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I'm just back from our convention... nice time to start a new volume!! Still lots of stuff in the wings! This time, IRCA welcomes: **Robert H. Ruggley** of Chicago, IL and **Russell Lay** of Nags Head, NC.

TVA/RHA ELECTION RESULTS

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TVA Voting Results:

- 5 = Art Blair
- 6 = Richard Evans
- 8 = John C. Johnson
- 11 = Nick Hall-Patch
- 14 = Doug Pifer**
- 1 = Robert Wien (write-in)
- 1 = No Vote Cast

RHA Voting Results:

- 16 = Art Blair**
- 28 = Doug Pifer
- 1 = Mike Sanburn (write-in)
- 1 = No Vote Cast

* **Art Blair** wins as runner-up since Doug won the TVA Award

* TVA Winner is **Doug Pifer**

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2006 IRCA Convention Planning

Bids to host the 2006 IRCA Convention are now being accepted until October 15, 2005. For more information, please contact me at one of the addresses above.
73, Nick

BROADCAST TEST COORDINATOR – DX TESTS

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Ever alert for the chance to conduct a DX Test, **Rene Tetro**, Chief Engineer at WNTP 990Khz used some repairs to a relay on the transmitter as an opportunity to conduct a full 50KW test!

Unfortunately, Rene wasn't able to provide a lot of advance notice, and with the BTC on business in the nation's capitol, a lot of DX'ers didn't receive word via e-mail either. For those (like me) who missed the test, take heart... Rene has promised future tests soon.

WNTP 990khz Lafayette Hill, PA DX Test Results July 28, 2005

Another engineer, Ron Gitschier in Palm Coast, FL was able to copy the famous NRC sweep tones at around 12:24AM using only a Radio Shack DX-398 and a loop. Followed by Curt Deegan's successful reception in Boca Raton, Florida.

Wade Smith heard the sweep tones mixing with "The Team 990" out of Montreal from his home in New Brunswick, Neal

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Newman also heard the test from his perch near WTTM. Bob Young in Milbury, MA also managed to pull the sweep tones out of the noise and the voice ID that ended the test at about 12:30AM.

But there was also disappointment mixed with the joy in Mudville. Gerry Bishop in Niceville, Florida tried for the test, but reported too much QRM from WNOX and others.

A big thank you for this test to Rene and WNTP! Hope we can count on another one later this season.

BCT/CPC Report

The past DX season marked many important milestones in regards to DX Tests. The International Radio Club of America decided to merge its CPC position with that of the National Radio Club, effectively giving one point of contact to the broadcast industry for DX Tests.

It was also decided to rename the position to better reflect its mission. We now refer to this position as the "Broadcast Test Coordinator". The IRCA generously provided new stationary and business cards that reflect the new position and help to establish a professional appearance.

Other important changes included a greater reliance on personal contacts through the membership, with the BTC filling more of a supporting role. Now instead of concentrating on sending out requests for tests blindly, we start by asking members to put us in touch with their contacts at local stations, or we assist them in their own efforts to schedule tests.

Assistance from the club comes in the form of providing Morse Code ID's, Sweep tones, and other test materials. In some cases, we have also taken on the responsibility of printing and sending out QSL cards. Our efforts are now directed at making the tests as easy as possible for stations, requiring minimal effort on their part.

This past DX season saw 15 DX tests conducted, including an international test by CCR 1020khz in Grand Turk, which was heard well on the East Coast. and one night that saw four stations testing on the same evening! A graveyard frequency test by KEVA 1240khz was heard across the country, despite the jumbled conditions of this frequency, which speaks to what a difference Morse Code can make it pulling a station out of the noise.

But challenges also face us, with many tests this year coming on short notice, making it more difficult for members without access to the e-mail lists to participate. To combat this problem, the BTC also operates a "flash notification" system where postcards are mailed to members who request short term notification, but only three members have availed themselves of this service.

It seems clear that we will have to continue to adapt to changes in the broadcasting industry that make it ever more difficult to schedule tests. More and more tests will be conducted on short notice, making it essential that DX'ers use all the tools available, especially e-mail lists to stay informed. Some stations also cited legal concerns, wanting to avoid even the appearance of causing interference to other stations by conducting tests at daytime power levels, despite our pointing out that such tests are legal.

Both engineers and management are less likely to be amateur radio operators or even radio hobbyist themselves, making them less sympathetic to our requests. To combat these problems, we've taken several steps:

1. Our broadcast test coordinator as spoken at two meetings of the Society of Broadcast Engineers, playing clips of rare DX tests, explaining the hobby, and asking for future tests. As a result of these meetings we already have commitments for two new tests in the coming season.

2. We've encouraged other members to reach out to their local chapters as well, and have offered to supply materials for their use.

3. We have begun to approach stations with the idea of a :60 second "mini-test" format. Basically a commercial that can be inserted into the stations overnight inventory, that would run Morse Code ID's and sweep tones near the top of the hour. Some stations have expressed interest in this format, since it does not require engineering support nor does it affect their commitment to overnight programming.

4. Members in both clubs are now encouraged to exploit their own contacts with local engineers and station managers to request tests. We supply guidance and advice, and will interface directly where needed. These types of contacts accounted for perhaps 1/2 of all the tests conducted last season.

5. BTC has spoken widely in print publications and on the e-mail lists about the need to treat stations with greater respect. Not demanding QSL's, reporting "cheaters" to the FCC, or other actions that might negatively affect the image of hobbyists with the broadcast community.

DX'ers have to adapt to the changing nature of broadcasting, and strive to create a positive image with stations.

Suggestions for improvement are always welcome. I look forward to the coming DX season and contributing to both clubs.

73, Les Rayburn, N1LF, NRC/IRCA Broadcast Test Coordinator

A DXers Technical Guide, 4th Edition

In its nearly 200 pages you will learn about the principles underlying the design of successful receivers, antennas and receiving accessories, find reviews of the best commercially available DXing equipment in different price ranges, as well as detailed instructions for building one's own antennas and other DXing aids. Although it focuses on the technical backdrop to medium wave DXing, it will also be of interest to serious shortwave listeners and low band radio amateurs.

Prices: **IRCA members** - \$15.00 (US/Canada/Mexico/sea-mail), \$20.50 (rest of the Americas/Europe airmail), \$21.50 (Australia/Japan/New Zealand airmail). Non-IRCA members - add \$2.50.

To order, send your funds to: IRCA Bookstore, 9705 May Ave NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334. (Please make checks out to **Phil Bytheway** – funds not made out to Phil Bytheway will be returned).

