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**Publisher's Note**

**Reid Wheeler** reminds us to get those ballots to him. Voting for the TVA and RHA awards ends July 1. If you didn't get your ballot, check your inbox; the ballot was e-mailed separately. -- RT

**Southern California Get-together**

On July 20th 2002 at 6 pm there will be a casual all-radio-club get-together at the home of IRCA member **Steve Jarvis** (KG6GJM) at 9143 Belmont Street in Bellflower, California. The GTG includes backyard BBQ and DX and other activities... Bring snacks if you can. If you are planning on attending, contact Steve at [stejarv@aol.com](mailto:stejarv@aol.com), and/or **Mike Sanburn** at [mikesanburn@hotmail.com](mailto:mikesanburn@hotmail.com).

**Presidential MEMO**

New Editor Named For DXWW-E

Pending BOD approval, **Brandon Jordan** joins us as Editor of DXWW-E replacing temporary editor Phil Bytheway. Brandon is a former Editor and is re-joining IRCA.

The following proposals are presented to the BOD for consideration:

**BOD Proposals**

**20.1.1** Modify the IRCA Awards to include an award for Logging and/or verifying three letter call signs in totals of 20, 30, 40, & 50. Submitted by **Mike Sanburn**.

PB	NHP	JJ	NJ	PM	MS	PT
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**20.1.2** Approve Seattle as the site for the 2002 IRCA Convention. Dates will be Aug 16-18 Submitted by **Phil Bytheway**.

PB	NHP	JJ	NJ	PM	MS	PT
A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**20.1.3** Approve a bookstore exchange with WTFDA. IRCA will receive the WTFDA member prices and will reciprocate to all WTFDA members" Submitted by **Phil Bytheway**.

PB	NHP	JJ	NJ	PM	MS	PT
A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**20.1.4** IRCA's web site is currently hosted by Geocities, which is owned by Yahoo!. Yahoo! has recently been putting more and more restrictions on formerly free

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services - for instance, they now require a \$4.95/month fee for FTP access to a Geocities site, they now require a fee for POP access to e-mail and there is now a fee for e-mail forwarding; this trend will undoubtedly lead to them no longer offering a free website, or them offering it free with so many restrictions that it will serve IRCA no purpose. In anticipation of this, I have been looking into other web hosting providers. My requirements for a web provider were:

- 1) Allow for virtual hosting (i.e., a domain name of my choosing, rather than being required to use theirs)
- 2) The cost for hosting should be less than \$10/month
- 3) Shell access (also known as telnet access) - basically, this would allow me to enter commands myself on the machine - it would allow me to use the password protection scheme I have tested previously
- 4) Unrestricted FTP access (no restrictions on transferring files - Geocities currently does not allow some file types)
- 5) At least 1 e-mail account (for the submissions from the page - this is currently done by a "free" service)
- 6) No ads
- 7) At least 15MB of space, with the option to easily purchase more if needed - our current site uses almost 11MB
- 8) On-site monitoring and backup power (i.e. UPS) - these are personal requirements
- 9) allow for CGI scripts and PHP or ASP file to be executed - IRCA does not currently employ these, but I have seen that they are needed and we may in the near future.

I propose IRCA register a domain name of ircaonline.org (which, according to InterNIC, is currently available), as well as ircaonline.com, which is also available - the .com extension is more often used and having both will allow IRCA to gain access to the visitors who use the .com extension first. This name was chosen after an informal vote of all members interested. Submitted by **Lynn Hollerman**.

PB	NHP	JJ	NJ	PM	MS	PT
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**20.1.5** I am proposing the establishment of an "IRCA-Soundoff" list on Topica, which would be moderated by me or another IRCA member. This E-mail list will take the non-DX discussions currently on the list (with the sole exception of station news) off the main IRCA E-mail list. This would provide a forum for IRCA members to debate issues not directly related to DXing, but mostly related to radio. On an "IRCA-Soundoff" list, we can spout off to our heart's content. Submitted by **Eric Bueneman**.

