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NEW IRCA Slogans List (Winter 2008)

This season's update of the **IRCA Slogans List** is ready!! This revised Slogans List includes radio slogans from the US, Canada and Mexico (over 4000).
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IRCA Mexican Log, 13th Edition (Winter 2008)

The **IRCA MEXICAN LOG** lists all AM stations in Mexico by frequency, including call letters, state, city, day/night power, slogans, schedule in UTC/GMT, formats, networks and notes. The call letter index gives call, frequency, city and state. The city index (listed by state, then city) tabulates the latitude and longitude of transmitter sites. This is an indispensable reference for anyone who hears Mexican radio stations. Size is 8 1/2" x 11".
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WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

Monitoring Times, the full spectrum radio hobby magazine out of Brasstown, North Carolina, is a great outlet for sharing your radio knowledge. MT is currently soliciting feature and technical articles for 2009. If you're wondering, "But what would I write about?:" MT has recently posted a starter list of around 136 suggested topics to get your thinking started at www.monitoringtimes.com/html/list_of_topics.html. These ideas may be altered, embellished, added to, etc. Give us your best pitch at editor@monitoringtimes.com. Or write Editor **Rachel Baughin**, 740 Hwy 64 West, Brasstown, NC 28902.

Over the years, potential authors have asked us, "What kinds of articles are you looking for?:" We always responded, "Write what you know." Now, with this list of topics to help get you started, there's no excuse! What are you waiting for?

Mid-West DX Get-Together

The 15th annual mid-west DX GTG will be held this year at Sullivan MO on I-44 about 60 miles SW of St. Louis. The dates are Friday November 14-Sunday November 16. Location is FAMILY MOTOR INN 209 N SERVICE RD, a reasonably priced motel. Phone number is 573-468 4119. If you wish to make a reservation. A tour of KTUJ AM FM could be arranged on Friday afternoon for those arriving early. Other attractions are nearby Meramec State park. Gasoline prices in Missouri are running from \$2.25 to \$2.75 down about \$1.50 a gallon from summers high. For more information contact **JOHN TUDENHAM** at 417 624 8058 or E mail jotud@yahoo.com

CANADIAN RADIO NEWS

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For October 2008 (November 1 2008 - next update December 1 2008)

AM TO FM CONVERSIONS GRANTED

1090 ON Kitchener CKKW Move to 99.5 with 2,100 watts (5,000 watts Max. ERP) (format will remain Oldies)

TECHNICAL CHANGES GRANTED

1410 BC Vancouver CFUN Relocate transmitter site

CALLS FOR APPLICATIONS

The CRTC has received applications for new commercial stations in Halifax and Quebec City. Other interested parties wishing to obtain a radio license in these cities are invited to submit applications.

Saul Chernhos (Toronto); **Dale Park** (Hawaii); **Mike** (Medicine Hat); **Shawn** (Winnipeg)

I attempt to be as accurate as possible with this information. I visit many websites and message boards on a daily basis seeking the latest in Canadian radio news to report in this column. I trust this information to be worthy; however I can't be in all these places to confirm everything. If inaccurate information is reported I do apologize, but don't blame me... I'm only the messenger.

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(Continued from previous DXMs - pb)

Dale Park sends along the following from Allaroundphilly.com (PA) dated 10/2/08:

Former employees react to sale of WCOJ 1420. By ANNE PICKERING, Staff Writer
WEST CHESTER — Former employees of WCOJ 1420 say there was little advance notice the station was being sold and they were all going to lose their jobs. At a 3 pm staff meeting Tuesday, Ira Rosenblatt, the chief executive officer of the station, told the stunned group of about 10 to 12 employees that the station had been sold and they were being terminated. Employees would receive a one-month severance package. They were told the locks on the front door would be changed at 5 pm, but they could return later in the week to get their belongings. "I was devastated," said Ron McNiel, the popular host of "The Swap Shop" for the last five years. "All we knew was there was a staff meeting at 3 pm and by 3:02 pm, we were all let go. We were all in shock." Holy Spirit Radio Foundation, a Philadelphia-based Catholic radio group, announced the purchase of the station, which will begin broadcasting again on Oct. 7 at noon. Robert Henson, who had been with the station for 14 years, including three years as the host of "The Big Show," said he first got wind the station had been sold from his grandmother, who volunteers at the Day Room at St. Agnes' Church. On Tuesday someone at the church asked his grandmother how he was doing, considering the radio station had just been sold. He said he was able to do his last show Tuesday night, but an hour into the broadcast, a caller called to ask about the station being sold. "The rest of my show were (callers) saying they couldn't believe it," Henson said on Wednesday. The phones at the station have also been ringing off the hook. At 7 pm all 17 telephones were ringing and Henson said he was at the station for an hour Wednesday morning and all 17 phones were still ringing. Henson said Tuesday was a hectic day but the shock of it was sinking in. "I'm really feeling it today." He said he's received at least 100 calls on his cell phone and 1,000 e-mails. McNiel said the loss of the station was going to leave a tremendous gap in the Chester County community. "Regardless of the weather, me and Rob were at the station every day to give traffic reports, school closings. We had that dedication to pass information on to the community." Mike Crossman, who had been the general sales manager at the station for the last year, said the manner in which the staff was laid off was "unprofessional." "It's unfortunate that a 60-year-old Chester County institution was dumped," Crossman said. "If we had been able to get the word out that WCOJ was in a selling position, maybe we could have found a buyer," he said. Gene Mitchell, chief engineer and producer, also wished it had been more widely known the station was for sale. His show, "Computer Corner," on Saturday mornings, has been an extremely popular show for four years, he said, and he was hoping to continue it either on the Internet or another station. Mitchell said he has been asked to stay as chief engineer by the new owner. WCOJ was owned by IMS2K, a holding company owned by Waller-Sutton. About three months ago, WCOJ was part of Route 81 Radio, a chain of radio stations in Pennsylvania and New York owned by Waller-Sutton and Avalon. The chain went through a foreclosure proceeding in July and stations were sold off. Henson said he was going to spend more time with his family. To contact staff writer Anne Pickering, send an e-mail to apickering@dailylocal.com. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from Allaroundphilly.com (PA) dated 10/2/08:

New spirit for WCOJ. By DANIELLE LYNCH, Staff Writer
WEST CHESTER — Chester County lost a major local broadcast voice Tuesday with the apparent sale of WCOJ 1420 to Holy Spirit Radio Foundation Inc., a Philadelphia-based Catholic radio group. Holy Spirit Radio Foundation has entered into an agreement with WSKM Media to begin airing Catholic radio on WCOJ 1420 AM. Sources said Tuesday that WCOJ employees were notified of the change in ownership at a 3 pm meeting and that the workers were then let go. The station, sources said, was scheduled to "go dark" at midnight Tuesday. If all goes well with finalizing the purchase agreement, the air date for the new Catholic programming will be Oct. 7, the feast of Our Lady of Rosary, said WISP Program Director Patrick McCabe. WCOJ will be added to a mini-network with WISP, he said. The Catholic radio group, known as Holy Spirit