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CALL LETTER CHANGES

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY	NEW CALL
540	WJQI	Clarksville, TN	WKFN
790	WXXA	Louisville, KY	WKRD
870	KAIM	Honolulu, HI	KHNR
910	WLLK	Burnside, KY	WSFE
970	WOXL	Asheville, NC	WLZR
970	KTRW	Spokane, WA	KTTO
1160	KNEI	Waukon, IA	KHPP
1160	WZFN	Saraland, AL	WKTT
1250	WQXA	York, PA	WYYC
1340	KIDS	Springfield, MO	KADI
1370	WKFN	Ft. Campbell, KY	WJQI
1550	WBCV	Bristol, TN	WIGN
1580	WANB	Waynesburg, PA	WXXP

FORMAT CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY	OLD INFO	NEW INFO
540	WKFN	Clarksville, TN	contemp. Christian	ESPN sports radio
590	KTHO	South Lake Tahoe, CA	news/talk	ABC Stardust adult stds.
640	KTIB	Thibodaux, LA	oldies	silent
730	WASO	Covington, LA	talk	talk
780	WIIN	Ridgeland, MS	adult standards	Spanish
850	KICY	Nome, AK	southern gospel	silent
850	WRBZ	Raleigh, NC	sports	Fox sports radio
860	WGUL	Dunedin, FL	Jones MOYL stds.	Talk
870	KHNR	Honolulu, HI	KAIM, classic C&W	news/talk //KHNR-FM
940	WINE	Brookfield, CT	adult standards	ESPN sports
970	WBLF	Bellefonte, PA	news/talk	oldies //WOWY
970	WZQK	Brandon, MS	country	ABC Real C&W //WQST
980	WAAA	Winston-Salem, NC	black gospel	ABC Stardust AS //WIST
980	WAZS	Summerville, SC	regional Mexican	jazz "Jazz 980"
980	WKOR	Starkville, MS	black gospel	ESPN sports radio
1010	WIOJ	Jacksonville Beach, NC	contemp. Christian	talk
1020	KOKP	Perry, OK	talk	Fox sports radio //KOKB
1160	KHPP	Waukon, IA	KNEI, sports	sports (ex-1140 khz)
1160	WMLB	East Point, GA	adult standards	variety
1210	KHAT	Laramie, WY	oldies	Fox sports radio
1210	WQLS	Ozark, AL	black gospel	silent
1210	WSBI	Static, TN	oldies	classic country
1230	KSZL	Barstow, CA	news	talk
1230	WNRN	Augusta, GA	talk	Spanish
1230	WSSO	Starkville, MS	talk	ESPN sports
1230	WTKN	Corinth, MS	silent	talk
1250	KDNZ	Cedar Falls, IA	sports	Spanish
1250	WQXA	York, PA	traditional country	religious teaching
1270	WHGS	Hampton, SC	silent	adult contemp. //WHBC-FM
1270	WUCO	Marysville, OH	country	EWTN religious teaching
1280	WOWZ	Appomattox, VA	adult standards	silent
1310	WICH	Norwich, CT	WW1 soft AC	WW1 adult standards
1340	WHAP	Hopewell, VA	southern gospel	format not available
1340	WIRY	Plattsburgh, NY	adult contemporary	AC & country
1350	KCOR	San Antonio, TX	Spanish hits	Spanish urban //KCOR-FM
1370	KPCO	Quincy, CA	nostalgia	talk
1370	WJQI	Ft. Campbell, KY	sports	Salem contemp. Christian
1400	KCLA	Pine Bluff, AR	black gospel	Fox sports radio
1400	WJWF	Columbus, OH	talk	ESPN sports radio
1460	WBUC	Buckhannon, WV	adult standards	ABC Pure Gold oldies
1460	WKDV	Manassas, VA	Spanish	ethnic
1460	WMCJ	Cullman, AL	religious teaching	Salem southern gospel
1470	KWSL	Sioux City, IA	Fox sports radio	Spanish oldies "La Preciosa"
1470	WLOA	Farrell, PA	Christian rock	oldies //WEXY-FM
1480	WEZC	Neon, KY	southern gospel	silent
1490	KEUN	Eunice, LA	ethnic	talk

1490	WLPA	Lancaster, PA	Sporting News radio	Fox sports radio
1510	KPIG	Piedmont, CA	KMZT, oldies	Americana
1510	WPUT	Brewster, NY	adult standards	ESPN sports //WINE
1540	WRSM	Sumiton, AL	urban AC	silent
1550	KLFJ	Springfield, MO	silent	travel information
1550	KXEX	Fresno, CA	pre-teen	Sporting News Radio sports
1550	WBCV	Bristol, TN	religious teaching	Salem southern gospel
1550	WKTF	Vienna, GA	ranchero	Spanish hits
1560	WYZD	Dobson, NC	southern gospel	gospel music
1580	KOKB	Blackwell, OK	talk	Fox sports radio
1580	KQRL	Waco, TX	sports	ABC Real country
1590	WAIK	Galesburg, IL	soft AC	adult contemporary
1590	WFBR	Glen Burnie, MD	Spanish	black gospel
1700	XEPE	Tecate, BCN	regional Mexican	bus. News "Cash 1700 AM"

NEW STATION GRANTS

1620		Toms River, NJ	10000/1000 ND1
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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

890	KQLX	Lisbon, ND	1000 ND to 1800 ND-D
950	WPEN	Philadelphia, PA	5000/5000 to 5000/21000
1070	KVKK	Verndale, MN	10000/5000 DA-N (new CP)
1150	KSAL	Salina, KS	DA-N to ND2
1150	WMST	Mt. Sterling, KY	500/53 ND to 2500/53 ND2
1160	KNEI	Waukon, IA	1000 ND-D to 880/26 ND2
1260	WWVT	Christianburg, VA	2800 ND-D to 5000/25 ND2
1600	WOKB	Winter Garden, FL	5000/5000 DA2 to 2200/35 ND2
1690	WWAA	Avondale Estates, GA	ND to ND2

FACILITY AND PARAMETER APPLICATIONS

620	WTRP	La Grange, GA	ND to ND2
630	WNEG	Toccoa, GA	500/44 ND to 500/200 DAN
630	WUNO	San Juan, PR	DA-1 to DA2
640	WJNA	Boca Raton, FL	7500/460 DA-2 to 25000/25000 DA2
910	WNDC	Baton Rouge, LA	1000/1000 DA-1 to 1200/51 DA2 (was silent)
950	WPEN	Philadelphia, PA	5000/5000 DA-N to 5000/21000 DAN
1010	KIQI	San Francisco, CA	10000/500 DA-2 to 35000/500 DA2
1010	WTNK	Newport, NH	10000/37 ND to 10000/2000 DAN
1050	KTCT	San Mateo, CA	50000/10000 DA-2 to 50000/50000 DA2
1080	WHOO	Kissimmee, FL	10000 DA-D to 19000/190 DA3
1150	WAVO	Rock Hill, SC	1000/59 ND to 5000/59 ND2
1310	WHEP	Foley, AL	2500 ND-D to 2500/48 ND2
1330	WKTA	Evanston, IL	5000/17 DA-D to 5000/52 DA2
1340	WTAN	Clearwater, FL	ND to ND2
1360	KLSD	San Diego, CA	5000/1000 ND to 50000/50000 DA2
1370	KGEN	Tulare, CA	1000/135 ND to 710/72 ND2
1530	KZNX	Creedmoor, TX	10000/12 DA-3 to 10000/220 DA3
1540	WJJT	Jellico, TN	1000 ND-D to 1000/1 ND3
1590	WIXK	New Richmond, WI	5000/70 ND to 5000/95 ND2
1600	WATX	Algood, TN	1000/37 ND-D to 800/34 ND2
1600	WPDC	Elizabethtown, PA	500/79 ND to 1000/7 ND2

