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EiC Notes

This issue, IRCA welcomes **Dennis Elya** – Jefferson City, MO who is rejoining us!! Convention insert.

The **2005 IRCA/DecalcoMania** convention will be held on Thu. Aug. 25 through Sat. Aug 27, 2005 at the Days Inn, 1111 S. Harbor Blvd. Anaheim CA 92805 (1 block North of Disneyland) www.the.daysinn.com/anaheim04986. Phone number for reservations is 714-533-8830 (request the special \$49 room rate.) Registration fee (not including banquet) is \$25 payable to Mike Sanburn, PO Box 1256, Bellflower CA 90707-1256 - mikesanburn@hotmail.com. Activities will include station tours, business meeting, auction, and banquet -view menu at www.jagerhaus.net. Should have lots of stickers and airchecks. Looking forward to seeing everybody.

Nominations Are Open for the TVA and RHA Awards for 2004-2005.

Ted Vasilopoulos Award (TVA)

Ted Vasilopoulos was a founding charter member of IRCA who died in 1965. This award in his honor is presented to the IRCA member who has contributed the most to IRCA and the DX hobby during the past year. The following persons have won the TVA in the last five years and are ineligible this year: Phil Bytheway, Rich Toebe, Nancy Johnson, Ralph Sanserino, and Lee Freshwater.

Ric Heald Award (RHA)

The Ric Heald Award (RHA) was created in 1995 to recognize the IRCA member who most benefited the club in a particularly noteworthy way during the previous year. The following persons have won the RHA in the last three years and are ineligible this year: Pat Martin, Phil Bytheway, and Rich Toebe.

All nominations, including a brief statement supporting the nomination, shall be sent to the respective winners of last year's awards:

TVA Nominations: **Phil Bytheway**, 9705 Mary Ave. NW, Seattle, WA 98117-2334 - phil_tekno@yahoo.com.

RHA Nominations: **Pat Martin**, P.O. Box 843, Seaside, OR 97138 - mwdxer@webtv.net.

All Nominations must be received by the above no later than February 21, 2005.

DX Tests – Les Rayburn – les@highnoonfilm.com

Daily	0255-0305	1220	WRIB	Providence RI	(Healy)
12/15/04+	0915-1445	1620	WB3XNN	Milford PA	(Schmidt)
1/24/05	0200-0600	1530	KFBK	Sacramento CA	(IRCA)

WRIB 1220kHz Providence RI TEST. Daily, from 2:55am-3:05am EST - WRIB-1220 - Providence, RI. Craig Healy reports that the long running DX test at WRIB 1220 in Providence, RI continues to run daily from 02:55AM EST until 03:05AM EST. WRIB automatically switches to daytime power and pattern (1KW ND) during the top of the hour.

Reception reports (with return postage) may be sent to:

Craig Healy, NG1U
WRIB
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East Providence, RI 02914
OR

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WWW: <http://www.wrib.com>
(Arranged by **Craig Healy**, NG1U and AM-DX.COM.)

WB3XNN 1620kHz Milford, PA TEST. Date(s): About December 15th thru end of January. Time: Non-Critical Hours 09:15AM EST until 14:45PM EST. Modes of Operation: 1KW Daytime Non-Directional. Programming: Un-Modulated Carrier with ID's at TOH.

Test is being conducted by Digital Radio Engineering for field intensity experiments concerning area ground conductivity. A full DX Test will be conducted (hopefully at night) before the competition of measurements in January.

Below is the full text received from Dave Schmidt:

WB3XNN - 1620 kilohertz should be on the air about December 15th. This station licensed to Milford, PA is being operated for field intensity measurements of the ground conductivity in the area. This will be operating during non critical hours (approx. 0915 til 1445) with an unmodulated carrier, ID's given on the hour. Power will be 1000 watts into a 50 foot top loaded single tower. (For those in to tower currents, that adds up to 8.8 amps at 14 ohms!) Tests should continue through the end of January.

Reports can be sent to Dave Schmidt c/o: Digital Radio Engineering, 2927 US Route 6, Slate Hill, NY 10973

As of 12/30/04, I have not received any reports of this station being on the air. If you receive this test, please e-mail me directly at: les@highnoonfilm.com.

KFBK 1530kHz Sacramento, CA TEST. Date: January 23, 2005 (Late Sunday night into Monday morning.) Time: 23:00PM PST-03:00 PST (4 Hours ID's ONLY Test.) Modes of Operation: 50KW Night Time Directional Pattern. Programming: :60 and :30 Morse Code and Phonetic Voice ID's Only during program breaks.

This special test is being conducted by Ross du Clair, Ph.D., WA6VWY, who is the Chief Engineer for "News Talk 1530" and other Clear Channel stations. Due to programming commitments, test will be limited to commercial breaks only during regular programming. ID's will consist of both Morse Code at 10WPM, 1000hz and phonetic voice announcements...such as:

"This is Kilo Foxtrot Bravo Kilo".

Reception reports should again be submitted via e-mail directly to Mr. du Clair at: Duclair, Ross: rossduclair@clearchannel.com.

DX Test Results:

A mix up on the date of the WXCT 990kHz test caused many to miss out on a great test. The original posting indicated that the test would occur on January 9th at Midnight until 2AM.

I think made the mistake of thinking this meant late on the evening of Jan. 8th (early on the 9th) but no, Ron actually mean Jan 10th. My mistake... hope that most of you tried again the next night and didn't miss out on the test.

