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WDXF Editor Reid Wheeler is back and ready to take your WDXF  
submissions. Go for it folks!! - pb  
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NOTICE OF UPCOMING ELECTIONS - Lee Freshwater, President

This is an advance notice to all members of IRCA that the election  
process for new officers for the 2001-2002 term will be beginning  
soon. Here is the calendar of events of importance to members as  
stipulated in the IRCA Constitution/Bylaws:

From December 1, 2001 thru January 15, 2001 nominations are open for  
President, Secretary-Treasurer, and the seven members of the Board of  
Directors. Only one nomination each for President, Secretary-  
Treasurer, and only seven nominations for the Board shall be allowed  
each IRCA member. An eligible member may nominate him/herself. All  
nominations must be submitted in written form (letter, fax or e-mail)  
to the Election Committee Chairman (ECC) by January 15, 2001.

The ECC will notify all nominees of their nomination by February 1,  
2001. Each nominee (unless it is a self-nomination) must reply in  
writing (letter, fax, e-mail) if they accept their nomination, and  
each acceptance letter may include a campaign statement, not to  
exceed 20 bulletin lines in a March issue of DX Monitor. Campaign  
statements are not required. If a member is nominated for more than  
one office, he/she must decide which office, or offices, they choose  
to run for and may include a campaign statement for each office  
selected. All letters of acceptance and campaign statements must  
reach the ECC by February 20, 2001.

The campaign statements, in alphabetical order, and the ballot will  
be prepared by the ECC and sent to the Publisher by March 1 for  
distribution. All ballots must be received by the ECC no later than  
0001, Mountain Local Time, May 1, 2001.

In addition to the balloting for the officers and Board of Directors,  
there will be voting for the 2001 Ted Vasilopoulos Award and the Ric  
Heald Award. As we get closer to the elections, there will be more  
information published on these two awards.

Also note that the Election Committee Chairman (ECC) is Reid Wheeler.  
His address is 5910 Boulevard Loop SE, Olympia, WA 98501-8408.

Telephone 360-786-6756, fax 360-753-3824 and e-mail reid@olywa.net.  
If you have any questions on the election process, please contact  
Reid or myself.

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IRCA Mexican Log, 6th Edition

The IRCA MEXICAN LOG lists all AM stations in Mexico by frequency, including call letters, state, city, day/night power, slogans, schedule in UTC/GMT, formats, networks and notes. The call letter index gives call, frequency, city and state. The city index (listed by state, then city) includes frequency, call and day/night power. The log has been completely updated from the 1998 edition and carefully cross-checked by several IRCA members. This is an indispensable reference for anyone who hears Mexican radio stations. Size is 8 1/2" x 11" and three hole punched for easy binding. Prices: IRCA/NRC members - \$8.00 (US/Canada/Mexico/sea mail), \$9.00 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$9.50 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$10.00 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$2.00 to the above prices.

IRCA TIS List

Completely revised by IRCA's Bill Harms to 9/00, the IRCA "TIS/HAR LIST" includes AM/FM and TV lists from the US and Canada. This 28 page "DX Aid" can be yours for only \$5.00. Non-IRCA/NRC members... add \$1.00. Overseas... add \$0.50.

IRCA Bookstore - 9705 Mary Ave NW - Seattle WA 98117-2334 (please make checks payable to Phil Bytheway)

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2001 IRCA CONVENTION

Anyone interested in hosting the 2001 IRCA convention, please contact IRCA President Lee Freshwater, 256 E Corporate Dr APT 803, Lewisville, TX 75067. e-mail: LFreshwate@aol.com. Deadline for bids it November 15 2000!!

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PUBLISHER

At the end of this Volume of "DX Monitor" (August 2001) Eric Bueneman will step down as IRCA Publisher. To ensure a smooth transition, we are asking for volunteers as Publisher at this time. Please contact IRCA President Lee Freshwater at the above address if you are interested.

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CPC DX tests

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CPC Chairperson (IRCA) - Lynn Hollerman - lynnhollerman@netzero.net

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!

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BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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FORMAT CHANGES:

MD Frederick	WXTR-820	was country, to be nx//WTOP (December)
MA East Longmeadow	WPNT-1600	was travel info, now classic rock//WAQY
MI Marine City	WHLX-1590	was WHYT, country, now JRN oldies//WHLS
MI Petoskey	WJML-1110	was talk, oldies, now talk

NY New York City	WNNY-1380	was stunting, now SS nx "Noticias"
OH Conneaut	WWOW-1360	was country, now JRN oldies
OK Anadarko	KJON- 850	was country//KRPT-FM, now classic country
TN Loudon	WLOD-1140	was stds//WKFN, now oldies "Cruisin' 1140"
TN Oak Ridge	WATO-1290	was AS, now ESPN sports
TX Dallas	KJOI-1190	was KLUV, oldies, to be black gospel (dropped Imus in morning)
TX Galveston	KGBC-1540	was oldies, adds ESPN sports (Dan Patrick 1-3 PM)
TX Wichita Falls	KXXL- 990	was silent, now 1 on 1 sports
WA Tacoma	KHHO- 850	was sports//KJR, now sports (will program independently from KJR Starting in November)
CO Denver	KKYD-1340	was Catholic, to be classical
HI Honolulu	KBNZ-1170	was KBUG, oldies, to be AP nx (10/31)
IN Lafayette	WAZY-1410	was AC, talk//FM, now WW1 AS
KY Newport	WNOP- 740	was jazz, to be EWTN Catholic
NE Omaha	KBBX-1420	was JRN SS hits, now JRN reg. Mexican "La Zeta"
TX Waco	KKTK-1460	was JRN oldies, now JRN reg. Mexican "La Zeta"
FL Wildwood	WVLG- 640	was WHOF, rel, s. gospel, now soft AC
NH Claremont	WTSV-1230	was sports, talk, now ESPN sports "Score"
NM Las Cruces	KSNM- 570	was KGRT, country, now AS
NY Mechanicville	WMVI-1160	was silent, to be AS (Nov. 1)
NY S Glens Falls	WNUV-1410	was WBZA, talk, now WW1 stds//WENU-FM
NY Syracuse	WNSS-1260	was nx, now comedy (satellite-fed aff. of comedyworld.com)
TX Lubbock	KJTV- 950	was KXTQ, talk, nx, now APN nx (retains local talk show 4-6 PM)
VT White River Junction	WNVH-910	was sports/talk//WTSV, now ESPN sports//WTSV
WA Dishman	KEYF-1050	was oldies//FM, now comedy (satellite-fed aff. of comedyworld.com)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

CA Simi Valley	KIRN- 670	changes to DA-1
MT Great Falls	KXGF-1400	dec. to 680/680 ND
NC Fairview	WTZY- 880	inc. to 5000-D, ND-D
NY Binghamton	WINR- 680	inc. to 5000-D, DA-2
ON Smiths Falls	CJET- 630	moves to 92.3 FM

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

PA Oil City	WKQW-1120	dec. to 930-D, ND
PA Troy	WTZN-1310	inc. to 1000-D, ND
TX Dallas	KGGR-1040	inc. to 5000-D, ND
FL Egypt Lake	WTMP-1150	inc. to 10000-D, DA-2 vice DA-1
FL Riviera Beach	WMNE-1600	inc. to 5000-N
NC Gastonia	WLTC-1370	inc. to 12000/30 ND
PR Lajas	WAVB-1510	change to DA-2 vice DA-1

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

MA Marlborough	WSRO-1470	change to 7000/3400 DA-2
TN McMinnville	WAKI-1230	dec. to 620/1000 ND
LA New Orleans	WBYU-1450	dec. to 850/850 ND

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

MI Marine City	WHYT-1590	becomes WHLX
TX Dallas	KLUV-1190	requests KJOI "Joy"
CO Denver	KVOD-1280	requests KBNO "Que Bueno"
AZ Phoenix	KGME- 550	becomes KFYI "For Your Information"
AZ Phoenix	KFYI- 910	becomes KGME "The Game"
AR England	KROP-1530	becomes KLEC
AR Heber Springs	KOWS-1370	becomes KAWW
CA Anaheim	KEZY-1190	becomes KKMXX
CA San Bernardino	KLTH-1240	becomes KEZY
FL Wildwood	WHOF- 640	becomes WLVG "The Villages"
HI Honolulu	KBUG-1170	becomes KBNZ "News"
NM Las Cruces	KGRT- 570	becomes KSNM "Southern New Mexico"
NY S Glens Falls	WBZA-1410	becomes WENU
NY Troy	WTRY- 980	becomes WOFX "Fox Sports"
PA Bedford	WBFD-1600	becomes WHJB
TX Dallas	KLUV-1190	becomes KJOI "Joy"
TX Houston	KENR-1070	becomes KKHT "Houston"
TX Lubbock	KXKQ- 950	becomes KJTV "KJTV (TV Channel 43)"

Pat Martin of Seaside, OR. sends along the following from Barry McLarnon (locale unknown):

There's a station on 1630 carrying the Westwood One feed of Monday Night Football. I missed the TOH ID at midnight EDT, but the call sign definitely started with a W. Good signal, about even with KCJJ right now. I'm pretty certain this would be WAWX in Augusta GA. (10/2/00-ye ed.) Check it out!

Pat also sends along the following:

1630 WAWX(WRDW) GA, Augusta, heard this new X Bander running the John and Ken show at 0355, then at 0359.55 a quick "WRDW-Augusta", into ABC net news. Good on top of KCJJ, 10/3. New. ID on tape. (10/3/00-ye ed.)

Pat sends along the following from Pat Griffith of Colorado:

I had a fantastic visit with KBLI/1620 Chief Engineer Carl Watkins this morning. He spent almost 4 hours showing me everything from the inside of the diplexer to a power up demonstration of the 1620 transmitter. As some of you may know (I didn't) 1620 is not actually on the air. They have only been on for testing and performance proof purposes. While driving in to Blackfoot last night I observed that they were not on. In fact about 45 minutes before local sunset KSMH in CA rose up from the background with a near local quality signal right on the outskirts of Blackfoot! I didn't know it but later last night (early this morning EST) KBLI did in fact come on the air for several hours for testing.

Mr. Watkins explained that they are having some problems with the proof. He believes that the problems are related to the antiquated tower and ground system which were constructed in the 1940s. He believes that the sections of the tower may have lost continuity and he plans to have the sections spot welded at the joints. If that doesn't help he may also have to replace part of the ground radials. The problem appears to be related to a varying feedpoint impedance at the tower. It also seems that when the 1620 transmitter is on at 10 kw it interferes with the telephone system and some other electronics in the studios which are only 40 feet away from the tower. These, as well as some paperwork problems with the FCC, are holding things up.

Before I talked to the CE, the GM told me they expected to have 1620 on with a regular schedule in 7 to 12 days. The CE was less optimistic. He also said they haven't made a firm decision on what the programming will be. He said they were trying to decide between

ESPN and a talk format. At any rate it will likely be automated, at least initially, since they don't have a studio available for 1620. 690 is presently automated and has no studio either.

I posted some photos from my KBLI visit on my web site. There are about 13 photos so it may be a little slow loading. You can go to it direct at <http://community.webtv.net/NONNK/KBLI1620> or you can find it on my photo web site listed below. Enjoy!

Almost forgot, the CE from KBLI told me that he had talked to the CE from KXOL. He said KXOL was having problems getting their transmitter to power down to 1 kw at night for quite a while. Very interesting! I know a lot of you suspected they were running higher power at night even though they denied it.

He said it was powering down but would only go down to about 2 kw and that after numerous complaints they finally told the manufacturer to fix it or come and get it!

Pat sends along the following (Gary Jackson of Sacramento, CA. also added comments):

Per a phone call from Gary Jackson in Sacramento CA, KRCD 1500 Burbank, CA will be testing not on 1500 but on the X Band freq. of 1690 the last week of October and the first week of November 2000. The tests will be conducted during the day only with 1KW ND. Gary did not mention the hours of the tests, but if the tests are conducted near LSR or LSS, skip is possible and there isn't much on 1690 in the West except for a TIS or two. This information comes VIA Gary from Ed Stokes at QUAD 104 who will be conducting the tests.

Gary Jackson also passes on additional info regarding upcoming tests of KRCK-1500 (Burbank, CA) tests on 1690 khz. toward end of October: send reports to Mr. Edward Stolz, 801 K Street, Floor 27, Sacramento, CA. 95814, Gary mentions Mr. Stolz is very friendly towards DX'ers and will verify all reports, and are part of Royce International.

Gary Larson of Burbank, CA. passes on info that with KRLA-1110 Pasadena, CA. going all sports that the new Fox Sports Net, a joint venture between Fox and Premiere networks, may eventually end up on KLAC-570 Los Angeles.

Gary Jackson passes on info that KIOQ-1030 Folsom, CA. will build their new xmtr and antenna in Sacramento County, they spent several years trying to build in Folsom, after they lost their antenna site, but they were unable to get permission.

Gary Jackson also sends along word that KRAK-1470 Sacramento, CA. is now simulcasting KNCI-FM Sacramento and will carry Imus in Morning 6 AM-10 AM weekdays, but ABC radio has no immediate plans for station format (rumor is it will go Radio Disney?)...

Pat Martin sends along the following:

1670 UNID Some station "very strong" running talk at 0430 EDT 10/24. Redding or Moreno Valley? Disappeared by 0435 Station was S9+10DB. Was strongest off EWE antenna, weaker off Eastern Beverage, so probably one of the CAs.

1670 KAZT (presumed) CA, Redding, //with 600 w/Sports talk at 0445 EDT 10/24. Signal now S9+20DB. Must be testing with 10KW. Unbelievable signal. Stronger than any other X Bander tonight.

