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 The new IRCA officers take over with this issue, see the back page for details... articles in the wings.

Notes from da Prez - Doug Pifer

We've just barely finished this year's convention, but it's already time to start thinking about next year's, and there is a deadline of **October 15** for bids. If there is anyone interested in hosting the 2008 IRCA convention, please contact IRCA's President.

Editorships of "Hearing It Through the Grapevine" and "Website Wanderings" are open, the **IRCA Sports Editor** position is open, and the **Election Committee Chair** position is also available.

Please contact IRCA President, **Doug Pifer**, 3410 Marion St SE, Albany OR 97322-3871, or e-mail to **oregon4wd@comcast.net** if you would like to host next year's convention or volunteer for any of the above positions.

Dues have gone up with this volume of **DX Monitor**. Current members are allowed to renew at the old rate for up to two (2) years. This opportunity is extended until Oct 1 2007.

NEW!!! IRCA Slogans List (Winter 2007) NEW!!!

This completely revised Slogans List which includes radio slogans from the US, Canada and Mexico (over 4000) is now available from the IRCA Bookstore.

Prices: **IRCA/NRC members** - \$6.00 (US/Canada/Mexico/sea mail), \$8.00 (rest of the Americas/Europe airmail), \$8.50 (Australia/Japan/New Zealand airmail). Non-IRCA/NRC members - add \$1.00. To order send the correct amount (in US funds payable to **Phil Bytheway** - which will be returned if not made out to **Phil Bytheway**) to: **IRCA BOOKSTORE, 9705 MARY NW, SEATTLE WA 98117-2334** (email: **phil_tekno@yahoo.com**).

Data on NRC's AM Radio Log 28th Edition

The NRC's AM Radio Log is a source for information on AM Radio Stations in the United States and Canada. The 28th edition of the Log contains 281 pages of data and cross references and 18 pages of instructions in 8-1/2" x 11" size, 3-hole punched, U.S. loose leaf format. This publication fits nicely into a 1" three-ring binder. Nearly 7000 updates since last year's 27th Edition of the log! Recent additions to the log lists call letters of FM simulcasts, listings of regional groups of stations in the groups section (separate section of the log book) and a cross reference of those stations that are licensed to use IBOC (In Band On Channel) digital audio.

Orders are shipped postpaid Media Rate. USA and Canada add \$3.00 for Priority Shipping. Order by snail mail to: NRC Publications, P.O. Box 47-3251, Aurora, CO 80047-3251 or at our web site **http://www.nrcdxas.org**. United States: IRCA/NRC Members - \$19.95, United States: Non-Member - \$25.95, Canada: IRCA/NRC Member - \$23.00, Canada Non-Member - \$28.95, Outside US/Canada Overseas [Member or NonMember] - \$31.45.

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BROADCAST TEST COORDINATOR - DX TESTS

Jim Pogue: KH2AR@comcast.net (times are Eastern) http://www.dxtests.info

Sun 10/21/07	0300-0500	1290	WIRL	Peoria IL	(Miller)
Sat 10/27/07	0400-0430	1220	WLPO	La Salle IL	(Vogler)
Sun 11/ 4/07	0500-0530	1420	WIGG	Wiggins MS	(Turner)

WIRL 1290 kHz Peoria, IL DX Test.

Date: Sunday morning (late Saturday night), Oct. 21 2007. Time: 2 - 4 am Central Time. 5,000 watts using their normal daytime pattern. Programming will consist of voice IDs, Morse code, 1,000 Hz

tones and regular format Classic Country music. Reception reports may be sent to Wayne R. Miller, Chief Engineer, WIRL Radio, 331 Fulton Suite 1200, Peoria IL 61602. The station will accept recordings by e-mail on disk (.mp3 or .wav OK but no cassettes please). Address for e-mail reports is **wrm@jmrpradio.com**. NOTE: All requests for verifications must be accompanied by return postage in order to receive a reply. No eQSL service is being offered for this test. Our sincere thanks to Chief Engineer Wayne Miller for agreeing to conduct this test.

WLPO 1220 kHz La Salle, IL DX Test.

Date: Saturday morning (late Friday night), Oct. 27, 2007. Time: 3:00 - 3:30 a.m. Central Time. 1,000 watts using their normal daytime pattern. Programming will consist of phonetic voice IDs, Morse code, sweep tones and unique music. Reception reports may be sent to Steve Vogler, Chief Engineer, WLPO Radio, 1 Broadcast Lane, Oglesby IL 61348. The station will accept recordings by e-mail on disk (.mp3 or .wav OK but no cassettes please). Address for e-mail reports is **steve@wipo.net**. NOTE: All requests for verifications must be accompanied by return postage in order to receive a reply. Our sincere thanks to Chief Engineer Steve Vogler for agreeing to conduct this test.

WIGG 1420 kHz Wiggins, MS DX Test.

Date: Sunday morning (late Saturday night), Nov. 4, 2007. Time: 4:00 - 4:30 a.m. Central STANDARD Time. 1000 - 1030 UTC please note, this will be the morning we change from DST to standard time in most of North America). 5,000 watts using non-directional antenna pattern. Programming will consist of special voice announcements, Morse code, tones and classic country music. Reception reports may be sent to Mr. Paul A. Turner, WB5TJH, WIGG Radio, 959 N. Magnolia Dr., Wiggins MS 39577. No eQSL service is being offered for this test. Recordings on disk in .mp3 or .wav format will be accepted as proof of reception. NOTE: All requests for verifications must be accompanied by return postage in order to receive a reply. Our sincere thanks to Chief Engineer Paul Turner for agreeing to conduct this test.

Update on verifications for WMRO 1560 kHz Gallatin, TN DX Test.

Due to a continuing heavy work load, Scott Bailey at WMRO has agreed to allow the IRCA/NRC Joint Broadcast Test Committee to validate and verify reception reports from his DX Test conducted Jan. 15, 2007. If you heard and reported the test but have as of yet not received a verification, please send a duplicate report to the BTC. A choice of standard postal QSL cards or eQSL cards will be offered for correct reception reports.

For a standard postal QSL card, please submit your report via postal service mail along with return postage in the form of U.S. stamps or an SASE. Recordings on disk in .mp3 of .wav format will be accepted as proof of reception. Please, no cassette recordings. Address for postal reports is: Joint IRCA/NRC BTC, WMRO DX Test, PO Box 3777, Memphis, TN 38173-0777. Recordings cannot be returned unless accompanied by a CD mailer and sufficient postage.

For an eQSL, you may submit your report and/or .mp3 or .wav file via e-mail to **KHZAR@comcast.net**

Scott added that he will be happy to conduct another DX Test over WMRO with 1,000 watts and a non-directional antenna pattern later this DX season. Details will be announced when a date and time are worked out. Please address any questions to me at the same e-mail address shown above.

Jim Pogue - **KHZAR@comcast.net**, **www.dxtests.info**

IRCA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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September 8, 2007

The Salt Lake City convention was a very fine one: thanks to Mike Sanburn, and to Mike Riordan, Bob Wien and to all those who contributed to its success.

The business meeting was (we hope) detailed but relatively brief. The full minutes may be found at: **http://www3.telus.net/7dxir/IRCA/BOD/minutes%20of%20SLC-%20meeting%202007.pdf**

Anyone who would like a paper copy, please contact me at the above postal address.

A quick precis of the meeting follows:

"The IRCA 2007 convention was held at Days Inn, Salt Lake City/Airport, the afternoon of August 25, 2007. Sixteen members and three guests from California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, Montana, Illinois, Nebraska, Utah, and British Columbia were present for the meeting. President Nick Hall-Patch read the minutes from the Seaside meeting of September 25, 2006.

Reports were then offered as follows:

- President's report on activities of the Board of Directors over the previous season
- Publishing committee report from Phil Bytheway
- Bookstore report from Phil Bytheway
- Secretary/Treasurer's report sent in by Lynn Hollerman
- Internet/IRCA Website report sent in by Lynn Hollerman

Broadcast Test Co-ordinator's Report sent in by Jim Pogue
 Publicity chair's report delivered by Mike Sanburn
 Reprint editor's report and Award Committee Chair report sent in by Lee Freshwater
 Acting Elections Committee Chair's report delivered by Nick Hall-Patch

New Business:

More information on updating club history, request from Lynn Hollerman for DX tips to be placed on club website, request from Lee Freshwater for additional publicity for reprints and awards, suggestion that club offer free trial memberships (SDXM only) as an incentive to increase membership."

The final round of Board business for this term:

Proposal 22.2.16 is to accept Lynn Hollerman's condensed financial statement for Mar 1, 2007- Aug 31, 2007 as follows:

IRCA chequeing account:
 balance on Mar 1/07: \$3,369.78
 income (from dues): \$1,067.00
 expenses:
 (DX Monitor publishing, web hosting, PO box rental): \$ 381.35
 balance on Aug 31/07: \$4,020.43

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 Proposal 22.2.17 is to accept Phil Bytheway's condensed financial statement for the IRCA bookstore for Mar 1, 2007- Aug 31, 2007 as follows:

IRCA Bookstore:
 Income: \$992.50
 Postage: \$ 96.98
 Misc: \$207.10
 Net: +\$688.42
 Balance: \$2088.42

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 Proposal 22.2.18 is to offer free trial memberships in IRCA in an ad in Popular Communications that Publicity Director Mike Sanburn plans to run as soon as feasible; Mike is still getting details on this, as to cost, time of publication etc.