Now that the confusion is cleared up, here are the test results for both stations:

WFIL 560kHz Philadelphia, PA TEST RESULTS

Test began promptly at 0200, with engineer Rene Tetro reporting test progress via the NRC E-mail list and "live" using the #mwdx IRC chat room.

Ray Bauernhuber almost immediately posted his reception of Morse Code from his home in New York. Followed closely by another successful reception by Tom Jasinski in Shorewood, IL.

Bob Anthony, N2SU in Clifton, NJ had the treat of listening to the Beach Boys hit, "I Get Around" after logging both voice and code ID's. Paul Mount logged the test in nearby Morganville, NJ, as did Saul Chernos in Toronto.

Vermont quickly added to the list of states receiving the test when Steve Howe reported reception from his home in St. Albans. Dave Marthouse, N2AAM made sure that Virginia was represented as well.

Others successfully logging the test included Tom Dimeo in Pennsylvania, Pat Griffith, N0NNK from his temporary listening post in Emmitsburg, MD, Jerry Bond in Rochester, NY, John Hunter in Rossville, GA (sweep tones made it through again!), and Steve Francis who heard code, sweep tones, and SFX from his home in Alcoa, Tennessee.

Sweep tones also saved the day for Bill Dvorak in Madison, WI who had to dig through noise from WIND. Patrick Martin in Seaside, OR also managed to hear those sweep tones using his beverages!

Russ Edmunds in nearby Blue Bell, PA had no trouble hearing the test, and gave updates on the NRC list for others. The famous Fred Vobbe heard the test complete with code, sweep tones and those wonderful PAMS jingles from his home in Lima, OH. R.C. Watts also had easy copy from his home in Louisville, KY.

Another logging from Ontario came from Neil Wolfish who logged it on a Sony 2010 with the Radio Shack loop. He reported copy good. Others logs came in from Paul Greenspan in Marshfield, MA, At 50 minutes into the test, Shawn Axelrod was finally able to snag a Morse Code ID to add Winnipeg, MB to the list of logs.

Barry McLarnon, VE3JF found the test easy copy in Ottawa, Ontario. (But then Barry finds everything easy copy! :) Scott Fybush in Fort Wayne had a tentative logging but is still reviewing the

tape. Les Rayburn in Central Alabama also has a tentative logging, waiting for Rene's review of the MP3.

Some who were not so luck included Nick Hall-Patch who couldn't get back KARI's splatter, Phil Bytheway in Tucson, and Steve Ponder, N5WBI struggled with local KLVJ (which also caused problems here in Alabama). Jack Haynes in Texas also tried without success.

Steve Ratzlaff in Elgin, OR tried without success due to strong signals from KPQ. Morris Sorensen in Winnipeg, MB was also disappointed due to WIND and KMON.

This very successful test was heard in a total of 15 states and two providences of Canada. As always, hats off to Rene Tetro for his work and dedication to DX'ers!

WXCT 990khz Southington, CT TEST RESULTS

Jim Renfrew quickly logged sweep tones, code and voice ID's from his home in Byron, NY, followed by Patrick Martin's logging of those sweep tones from his home in the far West, Seaside, OR. (It's become clear to this reporter that beverages plus sweep tones equals new logs! :) Patrick reported the code very weak during the test... but thinks he has enough on the tape for a logging. Very nice catch indeed.

Steve Francis added to the log at his shack in Alcoa, TN, as did Rene Tetro from Lansdale, PA. Rene also assisted DX'ers by reducing WNTP to the 1KW level during the test.

A bagpipe version of "Amazing Grace" was heard by Jim Renfrew in Byron, NY, along with reports of code/sweep tones from Saul Chernos in Toronto, John Hunter in Rossville, GA, Greg Coniglio in Alden, NY, Brett Saylor in Central, PA.

Fred Schroyer easily heard the test from his basement in Waynesburg, PA using only a Sony 7600GR. Larry Favel, N4SEA and his Icom 718 had no problem copying the code, bagpipes, and voice ID's from his home in West Virginia.

Other good loggings were received from Jim E. Night in North Haven, CT, Barry McLarnon, VE3JF in Ottawa, ON,

Alas, some DX'ers went home empty handed, including Bob Foxworth in Tampa, Les Rayburn in Helena, Alabama (did log it during the previous test though...), Neil Kazaross was also successful during the test a couple of weeks back, but couldn't pull them out of the noise again.

Kevin Mesa in AZ had no joy due to heavy QRM from "Rockola" 990 in Tijuana, Mike Baker also was out of luck in Toronto, as was Gerry Bishop in Niceville, FL.

Totals for the test were very respectable with six states and 1 Canadian providence logging the test. If not for the confusion over the date, it might have been higher. My apologies again.

Thanks to Ron Barnes for arranging this special DX test! It is greatly appreciated!

Les Rayburn, director

2004 PAL LOG IS OUT!!!

I've just completed the seventh edition of the Pacific Asian Log (PAL). It's been updated through January 2005. As usual, this edition has many additions and changes. In particular, there are many new listings for China and the Australian expanded band.

The log now lists more than 4000 medium and long wave stations in Asia and the Pacific (from Afghanistan to Alaska). It includes frequency, callsign, location, power, schedules, and other information for each station.

The log is available in pdf format sorted by country or frequency. You can download it at no cost from my website <http://www.qsl.net/n7ecj>. This time there are three options: by frequency, by country, (approximately 800 kb, 132 pages each), or a combined listing (1.3 MB, 255 pages).

