1900-2300. Seems that alot of stations carrying H.S. Football "accidently forgets" to "power down" at the proper time...Indiana stations pull the same "stunt" during H.S. Basketball season......

1996 I.R.C.A. CONVENTION REPORT

The annual I.R.C.A. Convention and Funfest was held in Ocala, Florida the weekend of July 19,1996. The Historic Ritz Hotel was the site for the get together.

The weekend started Thursday afternoon after picking up Phil Bytheway at the Gainesville (go Gators) airport. Retreating to the Freshwater house for a late dinner, Phil caught me up on all the happenings of the

IRCA for the past several years.

Friday morning Phil & I started to set up the meeting room at the hotel. Situated in a ranch style house adjacent to the hotel, we had the large place to ourselves. Park Barton arrived from Tuscaloosa and assisted in the set up. The convention officially got under way at 11 AM when we three left for the Gainesville (go Gators) airport to pick up R.C. Watts arriving from Louisville.

The four of us then left for the first "official" function of the convention. A tour of local W.L.U.S. AM 980. Chief Engineer Steve Schroder provided a good look at one of the stations who participated in last seasons DX Test Marathon from Florida. We left W.L.U.S. after taking a "group" photo. It was time for a tour of W.Y.G.C. (the G.C. stands for "Gator Country") After the tour, we "raided" the W.Y.G.C. "prize closet" and loaded everyone down with Tee Shirts, stickers, digital clocks, and all kinds of other "good stuff." Lunch then followed at a local barbecue establishment. We then stopped at the W.Y.G.C. transmitter site for a technical tour. Following the drive back to Ocala, we all got together for a group dinner at a local restaurant.

Following dinner, we all met at the meeting room for informal discussion. Park brought along the very FIRST volume of DXM. It sure was fun to look at. We also compared some data base computer programs. In general, we all just got to know each other. Lynn Hollerman was arriving from Huntsville on the Orlando Airport Shuttle, (which was late) but we finally found her about 9:30. We waited and waited for Mike Sanburn,

never realizing that he was over in the lounge.

The "big day" was Saturday. After meeting at the hotel, the "group" embarked on our station tours. First stop: W.M.O.P. AM 900. The local SMN "Real Country" outlet was doing a live "Swap & Sell" program when we arrived. Owner Dick Andrews gave us the run of the place. WMOP has one of the largest "Old Radio" collections around, so the bulk of the tour was us looking at "antiques." We then went to W.O.C.A. AM 1370. The local "Rush" affiliate, was kind enough to bring some people in to assist us in the tour. Following Phil's "plea" for some stationary, we left to get more film for Mikes camera. Driving around town we showed the group the tower sites for both WMOP, WOCA, and WTMC-1290. Giving Mike, R.C. and Park a good photo op of ALL the local AMs. We had to stop and buy more film for Mikes camera.

After meeting Parks and my wife for lunch we headed for the afternoon tours. Park and his wife Charlotte decided to do some local shopping. First afternoon stop was W.N.D.D. "Wind 95.5" The Program Director forgot about the tour (I got a VERY apologetic phone call the next week) so I became tour guide. Using a massive computer, every bit of station audio is on a 9gb hard drive. WNDD was getting ready for a local marketing agreement wind W.N.D.T 92.5 in Gainesville. (go Gators) I hopefully was able to explain to all how this would all work. We found out last week that it DOESN'T work, and we are back at the drawing board.

After leaving W.N.D.D. it was time to show off my stations, W.T.R.S. and W.M.F.Q. WTRS is a "live" country formatted station on 102.3. With 50,000 watts we run "neck & neck" with our main competition "K-Country" 93.7. WMFQ at 92.9 and 50,000 watts is a "Lite AC" formatted station also known as "Q-Lite." Morning announcer Bill Barr was super to come in on his day off to show us the WMFQ computer and CD system. Lots of questions followed, including one from Phil that Bill could not answer. We he tried to figure it out, he "locked" the system and took the audio right off the air. Phil will now be known as the first convention attendee to ever take a station OFF THE AIR. !!! After loading down with WTRS/WMFQ "stuff"; Tee-Shirts, stickers, stationary, magnets, etc, we all left for the technical tour of the WTRS and WMFQ tower sites.

After dropping everyone off at the hotel to "Freshin Up", we decided to meet back at 6PM for the banquet. The banquet was held at a local Steak House. Originally planned for the hotel, the change was made due to the low turnout. I never knew that Phil was able to fit 3 lbs of Ice Cream into a 1 lb bowel !! After a long dinner and social hour, it was time for the annual business meeting.

Arriving back at the hotel we were met by Jerry Thomas from Pensacola. Seems that Jerry got his weekends mixed up. But it was nice that he

could spend a little time with us.