1670 KAZT CA, Redding, testing with 10 KW (presumed) as S9+20DB with ESPN Sports and ID at 0459.45 EDT 10/24 "Your Sports Leader in Redding is KNRO, AM 600" Into more Sports talk. Fantastic signal!

Pat sends along the following from Saul Chernos of Toronto, ON.:

The 1250 CHWO Oakville ON switch-over to 740 Toronto is to take

place" immediately after the New Year" according to what DXers attending an Ontario DX Association tour of CHWO were told by station personnel.

740 of course will have a nostalgia format and will use the calls CFPT and slogan "Prime Time Radio".

The two stations are slated to simulcast until Feb 5, when 1250 CHWO will go all-religion (I assume Christian but do not know if other faiths will be included). 1320 in Mississauga ON will then go multilingual.

CJET Smiths Falls ON is still on 630 as of a few days ago. It has been approved to move to 92.3. Catch this one while you can - it's not an easy target (I've never heard it at Burnt River ON and I've tried).

Pat sends along the following from Mike Stonebridge of St. Isidore, AB.:

CJXX-93.1 Grande Prairie, AB is up and running. Noted here earlier this AM with open carrier. Then about an hour later with C/W music. Had it on for about 3 hours while returning from Edmonton to hear that it is playing straight music, no ads, news or weather and definitely not paralleling the AM outlet. Every 10 mins or so there is a vocal announcement that says that you're listening to a test signal from the new CJXX-93.1 FM, and that the official sign on is November 1st at 8.00pm MST. At the moment I have no idea how much longer CJXX-840 AM will be on. If other new FM outlets are anything to go by, it'll be gone by the end of the year.

Pat sends along the following from Rich Toebe of Davis, CA.:

Did I miss this somehow? I noted Radio Unica on 990 last night while tuning the dial, and find it on KATD this afternoon as well. 1010 KIQI sounds weaker than usual. Now, I just checked the Unica website and found this news item dated 6/15! Unica has taken over KATD, and is moving the station to Sacramento, so that the KIQI coverage can be increased! Check the link:  
<<http://www.radiounica.com/english/ipr.html?id=8>>

Pat sends along the following:

KATD 990 will be Radio Unica soon and moving to the Sacramento market. (confirmed by ye ed. On 10/23/00)...

Pat sends along the following from Pete Taylor of Tacoma, WA.:

Anyone else getting a tone on 1640 10/23 2218? Both KPBC and KDIA are readable and on frequency. KDYL-1280 (also Utah) was equal with KIT at 2045 so that's why KBJA Sandy is likely. Tried to call but the phone number in the old NRC log and the current M Street Journal directory are invalid.

Pat sends along the following from Glenn Hauser of Enid, OK.:

From Dino Bloise in Hollywood, as I translate:

A new station is about to go on the air in Florida, "Radio Aeropuerto Musical," WRHC on 1560 AM stereo with 50,000 watts and a musical format. This belongs to the Cuban Jorge Rodriguez who already owns "La Poderosa" 670 in Miami. (Dino)

I thought a station already existed on 1560, or 1550 (change of frequency without FCC permission), right? So this could be a change of ownership and/or format (gh)

Glenn, according to what he said in a special program, Sr. Jorge Rodriguez, owner of this station only lacks final approval from the FCC authorizing use of the new frequency 1560. In the short time I have been living here, I have not heard any signal on this frequency; it's empty (Dino Bloise, Oct 23, via Glenn Hauser)

Pat sends along the following from Russ Edmunds of Blue Bell, PA.:

The following is from DCRTV online: As of 10/21, Mega Communications' 730 AM in Alexandria has picked up the Central American/Mexican "Radio Capital" programming which is also on Mega's WKDL (1050 AM) in Silver Spring. Currently the two AMers are simulcasting, but expect 1050 to soon switch to the "Amor" Spanish AC format currently being aired on WPLC (94.3 FM) in Warrenton. 1050 will become WPLC-AM, while 730 will take 1050's WKDL calls. 730's former Spanish urban/tropical format can now be heard on Mega's Prince Frederick outlet, 92.7, WBZS-FM. DCRTV also hears that Mega is exploring the possibility of starting a Spanish all-news format in the DC market; recently Mega started such a station in NYC..... Got all that ?!

Pat sends along the following:

Does anyone have an address for this station?

1670 ARGENTINA, Buenos Aires, a great signal popped up from nowhere at 0900 UTC 10/14, with man in SS, followed by a woman with ID, mentioning "Buenos Aires, Argentina and "Ba Ba Ce" ID in SS. Anyone know the power on this? My third X Band Argentina. (PM-OR)

Pat sends along the following from Rich Toebe:

KRAK-1470 (Sacramento, CA.-ye ed.) ceased to exist as an independent station Monday at 6pm PLT when it began relaying sister station 105.1 KNCI. Apparently the station is being sold by Infinity to ABC-Disney (Radio Disney, anyone?). The staff was given minimal warning.

The calls are still KRAK, quickly given on the hour; otherwise you'll just hear references to KNCI.

Ye editor passes on additional information from Zeke Holst, PD. of Watt Radio-1670 AM Sacramento:

I didn't talk to Joey or Jim Hall about the KRAK sale. However, last Friday afternoon, I could tell something wasn't right cause Joey was sounding horrible...and I just knew what you had said was coming true. And, in this Tuesday's paper were your words about the sale to ABC/Disney. I wonder if they will be come a disney station? That is such a limited audience and this market is already quite fragmented.

Gary Jackson sends along additional information on this subject:

So long, KRAK: It sells into the sunset By Dixie Reid Bee Staff Writer (Published Oct. 18, 2000)

A radio legend died this week in Sacramento. Gold Country KRAK (1470 AM) ceased to exist at 6 p.m. Monday after broadcasting country music for 38 years and 15 days. A spokesman for Infinity Broadcasting, the New York-based company that owns KRAK, confirmed Tuesday that the station was sold to ABC Radio. Until the deal is finalized early next year, KRAK likely will carry simulcast programming from sister station New Country 105.1 (KNCI FM), as it did Tuesday, and continue to air "Imus in the Morning" from 6 to 10 a.m. weekdays. ABC Radio has no immediate plans for the station's format. KRAK general manager Doug Harvill did not return The Bee's phone calls Tuesday. "Big" Jim Hall, who put in two decades at KRAK, said that 15 minutes before going on the air Monday morning, he was told of the sale and given the choice of doing his show or not. "I decided to do it, knowing I had four more hours in that legendary chair. I decided to take it all in," Hall said. He told listeners nothing about it being his last show until the final station break. "I talked about my role of almost 20 years there and the friends I had made. I thanked everybody for the dance, and then I played Garth Brooks' 'The Dance.' " "The Tony Arata song, which was on Brooks' self-titled 1989 album, contains what Hall thought were appropriate

lyrics for the occasion: And now I'm glad I didn't know The way it all would end, the way it all would go. Our lives are better left to chance, I could have missed the pain But I'd of had to miss the dance." KRAK veteran Joey Mitchell, who spent 25 years at the microphone, had vertigo problems Monday and didn't go to work. Another DJ filled in. KRAK program director Don Langford soon rang his doorbell. "He said it wasn't a social call," Mitchell said. Langford, who also will be looking for work after next week, delivered the bad news and Mitchell's final paycheck. "I've lost my job," Mitchell said, "but even worse is that this station has been on the air since 1962. KRAK's call letters are legendary, and they're throwing them away." KRAK was a rock 'n' roll station before going country on Oct. 1, 1962. It was a powerhouse of sound, a 50,000-watt station that spread far and wide the music of such Nashville stars as George Jones, Kitty Wells, Loretta Lynn and Jim Reeves. Both Mitchell and Hall tell the story of a young singer and songwriter named Merle Haggard, who lived in Bakersfield in the early '60s. Late one night, after playing a gig at a country bar there, Haggard was working on his car and listening to the only country station he could pick up on the radio, KRAK. "All of a sudden," Hall said, "he heard the DJ say something about this new boy and the station's country pick hit of the week. It was 'Sing Me a Sad Song.' That was the first time Haggard ever heard himself on the radio." KRAK, with the nickname Gold Country, continued to play the music of "country legends," the artists whose work is largely ignored by "new country/fresh country" stations such as KNCI that focus on the latest tunes out of Nashville. KRAK twice won Billboard magazine's radio station of the year award, and Mitchell was named medium-market Country DJ of the Year in 1982. In the early 1990s, KRAK was one of four thriving country stations in Sacramento. It was found at 1140 on the AM dial, the position now occupied by sister station Sports 1140 (KHTK). To make room for KHTK, KRAK was moved in 1994 to 1470 AM, a frequency with a mere 5,000-watt signal. Sometimes the signal diminished to 1,000 watts on winter nights. KRAK management had planned to honor Mitchell for his quarter-century at the station with a \$35-per-person roast on Nov. 12. That now has been canceled, Mitchell said. Mitchell was at the station Tuesday, cleaning out his desk. "We had no ratings, but we made our budget every month. We were making money. This never gets any easier," he said of losing his job. "My wife said to me, 'When are you going to enjoy your success? You're always looking over your shoulder.'" Mitchell, Hall and Langford have spent the past two days pondering their professional futures. Mitchell hopes the three can stay together and shop the Gold Country format to another station in town. Hall said, "More than me losing my radio job, my heart is broken because this very special radio station has gone away."

Rich Toebe passes on additional info:

I read the Dixie Reid article in the Bee that's delivered to my doorstep. I just love the ignorance she shows; catch the sentence "KRAK was moved in 1994 to 1470, a frequency with a mere 5,000 watt signal. Sometimes the signal diminished to 1000 watts on winter nights." My logbook shows 1470 became KOME in 1998; KRAK logged January '99.

Art Blair of Orangevale, CA. passes along the following:

Brother-in-law heard KNCI call sign on 1470 kHz and thought KRAK had gone under. Truth is KRAK is // with KNCI 105.1 MHz.

7 days till Halloween, hope your DX is more treat than trick! Cx are getting better and we go to std. Time this coming weekend! 73's.

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- 540 XEJAZZ BCN, Tijuana 10/18 0649 UTC playing a Cole Porter song  
"You'd Be So Nice To Come Home To" in stereo. (KR-AZ)
- 610 KSKE CO, Vail 10/19 0805 with ads for Chrissairs in Longmont,  
ID's as "Radio Colorado." (KR-AZ)
- 680 KNBR CA, San Francisco 10/17 2054 with a Nextel ad and with  
stereo pilot on and in wide mode with no stereo  
separation. (KR-AZ)
- 710 KDIS CA, Los Angeles 10/17 2058 with Radio Disney playing an  
unusual slow song in stereo. (KR-AZ)
- 790 KABC CA, Los Angeles 10/18 0040 with a rebroadcast of the  
Kennedy/Nixon debates. It shows how low we have sank  
politically. It was a mono program but transmitted in  
stereo and the pilot lit. (KR-AZ)
- 810 WHB MO, Kansas City 10/19 0822 with a tremendously long  
string of ads that probably ran the place for a month.  
An ad for True Value's "Ultimate George" and if you  
can't get to the store you can get an entry in the  
Kansas City Star, an ad for online betting at  
enterbet.com (I can't wait not to go there), and ad for  
the Sterner Career Fair, an ad for McGuire Mortgage  
where you can get a Len Dawson autographed football, an  
ad to go the KSU football game with Texas A&M, a  
National Tire ad, and then a few more ads and into  
"Sportscenter." I know that if I didn't want to know  
who this was, I would have spun the dial elsewhere.  
(KR-AZ)
- 820 WBAP TX, Ft. Worth 10/17 2050 with an ad for HGTV and then  
Red Lobster, in AM stereo. (KR-AZ)
- 840 KMAX WA, Colfax 10/17 2106 with Mariners baseball and ID  
"You're listening to the Max, AM 840, KMAX, Colfax."  
(KR-AZ)
- 860 KTRB CA, Modesto 10/15 0358-0405 fair with dual ID's  
"KMPH/KTRB," PSA for "Knowing your California gun laws,"  
dual legal ID and "The Valley's All News Radio" slogan.  
AP network news. (CK-CO)
- 920 KENT TX, Odessa 10/15 0307-0309 fair with ID "AM 9-20 KENT,  
Odessa," then into Christian vocal. KVEL faded at the  
right time. (CK-CO)
- 970 KIXL TX, Del Valle 10/8 2235-2257 fair at best with Christian  
talk program, call letter ID at 2256. (CK-CO)
- 1010 KIQN CO, Tooele 10/8 2115-2130 very good with preacher in  
Asian language, Asian music at 2130. Gave ad for web  
site: www.KIQN1010.com and ad for business in  
Taylorsville. (CK-CO)