Best wishes for the new year, **Bruce Portzer**, Seattle, USA

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Drake R8, 1500' Eastern term. Beverage

- 610 KFRC CA, San Francisco 1/3 0144-0146 "Inside the 60's" hosted by Gary Bryan, fair with QRM. Note: Gary Bryan does morning drive on KRTH 101.1FM Los Angeles. (RA-NV)
- 620 KTAR AZ, Phoenix 1/3 0956 business news noted by call ID, fighting through QRM. First time heard in NV in 2½ years. (RA-NV)
- 650 KMTI UT, Manti 1/3 1000 regional Utah news followed by ID and ABC news. Fair reception. (RA-NV)
- 700 KXLX WA, Airway Heights 1/6 0005 old time radio show Our Miss Brooks, fair to poor in severe KIRO splatter. SP-600 on N-S wire. (GH-OR)
- 790 KGHL MT, Billings 1/4 0035 ID with ad for Gulf Coast Transport and Midnight Trucking Radio Network. Dominant in the jumble. New. (GH-OR)
- 830 KFLT AZ, Tucson 1/2 1930 ID "Family Life Radio," briefly over KNCO and unID Spanish. New. (BWB-ID)
+1/3 1005-1008 Arizona sports news followed traffic report. Strong, no carryover from KXNT-840. (RA-NV)
- 900 CKMO BC, Victoria 1/1 0055 woman said "Happy New Year from Village Nine Hundred," fair to good in the clear with a hodge podge of strange music. (GH-OR)
- 1150 KXTA CA, Los Angeles 1/3 0158 mentioned show (also carried on XTRA-690), Loretta Sanchez ad. Minimum QRM, none from local KFSN-1140. (RA-NV)
- 1240 KQEN OR, Roseburg 12/29 2305 heard KQEN weather report in a 3-way jumble with unIDs. Some type of talk show with poor signal. Last heard back in February. (GH-OR)
- 1260 KLYC OR, McMinnville 12/29 2350 woman said "This is radio for Yamhill County 1260 K-L-Y-C." poor to fair and drifts, but totally alone. CFRN off? (GH-OR)
- 1270 KBZZ NV, Sparks 12/30 2330 man gave "The Buzz" slogan with sports talk program and unID oldies station underneath, probably KAJO. Fair to poor. (GH-OR)
- 1300 KAPL OR, Phoenix 1/13 0930 promo for Applegate Fellowship, ID as "Phoenix-Jacksonville." (FA-ID)
+1/14 heard at 0930 with ID "This is KAPL." (BB-AZ)
- KLER ID, Orofino 1/13 0940 came up briefly under KAPL, "KLER greatest music." (FA-ID)
- 1330 KOVE WY, Lander 1/7 heard at 1947 with ID "KOVE 1330 AM" then into C&W music. (BB-AZ)
- 1340 KWCY CA, Cathedral City 1/7 1652 with weather and ID "KWCY." (BB-AZ)
- 1350 KSRO CA, Santa Rosa 1/8 heard at 1005 with ID "KSRO." (BB-AZ)
- 1510 KGA WA, Spokane 1/3 0125 ID with slogan, very weak. (RA-NV)
- 1580 KMIK AZ, Tempe 1/1 2355 many Radio Disney ID's with weak & choppy signal, ad for weekend dance party. R-390A on E-W wire. (GH-OR)

DX TEST

- 560 ?WFL? PA, Philadelphia 1/8 0248-0300 uncertain if the code and tones heard was the DX test. Sent tape and I am keeping my fingers crossed. Very poor, auroral conditions. (PM-OR)
(WFL)+1/8 0200-0330 nothing heard. (FA-ID)
- 990 ?WXCT? CT, Southington 1/9 again totally not certain, but did note sweep tones 0003-0004 and many times of very weak Morse code from 0000-0100. Called CE and he wanted to hear the whole hour of the test, so I sent it. Again, I am keeping my fingers crossed. (PM-OR)
(WXCT) CT, Southington 1/8 0000-0200 DX test not heard, XEBCN on top. (FA-ID)

Thanks to our reporters this week. Nancy 1/14 2100

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Drake R8B, Kiwa loop.

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Drake R8, Icom IC-R75, Icom IC-T70, Kenwood R1000, Yaesu FRG100, Kiwa loop,

100' longwire, Terk AM 1000 Loop, MF J959B, GE Superadio III.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 660 WDLT AL, Fairhope. 1-9 very poor in WFAN null, WSCR splatter. 07:32 with "WDLT 6-60 AM. Nothin' but the best in blues!" New logging for me. [JJR-WI]

910 KLCN AR, Blytheville. 1-1 poor over others. 07:15 with New Year greetings, ID. [JJR-WI]
 1110 WBCA AL, Bay Minette. 1-9 fair. 07:10 with local spots, ID "Joy 11-10" slogan. [JJR-WI]
 1190 KHPN MO, Kansas City. 1-1 poor, no WOWO. 17:53 "11-90 Radio Disney KC." [JJR-WI]
 1240 WATT MI, Cadillac. 1-2 poor over mess in nice fade up. 04:00 with Fox Sports, ID, CBS News. [JJR-WI]
 1300 KAPL OR, Phoenix. 1-9 very strong. 23:01 with "Filled with the fruit of the spirit, this is KAPL AM thirteen hundred Phoenix, Jackson. The broadcast ministry of the Applegate Christian Fellowship." [NJ-MT]
 1380 WLRM TN, Millington. 1-2 poor with others. 01:20 with "Love 13-80" slogans. [JJR-WI]
 1470 WCFJ IL, Chicago Heights. 1-1 poor, no usual WMBD, all alone until fade out. 18:48 with legal ID. Rare here. [JJR-WI]

UNID

1240 unID 1-8 unID poor. 03:21 with satellite oldies and "The greatest hits of all time. Home of the hits! AM 12-40" then ID as either WFDF or WSDS or similar sounding calls. Totally stumped on this. [JJR-WI]

25 YEARS AGO

January 19, 1980 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **James G. Herkimer** of Caledonia, NY said he was 32 and a public school teacher. He uses two Hammarlund HQ-180's for his DX ... **Craig Healy** of Cumberland, RI mentioned he was the Chief Engineer at WJAR 920 in Providence ... **Michael Dice** of Kirkland, WA complained about reception noise from dimmers at his apartment complex ... **Doug Pifer** of Santa Ana, CA logged 14 new stations in one night of DX.