FACILITY AND PARAMETER GRANTS

620	WTRP	La Grange, GA	1000/124 to 2500/127
800	KPDQ	Portland, OR	1000/500 to 1000/600
910	WDFD	Flint, MI	5000/1000 to 50000/19000
950	WPEN	Philadelphia, PA	5000/5000 to 5000/21000
960	WGGT	North Palm Beach, FL	500/250 to 1200/250
1050	WBRG	Lynchburg, VA	1000/97 to 4000/98
1150	KCKY	Apache Junction, AZ	5000/1000 to 5000/190
1210	KZTS	Sunnyside, WA	10000/1000 to 700/700
1310	WGSP	Charlotte, NC	5000 to 5000/240
1360	WKAT	North Miami, FL	5000/1000 to 50000/5000
1410	KWYO	Sheridan, WY	5000/500 to 5000/350
1430	WATB	Decatur, GA	1000/51 to 50000/160
1460	WRVK	Mount Vernon, KY	500/93 to 1200/93
1560	KILE	Bellaire, TX	800 ND-D to 50000/5000 DA2
1560	KKAA	Aberdeen, SC	10500/5400 to 10000/5000
1560	new	Burbank, WA	50000/1400 to 10000/1600
1560	WBYS	Canton, IL	250 to 250/18

ADDITIONAL NOTES: (CONTRIBUTOR IN PARANTHESES)

PUBLIC LISTINGS:

620 KMNS Sioux City adds Fox sports to its news/talk programming.
 860 WGUL Dunedin/Tampa FL and WLSS 930 Sarasota FL flip to Salem talk; WGUL requests new calls WNTR.
 900 WCER Canton OH completes its transition from religion to talk as "NewsTalk 900."
 970 WRKN Brandon MS changes calls to WZQK.
 980 WUUS Rossville GA/Chattanooga TN drops sports to become "GT98" oldies, picking up the format abandoned by crosstown WOGT 107.9.

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Ye editor sends along the following:

Monday, Aug. 15, 2005, Grupo Prisa One Step Closer To XTRA-AM Takeover
 The FCC on Friday granted permission to GLR Networks to deliver Spanish-language programming to XTRA-AM/Tijuana-San Diego — a step in the expected transfer of control of the 690 kHz powerhouse's programming and sales agreements from Clear Channel to Madrid-based Grupo Prisa S.A., which will later acquire the station outright through a Mexican subsidiary. No date has been released from either company regarding the format flip of XTRA, currently Adult Standards as "The Fabulous 690." XTRA-AM's signal can be heard throughout Southern California and much of Baja California Norte, Mexico. (RW-CA)

DATE OF COLUMN: 8/29/05. Whew, got out this BI column just 2 days after the IRCA convention ended. Hope everyone who attended had a good time. Now I have 2 weeks till a ham radio convention in Riverside, so convention time! Starting a new job at work also, so some things ending and some things beginning. 73's and have a good Labor Day weekend. (continued next issue – pb)

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

1380 KJUA WY, Cheyenne ex-KJL 8/5 2159 heard "La Jua" and English ID on the hour.
 (BN-NM)

- 540 KVIP CA, Redding 7/21 1210 religious program, very weak & scratchy by itself in the static. New. (GH-OR2)
- CBK SK, Regina 8/5 0700 in fair with CBC Overnight program. (CM-CA)
- 560 KVOK AK, Kodiak 7/25 0810 fair to poor with promo mentioning call and "Kodiak... Report." (bp-AK)
- 620 CKRM SK, Regina 8/7 0300 ID as "Saskatchewan's new leader," over KWAL, not KPOJ at all (off?). (GH-OR3)
- 630 KIAM AK, Nenana 7/21 good signal all day in Healy with Christian program, music, etc. Program sample: 0100 ending "Unshackled" program, "The Gospel Voice of the Wilderness, KIAM Nenana" ID into USA network news, later had "Mukluk Messages" (messages for listeners in remote areas) and very detailed weather report (including the water level for every river in the area). ID's as "The I Am Radio Network." (bp-AK)
- 670 KDLG AK, Dillingham 7/25 0800 good ending jazz program, ID mentioned relays by KIAL Unalaska, KSDP Sand Point, KNSA Unalakleet and FM translator, then BBC news. (bp-AK)
- 690 XETRA BCN, Tijuana presently NOS with Clear Channel programming, unsure of when new owner(s) will go to Spanish talk. (GL-CA)
- 740 KCBS CA, San Francisco 7/23 0606 news and call ID, fair. (bp-AK)
- 750 KHWG NV, Fallon 8/20 0725 very strong over KAMA/KXL/KOAL with promo to listen to KHWG form a local nun, then ID "AM 750, KHWG." Classic C&W (Willie Nelson). Possibly on day power at time, though maybe shouldn't have been. New! (RW-CA)
- 760 KFMB CA, San Diego 7/24 fair with local ad, "Radio 7-60 KFMB" ID, into talk show. (bp-AK)
- 770 KCHU AK, Valdez weak days in Seward with various music/talk programs. Good with jazz show 7/24 0637. Loud with NPR's "Blues Before Dawn" show 7/25 0732. NPR news good 0806 7/25. (bp-AK)
- 780 KKOH NV, Reno 7/23 0607 Coast to Coast good, no sign of KNOM Nome. (bp-AK)
- 790 KCAM AK, Glenallen 7/20 0703 fair with weather and call ID by woman. (bp-AK)
- KWIL OR, Albany 7/23 0010 religious talk show in the mix with ID, very weak signal. New. (GH-OR2)
- 800 CKOR BC, Penticton 8/23 0236-0241 with a 5 minute string of local ads with many mentions of Penticton, then into rock oldies. Have noted this one for 4-5 days but first time I could put a finger on it. Figured that's who it was. (DKK-CA)
- 810 KGO CA, San Francisco 7/23 0555 strong with talk show, ABC news at 0601 recheck. (bp-AK)
- 830 KSDP AK, Sand Point 7/25 marine weather forecast, fishing report from AK Dept. of Fish and Game, then music. Fair, no // 670 despite ID heard earlier on KDLG. (bp-AK)
- 860 CFPR BC, Prince Rupert 7/23 0603 news // CBU-690, Radio Sweden relay 0606. (bp-AK)
- 870 KSKO AK, McGrath 7/25 0715 tentative with offbeat music program, stuff like operatic version of "Till there Was You," soft voiced woman announcer, some jazz music, weak to fair over unID talk. (bp-AK)
- KRLA CA, Glendale 7/22 0000 dominating the jumble with news & ID, really weak. New. (GH-OR2)
- 890 KBBI AK, Homer 7/23 0616 loud with BBC program. (bp-AK)
- 910 KNEW CA, Oakland 7/21 0100 ad for AIS Insurance into news. Fair signal, barely atop KISN. Not heard since October. (GH-OR2)
- 920 KSRM AK, Soldotna fair signal days in Anchorage and Seward, strong at night in Seward with newstalk. Noted in Healy 7/20 0700 with legal ID "KSRM Soldotna-Kenai-Homer," if then ABC news. (bp-AK)
- 930 KTKN AK, Ketchikan 7/25 0426 good with oldies "930 KTKN Ketchikan, a proud service of Alaska Broadcast Communications." (bp-AK)
- KSEI ID, Pocatello 8/7 0430 ad for Roto Rooter and high school football, talk program by itself in the static. Weak. (GH-OR)
- 980 CKNW BC, New Westminster 7/24 0559 loud, ending radio drama, "CKNW 98" ID, promo for "99.3 FM Rock." (bp-AK)
- 1000 KOMO WA, Seattle 7/23 0605 good with traffic report, "Komo 1000 News" into "Mariners After Midnight" (replay of previous nights ball game). Good with news 7/24 0553. (bp-AK)
- 1030 KDUN OR, Reedsport 8/3 0235 way over KTWO with C&W and infomercials, running daytime power? (BP-CA)
- 1050 ?KTCT? CA, San Mateo 7/24 0605 probably the one with Fox Sports, fair. (bp-AK)
- 1070 KNX CA, Los Angeles 7/24 0648 local ad fair-poor, mixing with unID music station. (bp-AK)
 +8/12 2305 began broadcasting from new Infinity address 5670 Wilshire 2nd Fl., L.A.
 They were the last station in Hollywood area, meaning no radio stations are left, but I figure KWKW, KWKU, KIRN are as close over on Barham. New KNX # 323-569-1070 and KFVB is 323-525-0980 (or 900- 2098 for newsroom). (GL-CA)
- CFAX BC, Victoria 7/25 0729 Coast to Coast and local ads, fair-good. (bp-AK)