- 1170 KVOO OK, Tulsa 10/17 2348 with an ad for the Air Force Reserve and a New Holland tractor dealer, in stereo. (KR-AZ)
- 1220 CJOC AB, Lethbridge 10/7 0058-0107 good over XEB (no sign of local KLVZ) with country-western music, ID "Southern Alberta's favorite country, CJOC." Thought they may be on FM by now. (CK-CO)
- 1270 KTFI ID, Twin Falls 10/8 0059-0104 fair-good with song "The Long and Winding Road," legal ID, CBS news. (CK-CO)
- 1280 KDYL UT, Salt Lake City 10/8 0055-0058 good peak in local KVOD null with ID "Talkradio 12-80, KDYL. Now we're talking," into Michael Medved talk program. (CK-CO)
- 1400 KSUN AZ, Phoenix 10/17 2052 with Mexican pop music. ID's as Radio Fiesta. It has a very significant flutter in the left channel and a slight one in the right channel. Sounding bad as usual in AM stereo. I really do hope they can fix this because they are the last AM stereo station in Phoenix. (KR-AZ)
- 1430 KQLL OK, Tulsa 10/8 0025-0039 good in local KEZW null with regional football (Panhandle State vs ---- State), a few sports scores, ID "KQLL, Tulsa," then into ESPN Sports Radio. (CK-CO)
- 1460 KTYM CA, Inglewood 10/14 0915 with a Black woman preaching and giving an 800 number for counseling, then a Black man giving an ad for a grocery store in Inglewood.. This was about as faint a signal as I could hear. New. (KR-AZ)
- 1560 KNZR CA, Bakersfield 10/18 0148 and Coast to Coast. Stereo pilot light on and not separation. I know Coast to Coast is mono, but I have never seen anything but the pilot here and wide mode and not full stereo. (KR-AZ)
- 1590 KLFE WA, Seattle 10/15 0450-0455 very good with ad for "Creation Cards," "K-Life" slogans, into Christian talk program. (CK-CO)
- 1600 KCRG IA, Cedar Rapids 10/15 0457-0500 fair in local KKCK null with ID "Newsradio 16 hundred, KCRG," into weather forecast. (CK-CO)
- 1630 ?WRDW? GA, Augusta 10/16 0735 and 10/17 0738 tentative both times, powered up nicely at 0730 pattern change (coincides with LSR/LSS maps). 10/16 with unID sports program, 10/17 with Imus In the Morning. Faded under KCJJ . KCJJ does not carry Imus nor sports programs that time of morning per their website, and WRDW is only other station on 1630 other than XEUT. I don't think KKWY carries this stuff either, but no website for them so can't check. 10/16 had heard talk about Atlanta Falcons but nothing definite. Still in amazingly at 0820 10/16! Tentative report sent. (RW-CA)

#### HELP WITH UNID

- 710 Bob Wien's unID station 10/2 0710 (DXM Vol 38 #5A) mentioning "Ciudad Cuauhtemoc" is XEDP. XEDP uses slogan "La Ranchera de Cuauhtemoc" and is strong here into Colorado. (CK-CO)

#### UNID

- 540 10/23 1000 CBS Sports coverage of Monday Night Football over what was probably CBK. TOH break was a nice "blip". All network stuff, nothing local noted (PB-WA, car radio)
- 1630 10/16 0840 & 10/17 0845 unID TIS looping NW/SE, very weak under KCJJ with mentions of "1630" and what sounded like "Las

Vegas," but unsure, man and woman talking. Anyone else hear this? Faded out by 0900. (RW-CA)

Unfortunately, I have been unable to access my e-mail. As a result, any e-mail sent after Thursday Oct. 19 have not been received for this column. I've even waited until Sunday afternoon, and still am not able to receive e-mail. Hopefully the situation will be corrected shortly! Nancy 10/22/00 1500

COLUMN # 2

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1670 KAZT CA, Redding 10/24 testing with 10kw (presumed) as  
S9+20DB with ESPN sports and ID at 0459:45 "Your sports  
leader in Redding is KNRO, AM 600." Into more sports  
talk. Fantastic signal! (PM-OR)
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- 530 (WNWN611) CA, Martinez 10/25 1500 not heard while driving thru  
Martinez on I-680; jumble of signals. (RT-CA)
- 550 CKPG BC, Prince George 10/23 0330 good with talk. (PM-OR)
- 560 CKNL BC, Ft. St. John 10/23 0315 good on top of KPQ with C&W  
music "NL Radio." (PM-OR)
- 570 KKFJ CA, Alturas 10/18 0959 legal ID, USA Radio News at 1000.  
New for CA #181. (AB-CA)
- 600 KVNA AZ, Flagstaff 10/18 1015 good with ESPN baseball news.  
New. (AB-CA)
- 620 CJCI BC, Prince George 10/23 0310 good on top KEWS, "CI  
Radio." (PM-OR)
- 670 KDLG AK, Dillingham 10/23 0250 fair mixing with KBOI with old  
rock music "My Sweet Lord" by George Harrison, weather  
for western Alaska. (PM-OR)
- 750 KFQD AK, Anchorage 10/23 mixing with KXL at 0306 with weather  
for Anchorage on "750 KFQD" ID. (PM-OR)
- 760 CFLD BC, Burns Lake 10/23 0245 "CFLD" ID's, rock music.  
(PM-OR)

790 WPEI436 CA, Pittsburg 10/25 1452 heard while driving thru Benicia on I-680, mixing with KOOR. (RT-CA)

800 KINY AK, Juneau 10/23 good with Olivia Newton-John song and "KINY, your hometown radio" into music at 0309. (PM-OR)

890 KQLX ND, Lisbon 10/25 strong through KDXU at 1000 with ID after "Country Morning" on the Red River Farm Network. (LG-MT)

CJDC BC, Dawson Creek was extremely strong atop KDXU at 0900 on 10/10. I phoned station and engineer said they have been running full power the past two months, so my inability to hear CJDC this season until recently was due to atmospheric conditions. He said CJDC protests WLS at night (natch). (LG-MT)

930 KTKN AK, Ketchikan 10/23 fair on top of CJCA with rock music and "930 KTKN" ID at 0338. (PM-OR)

KAGI OR, Grants Pass 10/14 0859 s/on announcement by a woman, then into BBC's "News Hour." New for me, and my 12th state on 930. (NP-AB)

990 KATD CA, Pittsburg 10/22 now noted running Radio Unica and ID's as "Pittsburg-Sacramento" on the hour. Radio Unica's website has a news bulletin that Unica is taking over KATD and moving the station to Sacramento, subject to FCC approval. Once that happens they plan to improve coverage of KIQ!-1010 in the Bay Area. (RT-CA)

+10/23 0830 usual poor-fair signal with "Radio Unica" ID, format change. ID on hour still KATD though. (RW-CA)

1010 KIQI CA, San Francisco 10/22-23 now noted running lower power days; very weak signal compared to previous logs from Davis. Always been difficult at night here, usually CBR Calgary dominates. (RT-CA)

1020 CKVH AB, High Prairie 10/23 good and alone with C&W music at 0340. (PM-OR)

1060 KDUS AZ, Tempe 10/14 0834 ads, promo for sports program on "The valley's sports authority, AM 1060 The Deuce, Tempe-Phoenix." (NP-AB)

1230 KELY NV, Ely 10/23 1025 came up over everything on frequency thru KBZS-1220 splash with ID "1230 AM KELY, with the greatest hits of the 50's, the 60's and the 70's," then faded out immediately. Last heard when they were specified hours in 1979, heard at 6pm sunset s/off! Only second time heard. (RW-CA)

1320 KCTC CA, Sacramento 10/18 0100 NOS oldies and news. (GH-OR)

1380 KHJJ CA, Lancaster 10/27 0916 Anne Murray song "Snowbird", news, weather, and traffic report for routes 58 & 138 at 0918, fair-good with KTKZ nulled. (AB-CA)

1390 KJME CO, Denver strong in Spanish at 2300 on 10/10 with ranchera music. At top of the hour I heard brief legal ID in English, then slogan "La J Mexicana." (LG-MT)

1400 KRTL WY, Casper 10/19 2230 nicely in the clear with ID as "AM 1400 KRTL, The Talk Station," into ad string. (NP-AB)

1410 KERN CA, Bakersfield 10/19 0005 barely caught ID after news. Way out in the jumble, but a new log for me. (GH-OR)

1430 KLO UT, Ogden 10/18 0000 oldies into news and ad for something or other .com, great signal into deep fades. (GH-OR)

WDEV WI, Beaver Dam 10/12 2330 ID repeated twice during break in Jim Bohannon Show. New for me. (NP-AB)

1440 KRZD CO, Wray 10/17 0848 two gents talking about hay prices in Wray. New. (AB-CA)

1460 KCKX OR, Stayton 10/18 0045 fair signal in KMWX null with country oldies. (GH-OR)

1470 KRAK CA, Sacramento 10/23 0945 suspect the one carrying Imus

in the Morning looping NE/SW. Good signal over KBSN (KBSN had NW Ag. report in background). (RW-CA)  
+Ceased to exist as an independent station Monday 10/23 at 6pm PLT when it began relaying sister station 105.1 KNCI. Apparently the station being sold by Infinity to ABC-Disney (Radio Disney, anyone?). The staff was given minimal warning. The calls are still KRAK, quickly given on the hour; otherwise you'll just hear references to KNCI. (RT-CA)

- 1480 KGOE CA, Eureka 10/27 1129 news, sports, weather, "KGOE" ID 1132 into spots. (pb-WA)
- 1490 KSYC CA, Yreka 10/20 0100 ID into CBS news. New. (GH-OR)  
+10/27 1128 sports, and news, several mentions of Yreka and KSYC. (pb-WA)
- CJSN SK, Shaunavon 10/26 on top at 0800 with clear ID. (LG-MT)
- 1550 KXTO NV, Reno pushed through potent KYCY at 2300 on 10/12 and 10/26, and 0800 10/23 with multi-station ID for Liberty Works Network. I heard ID's for KMBS-Monroe, LA; WABV-Abbeville, SC; and WADA-Shelby, NC. I phoned the network at 888-999-1787 and learned KXTO is the only affiliate on 1550, so I'm counting it although I didn't hear an ID. New, thanks to comprehensive network listing in NRC Log. (LG-MT)
- 1610 ---- CA, Benicia 10/25 1454 "City of Benicia Traveller Information and Emergency Broadcast Radio System" test loop running, no calls given; heard well in Benicia and Contra Costa area. New! (RT-CA)
- 1630 KKWY WY, Fox Valley 10/24 0856 under carrier from XEUT playing "There's an Old Flame Burning in Your Eyes." Rare. (KR-AZ)
- 1650 KBJD CO, Denver 10/20 0032 fair signal with light fades atop unID. Could not make out legal ID but heard "The Beat" and knew it was them. New log on the X band, (GH-OR)
- 1670 WNEG268 CA, Sacramento 10/25 1900 heard weakly but clearly driving northbound I-680 in Martinez with mentions of Watt Avenue improvement project. Excellent for over 50 miles! (RT-CA)

UNIDS

- 1130 Spanish-speaker seemed to ID as "Radio Liberacion" at 0658 10/7. Could be domestic or Mexican. (LG-MT)
- 1630 10/24 0845 unID TIS continues to come in here. Man & woman mentioning "1630 AM" but still can't make out details, and XEUT turns their open carrier on at 0855 pronto! Loops NW/SE. Will keep checking... (RW-CA)
- 1670 Station "very strong" running talk at 0430 10/24. Redding or Moreno Valley? Disappeared by 0435. Station was S9+10DB. Was strongest off EWE antenna, weaker off Eastern Beverage, so probably one of the CA's. (PM-OR)

After being unavailable for nearly a week, my uswestmail.net e-mail service is finally back. Someone had hacked the site again. As a result, the WDXR reports sent during that time are included in this column.  
Nancy 10/27/00 2300  
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CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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Radio Shack DX-398 stock.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 910 KBIM NM, Roswell. 10-14 poor. 21:00 with local promos and talk. [LF-TX]
- 960 CFFX ON, Kingston. 10-21 good by nulling WSBT. 07:07 with "Kingston's...G-T-O 9-60." Nice to hear! [JJR-WI]
- 1010 KSIR CO, Brush. 10-21 fair, no CFRB. 07:11 with "KSIR Farm radio 10-10" and country music. NEW! [JJR-WI]
- 1180 WLDS IL, Jacksonville. 10-14. 07:00 with local weather and ID into CBS News. [LF-TX]
- 1490 CJPR AB, Coleman. 10-20. 22:00 out of music with ID "Serving the Elk Valley...we are CJPR, CJEV Crowsnest Pass." [NJ-MT]

UNID

- 1490 unID 10-16. 23:00 heard (recorded) a very clear ID '24 Hours a day on K W E N Bradseau (or Branfells)." No database shows these calls. Very clear call letters on the tape, city was said fast and came out mumbled. Who is this? [NJ-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

November 1, 1975 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Michael G. Worst of Seattle, WA told about an FET blowing in his Sanserino loop ... Eric C. Rittenhouse of Menlo Park, CA logged another of his most wanted; KBYR ... Rick T. Heald of Castro Valley, CA was amazed at the strength of North Korea 655.

OPEN MIKE

Not one shred of evidence supports the notion that life is serious. A big CDXR welcome to Lee Freshwater who is now in CDXR-land. Lee says so far he has logged 100 stations and 21 states at his new location. This column was typed 10-21-00. 73, John

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RIDING GAIN

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Radio Shack DX-398 stock.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 570 WMAM WI, Marinette. 10-22 fair. 20:00 with PSA's and promo for co-owned 1340 WAGN. ID and CBS News. Talk format. [JJR-WI]

700 KWLW UT, North Salt Lake. 10-23 good over nulled WLW. 22:58  
with country song, jingle, "KWLW North Salt Lake" ID.  
[NJ-MT]

740 WNOP KY, Newport. 10-22 good and loud. 19:45 with local  
mentions and "Real Jazz 7-40" slogan into SS  
programming. [JJR-WI]

1210 KBSG WA, Auburn. 10-23, loud. 20:58 with oldie, "KBSG Oldies  
97.3" slogan. [NJ-MT]

1310 WTLC IN, Indianapolis. 10-22 very good, no WIBA. 18:53 with  
Urban Gospel, "The Light" slogans. Unusual to be in this  
well. [JJR-WI]

1360 WKYO MI, Varp. 10-21 good. 20:41 with promo for sports  
broadcast on "WKYO, WIDL." Not common here. [JJR-WI]

1370 KDTH IA, Dubuque. 10-22 poor. 19:00 with NOS music. ID and an  
old time radio show. [JJR-WI]

KWRT MO, Boonville. 10-22 poor with 2 others. 19:00 with ID  
and ABC News. [JJR-WI]

1400 KCOW NE, Alliance. 10-28 good over others. 09:59 with station  
promo, "Your sports leader" slogan and ID into Ai news.  
Heard in the Mustang. [NJ-MT]

KVFD IA, Fort Dodge. 10-26 fair. 22:00 with promo, legal ID,  
and CBS News. [TN-WI]

1440 CKJR AB, Wetaskiwin. 10-28 loud and clear. 22:00 with "We are  
14-40 CKJR Wetaskiwin." [NJ-MT]

1450 CHUC ON, Cobourg. 10-22 fair. 19:20 with Ad/Con format and  
"14-50 CHUC" ID. This is getting so common here, almost  
don't want to call this one DX anymore. [JJR-WI]

1490 KRITK ID, Pocatello. 10-23. 11:00 with "AM 14-90 KRITK  
Crosstalk" ID into "Search Light" religious program.  
[NJ-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

November 8, 1975 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Bill Harang of  
San Jose, CA told of the differences between Pulse and ARB surveying  
methods ... Frank Aden, Jr. of Bend, OR told us we was now at the  
University Of Oregon ... Rick Heald of Castro Valley, CA discussed  
stations dropping their 3 letter calls.