The trial would have a fixed starting date, to be decided once the advertisement insertion date is settled, and would last for the same number of issues as the present paid trial membership, but would entitle the member to an SDXM-only subscription for that period, to minimize cost to the club. The trial members would be given access to the "members only" portion of ircaonline.org, but that access would expire if the membership is not renewed at the end of the trial period.

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 PB- PHIL BYTHEWAY, MH- MIKE HARDESTER, JJ- JOHN JOHNSON, PM -PATRICK MARTIN,
 DP- DOUG PIFER, MS- MIKE SANBURN, RW- ROBERT WIEN
 Y=YES N=NO A=ABSTAIN

A big welcome to Doug Pifer as IRCA's new president, and to new Board members Lee Freshwater and Jim Pogue. Best wishes for a successful term. Nick

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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INDIVIDUAL MEMBER AND CONTRIBUTOR LISTINGS: (continued from last time – pb)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Saul Chermos (location unknown) dated 8/1/07:
 New Toronto station heard while crossing the border en route to western NY DX GTG. It's testing and on tonight, too, upon return to Toronto. Greek music. Announcements... (PM-OR)

Eric Buennen sends along the following:
 It is official, WESL 1490 East St. Louis, IL has gone to Fox Sports, after a couple of weeks of simulcasting sister station KSLG 1380 (which carries ESPN). The station has requested a call letter change to WFFX, after holding the WESL calls since 1972. KFNS-590 and KFNS-FM 100.7 becomes the local Sporting News Radio affiliate. SNR was last heard on KRFT 1190, which is now programming a talk format. That leaves WIL 1430 as the only full-time AM music station in St. Louis. (EB-MO)

Dale Park sends along the following:

880 KHNR-HI Honolulu WAS: silent ex-870, NOW: talk, news // FM again
 1370 KUPA-HI Pearl City WAS: silent, NOW: Fox Sports Radio
 1460 KHRA-HI Honolulu WAS: silent, NOW: Korean again
 1570 KUAAU-HI Haiku WAS: Protestant talk and teaching, "Praise Music", NOW: silent pending transmitter move

Fox Sports Radio adds (per network news release)

0800 WHOS-AL Decatur 6/25
 1070 WKOK-PA Sunbury 6/13
 1230 WBHP-AL Huntsville 6/25
 1340 WSEB-AL Florence 6/16
 1380 WMLP-PA Milton 6/13
 1450 WREL-VA Lexington 6/09
 1480 WSAR-MA Fall River 5/26
 1490 WESL-MO E. Saint Louis 7/09 + Jim Rome (ex KSLG-1380) (DP-HI)

Pat Martin sends along the following from the Oregon Media Insiders dated 8/1/07:

KOPT radio in Eugene let all of its local staff go today. Brian Shaw, his producer, and the 3 news folks Sarah Ferren, Sean Schoppe, and Rick Little. They couldn't sell the station. Their news department had just come off winning best news for the 2nd year in a row, and nabbed all kinds of other awards as well. Rick Little is probably the best news guy in the market too. But none of it mattered, proving that even in a liberal town like Eugene, you can't sell Air America. Too bad for those guys. Word is station will broadcast syndicated shows, and try and find someone to buy it. If they can't find any takers, kiss it good bye. (PM-OR)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Bill Harms of Elkridge, MD (via NRC) dated 8/11/07:

http://www.rwonline.com/leslie_report/, Issue: Aug. 08, 2007

Mexico Wants U.S. radio regulators to re-think their decision to allow AMs to go IBOC at night and FM to operate on the extended hybrid digital carriers. Our neighbors to the south say they are not happy the FCC authorized its recent "final" IBOC rules governing broadcast transmissions without first coordinating those through international treaties. In a letter to Chairman Martin filed in the IBOC docket, the Mexican Federal Telecommunications Commission, which regulates communications in Mexico, states that "until technical criteria" have been established between the agencies to allow "optimal and efficient development" of analog and digital radio broadcasting along our common border, "the commission should hold off on the two points made earlier. Sources tell me they believe Mexico filed the letter so it would have standing in any proceeding on IBOC and to have a way to adjudicate interference claims for the border area. Indeed, the group also refers to possible interference from U.S. IBOC stations to Mexican stations as a reason to have the coordination completed according to treaties first. The FCC handles coordination with the State Department, so perhaps the timing isn't all up to the FCC. Interesting development. As we recently reported, Mexico has agreed in principle to allow border stations to use FM IBOC, and that decision needs to be finalized and printed in Mexico's version of the Federal Register. (PM-OR)

Dennis Gibson sends along the following:

<http://www.merrag.com/lowpoweram.htm>, http://svatiffoss2.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/ws.exe/genmen/uls/uls_csl_res.htm?db_id=19&callsign=WQHI686&application_id=

MERRAG and the Montecito Fire District operate Montecito Information Radio (MIR) at 1370 KHz on your AM dial. MIR is a low-power AM radio station that you can receive on your AM car radio or any other common portable radio that you may already own. MIR's signal covers all of the area encompassed by the Montecito Fire District, and is best received with an AM radio that has an external antenna attached. MIR will broadcast 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Currently, MIR is a temporary station established to assist with information on the current ZACA Fire conditions and will provide updated information on conditions of vital importance to the Montecito community. The current 1370 AM location is temporary, but Montecito Fire District has applied for a permanent FCC license and plans to have it operational soon. Montecito Fire information may include evacuation routes, expected fire direction, news about utility outages, and so forth. During normal times MIR broadcasts programming of general interest to Montecitians such as up to date localized weather forecasts, road conditions and hazard abatement projects. Please tune up 1370 KHz on your AM radio right now. Once the permanent location has been established, Montecito Fire Protection District will make a formal announcement of it's location on your AM dial. At that time, make it a point to store MIR on one of your radio's presets so that you will be able to tune in immediately in case of emergency. (DG-CA)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Doug Smith of Pleasant View, TN dated 8/15/07:

It looks like the IBOC rules were published in the Federal Register this morning, starting the 30-day clock to their becoming effective. (and nighttime AM-IBOC). (PM-OR)

Pat Martin also sends along the following from Doug Smith of Pleasant View, TN dated 8/16/07:

http://fjfalffoss.fcc.gov/eodocs_public/openAttachment.do?link=FCC-07-144A1.txt

The FCC has proposed to allow FM translators to relay AM stations. A handful of these are already authorized under STA. (I'm aware of five, but the FCC document says there are eleven.) The proposal would restrict the FM translators' 60dBu contour to within the 2mV/m daytime contour of the AM station, or a 25-mile radius of the AM transmitter site, whichever is less. (60dBu is the radius to which most full-power FM stations are protected from interference. The 60dBu contour of a 250-watt translator with antenna 100m high is 13km, about 8 miles. Most translators are somewhat less powerful.) Normally, a FM translator is required to go off the air when the station it's authorized to relay is off. The FCC proposes to allow FM translators of daytime-only AM stations to continue operating after the associated AM goes off for the night. (and for those of Class D AM stations with very low night powers to operate at night even if the associated AM station isn't using its AM night power) Some questions the FCC is asking:

- Should eligibility to apply be phased in? (should daytime-only and "graveyard" AM stations get first shot?)
- Should AM stations whose owners don't have an FM in the same market get first shot?
- How many translators should a given AM be permitted? (Wisconsin Public Radio proposed limiting a given AM station to ten FM translators)
- Should AM owners be allowed to lease FM translators owned by others? (normally FM translator owners may not receive compensation from the station being relayed)
- Should FM translators operating below 92MHz be limited to relaying non-commercial AM stations? (PM-OR)

Contributors:

Eric Bueneman, St. Louis, MO (EB-MO)
Dennis Gibson, Santa Barbara, CA (DG-CA)
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 DATE OF COLUMN: 08/19/07.

CANADIAN RADIO NEWS
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For August 2007 (September 1 2007) (next update October 1 2007)

FORMAT CHANGES
 From Oldies (Oldies 1150) to News-Talk (AM 1150)
AM TO FM CONVERSIONS ON THE AIR

1150 BC Kelowna CKFR
 99.3 ON Peterborough CKPT
 103.1 BC Kelowna CKOW
 106.9 QC Trois Rivieres CHLN

OFF THE AIR

580 ON Thunder Bay CKPR
 1150 QC Gatineau CJRC

AM TO FM CONVERSIONS GRANTED

960 ON Kingston CFFX
 1380 ON Kingston CKLC
 1490 BC Campbell River CFWB

Move to 104.3 with 4,000 watts
 Move to 98.9 with 8,700 watts
 Move to FM approved but applied frequency of 106.1 is not acceptable. Must find an alternative frequency within 90 days

PROPOSED AM TO FM CONVERSIONS

920 NS Halifax Move to 101.3 with 100,000 watts (format will remain Oldies)

PROPOSED TECHNICAL CHANGES

1450 NS Windsor CFAB
 Previously approved FM flip re-applies for 92.9 with 23,800 watts.
 Original application for 92.9 with 47,100 watts was rejected

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

Nancy Johnson – 265 Waterton Wy – Billings, MT 59102-7755
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WDXR DEADLINES: Sept. 19, Sept. 28, Oct. 5, Oct. 12, Oct. 19. Please use Eastern Time.