Radio Foundation, operates and owns WISP 1570 AM in Doylestown, serves Bucks County, Upper Montgomery County, northeast Philadelphia and parts of New Jersey, according to McCabe. WCOJ will operate as a radio affiliate to EWTN Global Catholic Network, he said. "We have been operating quite successfully based in Doylestown for the past nine years, and we're very pleased to expand our coverage and introduce Catholic radio into the Chester County area through WCOJ," said McCabe. Under Holy Spirit Radio, 80 percent of WCOJ's air time will include EWTN radio programs, said McCabe. The remaining 20 percent of air time will be divided between shows of Catholic interest and local announcements for parishes and parochial schools, he said. Local shows will include guests from area prayer groups and a vocation hour. During vocation hour, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's vocation director will talk about becoming a priest, McCabe said. McCabe said the EWTN program lineup includes many listener call-in shows as well as teaching programs, the Mass and special coverage of national and international Catholic events, such as papal trips. Holy Spirit Radio also produces six local programs. "We have been completely listener-supported since going on the air in 1999 and have gotten very positive feedback from the community," said McCabe. A show called "King's Men" will discuss men's spirituality, and there will also be a show with an anti-abortion focus entitled "Voices for the Unborn." EWTN began as a cable television network in 1981, according to McCabe. Holy Spirit Radio, which has been on the air since 1999, was one of the first EWTN radio affiliates, he said. McCabe said in a news release that in a time of increasing competition for media attention, commercial radio is experiencing a rocky time in terms of advertising dollars and ratings. But Catholic radio has become a true success story in recent years. "When Holy Spirit Radio went on the air in 1999, there were fewer than 20 Catholic stations nationally and now there are more than 150," said McCabe. "We are seeing people come back to the church after many years away and becoming more involved in their local parishes and communities." A local marketing agreement between WS2K Media and Holy Spirit Radio will be in effect as the two groups work toward a final purchase agreement. "One thing that I want to stress to our new WCOJ listeners is that we're going to be featuring local guests and programs and that we're very anxious to provide the community — Catholics and non-Catholics alike — a station that will offer them enlightening and inspiring programming," said McCabe in the release. EWTN began as a cable TV network in 1981 and is now available in more than 148 million television households in more than 140 countries and territories. With its direct broadcast satellite television and radio services, AM and FM radio networks, and its Web site www.ewtn.com, EWTN is the largest religious media network in the world. Holy Spirit Radio is a lay-run listener-supported 501c3 non-profit, non-commercial station. The station's motto is "Inspired by the Holy Spirit Communicating Hope." According to several Web sites, WCOJ began operating on Nov. 29, 1949. It originally broadcast as a daytime-only station. The station increased its power to 5,000 watts and began full-time operation in 1952. Originally WCOJ's studios were in a theater in downtown Coatesville. Over the years the station has also had studios at the transmitter site in West Brandywine; at 3721 E. Lincoln Highway, Thorndale; and at 17 W. Gay St., West Chester. (DP-H)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Deane McIntyre of Calgary, AB dated 10/3/08:
 The CRTC has approved the application of CKKW-1090 Kitchener ON to move to FM (99.5 MHz, 2.1 kW). With only 2.1 kW on FM their service area will be small compared to what it presently is (I am very familiar with this station as I lived in the Kitchener-Waterloo area for several years.) <http://www.crtc.gc.ca/archives/ENG/Decisions/2008/db2008-277.htm>

- CKKW Kitchener – Conversion to FM band
1. The Commission approves the application by CTV Limited (CTV) for a broadcasting licence to operate a new English-language commercial FM radio programming undertaking in Kitchener, Ontario, to replace its AM station CKKW. The terms and conditions of licence are set out in the appendix.
 2. The Commission received numerous interventions in support of this application.
 3. The proposed FM station will continue to broadcast an Oldies music format targeting adults between the ages of 40 and 64. Approximately 124 hours per broadcast week will be devoted to local programming. The station will broadcast seven hours and 50 minutes of spoken word programming per broadcast week, including one hour and 39 minutes of news.
 4. As set out in the appendix to this decision, the licensee is authorized to simulcast the programming of the new FM station on CKKW for a transition period of three months following the commencement of operations of the FM station. Pursuant to sections 9(1)(e) and 24(1) of the Broadcasting Act, and consistent with the licensee's request, the Commission revokes the licence for CKKW effective at the end of the simulcast period.

