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TVA/RHA Winners

The results of the 2000 TVA and RHA are as follows (from Reid Wheeler):

- TVA - Lee Freshwater
- RHA - Nancy Johnson

Congratulations to both winners!!!! Lee receives a plaque and a year's membership in IRCA. Nancy receives a colorful certificate.

WDXF CHANGE

Reid Wheeler will be taking some time off as WDXR editor. Meanwhile, I will fill in for him.

Until further notice, please send all contributions to me via email: phil@radiodx.com, or via mail: 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334

CPC DX tests (we're back!!)

CPC Chairperson (IRCA) - Lynn Hollerman - gmhollerman@mindspring.com

9/30/00 Sat - 0100-0200 - 1180 - WJNT - Jackson MS (IRCA)

Saturday, September 30, 2000 - WJNT-1180, Jackson, MS will conduct a DX test from 1:00-2:00 am EDT. WJNT will run their regular talk programming (Coast to Coast AM), news at the top and bottom of the hour, along with Morse code IDs. WJNT will be operating with 50 Kilowatts (full daytime power), non-directional pattern during this period.

Reception reports may be sent to:

WJNT-AM
P.O. Box 1248
Jackson, MS 39215-1248

Attn: Stan Carter - C.E.

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E-mail: email@wjnt.com, WWW: http://wjnt.com

(Arranged by Lynn Hollerman for the IRCA CPC.)

PLEASE NOTE: Even if you don't hear a test, be sure and drop a card, letter, or e-mail to the station personnel, thanking them for going to the trouble to run a test!

Also, if you hear a test, PLEASE, PLEASE let me know, via either e-mail or in rec.radio.shortwave! And if you send a reception report to a station, please remember to include return postage with your report...

I need target lists right now. I'm still using the stamps from last year! Don't get me wrong, I may need the stamps later in the year, but right now I need to know just where everyone wants me to ask! Send to: Lynn Hollerman, 204 Renwood Circle, Lafayette, LA 70503

2000-2001 IRCA DX Contest

Contest manager: Nancy Johnson

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2000-2001 IRCA 'Pick-A-Pair' DX CONTEST RULES

This year's IRCA contest is called 'Pick-A-Pair.' It has four target segments that each individual contestant will choose. You pick two states (or provinces) and two frequencies when you join the contest. The two states/provinces that you pick cannot touch your home state/province. The two frequencies you pick can be any two from 530-1710 kHz. A station heard may be counted twice if it is from your chosen states/provinces and is also on one of the two frequencies chosen. An example: A contestant living in Wyoming may chose California and Texas as these don't border Wyoming; then they chose two frequencies, say 1230 and 1470. All the stations the contestant hears from California, Texas, 1230, and on 1470 will count. If this contestant hears KEAN-1470 Abilene, TX it qualifies as a station from Texas and also one on 1470. Each station heard will count one point.

The contest will be open to all IRCA members in good standing. Entrants will be disqualified if they cease to be members of the club. The contest will run from 0001 September 15, 2000 through 2359 May 15, 2001. Stations may be submitted for scoring through May 31, 2001, but reception must be made during the above stated contest period. You may join the contest at anytime during the year.

All loggings must be made within 25 miles of your main DX location. Normally, this is your home, for students this might be your college dorm. If a person moves during the contest they may start over at the new location.

The contest manager will have the final word on all station and interpretation of all rules, including disqualification of a station for scoring or a member from the contest.

Your contest report of stations heard in any particular month must be postmarked by the 5th day of the following month. For example, a station heard on October 12th must be submitted by November 5th to be eligible. Failure to do this will disqualify the item in question for points. Contest entries must not be sent along with WDXR DX tips as they easily become lost when filed away in the WDXR file.

Standings will be updated on the 15th of each month and results published in the next available bulletin subject to normal deadline delays. The final standings will be tabulated on June 15, 2001 and

will appear in the July bulletin, subject to space in that bulletin. The contest manager may join the contest, but will be ineligible for the prize. There is no entry fee for the contest.

Stations must be in the normal 530-1710 kHz band, licensed by the U.S. or Canada. TIS and utility stations are not eligible for contest purposes. Loggings may be first time heard, or relogs of stations heard before. If a station changes call letters it may be relogged and be counted. To count a U.S. station, you must hear the actual call letters. To count a Canadian station, you must hear the actual call letters or hear a recognized slogan plus location.

Contest entries must include a report for each of the four categories. List station call letters, frequency, location, date and time of logging only. Reports may be sent via e-mail to the address listed above. E-mail entries must not be attached files nor mixed with a WDXR report. Postal entries are to be sent to the street address in the masthead of WDXR column.

Entry in the contest implies consent to all rules, including those which may appear later as necessity dictates.

Prize: One only \$5.00 IRCA Bookstore Credit for the contest entrant with the most final points. The object of this contest, 'Pick-A-Pair,' is to hear as many stations as possible from the four chosen categories. Each station logged is worth 1 point and the points from each of the four categories will be added together to determine the total points earned. The contestant with the most total points at the end of the contest will be determined the winner. Have fun! 73--Nancy

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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FORMAT CHANGES:

GA North Atlanta	WCNN- 680	was urban AC//WALR-FM, to be sports
IL Chicago	WXRT-1160	was WSCR, sports, now adult alt//WXRT-FM (calls/pgming move to 670)
KS Dodge City	KGNO-1370	was oldies, adds WW1 oldies
KY Louisville	WGTK- 970	was WLKY, nx, to add talk (September)
NY Amsterdam	WCSS-1490	was AC, talk, now AS
TX Dumas	KDDD- 800	was AC-classic rock//FM, now JRN oldies (returns to former pgming)
WA Sunnyside	KZTS-1210	was JRN SS hits, now JRN regional Mexican

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

FL Orlando	WRMQ-1140	inc. to 5000-D, ND
OK Oklahoma City	KQCV- 800	dec. to 1000-D, inc. to 2500-D, DA-2

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

CO Colorado Springs	KCMN-1530	mod. CP to inc. to 15000-D, ND
PR San Juan	WVOZ-1520	mod. CP to inc. to 25000-D, DA-3 vice DA-1
TN Brownsville	WNWS-1520	dec. to 152-D, ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

CO Englewood	KCUV-1150	inc. to 10000-D, DA-2
MO Marshfield	KMRF-1510	inc. to 5000-D, 16000-CH, DA-D

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

IL Chicago WMAQ- 670 becomes WSCR "Score"
KY Louisville WLKY- 970 becomes WGTK

Pat Martin of Seaside, OR. sends along the following:

I just got off the phone with KBELI (1620 Blackfoot, ID.-ye ed.) and if all goes as to the plan, they should be on by this coming Saturday (19th). The format is Sports talk.

Pat sends along the following from Blake Lawrence (location unknown):

Spanish Talk WADO/NEW YORK (1280) gets its long-awaited 50,000 watt daytime/7,500 watts night signal on the air. The station had previously broadcast at 5,000 watts.

Pat sends along the following from Bill Hale (location unknown, original contributor Christos Rigos of Wood Dale, IL.):

1160 WXRT IL CHICAGO 8/15 0859 ET, "WXRT AM and FM" ID given, followed by news, sports and rock music. Since 8/15/00 local midnight, this frequency carries WXRT (FM 93.1) programming. The calls are WXRT AM, while the calls on 670 kHz officialy became WSCR as of this day also.

So for those of you who log call changes, be listening for that, as chances are it'll be changing as soon as they can find a buyer for the frequency.

Pat sends along the following from Mickey Delmage of Sherwood Park, AB.:

CKAY 1500 Duncan, BC. Received a F/D pcc in 1 1/2 weeks from v/s Marc Steenhuison, Program Director/Morning DJ (aka Marc Stevenson) for mint stamp. No mention of when they plan to be vacate AM.

Also, just returned from a trip to Manitoba. CKX 1150 is // KIX 96.1 FM. Nobody seems to know when they plan to silence their 50 kW AM transmitter.

Winnipeg AM is really interesting... "Tripping back to the 70's" CKY 580 is an oldies station with late 60's early '70s jingels and old rock star DJ's Joey Gregorish (Hits "Jodie" and "The Wedding Song") and Adult comedian Gary "Big Daddy" McLean of "McLean & McLean" fame. A very tired sounding morning man Don Percy is still there also. There is another station on 1290 (CF??) playing hits from the 30's and 40's and jingles from the same era. CJOB 680 is still the talk/bitch about everything station. Other than CBC Radio One 990 and the multi-cultural station on 810 AM radio is not to interesting in the 'Peg.

Pat sends along the following from Rob Zerwekh of Wichita, KS.:

KKGM (1250/Kansas City, KS) is now simulcasting Classical KXTR (96.5) after dropping their low-rated sports format, which barely lasted more than a year. This is also thought to be the permanent home for KXTR as it's rumored that Entercom wants to get into the CHR-money-making business with the 96.5 frequency. If true, that'd be 4 CHRs in Kansas City alone (KMXV, KCHZ, KLZR) plus Hot AC KKJO.

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PREPARED ON 9/3/00

Call Signs reserved for Pending Sales Applicants **

NEW	CITY AND STATE	FREQUENCY	FORMER
CALL			CALL
WIXI	MARCO ISLAND, FL	1480	WODX
WQRS	MARCO ISLAND, FL	1660	WMIB

** Commission grant and consummation does not automatically grant call sign application. The new licensee must provide written notice to the call sign desk upon consummation of the transaction and await authority from the Commission to use the new call sign.