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

1330 KCKM HI, Hilo per spokeswoman 8/6, station is off the air awaiting transmitter parts. (5P-HI)
 1330 KCKM HI, Monahans ex-KLBO heard most evenings 2100-2130 "Kick-em Country" and frequent call ID's. (BN-NM)

550 KUZS CA, Bakersfield 8/27 0236 C&W music noted during one of KMVI-HI's spots of dead air during the ESPN Radio feed. Also noted talk, KGME-AZ? (5P-HI)
 570 CKWL BC, Williams Lake 9/5 0020 good at times on top of KVI with C&W and slogans "The Wolf" plus a cluster of spots. (PM-OR)
 640 KYUK AK, Bethel 8/20 0515 fair over/under KFI with jazz, time check at 0515. (PM-OR)
 650 CKOM SK, Sasketoon 9/4 2259 with "Heart of Saskatchewan" and "Newstalk 650" into local news. (DR-OR)

690 KHNH/880 KHCM HI, Honolulu 9/4 noted owner Salem Media swapping formats between stations, with newstalk moving from 880 and Jones Radio's "US Country" C&W format going from 690. Station receptionist said change happened 9/3. KHNH now known as "Hawaii's New Choice for Intelligent Talk." Formats also switched on 97.5 to C&W, ID is "Hawaii's Country Music, 97.5 KHCM FM and AM." (5P-HI)
 700 KALL UT, North Salt Lake City 9/3 fair on top of jumble with spots and ID at 0300 "The home of the University of Utah, KALL North Salt Lake... All... Sports" into Fox sports net. Have not heard this in a while, but after I improved the feed line on the Beverage, I am getting this. (PM-OR)

740 CHWO ON, Toronto 8/30 0130 fair with mix of KCBS and CHWO with "Prime Time Radio," soon lost to CBX. I did not even need the phaser. (PM-OR)
 760 CFLD BC, Burns Lake 9/5 0025 good with rock music, ID's as "BV-LD." (PM-OR)
 780 KNOM AK, Nome 8/20 mix of KKOH/KNOM at 0510 with relig. program. (PM-OR)
 790 KBET NV, Winchester-Las Vegas 8/23 0300 good signal in Vegas with classic country format, ID on hour "Classic Country Legends 790, KBE1, Winchester-Las Vegas," inaudible 65 miles outside of town during day, only KABC & XESU, so signal quite limited to the SW towards Los Angeles. Had been playing NOS up until recently. Good format! (RW-NV)

840 KMAX WA, Colfax 8/21 0000 male gave "The Max" ID into news. Barely atop CKBX for a few moments on Hammarlund with E-W wire. (GH-OR)

850 KHLO HI, Hilo 8/15 0757 Hawaii County Civil Defense update on Hurricane Flossie. ID for KKBG-FM and relay KLEO-FM "K-Big FM," then ID for KHLO and relay KKON. DJ came on saying ESPN 8-50 was simulcasting K-Big while the hurricane was going on. (5P-HI)

KICY AK, Nome 8/20 0511 good & dominant with program of Christian music in Russian. (PM-OR)

870 KPUA HI, Hilo 8/15 0627 "Coast to Coast AM with George Noory" interrupted by promo for Hurricane Flossie coverage. An actual hurricane update didn't occur until 0657. (5P-HI)

CFBV BC, Smithers 9/5 // with 760 with rock music at 0024. (PM-OR)
 890 KPD792 CA, San Diego 8/5 1310 TIS, "This is AM 890 Cabrillo Information Center." DX'ing from San Diego near Pt. Loma Lighthouse. (MS-CA)

990 KTMS CA, Santa Barbara 9/5 0906 with ID "KTMS Newstime 6:06." (BB-AZ)
 1000 WPMF428 CA, Barstow 8/22 1430 Caltrans TIS good on car radio while driving through area with mentions of calls and "AM 1000." Signs on side of road mentioned to tune to 1000 for further information on road conditions. (RW-CA1)

1020 CIVH AB, High Prairie 9/5 0050 good on top with ad for furniture store in High Prairie, followed by "The Fox," into Cheap Trick's "I Want You to Want Me." (PM-OR)

1060 KHBC HI, Hilo 8/18 0258 long set from "Dooobie Brother's Live From Wold Trap" CD, DU talk, non-ID "KHBC AM 10-60 and 92.7 FM," delayed CNN Radio news at 0309. (5P-HI)

1070 KNX CA, Los Angeles 9/5 0305 end of CBS news, slogan "KNX 10-70 Newstradio" and "Traffic on The Fives." Fair, GRM from KWAI-1080. (5P-HI)

1110 KDIS CA, Pasadena 8/8 0122 woman with teen CHR such as Black Eyed Peas "Let's Get Started," mention of "Radio Disney." Poor to fair, under and sometimes over semi-local KAOI. (5P-HI)

1210 KEVT AZ, Sahuarita ex-KQTL heard easily most mornings 0930-1000 with "La Raza" slogan. (BN-NM)

1330 CJYM SK, Rosetown 8/7 0030 female with weather forecast and ID, vocal music. Fairly clear for several minutes then very poor on Hammarlund with N-S wire. (GH-OR)

1340 KTKI WA, Anacortes 8/6 0000 ID and CBS news. Poor signal in the static with several UNIDs, on R-388 with E-W wire. Vocal music of some sort. (GH-OR)

1350 KTIK ID, Nampa 8/30 0020 ID, ad for boisehelpwanted.com, sports talk. In strong, probably day power, on SP-600 with N-S wire. (GH-OR)

1370 KUPA HI, Pearl City 7/29 0307 now noted carrying Fox Sports Radio, airing "Fox's Third Shift" show from KTBZ-1430 Tulsa. ID as "KUPA AM 13-70 Pearl City." (5P-HI)

1400 KNND OR, Cottage Grove 8/26 0300 legal ID and not much more, briefly atop. (bp-WA) + 8/29 0000 C&W music, ID and news dominating the jumble. Fair to poor on R390A with E-W wire. (GH-OR)

1430 KBCH OR, Lincoln City 8/26 0400 legal ID in jumble. (bp-WA)

1430 KFIG CA, Fresno 8/16 0839 promo for Giants baseball and for program host. ESPN ID "1430. The Valley's Sports Leader." San Gabriel station null'd, uniID station playing "Amarillo By Morning." (MS-EI Centro?-CA)

1450 KBFI ID, Bonners Ferry 8/26 0500 good with CTC show, "Newstalk1450 KBFI Bonners Ferry" ID, into ABC news. (bp-WA)

1470 KFLS OR, Klamath Falls 8/26 0600 radio promo, "The Klamath Basin's... Sports... KFLS Klamath Falls," mixing with others. (bp-WA)

KBPS OR, Portland 8/26 0300 good with promo for college age male. (bp-WA)

1470 KNFL KPSU, Portland College Radio" by college age male. (bp-WA)

1490 ?KTMS? UT, Tremonton 8/19 1556 noted off the air as we drove through the area. However, 8/26 1100 they were back on the air simulcasting KOGN. (Jc&NJ-UT)

1490 ?KTMS? CA, Santa Barbara 8/16 0905 ID "KTMS news time 6:05" into spots for local show and Office Depot. Ex-Spanish, KBKO. Is this a simulcast of 990 AM or have they moved yet again? (MS-CA)

KDBM MT, Dillon 8/26 1559 ad, 1600 ID "KBDM Dillion, Montana's Real Country Station" into ABC news. Heard while in the Dillon area. (Jc&NJ-MT)

KEYG WA, Grand Coulee 8/26 0300 atop with C&W music, ID "KEYG 1490 AM... Grand Coulee... the Upper Columbia Basin." (bp-WA)

KYNR WA, Toppenish 8/5 2340 heard male with "1490 Yakima Nation" ID. Some jibberish, chanting type music, on R-388 with E-W wire. (GH-OR)

1500 KSTP MN, St. Paul 9/4 0516 "AM 1500 KSTP" ID, fair to good signal. (DR-OR)

1540 KXEL IA, Waterloo 9/4 0500 "Newstalk 1540, KXEL Waterloo-Cedar Falls" ID at top of the hour. (DR-OR)

1570 CKMW MB, Winkler 9/4 0423 "Country 1570 CKMW" into C&W, fair but choppy. (DR-OR)

1610 TIS ID, Poccatello 8/26 1230 while driving through the area on I-90 we heard Idaho State Univ. TIS with a one minute loop promoting the university. They gave website www.isu.edu and ID at end of loop "This is KAM(or NJ)-605 1610 AM." Heard 10 miles north to 10 miles south of Poccatello. (Jc&NJ-ID)

UNIDS
1470 UNID 8/16 0000 heard male give "103 FM KBLE?" ID but no AM call sign given, on R-388 with E-W wire. Help! (GH-OR)

John and I had a wonderful time at the IRCA convention in Salt Lake City. Thanks to Mike Sanburn for all his hard work hosting such a fine convention. In the last column Dale listed CBK as Gravelbourg. Theo Donnelly noted that it should have been listed as Watrous. Nancy 9/7 2100

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DOWN THE DIAL
1100 WJSM PA, Martinsburg, 9-3 good. 22:00 soft music and legal ID with mention of both Martinsburg and Altoona. [TN-WJ]

25 YEARS AGO
September 18, 1982 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Jef Jaisun** of Kirkland, WA talked with KAYO/KSPL CE John Price about their format and call letter change ... **C. M. Stanbury II** of Ridgeway, ON commented on why he resigned as a contributing editor for S9 ... **Ernest R. Cooper** of Provincetown, MA told about attending the Quad Cities convention ... **Tim Noonan** of Milwaukee, WI also enjoyed attending the convention saying "I can't remember when I've had such a good time."