The station will operate at 99.5 MHz (channel 258B1) with an average Effective radiated power of 2,100 watts. (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from Digital Home Canada re above CKKW-1090 article dated 10/3/08 also:

- CRTC approves CKKW-AM move to FM band
- In a broadcasting decision handed down today, the CRTC has approved the application by CTV Limited (CTV) for a broadcasting licence to operate a new English-language commercial FM radio station in Kitchener, Ontario, to replace its AM station CKKW. The proposed FM station will continue to broadcast an Oldies music format targeting adults between the ages of 40 and 64. Approximately 124 hours per broadcast week will be devoted to local programming. The station will broadcast seven hours and 50 minutes of spoken word programming per broadcast week, including one hour and 39 minutes of news. As set out in the appendix to this decision, the licensee is authorized to simulcast the programming of the new FM station on CKKW for a transition period of three months following the commencement of operations of the FM station. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from **PressoAtlanticCity.com** (NJ) dated 10/6/08:
 Spanish-language radio finds home as local Hispanic population grows. Growth of area's Hispanic population brings a Spanish-language radio station to the area. By VINCENT JACKSON, Staff Writer, 609-272-7202

Jose Rivera-Sinclair listens to the radio when he drives from his Mays Landing home to work at the Baisley-Losco Real Estate office in Northfield. This week, Rivera-Sinclair, 30, found himself laughing as he made his morning trip. He was listening to Chucho El Perron's morning show on the new all-Spanish station

at WTAA-AM 1490, called La Gran D, in Atlantic County. "Their one talk show in the morning is very funny. There are a lot of jokes," said Rivera-Sinclair, a native of Honduras. It is nice to be able to turn on the radio and hear something in Spanish, his native tongue. Rivera-Sinclair said. La Gran D's programming is of particular appeal to those of Mexican descent, but Rivera-Sinclair said Mexican culture is very similar to those of other countries in Latin America. "I try to put the station on every time I'm in my car. We need something like this. It's progress," Rivera-Sinclair said. La Gran D went on the air Sept. 18, becoming Atlantic and Cape May counties' only all-Spanish language, 24-hour radio station. The format replaced the political programming of Air America, which had been broadcast on the station. Kelly said the format switch was made because the listenership for syndicated politically liberal-leaning format of Air America has been negligible for the 15 months it had been on the airwaves. "We knew we wanted to do something to serve the Spanish-speaking community," said Kelly, who predicts the Spanish format will get better ratings. Because of the increase in the number of Hispanics living in Atlantic County, it was likely someone would try a Spanish-language station. In Atlantic County, the U.S. Census Bureau counts 38,894 Hispanics out of a total population of 270,644, a 31.8 percent increase since 2000. Puerto Ricans have been the dominant Hispanic ethnic group in southern New Jersey, but Mexicans are challenging Puerto Ricans' dominance. The Hispanic population is increasing in Atlantic County because word is spreading that it is more affordable to live in southern New Jersey and many Latinos make their way to the county and the surrounding areas to work in the casinos, according to Manny Aponte, president of the Hispanic Alliance of Atlantic County. La Gran D's syndicated programming is based out of Sacramento, Calif. La Gran D is a big tent, "hot hits" format