CALL SIGN CHANGES

NEW	CITY AND STATE	FREQUENCY	FORMER
CALL		*	CALL
KSTR	GRAND JUNCTION, CO	620	KRDY
WSCR	CHICAGO, IL	670	WMAQ
WTRU	KERNERSVILLE, NC	830	WXII
WWON	WAYNEBORO, TN	930	WTNR
KWRU	FRESNO, CA	940	KFRE
WGTK	LOUISVILLE, KY	970	WLKY
WCSZ	SANS SOUCI, SC	1070	WHYZ
WXRT	CHICAGO, IL	1160	WSCR
WDBZ	CINCINNATI, OH	1230	WUBE
KXTR	KANSAS CITY, MO	1250	KKGM
WSHU	WESTPORT, CT	1260	WMMM
WOEN	OLEAN, KY	1360	WMNS
WNNY	NEW YORK, NY	1380	WKDM
WVEI	WORCHESTER, MA	1440	WWTM
KQQT	GONZALES, TX	1450	KCTI
KUAZ	TUCSON, AZ	1550	KUAT
WITK	PITTSBURGH, PA	1550	WKQV
WKDM	ROCKVILLE, MD	1600	WNNY
WEUV	HUNTSVILLE, AL	1700	NEW

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

900 CKMO BC, Victoria 9/2 0330 now here from FM, CJVI has moved
to FM. CKMO with ethnic music and female announcer
giving info on contacting the station. (PM-OR)

1620 KBELI ID, Blackfoot 8/23 very strong atop all at 2300 8/23,
with ID's for affiliates KECN & KICN only. SRN news
followed. I think this may have been its first night on
the air. (LG-MT)

+8/25 0100 with ID & announcing that it was // with KICN.
The ID came after a show where people were talking about
MK12 Ultra project in the 50's. Then into news.
Dominant over WTAW & KSMH. (KR-AZ)

+8/25 0300 very good and generally on top with various
talk shows noted from 0100 to 0300. Noted from 0200-
0259:50 with the David Gold Show, then ID at 0259:50 for
both 690 and 1260, but no mention of 1620. Thanks to
Larry Godwin for the tip. (PM-OR)

+8/28 0835 totally eradicating KSMH Auburn with "Mike &
Mike in the Morning," on ESPN Sportsradio, ad for the
OSCAR cash machine (call 1-800-71-OSCAR), ad for
prescription drug cost reduction, then ad for Dodge
dealers of Pocatello. Unbelievably strong signal! (RW-CA)

KBELI+8/28 0458-0830 on the air testing. Not full power yet.
Heard Sunday morning and strong this morning. No ID's
but called station and it is them on low power. (GJ-CA)

560 KMON MT, Great Falls 8/23 1654 with KMON weather followed by
a "560 Country KMON" ID. I was surprised by this one as
I was still well north of Calgary. (MJS-AB)

580 CKUA AB, Edmonton 8/27 0400 great signal at s/off, giving all
15 100kw translators, etc. Ended in soft piano music.
(PM-OR)

600 CJWW SK, Saskatoon 8/23 1622 CJWW ID followed by ad for
touring northern Saskatchewan. (MJS-AB)

610 KOJM MT, Havre 8/23 2207 Six-ten-KOJM ID heard followed by a
Mark Anthony song. (MJS-AB)

620 KWAL ID, Wallace 8/22 0500-0520 fair to good with "Silver
Dollar Country" slogans, local spots, KWAL weather.
KEWS and KEX both off. Probably moving from 620 to the
1190 site. New. (PM-OR)

CKCK SK, Regina 8/23 many, many 62-Cool ID's heard. No
formal ID. (MJS-AB)

670 KDLG AK, Dillingham 8/24 0445 fair under/over KPUA with
weather for SW Alaska. First time heard in a while.
(PM-OR)

790 KFQD AK, Anchorage 8/25 0515 good with talk under/over KXL
with "AM 750, KFQD" ID. (PM-OR)

810 WHB MO, Kansas City 8/24 0158-0200 with KGO phased down, WHB
in with sports and lots of spots and promos on football.
ID's as "Radio 810 WHB" & "Sports Radio 810, WHB. (PM-OR)

830 CKKY AB, Wainwright 8/23 1554 with KEY-83 ID. Many ads for
the Wainwright area. (MJS-AB)

890 KBBI AK, Homer 8/24 0456 good & dominant with jazz and NPR
mention. (PM-OR)

910 CKDQ AB, Drumheller 8/23 1700 serving Airdrie, Drumheller and Three Hills area, this is 910 CKDQ Drumheller" and into news. (MJS-AB)

930 KTKN AK, Ketchikan 8/24 good on top with ID going into news at 0159:50 as "930 AM, KTKN Ketchikan." (PM-OR)

1020 CKVH AB, High Prairie 8/23 1211 "Ten-Twenty CKVH" ID and then into Kenny Rogers song. (MJS-AB)

1030 KBUF KS, Holcomb 8/21 0121 with ID "KBUF 1030" then played "Lucille" by Kenny Rogers. (KR-AZ)

1150 KSEN MT, Shelby 8/24 1100 "1150 KSEN Shelby-Cutbank" ID at top of the hour, and into news. (MJS-AB)

1190 WOWO IN, Ft. Wayne after 30+ years of trying to hear this station, I finally did it! KEX is off tonight leaving a jumble of stations. At 0418 8/21, out of nowhere came a promo for "WO-WO, Macy in the morning." Just as quick faded back into the jumble. I would always be pleased to hear this, but conditions tonight are down right terrible to the east, even with a Beverage. Lots of Spanish stuff in there and another station running "Joey Reynolds" talk show (KPHN?). (PM-OR)

KXKS NM, Albuquerque 8/24 very strong (surely on day power) at 0800 with ranchera music. Legal ID in English on the hour, then local ad in Spanish. (LG-MT)

(KEX) OR, Portland 8/21 0620 totally off (Thanks PM-OR for tip!). Anaheim/unID Spanish mixing with each other (Spanish likely Mexicali, Albuquerque or Ciudad Juarez...). (RW-CA)

KLUV TX, Dallas 8/21 good with oldies and "Smokin' Oldies KLUV" ID's at 0500, over/under unID Spanish. KEX off, as mentioned with WOWO. (PM-OR)

1230 KXLO MT, Lewistown 8/24 1500 "Your information station 1230 KXLO Lewistown" ID at top of the hour, and into ABC news. (MJS-AB)

1240 KBLL MT, Helena 8/24 1136 "Your information source 1240 KBLL" ID, then back to talk show re: forest fires. (MJS-AB)

1260 KJAZ CA, San Fernando 8/28 0904 good in KOIT null with jazz piano music // XEJAZZ-540. Rarely heard this strong, obviously on day pattern. Gone by about 0925. (RW-CA)

1280 KUDY WA, Spokane 8/31 2259 announcer told listeners they would now lose their signal, then "God bless you" (LG-MT)

1310 (KMKY) CA, Oakland 8/14 0800-0900+ totally off, back on at 0906 recheck. (RW-CA)

?KBTK? NM, Corrales 8/14 0850-0900 tentative over/under unID Spanish with talk about the joy of reading, then talk about processing information, gave number 800-642-1558 for more info, wiped out by KIQQ Barstow, CA going to day power at 0857, KMKY back on about 0905. Checked KTEK'S website, they carry Imus at this time supposedly, tried looking up 800 number on internet but couldn't find it. Call to 800 directory didn't help either. Tentative report sent for call change, ex-KXAK. (RW-CA)

CHLW AB, St. Paul 8/23 1440 tuned in to a program called Agri-Talk. Many ads for Bonneyville, Cold Lake and Saddle Lake areas followed by a male voice that said "Welcome to Cattle Country." // to 1370- CFOK. (MJS-AB)

1340 KCAP MT, Helena 8/24 1200 "1340 KCAP Helena" ID heard at top of the hour, and into ABC news. (MJS-AB)

CIBQ AB, Brooks 8/23 1932 several Q-13 ID's heard. No formal ID. (MJS-AB)

1380 KHJJ CA, Lancaster 8/14 0820 blasting in with ID "We make memories, AM 1380, KHJ," NOS format, obliterating everything on the frequency. Heavy KZSF-1370 splash

- nulled out. (RW-CA)
- 1400 KXGN MT, Glendive 8/24 1123 "Old memories all the time on AM 1400 KXGN" ID, then into Tony Martin song from 1950. (MJS-AB)
- KJDY OR, John Day 8/21 0900 in with SSB and very brief s/on announcement. (LG-MT)
- KRSC WA, Othello 8/25 in with Spanish program at 0900 approx. (sorry, I misplaced noted). Gave legal ID in both Spanish and English. (LG-MT)
- CKSQ AB, Settler 8/23 1800 many "1400 Q 14" ID's. News on the hour. (MJS-AB)
- 1440 CKJR AB, Wetaskiwin 8/23 1510 "Classic Country 1440 KJR" ID followed by ad for KFC. (MJS-AB)
+8/27 0515 good with other stations phased, C&W music and "1440 KJR" ID's. Finally heard this call change. (PM-OR)
- 1490 KZZZ AZ, Bullhead City 8/13 2215 ex-KBAS. ID "K triple Z welcomes the first lady of talk, Dr. Toni Grant (weekdays at 3?)." Momentarily dominant on a bright SSS with KBKO. Thanks to Bob Wien for tip. (MS-CA)
- KRKC CA, King City 8/13 2230 good with C&W tune "Somebody" by Conway Twitty followed by "Tennessee Stud." (MS-CA)
- CJSN SK, Shaunavon 8/31 1000 surprisingly on top with call ID in the hash. (LG-MT)
- 1500 (CKAY) BC, Duncan no sign of station AN 8/28. Not a peep. Presume they have shut the AM off. I did notice the audio had been distorted the past few days. (PM-OR)
- 1570 KVTK SD, Vermillion a powerhouse at 2253 8/21. Baseball game ended, then local commercials and ID as "All sports radio AM 1570, The Ticket." Then joined ESPN. This station should easily reach DX'ers in OR and WA. (LG-MT)
- 1590 KVGB KS, Great Bend on top with local ads at 2259 8/25. (LG-MT)
- 1600 KUBA CA, Yuba City 8/21 0906 faded up over/under KGST with CNN news. Thought I had KIVA-NM (needed, they are also CNN news) till this ID'd as "CNN news 1600 AM, KUBA." Oh, well. (RW-CA)
- 1610 TIS/HAR CA, at Highways 88 & 113 8/18 0422 overturned truck intersection closed and giving detours, Dixon, Solano County, CA. (GJ-CA)
- 1620 WPGG527 CA, Lakewood 8/17 2307 local TIS dominant with ID's and message on composting. (MS-CA)
- 1650 KFOX CA, Torrance 8/17 2300 English ID "1650 AM KFOX Torrance, the very best quality AM stereo," into Asian programming and instrumental Titanic theme. Ex-KGXL, KKTR. For many years the KFOX calls were on 1280 in Long Beach, CA. (MS-CA)
- 1660 KXOL UT, Brigham City 8/13 2315 enormous signal with song "Kisses Sweeter Than Wine," several ID's, slogans, and P.A.M.S jingle. (MS-CA)
- 1670 WNEC268 CA, Sacramento received new TIS tonight, per phone call from Gary Jackson. Thanks Gary. 9/1 2330 gave info on Watt Avenue construction project and gave web site as <www.wattave.org>. Signal quite good at times. Mentioned Sept. 1st s/on in message. Some QRM from another TIS at times. (PM-OR)