PB	NHP	JJ	NJ	PM	MS	PT
N	N	N	N	N	N	N

PB- PHIL BYTHEWAY      NHP - NICK HALL-PATCH      JJ - JOHN JOHNSON  
 NJ- NANCY JOHNSON      PM - PAT MARTIN      MS -MIKE SANBURN  
 PT - PETE TAYLOR      Y= YES    N= NO    A= ABSTAIN

ALL OF THE ABOVE PROPOSALS EXCEPT FOR 20.1.5 ARE HEREBY APPROVED

Lee J Freshwater  
 IRCA President 6/4/02

2002 IRCA Seattle Convention – Tukwila, WA August 16-18

The 2002 IRCA Convention will be held near Seattle WA on August 16-18<sup>th</sup> 2002. **Bruce Portzer** and **Phil Bytheway** will be your hosts.

The site is the "Towne and Country Suites", at 14800 Interurban Ave S, Tukwila WA 98168. Reservations at 1-800-545-2323; (be sure to mention IRCA discount). Room rates: \$69/night (single), \$83/night (double-triple). Registration will be \$30. Their web site is [www.towneandcountrysuites.com](http://www.towneandcountrysuites.com).

Phil Bytheway, 9705 Mary Ave NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334 will handle reservations (checks made out to Phil Bytheway). Ship auction items to: Bruce Portzer, 6546 19<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Seattle WA 98115. If you have any questions/etc, contact Phil Bytheway (email [phil\\_tekno@yahoo.com](mailto:phil_tekno@yahoo.com)). More details as they happen. We look forward to seeing you here.

NRC Convention Labor Day Weekend in Lima, OH

**Fred Vobbe** is hosting this year's *National Radio Club* convention in Lima, Ohio. The convention starts Friday, August 30th, and runs until Monday, September 2nd.

Cost of the convention is \$40.00 per member, with a spouse or significant other at \$20.00. Both must register at the same time to take advantage of this special rate.

To book your hotel room, call the Hampton Inn direct at 419-225-8300. The Hampton Inn is located at 1933 Roschman Avenue, off the intersection of I-75 and SR117/309. Mention "Code N.R.C." to get the special room rate of \$69.00 per night, plus 12% room tax. Rooms are single, double, queen, and king size, and there is no limit on the number of people in a room.

If you have any questions or wish to register for the convention, contact Fred. His address is 706 Mackenzie Drive, Lima Ohio 45805-1835. You can contact him by telephone at 419-228-6223. The FAX number is 419-221-1609. E-mail him at [fredv@nrctxas.org](mailto:fredv@nrctxas.org). Auction goodies should be sent to Fred as well. More details, and an online registration form, can be found at <http://www.nrctxas.org/convention/02nrcon/>.

WTFDA 2002 – Oklahoma City, July 26-28

**John Zondlo**, WTFDA 2002 Convention Host announces that WTFDA will hold their convention at the Hampton Inn, I-40/Garth Brooks in Yukon, OK. The special rate is \$55/night for 1 or 2 adults (kids stay free). You will need to call the Hampton Inn direct at (405) 350-6400 to make your reservation. Be sure to mention that you'll be there for the WTFDA convention. The reservation deadline is June 26 for this special rate!

For more info on the convention, check out the club website or FMDXWeb.com, e-mail him at [Jpzondlo@aol.com](mailto:Jpzondlo@aol.com), send snail mail to 4009 Driftwood Circle, Yukon, OK 73099, or call me at (405) 354-1530.

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1210 KKHI WY, Laramie 5/20 0700 fair with KGYN. Heard old rock "KRRR, KKHI, Laramie...your home for great rock & roll oldies. It's another hour of the greatest hits of all time on 104.9 FM" followed by a 104.9 jingle. Sunnyside, WA on with open carrier. Ex-KLDI. (PM-OR)
- 530 WPMF432 WA, Carlton 5/22 0530 heard over/under other eastern WA TIS giving weather. This station was broadcasting info about the Carlton Bridge Project. New. (PM-OR)
- CA, Klamath Forest (somewhere) 5/22 0535 giving a test message repeated, not calls, just mention of Klamath Forest. New. (PM-OR)
- 1080 KVNI ID, Coeur d'Alene 5/26 very strong as usual, with oldies and apparently new slogan "The Mighty 1080" at 0757. (LG-MT)
- 1200 KYAA CA, Soquel 5/4 was in with a weak signal at 0800, with oldies & ID that mentioned Santa Cruz. (LG-MT)
- 1240 KBLL MT, Helena 5/19 ended Business News Radio program at 0758. New network affiliation not in NRC Log. (LG-MT)
- KTIX OR, Pendleton 5/18 0800 was on top the heap with simple, clear ID. I think a sports program had just ended. Rare. (LG-MT)