Adjourning to the meeting room, the first thing on the list was the awarding to Lynn Hollerman of her plaque for winning last years T.V.A. award. It was then announced that Phil was the winner of this years T.V.A. award, and that I was the recipient off the "Ric Heald" award. A long discussion then ensued about the possibility of a "soft" copy of DXM distributed via computer. Park Barton's legal expertise was very helpful in figuring out the security aspect of the proposal. Phil then read all the reports from the various committee's.

With only 6 people the IRCA Auction was a bit different, but everything was sold. We really had alot of nice items this year, as Mike Sanburn wrote alot of letters and spend alot of his time and money in helping to get auction items. We wrote a letter to EVERY AM station in the state of Florida. Asking for some stickers, or promo items, we only received TWO replies. And people wonder why the AM stations are going broke! Following the auction, Phil and Park helped in the room clean up and loading of the van. After the long day, we were all READY for some rest !!!

Lynn had an early afternoon flight, so she departed Sunday morning. The rest of us then met at our house for a late morning "brunch." The "guys" ended up in the living room talking DX, while my wife Penny and Charlotte sat in the kitchen trying to "figure us out." Phil and R.C. had to be at the Gainesville (go Gators) airport late in the

afternoon, so the convention "officially" ended at 2 PM.

Upon arriving at the airport, we found out that Phil was NOT allowed to take ANY batteries on the plane. (This was shortly after the explosion on TWA-800) When we asked the ticket agent when that policy started, she replied "about 10 minute ago." With R.C. on his way Phil and I had a chance to review the convention and discuss ideas for the future. Phil then departed for Seattle, and the convention was over.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

LEE FRESHWATER (host)
R.C. WATTS LOUISVILLE, KY
PARK BARTON TUSCALOOSA, AL
JERRY THOMAS PENSACOLA, FL

PHIL BYTHEWAY- SEATTLE, WA LYNN HOLLERMAN- HUNTSVILLE, AL MIKE SANBORN- BELLFLOWER, CA It was a real "thrill" for me to host this event. It was also a real LEARNING experience. I am dis-appointed in the low turnout. I really thought that people wanted a convention in the EAST. I am especially dis-appointed in the Florida membership. A lot of work goes into events like this. Not to mention the money. I could not have done this by myself without the help of my wife Penny and the support of those WHO CAME. What FUN it was to meet everyone and get to know them. And I promise R.C. next time EVERYTHING will be in Spanish !!!]



Western DX Forum * * * * *

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[9/3] Northern California DX'ers, watch 840 KHz! CalTrans has purchased 20 TIS/HAR stations to go on the air on 840 KHz. Not sure of the date but throughout Northern California.

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Sorry I missed everyone at the WTFDA Convention, my grandfather went into a nursing home last December. In July he was having more serious problems and I decided not to do any travel. Unfortunately he passed away on Sept. 7th. KEZJ 1450, Twin Falls, is back on, //KBSU 730, they are running joint announcements. Bill Frahm tells me that KPAY 1060 Chico CA will move to 1290, KHSL will become history, and that KOFY 1050 will be able to go to 50kw. Bill said the 1060 transmitter site property became too valuable and will either be a new apartment site or part of the new I-5 extension. I have quite NRC, I offered to send them a couple of articles I will be writing on early Idaho radio. The response I received was very terse, a statement saying they did not have room and that if it ran in DXM they could not run it! No thank you at all! The main article I am working on right now is a more detailed history of Idaho radio up to 1930. I have a little more research on it and as soon as we clear up more family matters here I will get it off to Ralph. Please note new E-mail address that I have at work. 73

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Rick Evans, 2821 Shadblow Lane, #24, West Columbia, South Carolina 29170 I'm sorry about missing the column in the last issue, but the furniture was in transit to SC. The stuff showed up here on 9/9, the last piece came in the door at 1340, and I was at work at 1455 for my first day on the job. Instead of waiting a year before looking for a house, we waited a week and found one quickly. Now we're just waiting for the loan approval and should be in the house by the end of October. So, EDXF will change addresses again quickly. Only one thing appears to have been damaged during the move from Wisconsin--my trusty 28 year old loop had a corner piece broken off which means all the wires are hanging loose from the frame. If I'm not able to repair it, then I will be forced to replace it. They can destroy the antenna but they can never never take away all the memories of the stations I've heard with it in so many locations!!! So far, the HQ is still packed away, but I've done some listening with the Superadio II. Right now, in just four sessions, I'm up to 46 heard from 12 states and DC. 20 of them are SC stations, partly due to the fact that Columbia is roughly the center of the state. From the local newspaper dated 9/20/96, here is the AM bandscan they WVOC-560, talk, news, sports. an. WLGO-1170, gospel. WOIC-12 WTGH-620, gospel. WOIC-1230, urban gold/talk. Christian. WISW-1320. WCOS-1400, all sports. WQXL-1470, AC/Christian. In addition, it also lists 17 FM stations. I haven't tried my hand at FM DX here yet, but general listening (and in the car) has been WYFV-88.7. We're weekly now so send in those reports, and hopefully I will be getting some down to Lee in Florida.





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