UNIDS

- 600 8/28 0853 unID fading up with song "In An Octopus' Garden In The Sea" by The Beatles. Faded under KNRO/KOGO, looped NE. Wrote e-mail to CKBD asking if them, but they're not sure if it was them, they are now adult standards "Unforgettable

600." Per PM-OR, KGEZ Kalispell, MT has played this before, went to their website, they are not "Z-600" adult alternative, The Beatles don't appear to be on their playlist. Definitely not CJWW as they are C&W!. Other ideas? (RW-CA)

1190 Possibly KPHN heard with Joey Reynolds show at 0315 8/21. At 0409 a talk show speaking of performer Al Holson in NY. At 0605 heard with CNN news. Then faded up again at 0615 with Imas in the Morning. Does this match KPHN's format? Nothing else listed makes sense. (PM-OR)

Thanks to everyone enjoyed who attended the IRCA convention here in Billings in August. John and I had fun planning the event, and especially enjoyed meeting new friends and talking with people we have known for years. The new DX season is now underway. Be sure to send Lee, John or I your DX catches. Also, why not join the new contest? Rumor has it that even Phil Bythway might join the contest this season! If you have never participated in a contest, this will be a fun one to enter.

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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SPECIAL INTEREST

- 670 WSCR IL, Chicago. EX-WMAQ. 8-23 good to poor over Cuba. 02:15
noted with sports talk, "6-70 The Score" slogan, local
spot. No longer broadcasting in stereo. [EB-MO]
+8-27 good. 03:30 with ESPN Sportsradio" talk and "6-70
Score" slogan. [RW-MT]
- 1160 WXRT IL, Chicago. EX-WSCR. 8-23. 02:40 noted with local
spots, "93-XRT" slogan. Modern Adult Contemporary format
simulcast from WXRT-FM Chicago while station sale is
pending. [EB-MO]
- 1620 KBLI ID, Blackfoot. New expanded band station on the air. 8-
27 good, alone. 04:20 with ESPN Sportsradio. Heard ID
that mentioned only KECN and KICN. FCC database shows
them as KBLI. [RW-MT]

DOWN THE DIAL

- 600 CJWW SK, Saskatoon. 8-27 good. 03:33 with concert spot,
weather, "Country 600 CJWW" ID. [RW-MT]
- 610 KAVL CA, Lancaster. 8-27 fair over pile of stations. 04:06
with "KAVL" ID into ESPN Sportsradio. Surprised to hear
them. [RW-MT]

640 KGVW MT, Belgrade. 8-27 fair o/u/KFI. 03:36 with various hymns. Now I know where they put their night signal, hi. [RW-MT]

740 CBX AB, Edmonton. 8-27 good through KURL-730 splash. 04:13 with talk about Canadian politics, 04:15 ID "CBC Edmonton." [RW-MT]

810 KTBI WA, Ephrata. 8-31. 22:59 with list of American Christian Network affiliates including ID for "KTBI Ephrata, Moses Lake, Wenatchee." [NJ-MT]

WHB MO, Kansas City. 9-1. 23:01 with sports talk, ID "This is sports radio 8-10 WHB Kansas City" into "The Scoreboard Show." [NJ-MT]

920 KXLY WA, Spokane. 8-27 fair u/KBLG-910 splash. 03:28 with ID "9-20 KXLY." No trace of expected KVEL. [RW-MT]

980 CKRM SK, Regina. 8-27. 23:44 with ID, promo, CBC News on the hour. First logging using a Kiwa loop on loan from new member Tom Kraft. [NJ-MT]

1240 KBIZ IA, Ottumwa. 8-27 fair to good. 23:00 with oldies, legal ID, and CBS News. Heard again 8-28 at 01:00. [TN-WI]

(WIBU) WI, Poynette. 8-26 knocked off the air by a lightning strick during the mid-afternoon. As of 17:35 on 8-28 still off. [TN-WI]

WOMT WI, Manitowoc. 8-26 fair. 22:02 with promo from the WOMT sports director during a Milwaukee Brewers spot cluster. Heard again on 8-27 at 20:00. [TN-WI]

1270 KTFI ID, Twin Falls. 8-27 good o/unIDs. 03:50 with "AM 12-70 KTFI" ID, promo for ktfi.com and another jingle. [RW-MT]

1280 KDYL UT, Salt Lake City. 8-27 blowing away everything else on 1280, on top of unID with classical music (KVOD?). 03:36 with ID, David Gold show. [RW-MT] {Robert, I'd say you did have Denver under KDYL. Usually Denver is strongest. John}

1300 CJME SK, Regina. 8-27 good. 04:25 with "1300 CJME" ID. Lost to TVI noise. [RW-MT]

1330 KWKW CA, Pasadena. 8-27 poor o/u/2 others. 04:30 with SS ID. Faded under others. Kinda surprised to hear this. [RW-MT]

1390 KRRZ ND, Minot. 8-25 good o/mess. 03:46 with ID "13-90 Oldies, cars." [RW-MT]

1440 KKOXL ND, Grand Forks. 8-18 fair to poor. 00:00 with legal ID and "Star 14-40" slogan. [TN-WI]

1480 KRXR ID, Gooding. 8-27 good o/mess. 04:40 with JRN SS programming. [RW-MT]

1490 KXRA MN, Alexandria. 8-21 in good over everyone. 22:59 with PSA that mentioned MN, KXRA jingle, legal ID into CNN News. [NJ-MT]

1550 KYCY CA, San Francisco. 8-25 fair o/mess. 03:20 with talk, "Yadda Yadda Yadda Radio" slogan. [RW-MT]

1570 CKMW MB, Winkler. 8-25 good over KHPN?. 03:25 with weather for Winkler. "1570 CKMW" ID. [RW-MT]

1590 KLFE WA, Seattle. 8-27 good over unID with news (Most likely KCNN). 04:45 with "15-90 k-life" ID. [RW-MT]

1600 KCKK CO, Lakewood. 8-27 pinning the dial way o/KGST. 04:50 with "K 104.3" slogan into country song. [RW-MT]

KGST CA, Fresno 8-25 fair o/u/KCKK. 03:15 w/ID, promo. [RW-MT]

1620 WTAW TX, College Station. 8-23 good to fair mono, good to poor stereo signals over KAZP, WHLY. 02:45 noted with "Coast-To- Coast AM." Local spots, promo, and "News talk 16-20 WTAW College Station, Bryan" legal ID into CBS News. [EB-MO]

UNIDs

620 unID 8-27 unID good on top. 04:08 with "62 cool" slogan into

rock oldie. Might be CKCK. [RW-MT] {Robert, no doubt CKCK
it's like a local here. John}

1460 unID 8-27 unID booming in strong. 04:35 with country music,
no ID heard. Might be KLTC or KCKX. [RW-MT] {Robert, I'd say
you had KTLC which places a strong signal into here. John}

25 YEARS AGO

September 20, 1975 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Rick Heald of
Castro Valley, CA told about the Labor Day get together of the BARF
which had 38 people attending including most distant Bruce Portzer
... Bill Harang of San Jose, CA told about the weekly IRCA program
on KDWN-720 with host Jack London ... Nick Hall-Patch of Victoria,
BC told about his verification from 2BY-660.

OPEN MIKE

If you're too open minded, your brains will fall out. Nancy and I
had a great time hosting the IRCA convention here in Billings on
August 25, 26, and 27th. For details and pictures, log onto the
convention web site at

http://pages.prodigy.net/john_johnson/irca2000.htm 73, John

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STARS OF THE WEEK

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DX-398

VIA U.S.P.S.

LOGGINGS

790 WNIS VA Norfolk 8/25 2045 Pittsburgh Steelers/Washington
Redskins NFL game heard (WM-MD)

830 WEEV PA Reading 8/25 2050 Giants/Phillies BB game; great
signal (WM-MD)

850 WYDE AL Birmingham 8/22 2220 Female giving weather, ID (WM-MD)

1160 WCCS PA Homer City 8/21 2300 "The Amazing AM" "You're
listening to Pirates baseball", C&W mx, & CNN news
also heard (WM-MD)

1330 WBTM VA Danville 8/22 2035 After Chris Issak song, mellow
voiced male giving ID (WM-MD)

1360 WNJC NJ Washington Township 8/20 2200 Man heard saying ID,
mention of local church (WM-MD)

1380 WMKI FL St. Petersburg 8/15 2258, ID spoken by kid, Radio
Disney (WM-MD)

CKPC ON Brantford 8/26 2310 Sports report Heard, ID (WM-MD)

CKBC ON Brantford 8/22 2245 70's music, Time check, PSA for
safe driving, mention of Brant county, ID (WM-MD)

1400 WRCC MI Battle Creek 8/20 0100 NOS music heard, ID; "The
best little station in the nation", then ABC news
(WM-MD)

WEST PA Easton 8/22 2200 NOS music, ID, then ABC news (WM-MD)

WICK PA Scranton 8/22 2155 "You're listening to Red Baron
baseball on WICK/WYCK" (WM-MD)

WKPT TN Kingsport 8/15 2100, ID heard in mess (WM-MD)

WPCE VA Portsmouth 8/16 2032, Blk Gspl MS heard in mess, ID (WM-MD)
 1420 WRCG GA Columbus 8/15 2107, Padres vs Braves BB game (WM-MD)
 1440 WNFV PA Lansdale 8/21 2030 Bruce Williams show, AD for resort in Poconos, mention of Philadelphia, ID (WM-MD)
 WNFV PA Lansdale 8/21 2200 Canned ID "WNFV-Lansdale" then into AP network news (WM-MD)
 1460 WBKC OH Painesville 8/15 2045 Local ads, ID; Minor league BB game mixing with Phillie's game (WM-MD)
 WKDW VA Manassas 8/16 2048, Potoimic VS Wilmington minor league BB game, BLK GSPL MS also heard, ID (WM-MD)
 1470 WMBD IL Peoria 8/22 0105 "Newsradio 14-70" ID, (WM-MD)
 1480 WADR NY Remsen 8/27 0022 Ad for Investech service; then one on one sports jingle heard, under Korean station (WM-MD)
 t WADR NY Remsen 8/22 2335 One on One sports heard, tentative (WM-MD)
 1490 WBCB PA Levittown 8/21 2135 Phillies/Reds BB game, mention of 215 area code (WM-MD)
 1650 WHKT VA Portsmouth 8/27 0045 "You're listening to the Lonnie Dunn show on Liberty Works network" (WM-MD)