- 1300 KLER ID, Orofino 5/29 fair under KAPL, figured it out after hearing the second ID "AM 1300 KLER, playing the widest variety of country around." Also, "Recount the Lewis and Clark expedition each weekday morning." Unexpected, new. (DP-OR)
- 1320 KGDC WA, Walla Walla 5/20 0400 fair with "Point of View Program" and "Number one in news." (DP-OR)
- 1330 KENU WA, Enumclaw 5/29 0645-0713 wide fading, weak to strong. Techno with sickening beat, titled "Timebomb." One pip at the top of hour, with no break in the music for an ID. Did ID at 0413 LT with "The new AM 1330, KENU Enumclaw, new music..." Logging this station was painful. Hi. Ex-C&W. (DP-OR)
- 1350 KRLC WA, Clarkston 5/20 0433 fair with country oldies. ID "AM 1350 KRLC." Last heard Jan. '98. (DP-OR)
- 1360 KOHU OR, Hermiston 5/29 0806 fair "Another country classic is always just around the corner on real country AM 1360 KOHU." Changing positions with oldies and a Spanish station. (DP-OR)
- 1370 KPCO CA, Quincy 5/29 0830 poor to good. ID'd as "Stereo 1370 KPCO," barely readable and a few minutes later a much clearer ID. (DP-OR)  
 KWNC WA, Quincy 5/29 0839 fair with local news followed by "That's the news from 1370 KWNC." Logbook lists Wenatchee as their mailing address. I took a double take at the logbook with I caught two separate "Quincy" stations on the same frequency, back to back. Both of these are new for me. (DP-OR)
- 1380 KTKZ CA, Sacramento 5/29 0843 good with several ID's. DJ announced it was "Top of the Morning" and then ID'd, mentioned their news center and the "Mortgage Minute." (DP-OR)
- 1570 KPRO CA, Riverside was all alone on 5/26 at 2300 with local Gospel preacher and ID as "KPRO 1570, Inspirational Radio." Rarely heard. (LG-MT)  
 KHPN CO, Loveland 5/14 ended a program on Business Talk Radio, then aired local commercial at 0858. (LG-MT)
- 1590 KMBD OR, Tillamook 5/15 had a fine signal at s/on (no anthem) at 0859. (LG-MT)  
 +5/19 1954 fair "I want to talk with you about Oregon on KMBD, AM 1590, Tillamook." (DP-OR)
- 1700 TIS CA, Oakland was weak and barely readable with weather at 0750 on 5/7. Man gave call and mentioned "Airport." Then at 0752 on 5/14 announcer said "...for the Bay Area, mostly clear..." At 0754 on 5/22 mentioned Oakland Int'l Airport. Thanks to Pat Martin and others for this very welcome catch. (LG-MT)
- KBGG IA, Des Moines 5/14 0800 very weak with ID as "The all new KBGG," CNN news followed. Unusual to hear it in so late this time of year. (LG-MT)

UNID  
 800 Presumed Mexican carried news and talk feed from Mexico City on 5/11 and 5/13 from 0750-0800. No break at the top of hour. Looped due N-S so I suspect this was wanted XEMMM-Tijuana. Too late in the AM to be much farther east than BCN. (LG-MT)

Thanks to **Larry, Patrick, and Doug** for their reports. For a while there I thought it would be an "All Oregon" column this time. Nancy 5/31 2100

**Sunrise/Sunset Maps**

12 maps showing 15 minute sunset and sunrise times for the US and 12 maps showing hourly sunset and sunrise times for the World. Explanation includes use of the maps and examples of DX made possible by knowledge of SR/SS times.