OPEN MIKE

This column was typed 1-15-05. 73, John

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LOGGINGS

790	TN	WETB	Johnson City 12/24 1759 Full sign off announcement into SSB. Mixing with at least two other stations. (WJH-MD)
	GA	WGRA	Cairo 12/24 1758 ID by man as "now... better than ever.... We're the all new WGRA Cairo" and then more talk. Fair/w Cuba. (WJH-MD)
940	CT	WINE	Brookfield 12/28 2133 ID. (WM-MD)
960	NS	CHNS	Halifax 1/03 2201 "From the Heart of Halifax, This is Oldies 96. A Maritime Broadcasting station"; ID. (WM-MD)
970	MA	WESO	Southbridge 1/1 2359 Song "Midnight Highway," ID "Country 9-70 WESO Southbridge-Worchester," and then, AP Network news at 0000. Could be on full daytime power. (WJH-GA)
	NC	WOXL	Canton 12/26 0634 Ad for Carolina Furniture, "96.5 WOXL" weather, and chatter. Generally over all. (WJH-MD)
980	AR	KCAB	Dardanelle 1/9 1740-1750 good with ESPN Sports. (RCE-IN)
1080	NC	WGCV	Lenoir 12/30 1640 Country song into ID as "The country legend 10-80 WKGX" in a break. He also talked about basketball in NC. Blasting through WBAL stop and a nulled WTIC. (WJH-MD)
1110	AL	WBCA	Bay Minette 1/10 1735 "Brand new gospel station..." fade up and down, good to poor. (RCW-KY)

1110	NE	KFAB	Omaha 12/31 0732 Peaked through the QRM with local and regional news, and sports. ID as "News Radio 11-10 KFAB." RARE. (WJH-MD)
	PA	WJSM	Martinsburg 12/27 1503 USA Radio News, followed by WJSM local news. It sounds like his name was Bill Reeves. WBT was trying to fade in, but WJSM stayed on top for a few minutes. (WJH-MD)
	NY	WSFW	Seneca Falls 12/26 0758 Brokered religious program for the Eastside Church of Christ in Shortsville. A multiple station ID for probably 4 stations. Did not hear the call WSFW but heard WCGR Canandaigua. In and out of the mess on the channel. (WJH-MD)
1120	MA	WBNW	Concord 12/25 1705 Local talk show about going to the dentist. Tooth Talk by Doctor Ben Lowenstein. ID and phone number. Very Good signal. (WJH-MD)
	PA	WKQW	Oil City 12/31 1759 Popped in with ID "You are listening to Venango County's (only) talk station, the big talker WQKW Oil City." Over KMOX, and a Spanish station. (WJH-MD)
1130	WV	WRRL	Rainelle 12/30 1600 TOH ID "'hometown... gospel station WRRL Rainelle and (Rupert)... WRRL 11 30." Fair o/all. Also heard some country gsp/ type music which could have been from them. (WJH-MD)
1140	AB	CHRB	High River 12/26 0704 ID "thanks for listening to S. Alberta's... station. AM 11-40." Over all for at least a few moments. Heard at least two stations with country music the previous 30 minutes or so. CHRB was likely one of them. Also heard am1140radio.com web address in the din about 0738. This is my first AB station here in Maryland in over 20 years. DX is still there to be had! Even through the call letters were not mentioned, I will take it. I also heard a station with ESPN and at least two or three other stations in a semi-nulled WRVA. (WJH-MD)
1210	TN	WSBI	Static 12/21 1729 Popped in with a sign off "...this concludes another day of broadcasting for radio 12-10 WSBI. Join us again tomorrow for the area's... news & information & the (rest)...." (WJH-MD)
1240	MD	WCCEM	Cambridge 12/28 1700 ESPN Radio; ID. (WM-MD)
1260	VA	WWVT	Christiansburg 1/1 1059 Promo for an upcoming NPR pgm. ID as "This is Radio IQ AM 1260 in the New River Valley, FM 88.9 Ferrum and 89.7 in Roanoke and Charlottesville. WWVT Christiansburg Blacksburg, WFFC Ferrum." This was followed by BBC News. Fair through WWRC's open carrier. WWRC resumed programming right at 1100 which blew away any further reception of WWVT. (WJH-MD)
1280	GA	WLCG	Macon 1/10 1827 good with ID "The Light", urban gospel. (RCE-IN)
	LA	WODT	New Orleans 1/12 1900 New Orleans Hornets pregame show.... The Hornets Warmup. Good signal. "Sportsradio 1280, The Sports Monster. (IEN-GA)
	NC	WSAT	Salisbury 12/31 1900 Oldies , ID, "From the... of Salisbury, this is... 24 hours per day, WSAT," and then ABC News. Over and mixing with the co-channel crud. (WJH-MD)
1290	NC	WHKT	Hickory 1/10 1815-1825 decent with Dr. Dean Adell. (RCE-IN)
	PA	WFBG	Altoona 1/10 1802-1804 fair with regional news. (RCE-IN)
1320	TN	WKIN	Kingsport 12/31 0756 ID as "AM 9-10 WJCW and AM 13-20 WKIN." Local PSA's for Sullivan County. (WJH-MD)
1360	FL	WKAT	North Miami 1/13 1800 Classical music and local traffic and wx. Decent signal mixed with the Phil Hendrie Show on WCKY Cincinnati. "Classical 1360". (IEN-GA)
1380	RI	WNRI	Woonsocket 12/23 1532 ID as "Upcoming... Right here on News (sport) WNRI...." Fair through the mess. (WJH-MD)
1400	GA	WAJQ	Alma 1/15 2000 Up out of the jumble with TOH ID "Your Gospel station, 24 hours a day WAJQ Alma. NEW. (LF-FL)
	WV	WBBD	Wheeling 12/18 1808 ID as "1400 WBBD, real music from the 30's 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's, 1400 WBBD." (WJH-MD)
1410	NY	WNER	Watertown 12/25 1500 ID as "14 10 ESPN is WNER Watertown, the Winner, Watertown's sports authority." Into network news I heard CNN News and another network. I am not sure which one was for WNER. (WJH-MD)
1420	KY	WVJS	Owensboro 1/13 2120 Classic Hits from days of old. Good signal with fades. "Memories 1420". (IEN-GA)
1430	NC	WMNC	Morganton 1/1 2000 ID as "We're... classic hits. WMNC Morganton" into CNN news. Over and mixing with the WNAV, etc. (WJH-MD)
1480	NY	WLEA	Hornell 12/18 1624 ID by man as "WLEA where news comes first" Over all for a few minutes. (WJH-MD)
	TN	WJLE	Smithville 1/9 1755-1900 decent with rel, then ABC NWS. (RCE-IN)