OPEN MIKE
Nancy and I sure enjoyed the 2007 Salt Lake City Convention. It was fun seeing everyone again and the KSL and KSOP tours were great. This column was typed 9-8-07. 73, John

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STAR OF THE WEEK

1060 NC WXNC Monroe (Union Co.): Logged @ 0800 8/31 fading UP over remnants of KYW and other co-channel QRM. ID as: "Double-U Equis Ene Ce, Monroe/Charlotte" WNCT-1060 Greenville (NC) had IBOC hiss-blast shut off for two days but back on later today.
1240 SC WLSC Loris: Logged @ 1904 on 9/13 while listening for WCNC. Elizabeth City (NC)/ WZBO-1260 Edenton (SS) which is there tantalizing me. WLSC: Country-type Southern Gospel music. ID as "12-40, W L S C," with reference to "Loris" about 14 seconds later. Fair, in/out. Came up in time for call sign. (CAT-NC)

This is the last of the bi-weeklies. Following the 9-22 deadline, we will be weekly. That means the DX season has started. I will be spending the week of 9-17 in Quincy, IL. Will be attending Harris Corporations IBOC school. Perhaps I will come away with a better knowledge of how IBOC works. Interesting that this seminar is the week after AM IBOC at night begins. I will be listening 9-14. Best to all... fresh 9-08 0820

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Greetings everyone,
Welcome to the new Fall DX Season and it is beginning to jump. The TP/DU DX is in full swing. I improved on my antennas and grounds of late, plus added new choke boxes for the coax to clean up stray signals being picked by the coax. It is much better now. So away we go.

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP
1160 **MEXICO**, BCN, San Quintin, XEQIN hrd 9/7 at 1302 on top of KSL with talk by man and woman. (BB-AZ)
1570 **UNID**, at 0657 9/5, Nortena mx, Big Ben clock chimes, ID missed, high pitched woman with anmt. U.S. or Mexican? Poor, QRM KBLA-1580. (SP-HI)
(This does not sound like XERF, so probably one of the Californians. I would guess. PM)

TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP
153 **RUSSIA**, Radio Rossii at 1127 8/23, weak with woman in RR. Fair at 1214. (DV-WA)
180 **RUSSIA**, Radio Rossii 1140 8/23 very weak, fair by 1215. (DV-WA)
189 **RUSSIA**, Radio Rossii 1142//153, 180 8/23 Good. (PM-OR)
279 **RUSSIA**, Radio Rossii at 1144 8/23, weak. (DV-WA)
531 **AUSTRALIA**, Innisfail, QLD, 4KZ, good on top at times with "Talk Tonight" at 1231 UTC 9/3 u/o 2PM at other times, many "Four K Zed" IDs by man. and "Here on the Tropical Coast, Four K Zed" (PM-OR)
531 **AUSTRALIA**, Port Macquarie, 2PM with EZ listening pops "More Music, More Variety 2PM" IDs at 1235 9/3. (PM-OR)
540 **AUSTRALIA**, Longreach, 4QL, good on top discussion pgm at 1333 9/3. (PM-OR)
549 **AUSTRALIA**, Orange 2CR 1334 9/3 // with 4QL. (PM-OR)
558 **JAPAN**, Kobe JOCR, good with male & female at 1405 9/9. (PM-OR)
567 **JAPAN**, Sapporo JOIK, good with man in JJ at 1407 9/9 (PM-OR)
594 **JAPAN**, Tokyo JOAK 9/8 1307 with JJ talk. (BB-AZ)
612 **AUSTRALIA**, Brisbane 4QR like it was across the street at 1245 9/3. S9+10 DBI Easily logged on the Sony 5SW. (PM-OR)
620 **HAWAII**, Hilo KIPA per spokeswoman 8/6 station is off the air awaiting TX parts. A posting on the bulletin board Hawaii Threads.com says the station had been relaying KBGX-FM 105.3 and using the slogan "Lava 105". (5P-HI)
621 **AUSTRALIA**, Melbourne 3RN 0757 8/4 talk by woman ment "ABC radio" Very poor, het from 620. (5P-HI)
693 **JAPAN**, Tokyo JOAB 9/8 1248 hrd with man in JJ. (BB-AZ)
747 **JAPAN**, Sapporo JOIB 9/8 1252 man in JJ talk. (BB-AZ)
774 **JAPAN**, Akita JOUB 9/8 1251 man in JJ. (BB-AZ)
801 **AUSTRALIA**, Gosford 2RF Radio Italia, armchair copy at times with man in Italian at 1346 9/3. (PM-OR)
828 **JAPAN**, Osaka JOBB 9/9 1256 with JJ talk. (BB-AZ)
810 **AUSTRALIA**, Bega NSW topping KGO at times at 1339 9/3. (PM-OR)
999 **PHILIPPINES**, Cebu City DYSS "Super Radyo 8/27 1349 Wow! Just checked this frequency to hear multiple IDs for Super Radyo, in Tagalog "Media Awards 2007", Radio GMA Incorporated and Cebu mentioned. (WS-Masset BC)

1017 **AUSTRALIA**, Sydney 2KY Very good at times with anmt heard "Give us a call here at 2KY" at 1329 9/3. About S5-S6. (PM-OR)

1026 **PHILIPPINES**, Metro Manila, DZAR Soshine Radio 8/27 1323. I'm hearing EE Rel discussion with accent which sounds Filipino to me. Fades up to fair level, but then back into the mud. Rwading letters at 1340, mentioning Typhoon Dodo(?) Mentions of NCR, Manila, Philippines, etc. Best hrd on shorter European beverage. (WS-Masset, BC)

1053 **DPR KOREA**, Theshold 1301 8/27. (DV-WA)

1062 **PHILIPPINES**, Metro Manila, DZEC in the jumble with man in Tagalog at 1325 9/3. (PM-OR) + Also hrd Eagle Broadcasting Corp DZEC 8/27 1359. Nice clear ID just before 1359 as "Dee Zee Eee Cee, Eagle Broadcasting" in Tagalog. Good reception. Still going strong at 1411 with Spanish Eyes. (WS-Masset, BC)

1071 (Wait, DZEC is probably the most common Filipino for me here on the OR Coast, PM) **AUSTRALIA**, Maryborough(Bendigo), VIC 3EL good at 1356 9/3 with Mccarthey song Silly Love Songs with great "Radio 10-71" ID at 1352, 9/3 then at 1358 a cluster of spots and a "10-71 3EL" ID. I have this under the old call of 3CV, but this is the first time I have heard them with the newer call. (PM-OR)

1080 **NORTH MARIANAS**, KGNM Saipan, per phone call to KTWG 801 Guam 8/12 which used to be relayed on KCNMI. The station has been off the air for a couple of years while being rebuilt due to typhoons. (5P-HI)

1116 **AUSTRALIA**, Brisbane 4BC, probably peaking at S8 or S9 with several "4-B-C" IDs at 1315 9/3. (PM-OR)

1170t **PHILIPPINES**, VOA good at times on top of domestics with pgm in Cantonese at 1340. Per WPTH VOA has Cantonese from 1300-1500 UTC 9/5. Tent. CD report sent to Washington DC. (PM-OR)

1296 **AUSTRALIA**, UNID talk at 1335 9/3. 4RPH? (PM-OR)

1377 **CHINA**, CRN 1 weak at 1253/14460, woman in CC? 8/23. (DV-WA)

1503 **NEW ZEALAND**, Radio Sport quite good on peaks 1345 9/3. (PM-OR)

1566 **REP. KOREA**, Cheju HLAZ very weak 1210 8/23. (DV-WA)

1575 **THAILAND**, VOA weak 1211 8/23. (DV-WA)

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Grayland DXpedition 2007.08

August 23-26, 2007 Loggings by John Bryant
Antennas: Phased Active Delta Arrays, E-W and NW-SE
West Beverage 700 feet; NW Beverage 800 feet
Receiver: WinRadio 313e

My first trip to Grayland in 2007 was primarily planned as a test session for two phased arrays that are under development by Wellbrook. I managed to DX Thursday through Sunday mornings from about 1000 until bandfade around 1400 UTC. Guy Atkins joined me (with the second array) for Saturday and Sunday AMs.

Each of the four mornings had a very distinctive personality, with the first three being rather better than average overall conditions and the fourth AM being somewhat less than average. Thursday AM, Aug 23 was a mixed morning prior to sunrise, with about equal numbers of Aussie and Japanese signals being the most notable. There was an excellent all-Aussie opening for about 40 minutes after dawn. The second morning, Friday Aug. 24, was also mixed, but with conditions favoring the East Asians, especially Japan over the DU stations. Saturday morning, Aug. 25, the dial was covered with Aussies and a few Kiwis. Almost no signals were heard from East Asia. The final morning, Sunday August 26, was rather disappointing, overall, but a decent number of stations were heard. There were rather more Aussies on the band than there were East Asians.

Our tests of the two arrays were extremely gratifying. In our now 18 years of DXing from Grayland, we have brought many antennas to the beach to try to outperform our traditional rather short Grayland Beverages. Until this weekend, every antenna that we have tried had proven to be a disappointment when carefully compared to the Beverages, which seem to do especially well on sandy seashores. Although the exact results of our tests are, of course, confidential, I can say that both Guy and I were very impressed with the performance of the rather small arrays (when compared to eve a short Beverage.) We look forward to the day when we will no longer have to slog through abandoned

cranberry bogs to string out several thousand feet of wire for the traditional Grayland Beverage Array. The Wellbrook Array of deltas is a winner!

Guy Atkins: I joined John Bryant at Grayland, WA for a DXpedition that was first and foremost an antenna testing session, but as it turned out the DX was definitely worthwhile for late August.

In his ever-prepared fashion, John had charted out in advance how the 700 foot Beverages and our Wellbrook Phased Arrays (prototypes) should be arranged on the property. It must have been a more impressive (annoying?) spectacle than usual, as I can't remember a time when more people asked us about the strange wires than during this DXpedition. One Beverage and Wellbrook array were oriented northwest (approx. 315 degrees) and another Beverage and array were aimed due West (270 degrees). Center-to-center spacing of the loops was 40m (~142 ft.), with their circumference at 60 feet (20 ft. per side, horizontal leg at 3 ft. above ground).