Prices: IRCA/NRC members - \$2.25 (US/Canada/Mexico/sea mail), \$2.75 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$3.00 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$3.50 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$1.00 to the above prices.

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DOWN THE DIAL

- 1270 WKZT KY, Fulton. 5-25 fair, loud at times. No usual WKBF. 05:55 with calls, old country music format. [JJR-WI]
- 1450 WHTC MI, Holland. 5-24. 22:20 calls in fade up. [JJR-WI]  
 WIBM MI, Jackson. 5-24 fair. 22:34 calls, spot, weather. [JJR-WI]
- 1490 WBNA IL, Oak Park. 5-25 poor at fade up. 05:00 with foreign language programming and ID in EE. Rare! [JJR-WI]  
 WMPX MI, Midland. 5-22 poor. 22:55 with calls during talk show promo, back into the mud. Rare! [JJR-WI]

25 YEARS AGO

May 21, 1977 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Carl Dabelstein** of Overland Park, KS said he would not renew his membership because of senseless bickering from club troublemakers ... **Rick Heald** of San Francisco said his vacation to Greece was fabulous as was the DX ... **Dave Korinek** of Oceanside, CA told about his phone call to a DJ at KRIZ 1580 Waco, TX.

OPEN MIKE

Thanks to John we have a column this week! This column was typed 6-1-02. 73, John

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STARS OF THE WEEK

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 DX-398

LOGGINGS

- 790 PA WAEB Allentown 4/30 2105 "NewsRadio 790"; ID (WM-MD)  
 VA WNIS Norfolk 4/30 ID in mess, Stnds (WM-MD)
- 1080 PA WWNL Pittsburgh 4/26 1955 Sign off, ID; Mention of New Life Radio  
 G.B. America. Very weak (WM-MD)
- 1230 VA WJOI Norfolk 5/17 0000 ID after Sinatra song (WM-MD)
- 1290 PA WFBG Allentown 5/17 2225 ID after Oldie (WM-MD)
- 1440 OH WHKW Warren 4/30 0000 ID; "The Word"; into SRN news (WM-MD)
- 1470 MD WJDY Salisbury 5/17 2020 Radio Disney hrd. (WM-MD)
- 1550 VA WKBA Vinton 5/17 2015 S/Off; "Southwest VA S. Gspl Powerhouse"  
 Oldies sounding mx also hrd (WM-MD)

Well, thats a wrap for this week..Thanks to **William** again this week.....73 and see you all next time!!!.....fresh .....6/02/02 0900

## DX WORLDWIDE – WEST / TROPICAL BAND DX

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We have a new reporter this time around. Welcome **Steve Wiseblood** from Austin Texas. Hope you report often. Please use UTC and place in frequency order if possible.

### PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 570 **CUBA**, Santa Clara CMDC at 0152 6/1, "Radio Reloj", time ticks, morse code, "R-R" every minute, man in SS reading news. Fair u/Dallas co-channel. (SW-TX)
- 620 **MEXICO**, Reynosa, Tam. XEGH. Mexican baseball play by play "Veracruz vs Reynosa" at 0153 6/1. (SW-TX)
- 640 **CUBA**, Guanabacoa, et. al... CMBC, 0135 6/1 "Radio Progreso" booming in with man in SS repeating slogans, musica Salsa, Romantica y Son de Cuba, programa "La Onda de Alegria". HUGE signal 40DB+S9++++ Listed as 50 KW. Sounds like 150 KW. (SW-TX)
- 640 **MEXICO**, Tulancingo, Hil. 1112 6/2, XENQ, anmts. "N-Q", El campeon de exitos musicales". (SW-TX)
- 650 **MEXICO**, Los Mochis, Sin. XETNT 1108 6/1. Man in SS with Mariachi mx in background, mentions of Los Mochis and Culiacan, ad string..."en el notre de Sinaloa..." (SW-TX)
- 670 **CUBA**, Arroyo Arenas, CMBA 6/1 at 0138, Radio Rebelde" Man in SS with baseball play by play, "La Pelota Cubana". Cuban baseball, very strong //710. (SW-TX)
- 670 **MEXICO**, Cd. Guzman,Jal. XEIS, man in SS with anmts, slogan "La Rancherita Consentida", musica ranchera. at 1122 6/1. (SW-TX)
- 750 **MEXICO**, Tempoal, Ver. XETI, at 0200 6/1. "Radio Fiesta" popular Mexican mx, man in SS repeating slogans...(SW-TX)
- t800 **NETHERLANDS ANTILLES**, Bonaire, PJB 0203 6/1. Maybe the one here with rel. programming in SS. Man in SS preaching the Gospel. No IDs, but the audio on this one reminds me too much of PJB u/XEROK, so only tentative. (SW-TX)
- 840 **MEXICO**, Celaya, Guan. XEFG "Radio Pachanga" at 0208 6/1. Woman ancr in SS w/"Saludos", TC, mentions of Celaya, Mexican popular mx. (SW-TX)