1080 KSCO CA, Santa Cruz 7/22 2230 poor with Phil Henry show with ID, fighting it out with KOTK. New. (GH-OR2)

1090 KPTK WA, Seattle 7/23 Air America // KUDO-1080 under XEPRS. Randi Rhodes // 1080 under XEPRS 7/24 0608. (bp-AK)

XEPRS BCN, Tijuana 7/23 0547 strong with Fox Sports, local break, "Mighty 10-90" ID, ad about visiting Ensenada. (bp-AK)

1130 CKWX BC, Vancouver 7/24 0744 good with local news, then Canadian sports. (bp-AK)

1140 KSLD AK, Seldotna fair-weak days in Seward with rock music. Good at nights. Loud 7/25 0755 with rock "The Classic Rock Experience, KSLD." (bp-AK)

1160 KSL UT, Salt Lake City 7/24 0742 presumed with talk show, fair. (bp-AK)

1180 KLAY WA, Lakewood 7/21 0030 ad for Northwest Employment Service, fair signal in mild KEX splatter. (GH-OR2)

1190 KEX OR, Portland 7/23 0600 good with "Newsradio 1190 KEX Portland" into ABC news. (bp-AK)

1230 KVAK AK, Valdez 7/24 0613 food-fair with country music, "The Best Country Sounds in Prince William Sound, KVAK 12-30." (bp-AK)

1240 KDGO CO, Durango 8/6 2230 faint ID, sputtering in the mix with talk program. New graveyard. (GH-OR3)

KAMQ NM, Carlsbad 8/17 2159 ID with calls and "New Mexico's Christian Broadcasting Station." (BN-NM)

1250 KKDZ WA, Seattle 7/24 0711 Radio Disney poor-fair. (bp-AK)

1260 ?CFRN? AB, Edmonton 7/24 0658 tentative with ads, one mentioned Fort McMurray, weak. (bp-AK)

1280 KDOX NV, Henderson 8/15 2243 ID, ad, Hugh Hewitt program. Good signal. (MF-CA)

1300 KAPL OR, Phoenix 8/6 2200 vocal music and "KAPL Phoenix Jacksonville" ID. Weak and mixing with one unID. (GH-OR3)

1320 KGDC WA, Walla Walla 8/4 0000 faint ID into news and talk. Really weak and mixing with unIDs. (GH-OR)

CHMB BC, Vancouver 7/23 0623 very strong with Chinese program. (bp-AK)

1340 KTMM CO, Grand Junction 8/22 0758 fair under KLOO, "...ESPN radio, we're 1340 KTMM, ESPN radio... your sports-news radio." (DP-OR)

CIBQ AB, Brooks 7/31 0403 fair in jumble with spot for Alberta Heating and Air Conditioning, mention of Q-13. I haven't heard this in a number of years. (PM-OR)

1350 KSRO CA, Santa Rosa 7/25 0735 good with Coast to Coast "...on newstalk 13-50 KSRO." (bp-AK)

1380 KTKZ CA, Sacramento 7/20 2330 Jim Gallagher show dominating in the mix with poor to fair signal, floating around in the static. Heard from home DX post on 7/5. (GH-OR2)

KRKO WA, Everett 7/28 0000 "Northtown 1380" ID, news and sports talk with fair but choppy signal. Hammarlund on E-W wire. (GH-OR)

1400 KVTO CA, Berkeley 8/22 0859 fair, popping out of the mess, "AM 1400 KVTO Berkeley, San Francisco." New. (DP-OR)

KQMS CA, Redding 7/19 0000 talk show very weak barely above KNND. (GH-OR2)

KNND OR, Cottage Grove 7/27 0100 C&W music, man said "Your Hometown Station," really weak, sputtering in the static. (GH-OR)

1410 KMYC CA, Marysville 7/23 2230 ads for Maryville and Yuba City merchants, George Norry show. Weak. New. (GH-OR2)

CFUN BC, Vancouver 7/25 0704 very good with Broadcast News, local ad, "C-Fun" ID, into Coast to Coast. (bp-AK)

1420 KITI WA, Chehalis 7/23 0626 ad for Wild Waves & Enchanted Village near Tacoma, "14-20 KITI" ID, oldies music. Again with jingle ID & oldies 7/25 0707. (bp-AK)

1430 KYKN OR, Salem-Keiser 7/24 0733 fair with ads, promo "...here on 14-30 KYKN," into talk show. (bp-AK)

1450 KLAM AK, Cordova 7/23 0532 local ID during Coast to Coast fair-good. (bp-AK)

KAVP CO, Colona 8/9 0930 with KRZY off, ad for Ouray and "Eagle 105.7." (BN-NM)

1490 ?KRCK? CA, King City 8/12 0140 country music in & out, partial ID "14-90... City, Greenfield, Soledad." (MF-CA)

KRNR OR, Roseburg 7/22 0030 poor signal with "The station where the classics play" ID. New. (GH-OR2)

+8/6 1930 C&W music and ID, over faint unID. (GH-OR3)

1510 KGA WA, Spokane 7/24 0730 talk show loud, ad for Spokane Raceway Park. (bp-AK)

1520 KGDD OR, Oregon City 7/23 fair in Spanish. (bp-AK)

1530 KFBK CA, Sacramento 7/23 0533 local ID and Jim Bohannon show. Quite loud 7/25 0657. (bp-AK)

1550 KXEX CA, Fresno 8/18 2115 in & out most of the evening with Fresno baseball game, local ads, "Sporting News Radio 15-50" slogan. (MF-CA)

KKAD WA, Vancouver 7/24 0800 legal ID mixing with two others. (bp-AK)

1550 KRPI WA, Ferndale 7/25 0651 probably the one with Hindi program mixing with two others. (bp-AK)

1560 KNZR CA, Bakersfield 7/23 0530 good with ID and Coast to Coast. (bp-AK)

1570 KTGE CA, Salinas 8/2 0400 in good mentioning Monterey and Salinas, then Radio Tigre slogan. Can't hear them during the daytime due to KCVR Lodi. (CM-CA)

?KTGE?+8/12 0022 mixing with XERF with Banda, "Radio Tigre" slogan with a tiger growl. No call ID or local ads heard yet. (MF-CA)