1480 VT WNBX Springfield 12/18 1611 ID as "real Oldies WNBX" Signal gone at 1615, antenna change? (WJH-MD)

1520 ON CHIN Toronto 1/10 2132 South Asian music and talk by YL language perhaps. Poor under KXEL. (RCW-KY)

IN WKWH Shelbyville 1/13 2110 Classic Rock & Roll. Decent signal mixed with WWKB in Buffalo, NY. "Classic Hits 1520". (IEN-GA)

1550 NC WBFJ Winston-Salem 12/30 1705 A program against abortion, note that January is Human Life Month, a TC, and a friendly greeting to listeners. 3 Clear IDs. On top in the jumbled mess. (WJH-MD)

1570 GA WSSA Atlanta (should be listed as Morrow-ed) 12/22 0616 ID as "WSSA Atlanta the new 15-70." Over all for at least a few minutes. (WJH-MD)

NC WTLK Taylorsville 12/22 0601 ID as "You are listening to Easy 86 WACB Taylorsville." (WACB and WTLK are in the same town and owned by Apple City Broadcasting. This could be an intentional simulcast or it could be that someone flipped the wrong switch. The FCC says WTLK is on 1570.) Local ad, over all. (WJH-MD)

MA WPEP Taunton 12/21 2206 Huge signal with USA Radio News, Promo for Twilight Zone radio program, weather forecast for Bristol County, ID, and a promo for the Charlie Brown program. (WJH-MD)

1580 FL WCCF Punta Gorda 12/30 1900 Promo for news radio WCCF 15 80 and a country station on 92.9, Click and Loan ad, promo for (Anne Henderson) talk show, and legal ID "WCCF Punta Gorda Newsradio 15-80 Charlotte County's only news talk radio station, serving you around the clock." Into ABC news. Over all. (WJH-MD)

FL WTCL Chattahoochee 12/30 1858 Vocal version of the SSB. I think I heard announcer say it was by Marvin Gaye. After SSB at 1859, hrd at least 3 IDs. The last one was "WTCL Chattahoochee." Assume this is a sign off. (WJH-MD)

TN WLIJ Shelbyville 12/31 0659 Blue Grass Music, a quick ID "15-80 WLIJ Shelbyville Tennessee," and USA Network Radio News. (WJH-MD)

 Thanks to all this week... FRESH 1/16 0900

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Deadline for the Anniversary issue will be March 12, 2005. You can report early for it, but please mark it as being for the anniversary issue. Thanks. Early reports will be appreciated.

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The Saturday Morning Crew on WHAS-840 today (8 Jan) read a letter from a DXer in Norway and played a bit of his tape. A lot of noise, but the ID was clear, as was Art Bell and C2CAM. They went on to talk about where some of the other reports had come from. The "war" between University of Louisville and WHAS (Clear Channel) has heated up. WHAS has refused to provide a satellite feed to Sirius who also has a contract to carry U of L games. WHAS produces the game show and did not want to provide a free feed. U of L obtained a temporary restraining order to force WHAS into compliance with U of L's request. And away we go! Col. DX

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818-842-5500. 1/10 sent in remaining \$15 for current membership. As of today, 2 issues left, 42-16 and exp. is 42-18. Tons of rain here plus terrible problems in many areas. Locally, things are OK. Still doing 12-8am shift, T & W morns. Off. Forgot 1060 KTNS test even tho I planned to be listening. Other things came up. Been hearing 620 Tijuana BC. First weeks ago w/SS, then more recently NOS - standards - probably due to 1360 KLSD being talk. Anyone know power? Anyone feel free to call here. 73.