OPEN MIKE

The new DX "Pick-A-Pair" contest is interesting. You can still join  
at anytime! I still collect old radio station survey charts. If you  
have any you want to toss, send them to me. Thanks. This column was  
typed 10-28-00. 73, John

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EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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GE Superadio Telescopic Antenna E-MAIL

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LOGGINGS

540 WLUX NY Islip 10/18 1725 hrs. "540 am-> WLUX - The Music of

Your Life" and into NOS. Fair (RB-NY)

680 WWCS PA Canonsburg 10/4 2150 Promo for stn pgm, ID (WM-MD)

WCTT KY Corbin 2327 10/16 After Johnny Rivers song, female  
ancr "strolling down memory lane, great 68" (WM-MD)

740 KRMG OK Tulsa 0025 10/3 Ads for Geico, Visa, Internet service  
Garlic suppliment, then Bruce Williams (WM-MD)

KRMG OK Tulsa 0000 10/17 Break in Bruce Williams, sports  
promo, ID (WM-MD)

820 WBAP TX Fort Worth 0037 10/3 Ad for Cardiac Care hospital,  
Time check, ID (WM-MD)

850 WRBZ NC Raleigh 1825 10/13 Promo for NFL games, "Sportsradio  
850" "The Buzz" (WM-MD)

900 CHML ON Hamilton 0045 10/3 Coast to Coast AM show hrd. (WM-MD)

920 WTCW KY Whitesburg 2155 9/27 PSA for Black Lung Disease,  
mention of the Michael Regan show (WM-MD)

WTCW KY Whitesburg again on 10/2 2335 w/ad for Inventech,  
"Newstalk 920" ID (WM-MD)

CKNX ON Wingham 2240 9/27 Promo for hockey game, wx, ID, C&W  
mx hrd (WM-MD)

940 WINZ FL Miami 1958 9/22 Talk show hrd, "Supertalk 940", then  
ad for internet service, poor (WM-MD)

WKGM VA Smithfield 1850 9/27 promo for station program, "The  
Ministry Station" (WM-MD)

1090 KAAV AR Little Rock 2050 10/16 Presumed with S GSPL mx, very  
good in WBAL null (WM-MD)

1150 CKOC ON Hamilton 2255 10/5 ID, stn promo, ment, of Ont (WM-MD)

1160 WKRT IL Chicago 0120 10/6 ID; // 93.1 FM; ment. of CHI (WM-MD)

WOEM NJ Lakewood TWSP 2035 10/2 NOS MX hrd; ID (WM-MD)

1250 WMTR NJ Morristown 10/18 1645 hrs. ID = "1250 - WMTR" wx on  
rainy day & into Eddie Rabbitt's "I Love A Rainy Day"  
Good (RB-NY)

1280 WADO NY NY 10/18 1650 hrs. All SS talk in NY with wx, traffic,  
nx and talk of upcoming Subway World Series. Good  
(RB-NY)

1360 WPTT PA Pittsburgh (McKeesport) 1950 10/13 Promo for Steelers  
football, "Sportsradio 1360", then HS FB game (WM-MD)

1370 WTAB NC Tabor City 1837 10/13 Promo for NC ST FB, ID (WM-MD)

1400 WRDG NC Greensboro 2359 10/2 Kid hrd saying Radio Disney  
(WM-MD)

1420 WIMS IN Michigan City 10/14 2145 Promo for Spts pgm, ID; 1 on  
1 sports (WM-MD)

1460 WVOX NY New Rochelle 10/18 1710 hrs Lot's of talk on the  
final Presidential debate and the upcoming World  
Series. Very Good (RB-NY)

WKDW VA Manassas 2230 9/21 C&W mx heard, ID (WM-MD)

1490 WGCH CT Greenwich 10/18 1720 hrs. Many mentions of "WGCH" and  
plenty of talk about the coming World Series. Very  
Good (RB-NY)

CKNX ON Wingham 0127 10/3 ID, C&W mx hrd mix w/oldies (WM-MD)

1670 WRNC GA Warner Robbins 2030 10/16 C&W mx hrd (WM-MD)

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UN-IDEN:

1400 ???? ?? 2355 9/27 After Beatles song, "Listen to another  
oldie you can sing along to." (WM-MD)

???? ?? 2300 10/16 CBS news hrd in mess (WM-MD)

1440 ???? ?? 2255 9/27 Bruce Williams show (WM-MD)

1470 ???? ?? 0107 10/6 Coast to Coast Tlk show hrd (WM-MD)

1490 ???? ?? 2300 9/21 CBS hourly news hrd in mess (WM-MD)

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T.I.S./H.A.R.

550.WPQV670 NY NY 10/18 1730 Hours Tis station test: This is a test of the Long Island Expressway's highway advisory radio system, call letters WPQV (B?)670 operating on 550 AM - this is the end of the test." Fair I believe the call letters are wpqV but they might be wpqB. I had trouble making them out clearly. (RB-NY)

\*\*\*\*\*SPECIAL\*\*\*\*\*

As this issue goes to Phil, I will be on my way to Champaign, IL for an install at SAGA Communications. I will have some weekend time if any of you in the area want to get together. I will be at the DRURY INN at 217-398-0030. Snail mail loggings will have to wait until I return on 11/14. I am hoping for internet access while I am gone so the EDXR will not miss any DXM's. Will wait and see what develops.

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The other event of the week was my hard drive CRASH...I was able to save most of the files, but alot of my software needs to be re-installed. Since the master software is packed for eventual move to Dallas, I have some programs that won't run. Did give me a reason to upgrade to the new Windows ME. Saved all the EDXR and IRCA files, and my master AM database is OK as far as I can tell. The web site logbook also survived. Another reason to use DOS based programs !!!

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majority of this prepared on 10/21 1300 and finished 10/22 0800... Thanks to William and Ray this week. My DX time the past two weeks has been dismal to say the least. Hope to do some bandscans from Champaign if time permits. Best to you all..... fresh

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DX WORLDWIDE WEST

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Well the TP DX is finally starting to come back. Maybe the sunspots will finally drop off. Lots of Asians in this column. We have reports from John Bryant, Nigel Pimplett, and Kevin Redding this time around, plus yours truly. So away we go.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 540 XEJAZZ MEXICO, Tijuana BCN, 10/18 at 0647 playing a Cole Porter song "You'd be So Nice to Come To" in Stereo (KR-AZ)
- 800 XEROK MEXICO, Cd. Acuna, good and dominant with SS pops and "Radio Canon" IDs at 1150 UTC 10/21. I don't hear this too often these days in Oregon. (PM-OR)
- 760 XENY MEXICO, Nogales, 10/18 at 1955 UTC with call in Mexican pgm mentions of Nogales and Douglas AZ. This station is in stereo with pilot lit and some separation. (KR-AZ)
- 1080 XEDY MEXICO, San Luis Rio Colorado 0208 10/20, SS talk by man, several ads, then "Radio Gallo" ID (NP-AB)
- 1470 XERCN MEXICO, Tijuana, BCN 0224 10/20, Repeated "La Caliente" slogans then into Mexican mx. (NP-AB) (I might note that this station has always been a good QSLer, under several call letters too. PM)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 531 JOQG JAPAN, Morioka, good with JJ talk at 1410 10/20. (PM-OR)  
 531 D..... PHILIPPINES, Filipino talk u/JJ at 1430 UTC 10/20.  
 (PM-OR)
- 540 JO... JAPAN // 531 with sychros JJ talk 1411 10/20 (PM-OR)  
 540 2AP WESTERN SAMOA, Apia good on top with man in Samoa and  
 nice Island mx at 0710 UTC 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 549 JOAP JAPAN, Okinawa, Naha, fair in 550 splash // 540.531 JJ  
 talk 1412 10/20 (PM-OR)
- 550 KMVI HAWAII, Wailuku, very strong and totally dominant with  
 Sports talk at 0730 UTC 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 558 JOCR JAPAN, Kobe, good with JJ pop mx, o/Filipino, presume  
 DZXL at 1435 10/20 (PM-OR)
- 558 DZXL? PHILIPPINES, commercial filipino here with excited  
 ancrs at 1435 10/20. (PM-OR)
- 570 KQNG HAWAII, Lihue, very good with talk at 0758 10/18 with a  
 promo mentioning "KONG". Way over KVI. (PM-OR)
- 590 KSSK HAWAII, Honolulu at 0807 10/18 with "K-S-S-K" jingle  
 (PM-OR)
- 594 JOAK JAPAN, Tokyo, good and strong S9+20DB with JJ talk //531  
 at 1417 10/20 (PM-OR)
- 620 KIPA HAWAII, Hilo very strong S9+20 DB with Soft Adult and  
 oldies pops. IDs as "620 and 790, It's Rainbow Radio" at 0755  
 UTC 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 639 JAPAN, JJ talk here at 1422 10/20 in passing (PM-OR)
- 650 KHNR HAWAII, Honolulu, tearing up KSTE with Sports item on  
 UOH at 0815 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 657 DEM. REP. KOREA, very loud KK talk here at 1415 10/20 (PM-OR)
- 670 KPUA HAWAII, Hilo, good with talk and a KPUA promo at 0829  
 UTC 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 690 KKUA HAWAII, Honolulu, fair in and out of jumble with Radio  
 Disney at 0845 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 693 JOAB JAPAN, Tokyo, lang lessons here at 1445 10/20. Ran News  
 in EE at 1400. (PM-OR)
- 702 2BL AUSTRALIA, Sydney 1351 10/17. Very nice signal for a few  
 minutes w/talk program, woman gave phone numbers for "702 ABC  
 Sydney". Mostly faded out by 1400 ABC News. (NP-AB)
- 720 KUAI HAWAII, Eleele, good and alone with Hawaiian Rock mx and  
 ID at 0859.40 UTC 10/18 "You are listening to Kauai's KUAI,  
 Eleele, AM-720" (PM-OR)
- 729 JAPAN/CHINA, mix here at 1440 10/20. (PM-OR)
- 747 JOIB JAPAN, Sapporo, NHK2 10/20 1420, noted in passing  
 w/lang. lesson. Fair signal, Also 10/21. (JB-WA)
- 756 UNID At 1340 10/17. Just in for a couple of minutes w/clas.  
 mx. 1YA seems the likliest bet. (NP-AB)
- 756 UNID From 1420-1425, 10/20 Fair to good signal but distorted  
 audio. Believe it was CC. Could this be the not quite synchro  
 CR1? (JB-WA) (Quite likely. PM)
- 760 KGU HAWAII, Honolulu, caught end of promo at 0806.30 UTC  
 10/18 "here on 760 KGU" o/u KFMB. (PM-OR)
- 774 JOUB JAPAN, Akita NHK2 10/20, 1401-1415 News in EE by female  
 until 1415, followed by wx in JJ. Good signal until band fade  
 at 1515. Sim. log on10/21 (JB-WA)
- 790 KKON HAWAII, Kealakekua // to 620, way under jumble at 0840  
 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 828 JOBB JAPAN, Osaka NHK2 10/20 1425 noted in passing w/lang  
 lesson //747. Also noted 10/21. (JB-WA)
- 830 KHVH HAWAII, Honolulu, good with talk at 0835 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 837 JOQK JAPAN, Niigata good with some splash from 840-KSWB with  
 JJ talk at 1427 10/20. I don't hear this much unless they are  
 strong, as they are only 3KHZ from local-KSWB. (PM-OR)