1600 KUBA CA, Yuba City 7/20 2230 60's & 70's classics and ID, fair signal. Seldom heard. (GH-OR2)

KVRI WA, Blaine 7/24 0726 good with Hindi program. Loud 7/25 0640. (bp-AK)

1620 KBLI ID, Blackfoot 7/12 0000 ESPN Radio talk format, news, with weak & drifty signal all by itself in the static. Not heard for some time. (GH-OR)

KYIZ WA, Renton 7/25 0740 tentative with ad, 206 area code mentioned, then music, weak, mixing with 1-2 others. Nothing above 1620... I think my 2010 is suffering from blown FET syndrome. (bp-AK)

+8/9 0730 poor with KYIZ ID and into Brandy song "Sittin in my Room." (CM-CA)

1630 WRDW GA, Augusta 8/9 0600 sitting on this frequency and heard call letters "WRDW," good conditions to the east tonight. Have not heard for quite a while. (CM-CA)

KCJJ IA, Iowa City 8/9 0400 fair with AdCon music and voice ID "KCJJ." Have not heard them for a while. (CM-CA)

?KKGW? TX, Fort Worth 8/9 0630 fair with religious program. Thought I heard mention of KKGW, but not sure. Has to be KKGW since I heard talk about the Bible. New. (CM-CA)

(KRND) WY, Fox Farm 8/9 0400 off the air. (CM-CA)

1650 KBJD CO, Denver 8/7 0100 ID and news over/under unID. SRN news with fair to poor signal. New. (GH-OR3)

UNIDS

1070 UNID 7/24 0650 pop music including John Lennon "Woman," looping ESE over/under KNX. (bp-AK)

1200 UNID 7/24 0706 fair with Hindi program. Also 7/25 0751. KYAA? (bp-AK)

1320 UNID 7/19 0022 sports talk referring to themselves as "The Source," with very weak signal. (GH-OR2)

1550 UNID 7/24 0630 national ads and "Music of Your Life," mixing with two other stations. (bp-AK)

Welcome to the first WDXR of volume 43. The new DX season is just beginning to get underway, and I hope that many of you will join the IRCA contest Alphabet Soup. Contest rules appear on the IRCA website, and the last issue of DXM. Nancy 8/26 2100

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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DOWN THE DIAL

580 CJML MB, Winnipeg. 8-6 noted station back on for two weeks in commemoration of Victory in Japan and the end of WWII. 10:57 with special events, mention of Kiwanis Chateau, NOS music, ID, mentioned 204-895-2565 phone number. Power is only 99W. [MS-MB]

680 WDRD KY, Newburg. 8-9 fair signal over KFEQ. 22:10 noted with dance music, "Radio Disney" promo. [EB-MO]

1160 WYLL IL, Chicago. 8-10 fair to poor with WAMB and an unID with sports talk. Surprisingly weak for 50kW. 02:26 with local spots and Christian talk. [EB-MO]

1260 WEKZ WI, Monroe. 8-13 good to poor mixing with WNDE. WSDZ wiped out. 01:33 with country music and call ID. [EB-MO]

1270 WFUL KY, Fulton. 8-10 good to fair over WKBF. 03:44 with weather forecast, legal ID which also mentioned South Fulton, TN. Classic Country format. [EB-MO]

1330 WRAM IL, Monmouth. 8-10 fair to poor mixing with others. 00:26 noted with "Classic Country 13-30 WRAM" slogan and Classic Country music. [EB-MO]

1350 WZNN NC, Black Mountain. 8-9 fair to poor. 23:33 with local spots, "Super Talk 13-50" slogan and a promo for Sean Hannity. [EB-MO]
 1450 WKEI IL, Kewanee. 8-13 fair to poor. 01:07 noted with call letters and weather. [EB-MO]
 1540 KBOA MO, Kennett. 8-9 fair to poor with KXEL nulled. 20:10 with Adult Standards format. "The Music of Your Life KBOA" slogan. Calls used to be on 830. [EB-MO]

25 YEARS AGO

September 6, 1980 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... EDXR editor **Bob Lazar** of Alexandria, VA said he was 23 and a cartographer for the Defense Mapping Agency ... **Gary Larson** of Burbank, CA received a verie from KFRE 940 postmarked two years earlier. He wasn't sure why it took over two years to deliver ... **Bill Harms** of Provo, UT had HLAZ 1566 blasting in so loud he could understand what they were saying for about 30 minutes ... **Pat Martin** of Seaside, OR wondered if the volcanic eruption in May had anything to do with his poor DX conditions now.

OPEN MIKE

Nancy and I hope everyone had a great time at the Convention. Again, sorry we couldn't be there, but OfficeMax has a blackout period for the big Back To School sales weeks. The new DX season has started. Have you joined this year's DX Contest? Long time club members may remember this Alphabet Soup contest from 26 years ago. Those of you that enjoyed my radio and TV station slides at the 1993 and 2000 conventions, and those that missed seeing them, now have a chance to view them online! Go to http://pages.prodigy.net/john_johnson/pictures.htm and enjoy them at your leisure. This column was typed 8-27-05. 73, John

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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STARS OF THE WEEK

(IEN-GA) **Ira Elbert New** Watkinsville, GA
 Drake R8B, 135' N/S LW, Sangean ATS 909, Panasonic Portable, Select Antenna
 DX'ing in Savannah GA
 (TG-FL) **Thomas Giella** Plant City, FL
 Grundig S 350 & 3' Box Loop

LOGGINGS

680 MD WCBM Baltimore 8/19/05 11:45 pm Talk about Wash. Redskins. (TG-FL)
 MI WDBC Escanaba 08/07 2210 Oldies mixed with WPTF in Raleigh, NC and 1/4-hour drop. Slightly less than good signal. "WDBC". (IEN-GA)
 710 GA WUFF Eastman 08/11 0743 Country music and ads for stores in and around Eastman and Dodge County, GA. Decent signal in the morning static. "WUFF 97 FM" and "FM 97.5". (IEN-GA)
 770 GA WYHG Young Harris 08/19 2000 Weak TOH ID in the mix with WLWL in AL. "The Gospel Voice of Western North Carolina, WHBK". (IEN-GA)
 720 NC WGCR Pisgah Forest 8/20/05 8:47 pm Gospel music. (TG-FL)
 900 GA WJLG Savannah 08/14 0110 Gospel music. Good signal at times that would fade to almost nothing. "The Light, America's Inspiration Station." (IEN-GA)
 1060 FL WIXC Titusville 08/22 2321 Sports news. Weak and a bit buried in the static. "...Tampa Bay Devil Rays on ESPN AM 1060" and "Brevard's ESPN Radio 1060." (IEN-GA)
 1090 TN WHGG Kingsport 08/19 2258 Oldies. Good signal that sounded like a local earlier in the evening. "The Mighty 1090" and "The Mighty 1090. Kingsport, Gotham City, Bristol". (IEN-GA)
 1160 NC WJFJ Tryon 08/23 2301 Gospel music & TOH ID buried in the static. "WJFJ, Columbus, North Carolina". (IEN-GA)
 1180 GA WZQZ Trion 08/10 2100 Oldies into USA Radio News. Decent signal with fades, competing with WHAM in Rochester, NY. "WZQZ, Trion, Summerville". (IEN-GA)
 TN WVLZ Knoxville 08/10 2000 Ads for stores in and around Knoxville TOH ID into ESPN Radio News. Semidominant signal in a mix of others with fades. "1180, WVLZ... Knoxville". (IEN-GA)
 1260 AL WYDE Birmingham 08/26 0750 Simulcast of WYDE "101.1-FM The Source" in Cullman, AL, with Birmingham news and weather. Decent signal in the mix. "101.1-FM, The Source". (IEN-GA)