 UN-IDENT:

1310 ???? ?? 8/25 2000 Rockies/Pirates BB, Ad for A.T.&T. wireless services; promo for Pittsburgh Pirate tickets. (WM-MD)
 1400 ???? ?? 8/21 2343 The Jim Bohannon show heard (WM-MD)
 1400 ???? ?? 8/16 000 NOS music heard, then ABC news (WM-MD)
 1440 ???? ?? 8/22 2120 SS talk mixing with Bruce Williams (WM-MD)
 1440 ???? ?? 8/15 2340 Jim Bohannon show heard (WM-MD)
 1400 ???? ?? 8/23 0000 CBS Hourly news heard in mess (WM-MD)
 1490 ???? ?? 8/16 2055 After C&W song, partial ID "Your Home of Country...1490...Up and then faded in muck (WM-MD)

 SPECIAL THANKS

A special THANK YOU to John and Nancy Johnson for hosting a GREAT convention in Billings. We sure had alot of fun. Nice to see all the members who came. Those of you that could not attend were missed.

Also my thanks for those who voted me the winner of the TVA award this year. It is indeed an honor to be thought of in this special way. I will hang the award in a very special place. Thank you all.

 As this issue goes to Phil (9-5), I will be on the way to Dallas, Texas where I have accepted a new position. I have left Asterisk Communications to take a job with "Scott Studios". This Dallas based company makes computers for radio stations. They are the leading manufacturer of hard drive systems for stations. I will be doing "Tech Support" as well as writing most of the technical manuals. I will also be getting into the "field" now and then to do computer installs around the country. Looking forward to a new "challenge" altho I will have to start the logbook over again!!! I will continue to edit EDXR, however I will be reporting my DX to John from now on. My email will stay the same for now and my wife will be forwarding all my mail. She will be staying in Ocala until we sell our home, and purchase one in Dallas. She has also agreed to stay with the Congressman until after the November elections. I will keep you all posted on upcoming events.....73 and best to you all.....

DX WORLDWIDE WEST

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Hi everyone. Fall is upon us and DU/TP cx seem to be improving. Hopefully they will continue to improve and we have a good season. We have reports this time from Larry Godwin and Nigel Pimblett. So away we go.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 540 XEWA MEXICO, SLP, good with SS ballads and IDs, giving call letters in SS at 0715 UTC 9/4. (PM-OR)
- 1410 UNID MEXICO, weak w/call that sounded like XET at 0300 8/14 during program of ranchera mx (LG-MT)
- 1570 XERF MEXICO, Cd. Juarez, fair on top w/ SS talk and "Ponderosa" IDs at 0915 UTC 9/4 (PM-OR)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 891 RADIO FIJI FIJI, Lautoka, good with man in Fijian at 0900 UTC 9/6. No sign of old Hindi programming. Best heard in a long time. (PM-OR)
- 1566 3NE AUSTRALIA, Wangaratta, quite audible 1152-1203 UTC 8/5 during program of U.S. Oldies. No break on the hour, but call ID and commercials at 1202. New, I sent a taped report. (LG-MT) (Good catch Larry, they have QSL'd in the past and have a nice QSL card. PM)
- 1683 RADIO CLUB AM AUSTRALIA, man and woman doing a commercial together, then into typical Greek mx at 1146 8/6. (NB-AB)
- 1701 RADIO 1701 AUSTRALIA, Brisbane, Program of Arabic vocals hosted by man. Several ads noted in EE lang. numbers. No trace of 2NTC this morning. (NP-AB)
- 1701t 2NTC? AUSTRALIA, Tent. the one w/C&W mx, signal was strong at first but faded rapidly, so too weak to make out what Aussie accented ancr was saying at 1152. 8/6. Hadn't heard a trace of this previously. (NP-AB)
- 1701t 2NTC? AUSTRALIA, Tent. C&W mx noted 7/28 1155-1201. Is this 2NTC? (LG-MT) (Yes, it sounds like their format. See above. PM)

VERIFICATIONS

- 576 1XLR NEW ZEALAND, Hamilton, rec. friendly letter and Radio Rhema/Southern Star QSL card in 27d for taped report. V/S: Brian Fergusson-PD. Address: 53 Upper Queen St., Private Bag 92-636, Symonds Street, Auckland, NZ. 2 KW (PM-OR)
- 1629 4RF AUSTRALIA, Brisbane, rec. full detailed QSL card from: John Wright in 16d for taped report. Address: 4/33 Kerrie Crescent, Peakhurst, NSW 2210, Australia. 400 w. (PM-OR)
- 1630 92RED ARGENTINA, La Plata, rec. beautiful full color E Mail QSL along with the jingle in WAV in about an hour after a f/up. Full info, date, time, freq. QSL in SS. Report was sent in EE. V/S: Juan Marcelo Escande, Gerencia Tcnica. Address: escande@red92.com I am really pleased with this one. (PM-OR)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

- LG-MT LARRY GODWIN, 2390 Clydes Dale Lane, Missoula MT 59804. <lbg@selway.umd.edu> RX: Hammarlund HQ-150, Antennas: Sanserino air core box loop and KIWA Loop

NP-AB NIGEL PIMBLETT, Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada
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RX: Kenwood R-5000, Antenna: 1000 foot beverage antenna.
PM-OR PATRICK MARTIN, P.O. Box 843, Seaside OR 97138
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Beverage, 400' NNW mini Beverage, term.

WESTERN DX FORUM

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Gary Larson, 2806 Lincoln, Burbank CA 91504 - 818-845-1744
[8/20] To help RW, San Jose, I called Mt. Wilson FM Br to find out
signer of XEJAZZ 540. No return call, however I think a report to
Tom White, CE will get an answer (Box 250028, Los Angeles CA 90025).
Hope the convention went well and all who attended had a great time.
[8/22] After reading about the KPLS 830 XR site, I decided to use
time off from work early this morning to hunt for it. Signal was
strong in San Gabriel Valley as I went east on Pomona Fwy to area of
Chino. Believe the towers I saw months back east of the 71 Fwy was
new site but didn't realize it then. Found Central Ave going S then
El Prado Rd. Could see 3 lit towers south, so kept heading in that
direction. Off El Prado I went left on Pine past El Prado golf
course then right on Chino Corona Rd, where I could see I was close.
Left on Chino Corona to Hellman and right. Hellman is where the
county line is. South just past River Rd, I could see what looked
like a way to get to the very close site, this being McCarty Rd, on
my map guide as a dashed line (unimproved or private). All around
area are farms, fields, etc. so decided to visit closer another
time. Map has block number about quarter mile west as 8300.
Interesting how it parallels 830 AM. Also site could be just out of
Prado Reg. Park and is in San Bernardino Co. and map shows Chino
limits far north of park. Mill Creek also runs near site. Call to
714-282-8300 answered by voice mail dir. so no chance to talk to
someone at 4:30 am when I got home. 73

EASTERN DX FORUM

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Greetings: During trips down to visit my younger daughter (now 22
years old) living in Springfield, IL, my wife and I try and hit all
the antique shops along the way. On the last trip in early August, I
picked up a "WSOY Cook Book" (WSOY 1340 Decatur, IL). It was created
for WSOY's 50th anniversary some time ago. While there are no
technical details about the station there is mention of the
personalities. Each member of the staff and a few local listeners
submitted recipes. About a year ago on a similar trip I stumbled on
a "WLS Family Album" in very good condition dating from 1944. The
magazine has photos of almost every station employee at that time.
There were probably well over 100 employees including many who were
overseas in the armed forces. Included, of course, are musical and
comedy groups that were part of the National Barn Dance and different
groups that were created for the war effort. As with the WSOY Cook
Book, this WLS magazine has no technical details and makes mention of
the transmitter site as "off limits per Military Orders". I am
fascinated by WLS. In my earlier years I grew up a few miles from
the transmitter site. WLS was the first station I picked up on my
crude crystal sets when I was about 10 or so. They also had the

ability to switch to 640 during the Conelrad Alert days. And I have visited the site three different times, the last time during the mid 80's with John Clemmer and my two young daughters (who at that time were mere toddlers). I'll finish with this bit of radio history. My 86 year old father (Ireneus Jasinski) lived in northeast Poland in the 1920's. While in Poland around 1925 his close friend Alexander Artemeff (a Russian who now at the age of 88 lives in New York City), built the first "wireless set" in the area. If you have seen the movie "Fiddler n the Roof" you can picture a very similar village as my father describes this story. The whole village stopped by in amazement to listen to the talking and music coming from the sky! Later in the early 30s, during my father's high school years in Vilnius, Lithuania, he listened to a wireless set in the classroom as part of foreign language studies. And it was during these same language studies they picked up broadcasts from Germany with news of the troubles that was brewing. He was one of the lucky ones to get safely to America before the war broke out. The remainder of his family survived the war in Poland and then another 40 years of the Cold War. The only real freedom his family had during those long dark years was the ability to listen to the radio! 73's and good DX.

HEARING IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

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This time, we're taking a break from the Featured State, Featured Frequency other Featured areas to present a bandscan from Tim Hall. This was taken on Tim's recent vacation to Devil's Tower National Monument, WY. This is a midday bandscan. Receiver and antenna unknown.