The nulls of the arrays are impressively stable, requiring only occasional (and slight) readjustment from top to bottom of the MW band for best performance. John and I did some daytime groundwave testing of Portland stations close in azimuth to the backside of the NW array, and observed nulls between 38-45 dB (as measured with the accurate dBm signal meter of John's g313e receiver). Stations that were approx. 20-30 degrees off-axis were generally 18-25 dB down when the phaser's "reversal" switch was flipped.

These relatively compact arrays are the first antennas I've encountered in 18 years of MW DXing that can compete with a Beverage! In nearly every DX situation, reception was equivalent to the 700 footers, and sometimes the arrays provided a bit improved splatter rejection, too. I'm looking forward to comparing the arrays to much longer Beverage antennas in September.

My DXing on this trip was with my Eton E1, and occasionally John's E1 for checking parallels. My SDR-1000 is on currently the garage workbench for some substantial mods.

I recorded the following two MP3 files to indicate the performance of the Wellbrook phased arrays. Each file starts out with 10 seconds of reception with the E1 and the Wellbrook array, followed by 10 seconds with the Beverage antenna, and then back to 10 seconds with the Wellbrook, etc.:

963 kHz: China Radio Intl. with their Russian language service:
http://www.guyatkins.com/files/8.25.07_CRI_963_Well_array_vs_bev.mp3

891 kHz 4TAB Innisfail, Australia with sports talk:

http://www.guyatkins.com/files/8.25.07_4TAB_891_Well_array_vs_bev.mp3

This file indicates the nulling ability of the Wellbrook array. It starts with 10 seconds of 963 kHz, China Radio Intl. in Russian on the Wellbrook with the beam switch in the NW direction, and then 10 seconds with the reversal switch engaged (nulled signal), and then 10 seconds with the switch in the forward direction again.

http://www.guyatkins.com/files/8.26.07_CRI_963_nulled_Well_array.mp3

Guy Atkins, Puyallup, WA USA, DXing at Grayland, WA

Eton E1 receiver, Wellbrook phased array antennas W & NW (prototypes), W and NW 700 ft. Beverage antennas

On to the loggings:

189 **RUSSIA** R. Rossi, Aug 26 1245 - Orchestral music, parallel to 279. Good level, and quieter on Wellbrook array. (Atkins-WA)

531 **NEW ZEALAND** 1XPI Auckland, Aug 26 1252 - Church service with choral singing in island language. 1XPI likely, on a local NZ Sunday evening. Poor-fair; probable. At 1300, 2PM Kempsey faded up co-channel, with 'Radio 531, 2PM' ID, equal level to 1XPI. Buzz from a nearby IBOC transmitter was a bit of a challenge while DXing 531 with the Eton E1. (Atkins-WA)

567 **JAPAN** JOIK Sapporo, Aug 26 1304 - Male and female announcers in Japanese, with world news items. Parallel to 594, JOAK, Fair signal. (Atkins-WA)

576 **AUSTRALIA** 2RNR Sydney, Aug 23 1250 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1306 - Noted with jazz music and English announcer, parallel to 792 4RN. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)

585 **AUSTRALIA** 7RN Hobart, Aug 23 1327 - Heard this old friend, though poorly, running modern jazz //576 Sydney which was much better. (JB-G'land WA)

594 **AUSTRALIA** 3WV Horsham, Aug 25 1302 - Great fun here as max dawn began with 3WV alone on the West array and co-chan JOAK, Tokyo alone on the Northwest array. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 25 1335 - Man and woman announcer with interview of female C&W musician Elizabeth Cook. Discussion of her concerts, followed by her hit song 'Sometimes It Takes Balls to be a Woman'. Some QRM from JOAK Tokyo, Fair. Parallel to 612 4QR Brisbane at much stronger level. Best signal by far on NW Beverage (!), just past local SR. (Atkins-WA)

594 **JAPAN** JOAK NHK-1 Tokyo, Aug 23 1140 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

612 **AUSTRALIA** 4QR Brisbane, Aug 23 1250 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1312 - Strong signal of an interview or talk show discussing Solomon Islands politics. Parallel to 774 3LO Melbourne. (Atkins-WA)

648 **AUSTRALIA** 2NU Tamworth, Aug 26 1304 - Noted here in passing with ABC News on the hour at fair level. Parallel to 594.3WV Horsham. (JB-G'land WA)

657 **NEW ZEALAND** Southern Star Wellington, Aug 24 1125 - Heard only at poor level, but with usually soft pops programming. (JB-G'land WA)

670 **HAWAII** KPJA, Hilo, Aug 24 1255 - Best demonstration of the phased array of loops so far. On the easterly setting of the E-W array, KBOI Boise was in the clear. On the westerly had both, with KBOI very dominant. (JB-G'land WA)

675 **AUSTRALIA** 2CO Albany, Aug 26 1304 - Noted in passing //648//594 with ABC news on the hour. Fair to poor. (JB-G'land WA)

684 **AUSTRALIA** 2KP Kempsey, Aug 25 1305 - Noted in passing with the end of the ABC News. Fair level. (JB-G'land WA)

693 **JAPAN** JOAB NHK-2 Tokyo, Aug 23 1140 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

702 **AUSTRALIA** 2BL Sydney, Aug 23 1240 - Noted here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

729 **AUSTRALIA** 5RN Adelaide, Aug 26 1326 - Heard here with the weekend ABC world music show that often gets me excited (thinking that I'm hearing Tibet, Kazakhstan or some other exotic location). Parallel 792 & 1512. (JB-G'land WA)

729 **JAPAN** JOCK NHK-1 Nagoya, Aug 23 1320 - Noted here at poor level //594. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 25 1144 - Female in Japanese talk; equal signal but slightly less splatter on Wellbrook array. Fair level. (Atkins-WA)

738 **AUSTRALIA** 2NR Grafton, Aug 24 1320 - Noted as band faded with Aussie talk by male; mens. of Australia. (JB-G'land WA)

747 **JAPAN** JOIB NHK-2 Sapporo, Aug 23 1123 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

756 **NEW ZEALAND** 1YA National Radio Auckland, Aug 25 1210 - Noted at fair level in passing with DU talk. (JB-G'land WA)

765t **AUSTRALIA** 2EC Beqa, Aug 25 1212 - Tentative this with pop music show hosted by male. Logging to brief for even a tentative report. Good level, briefly. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 25 1214 - Tentative, with English language pop music, male and female announcers in English. Announcers sounded more Aussie than Kiwi. (Atkins-WA)

774 **AUSTRALIA** 3LO Melbourne, Aug 23 1155 - Noted here several times with Aussie talk, mixing with JOUB. (JB-G'land WA)

774 **JAPAN** JOUB NHK-2 Akita, Aug 23 1123 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

792 **AUSTRALIA** 4RN Brisbane, Aug 23 1124 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 23 1251 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

828 **AUSTRALIA** 3GI Sale, Aug 23 1340 - Noted here long after sunrise //774 Melbourne. (JB-G'land WA)

828 **JAPAN** JOBB NHK-2 Osaka, Aug 23 1125 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1210 - Male announcer in Japanese, parallel to 774. Fair on peaks, with unid. music station occasionally in background. (Atkins-WA)

846 **AUSTRALIA** 2RN Canberra, Aug 25 1225 - Heard //792.4RN Brisbane. Canberra heard several times before, but will never answer a reception report. Will try again. (JB-G'land WA)

846 **KIRIBATI** Radio Kiribati Beto, Tarawa, Aug 23 1320 - Tentative this one on 24 hours??? with continuous island music. Fair level. Heard also Aug.24. (JB-G'land WA)

855 **AUSTRALIA** 4QB Platiba (pres.), Aug 23 1348 - Noted here long after sunrise //774 Melbourne. (JB-G'land WA)

855 **NORTH KOREA** Pyongyang Bangsong Sangwon, Aug 24 1242 - Noted here each morning with usual slightly off-frequency showing. (JB-G'land WA)

873 **JAPAN** JOGB NHK-2 Kumamoto, Aug 23 1126 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition, but always weaker than 747,774,828. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1206 - Fair level with Japanese talk by male. (Atkins-WA)

882 **NEW ZEALAND** 1YC Auckland, Aug 25 1316 - Heard at fair level running the Southern Star program stream. (JB-G'land WA)

891 **AUSTRALIA** 5AN Adelaide, Aug 23 1334 - Noted here most AMs of the DXpedition. Usually only at fair levels. (JB-G'land WA)

891 **AUSTRALIA** 4TAB Innisfail, Aug 25 1227 - Man and woman announcers with sports discussion; at 1228: 4TAB, your sports radio in Innisfail! Fair to good. (Atkins-WA)

+ Aug 25 1228 - ID heard by Guy. Sports talk dominating co-chan 5AN, Adelaide. A new one for me. Fair level, sometimes dominating, sometimes mixing with Adelaide. (JB-G'land WA)

927 **AUSTRALIA** 4CC Gladstone, Aug 26 1328 - Noted in passing with usual pop music program and cheeky/cheery 4-Double-C Gladstone ID. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1346 - Tentative. Female Aussie announcer in English, with pop variety tunes including Beatles. Fair signal, and then into the noise. (Atkins-WA)

936 **AUSTRALIA** 7ZR Hobart, Aug 26 1320 - Political discussion about Solomon Islands politics; choral music from Solomons choir. Fair on peaks, and parallel to 612.4QR Melbourne. (Atkins-WA)

+ Aug 26 1332 - Heard at just above threshold level, but absolutely //ABC 702. (JB-G'land WA)

945 **JAPAN** NHK-1 Synchros, Aug 26 1243 - Noted here at poor level //594 kHz. (JB-G'land WA)

954 **JAPAN** JOKR Tokyo, Aug 23 1322 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition.