- 850 KHLO HAWAII, Hilo, poor in splatter with oldies "Crusin" slogans. Into "Everybody Loves a Clown" by Gary Lewis and the Playboys" at 0851 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 855 UNID 10/20 1425-1430. Good signal in seeming CC but distorted audio (JB-WA)
- 870 KAIM HAWAII, Honolulu. Solid and dominant with rel program at 0645 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 873 JOGB JAPAN, Kumamoto NEK2 10/20 1433 noted in passing w/fair to poor signal //828 & 774. JOGB was mixing with a second signal at almost equal level, presume China. (JB-A)
- 900 KNUI HAWAII, Kahului, very good and alone on channel with nice Hawaiian pop mx. "Hawaii's own KNUI" ID at 0630 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 918 ..... CHINA, Shandong, good with man in CC at 1455 10/20. This little 10 KWER gets out pretty good. Beautiful CC pop mx. (PM-OR)
- 940 KJFN HAWAII, Waipahu, on top of KWRU briefly with JJ Pops at 0725 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 954 JOKR JAPAN, Tokyo 10/20 1435 noted with fair to poor signal w/JJ talk (PM-OR)
- 963 ..... CHINA, CRI RR program Dalian? 10/21 1435-1445 M+W talk in RR and excellent level. Thx to Mauno Ritola and DX News for IDing this one! (JB-WA)
- 972 REP. OF KOREA, Tangjin, HLCA 10/20 1435 with S-8! signal w/MKW talk in KK. Exc. also on 10/21 (JB-WA)
- 990 KIKI HAWAII, Honolulu, fair with Madonna mx on top of KTMS at 0822 UTC 10/18. (PM-OR)
- 1017 HLAW REP. OF KOREA, Andong, MBC. Fair signal w/ ID "HLAW" given just before pips to the hour. Fanfare, then into M and F alternating with News in KK from 1458 to 1507 10/19. This is only my 2nd IDable MBC station. These are tough to log. (PM-OR)
- 1040 KLHT HAWAII, Honolulu, presume the source of the preacher at 0915 10/18 in passing. (PM-OR)
- 1060 KAHU? HAWAII, Hilo, prob the Hawaiian mx weak in the jumble at 0816 10/18. (PM-OR)
- 1062 DZEC PHILIPPINES, Quezon City. Good with female ancr talking to telephone caller at 1507 10/20, mentioned "DZEC". This is the best Metro Manila station these days, now 50 KW. (PM-OR)
- 1080 KWAI HAWAII, Honolulu. Local spot for a Shopping Center at 0836 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 1098 UNID 10/20 1437. An open carrier noted here with excellent level, but be at least 500 KW. Same signal noted at Greyland. Prob. Korea or China. (JB-WA) (There is a 300KW Taiwan on here listed. PM)
- 1110 KHFI HAWAII, Kihei, with the Sports Fishing spot with offices on Maui at 0753 10/18 (PM-OR)
- 1134 UNID PHILIPPINES, weak Tagalog talk here at 1417 UTC 10/18. This is probably a Southern Filipino, as AUcx were present all morning. Only the "pwerhouse" JJs were in rather weak. This might be the Univ. station at Valencia, Mindanao. (PM-OR)
- 1143 PHILIPPINES, Poro VOA, fair u/o Taiwan with "This is the Voice of America" at 1500 10/19. (PM-OR)
- 1161 UNID PHILIPPINES, very good non-stop Tagalog talk from 1345 to 1415 UTC 10/18. No ID I could tell on the hour. This was all Tagalong except, when one person was done speaking, the moderator said Thank you vey much" in EE. This did not have a commercial sound and there is a Univ. of Mindanao station listed at Digos, Davao del Sur, DXDS, 1 KW in Southern Mindanao. This is prob. most likely. I may send a cassette tape and the audio is quite good most of the time. (PM-OR)
- 1179 JOOR JAPAN, Osaka, good w/man in JJ at 1440 10/20 (PM-OR)

- 1242 JOLF JAPAN, Tokyo 10/21 1445. Noted w/male in JJ. Fair (JB-WA)
- 1287 JOHR JAPAN, Sapporo 10/20 1440 w/phone-in program by females in JJ. Good level (JB-WA)
- 1296 4RPH? AUSTRALIA, Brisbane, at 1430 UTC 10/18. A woman speaking, reading a book, prob. 4RPH I would think. QRN from het, I think there is a Filipino off freq here. (PM-OR)
- 1332 JOSF JAPAN, Nagoya (Tent), 10/20 1442 threshold signals in prob. JJ noted in passing (JB-WA)
- 1575 THAILAND, Bangkok VOA 1330 10/17. News about Mideast in Khmer (listed) was //5955. First time I have heard this in 6 years. (NP-AB)
- +very strong at 1432 with an ID jingle in EE "VOA" 10/18. No sign of 891 though. (PM-OR)
- +fairly good with fast fading at 1458 in lang, then ending mx at 1459, then "VOA" jingle at 1500 10/19. No sign of 891 though (FM-OR)
- +1445 fade at 1458, threshold signal, Male talk in SEA Lang. Sim at 1455 10/21. Now if it will stay in until 1500 for Yankee Doodle. (JB-WA)

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COLUMN # 2

We have a TA opening to report this week from Mike Stonebridge in Alberta. He reports, " There was a fair opening to Europe earlier this evening (10/23). Audio was heard on 864, 1053, 1107, 1377, and 1386. 836 was very faint, could just make out a man talking above the noise. 1107 was similar, though music could be heard underneath the talking. 1053 had faint music on it. 1314 was playing swing music, so probably Kitsvov, and not needed here. On 1377 I could hear very faintly a female singing, language unknown, The best was 1386 which had a man and a woman in a discussion and I made out a phone number which gave a UK prefix. The language was E/E and the accents were very very English, much more so than mine (hi). They would talk for a few minutes and then they would play a pop record. Unfortunately I can't find any station listed for the UK. Any ideas anyone? Long deep fades typical of TA receptions were the norm. I also heard carriers on 747, 756, 801, 819, 855, 918, 936, 945, 1008, 1094, 1071, 1125, 1134, 1143, 1152, 1206, 1215, 1224, 1269, 1287, 1332, 1413, 1422, 1503, and 1512. All this occurred around midnight UTC. Nothing noted on longwaves. Heard on a Drake R7 and a 150' EWE antenna.

1377 FRANCE, Lille 0330 10/23 Presumed man and woman speaking FF with very different accents to FF speaking Canadians. Followed by a male singing in FF, Then it faded down in to the noise again. New for me, though not a new country. (MJS-AB)

1386 RUSSIA, Radio Kaliningrad LBH 0131 10/23, man and woman in a discussion and 1 made out a phone number, which gave a UK prefix. The language was E/E and the accents were very very English, much more so than mine (hi). They would talk for a few minutes and then they would play a pop record. This went on for around ten minutes or so before it became too weak to understand. No ID's or advertisements heard. My 8th TA from Russia. Many thanks to Mauno Ritola of Finland for IDing this. (MJS-AB) (Thanks Mike for this great report. PM)

MIKE STONEBRIDGE, St. Isidore, Alberta CANADA.

TRANS PACIFIC (all from Pat Martin)

531 JOQG JAPAN, Morioka, good w/JJ talk at 1407 10/25 (PM-OR)  
549 .... P.R. CHINA, CC talk here in splatter at 1015 10/25  
558 JOCR JAPAN, Kobe, good with JJ talk o/u KK at 1409 10/25  
567 JOIK JAPAN, Sapporo, good with JJ talk at 1359 10/25, ment of "NHK" (PM-OR)  
576 .... RUSSIA, syncros man in RR at 1345 10/25 (PM-OR)  
594 JOAK JAPAN, Tokyo, JJ talk NHK 1 //to 531 at 1408 10/25  
612 JOLK JAPAN, Fukuoka JOLK // 594 at 1411 10/25 (PM-OR)  
621 .... P.R.CHINA, Heilongjiang, Harbin, very strong with CC talk at 0955 UTC 10/25, ID on hour mention "renmin.... Heilongjiang....." Time pips to 1000, then what sounded like news. (PM-OR)  
639 .... PR CHINA, CC talk weakly at 0930 10/25. (PM-OR)  
657 .... PR KOREA, very strong with man in loud KK at 1030 UTC 10/25 (PM-OR)  
675 .... PR CHINA, Hohhot? CC talk at 1016 10/25. Logged and QSL'd this several years back. Lots on 680 splash. (PM-OR)  
1062 PR CHINA, Qitaihe, Heilongjiang, prob. the one with excited discussions by several people in CC at 1020 10/25. (PM-OR)  
1206 PR CHINA, Yambian, Yanji very good and strong at 1037 10/25, prog in KK (PM-OR)  
1215 PR CHINA, synchros prob CNR2, with beautiful CC music at 1050 10/25 (PM-OR)  
1287 JOHR JAPAN, Sapporo, good with JJ talk at 1340 10/25 (PM-OR)

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\*\*\* TRANS-ATLANTIC DX \*\*\*

693.7 AZORES (t) RDP, Santa Barbara OCT 22 0017 - mostly just a het against probable UK/Spain-693.0. [Connelly\*C-MA]

711.04 WESTERN SAHARA Laayoune, OCT 22 0020 - Arabic vocal at low

- audio level on big carrier. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 756 GERMANY DeutschlandRadio, Braunschweig/Ravensburg, OCT 21 2236 - classical music; fair. Bits of this also noted on // 1422, but that had worse slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 765 SWITZERLAND RSR, Sottens, OCT 22 0021 - mellow French vocal and piano; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 783 MAURITANIA Nouakchott, OCT 21 2155 - blues-influenced female vocal and guitar; huge, actually better than // 4845. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 836 AZORES RDP, Pico da Barrosa, OCT 21 2231 - Portuguese sportstalk; light audio on good carrier, over Canaries-837 het. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 846 ITALY RAI, Rome, OCT 22 0058 - '40s type vocal, maybe Bing Crosby; initially good, then into WEEI splash. Shortwave // 6060 noted, but it was being pounded by Spain-6055. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE1, Murcia et al., OCT 21 2124 - news in Spanish; fair through WEEI splash. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 864 EGYPT Santah, OCT 21 2215 - stern Arabic talk (preaching ?); momentarily atop, then buried by France. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 864 FRANCE France Bleu, Paris, OCT 21 2216 - // 1206 with "On the Radio" by Donna Summer; over Egypt.  
+ OCT 21 2243 - "Stayin' Alive" by the Bee Gees; loud. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 882 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, OCT 21 2244 - Spanish teletalk; to good peak. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 891 ALGERIA Algiers, OCT 21 2228 - Arabic music at low audio level; WBPS phased. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 945 FRANCE France Bleu, Toulouse, OCT 22 0056 - // 1206 with female vocal; slopped. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 981 ALGERIA Radiodif. Algerienne, Algiers, OCT 21 2343 - Arabic music at poor audio level; fat het against WCAP. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- . 999 SPAIN COPE, Madrid, OCT 21 2210 - fast Spanish talk; good during a CKEW fade. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1008 CANARY ISLANDS Las Palmas, R. Las Palmas / RadioVoz, OCT 21 2227 - excited Spanish talk (possibly sports); well over SER-Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1026 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 22 0053 - // 1044 with country style music, then woman in Spanish; poor to fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1044 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aloun, OCT 21 2246 - almost Celtic-sounding flute music and female vocal; now over Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1044 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 21 2114 - SER network news; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1053 MOROCCO Tanger, OCT 21 2223 - male Arabic vocal and drums; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1053 UNITED KINGDOM Talk Sport synchros, OCT 22 0051 - two men in English (// 1089); over Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1089 UNITED KINGDOM Talk Sport synchros, OCT 21 2355 - English teletalk; fair to good.  
+ OCT 22 0051 - announcer to phone-in "Welcome to Talk Sport."; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1098 SLOVAKIA Slovensky Rozhlas, Nitra, OCT 22 0048 - Elton John or similar vocal; dominant over Spain/growl. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, OCT 21 2252 - // 855 with Spanish discussion, then musical fanfare / interlude; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1116 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 21 2253 - // 1044 with teletalk; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1125 CROATIA HR, Deanovec, OCT 22 0047 - poor with Slavic folk music // (loud) 1134. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1134 CROATIA HR, Zadar, OCT 21 2358 - jazz, then into three pips

- (2 shorter, 1 longer) at 0000. Slavic news followed. Good, well atop Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1134 SPAIN COPE synchros, OCT 21 2254 - Spanish talk, teletalk; dominant over Croatia. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1179 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 21 2258 - Spanish teletalk. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1206 FRANCE France Bleu, Bordeaux, OCT 21 2058 - early fade-up with "Devil Woman" by Marty Robbins from 1962.  
+ OCT 21 2140 - // 1377 with Caribbean-style French male vocal; loud. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1215 SPAIN COPE synchros, OCT 21 2145 - fast Spanish talk over growl and other audio (likely UK). [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1296 SPAIN COPE, Valencia, OCT 21 0008 - Spanish teletalk; fair to good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1314 NORWAY NRK, Kvitsoy, OCT 22 0009 - pop-rock music; under Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1314 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, OCT 22 0009 - monotone talk by man in Spanish; over Norway and rumble. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1377 FRANCE France Bleu, Lille, OCT 21 2140 - // 1206 with French Caribbean male vocal; good. St. Pierre-1375 seemed to be off at the time. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1404 FRANCE France Bleu synchros, OCT 21 2323 - // 1206 with male folk singer and guitar; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1467 FRANCE TWR, Roumoules, OCT 21 2135 - US preacher talked in English about Lucifer. Another man translated the sermon to Arabic every 1 or 2 sentences. Though it was slopped a bit by WZOU on the high side, the upper sideband audio was much clearer than LSB.  
+ OCT 21 2205 - loud with British-accented man preaching. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA, Duba, OCT 21 2030 - pre-sunset het on car radio at beach.  
+ OCT 21 2104 - speech // 9870.  
+ OCT 21 2130 - now HUGE with man & woman reading news in Arabic. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1521 SPAIN SER, Castellon, OCT 22 0028 - // 1575 with man & woman in Spanish, followed by music. Bits of // 1539 also noted. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1530 VATICAN Vatican R., OCT 21 2325 - overnight program with light classical music; very good with WSAI phased. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1557 FRANCE France Bleu, Nice, OCT 21 2141 - // 1206, 1377 with Caribbean-style vocal; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1575 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 21 2209 - // 1044 with newstalk. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1583.65 CEUTA RadiOle, OCT 21 2309 - off-channel again: romantic / operatic vocal, fat het against SER-1584.0. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1584 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 21 2310 - echoey Spanish newstalk; best received on upper sideband to dodge Ceuta het. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1602 SPAIN EI, Vitoria / SER synchros, OCT 21 2311 - EI with female vocal and SER with talk exactly equal in strength; both almost as loud as adjacent WUNR/WWRL-1600. [Connelly\*C-MA]

\*\*\* PAN-AMERICAN DX \*\*\*

- 1139.6 unID OCT 22 0002 - Latin percussion; splittable from CBI-1140 at times. [Connelly\*C-MA]

"Newfie 2000": Another Excellent Adventure - Mark Connelly, WA1ION

From 26 to 29 October, 2000 I had the good fortune to attend the ninth Newfoundland DXpedition. This is the fifth one of these East Coast "DXtravaganzas" I've gone to; the previous ones were 1991, 1993, 1995, and 1998. The trip up there was routine: this was a good thing when you consider that on my last journey Air Canada had managed to lose important luggage for a day. The weather was occasionally rainy when I started my drive down Route 10 to Cappahayden around sundown. As things turned out, this was about as good as the weather would be. Normal en-route dial-scanning on the car radio revealed reasonably good conditions to northern Europe with "in your face" signals from Sweden, Norway, Russia-Kaliningrad, and others in the Baltic region. I was swapping between Trans-Atlantic DXing, checking easily-heard WCBS-880 for stock reports following the "Nortel plunge", and listening to the very enjoyable "Newfoundland music" format on CJYQ-930.