Tim Hall, Chula Vista, CA (on vacation to Devil's Tower, WY)

540 CBK Watrous/Regina, SK	910 KBLG Billings, MT
550 KFYZ Bismarck, SD	920 KKLS Rapid City, SD
560 KLZ Denver, CO	930 KROE Sheridan, WY
570 WNAX Yankton, SD	960 KFLN Baker, MT
580 KZMX Hot Springs, SD	980 KDSJ Deadwood, SD
590 KGLE Glendive, MT	1030 KTWO Casper, WY
600 KSJB Jamestown, ND	1050 KMTA Miles City, MT
610 KCSR Chadron, NE	1060 KGFX Pierre, SD
620 CKCK Regina, SK	1140 KZMQ Greybull, WY
650 KGAB Orchard Valley, WY	1150 KIMM Rapid City, SD
660 KEYZ Williston, SD	1230 KVOC Casper, WY
670 KLTT Commerce City, CO	1240 KASL Newcastle, WY
680 CJOB Winnipeg, MB	1250 KIKC Forsyth, MT
690 KOAQ Terrytown, NE	1270 KIML Gillette, WY
710 KQMR Bismarck, ND	1320 KOLT Scottsbluff, NE
730 KURL Billings, MT	1380 KOTA Rapid City, SD
760 KTLK Thornton, CO	1400 KKTL Casper, WY
770 KATL Miles City, MT	1410 KWYO Sheridan, WY
790 KGHL Billings, MT	1450 KBFS Belle Fourche, SD
810 KBHB Sturgis, SD	1450 KLTC Dickinson, SD
830 KUYO Evansville, WY	1470 KKTY Douglas, WY
850 KOA Denver, CO	1610 KOP735 Devil's Tower N.M., WY

Unidentified stations noted on 970 (probably Billings, MT-editor),

1340 (with C&W) and 1490.

Tim notes: "Six states and two provinces isn't too bad. I wonder what it's like in winter?" Also, you may want to visit Tim's Web site at <http://www.inetworld.net/halls/>

That will do it for another edition of The Grapevine. Our Featured sections will return next time, with the Featured Frequency being 1260 kHz, two Featured States, being South Dakota and, for the West Coast DXers, Hawaii. The Featured Province next time: Manitoba. 73 and good DX from Eric (NOUIH)

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My deadline is the last Tuesday of the month.

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FREQ CALL NAME, TITLE; ADDRESS; WHAT; WHEN; WHO

- 576 Brian Fergusson, PD; Southern Star, Radio Rhema Network, 53 Upper Queen St, Auckland, New Zealand [or Private Bag 92-636, Symonds St, Auckland, New Zealand]; LQ+; 27; PM [First U.S. reception; 2500 watts]
- 870 KFLD Ronald S Sweattle, DirEng; 2621 West A Street, Pasco WA 99301; LFBbc; 7; PM
- 1090 KYCW Becky Brenner, OpsMgr; 1000 Dexter Ave N, Seattle WA 98108; FBbc; 8; PM
- 1629 4RF John Wright; 4/33 Kerrie Crescent, Peakhurst NSW 2210, Australia; Q; 17; PM [400 watts]
- 1630 XEUT Martha A Marquez; 233 Paulin Ave, P O Box MSC 5163, Calexico CA 92231-2646; LcfB+; 345; GVJ
- 1700 WEUP Steve Murry; weup@hiwaay.net; E; 1; PM

WHAT was received: L = Letter with personalized statement; F = Form letter; Q = QSL card, commercially printed; C = Postcard or similar card supplied by station; P = Prepared card supplied by DXer; R = DXer's report returned with statement; cf = Certificate; E = Verification by e-mail; fx = Verification by FAX; M = Coverage map; B = Bumper or other sticker; bc = Business card; + = Extra goodies
WHEN the reply came: Number of days elapsed; f = Follow-up, by mail, FAX, e-mail, or visit; n = Return postage not used; r = Return postage returned

NOTES: None

Thanks to Patrick and Gary we have a column this month. This column was prepared on 8/29/00. 73, SSH.

DX WORLDWIDE II

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All times UTC unless noted otherwise

TRANS ATLANTIC

ALGERIA: 576 Radio Saoura, Bechar. Local 'Delegation Regionale du

Sud-Ouest'program 400 kW.

783 Radio Essouhouh, Laghouat. Local 'Delegation Regionale du Sud-Est' -program Power 20 kW.

909 Radio Ahagar, Tamanrasset. Local broadcasting 'Delegation Regionale du Sud-Est' program

1089 Radio Adrar, Adrar. Local 'Delegation Regionale du Sud-Ouest' -program

1098 Radio El Wahat, Ouargla. Local 'Delegation Regionale du Sud-Est' -program

1422 Radio Mitidja, Alger. Local 'Delegation Regionale du Centre' -program 2x20 kW.

1422 ENRS Alger/Constantine. Schedule: 'Radio Coran' -prgr 0400-0500; 0900-1200, 'Radio Culture'-prgr 1600-2000. Both in Arabic. Power 2x20 kW, transmitter site not specified. (from home page via EuroLog Feb -2000 via Ole Alm)

252 Radio Alger is silent since a few weeks (restart planned in September). SW transmitters have gone silent somewhat later. According to my sources in Alger equipment is in a very poor condition. But I hardly know more, except that-re the SW part- it's the antennas and not the transmitters that are being serviced. (J.M.Aubier in fr.rec.radio, via MWC)

ESTONIA: The construction works for the new 100kW transmitter in Tartu on 612 kHz are due to start soon. The official inauguration is planned for 24 Dec 2000. The station will carry religious programs in Russian under the name "Semejnoye Radio" (Family Radio), from studios in Tartu. (Bernd Trutenau, Vilnius, Lithuania, via MWC)

GERMANY: 693 Berlin full VOR schedule: 0900-1200 German, 1200-1400 Russian, 1400-1500 English, 1500-1900 German, 1900-2100 Russian. By the way, in the beginning 693 was simply paralleling 1323, but meanwhile a separate feed was established. It is said that Berlin has the largest Russian community outside the CIS, hence the more extensive use for Russian language programming compared to 1323. (Kai Ludwig)

999 Wöbbelin: The media authority of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern state rejected a conversion of the "Power-Radio" license so that it could be used for the planned "Talk 1", as this network will be produced mainly at Hannover instead inside Mecklenburg-Vorpommern as required, hence a completely new allocation of the frequency is needed. 612 at Neumünster (daytime only; in last year moved away from old Kiel NDR transmitter, now co-located with 1269), which was allowed to be used for "Talk 1", continues for the time being with "Power 612" , as "Talk 1" will not start on just a single frequency. 999 was temporary silent, but is reportedly back on air with the same test loop as before. (Kai Ludwig, 20/4)

1323 Wachenbrunn in addition to the schedules shown in the April issue has VOR Russian 1200-1400 and on Tuesday and Sunday 2100-2200 the "Universelles Leben" religious broadcast in parallel with 1386 Bolshakovo. Directional four mast antenna, azimuth 220 degrees for 1323. (Kai Ludwig)

GIBRALTAR: The GBC have started testing their new transmitter initially with only 500W while it is tested eventually to increase to 5kW design output. They expect comments plus requests for QSLs from folk outside their estimated coverage area. All locally produced programming ends at 2000 hours local after which they relay BBC World Service over night. (George Gaskin via Roger Bunney MWC)

IRAQ (?):1206 clandestine station Voice of the People of Kurdistan Radio said in a QSL-letter that the programs are broadcast from the city of Suleimaniyah in the northern, non fly zone of Iraq. V/s is

Salah Rashid, who has answered me in letters, both in German and English with unusually (for clandestines!) perfect confirmation texts. Address: Patriotische Union Kurdistan (PUK), Postfach 210231, D-10502 BERLIN. Webpage: <http://www.puk.org> (Björn Fransson, via HCDX)

IRELAND: In a letter received from Gospel 846 the station said they were a subsidiary of Radio North and broadcast weekdays 0900 to 1230 and Sundays 1000 to 1630 (local time). Radio North itself transmits on 103.9 and 104.4 MHz. In November 99, Gospel 846 used P O Box 846, Limavady address. (BDXC-UK "Alternative Airwaves" via MWC)

ISLE OF MAN: The Isle of Man International Broadcasting Company was awarded a license for a new high power longwave station in April 99. However, planning permission for the transmission site has still not been granted after being referred to a special enquiry. This involves a public enquiry with an opportunity for local residents to make objections to the transmission site. The date of the Inquiry, originally due in spring 2000, has been delayed (MWC)

ISRAEL: 576 IBA Tel Aviv. The first network called 'Reshet Alef' broadcasts 0400-2305. News in English at 0500 and at 1500. This transmitter site targets the central region of Israel.

927 IBA Haifa. The immigrant network REQA (Reshet Qlita v'Aliya) broadcasts mainly in Russian and Amharic. Schedule 0500-2000. This transmitter site serves northern Israel.

954 IBA Jerusalem. The immigrant network REQA as on 927. This transmitter site serves central and southern Israel.

1458 IBA Jerusalem/Eilat. First network 'Reshet Alef' 0400-2305 as on 576. This site targets the Upper Galilee region 1575 IBA Haifa. A new network program called 'Gal Batuakh' is broadcast on this freq. It is a local traffic radio for northern Israel. (All above from home page via EuroLog Feb -2000)

Reshet Hashidur - the Israel Broadcasting Authority just updated its website. Unfortunately, at this point, it's mostly in Hebrew. <http://www.iba.org.il> It now adds a live feed of the Arabic Arutz Dalet (4th network). It has had a live feed of Reshet Bet (the second network news/talk) for a while now. It has "Coming Soon" spaces for Reshet Gimel (the Third network - which plays Hebrew only pop music (it went to Hebrew only when the licenses were given for the regional radio stations). It also has a coming soon for a live feed of Israel TV's Channel One (Channel one is run by the IBA all the time (unlike Arutz 2s multiple ownership) - so I would assume that it would be available every day). It has a link for Mabat (Channel One's daily evening TV news) which will start 'on demand narrowcasting' on this Sunday (later today- at 9 PM Israel Time +0200) BTW, the "On Demand" section tells you what program is currently playing on Reshet Bet. News from israelradio.org website (Which now has links to parts of the updated IBA website too. FYI- Israel's Foreign Ministry official website has a link to israelradio.org...) <http://israelradio.org/dat.htm> "From mid July there will be a new radio station called Kol Israel Reshet Dat - which translates as Religious Network. A section of the Israeli public has demonstrated a desire for a radio station whose programming reflects the values of orthodox Judaism and the IBA is responding to this. The station will be heard on 104.7 FM and initially will be available in the Central region of the country. Involved in the management of the new station is veteran Kol Israel staffer Shabtai Bibi." (Rosenzweig, 7/2, DXLD)