for Spanish-speaking people of all backgrounds, Kelly said. The music mix includes Ranchera, Norteño, Banda, Grupos, Tropical and Tejano music. The station has both national advertisers, for instance, Sony BMG, and local advertisers, including Furniture Today Warehouse in Mays Landing. Bert Lopez, the treasurer of the Pleasantville Center for Hispanic Outreach, said that from what he has been able to hear, La Gran D has been catering to the Mexican audience, but the station is a good starting point for appealing to the Hispanic-speaking Atlantic County residents. "This is something we have been struggling to get for some time," Lopez said. Lopez is a Puerto Rican descent. The Latin music mostly represented on the island of Puerto Rico today is salsa as opposed to Mexico where the traditional music includes Banda and Norteño. A station trying to appeal to Mexicans would be more likely to play the music of Thalia, RBD, Vicente Fernandez and Tigres del Norte while a station trying to cater to Puerto Ricans would be more apt to play the reggaeton of Don Omar, the recordings of Puerto Rico native Obie Bermudez, who graduated from Vineland High School, and the Spanish-language recordings of Ricky Martin. There isn't any local talent on La Gran D yet, but the station is looking for a local public affairs show that will reflect the cares and concerns of the Spanish-speaking community in southern New Jersey. Kelly said. John Bustos, the chief operating officer of Bustos Media, which is supplying the programming, said the format allows for 15 minutes of local content hourly for commercials, public service announcements, news, traffic and announcements. Bustos also said the format allows for a greater variety of music to be played overnight and on weekends to appeal to an even wider array of Hispanics. "We sort of bring communities together through the radio signal," said Bustos, who added many Hispanics are new to the country and dispersed throughout it. "We are 90 to 95 percent music, other than the morning show, which is entertainment based." For one hour weekly, La Gran D will have radio competition for Hispanic listeners. Milton Ramirez is the producer of a show airing from 6 to 7 a.m. Sundays called "Buenos Dias Latino America," which is a bilingual music, news, sports and weather show broadcast on WENJ-AM 1450. Ramirez said he is not losing sleep over losing his audience to La Gran D. "I'm not worried about competition. The show we are doing is unique," Ramirez said. La Gran D looks to dominate the Hispanic radio market in Atlantic City the way WMIZ-1270 AM, out of Vineland, has monopolized Hispanic listeners in Cumberland County for more than three decades. Unlike La Gran D, WMIZ — which promotes itself as the Hispanic voice of South Jersey — uses area and regional residents for its on-air talent and concentrates on salsa, merengue and bachata. While WTAA-AM's new Hispanic format is finding favor with one set of listeners, old Air America fans are mourning the loss of the station. The station's stumbled upon Air loyal, and they were sorry to see that programming leave the area. Gloria Grant, 85, stumbled upon Air America about a year ago while flipping through the radio dial and isn't happy that the political programming has been replaced. "I've been upset about it. I plan to write the FCC," said Grant, an Atlantic City resident. "I think it's so unfair that they have all these Republicans now, and no one else has a chance. Why didn't they put the Spanish music in place of Bill O'Reilly?" E-mail Vincent Jackson: VJackson@pressofac.com. (DP-H)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Deane McIntyre of Calgary, AB dated 10/10/08:
 CFUN Vancouver – Technical change