When I arrived at the DX Inn in Cappahayden that Thursday evening, I was greeted by local DXpedition host Jean Burnell and visiting US DXers Neil Kazaross and Jim Renfrew (our esteemed NRC IDKD editor). It was great to renew acquaintances with everyone and to be brought up to date on what had been heard so far. They mentioned that Canadian DXer John Fisher had been there earlier in the week. The "receiver shack" room was all set up with two long tables that provided four operating positions. It wasn't long before I set up my "junk" next to Jim Renfrew's position and started sweeping the band. The two main "workhorse" antennas, the 1 km Brazil-Bev and the 500 m Euro-Bev were available, so I ran these to the inputs of my phasing unit. Sometimes I used a third Beverage, one of approximately 500 m that ran at a bearing 10 or 20 degrees more easterly of the Brazil-getter: this antenna could provide somewhat better African coverage than either of the other wires. Jean also had a K9AY antenna which he often had hooked to his receiving gear. Thursday evening's DX (going into Friday morning) included many huge TA's including a drifty Syrian on 831.5 and the new "Mega" Germans on 576 and 1575. Neil said "I'm going to get Turkmenistan on 279". This distant longwaver had not been previously logged. Right on time, Turkmenistan-279 showed up at sign-on, parallel to its 5015 kHz shortwave outlet. We then requested Neil to declare that he was going to hear several other signals of substantially greater difficulty (Nepal, Saturn, etc.) in the "belief" that he had some magical powers with the ionospheric gods.

On Friday morning, Neil and I went out to do a bit of repositioning of the African antenna. The Lawlor's black Labrador retriever had great fun playing fetch with us with some of the wooden stakes that we'd brought out there for attaching strings to guy the Beverage support poles. Jean and Jim joined us to take a ride down to Trepassey for lunch. The fish plate I had was excellent, as always. The lunch also provided for a lot of good conversation that covered many common interests in and out of the radio hobby. As I attend more of these DXpeditions, I find that the camaraderie is even more valuable than the sounds that come through the headphones from faraway stations. The whole Newfoundland DXpedition experience is much more fulfilling than any of the many solitary DX sessions I do while sitting out in the car at a beach or pier somewhere.

Radios were fired up Friday afternoon just before 1800 UTC. Back in Massachusetts, the Trans-Atlantic channels seldom have more than two stations competing for dominance. The openings there are usually strongly dominated by signals from Spain, Portugal, France, Morocco, Algeria, Libya, Mauritania, the Canaries, and the Azores. Sometimes a good run towards the Middle East develops. British/Irish stations and the other big northern Europeans (e.g.



1314, 1386, 1422) can be loud, but they're not consistent on a nightly basis. Eastern Europeans are usually poorly represented for the kind of power some of them are running. Something with 500 kW from Russia is, at best, on par with something with 5 kW from Spain on the same channel. Generally the more northerly stuff doesn't compete with Iberia / North Africa until an hour or more after sunset.

In Newfoundland, DX is a bit different. The first signals that come in well before sunset are apt to be Norway-1314, Northern Ireland-1341, and Kaliningrad-1386 rather than the typical Saudi Arabia-1521 "band opener" noted pre-sunset at shore sites near home. At Cappahayden, once the big guns have been "in" for a while, the other channels fill up with stations. Rather than the typical one or two stations per channel noted at home, each channel can become a maelstrom of wildly-varying dominant stations. The pile-ups often consist of 5 or more stations and what's on top one minute can be hopelessly buried by something else the next. Central Europe and Russia can get "hot" and produce signals that blow away usual boomers like UK-1089. Expected "pests" from Spain and Morocco can often sound more like rare DX, deeply submerged below "killer" Russian, Hungarian, Czech, and Romanian stations. The Middle East can then come to life and drop Koranic chanting on top of the Europeans that had been "ruling the roost" moments earlier. The ebb and flow on the radio dial was much like the churning, crashing surf a short distance behind the "DX Inn". All of this dynamic vitality and unpredictability in reception conditions produces a level of excitement not likely to be duplicated by DXing elsewhere.

A few of that evening's highlights for me included the Iran clandestine on 1539.07, Botswana-909, and Angola-1484.55. These are all stations that I think may be audible back in MA on the right night. One that I doubt I'd ever hear is one we pulled up on 1233: a 200-watt Belgian normally used as a traffic information outlet. When noted at 0120 UTC, it was running an unlisted broadcast parallel to 1125. As at home, my main DX activity period was from two hours before sunset to two hours after sunset. The Trans-Atlantics were my main focus. Even with all the tea I drank, I still tended to want to go to sleep after 0430 UTC (2 a.m. local). Jim Renfrew turned out to be the "main man" for wee-hours DXing after 0600 UTC. This is when many of the best deep South American loggings were made: rare catches from Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay, and elsewhere. Neil and Jean also got into serious South American hunting at times. High-band Eastern Brazilians came in a bit before sunset: the huge 1 km wire pointed right at them glided these signals in by greatly reducing the European splash heard on the other antennas. It was cool to hear Brazilians "doing a job on" some of the Newfoundland stations when the Brazil-Bev was connected.

The rain and wind had got worse by Saturday morning. By midday, Neil and I went north to a new seafood restaurant in Cape Broyle, near Ferryland. I was served a platter with a large and delectable piece of salmon. We joined Jim back at the Inn. Jean had to go up to St. John's for a few hours. A possible strike was looming at Memorial University, his place of employment. The ever-worsening weather made us cancel a proposed set-up and test of a Pennant antenna. Neil is interested in setting up an array of pennants or K9AY's at his home QTH in the suburbs of Chicago. I took some pictures to put on the Web sometime.

Some DX signals were already rolling in at 1700 UTC. This was the first time I'd listened to Greenland on 720 with a decent signal. Hearing someone speaking Greenlandic was interesting, even though it sounded like some kind of a dull local meeting with the acoustics of the basement of a school or church. A heterodyne of a 1430 station against the 1431 kHz UK and Italian stations was noted at a time

(1830 UTC) too early to be a domestic. In a few minutes it got loud and overwhelmed 1431. I had been looking on 1431 for Iran parallel to 15084 shortwave: it turned out that the 1430 station was this Iranian, precisely 1 kHz low of its nominal frequency - seemingly too accurate a separation to be an accidental drift. I then found a reference to this 1430 Iranian in a recent "Medium Wave News" that Jim had brought. A little later that evening, back-home local WXKS-1430 faded up. It was a memorable and "daft" sounding reception when Iran's Koran recitation and WXKS's "Music of Your Life" Sinatra nostalgia and Boston mentions were blending evenly in an incongruous mix on 1430. That evening we all enjoyed a good run of Turks with parallel signals on 765, 891, 954, 1017, and 1062. The new Libyan on 972 had a butt-kickin' signal that I'm sure would soon make it to one of my DXpedition sites on Cape Cod with little difficulty. Madeira-1125 came through well when I couldn't hear the other ones on 531 and 603. For music and for general "local flavour", it's hard to beat the lower-powered British locals. These came through in great abundance and spiced up the general entertainment value of the listening experience. At home these little stations are at a far greater deficit to co-channel Spaniards of comparable power, so I don't get to enjoy them the way I can in Newfoundland. With domestic DX, I always have fun checking out how my home locals do at a long distance. WEEI-850 and WNRB-1510, along with a couple of Maine stations, were typically the earliest US stations to build up to a strong signal level about 2000 UTC: better than an hour before sunset on their end. This is comparable to the time that big-gun Trans-Atlantics would start to show at coastal sites in eastern Massachusetts. Before signing off, WMEX-1060 bombed in with a Boston-accented show that made me laugh when I heard the expression "people's republic of Cambridge" often used by conservative talkshow hosts and local politicians like Albert "Dapper" O'Neil. As always, the biggest US signals were from the Boston and New York City 50 kW blasters; that's also what I'd noted from Ireland back in 1977. My Saturday night activity wound down by about midnight local. I had to pack up my gear and get a few hours sleep so I could depart Cappahayden at 5 o'clock on Sunday morning.

I knew it was going to be a rough ride back to the airport that Sunday because heavy rain was moving horizontally on 110 km/h wind gusts. The normal 1 hour 45 minute ride took 2 hours 30 minutes. Some excellent Irish-Newfie tunes on CJYQ soothed me for what would have otherwise be a harrowing journey in hurricane-like weather from darkness into dim dawn light. Luckily I reached the airport gate in St. John's on time. I'd read (from other's previous experiences) that pilots could negotiate these conditions ably, though I had my doubts. I walked to the airport door feeling like I was in a boxing match with the wind-driven rain and ice pellets. The airport, under renovation, had some serious roof leaks: large plastic trash bins were strategically placed to catch the indoor cascades. Take-off at 8.40 a.m. local was remarkably smooth. Less than two hours later I was in Halifax: it was raining there as well. The second flight of that day got me back to Boston by noon. I was surprised to be greeted there by even colder temperatures and snow flurries. A few people figured I'd brought the "Great White North" back home with me. One huge storm system in the sea south of Nova Scotia covered the entire area from Newfoundland and Labrador to New England and New York. Local broadcasters called it a cool weather version of the tempest that was featured in the 1999 "Perfect Storm" film.

And so another enjoyable DXpedition goes into the history books. Jim Renfrew mentioned having logged 120 countries himself during the Expedition so it looks like Jean Burnell will have much material for the Big Report he's going to assemble after participants prepare their loggings and human-interest narratives.

A good time was had by all.

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[8/31] A recent story in OC Register said Salem Comm. Group will drop KEZY from 1190 call and take former FM 95.9 KQMX for 1190. 95.9 now KFSH (The Fish). Brokered Asian, variety will continue for 1190. Anyone know where 830 KPLS "interim" 2 tower site was, as in cross streets, etc? CE Shannon Murdoch returned a call to him but I wasn't home to speak to him. I see the FCC approved the Clear Channel/AM-FM deal. I'm hoping to read forums from those who attended the Billings convention. And hope Reid has a good bit of time away from editing WDXF. Thanks for all the issues over the years, same to the rest of the editors. Great job! 73

[10/10] Glad to read how well the convention went. As for 540 Costa Mesa, towers were always at 14901 Barstow Rd Lucerne Valley NE of Hesperia, and are still there, lit at night. KKGO is dark. Too bad many historic calls are gone, or going away. I've heard KSJX-1500 fairly loud nights on car rx. Occasionally, the Beverly Hills TIS is in, days. I too hope 1190 Dallas remains oldies (a favorite format). I also like KOMA when it's in. Weather now is cool, breezy early evening - good to DX in I hope. The friend in Dallas (and Sun Lakes AZ) probably knows of 1190 there - will try to get him to aircheck them for me. I misspelled the KFI air pers., it's Rall w/an A (oops - pb). Have heard Spanish on 1350 San Bernardino lately - thought they were going back to English. Anyone know where 1100 Bakersfield XR is, or studios? Good job by Nancy and John as hosts of the convention. Wish I'd been able to attend. 73

[10/13] Today's Pasadena Star News/San Gabriel Valley Tribune radio reporter Sandy Wells reports on Clear Channel's changing of which GM/VP is in charge of which stations here. From what I can tell, Ken Christiansen is GM/VP of KFI, KLAC and KXTA; Ray Laughlin has KIIS and KCMG-FM; and Ed Krampf has KOST-FM and KBIG-FM. Also David Hall PD of KFI was made Dir of Ops of all AM Clear Channel stations here in LA market. Wonder if the GMs will have 1 location to work out of or if they'll drive to each stations' location. Guess this includes KAVL-610/KAVS-97.7. Unsure of who is GM for KACD-850 Thousand Oaks but they are airing what 102.1 Santa Monica/Newport Beach did - album alternative, as well as streaming audio. Am also unsure of who is in charge of 1350 KCKC (Spanish) - very recently that's what I got on car radio when I was passing through San Gabriel Valley. The latest I'm aware of, station phone number wise at Clear Channel is: KFI, KOST (213) 385-0101/427-1035; KLAC (818) 548-5700; KBIG (818) 546-1043; KXTA (818) 846-1690; KIIS (818) 845-1027; in Lancaster KAVL/KAVS (661) 942-1121. Believe old KIIS 1220 # refers or forwards to Lancaster. 73 for now.