1370 FL WZTA Vero Beach 8/20/05 8:16 pm Talk. (TG-FL)
 1450 GA WGPC Albany 8/20/05 9:24 pm Gospel music. (TG-FL)
 1460 AL WHAL Phoenix City/Columbus 08/19 1944 Columbus Catfish Baseball Dominant signal in the mix. "...WDAK for Catfish Baseball". (IEN-GA)
 NC WHBK Marshall 08/19 1946 Gospel Music. In the mix with WHAL in AL. "The Gospel Voice of Western North Carolina, WHBK". (IEN-GA)
 1490 FL WAFZ Immokalee 8/20/05 8:14 pm Overmodulated Tejano music. (TG-FL)
 FL WTTB Vero Beach 8/20/05 8:16 pm Talk. Co channel with WAFZ. (TG-FL)
 1510 TX KVCJ Canton 8/20/05 8:55 pm C&W music. Sign off 9:01 pm On top of WLAC. (TG-FL)
 1560 GA WPGY Ellijay 08/22 1916 Country music. Weak, but steady in the evening static. "WPGY". (IEN-GA)
 1580 FL WNTF Bithlo 8/20/05 9:18 pm Tejano music //1680. (TG-FL)
 1620 FL WNRP Gulf Breeze 8/21/05 10:00 pm News then into C&W music. (TG-FL)
 1630 TX KKGM Ft. Worth 8/21/05 10:28 pm Gospel. (TG-FL)
 1650 TX KHRO El Paso 8/21/05 10:34 pm R&R music. (TG-FL)
 1670 WI WTDY Madison 08/10 2206 Talk show with Religious themes. Decent signal trading space with WMWR in Dry Branch, GA. "Madison's 1670, The Pulse." (IEN-GA)
 1680 LA KRJP Monroe 8/21/05 10:46 pm Black Gospel. (TG-FL)

That's a wrap for the week. I just realized that with the last issue, I completed **10 YEARS** as EDXR editor. Seems like just yesterday that Mark McMillan called me and asked if I would be interested in taking over the column on a temporary basis. That "temporary job" has turned into 10 years of fun. Thanks to ALL of you who have contributed to the past 10 years. Altho I can't begin to compete with the years of service that John, Nancy, Phil and many others have given. Here's to 10 more years!!!! With this issue we welcome Thomas Giella of Plant City Florida to the EDXR... WELCOME!! and we hope you report often.... Didn't make it to the convention this year, but I am headed up to the NRC gathering next weekend. I was able to schedule a customer visit for Friday afternoon. With Monday as a travel day, it is easier for me to make that gathering. I tried last year, but a Hurricane got in the way... this year I have my "fingers crossed." Let's hope for an East Coast Convention Next year!!! The DX season is JUST around the corner.... Thanks to Ira and Thomas this week. 0800

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Greetings everyone,

I had a great time at the IRCA convention. Mike & Bob did a fantastic job. A few tips this time around but Fall cx are picking up.

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

710 **MEXICO**, Guaymas XEPS 8/20 1130 UTC Booming in o/KSPN w/slogans mentioning Guaymas, nice sung jingle mentioning "La Rancherita" Heard once in the Bay Area, first time heard down here in So. CA. Banda-type mx. (RW-CA)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

594 **JAPAN**, Tokyo JOAK hrd from 1250 to 1303 on 8/23 with very poor signal in JJ and lots of noise from a t-storm. (BB-AZ)
 650 **HAWAII**, Honolulu KRTR hrd on car radio at 1315 UTC 8/22, local ad string, EZL mx. This is the first Hawaiian I've heard in many years (maybe a decade). (TRH-CA) (Tim, great catch. I have not even logged the new call change, myself. PM)
 828 **JAPAN**, Osaka JOBB hrd on 8/23 from 1245-1305 with very poor signal and lots of noise from a t-storm. (BB-AZ)

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This issue features Mark Connelly's July "DX Clams" session from the famous Granite Pier.

*** TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ***

- 153 **ALGERIA** Chaîne 1, Bechar, JUL 28 2346 - Arabic male vocal; at low audio level on good carrier. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 162 **FRANCE** France-Inter, Allouis, JUL 29 0136 - Caribbean style instrumentation. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 171 **MOROCCO** R. Mediterranee Internationale, Nador, JUL 28 2345 - slow Arabic vocal; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 183 **GERMANY** Europe No. 1, Felsberg, JUL 29 0137 - tone test; strong. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 198 **ALGERIA** Ouargla, JUL 28 2347 - bits of Arabic music; over sub-audible heterodyne likely from UK. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 198 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC R.4, Droitwich et al., JUL 29 0138 - radio drama with man & woman. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 234 **LUXEMBOURG** R. Luxembourg, Junglinster, JUL 29 0139 - rock music; fair to good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 252 **ALGERIA** Tipaza, JUL 28 2348 - music mixing with Ireland. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 252 **IRELAND** RTE R.1, Clarkestown, JUL 29 0133 - // 567 with talkshow; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 531 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JUL 29 0136 - // 585 with Spanish talk by man; poor to fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 549 **IRELAND** Irish Christian Broadcasters, Monaghan, JUL 29 0135 - likely this with folksy religious vocal; over Algeria & Germany. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 567 **IRELAND** RTE R.1, Tullamore, JUL 29 0133 - // 252 with talkshow in English; fair over Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 585 **SPAIN** RNE R.1, Madrid, JUL 29 0131 - // 684 with two men in Spanish; good with WEZE phased. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 684 **SPAIN** RNE R.1, Sevilla, JUL 29 0131 - // 585 with men in Spanish; fair with WRKO phased. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 693 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC R. 5 Live, Droitwich et al., JUL 29 0037 - sports-related talk mentioned Belgium; good with CINF phased. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 711 **FRANCE** Rennes, JUL 29 0125 - // 1206 with hard rock; fair over rumble. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 756 **GERMANY** Deutschlandfunk, Braunschweig & Ravensburg, JUL 29 0043 - // 1422 with jazz; poor to fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 765 **SWITZERLAND** RSR Option Musique, Sottens, JUL 29 0123 - soft-rock French vocal; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 837 **AZORES** Centro Regional da RDP, Pico da Barrosa, JUL 29 0034 - Portuguese newstalk; fair, over France and Spain-Canaries. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 864 **FRANCE** France Bleu, Villebon-sur-Yvette, JUL 29 0031 - romantic French vocal; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 882 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** COPE synchros, JUL 29 0021 - Spanish teletalk; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 882 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC R. Wales, Washford, JUL 29 0031 - BBC discussion; now over COPE. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 890.98 **ALGERIA** Chaîne 1, Algiers, JUL 29 0030 - Arabic male vocal at light audio level. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC R.5 Live synchros, JUL 29 0118 - bit of music, then British English talk; fair through WABI slop. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 945 **FRANCE** France Info, Toulouse, JUL 29 0117 - // 1206 with sad emotional male French vocal; to good peak. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 981 **ALGERIA** RTVA Chaîne 2, Algiers, JUL 29 0020 - Arabic group vocal; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 999 **SPAIN** COPE, Madrid, JUL 29 0019 - man in Spanish, musical interludes; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1017 **GERMANY** SWR Cont. R., Wolfsheim, JUL 29 0024 - woman in German. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1044 **SPAIN** SER synchros, JUL 29 0146 - // 1116 with Spanish teletalk; fair to good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1053 **UNITED KINGDOM** TalkSport synchros, JUL 29 0145 - segment of "You Wear It Well" by Rod Stewart, then advert about winning a million; to good peak. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** TalkSport synchros, JUL 29 0026 - teletalk about bombers; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1098 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JUL 29 0017 - Spanish teletalk, Radio Nacional de Espana mention. [Connelly*R-MA]