963 **CHINA** CRI Russian Service Unkn. Loc., Aug 23 1308 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 25 1250 - Chinese orchestral music to fanfare and RR amnts and ID. Good level. (Atkins-WA)

963 **NEW ZEALAND** 3YC Christchurch, Aug 26 1310 - Heard here at fair level with usual quiet pops programming from Southern Star. (JB-G'land WA)

972 **SOUTH KOREA** HLCA Dangiin, Aug 23 1130 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

981 **AUSTRALIA** 2NM Muswellbrook, Aug 25 1310 - Music of Abba's 'Dancing Queen', Barry Manilow tune, and Billy Ray Cyrus' 'Achy Breaky Heart'. Into brief snippets of 50s/60s oldies tunes for promo, then 2 IDs as '2NM...music station'. Co-channel with CNR1 in Chinese. Fair to good. (Atkins-WA)

+ Aug 25 1331 - '2NM, The Music Station' was a new one for me, again IDed by Guy, playing an expanded Oldies format. Fair to good level. (JB-G'land WA)

981 **CHINA** CRI Unkn. Loc., Aug 23 1205 - Noted here most AMs of the DXpedition, often with echoes from multiple locations. (JB-G'land WA)

1008 **JAPAN** JONR Osaka, Aug 23 1131 - Heard here weakly in JJ by two men. (JB-G'land WA)

1044 **CHINA** CRI Changzhou, Aug 23 1132 - Heard here with Japanese Service most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

1053 **JAPAN** JOAR Nagoya, Aug 23 1310 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. The Korean janner on this frequency often seems to go off at 1300, leaving JOAR in the clear. (JB-G'land WA)

1062 **CHINA** Zuijiang JDG, Guangzhou, Aug 24 1300 - 3-1 pips and into the news in probably Cantonese at fair to good level. I rarely hear stations from this far south in China (Canton) even during the Oktober 'Chinese season'. (JB-G'land WA)

1062 **SOUTH KOREA** HLKQ Cheongju, Aug 26 1257 - Was looking for DZEC here and found the Korean instead, at a quite good level. (JB-G'land WA)

1098 **MARSHALL ISLANDS** V7AB Radio Marshalls, Majuro, Aug 23 1200 - Presume this. The usual source for a huge persistent open carrier heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. Also heard Aug 26 at 1110. Fair level with pop music show hosted by fem, seemingly on after their scheduled 1030 sign off. (JB-G'land WA)

1107 **AUSTRALIA** 2EA Sydney, Aug 23 1350 - Heard here with Aussie talk and ments. Fair to poor long after sunrise. (JB-G'land WA)

1116 **AUSTRALIA** 4BC Brisbane, Aug 23 1357 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition, but not with the dominant signals heard in recent years. Usually only heard late and at fair to poor levels. (JB-G'land WA)

1134 **JAPAN** JOQR Tokyo, Aug 23 1255 - Heard at fair level with usual culturally-oriented programming. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1345 - Radio drama in Japanese with silly adult and children's characters. Good level. (Atkins-WA)

1143 **TAIWAN** Taiwan Area Fisheries BS(pres.), Aug 24 1305 - Presume this one (it is the usual dominant) in standard CC at good level. (JB-G'land WA)

1161t **TAIWAN** BED-86 Ilan, Aug 24 1240 - Heard with folk opera at good level. Very tentative, but BCC QSLed this from a CD a couple of years ago with similar programming. (JB-G'land WA)

1170 **SOUTH KOREA** RK1 Japanese Service Gimje, Aug 24 1220 - Heard here absolutely dominating regional powerhouse KPUG, Bellingham, WA. Heard occasionally before from Grayland, during excellent EaAsian openings. (JB-G'land WA)

1206 **CHINA** Yanbian RGD, Aug 26 1146 - Tentative. Man and woman in Korean; Yanbian shown in PAL as Korean in this time frame. Fair to good on peaks. (Atkins-WA)

1224 **JAPAN** JOJK NHK-1 Kanazawa, Aug 24 1220 - Heard at fair level //594. (JB-G'land WA)

1233 **AUSTRALIA** 2NC Newcastle, Aug 26 1350 - Heard poorly with ABC Metro Service //702 just at band fade. (JB-G'land WA)

1242 **JAPAN** JOLF Tokyo, Aug 26 1341 - Brief snippets of definite Japanese by man and woman announcers before fading into the jumble. Fair-good. (Atkins-WA)

1278 **CHINA** Hebei RGD (pres.), Shijiazhuang, Aug 24 1140 - Presume this one with standard CC talk at good level. (JB-G'land WA)

1278 **JAPAN** JOFR Fukuoka, Aug 26 1140 - Female Japanese announcer, and EZL Japanese music at 1142. Poor signal; tentative. (Atkins-WA)

1287 **AUSTRALIA** 2TM Tamworth, Aug 25 1341 - Heard quite a while after dawn with a pop music show, hosted by male. Fair only. (JB-G'land WA)

1287 **JAPAN** JOHR Sapporo, Aug 23 1245 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1125 - Man and woman in Japanese with poss. drama program. Japanese pop music at 1132. Good level during peaks. Hints of a Filipino in the background-- DZZH/DXRC? (Atkins-WA)

1323 **CHINA** CRI Jilin, Aug 23 1135 - Heard here with Russian Service at fair level. (JB-G'land WA)

1332 **AUSTRALIA** 4BU (pres.) Bundaberg, Aug 25 1343 - Presume this the one heard with Aussie talk at band fade. (JB-G'land WA)

648 **AUSTRALIA** 2NU Tamworth, Aug 26 1304 - Noted here in passing with ABC News on the hour at fair level. Parallel to 594.3WV Horsham. (JB-G'land WA)

657 **NEW ZEALAND** Southern Star Wellington, Aug 24 1125 - Heard only at poor level, but with usually soft pops programming. (JB-G'land WA)

670 **HAWAII** KPJA, Hilo, Aug 24 1255 - Best demonstration of the phased array of loops so far. On the easterly setting of the E-W array, KBOI Boise was in the clear. On the westerly had both, with KBOI very dominant. (JB-G'land WA)

675 **AUSTRALIA** 2CO Albany, Aug 26 1304 - Noted in passing //648//594 with ABC news on the hour. Fair to poor. (JB-G'land WA)

684 **AUSTRALIA** 2KP Kempsey, Aug 25 1305 - Noted in passing with the end of the ABC News. Fair level. (JB-G'land WA)

693 **JAPAN** JOAB NHK-2 Tokyo, Aug 23 1140 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

702 **AUSTRALIA** 2BL Sydney, Aug 23 1240 - Noted here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

729 **AUSTRALIA** 5RN Adelaide, Aug 26 1326 - Heard here with the weekend ABC world music show that often gets me excited (thinking that I'm hearing Tibet, Kazakhstan or some other exotic location). Parallel 792 & 1512. (JB-G'land WA)

729 **JAPAN** JOCK NHK-1 Nagoya, Aug 23 1320 - Noted here at poor level //594. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 25 1144 - Female in Japanese talk; equal signal but slightly less splatter on Wellbrook array. Fair level. (Atkins-WA)

738 **AUSTRALIA** 2NR Grafton, Aug 24 1320 - Noted as band faded with Aussie talk by male; mens. of Australia. (JB-G'land WA)

747 **JAPAN** JOIB NHK-2 Sapporo, Aug 23 1123 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

756 **NEW ZEALAND** 1YA National Radio Auckland, Aug 25 1210 - Noted at fair level in passing with DU talk. (JB-G'land WA)

765t **AUSTRALIA** 2EC Beqa, Aug 25 1212 - Tentative this with pop music show hosted by male. Logging to brief for even a tentative report. Good level, briefly. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 25 1214 - Tentative, with English language pop music, male and female announcers in English. Announcers sounded more Aussie than Kiwi. (Atkins-WA)

774 **AUSTRALIA** 3LO Melbourne, Aug 23 1155 - Noted here several times with Aussie talk, mixing with JOUB. (JB-G'land WA)

774 **JAPAN** JOUB NHK-2 Akita, Aug 23 1123 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

792 **AUSTRALIA** 4RN Brisbane, Aug 23 1124 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 23 1251 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

828 **AUSTRALIA** 3GI Sale, Aug 23 1340 - Noted here long after sunrise //774 Melbourne. (JB-G'land WA)

828 **JAPAN** JOBB NHK-2 Osaka, Aug 23 1125 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1210 - Male announcer in Japanese, parallel to 774. Fair on peaks, with unid. music station occasionally in background. (Atkins-WA)

846 **AUSTRALIA** 2RN Canberra, Aug 25 1225 - Heard //792.4RN Brisbane. Canberra heard several times before, but will never answer a reception report. Will try again. (JB-G'land WA)

846 **KIRIBATI** Radio Kiribati Beto, Tarawa, Aug 23 1320 - Tentative this one on 24 hours??? with continuous island music. Fair level. Heard also Aug.24. (JB-G'land WA)

855 **AUSTRALIA** 4QB Platiba (pres.), Aug 23 1348 - Noted here long after sunrise //774 Melbourne. (JB-G'land WA)

855 **NORTH KOREA** Pyongyang Bangsong Sangwon, Aug 24 1242 - Noted here each morning with usual slightly off-frequency showing. (JB-G'land WA)