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Six new stations heard since my last report including my 40th XE station and the KTNS TEST. I'm concentrating on quality, not quantity. Most of the new stations I hear I'm trying to get enough details to write a reception report. On 12/30 I drove through Murrieta CA and listened for the HAR station on 620 but only heard XESS. The LAX TIS on 530, WNHV296, is a daytime regular now with their power increase to 100 watts. I've been working on TIS/HAR stations this year with 5 verified. The only holdout I regularly hear is the City of Irvine and I'm working on that one. The power cut by KFI has made 650 a little easier to listen to. No new ones heard yet but a report out to regular KMTI. This morning on the way to work I was listening to XETRA-690 and they announced Xtra Sports 5-70 so it

looks like some changes at KLAC. Veries have slowed down with the return rate at 55% even with follow-ups and prepared cards. I finally hit the 1/3 of stations heard are verified mark, now going for the 50% mark. Thanks to Doug Nyholm and Patrick Martin for the postcards. I picked up a cabinet for my 51J-2 off ebay and moved the radio from the garage to the house. I'm planning on going to the convention; it's only about a 20-minute drive to Anaheim. 73's Martin

Richard Evans, 7416 Hearthstone Way, Indianapolis, Indiana 46227-7923

A couple of somewhat productive sessions this week, with two new stations on Sunday and two more on Monday. Picked off a station in Altoona, PA which would probably have been on my list of unknown more wanted stations, hi. That would be a list of stations I hadn't really given a thought of really targeting but, when I hear it, realize that I really wanted it. Altoona is where I have dealt with a truck line I am thinking seriously of trying to contact this spring after the tax season is over with. Still, for now, I really feel like leaving Indy. I had moved here with the hopes I wouldn't be moving again. 73.

IRCA TECHNICAL COLUMN

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An update to "A Dummies' Guide to Working with Wall Warts", which appeared in the IRCA Technical Column in DXM, Volume 42, Number 16. John Bryant advises to hold off on building any of the wall wart voltage regulator adapters until he puts together a proper addendum to the article. The main problem is that the voltage regulators are capable of much more current draw and voltage drop than he actually used. If one tried to use one in a high current draw and/or large voltage drop circuit, the best that might happen is that the regulator could shut down automatically upon becoming overheated. There are other possible outcomes that might be even more inconvenient.

best wishes, Nick

WEBSITE WANDERINGS

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Hi everyone, welcome to another website column. If anyone comes across a radio related website please forward it to me at: DXRADIO@webtv.net. I will be most grateful.

Don't forget to access and enjoy the IRCA excellent website at: <http://www.ircaonline.org/irca1.htm>

This week I give you just one website which features Old Time Radio shows in MP3 format. There are a lot of shows to choose from: Westerns, Comedy, Mysteries and more. Bookmark the site and when you have a few minutes, kick back and enjoy a show with the entire family, like folks used to; not much on TV anyway, and he shows are short. Hi! <http://www.radiolovers.com/>

And with that I will bid you adieu until the next issue of the Monitor and say:

"73 de DX de NY" ~ Ray

HEARING IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

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Greetings fellow IRCAn's and welcome to another chapter of "Hearing It Through The Grapevine." This one features 550 kHz and the State of Arizona. Quite a few reporters this time around and some heavy loggings from our West Coasters so let's see what they've heard recently and over the years.

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Dennis Vroom 1967, 1968 San Pablo, CA, 2004 Vancouver, WA. HQ-180 5' Loop, 1937 Fada AM Radio + 75' long wire NE, (DX'd in 1967 and 1968.)

Featured Frequency 550 kHz:

KOY Phoenix AZ 1968 CA

KAFY Bakersfield, CA 1967 CA

KOAC Corvallis, OR 1967 CA

[I recently bought a 1947 RCA AM Bakelite radio in excellent, working condition and looking MINT. Gotta DX on it - ed]

Featured State Arizona:

550 KOY Phoenix 1968 CA	990 KTKT Tucson 1968 CA
620 KTAR Phoenix 1968 CA	1060 KUPD Tempe 1968 CA
660 KTNN Window Rock. 2004 WA	1290 KCUB Tucson 1968 CA
910 KPHO Phoenix 1968 CA	1310 KBUZ Mesa 1968 CA
940 KHOS Tucson 1968 CA	1400 KXIV Phoenix 1968 Ca

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Ken Wilson KG4BIG, Georgetown, KY. Ten-Tec RX340/Sherwood SE-3, JRC NRD525, Wellbrook K9AY, Wellbrook ALA 1530.

Featured frequency 550 kHz:

WSVA VA, Harrisonburg, 12/18/04	WAME NC, Statesville, 12/29/04
WAYR FL, Orange Park, 12/18/04	KTSA TX, San Antonio, 12/31/04
WDUN GA, Gainesville, 12/18/04	KTRS MO, St Louis, 1/3/05
WKRC OH, Cincinnati, 12/18/04	

+ 2 Spanish Stations @ or around 20:30 on 1/5/05 but no ID.

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Martin Foltz, Mission Viejo CA, Hammarlund HQ-180A & Collins 51J-2, 1 foot air core loop antenna.