ITALY: RAI Notturmo Italiano broadcasts over Naples 657 and Montecarlo 702 have now ceased and the program is now on Milan 900

and Rome 846 only as before the "Santa Palomba" story (also on SW 6060). But daytime check here in Bologna on 846 shows the transmitter is still running at reduced power. (Stefano Vallianti, MWC)

Italian private station Radio Pane Burro Marmellata, which broadcasts on FM to the Bologna/Modena area, has started MW broadcasts on 1494 kHz. First heard today with good signal until dusk, when interference from Radio Bleue/Radio Corse Frequenza Mora in Bastia begins. (Stefano Vallianti via MWC e-mail news)

KUWAIT: 540 Main Arabic 24h

630 Holy Quran 24h

963 Main Arabic 0200-0500, 0800-1800, 2100-0200; English 0500-0800, 1800-2100; R. Pinoy in English/Tagalog reported 1000-1200

1134 Main Arabic 24h

1269 Arabic Music 24h

1341 0200-0700, 1700-2300 Holy Quran, 0700-1700 Second Arabic (Website via OA)

1575 Radio of the Future (Al-Mustaqbal) heard with ID: Huna idha'at al-Mustaqbal, Sawt al-Wifaq al-Watani al-Iraqi (Radio of the Future, Voice of Iraqi National Accord). The prgr was in Arabic with segments in Kurdish. Noted on 1575 on 20-21 Feb at 1800-2000, 2100-2400, 0100-0200, 0300-0400. In the prgr: information, songs, radioplays. The Kurdish segments noted 1851-1900, 2251-2300, 0351-0400 with ID in Kurdish, talk and song. The station is located in Kuwait. Address in Ar: P.O.Box 3124, London SW19 1RL, United Kingdom. Fax: (0181) 5432932 also two other addresses. (BCDX, 3/9) 1548 VOA Kuwait summer schedule: 1900-0300, 0400-0600 English, Arabic at 323 degrees, 0300-0400, 1700-1900 Persian at 16 degrees, 1400-1700 English at 80 degrees. (IBB A00 schedule via OA)

LATVIA: Here is an up-to-date list of MW transmitters in Latvia, as received today from LVRTC in Riga which is responsible for the network:

576 450kW Riga (R.Liberty in Belarusian)

945 150kW Riga (LVR-1)

1350 40kW Kuldiga (LVR-1)

1350 25kW Cesvaine (LVR-1)

1422 25kW Valmiera (LVR-1)

1422 25kW Rezekne (LVR-1)

1539 7kW Daugavpils (LVR-1)

Liepaja 1539 & Ventspils 1602 kHz have been closed. (Bernd Trutenau, Vilnius, Lithuania MWC)

LIBYA: 1251 & 711 both remain intensely distorted signals. 1251 is massive signal after dark but is a real struggle understanding the English (down to 10-20% intelligible on a clear S9 +++ signal!) news at 2040 which is followed by French. Audio quality seems to vary noticeably from day to day. "Radio Voice of Africa broadcasting from the Great Jamhriya" (Steve Whitt in Mallorca, via MWC)

LITHUANIA: All MW transmitter of Lietuvos Radijas were switched off on 1 May due to budget cuts, except for Sitkuna1 666 kHz (LR-1) which is now on the air 0300-2000. Radio Baltic Waves on 612 kHz continues as before. (Bernd Trutenau, Vilnius, Lithuania MWC) Radio Baltic Waves on 612 kHz (Vilnius-Virsuliskes 50 kW) On RBW's initiative, a new 250kW MW transmitter is going to be built at Turgeliai (SE of Vilnius, 10km from the Belarusian border). It will broadcast on 1233 kHz with a 2-mast directional antenna switchable to 120 resp. 300°. (Bernd Trutenau, Vilnius, Lithuania)

LUXEMBURG: Some months ago the Radio Society of Great Britain gave

details of some projected new broadcasting stations which might come on the air to serve the United Kingdom. One was not so much new, but a planned re-birth of the Radio Luxembourg English service on 1440 kHz. Radio Luxembourg is a commercial organization run by CLT-UFA, based in the Duchy itself. Most of their services go out in German and French, but they also carry a half-hour Italian program at 2000 . This is produced by RAI - the Italian national broadcaster. A return of their English service during the evenings has been suggested. However, a spokesman for the independent company in London who put forward this idea has told us that there are still no new developments to report. (Radio Society of Great via DX Listening Digest)

MAURITIUS: Info from MBC: The Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation were transmitting on SW on 4.85 MHz and 9.71 MHz from Mauritius using a 10 kW Philips transmitter. We had to stop transmission for more than 10 years now because the transmitter was old and spare parts were not available. This SW transmission was meant for Rodrigues Island mainly. Moreover, as we now have a MW-AM transmission on 1206 kHz at Citronelle in Rodrigues, SW transmission from Mauritius is not a priority, the more so that SW transmission is very expensive and erratic. We thanks DX Listeners for their QSL cards confirming MBC MW-AM transmission, thanks to sky wave propagation at night. Unfortunately, we cannot satisfy SW listeners. Our MW transmission on 684 kHz - 1 kW (RM 1), 819 kHz - 1 kW (RM 2) and 1575 kHz - 500 W (BBC World Service) and 1206 kHz - 1 kW (Radio Rodrigues) use radiating mast as transmitting antenna. We wish you good reception on MW. (Chris Greenway, The above information may only be reproduced if full credit is given to the original contributor AND to the British DX Club (BDXC-UK)). History and Information about MBC and frequency guide for Radio and TV - Even a little bit of information about Mediumwave/Shortwave from Mauritius - Look here http://mbc.intnet.mu/reception_guide.htm (Niels A. Holst, HCDX)

MOZAMBIQUE: 954 Emissor Interprovincial de Manica monitored in Kenya on this freq.
963 R Delegação de Beira monitored in Kenya on this freq. (Gerhard Buetow, HCDX via EuroLog March 2000)

MOROCCO: 1205a RTM with several ID's. Agadir ex-1197? Sometimes //540//936, but often also Berber network. This could explain several UNID Middle East stations heard here. (Jorma Mäntylä via HCDX 1285)

NETHERLANDS: Q The Beat (1224 kHz) has been sold to the American Clear Channel Communications (CCC). Q The Beat will remain as it is, but will be accompanied by a second MW station, whose transmitter will also be located on the MV Communicator, as Colourful Radio on 1557 kHz. The programs of this station will be similar to those of Radio London and Q Radio. The URL is: <http://www.sat-address.com/cc/Colorful-Radio.shtml> (Herman Bowl, MWC)

171 Delta Radio: A station representative told Media Network that they hoped the formal problems would be resolved by later this year so that construction can begin. (Andy Sennitt, April 23, DX Listening Digest via HCDX 1271). The French authorities have dropped their complaint against the broadcasting by Radio Delta on 171 kHz. This means that Radio Delta could now start setting up their antenna. There are still environmental groups that complain against 400 m high antennas. (Source: Radiovisie, via Herman Boel via MWC e-mail news 02.05.2000)

Tests have been heard on 1332, presumably for the new Radio Nationaal. The transmissions originate from the famous Nozema Lopik-site (near Utrecht) and may have been conducted by Nozema. Power will be 10 Kw. Radio Nationaal is owned by Riny Schreijenberg, director of Koch Music, a record company for Dh artists. The format of Radio Nationaal will be to play Dh records, probably some of the stuff you hear on the Dh MW-pirates as well. Radio Nationaal has also its own web-site www.radionationaal.nl, still under construction, only a radio with a questionmark is there to play with. By the way, Radio Nationaal originally got the frequency of 1035 from the Dh authorities, but as the station that originally got 1332 (Hoppla FM) refused to use this MW-frequency, Radio Nationaal switched their 2.2 Kw transmitter on 1035 in Echt, in the southeast of our country for 1332-10 Kw in the centre of Holland. (Johan Hermans via MWC)

NORWAY: According to a report in issue 433 of 'The Radio Magazine' the government of Norway is offering a license to operate on 216 kHz (the former NRK channel) at a maximum of 1.2 MW. In order to qualify for consideration, applicants must have "a head office in Norway", be able to show their programming plans and be able to afford the costs involved. (BDXC via MWC)

AM-Broadcasts: 1485 kHz Longyearbyen, on Spitsbergen relays the P1-feed off satellite // FM locally. This P1-feed includes regional programs from NRK Troms. (times see below) 1314 kHz Kvitsøy carries the Europakanalen service, which is a mixture of the 3 national channels P1, P2 and P3, in addition to some exclusive weather-forecasts, and programs from Radio Norway International. Where P1 includes regional programs during Europakanalen slots, the regional program is NRK Østlandssendingen (Oslo) (happens in the morning). Remaining outlets (630 kHz Vigra, 675 kHz Røst and 702 kHz Vadsø) carries Europakanalen, but overridden by all regional programs. (NRK Møre og Romsdal, NRK Nordland and NRK Finnmark respectively). Note also that 702 kHz Vadsø will be replaced this autumn by 153 kHz 100 kW at Ingøy close to Cape North.

The schedule for Europakanalen reads (all times local time, i.e. CET): Monday-Friday: 0000-0600 P1, 0600-0730 P2, 0730-0800 P1 incl Østlandssendinga 0800-0900 P2, 0900-1100 P1 incl Østlandssendinga, 1100-1203 P3, 1203- Weatherforecast. Open end, but normally lasting approx 10-15 min. -1230 P1 incl Østlandssendinga, 1230-1300 P2, 1300-1450 P1 incl Østlandssendinga, 1450- Weatherforecast. Open end, but normally lasting approx 10 min. -1600 P1 incl Østlandssendinga, 1600-1750 P2, 1750- Weatherforecast. Open end, but normally lasting approx 10 min. -1925 P2, 1925-2000 P1, 2000-2051 Radio Norway International special edition, 2051-2205 P1, 2205-2215 Weatherforecast, 2215-2400 P1

Saturday: 0000-1100 P1 incl Østlandssendinga, 1100-1203 P2, 1203-1215 Weatherforecast. Open end, but normally lasting approx 15 minutes, 1215-1500 P1 incl Østlandssendinga, 1500-1900 P2 1900-2000 P1, 2000-2052 Radio Norway International special edition, 2052-2400 P1 Sunday: 0000-2000 P1, 2000-2052 Radio Norway International special edition, 2052-2400 P1 Some variations may be expected!