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Haven't been doing too much DX lately, but during the course of my recent 1800-mile bicycle tour in July of Washington and British Columbia, I enjoyed nice visits with Bruce Portzer, Phil Bytheway, and Nick Hall-Patch. I want to thank publicly all three of these fine gentlemen for the great hospitality provided by them and their families. It made me think of the many good friends I have made during the 35 years I have been a member of the IRCA. That is just

as much of a benefit of the club as the multitude of great DX tips I have gleaned over the years. 73 and good DX to all.  
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Our late summer vacation to the Kentucky mountains became a bust when Col. XYL twisted her knee early on. I had arranged to visit WNVA-1350/106.3 and WISE-FM-90.5 in Wise, VA. Rather than risk the medical care locally, I brought the Little Colonel back to Louisville and her HMO. Turned out not to be broken but still bothers her. The WJNT-1180 DX Test was a good one. I mailed the report on Monday and got the QSL back Saturday! First one since June, but I've listened only a little this year. Am looking into the Web TV thing and believe I'll buy it. Don't really need or want most of what a PC will do. Not to mention cost and maintenance involved with a PC. I get the Renfro Valley Bugle newspaper which has a station list and broadcast times of the "Renfro Valley Gatherin". I believe it is the third oldest program still on the air. Any interested radio station can get a sample tape from [www.renfrovalley.com](http://www.renfrovalley.com) or Renfro Valley, KY 40473. For T-shirt collectors, WJCR-90.1/SW has their mew shirts available in 4 different patterns and 2 "colors" - white or gray. 50/50 blend, \$12 each, shipping included. P.O. Box 91, Upton, KY 42784. That is about it. Maybe I will get to Virginia next year! Good DX to all of you - Col. DX.

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#### TRANS PACIFIC

ALASKA: KNOM-780 will test increased night power after the FCC okays the experiment, after the station received permission from an Alaskan station on an adjacent frequency, 650 miles away (either KCHU-770 or KCAM-790. bp). KNOM is authorized with 25,000w daytime and 14,000w night. During spring and summer, the station experiences up to 20 hours of daylight at its high latitude, but in winter as much as 20 hours of darkness. With the increase of static, electrical noise, and interference, the station does not get out as much as previously did (Catholic Radio Update 74, 7/29/00 via MWC)

AUSTRALIA: 3AB Melbourne 1116 moved to FM around mid August, paving the way for 3AK to move early next year. (Richard Jary, HCDX) 3AK will move to 1116 on 1/1/01, and will simulcast 1503 until 2/28 when the freq. will be available for a community station. Additional Melbourne narrowcast stations are expected on 1422 & 1593 (NZDXT) 2AM Sydney 1620 is now IDing as 2KM and playing oldies. Apparently 2KY 1017 has taken over the station (it is co-sited with the 2KY 1017 transmitter), and is now running its own. QSL route for this new station is \*not\* via John Wright, but presumably via 2KY 1017 Racing Radio. (Richard Jary, HCDX) Australia's newest X Bander commenced transmission 8/4 from Dalby Queensland. 4DB is running 400w on 1629 24 hours a day with a 'Country Rock' format. P.D. is Geoff Roberts. Address is P O Box 630 Dalby 4405, Qld. Phone number (+61) 0746698555. 1629 is becoming a little congested here in the south east corner of Qld as Brisbane station Radio Italia on 1629

seems to be running more than 400w. I have noted its ground wave to be travelling further than others in the area, like Radio 1701, in daylight hours. (Chris Martin via HCDX)

CHINA: CNR 1 is being widely heard on 1377 in Europe after 2200 with good signals. It appears to be a new high powered station in western China. It might be worth a shot in Eastern NA on a coastal Beverage (Various)

KOREA, SOUTH: 1188 HLKX Incheon schedule: 1100-1230 English, 1230-1700 Mandarin, 2000-1100 Korean. 1566 HLAZ Cheju schedule: 1000-1230 Mandarin, 1230-1345 Japanese, 1345-1630 Mandarin, 1630-1700 Russian, 1700-0000 Korean. (Both items from the FEBC website via OA 15.9.2000) FEBC transmitter and station photos are available at <http://www.febe.org/fotoindx.html> (Arctic)

LAOS: 576 Although I tentatively noted Vientiane on 580 in March, it has been consistently on 576.0 since April, //6130. Distinguishing features in the evening include chimes prior to the main news at 1200-1230, English and French language lessons at 1300-1330. Signs off at 1500. (Alan Davies in Thailand, 9/24, via HCDX)

NEW ZEALAND: National Radio in Auckland on 756 is now relayed on FM and may eventually close. Taupo-1494 is expected to close later this year after an FM comes on the air. (NZDXT) Auckland Access Radio has moved to FM and has been playing a tape loop on 810 since 8/1, the channel is expected to be permanently vacated (NZDXT) A Christchurch station was scheduled to go on the air in June on 1017 with 2.5 kw (NZDXT)

PHILIPPINES: DZBF-1674 noted 1120-1130\*, ID at 1125 as "DZBF Radio Multiner (Marikina? bp)". after national anthem, 1130 at s/off (9/18/00, kazeto unabara, JAPAN via HCDX) Re the recent queries about the Philippine X-bander DZBF, I talked to the Station Manager, Ms. Julie Borje, on the phone. DZBF is a community radio station putting out 1 kilowatt from a newly built omni antenna tower near the studio, but it has been licensed by the Philippine National Telecommunications Commission since 1996. Based on my listening, the full station ID in Tagalog is as follows: "Ito ang Marikina [this is Marikina], Uno Seis Siete Cuatro sa inyong talapihitan [on your dial], himpilang naghahatid ng kaalaman [a station that delivers information] tungo sa mabuting pamayanan [towards a good community] DZBF, Radio Marikina." Sign-off these past few nights was at 1130.

Contact information: Ms. Juli Borje, Station Manager, City Government of Marikina, Radio Station DZBF, Second Floor, City Hall, Marikina City, Metro Manila (Joseph Marigomen, via HCDX) Radyo Ukay. Main office: Cor. P. Reyes & Palma Gil Sts. Davao City, AM stations: Format: News & Public Affairs, Drama. 783 DYME Masbate, 5 kW.

819 DXUM Davao City, 10 kW. Studio location: UM Matina Campus, Davao City. Harris DX10 transmitter. Antenna tower height: 285 feet. SM: Roland R. Raval.

891 DYSR Dumaguete, 10 kW. Studio location: Camp Seasite Banilad, Dumaguete City. Kaissar transmitter AM 10. Antenna tower height: 300 ft. SM: Alvin Bandiola.

936 DXDN Tagum, Davao del Norte, 5 kW. Studio location: UM Tagum School Compound, Tagum City. Kaissar transmitter AM 10. Antenna tower height: 200 feet. SM: Roger Israel.

1044 DXLL Zamboanga, 10 kW.

1089 DXCM Cotabato 10 kW. Studio location: UM School Compound, Cotabato City. Kaissar transmitter. Antenna tower height: 210 feet. SM: Mariz Manalo.

1134 DXMV Valencia, Bukidnon, 5 kW. Studio location: Mt. Kitangcad Cor. Kanlaon Street, Valencia, Bukidnon. Kaissar transmitter. Antenna tower height: 200 feet. SM: Engr. Romy Chiang, Jr.  
1161 DXDS Digos, Davao del Sur, 5 kW. Studio location: Highway Digos, Davao del Sur. Kaissar solid state transmitter. Antenna tower height: 150 ft. SM: Florencio Campaner. (Website via OA, Arctic)  
1458 DWRF FEBC Iba schedule: 1230-1300 in Zhuang to China. (FEBC website via OA 15.9.2000) Zhuang is the largest minority language in China with 12M speakers. It belongs to the Tai family. (Alm/Arctic)

RUSSIA: Monitor report in Vladivostok & Khabarovsk, Russia by OGUMA Hironao. I stayed in Russia's Far East city, Vladivostok August 1-8, and heard local LW-MW radios there as follows;

243 Primorskoe R. Rst Tikhii Okean, R. Rossii (parallel with wired radio)

549 Mayak

612 R.VBC

648 V.O. Russia in KK&CC (Broadcast only in local evening)

738 Russkoe R, partly "Novaya Volna" (parallel with 104.2MHz)

783 R.Lemma

810 Primorskoe R., Rst. Tikhii Okean

1098 R.Vladivostok

1251 V.O. Russia in KK & CC (Broadcast only in local evening)

1296 Ekho Moskvyy

1377 R.Yunost'

1476 R. Studiyya O'key

1503 FEBC Vladivostok (Christian px, broadcast only in local morning)

1557 Evropa Plyus Vladivostok

\* On 738, 1296, 1557, px mainly from Moscow, but sometimes local px & ads heard

\* Moreover, in Vladivostok, I could listen to the stations in Ussuriysk (R.Ussuri-1269, Evropa Plyus, Ussuriysk-1503) & Nakhodka (R.Nakhodka-684, R.Svobodnaya Nakhodka-1584).

\* I visited HQ of Primorskoe Radio. No one knew "Tikhii Okean" lost SW transmission there. In communist era, Tikhii Okean was very prestigious px because of its worldwide broadcast. More than 10 staffs employed for the px. But after the collapse of Soviet Union, the number of the staffs has been reduced. Now only 4 persons manage to make the px. During my stay in Far East Russia, I made a excursion to Khabarovsk on August 5. Of course I tried to monitor local radios there. Khabarovsk-Vladivostok is half a day trip on sleeper train.

153 R. Rossii

576 Mayak

621 Khabarovskoe R., R. Rossii

711 R.Vostok Rossii

765 R.Khabarovsk

873 R. Rossii

1008 R.Yunost'

1134 Avtoradio-Khabarovsk

1188 FEBC-Khabarovsk (Only carrier heard)

1224 R.Olimp

1413 Russkoe R., Khabarovsk

\* On 1134 & 1413, I heard px produced in Moscow & there local studios.

(OGUMA Hironao, via MWC)

1134 Avtoradio, Khabarovsk. Avtoradio is the new name for this station in Khabarovsk (ex- R. Nostalgie, ex- R. Invar). Re-transmitting px from Moscow. (Guzei 25.06.2000 via EuroLog 5.8.2000)

765 R. Khabarovsk (?). New one on this frequency. Schedule: 08-20 local time. Power 10 kW. License holder Teleradiokompaniya 'Delovoy

Mir'. (Guzei 25.06.2000 via EuroLog 5.8.2000)  
1413 Russkoye Radio, Khabarovsk, new one on this frequency. Schedule  
08-21 local time. (Guzei 6/25 via EuroLog)

THAILAND: Effective 9/1, Bangkok-918 is in English 2200-1600 mostly  
w/uninterrupted pop.mx, Ids after top of hour as "R Thailand, the  
Sound & the Soul of Thailand" and occasionally as R Thailand Network  
3, is //4830/6070/7115 & at least during evening on Pattani-1296.  
(Davies, Arctic)

VIETNAM: 740 correction to last issue (cf. Cambodia): This frequency  
has the VoV 2nd prgr. 1089 On further listening, I now believe the  
provincial station I reported last time on 1089 is Kien Giang rather  
than neighboring An Giang. At present I am observing the following  
from the Voice of Vietnam national services in Vietnamese:

1st Program: 2200-1600 (Fri -1700) on 594, 630, 648, 657 (s), 666,  
675 (h), 690 (m), 711 (w)

2nd Program: 2200-1600 on 549, 558v (s), 702v (l), 729, 740, 783 (w)  
h: probably in Hanoi area

l: may also carry local opt-out programming

m: also carries portions of the 4th network in minority languages

s: believed to be in the Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) area, WRTH lists  
location as Quan Tre

w: believed to be in SW Vietnam, putting very powerful daytime  
signals into Cambodia & east coast of Peninsular Malaysia; there are  
also strong signals on 873 (apparently local programming in  
Vietnamese and Cambodian) and 1242 (external service) which appear  
to originate in the same area.

Their web-site (<http://www.vov.org.vn/docsl/english/index.html>) is  
rather out of date, but more or less corresponds with the above.

They also list the first network on 945 and the 2nd on 1089. I  
haven't heard either, the only VTN station heard on 1089 being the  
?Kien Giang local mentioned above. (Alan Davies in Thailand, 9/24,  
via HCDX)

#### TRANS ATLANTIC

FRANCE: Radio France is integrating three programs into a single  
one: Radio Bleue, Le Mouv and the network of local and regional  
stations become a single network called France Bleu. "France Bleu"  
is carried 24 hours a day but only on the few outlets that were on  
the air at night before the change: 1242, 1404, 1494 and 1557. The  
"national" version of "France Bleu" is from 5 AM to 7 PM on MW  
(except for the frequencies mentioned above, which remain on  
permanently) and on FM from 7 PM to 6 AM. Between 6 AM and 7 PM FM  
carries the local editions of France Bleu. The few regional optouts  
on MW (such as mass on Sundays on the Lyon station on 603 for  
example) will probably remain, which means that the so-called  
national version still isn't carried nationwide at all times. (Rémy  
Friess Montbeliard - France, via MWC 9/4)

GERMANY: Mega Radio has commenced programming on 576 from a site  
near Schwerin. Hip-Hop and Techno music. They intend to fire up  
almost all extinct frequencies of former GDR using powers of 1000  
kW. I keep my fingers crossed that they are bankrupt before this  
happens. 576 is using a power of 250 kW. (Martin Elbe, HCDX, 8/28)  
Mega Radio fired up their second transmitter on 1575. Listed with a  
daytime-power of 250 or 500 kW and 1 Megawatt during nighttime. This  
will cause severe interference to the excellent TA frequencies 1570  
and 1580. Location of the transmitter site is Burg near Magdeburg,  
about 50 or 60 km from my location. Judging from the signal strength  
I think they are not on full power yet, sounds like 50 or 100 kW.