Featured frequency 550 kHz:

KFYI Phoenix, AZ	XEKTT Tecate, BCN (before they changed frequency)
KUZZ Bakersfield CA	

Featured State Arizona:

550 KFYI Phoenix	1380 KPLZ Parker
560 KBLU Yuma	1400 KSUN Phoenix
620 KTAR Phoenix	1400 KTUC Tucson
660 KTNN Window Rock	1400 KEZC Yuma (KJOK now)
780 KAZM Sedona	1420 KMOG Payson
830 KFLT Tucson (1990)	1510 KFNN Mesa
910 KFYI Phoenix (KGME now)	1550 KUAZ Tucson
960 KKNT Phoenix	1580 KNIX Tempe
1060 KDUS Tempe	1600 KXEW South Tucson
1230 KOY Phoenix	1230 KAAA Kingman heard in the car around town once.
1360 KPXQ Glendale	

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Nick Hall-Patch, Victoria, BC, Canada

Featured frequency 550:

*KARI Blaine WA dominant semi local, 24h
*KOAC Corvallis, OR at night in KARI null; can sometimes interfere with KARI
*KBOW Butte, MT used to hear in 70's KARI null
*KFYR Bismarck ND once after midnight u/KBOW in KARI null, mid-70's
*KOY Phoenix AZ in mid-70's, after midnight, KARI null (now KFYI)
*KAFY Bakersfield, CA sunrise skip mixing w/KARI
*KRAI Craig, CO once at local sunrise in KARI null, day power
*CKPG Prince George BC. Can pop up in KARI null
*KMVI Wailuku, HI. Heard its sign off u/KARI Jan 1978
*KTSA San Antonio, TX. Heard in 1979 w/KARI off, after local midnight (surprising how many of these calls have survived for 20 and more years).

Featured State Arizona:

550 KOY Phoenix in mid-70's, after midnight, KARI null (now KFYI.)
620 KTAR Phoenix in 1974, nulling CKCK with Portland off & on MM.
690 KEOS Flagstaff my notes say 1975 with XETRA off, in KKUA (Honolulu) null! (no longer listed.)
990 KTKT Tucson. SRS in the late 70's.
1290 KCUB Tucson. Heard in wee small hours in 1978. Believe this was an open frequency then.
1310 KQXE Mesa. equipment test after midnight 1978 (now KXAM.)
1360 KRUX Glendale. After midnight 1978, another open frequency at the time. (now KPXQ after many intervening call changes.)
1400 KXIV Phoenix. A DX test in 1978; only code ID's made it through. (now KTUC.)
1440 KSGR Scottsdale. Sunrise skip in late 70's. (now KAZG.)
1450 KVSL Show Low. Remember "frequency checks"? This one popped up in the mid-70's with these tests.
1480 KPHX Phoenix. Middle of night early 80's on an open frequency.
1510 KDKB Mesa. In KGA null, SSS in mid 70's (now KFNN.)
1580 KTUF Tempe. SRS in mid 70's (now KMIK.)

***That was pretty nostalgic looking through the old logs. Think I have some computer print outs from that time (when computers were the size of trucks) of Phil Bytheway and Bruce Portzer's logbooks. Those guys really had good DX in spite of their urban locations, testifying to their DXing skill (NH-P)

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Doug Pifer, 3410 Marion St. SE, Albany, OR 97322, Drake R8B, Kiwa loop

Featured frequency 550 kHz:

CKPG BC, Prince George. Havent heard lately. Was Oldies/rock.
KARI WA, Blaine. Religious programming.
KOAC OR, Corvallis. Oregon public broadcasting. Local 4.5 miles away. OAC= Oregon Agricultural College.

Featured State Arizona:

620 KTAR Phoenix. Heard once last year with news. "News Radio 620."
660 KTNN Window Rock. "Voice of 'The Navajo Nation'". A regular, but KZTU puts a big dent in it. Used to have it as a preset in my car.
710 KMIA Black Canyon City. Heard once. Spanish. "La Consentida".
830 KFLT Tucson. Religious. "Family Life Radio"
1060 KDUS Tempe. Sports. Heard several times. "The Deuce".
1180 KYET Williams. Last heard in '98 with sign off or reduction in power. Possibly religious.
1380 KPXQ Glendale. Heard once. Religious. "Eternal Talk Radio".
1580 KMIK Tempe. Radio Disney.

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Pete Taylor, Tacoma, WA. ICF2010 & Kiwa air core loop

Featured frequency 550 kHz:

KOAC Corvallis OR - regularly	CKPG Prince George BC - occasionally 550
KARI Blaine WA - regularly	KBOW Butte - once, 1997
	KMVI Wailuku, HI - once, 1998

Featured State Arizona:

660 KTNN Window Rock - seasonally over CFFR KDUS 1060 Tempe - once, 2002, no CKMX or SLC; aurora?
1180 KYET Williams - once, 1999, KLAY SP, probably on 10kw
1510 KFNN Tempe - once, 1997, quirk
1580 KMIK/KCWW Tempe - occasionally over KGAL/KBLA

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Mike Sanburn, KG6LJU, PO Box 1256, Bellflower, CA 90707. GE Superadios II and III. Collins R-390; SONY MYOW; Various car radios; RCA 1-RA-11.