The current schedule for regional programs on P1 (including the slots you'll hear on 1314 Kvitsøy originating from Østlandssendingen in Oslo and from the other regions on the other stations reads as follows). Especially the morning slots are very integrated to the national feed and not so easy to recognize!

Monday to Friday: 0603-0630, 0640-0700, 0703-0730, 0740-0750, 0754-0800, 0805-0818, 0825-0830, 0836-0900, 0903-0905, 1003-1005, 1103-1200, 1203-1230, 1303-1305, 1403-1405, 1503-1505, 1603-1630, 1633-1700, 1703-1730, 1803-1805

Saturday: 0805-0808, 1003-1005, 1103-1200, 1203-1230

Changes in the schedule on Saturdays are expected to take place sometime this spring, probably dropping the 1103-1200 and 1203-1230 slots, instead introducing further hourly 2-5 minute news bulletins. Note also that in northern Norway (Nordland, Troms and Finnmark) they share a common daily 1103-1200/1203-1230 program called "Norraför" ("Up North"). (So 675, 702 and 1485 will be // at that time). (Bernt Erfjord via MWC)

POLAND: The Polish frequency of 1080 kHz was activated 7/29. Polskie Radio used earlier a tx at Koszecin with 375 kW, but have been off for a few years. I heard it from 1900-2100 when they suddenly closed without any ID. During the 2 hour transmissions there was no ID at full hour. It was a lot of talking and my Polish is not good, but it was a lot of religious talking. The reception was like local. Any organization renting airtime from Polskie Radio? (Bengt Ericsson, via HCDX)

A large noncommercial local radio project is currently on the way. Under the name "Twoje Radio" ("Your Radio") 100W MW transmitters will be installed in Polish communities, 50 stations have so far been applied for, about 8 will start in the first stage around September. The frequencies to be used will include 531, 963, 1062, 1485 and 1602. The local studios will daily broadcast two hours of local information (0730-0830 & 1730-1830 LT), and also relay the regional programs of Polskie Radio at certain times. The network is developed and coordinated by Polskie Fale Srednie SA in Chróscina (Opole voivodship), in cooperation with the regional broadcasting stations of Polskie Radio (Bernd Trutenau, MWC)

OMAN: I received the following e-mails from David Plater, the former Senior Transmitter Engineer at the BBC relay stn on Masirah Isl: "No one replaced me on Masirah Isl. There is now only one licensed stn A41MB, Sultan. He is not active on SW. There are still people on Masirah to reply to reception reports. The stn lease has been extended until Nov 2002. The construction of the new stn at Al Ashkharah will start soon. The address given for reports, P.O.Box 6898 Ruwi, is actually the British embassy commercial section. The direct addr is BERS, P.O.Box 23, Wilayat Masirah, Postal Code 414, Sultanate of Oman. (David Plater, via George Maroti-NY, Cumbre Mar 1 via BC-DX)
738 R Oman, Salalah ex 1035 (Alan Davies' website)

RUSSIA: The recently renewed Mayak website has fresh frequency lists incl. bc-times. You can go directly to <http://www.radiomayak.ru/map> and will get a map of Russia - then click on the region(s) and you will get a detailed frequency list for each province. All info is, naturally, in Russian. (Bernd Trutenau, Vilnius, Lithuania via MWC)

SWEDEN: 189 Motala has started transmissions again, this time with modest power. Broadcasts are in connection with activities at the Motala Radio Museum. Address for reports: Teracom AB, Box 17666, S-11892 Stockholm. (Magnus Nilsson via swedx 20.04.2000, via Eurolog May 2000)

TUNISIA: Stations heard while on vacation in Mallorca
585 Arabic // 630kHz whenever checked; audible evenings mixing with Spain
603 not heard daytime due to R Bleue via groundwave; audible from ~1900 onwards in Arabic NOT // 630; including separate news at top of hour heard regularly beyond 2000 hours (EMWG states 1815 sign-off); noted on air separate to 630kHz as late as 2145
630 Arabic, talk, plays, music & sports; fair groundwave; strong

skywave signal; best signal from Tunisia
684 not heard via groundwave; // 684kHz whenever checked; QRM from
RNE
720 not heard via groundwave; not // 630 at 1958 1/6/00; own Arabic
news at 2000 but same music stings used between news items as on 630
but separate news (NB 603 did not use music stings at all)
963 International program; mainly French but English (1335 29/5/00),
Spanish (1800 29/5/00) and Italian (?) (1425 2/6/00) heard. Weak
groundwave; Spanish program is UNLISTED in EMWG - ID as "Radio Tunis
Cadena International"
No other Tunisia signals noted/detected. (Steve Whitt via MWC)

VATICAN: Vatican Radio now broadcasts 24 hours a day on 527 -
Jubilaem Channel 1 in Italian/French/English from 0400 to 2210 and
Studio A With You in the Night (classical and light music) from 2210
to 0400. (Stefano Valianti, MWC)

TRANS PACIFIC

AUSTRALIA: I thought different day/night powers were a North
American invention, but it appears that trials at least are underway
in Australia for 4KZ 531 and 2CA 1053. Aim your browser at
http://www.aba.gov.au/about/public_relations/newrel_2000/12nr2000.htm
for more information. No indication on what time these change
over, or any notes on the licenses to indicate this is in operation
yet. (Richard Jary, HCDX)

Folks we have just released the May 2000 edition of the Australian
and New Zealand Medium Wave guide, thanks to DXers within Australia
and our friend Paul Ormandy from New Zealand. 32 pages of
information, with the latest call signs and address including the X
banders to 1701. A small section in the front about antenna's, loops
etc, then into the stations address and call signs. All by
frequencies. Comes in a plastic cover with cone binding. Price
within Australia is AUD10-00 outside of Australia except New
Zealand is US10-00. 6 months from now all will receive a FREE
update, for changes/corrections. OK contact: John Wright, ARDXC,
Unit4, 33 Kerrie Crescent, Peakhurst 2210 NSW Australia. (HCDX) No
checks, as the cost of cashing them is more than AUD10-00 (trust
banks). (John Wright, HCDX)

CAMBODIA: 918 location Steung Meanchey, Phnom Penh (120 kW)
reactivated (AGD website, Dec 1999). 1360 appears to be inactive.
Correct addr: Overseas Service, National Radio of Cambodia, Rukhak
Vithei Phrea Kossamak (Street 106), Phnom Penh. (Maarten Van Delft-
HOL via Dave Kenny-UK, March BDXC-UK Communication via DXLD Feb 28
via BC-DX 455)

CHINA: 1039v Yiyang PBS heard here 2200-0100, ??-1400. (T. Gima in
ABI via Y. Kato)

INDIA: 1566 National Channel. Started functioning on May 18, 1988.
Hours: 1320-0040. (AIR website)
AIR Foreign Services on MW (via AIR website, additional info from
Alok Dasgupta, all via OA/HCDX)
594 Mogra (Calcutta) complete schedule: 0130-0227 Nepali FS, 0227-
0230 Commercial Advertisements, 0230-0245 News in Hindi, 0245-0300
News in English, 0300-0430 Bengali FS, 0800-1100 Bengali FS
702 Jalandhar 0015-0430 Urdu, 0800-0830 Punjabi, 0830-1130 Urdu,
1130-1200 Saraiki, 1230-1430 Punjabi, 1430-1930 Urdu
1053 Tuticorin 0000-0045 Tamil, 0045-0115 Sinhala, 0115-0330 Tamil,
1115-1300 Tamil, 1300-1500 Sinhala, 1500-1530 Tamil
1071 Rajkot 0015-0100 Urdu, 0100-0200 Sindhi, 0200-0430 Urdu, 0830-

1130 Urdu, 1230-1500 Sindhi, 1500-1600 Baluchi, 1600-1930 Urdu
1134 Mogra (Calcutta) complete schedule: 1215-1330 Tibetan FS, 1330-
1430 Nepali FS, 1445-1515 Bengali FS, 1515-1530 News in Hindi, 1530-
1545 News in English, 1545-1600 Current Affairs SPOTLIGHT in
English, 1600-1730 Bengali FS, 1730-0030 National Program // 1566-
NAGPUR, 0030-0035 News in Hindi, 0035-0040 News in English.

KOREA, SOUTH: 639 A new program network, KBS 3rd Radio, was started
on 1st January. The schedule is 2100-1800 (1600-1800 relay of KBS-
1). (T. Yamashita in ABI via Y. Kato)

MALAYSIA. Following the serious fire at its radio centre a few weeks
ago, RTM has introduced a number of temporary changes to its
services: Domestic services generally carry news every 2 hours
rather than on the hour; the English service Radio 4 on 7295 kHz &
FM now carries news at the top of odd hours. Time signals are no
longer being broadcast. The external sces Suara Malaysia and Suara
Islam have moved to temporary studios in Kajang, usually reflected
in opening announcements. The HF transmitting station at Kajang
continues to suffer its own problems, with strong harmonics noted
recently on 9690 (2x4845), 11930v (2x5965v) and 12050 (2x6025).
There have been many long breaks on 4845 during the past week, and
7295 has also been observed with an intermittent distortion problem.
(Alan Davies, Malaysia, Cumbre DX August 3 via DXLD)
The following transmitters in Sabah are currently observed (23 Apr-2
May 2000). Many are slightly below channel - in fact transmitters in
Sabah have a distinct tendency to drift off frequency, invariably
downwards. Most of these join networks carried 24h on FM, jumping
straight in and out of the programming at sign-on and sign-off times
with no special formalities or IDs.

Radio Malaysia Sabah 'Nasional' in Bahasa Malaysia:

565 Tenom 0230-1040

603 Tuaran (Kota Kinabulu) 0230-1040

801 Kudat ?-?1400

Radio Malaysia Sabah 'Blue Network':

690 Tuaran (Kota Kinabulu) 0325v-1330 (and same times on approx
5979.4)

774 Tenom 0325v-1330

1197 Kudat ?-?1400

Radio Malaysia Sabah Siaran Dari Sandakan:

783 Kadazan 2155-1000, mostly relays of Nasional with limited local
content during local afternoon; also announces an apparently
inactive FM frequency. ID: "Radio Malaysia Sandakan".