### THANKS TO THIS REPORTER

SW-TX **STEVEN WISEBLOOD**, Bastrop, Texas Using a Kenwood KT-54, pretuned with 100' LW.

## IRCA Foreign Logs

**IRCA Foreign Log #10** is NOW available. This edition contains ALL the SDXM DXWW-E and DXWW-W tips from 9/96 to 7/99... almost three years of material! All collated and in frequency order by TA, PA and TP for each DXWW column. Prices: IRCA members – \$10.00 (US/Canada/Mexico/sea mail), \$11.00 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$11.50 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$12.00 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$2.00 to the above prices.

The IRCA has published nine additional volumes of the **IRCA Foreign Log**. Each volume contains the several hundred actual tips that were reported to the DXWW sections during an entire year, compiled and retyped in a book format. In addition, special features include articles on foreign DXing (volumes 6, 7 and 8), utility lists (volumes 7 and 8), shortwave parallels (volume 8) and BCB propagation (volumes 6, 7 and 8). The **IRCA Bookstore** still has volumes 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 of the IRCA Foreign Log available for \$2.50 each (overseas airmail add \$2.50/book).

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## DX WORLDWIDE - EAST

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*Phil Bytheway speaks:* It gives me great pleasure to introduce you to the NEW DXWW-E Editor (fanfare!!!), **Brandon Jordan!!!** Please send all contributions to him at 4920 Park Avenue, Memphis TN 38117, or e-mail him at - [bjordan@nachash.com](mailto:bjordan@nachash.com).

Sorry, no tips this time... good to hear you're saving them up for Brandon. Don't forget... ALL TIMES IN UTC.

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I'm now a General, I just passed my Element 1-2-3 amateur radio exams at my school, Cal State Long Beach [where Steven Spielberg returns to graduate this month]. As you may have read on IRCA Topica, we're planning a little SoCal GTG here in Bellflower on July 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm hosted by **Steve Jarvis** [KG6GJM] and myself [Vanity call-sign pending]. It will be in Steve's backyard at 9143 Belmont St. here in Bellflower [the house with the huge pine tree in front and the dipole in back]. The location is north of the 91 Freeway, in between Lakewood Blve. And Clark Ave. – cross street is Virginia. If you are tentatively planning on coming (or need specific directions) contact Steve and/or myself so we'll know how many to plan for. Admission is free, however donations of chips, side dishes, beverages, desserts, are always appreciated. There will be a BBQ and some DXing later. If we get enough folks I'd like to have a raffle to benefit the IRCA CPC. Those needing a motel to stay over Saturday night can contact the Travel King around the block at 16400 Lakewood Blvd [next door to Moffett's Famous Chicken Pie Restaurant and Bakery shop]. Motel reservations number is 562-920-9656. It's about 2 blocks – walking distance. Alternate accommodations nearby are the Budget Inn at 17111 S. Clark Ave. 562-920-8853. Stop by if you're into BCB DX, SWL, Ham, etc. [Please don't arrive prior to 6 pm.] In otherness, I am, of courses, planning on attending the Seattle Convention this August. Alaska Airlines has announced that it will resume Long Beach to Seattle service, but not until Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> – it figures. Still working on my plans for Maine 2003. It's all good! Most recent verification is a friendly letter form KBSZ-1250 in Wickenburg AZ. Hoping to QSL KYAA-1200 next. Good DX, 73.