873 **JAPAN** JOGB NHK-2 Kumamoto, Aug 23 1126 - Heard most AMs of the DXpedition, but always weaker than 747,774,828. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1206 - Fair level with Japanese talk by male. (Atkins-WA)

882 **NEW ZEALAND** 1YC Auckland, Aug 25 1316 - Heard at fair level running the Southern Star program stream. (JB-G'land WA)

891 **AUSTRALIA** 5AN Adelaide, Aug 23 1334 - Noted here most AMs of the DXpedition. Usually only at fair levels. (JB-G'land WA)

891 **AUSTRALIA** 4TAB Innisfail, Aug 25 1227 - Man and woman announcers with sports discussion; at 1228: 4TAB, your sports radio in Innisfail! Fair to good. (Atkins-WA)

+ Aug 25 1228 - ID heard by Guy. Sports talk dominating co-chan 5AN, Adelaide. A new one for me. Fair level, sometimes dominating, sometimes mixing with Adelaide. (JB-G'land WA)

927 **AUSTRALIA** 4CC Gladstone, Aug 26 1328 - Noted in passing with usual pop music program and cheeky/cheery 4-Double-C Gladstone ID. (JB-G'land WA)

+ Aug 26 1346 - Tentative. Female Aussie announcer in English, with pop variety tunes including Beatles. Fair signal, and then into the noise. (Atkins-WA)

936 **AUSTRALIA** 7ZR Hobart, Aug 26 1320 - Political discussion about Solomon Islands politics; choral music from Solomons choir. Fair on peaks, and parallel to 612.4QR Melbourne. (Atkins-WA)

+ Aug 26 1332 - Heard at just above threshold level, but absolutely //ABC 702. (JB-G'land WA)

- 1332 **JAPAN** JOSF Nagoya, Aug 24 1150 - Fair level with JJ talk by female. (JB-G'land WA)
 1350 **JAPAN** JOER Hiroshima, Aug 24 1311 - Good to hear this relatively rare station running well over co-channel Santa Rosa, CA (with news in JJ). (JB-G'land WA)
 1386t **CHINA** Tianjian Life Tianjin, Aug 24 1202 - Tentative this illusive one at poor level in CC. Tianjian is the port city for Beijing, on the Yellow Sea and should be very easy to hear. Not so for me. (JB-G'land WA)
 1386 **JAPAN** NHK-2 Synchronos, Aug 26 1120 - Noted here at poor level in JJ //774 & 828 kHz. (JB-G'land WA)
 1400 **JAPAN** JOWF Sapporo, Aug 23 1203 - Heard here overpowering US co-chan stations. This is a fairly common occurrence during good Japanese openings at Grayland. (JB-G'land WA)
 1413 **JAPAN** JOIF Fukuoka, Aug 24 1204 - Noted here in passing at good level with national news. (JB-G'land WA)
 1422 **JAPAN** JORF Yokohama, Aug 24 1312 - Noted in passing at fair level with JJ talk. (JB-G'land WA)
 1475 **MALAYSIA** RTM Kota Kinabalu, Aug 26 1328 - Pop music to female announcer in poss. Malay; back to pop music 1332. Poor-fair signal. (Atkins-WA)
 + Aug 26 1333 - Heard first by Guy Atkins, but noted here also at fair to poor level with usual Islamic broadcast to the southern Philippines. (JB-G'land WA)
 1503 **NEW ZEALAND** Radio Sport Wellington, Aug 23 1259 - Possibly running American sports programming (Fox?) Fair only. (JB-G'land WA)
 1512 **AUSTRALIA** 2RN Newcastle, Aug 25 1344 - Heard //4RN Brisbane on 792 near band fade. (JB-G'land WA)
 1512 **PHILIPPINES** DYAB (pres.) Cebu City, Aug 24 1315 - Presume this the one (there is another reporting with a recording. (JB-G'land WA)
 1548 **AUSTRALIA** 4QD Emerald, Aug 23 1138 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition, though usually weakly. (JB-G'land WA)
 1566 **AUSTRALIA** 3NE Warragarata, Aug 25 1346 - No sign of usually dominant HLAZ at band fade. 3NE running their usual pop music format. (JB-G'land WA)
 1566 **SOUTH KOREA** HLAZ Cheju Island, Aug 23 1246 - Heard here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)
 + Aug 25-26 - present at moderate levels both mornings, but never really outstanding as is often the case during winter months. (Atkins-WA)
 1575 **THAILAND** VOA Ban Phachi, Aug 23 1203 - Noted here most AMs of the DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)
 1575 **THAILAND** VOA, Aug 25-26 - heard both mornings at a fair level. (Atkins-WA)
 1593 **CHINA** CRI, Unk. Loc., Aug 24 1210 - Heard here often with a huge signal during most AMs of DXpedition. (JB-G'land WA)

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- ARGENTINA:** 1120 R. Copacabana rptd inactive, 1520 granted for new station Necochea, BA, 1530 R. Eco Porteña rptd inactive, 1560 R. Bolivia rptd inactive (Comachioni in ConDig via Arctic)
BRAZIL:
 620 ZYH590 R. Globo, Fortaleza (CE05) – ex. R. Assunção Cearense
 710 ZYH240 R. Jomai, Maceió (AL02) – ex. R. Paraiso
 760 ZYK560 R. Auri-Verde, Bauru (SP45) – ex. R. Jovem Auri Verde
 930 ZYK500 R. Santa Fe (SP71) – ex. R. Dinâmica
 1010 ZY1421 R. Transamérica Hits, Mirassol d'Oeste (MT13) – ex. R. Difusora
 1010 ZYK232 R. 1010, Caxias do Sul (RS53) – ex. R. Universidade
 1050 ZYH494 R. Globo – CBN (BA47) – ex. R. Metropolitana tudoradio.com via wordpress.com
 1070 ZYJ483 R. Cidade, Campos dos Goytacazes (RJ21) – ex. R. Record
 1100 R. Globo, Gama (DF09) – ex. CP
 1130 ZYJ677 R. Ji-Paraná (RO06) – ex. R. Morimoto
 1140 ZYI435 R. Dif. Juara (MT47) – ex. R. Dif. Mato Grosso
 1140 ZYH751 R. Formosa (GO26) – ex. R. Tapirapés
 1160 ZYK685 R. Globo, Mococa (SP116) – ex. R. Clube
 1190 ZYH663 R. Somzoom, Guaraciaba do Norte (CE68) – ex. R. Guaraciaba
 1230 ZYH532 R. Povo, Ubatá (BA59) – ex. R. Jornal
 1240 ZYI774 R. Capibaribe, Recife (PE21) – ex. R. Jovem Capi
 1460 ZYH472 R. Povo, Jequié (BA39) – ex. R. Baiana
 R. Globo – new sin from Costa Rica
 1490 ZYK583 R. Globo, Fernandópolis (SP182) – ex. R. Educ. Santa Rita
 1530 ZYJ685 R. Planalto, Vilhena (RO16) – from 890 (via Arctic)

COLOMBIA: 780 HJC21Antena del Río, Barrancabermeja, 10 kW. The new station mentioned earlier in this column, now heard by Rafael Rodríguez. Slogans: "...Antena del Río, la radio del Magdalena Medio..." "... estás escuchando Antena del Río 780 AM, una radio que crece con tu amor..." (Rafael Rodríguez, via Arctic) 1430 HJKU "1430 AM", Santafé de Bogotá heard with the program "Solo Tangos" "Sonido vanguardista, instrumentos del tango", 1470 HJNT R. 1470, Cali ID heard (ex Radio Restauración?) (Yimber Gaviria via Arctic)

COSTA RICA: 570 TI..R. La Manueta, Desamparados. Ex R. Libertad, listed in WRTH 2007 as inactive. (Christer Brunström; Arctic)

CUBA: 1020 CM.. R. Reloj, Las Tunas, 1200 CMGM LV de Yaguajay has moved to 91.3 FM. Our contact in Cuba reports that many of the small local MW-stations will leave the AM band in a near future to broadcast on FM only. 1200 CMGL R. Sancí Spiritus. Two transmitters on this frequency, beamed to different parts of the country (Christer Brunström, ARC)

GREVADA: I haven't started compiling details for the Caribbean for the 2008 edition of the WRTH yet - but Grenada is indeed now on 540 kHz. I don't know when they made the shift from 535 to 540 - but at that time of editing one year ago (August-September 2006) I had no information on the frequency shift. But I've seen reports that they were off air in November 2006 - so it might have been around that time. Just a guess!! (Stig Hartvig Nielsen, mwc 11 Aug)

HONDURAS: 580 HRZQ Cadena Radial Voces, Tegucigalpa, ex R. Tegucigalpa // 1190 kHz (Raúl Saavedra, Costa Rica, dxldv via DXLD 7-056)

PANAMA: 930 HOR46 La Exitosa, Panamá, 1180 HOU AM Original, Santiago, ex R. Belén, 1340 HO.. R. Tipikal, Las Tablas (home.12move.nl via Arctic)