- 1107 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JUL 29 0112 - Spanish talk; over growl from Egypt on approximately 1106.8. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1116 **SPAIN** SER synchros, JUL 29 0051 - slow Spanish talk by woman; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1125 **unID** JUL 29 0111 - classical music; somewhat over Croatia & Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1134 **CROATIA** Glas Hrvatske, Zadar, JUL 29 0109 - Slavic talk; HUGE, over Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1134 **SPAIN** COPE synchros, JUL 29 0109 - Spanish talk; clearly audible under the Croatian powerhouse. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1152 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JUL 28 2358 - echoey Spanish talk by man & woman; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1170 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** R. Farda, Dabiya, JUL 29 0106 - mideast female vocal; over/under phased WWVA. Iran-1169 not noted at this time. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1179 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** SER synchros, JUL 29 0016 - fast Spanish teletalk. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1188 **BELGIUM** VRT Radio 2, Kuurne, JUL 29 0107 - late '80s or early '90s dance hit "Baby Don't Hurt Me"; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1197 **SPAIN** Euskadi Irratia, Vitoria, JUL 29 0108 - woman in Spanish; barely over pile-up with apparent UK and others. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1206 **FRANCE** France Info, Bordeaux, JUL 29 0015 - French music. [Connelly*R-MA]
- + JUL 29 0038 - HUGE with guitar rock and male vocal. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** Virgin R. synchros, JUL 29 0104 - Virgin Radio mention, female pop-rock vocal; fair, over Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1224 **SPAIN** COPE synchros, JUL 29 0059 - // 1296 with Spanish discussion; poor. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1287 **SPAIN** SER synchros, JUL 29 0102 - // 1116 with news; poor to fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1296 **SPAIN** COPE, Valencia, JUL 29 0059 - // 1224 with two men and a woman with Spanish discussion; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1296 **UNITED KINGDOM** R. XL, Langley Mill, JUL 29 0101 - Indian music; under Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1359 **SPAIN** RNE, Arganda del Rey, JUL 29 0101 - fast-talk Spanish news by woman. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** France Info, Lille, JUL 29 0057 - // 1206 with man in French; good, pushing by WMYF pest. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1413 **unID** JUL 29 0055 - two stations, one most likely Spain, the other sounded Middle Eastern: Oman or perhaps a UK ethnic station ? [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1422 **GERMANY** Deutschlandfunk, Heusweiler, JUL 29 0043 - // 756 with early '50s "cool school" Lionel Hampton style vibraphone jazz; good, over Algeria. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1431 **DJIBOUTI** R. Sawa, Arta, JUL 29 0044 - Arabic female pop vocal; peaking over WXKS/WNSW/WENE slop. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1503 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JUL 29 0003 - Spanish news; fair with WTOP phased. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1512 **SAUDI ARABIA** BSKSA, Jeddah, JUL 29 0053 - Arabic talk, vocal; over others, fair with WWZN phased. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1548 **KUWAIT** R. Sawa, Kabd - Kuwait City, JUL 29 0048 - pop Arabic group vocal with strings and drums; loud, way over UK station. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1557 **FRANCE** France Info, Fontbonne, JUL 29 0004 - French news by woman; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1575 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** R. Farda, JUL 29 0006 - mideast dance music; over Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1584 **CEUTA** RadiOle, JUL 28 2314 - Spanish vocal on early fade-up; over co-channel SER and slop from WARV-1590. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1602 **SPAIN** R. Vitoria, Vitoria, JUL 29 0050 - "Mrs. Robinson" by Simon & Garfunkel, Spanish talk, more pop music; good, over SER. [Connelly*R-MA]

*** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***

- 530 **TURKS & CAICOS** R. Vision Cristiana Internacional, South Caicos, JUL 28 2350 - mellow Spanish religious music; pre-sunset fade-up. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1100 **BRAZIL** R. Globo, ZYK694, Sao Paulo, JUL 29 0113 - reverberated Portuguese talk, Globo ID; good, over nulled WTAM. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1620 **US VIRGIN ISLANDS** WDHP, Fredriksted, St. Croix, JUL 28 2313 - accented English talk, reggae music; fair over Boston Haitian pirate, about an hour before sunset. [Connelly*R-MA]

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That's all for this issue. 73, Brandon.

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This summer I finished scanning in my utility station veries and put them into two new notebooks with a slipcase. These stations were heard between 1975 and 1977 and many no longer exist. My Michigan MW veries are next with almost 200 so it's a long term project. On the equipment side my laptop has been down due to a corrupted OS. I plugged the external 3.5" floppy drive in while it was on and it didn't like it. Total Recorder stopped working and I couldn't load it back on and get it to work. I just upgraded it from WIN98 to WIN2000 but unfortunately I lost all my audio files except some that I saved off as MP3s. Next I'll get all the software loaded back on it. The upgrade allows me to use Flash Memory sticks to remove my audio files so no more floppies. Luckily I've been able to use my desktop for Total Recorder. The plastic sheet protectors that I ordered for my bumper stickers arrived and I'll find time to put them together for the convention. My 50th broadcast station verie for the DX season came in the mail, it was also my 25th California County verified. This past DX Season has been a very good one and next time I'll send in a year end summary. 73's. Martin

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I can tell it's time for the change of the seasons for three reasons. First, the IRCA convention was this past weekend as I type this MM 8/29; second, the NRC convention is this next weekend--Labor Day (and I get to work both Sat and Sun nights)--and third, tax school is around the corner again. Very little DX done this summer with just three new ones in the past month. CHIN-1540 ONT, WHYL-960 PA, AND WKFI-1090 OH. I have been out driving somewhat these past three days, exploring different parts of the state and trying to get the wife used to riding in a car again. She was real sick back in Feb, and still hasn't recovered much. A 100 mile drive is enough to knock her low for several days. We will probably have to go down to southeast Alabama sometime this fall. Her family is not in danger from Hurricane Katrina (except, possibly, from tornados). Martin has me curious on how I am doing with hearing Indiana counties but no time this week to check. See you in two weeks. 73.

WEBSITE WANDERINGS

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Hi everyone and welcome to another edition of "Website Wanderings" and the first 'Monitor' for Volume 43. Time really flies when you're having this much fun. I wish everyone the very best of DX in the coming DX season.

If anyone comes across a radio related or otherwise very interesting website kindly forward it to me at: DXRADIO@webtv.net. ~ I will be most grateful.

And don't forget to access and enjoy IRCA's own website at: <http://www.ircaonline.org/irca1.htm>.

And why not pass the website on to a friend(s) and maybe they'll sign up for a hitch with the IRCA!