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It was a shock to hear of the passing of **Ernie Cooper**, although, in some ways, it should not have been surprising, considering his age and that he had Parkinson's Disease. I passed some memories of Ernie on to **Rich Toebe** a couple of weeks ago and he asked that I put them into a Forum report. I first ran across Ernie when I joined NRC in June, 1965, three months after I joined IRCA. I remember meeting him only twice, at the Louisville-1976 and Milwaukee-1988 conventions, but I must have run across him at other ones as well, such as



Toledo-1984, Wilmington/New Castle (Del) in 1985 or 1986, Staten Island (WTVFMDXA)-1979 or 1980. I always remember him as being a quiet soft-spoken person who would take the time to talk and listen to others, whoever they might be. One of the things I was surprised to see not mentioned in the long NRC tributes to Ernie was his mail problem in the mid-60s. Quite a few of us would send him a Musing, only to have it returned stamped "No Such Address". In my case, I had typed it at work and used a company envelope, only to see it come back, opened by our home office and then sent down to me in the truck mail. It took several years, but they finally found out that the problem was in Ernie's address. He lived at the last address on his mail route, so his mail would sometimes end up in the sorting bin of the next mail carrier. That mailman would just simply treat it as a non-existent address and send the letter back to the person who wrote it. Yes, that mailman was disciplined over it (finally) but I don't think anyone really knows yet how many veries Ernie might have lost over it. When Ernie finally joined IRCA in the mid-70s, I was probably one of the first to welcome him to our club...in the middle of a Musing I sent to him. After I took over EDXF, he was probably one of the more frequent reporters I heard from...always he was pitching for more reports to my column...and I was willing to let him do it. When I heard from him, his envelope was usually one of the first to be opened and read. He normally typed on the back of a Provincetown map and I used to try and see if I could figure out exactly where it was that he lived in relation to the rest of the town. Hopefully, I still have some of those reports packed away in my garage. Over the years I have done EDXF and CDXR, there are quite a few DXers I have heard from but, while all have been good people, Ernie was really a holdover from the old days of DXing. He hated the phrase but I think it is really an honor to call him The Old Man of DXing. I consider it a term of respect. He will be missed. 73.

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1190	KPHN	Andrew "Drew" Kloeppe, Controller/CFO; 1212 Baltimore, Kansas City MO 64105; QBbc; 7; PM
1220	KFSB	"Bridge Staff"; 39138 Fremont Blvd, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Fremont CA 94538; L+; 96; PM
1610	TIS	Leslie Ferguson, District Ranger; Three Rivers Ranger District, 1437 N Highway 2, Troy MT 59935; L+; 14; GVJ [Callsign is WPJT974]
1680	KRJO	Russell Kendricks, CE; P O Box 4808, Monroe LA 71211; P; 55ff; PM

WHAT was received: L = Letter with personalized statement; F = Form letter; Q = QSL card, commercially printed; C = Postcard or similar card supplied by station; P = Prepared card or form supplied by DXer; R = DXer's report returned with statement; cf = Certificate; E = Verification by e-mail; fx = Verification by FAX; M = Coverage map; B = Bumper or other sticker; bc = Business card; + = Extra goodies

WHEN the reply came: Number of days elapsed; f = Follow-up, by mail, FAX, e-mail, or visit; n = Return postage not used; r = Return postage returned

NOTES: \* [For this column] = None

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#### HEARIN' IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

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Welcome to another edition of the Grapevine! This time around, our featured State is the Keystone State of Pennsylvania. For our West Coast DXers, we have a bonus: Alaska, our 49th State. Our featured frequency is 1340 kHz. So, on we go with another edition!