Radio Malaysia Sabah Siaran Dari Tawau:

747 Tawau 2145-1100, mostly local programming, also at same times on
FM 92.9. This is the only domestic MW tx in Sabah observed to have a
'proper' sign-on at 2145 with 'Negara Ku' followed by local ID and
jingle.

Suara Malaysia

1475 Tuaran 1030-1300 to PHL

The Nasional/Blue network names are used in newspaper program
listings, but on-air IDs are usually of the form 'Radio Sabah
Malaysia in (language)'.
Languages used on the 'Blue' network are English 0230-0730 & 1430-
1900 (Sat -1630), Mandarin 0000-0230 (exc. Hakka 0100-0110), Kadazan
2300-2400 & 0730-1000, Bajau 1900-2100 (Sat 1630-) & 1000-1200,
Murut 2100-2200 & 1315-1430. This network is still announcing Tawau
927 and Sandakan 1080, but both appear to be inactive at present.
(Report prepared by Alan Davies, listening in Sandakan, Sabah)

PALAU: 1584 'Voice of Palau' TBAA noted with very good reception in
Sandakan, Malaysia on evenings of 2, 3 & 4 May. Carries many

syndicated US news and sport reports, and a long, repetitive tune - presumably NA - just before close-down announcement at 1500. T8AA is a change from listed call-sign WSZB. (Alan Davies, Cumbre DX)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA. This summarizes PNG HF operations, based on monitoring observations made during my trip to North Queensland between Jul-29 and Aug-03. Scheduling for many stations is erratic, and inconsistent from day to day. Some stations remain on air all night during feasts, "sing-sings", and festivals. Weekend evening transmissions are often extended to past the usual 1200 s/off. There is only very limited activity during the morning period, with most stations preferring to operate during evening hours.

MORNING TRANSMISSIONS

Kundu Service: *1900-2200*

3315 Manus

3375 Western Highlands

3385 East New Britain

Karai Service

4890 Port Moresby *1900-2200*

DAYTIME TRANSMISSIONS

Kundu Network

5985 East New Britain - on weekdays only, in period 2230-

0700, carrying educational/ schools/public information programming, intended for the Gazelle Peninsula. Actual hours of operation and broadcast days are irregular

Karai Network

9675 Port Moresby *2230-0700*

EVENING TRANSMISSIONS

Kundu Service: *0730-1200*v

3205 W. Sepik

3220 Morobe

3235 W. New Britain

3245 Gulf

3260 Madang

3305 Western

3315 Manus

3325 N. Solomons

3335 E. Sepik

3355 Simbu

3365 Milne Bay

3385 E. New Britain

3395 Eastern Highlands

3905 New Ireland

Karai Service

4890 Port Moresby *0730-1200*v

(2410 not checked)

From: (Bob Padula, Surrey Hills, Victoria, Australia, EDXP, August 4 via DXLD)

PHILIPPINES. The Philippine Broadcasting Service, Quezon City, uses 9580 from *0000-0600*. This outlet has the nominal callsign DUR2, with 50 kW, and for some inexplicable reason remains unlisted in the so-called authoritative annual references! It carries the MF programming from 918 kHz (DZRB) and announces as "PBS Manila". Programming a mixture of Tagalog and English, and noted with excellent signals on Jun-08 on the beach at Manukan Island (near Kota Kinabalu). (Bob Padula, Malaysia, June, EDXP via DXLD) 1548 DZSD Super Radyo Dagupan (Pangasinan). This is the call reported by Japanese DXer Keiji Horiba (via Y. Kato) Super Radyo AM, existing stations: Manila, Cebu, Laoag, Dagupan, Puerto Princesa, Roxas, Bacolod, Davao, General Santos, Marbel, Zamboanga; (DYSI Iloilo 1323 also known) Planned stations: Butuan,

Cagayan de Oro, Kalibo, Naga, Vigan, Cauayan, Iligan, Ozamis, Pagadian, Cotabato (GMA website via OA)
Some unlisted stations or stations with differing/additional information heard in Sandakan, Malaysia, 30 April-2May 2000. Callsigns are 'as heard' and not guaranteed correct:
585 DYLL Iloilo -- PBS / Super Radyo (listed callsign is DYCI)
765 DYPR Puerto Princesa -- Palawan Broadcasting Corporation
909 DYSP is a good daytime signal here, also with slogan 'Super Radyo Palawan', and announcing use of 5000 Watts from Puerto Princesa.

945 DXRO Cotabato -- Angel Radyo

963 DXYZ Zamboanga -- Angel Radyo

1134 DXOS according to announcements is operated by the Public Affairs Service of the Philippines Armed Forces on Basilan Island. Appears to sign off around 0900.

1179 DYSB Bacolod -- Super Radyo

567, 693 Also Manila Broadcasting Company (MBC / "DZRH") heard local daytime on these frequencies from unknown locations, both in parallel with 855 presumed from Zamboanga. Difficult to deduce much from their confusing canned IDs. Not much else to do here in Sandakan but listen to the many PHL stations on MW -- about 40 clearly audible during daytime. (Alan Davies, Sandakan, Malaysia)

SRI LANKA Following changes for Deutsche Welle effective from 15th May 2000 of DW may be noted. 0100-0150 1548 (MW) English New, 0100-0150 1548 (MW) Bengali Deleted. (Swopan Chakroborty, Calcutta, India, May 9, DXLD)

SOLOMON ISLANDS: SIBC's regional stations are: Radio Hapi Lagun, P.O.Box 78, Gizo, Western Province, 10 kW on 945, at 1900-1100 and 0300-0830 [sic], and R Temotu, Lata, Santa Cruz Islands, Temotu Province on 1386. The latter is off temporarily due to problems with their 5 kW transmitter. (Maarten Van Delft via BDXC via DX Listening Digest)

TAIWAN: 1557 Family Radio Taiwan, Kouhu. Matt Tuter confirmed an e-mail report from the Family Radio address in California. He wrote that the station in Kouhu has no studios in Taiwan but is remote controlled from Oakland California (!). (Jorma Mäntylä, Finland via HCDX 1242)

LATIN AMERICA

ANTIGUA: Caribbean Beacon 1610 is locally programmed, while only 690 carries Dr Gene Scott, and 1505 remains off-air after the tower was toppled in a hurricane, per the following URL
<http://www.news.ai/ref/radio.html> (David Riquish HCDX)

ARGENTINA: 1610 R. CULTURA, Domingo Purita 2247 (1824 Lanus) - inactive !!.

1610 R. CANTICO NUEVO, Av. Oliver 1134 (1842 Monte Grande).

1620 R. TROPICANA, Av. San Juan 2461 (1232 Capital Federal).

1630, AM1630 Radio Buen Ayre, calle 32 No.426, 1900 La Plata (Buenos Aires), aml630@red92.com

1640 R. BOLIVIA, Av. Coronel Roca 1467 (1437 Capital Federal).

1650 AM RESTAURACION, Debussy 2948 (1686 Hurlingham).

1660 R. UNIDAD, Molina 830 (1847 Rafael Calzada).

1670 BBC AMERICA LATINA (Capital Federal).

1680 AM GETRO, Av. San Martin 4280 (1824 Lanus oeste). (Marcelo A. Cornachioni, Argentina, via mwc, and Carlos A. Pivatto, via HCDX)

CUBA: In the August issue of the WTFDA's "VHF/UHF Digest," DXer

Alexeis Marrero Cruz of Holguin, Cuba says he heard "Radio Holguin, la nueva" on its first day of broadcast on 1500kHz and 96.1 FM. This was in May. Perhaps someone on the East Coast is in a position to hear this. (Pete Taylor)

FALKLAND ISLANDS: At Approximately 11:00 AM on Monday, 07 August 2000 the Medium Wave transmitter owned by the Falkland Islands Government was clipped by a Tornado Aircraft. The mast was damaged to the extent that Medium Wave transmissions were knocked out. The aircraft was returning from a routine sortie over Stanley Airport shortly before the accident occurred. According to a Military spokeswoman the aircraft was returning to Mount Pleasant when it took evasive action in order to avoid collision with a civilian plane. She went on to say that Military authorities are investigating the accident and that the pilot and crew did not receive any injuries. There was some damage to one wing of the aircraft, however. (Falkland Island News Network, via MWC)

MEXICO: Just received a very beautiful 81/2x11" 'Certificado de Sintonia' from XEUT-1630 in Tijuana, BCN for a 9/7/99 report. Also received a large, color 24th Anniversary Radio Universidad FM 104.1 poster along with FM stickers, questionnaire, letter and schedule. V/s: Martha Adriana Márquez, Jefa de Radio Universidad and Gabriel Estrella Valenzuela, DG. Address on return label is: UABC-Radio, 233 Paulin Avenue, P.O. Box MSC 5163, Calexico, CA 92231-2646 (Terry Palmersheim, HCDX)

GEOMAGNETIC INDICES

Geomagnetic Summary August 17 2000 through August 30 2000
 phil bytheway - Seattle WA - phil@radiodx.com
 Tabulated from email status daily

8/17	177	11	1	low	quiet-unsettled	- 5
18	170	2	1	low	quiet	- 5
19	157	3	0	low	quiet-unsettled	- 4
20	152	4	1	low	quiet-unsettled	- 5
21	151	9	2	low	quiet-unsettled	- 8
22	144	3	1	low	quiet-unsettled	- 3
23	137	8	3	low	quiet-unsettled	- 4
24	131	10	1	low	quiet-unsettled	- 5
25	133	3	1	low-mod	quiet-unsettled	- 5
26	137	5	2	low-mod	quiet-unsettled	- 4
27	137	5	3	low-mod	quiet-unsettled	- 2
28	160	16	5	low-mod	active	- 8
29	163	35	4	low-mod	unsettled-mis	- 9
8/30	165	16	4	low-mod	quiet-active	- 6

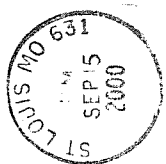
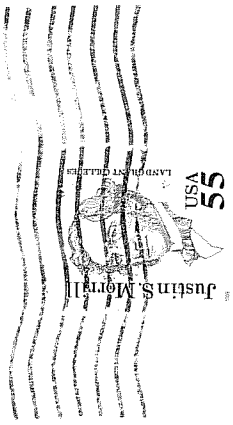
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