Bad enough. (Martin Elbe, HCDX, 9/2)

AFN Germany operates parallel programming on 1143, 1107 & 873 at night, apart from local community messages e.g. at 2351 when all three transmitters carried separate local community information for about 1 minute. This formed the first half of an advert break in the satellite fed country music show that AFN was relaying. The second half of the break was AFN networked so all transmitters were in parallel. The local information seems to be precise enough to positively identify the transmitter you are listening to. (Steve Whitt via MWC e-mail news 8/13)

HUNGARY(?): 1188 An unidentified transmitter was heard from 9/23 with Radio Drina and B2-92 relays. Radio Drina is an FM station located in Bosnia-Herzegovina and B2-92 is the former Belgrade station that was closed by the Yugoslav authorities on 5/17 and has resumed broadcasting via Radio Drina. Programs are in Serbian. It has been reported that the station announced as follows: "Radio B2-92 programs can also be heard on the AM waves of Radio Sombor on 666 and 1188." Speculations are that the transmission on 1188 originates from Hungary or from the Bijeljina area of Bosnia-Herzegovina. R. Drina on inquiry says that 1188 is located in Hungary. The programme has been confirmed on 666 (from 2200) by Mauno Ritola, Finland. (Various sources.) This could be a temporary arrangement for election reports. 1188 may be the otherwise silent Szolnok transmitter in Hungary. (Olle Alm, Arctic)

MADEIRA: RDP Madeira still is active around the clock with relays of RDP Antena 1 program on 531, 603, 1125 and 1332. They have local programs during the morning. The signal on 531 is coming from Porto Santo Island. 603 is transmitted from Madeira Island but can also be heard well on Porto Santo. Posto Emissor do Funchal transmits on 1530 (//1017 Santana). They have a different program on 92.0 FM. The station recently celebrated its 50th anniversary. During the evening they relay Deutsche Welle in Portuguese. From 2315h local time and during the night relay of Radio Renascença. 1530 also reaches neighboring Porto Santo Island in a good signal quality. Estação Rádio de Madeira, which used to transmit on 1485 (// 96.0 FM), currently is off the air after it was bought by another local station. Btw: The listed relay of Rádio Turista with programs in several European languages was non-existent already during a stay on Madeira three years ago. (Harald Kuhl via MWC e-mail news 25.08.00)

MAURITANIA: Nouakchott now hrd in Europe & Eastern NA on 783 ex 1349 //4845 until 0100 s/off (Various)

MOLDOVA Moldovan state radio has eliminated its night broadcasts as of 8/8 due to a lack of funds, Romanian Radio reported the previous day. As of 8/14, the radio's second channel is also to be eliminated, while medium-wave broadcasts will be cut from 18 to 8 hours daily. The radio will continue its regular, 18 hours of daily broadcasts only on FM. The radio's management says the measures are "temporary" and due to MoldRadio being some \$1million in debt to the state company that relays the broadcasts. MoldRadio's entire budget for 2000 is \$2 million. (RFE/RL 8/ 8) I can add that the Chisinau tx on 1593 (RM1) which is still listed in WRTH2000, now is completely off the air. Since a longer time already it was switched on only for the night prgr from 2200. (Bernd Trutenau, MWC) Moldova has reactivated the frequency 873, heard today at 0300 with news in Rumanian, also on the September 19 about 1945. (Erich Bergmann, Ansbach, Germany, via HCDX)

NETHERLANDS: 675 According to a recent verification received the postal address of Radio10FM is: Postbus 910, 1000 AX Amsterdam. The



Internet site of Radiol0FM is: [www.radiol0.nl](http://www.radiol0.nl). (Henk Poortvliet via HCDX 102)

1557 On board the former Laser vessel, the MV Communicator, which still has a berth at Almere harbour, a second transmitter will be put in the hole. Next to the 1224, which is used for the station Q the Beat, a second transmitter will be on for the station Colourful Radio. In the future the 1557 will be used for them. (Via Paul Bowery, MWC 9/12/00)

1584 According to Radiovisie, 1584 AM The Bells has changed its name to Radio Paradijs (Paradise in English) on August 31st. This was done because the owners believed that 1584 AM The Bells was too difficult a name for the audience. (Herman Boel via MWC e-mail news 04.09.00)

NORWAY: To celebrate the opening, NRK presented a special broadcast in Norwegian and English aired exclusively via this new transmitter on 10/6 between 1900 and 2300. The transmitter was switched on for the first time on 9/27 with reduced power, increased the following day to full power, 100 kW. As from Sunday October 1st the transmitter is in full operation, running 24 hours. The permanent program feed of NR Europakanalen with inserts of regional programs from NRK Finnmark was established on 10/3. From the initial feedback to long-wave@dxlc.com, we've learned that the special broadcast on the 6th was received as far as 1500 km away on the Gotland Island in the Baltic Sea and on Newfoundland Canada, around 4500 km away! Ingøy Kringkaster (The Ingøy transmitter station) has been equipped with a new 100 kW Telefunken transmitter remotely controlled from Norway's AM control center at Kvitøy. The antenna mast is among the tallest manmade constructions in Europe, and definitely the tallest on Norwegian soil. It is a 362-meter high steel construction. Including stays it weighs more than 300 tons. Surrounding the mast, 44 km of copper cables have been spread to form the best possible earthing. The station has its own 600 kW generator to provide sufficient power to both the station and all the homes on Ingøy during power failures from the mainland. In rough winters this is not uncommon. The total cost of Ingøy Kringkaster is estimated around 25 million NOK (2.75 million USD). Ingøy Kringkaster, like the rest of the Norwegian AM-transmitters will carry the NRK Europakanalen program. This is a mixture of domestic channels P1, P2 and P3, a daily hour of Radio Norway International, and some exclusive weather forecasts. Apart from Kvitøy, the other AM'ers in addition to Europakanalen relay regional programs from their area. Ingøy Kringkaster will include programs from NRK Finnmark in Vadsø. The old medium wave transmitter in Vadsø on 702 (20 kW) will be closed by the end of the year. Ingøy is located at 71°06'N, 23°50'E. The building of a new high powered AM-station in northern Norway is the result of decades of lobbying from pressure groups. The 1978 Geneva frequency plan brought changes to the usage of medium and longwave in Norway. Until then a few high powered transmitters and a large number of low powered fillers were used to cover the country. By the mid 70s the network of VHF- transmitters basically had replaced AM for domestic broadcasting, and the new frequency plan eliminated all the AM fillers and boosted power of a few remaining allocations, which were primarily intended for reaching remote parts of the country, neighboring countries and the oceans surrounding the country. The first superpower station was built, Kvitøy with its 1.2 megawatt transmitter on 1314. Then NRK decided not to pursue their usage of AM, and gradually closed 216 in Oslo and 153 in Tromsø without replacing them with the proposed new high power plants. Pressure for a better radio coverage of the Arctic oceans where Norwegian fishery is still an important industry have never ended, and eventually NRK, together with the Ministry of Fisheries,

entered a long term agreement with Norwegian transmission facilities provider Norkring to rent transmission time on a new longwave transmitter in the county of Finnmark. Stage one of this plan was completed last spring with the old 675 transmitter at Bodø being replaced by a new 20 kW unit on the island of Røst improving reception along the northwestern coast, and now Ingøy will improve the coverage of the Barents Sea immensely. Ingøy Kringkaster will provide a daytime signal almost reaching Spitsbergen. (HCDX)

POLAND: Today I received, from the Polish company named Polskie Fale |rednie S.A., the following message regarding their plans relating to MW broadcasting in Poland; it may be of some interest for those who are expecting Polish MW DX-ing in the near future. "Our company has been incorporated with the purpose of realization of the project aimed at reviving the medium wave in Poland. In 1998 we convinced National Board of Radio and Television Network (KRRT) to launch the licensing process. We filed the license motions requesting the granting of 92 licenses. At the moment, after granting us with these licenses (in March 2000) we are waiting for necessary clearance from Ministry of Communication. It appeared that September 2000 is a quite real timing for launching the first breed of radio stations, but the matter stuck in PAR (Polish Radio Agency) - maybe due to holiday time !? When the legal circumstances allow us to broadcast, we start with two locations: Lipsko near Puławy and Kluczbork. Both stations on 963 with the power of 100 W. Other frequencies are: 521, 531, 1062, 1332, 1395, 1413, 1485, 1584, 1602, but it is impossible to estimate at the moment, when they start. I know as well, that TP S.A. is conducting currently the study project in Gliwice station (with the wooden mast renowned due to the so called 'Gliwice provocation in 1939"); the project's area of interest concentrates on the antennas suitable for low-powered MW stations. Witold Parzonka" (Krzysztof Rybus, Poland, HCDX)

RUSSIA:153, 261 Transmissions from Taldom were resumed on 30th August. Most probably this was at least in part caused by the Oostankino TV tower fire that took the channels off the FM band. (OA) 666 BBC WS via Yekaterinburg. On July 1st, after 7 years on 1260 this station moved onto 666. (Guzei 01.09.2000 via EuroLog 11.9.2000)

990 R. Slavyanka, Moscow. This radio station of the Ministry of Defence of Russia has schedule: Mo-Fr 1100-13.00. (Klub-DX 16.07.2000 via EuroLog 6.8.2000)

1053 R. Maria, Fund "Radio Mariya", nab. Kanala Griboedova, d. 82, kv. 25, 190068 St. Petersburg. Their schedule: (10 kW ND) 24 h a day. (Mikhail Timofeyev, St.Petersburg via HCDX 64)

1161 R. Orfey, Volgograd, reported to be inactive but heard around 9/11 // 1152, 1125, so it is back on the air. (OA)

1269 Radio Ussuri, Ussuriysk, new one here, previously on 1503 as R. Ussuriysk. (Klub-DX via EuroLog 8/6/00)

1386 LBH Radio, Kaliningrad. Acc to the QSL-card received today, LBH Radio returns to the air on Oct 1st. They do not mention the freq, but I guess 1386. (Stefan Björn-SWE, Sep 7, in BC-DX 482)

1386 Avtoradio - Narodnaya Marka, Irkutsk. This frequency in Irkutsk is now relaying the national edition of Avtoradio from Moscow.

Earlier occupant Radio Avtos is now only on FM (106,4 MHz). (Klub-DX 16.07.2000 via EuroLog 6.8.2000)

1386 Radiostation "L-centr", Stavropol, closed broadcasting on 1386. (Guzei via RUS-DX 86-C)

1503 Ekho Moskvy, Ussuriysk. For Radio Ussuriysk, earlier using this frequency, see 1269 above. (Klub-DX 7/9) Radio Rossii, the Russian main state broadcasting network, has just changed its program format. One and the same progr without any "time shifted versions"

is on the air 24 hrs a day starting on Sept 4th (there were five 20 hrs a day R Rossii versions with s-on at 1700, 1900, 2100, 2300 and 0100 in the summer - one hour later in the winter). (Mikhail Timofeyev-RUS, Sep 4, in BC-DX 482) Radio Rossii has also adopted an on the hour musical signature consisting of the first bar or so of the National Anthem played on a xylophone-type instrument. (Dave Kernick via HCDX 109)

**SLOVAKIA:** The first home service program is now called "Rádio Slovensko" (Radio Slovakia), ex Slovensko 1 (S 1). Main xmtrs: 702 Banska Bystrica/Laskomer (200 kW), 702 Presov/Haniska (200 kW), 1098 Nitra/Velke Zaluzie (750 kW) The new name might be now confused with R Slovakia International, a foreign svc of the Slovak Radio. (Honzek, HCDX)

**UNITED ARAB EMIRATES:** R Asia is operating on 1152 from Ras Al Khaimah-UAE with 200 kW. It is for Indian expatriates in the Gulf and progs are in Hi, Ur and Malayalam. I have monitored it from time to time here in IND but they did not reply to my report. Their address is Dolphin Recording Studio, Box 8588, Dubai, UAE. Though this stn has been operating for several years now, I could not find it listed in WRTH. (WWDXC Topnews)

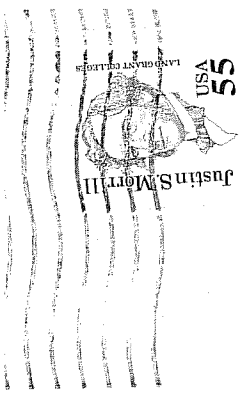
**UNITED KINGDOM:** The Orfordness 648 beam is targeted on 130 degrees. The gain of the 5 mast antenna array is 5.3 dB. Looking at the plot of the hrp there's a nibble up the North Sea- good reception in Aberdeen then the next pulse is towards the tip of Norway then the main beam with 130 degrees running through Luxembourg. Reception is for all the EU former Common Market countries day and night. The 1296 antenna is a 6 mast affair and is set to 96 degrees. The gain is 8 dB. Looking at the plot there is only one minor side lobe towards central Denmark. The main beam is Dusseldorf/ Prague. The night time service is intended for Poland, Czech Republic and the former East Germany. Daytime of course it all Benelux. The beam is non moveable on 648. On 1296 minor adjustments are possible and a "slew" of 10 degrees either side is technically possible but the two transmitters prefer to be on the 1296 true bearing as the system is then well balanced. On both antennas there is negligible back radiation into the UK except for bits of East Anglia and Kent. 1296 is much tighter on back radiation than the 648 service. (Mike Barraclough, Letchworth, England via Guido Schotmans)

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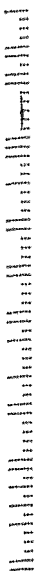
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