ASIA AND PACIFIC

BHUTAN: Bhutan Broadcasting Service Corporation inaugurated the new 100 kilowatt THOMSON TSW 2100D DRM short wave radio transmitter on 10th August, 2007. The inaugural ceremony of the installation of the new transmitter was attended by the Indian Ambassador to Bhutan, Sudhir Vyas. Also present were the information and communications minister, Lyonpo Leki Dorji, and other government officials. Addressing the gathering, the information and communications minister Lyonpo Leki Dorji said Bhutan being a mountainous country with rugged terrain, isolated and inaccessible settlements and far flung communities, BBS radio remains the most powerful medium to inform, educate and entertain the masses. Speaking at the function, the Managing Director of the Bhutan Broadcasting Service Corporation, Mingbo Dukup said Radio and TV are powerful tools of communication. He said any development to further enhance the capacity of the broadcast media marks an important milestone in the development of the country. BBS radio has come a long way since it was established as an amateur radio station in 1973. BBS Radio today broadcast 100 hours of News and Programs in 4 languages in a week. The short wave transmitter was installed with financial support from the Indian Government. This DRM capable 100 kW transmitter was installed in Sangaygang, 2660 meters above sea level and test transmissions were already going on. One of the station engineer informed that transmitter was not being operated on DRM mode due to problem with the RF Exciter. However the same has been rectified & they are having occasional DRM tests during txn b/down times with power output of only 25 watts. Related links <http://www.transmitter.be/fbm-bws2100d.html> (Alokesh Gupta, HCDCX 11Aug)

CHINA: According to monitoring in the Vladivostok region, CRI Russian is no longer aired on 1116. Instead Russian is heard on 1323, obviously from a site in NE China, co-channel with the CRI and VOR Korean services from Huadian, Jilin, 100 kW. (via Mauno Ritola, Alan Davies) (We've been hearing CRI Russian Far East service on 1323 at Grayland WA for at least the past couple of years. bp)

HAWAII: The talk was all Bill Walsh all the time on the sports radio station yesterday afternoon. Yes, it was probably on the sports station you're accustomed to listening to, but it was also on KUPA-AM 1370. The long-silent KUPA is broadcasting the national network programming of Fox Sports Radio Utah-based Broadcasting Corp. of America bought the station two years ago for \$650,000 from another Utah company. The station has a long history of call-letter changes, despite being mostly off the air since Hawaii Public Radio Inc. sold it in 2002. Broadcasting Corp. President Nathan Drage, an attorney, at first thought he might put Hispanic programming on the station. By the time his purchase closed in April of 2006, however, he was thinking about sports programming -- and sports it is. He could not be reached yesterday to provide details, such as the studio or transmitter locations or whether he intends to put local programming on the air. At least four Oahu radio stations now traffic in sports talk: KUPA, KKEA-AM 1420; KUMUJ-AM 1500; and KORL-AM 1180. KKEA, branded as "Honolulu's ESPN Radio 1420 AM," has been doing sports-talk the longest and its morning show, hosted by veteran sports-talker Bobby Curran has a devout following. KUMU has recently rounded up a variety of well-known morning show hosts to go head-to-head against KKEA, including Jim and Kanoa Leahy, attorney and sports fanatic Jeff Portnoy and another duo -- Bob Hogue and Jal Cunningham. Longtime broadcaster John Noland recently joined KUMU in the afternoons, where his part-sports show is up against another local sports show on KKEA. KORL's sports block was added last year in a time brokerage agreement with Starcom Wireless. Its programming airs from 6 to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 5 to 10 p.m. Saturdays, according to the KORL Web site. At the moment, the difference between KUPA and its sports-spewing brethren is that the stations also sell

blocks of time for other types of programs. <http://starbulletin.com/2007/07/31/business/engle.html>. (HCXD 31 July)

PAKISTAN: The Director of Engineering for the Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation (PBC), Mukkaram Khan Niazi, says that PBC has decided to install 1000 kilowatt medium wave transmitters in Umerkot and Lahore to extend the range of its broadcasts to about 500 kilometers radius. The project, to cost Rs1,200 million (US\$20 million), was discussed in the Central Working Party and referred to the Executive Committee of the National Economic Council for final approval, he added. Mr. Niazi said that the engineering wing of the PBC had manufactured some transmitters in its own factory. (Dawn via RN Media Network weblog, via mwc 5 Aug)

EUROPE, AFRICA, AND MIDDLE EAST

ALGERIA-CLANDESTINE/WESTERN SAHARA: 700 Polisario Front still here on this fq, at least on this past Sat, 9th inst, when rd. 53443 at 1940-... on the SW coast, and that was parallel to 6300. Y/day, 10th, the signal on 6300 was just noise, like the one they air prior to s/on, with the same 2007) (Ydun's MW News) 700 Polisario Front, (Tindouf, ALG7), is replacing 1550 kHz as of today, but poorly received: 2107-... 7 May, Arabic, talks, 24442,adj, QRM de ALG 702, // 6300 vy. good. 1550 kHz has been obs ed regularly though off on some rare occasions, and a few hrs. after s/on, the tx develops some noise & audio distortion; now, whether it broke down, and 700 kHz is via a 2nd unit or then the same tx is for both freqs. I don't know, of course. (Carlos Gonçalves (7/6-2007), Ydun's MW News) June)

BULGARIA: The Radio Moscow relay station that never went on the air. In 1986, Soviet specialists started the construction of a 1000 kW medium wave transmitting center for Radio Moscow at Cape Kaliakra, at the Black Sea coast, NE of Varna. With 10 masts of 145-172 meters, the center was planned to transmit Radio Moscow programs towards Arabic countries. The geostrategic changes in Europe stopped the works in 1989 (only 9 masts were built). In 1993-1994, talks were held with Voice of America, BBC and Deutsche Welle about completion/leasing of the station, but gave no results. Since 2005, two of the vacant masts are used to transmit national FM programs. Google Earth coordinates: 28E25'30"/43N23'10". Photos of the masts and the full text in Bulgarian: <http://www.predavatel.com/bg/6/kav.htm>. (Summary of the Bulgarian text by Bernd Trutenau 11.6.2007 via dxldyg via DXLD)

MONTENEGRO: 882 Radio Podgorica, RTV Crne Gore has reduced the power to 5 kW and they plan to shut down the 882 transmitter due to shortage of money. That means there will be no AM-transmitter in Montenegro. (Svetomir Cuckovic via BE Arctic 6.6.2007)

MOROCCO: According to the SNRT web site (increbly reported here in Italy on an little known internet wire service), http://www.snrt.ma/Lancement_jeudi-26-juliet-2007-de-la-Radio-Regionie-de-Meknes_a2833.html, local programming from Meknes region has started on July 26th. SNRT says Meknes Radio is being carried by 612 kHz (and 92.5 FM) from 2 pm local time, for five hours. (Andy Lawndel, mwc 28 July)

NETHERLANDS: 675 Regular programming of Arrow Classic Rock has now ceased on 675 kHz. Arrow Classic Rock has commenced broadcasting across the Netherlands on the FM frequencies previously used by Cazl, which Arrow recently acquired from SBS Broadcasting. On 675 kHz, a special loop is running, with old Rolling Stones tracks and frequent announcements telling listeners to return to FM. Cazl is continuing on cable, internet and satellite. Arrow boss Ad Ossendrijver is still considering the options for 675 kHz. (RNW Mediametwork) 1008 - AM 1008 kHz taken over by Christian radio station GrootNieuws Radio. David de Jong reports: The medium wave frequency 1008 kHz has been taken over by a Christian oriented radio station called 'GrootNieuws Radio'. This has been announced today by Talpa Radio (owner of Radio 10 Gold) and GrootNieuws Radio. Radio 10 Gold will continue broadcasting for two or three more weeks on AM 1008 kHz. This has been confirmed to DutchMedia by a spokesman of Radio 10 Gold. According to the spokesman the radio station will be replaced for a short while by a promo referring listeners to other platforms (cable/satellite/internet/DVB-T). GrootNieuwsMedia, the company behind GrootNieuws Radio, is owned by F. W. de Groot from the Dutch town Goudriaan. Arjen de Heer is one of the initiators of the project. GrootNieuws Radio will start broadcasting religious oriented music in a few weeks' time on AM 1008 kHz. By December, GrootNieuws Radio should be fully operational. GrootNieuws Radio will broadcast with 200 kW power. The station is targeting protestants and evangelicals, but also Roman Catholics. GrootNieuws Radio is the first religious oriented radio station that broadcasts terrestrially on AM or FM 24 hours a day in the Netherlands. (Source: David de Jong, DutchMedia) (RNW Mediametwork) Licenses for twelve FM and four AM frequencies in the Netherlands are due to be advertised before the end of 2007. It has not yet been decided whether these will be auctioned to the highest bidder, or awarded by a comparative procedure as was the case in 2003. All are for regional coverage. The medium wave licenses involved are for: Heinenoord 828 kHz, Echt 1035 kHz, Markerwaard 1224 kHz, Amsterdam 1557 kHz. These frequencies were awarded in 2003 to Quality Radio BV, but withdrawn last year as they had not been activated with a regular service. (Radiovisie.nl via Andy Sennitt RN media network weblog 7.7.2007 2007 via MWC e-mail news 8.7.2007)

RUSSIA: Transmitters in/near Ufa on 162 and 198 kHz are off-air, possibly forever. Historical Komintern station is being dismantled. (Victor Rutkovsky, Signal May 14 via DXLD)

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Just a quick note. We are in the new place. On Friday morning, I pulled out the trusty Superadio II and took it for a spin. It was in daylight, so first Bowling Green, Ohio on 730. In fairly good with some QRN. 740 was good from the Louisville area. 760 and 780 from Detroit and Chicago, were decent. Some audio on 800 which I assume was Windsor, Ontario. Not bad considering that I was just using the internal antenna on a station next door to my local 810 which is always hard to work around. WMRI-860 from Marion, Indiana was in great and so I just left it there. My feeling is that it might be a good location. I will probably be taking the HQ over this evening when I take the computer over to the apt. The phone line will be switched in a couple of days. Next DXM is in two weeks and that will begin the weeklies. 73.

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