Featured frequency 550 kHz:

KOY/KGME/KFYI Phoenix, AZ, Most nights	KOAC Corvallis, OR Often
KRAI Craig, CO, 1974	KMVI Wailuku, HI, SRS 1975
KAFY/KCWR/KUZZ Bakersfield, CA Day & Night	KSD St. Louis, MO, '93 DX Test
	XETTT Tecate BC, Mexico. Recently

Featured State Arizona:

550 KOY/KGME/KFYI Phoenix	1230 KRIZ/KAMJ/KISP/KISO/KOY Phoenix
560 KBLU Yuma	1240 KJAA Globe
620 KTAR Phoenix	1250 KHIL Willcox
660 KTNN Window Rock	1250 KTIM/KBSZ Wickenburg
690 KVNA Flagstaff	1270 KDJI Holbrook
780 KAZM Sedona	1280 KHEP Phoenix
830 KFLT Tucson	1290 KCUB Tucson
910 KPHO/KJJJ/KFYI Phoenix	1310 KBUZ/KZZP/KXAM Mesa
940 KNST Tucson	1330 KMRR South Tucson
960 KOOL/KARZ/KPXQ/KCTR/KKNT Phoenix	1340 KPGE Page
980 KFWJ Lake Havasu	1340 KIKO Miami
990 KTKT Tucson	1360 KRUX/KLFF/KNNS/KGME/KPXQ Glendale
1000 KRHS/KFLG Bullhead City	1380 KZUL/KLPZ Parker
1010 KXEG Tolleson	1400 KXIV/KSUN Phoenix
1050 KTBA Tuba City	1400 KVOY/KEZC Yuma
1060 KUPT Tempe	1400 KTUC Tucson
1100 KCCF Cave Creek	1420 KMOG Payson
1150 KCKY Coolidge	1440 KDOT/KOPA/KSLX Scottsdale
1180 KYET Williams	1450 KVSL Show Low
1190 KRDS Tolleson	1450 KTZR/KWFM Tucson
1210 KQTL Sahuarita	1450 KNOT Prescott
1230 KAAA Kingman	1470 KAZM Sedona

1470	KMFI	Sierra Vista	1540	KASA	Phoenix
1490	KAIR/KJYK/KKND/KFFN	Tucson	1550	KUAT/KUAZ	Tucson
1490	KYCA	Prescott	1580	KTUF/KNIX/KCWW/KMIK	Tempe
1490	KCUZ	Clifton	1600	KXEW	Tucson
1490	KBAS/KZZZ	Bullhead City	1600	KVRD/KYBC	Cottonwood
1510	KDKB/KFNN	Mesa			

Thanks to everyone for the great reports! Since I featured the "Left Side of the Dial and the Left Coast" in this Grapevine I think I'll feature the "Right Side of the Dial and the Right Coast" for the next issue.

Let's see what's been heard on 1600 kHz and in the State of Massachusetts, which was 1st settled in 1636 and was admitted to the Union on May 29, 1790. Their State bird is the Chickadee and the State flower is the Mayflower.

The deadline for this will be Saturday, February 12th at 1500 hours EST.

Until then be well my friends and --- 73 de DX de NY, Ray

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2. Bill Nittler	286	8. Nigel Pimblett	96
Paul Swearingen	286	9. Bill Block	52
4. Doug Pifer	207	10. John C. Johnson	8
5. Nancy Johnson*	169	11. Mike Sanburn	5
6. David Braun	103		

*Contest manager is not eligible to win.

This contest has increased many of our contestant's totals. If you are in the contest please share with us how many new stations you have received since the contest began on October 1st. Good luck to everyone this month.

You can join this years contest at anytime. The rules are on the IRCA web site.

Send your contest entries to: NancyJohnson@prodigy.net, or the above address

SPORTS ON RADIO

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KXO-1230 SPORTS

January 25 NBA - LA Lakers vs Seattle 7:15PM
 January 26 NBA - LA Lakers vs LA Clippers 7:15PM
 January 28 NBA - LA Lakers vs New Jersey 7:15PM
 January 30 NBA - LA Lakers vs Charlotte 6:15PM

WHAS-840 SPORTS

January 25 Men's BB - Kentucky @ Tennessee 9:00PM
 January 26 Men's BB - Marquette @ Louisville 7:00PM
 January 29 Men's BB - Louisville @ Tulane 8:00PM

WNIL-1290 HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL BROADCASTS

January 28 Coloma @ Buchanan 7:30PM
 February 1 Brandywine @ Buchanan 7:30PM
 February 8 Eau Claire @ Buchanan 7:30PM
 February 18 St. Joe @ Niles 7:30PM
 February 22 Bridgemen @ Buchanan 7:30PM

WSCR-670 SPORTS

January 25 Men's BB - Illinois vs Wisconsin 5:40PM
 January 26 Men's BB - Maryland vs Duke 7:45PM
 January 27 Men's BB - Washington vs Arizona 7:15PM
 January 29 Men's BB - DePaul vs Southern Mississippi 3:45PM

WSNO-1450 HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS BROADCASTING SCHEDULE

January 24 Boy's BB - Randolph @ Montpelier 7:30PM
 January 25 Girl's BB - Burlington @ Spaulding 7:15PM
 January 27 Boy's BB - North Country @ Spaulding 7:15PM
 January 28 Boy's BB - Montpelier @ U32 7:30PM
 January 29 Girl's Hockey - U32 @ Spaulding 6:00PM
 February 1 Girl's BB - Randolph @ U32 7:30PM
 February 7 Boy's BB - St. Johnsbury @ Spaulding 7:15PM
 February 9 Boy's BB - Lamoille @ Montpelier 7:30PM
 February 14 Girl's BB - Montpelier @ U32 7:30PM
 February 15 Boy's BB - Colchester @ Spaulding 7:15PM
 February 17 Girl's BB - Harwood @ Montpelier 7:30PM or Girl's BB - Lamoille @ U32 7:30PM
 February 22 Girl's BB - Lamoille @ Montpelier 7:30PM or Girl's BB - Oxbow @ U32 7:30PM

WXGO-1270 HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL BROADCAST SCHEDULE

January 28 Rising Sun @ Shawe 7:15PM
 February 4 Scottsburg @ Southwestern 7:15PM
 February 25 Shawe vs Charlestown 7:15PM
 Coaldale, Alberta

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