#### FEATURED FREQUENCY: 1340 kHz

##### *Dan Sys, Langley, BC:*

KTIK Nampa, ID: Rare at sunset before moving to 1360 kHz  
KLOO Corvallis, OR: Occasionally at night  
KIHR Hood River, OR: Rare at sunset  
KAGT/KLKI Anacortes, WA: Semi-local  
KTCR Kennewick, WA: rare at sunrise and sunset  
KVSN Tumwater, WA: rare at night  
KWWW/KWWX Wenatchee, WA: occasionally at night  
CIBQ Brooks, AB: rare at night  
CJCM Grand Centre, AB: heard January 17, 1996 at night  
CINL Ashcroft, BC: occasionally at night  
CKGF Grand Forks, BC: rare at night  
CKCR Revelstoke, BC: rare at night  
CIVH Vanderhoof, BC: rare at night

##### *Eric Bueneman, Hazelwood, MO*

KXEO Mexico, MO: daytime regular  
KXXY Oklahoma City, OK: DX Test on December 5, 1993  
KNHN/KCKN Kansas City, KS: occasionally at night  
KPHN Pittsburg, KS: heard on January 1, 1994 at night  
KNHN/KPHN synchro Amoret, MO: heard on January 1, 1994 at night  
WTRN Tyrone, PA: DX Test on January 30, 1994  
WSOY Decatur, IL: occasionally at night and sunrise  
WLOK Memphis, TN: occasionally at night  
WJYI Milwaukee, WI: heard May 26, 2002 at night

#### FEATURED STATE: Pennsylvania

##### *Dan Sys, Langley, BC*

KDKA 1020 Pittsburgh: rare at night

##### *Patrick Martin, Seaside, OR (Welcome!)*

KDKA 1020 Pittsburgh: heard and QSLed in 1967. Rare today.  
KYW 1060 Philadelphia, heard and QSLed from Seward AK in 1965. Never heard since.  
WCAU 1210 Philadelphia, heard and QSLed in 1979. Rare today.  
WPHT 1210 Philadelphia, heard and QSLed in 1995. Rare today.  
WTAE 1250 Pittsburgh, heard once and QSLed in 1992.  
WCMB 1460 Harrisburg, heard and QSL'd in 1996 during DX Test.  
WQO740 1630 Allentown, 10 watt TIS heard a few times in 1998. QSLed also in 1998.

##### *Eric Bueneman, Hazelwood, MO*

WOG/WGMP/WPTS/WPHT 1210 Philadelphia: Regular at night  
WJAS 1320 Pittsburgh: Occasionally at night with KSIV nulled  
WTAE/WEAE 1250 Pittsburgh: Occasionally at night  
WJSM 1110 Martinsburg: DX Test on December 10, 1993

KYW 1060 Philadelphia: Frequently at night  
 WDAS 1480 Philadelphia: DX Test on December 20, 1993  
 WWCS 540 Cannonsburg: Heard January 7, 1994 at night  
 WFRM 600 Coudersport: DX Test on January 30, 1994  
 WTRN 1340 Tyrone: DX Test on January 30, 1994  
 KA2XAU 1620 Richland: DX Test on October 10, 1994  
 WBZY 1200 New Castle: DX Test on October 24, 1994

**WEST COAST SPECIAL: Alaska**

***Dan Sys, Langley, BC***

KFAR 660 Fairbanks: Heard February 22, 1969 at night  
 KINY 800 Juneau: Rare at night  
 KBBI 890 Homer: Heard January 28, 1996 at sunrise  
 KTKN 930 Ketchikan: Rare at sunset under KBAI