This edition of 'Website Wanderings' features 2 websites of considerable interest to the radio hobbyist, one for the rebel within us all and one for pure pleasure. So kick back and enjoy the reading.

1. <http://www.netfeed.com/~jhil/page.htm>

"Transmitter Sites From HELL" ~ compliments of Doug Pifer

2. <http://ac6v.com/antique.htm>

"Radio, Ham and Wireless History"

This is one terrific site and we can all thank Doug Pifer once again for this contribution.

And that wraps up this edition of the 'Wanderings'. Although IRCA is dedicated to BCB listening and DXing, I know there are quite a few members that enjoy all of the radio genres. Therefore I will be varying my 'Wanderings' to explore the different paths we take in our wonderful hobby.

"Here, outside in the night air, all was quiet. Silence... and yet one felt the mystery of these invisible waves, the miracle of the hidden voices, sweeping out through the night." ~ Journalist Leslie Bailly - 1925

Until our next get together I bid you all good health and good DX 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 edition of "Hearing It Through The Grapevine" and the first one for Volume 43 of the 'Monitor'. A new year begins and I wish everyone the very best in DX!

This one features 1570 kHz and the State of Montana. Let's see what our members have heard recently and over the years.

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Featured Frequency of 1570 kHz:

CKMW MB, Winkler Country music – Country 1570.

CKTA AB, Taber Classic rock – CK Radio.

KCVR CA, Lodi Spanish – Radio Romantica.

KTGE CA, Salinas Spanish – Radio Tigre.

Featured State of Montana:

560 KMON Great Falls Country music - Big Sky Country.

600 KGEZ Kalispell Z-600, On the Edge. Regular.

640 KGVW Belgrade Religious.

680 KKGR E. Helena Oldies KGR.

770 KATL Miles City AC The Best Mix of Music.

790 KGHL Billings Country. Montana's Mighty 790.

920 KWYS W. Yellowstone Oldies?? Back in '96.

950 KMTX Helena Unforgettable 95. ID only.

970 KBUL Billings News-Radio 970.

1070 KATQ Plentywood ID. Once.

1090 KBOZ Bozeman News-Talk Radio.

1180 KOFI Kalispell News, talk, oldies. Regular.

1290 KGOV Missoula Oldies, news, sports. Voice of the Grizzlies.

1310 KEIN Great Falls Real Country. Regular.

1340 KPRK Livingston Classic Hits. Just an ID, local on OC.

1370 KXTL Butte Good Time Oldies. Regular.

Mike Hawkins, Tracy CA

Featured frequency 1570 kHz:

CHUB Nanaimo, BC

XERF Ciudad Acuna, Mexico

KCVR Lodi, CA

KRSA Salinas, CA

KACE Riverside, CA

CKTA Taber, AB

KTGE Salinas, CA

CFEZ Taber, AB

CKTA Taber, AB (call change from CFMZ)

CKEG Nanaimo, BC KPRO - Riverside, CA

Featured State of Montana:

KBOW 550 - Butte

KMON 560 - Great Falls

KGLE 590 - Glendive

KURL 730 - Billings

KERR 750 - Polson

KGHL 790 - Billings

KJJR 880 - Whitefish

KWYS 920 - West Yellowstone

KMTX 950 - Helena

KOOK 970 - Billings

KCTR 970 - Billings

KBUL 970 - Billings

KMTA 1050 - Miles City

KATQ 1070 - Plentywood

KERR 1070 - Polson

KBOZ 1090 - Bozeman

KOFI 1180 - Kalispell

KBMY 1240 - Billings

KGOV 1290 - Missoula

KEIN 1310 - Great Falls

KKGF 1310 - Great Falls

KPRK 1340 - Livingston

KXLF 1370 - Butte

KXTL 1370 - Butte

KUDI 1450 - Great Falls

KDBM 1490 - Dillon



Eric Bueneman (N0UIH), Hazelwood, MO

Featured frequency of 1570 kHz:

WBGZ Alton, IL - Daytime local, semi-local at night until 2004
XERF Ciudad Acuna, Coahuila, Mexico - Nighttime regular over WBGZ since 2004
WFRL Freeport, IL - September 16, 1998 at night with WBGZ nulled
WKBH Holmen, WI - September 18, 1998 at night, through WBGZ
WSSA Morrow, GA - February 19, 1999 at Atlanta sunrise
WLBQ Morgantown, KY - October 18, 2003 at night
WTRB Ripley, TN - December 31, 2003 at night
KVTK Vermillion, SD-December 26, 2004 at night, with WBGZ off.

Featured State of Montana:

KATL 770 Miles City - DX Test on October 25, 1993
KUURL 730 Billings - DX Test on January 10, 1994 (Hi John and Nancy!)
KERR 750 Polson - DX Test on February 20, 1995
KBOZ 1090 Bozeman-January 14, 2002 at night, with KAAZ nulled

I have all three Montana DX tests from 1993-95 verified! I've also heard several FMs from Montana, which I won't go into here.

Dale Park, Honolulu HI

Featured frequency of 1570 kHz:

From Honolulu
KUAU-HI Ha'iku Semi-local (signed on in 1991)

From Evanston, IL (1987-88)
WBEE-IL Harvey Semi-local

Dennis Vroom, Vancouver WA, 1967 Fada (1937) Long wire, 1968 HQ 180 Long wire, 2004 CC Radio

Featured Frequency of 1570 kHz:

XERF Ciudad Acuna, Mexico 67 KCVR Lodi, CA Spanish 68
CHUB Nanaimo, BC 67

Featured State of Montana:

640 KGVW Belgrade religious 2004 1180 KOFI Kalispell 68
790 KGHL Billings 67

Thanks to everyone for these great reports! For the next issue of the 'Grapevine' let's see what's been heard on 580 kHz and in the State of Louisiana, which was 1st settled in 1699 and was admitted to the Union on April 30, 1812. Their State bird is the Eastern Brown Pelican and their State flower is the Magnolia. The 'popular' name for Louisiana is "Pelican State."

The deadline for this will be Saturday, September 24th at 1500 hours EST... for Vol. 43, No. 3. Until then be well my friends and, 73 de DX de NY, Ray

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My deadline is the last Monday of the month at 1500 ELT.

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1090 KPTK Paul Fredricks, OpsMgr; 1000 Dexter Ave North, Suite 100, Seattle WA 98109; LB; 37; PM
1210 KUNF [None]; 750 W Ridgeview Dr, #204, St George UT 84770; P; 10; MF
1240 KJOP Ralph Neste; Immaculate Heart Radio, 2309 West Alpine Ave, Stockton CA 95204; Bbc; 665; PM
1320 KCTC Tom Nakashima; 5345 Madison Ave, Sacramento CA 95841; P; 8; MF

1340 KCAP Stan Evans, PD; 110 East Broadway St, Helena MT 59601-4232; L; 45f; PM
1370 KWRM Rob Buska, Sports Dir; 210 Radio Rd, Corona CA 92879; L; 372; MF
1510 KSPA Jeff Gehringer, BusMgr; 1045 S East Street, Anaheim CA 92805; L+; 1; PM and MF
1550 KKJY Josie Bunch for Don Davis, O; 307 Los Ranchos Rd NW, Albuquerque NM 87107; P; 254f; MF

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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

This column was prepared on 8/29/05. 73, SSH.

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