***Patrick Martin, Seaside, OR***

SQM 529 Level Island: QSLed in 1981, a semi regular, especially in the Winter  
 KENI 550 Anchorage: logged and QSLed in 1980. Heard once.  
 KVOK 560 Kodiak: Logged and QSLed in 1982 and heard a few times through the 80s after LSR.  
 AFRN 570 Galena: Logged as a regular while living in Seward AK in the mid 60s. QSLed in 1966.  
 KRSA 580 Petersburg: Logged and QSLed in 1983, a semi regular when KTKN Ketchikan is in.  
 KHAR 590 Anchorage: Logged and QSLed in 1969. Heard once or twice.  
 KGTL 620 Homer: Logged and QSL'd in 1984. Heard once in a while when Northern cx are good.  
 KJNO 630 Juneau: Logged and QSLed in 1994. Heard once or twice, rare.  
 KYUK 640 Bethel: Logged and QSLed in 1984. Heard occ. when cx to the North are good u/o KFI.  
 KYAK 650 Anchorage: Logged and QSLed in 1969. Station is now KENI.  
 KENI 650 Anchorage: Logged and QSLed in 1999. Once in a while logging with CISL when Northern cx are good.  
 KFAR 660 Fairbanks, Logged and QSLed in 1969. Station is very rare to hear these days.  
*(Calls stand for "Key For Alaska's Riches"-eb)*  
 KDLG 670 Dillingham: Logged & QSLed in 1980. Heard occ when cx are good to the North.  
 KBYR 700 Anchorage: Logged and QSLed in 1979, heard occ when cx are good to the North.  
 KOTZ 720 Kotzebue: heard once and QSLed in 1986.  
 KFQD 730 Anchorage: heard and QSLed in while in Seward AK in the mid-60s. Since moved to 750.  
 KFQD 750 Anchorage: heard and QSLed in 1970. Heard fairly often when cx are good.  
 KCHU 770 Valdez: heard a few times. QSLed in 1992. Fairly rare.  
 KNOM 780 Nome: heard and QSLed in 1979. Heard rarely these days.  
 KCAM 790 Glenallen: heard and QSLed in 1980. Rare.  
 KINY 800 Juneau: heard and QSLed in 1970. Once in a while when cx are good.  
 KCBF 820 Fairbanks: heard and QSLed in 1984. Rare today.  
 KABN 830 Big Lake: Heard and QSLed in 1992. Since moved to 840, rare today.  
 KSDP 830 Sand Point: Heard and QSLed in 1998. Was on 840. Rare.  
 KSDP 840 Sand Point: Heard and QSLed in 1983. Rare. Since moved to 830.  
 KICY 850 Nome: heard and QSLed in 1980. Very rare today.  
 AFRN 890 Adak: heard and QSLed in 1970. Left MW in the 90s.  
 KBBI 890 Homer: heard and QSLed in 1985. Fairly regular topping CJDC in the Winter.  
 KFRB 900 Fairbanks: heard and QSLed in 1970. Moved to 820 and changed call to KCBF.  
 KSRM 920 Soldotna: heard and QSLed in 1970. Heard rarely these days when cx are good.  
 KTKN 930 Ketchikan: Heard and QSLed in 1968, but a regular most nights if cx are decent.  
 KIBH 950 Seward: heard once in 1967 and QSLed.

AFRN 960 Kodiak: a regular in the mid 60s while living in Seward, AK; QSLed in 1965.  
 KENY 980 Kenai: heard once and QSL'ed in 1987.  
 KAXX 1020 Eagle River: heard a few times in 2002 through the QRM.  
 KANC 1080 Anchorage: heard and QSLed in 1980. Rare these days.  
 KKSD 1080 Anchorage: heard and QSLed in 1995. Rare these days.  
 KJNP 1170 North Pole: heard and QSLed in 1969. Not heard in many years.  
 KIFW 1230 Sitka: heard and QSLed in 1965, while living in Seward AK.  
 KBBI 1250 Homer: heard and QSLed in 1980, since moved to 890.  
 KBYR 1270 Anchorage: heard and QSLed in 1969. Since moved to 700 kHz.  
 KLAM 1450 Cordova: heard and QSLed in 1965, while living in Seward, AK.  
 AFRN 1490 Eielson AFB, heard and QSLed while living in Seward, AK in 1967.

**Pat and Dan** have an advantageous location for hearing DX from Alaska; the Pacific Northwest is a prime area for hearing Alaskan DX. Rarely does Alaska get into the Midwest; that's probably why it's still counted as a separate "country" instead of as part of the United States. Pat also provided the former dial positions for several Alaskan stations.

**In the next edition of The Grapevine**, we'll feature the Hoosier State of Indiana, plus the frequency of 670 kHz and your Ten Most Productive Frequencies. 73, Eric (NOUIH)



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