1. The Commission approves the application by CTV Limited to change the authorized contours of the radio programming undertaking CFUN Vancouver by relocating to a new transmitter site approximately eight kilometres south-east of the current transmitter site. The implementation of this technical change is subject to the notification by the Department of Industry (the Department) discussed in paragraph 5 below.
2. The licensee advised that the existing transmitter is deteriorated to the point that the station is unable to prove its antenna pattern.
3. The Commission notes that changing the transmitter site will result in a decrease in the coverage in the principal marketing area and consequently in a decrease in reached population of approximately 574,000 people.
4. The Commission did not receive any interventions in connection with this application. Condition prior to the implementation of the transmitter
5. The Commission reminds the licensee that pursuant to section 22(1) of the Broadcasting Act, this authority will only be effective when the Department notifies the Commission that its technical requirements have been met and that a broadcasting certificate will be issued. Therefore, in the absence of the notification by the Department, the licensee will not be able to implement the transmitter approved in this decision. (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from Indian Country Today dated 10/12/08:
 Play by play, Navajo style, Football announcer Cuyler Frank to call LSU plays. By Maria Scandale, Today correspondent

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. – When The New York Times, USA Today, ESPN and Fox Sports Network were all calling him, “it was the coolest time,” recalls history-making football announcer Cuyler Frank, Diné, “but hectic.” “I was even a Jeopardy question.” In high school, Frank had been on his way to making his name in another sport – bull riding. But a car accident one night stole not only championship dreams, but his will to live. Now his voice is heard across the Navajo nation, broadcasting New Mexico State University Aggies football games in Navajo. On Nov. 15, a Southeastern Conference game will be aired in Navajo for the first time when Frank sits in the booth of the Louisiana State University Tigers. The groundbreaking sound of the collegiate play-by-play reaching the reservation in the Native language captivated the attention of the mass media in 2005. “It was Sept. 23, 2005” – Frank lists the date by heart – when New Mexico State became the first university to broadcast a game in Navajo. The event also made national news because the announcer was a young man who had overcome the grip of a crippling despair at being placed in a wheelchair at age 18. His work made an even better story when the big networks mentioned that many Native languages were in danger of disappearing: here was someone from the tiny rural town of Blackhouse Valley going the whole nine yards to help preserve his. But, really, calling the plays in Navajo was something he had done for his family and friends since he was a kid, cracking them up with a free flow of one-liners into a mock microphone. He never dreamed he would someday get paid for announcing sports. Then, for two years after the accident, he couldn’t dream of anything. “There was a time in my life when I thought, ‘Man, I’m not going to ever be better than this, and I’m reduced to a wheelchair,’” he said. He had also been one of his high school’s best cross country runners. Told there was a slim chance of ever walking again, he used alcohol and drugs to escape. Without the intervention and prayers of loved ones, Frank says he might not have gone on. Today, he encourages young people to “never give up” and never lose sight of their dreams. “The one message that I want to get out there,” said Frank, now a 32-year-old who wants to write a book about his experience, “is that the human spirit does find its own way to adapt, to recover. ‘What my father made me realize, after I was holding a gun to my head, was that my life was so important to them. I wanted them to know that their prayers and thoughts of me becoming a better person were always going to be carried on,’” he said. His father told him that education was a good option. “What kept me going was that I was young, and there was so much left for me to do.” Now it’s a high point when NMSU head football coach Hal Mumme says about Frank: “Cuyler Frank is a great, enthusiastic and energetic person. He has a unique sense of humor, that always carries the day. We really appreciate his work and for bringing football into the Navajo Nation.” As a student at NMSU, Frank was producing agricultural how-to videos in Navajo when then-Associate Athletic Director Sean Johnson took notice. “He said, ‘What language is that?’” Frank recalls. “He said, ‘Wow, would you be interested in doing a game for the Aggies in Navajo?’” Frank handled the details to get the broadcasts started. “I look at it as a way of revitalizing and preserving our language. I think that it would encourage the youth and probably encourage other tribes to speak their language more and to get involved with something like sports.” Growing up 30 miles south of Shiprock, Frank and his family hauled their own water, gathered firewood and spoke the Navajo language. His grandfather, Ben Frank, encouraged the speaking to continue. “My grandfather said that if you know the language, your clan, where you’re from, that’s the foundation of who you are. And that’s how we identify ourselves, as Diné Hastiin, Navajo man,” Frank said. Ironically, the dual reality that American Indians face is that English advances students to the jobs that are off the reservation. Frank entered Diné College on the Navajo Nation after intense physical therapy at Craig Hospital in Denver. He went on to earn a communications degree from NMSU. As the guidance and recruitment coordinator for NMSU’s American Indian Program, Frank now helps students “find the resources to succeed” using the programs on campus. “Our Native youth are what is important. We need to get them up to speed, get them going to colleges, get them recognized, help them become professional citizens.” It was former NMSU President Michael V. Martin – now the LSU chancellor – who invited Frank to broadcast the upcoming LSU game. Martin added that institutions of higher learning “have to reach out and make universities much more accessible and in many ways much more welcoming to American Indian kids than they have, for many of them. ... I think Cuyler’s now part of that solution, having been through it. He’s working in the American Indian Program office; he’s out recruiting, he’s counseling, he’s organizing students and he’s serving as a role model and mentor.” The Aggie Sports Network – Navajo goes out over radio stations KNDN-AM 960 in Farmington and KGAK-AM 1330 in Gallup. As beautifully descriptive as the Navajo language is, football doesn’t translate easily because it wasn’t around when the language came to be. And so when the sportscaster reports a first down, he has to use more words and say the Navajo equivalent of, “they have 10 more yards to go to get four more tries.” Frank loves “bringing it into the living room and making it happen for them.” (DP-H)

Mike Sanburn sends along the following from Bill Block of Prescott Valley, AZ, dated 10/12/08: Its look like KMZQ-670 Las Vegas and KMZQ-99.3 Payson, Arizona are simulcast. They use “The Q” and “only on The Q” (MS-CA)

(to be continued – pb)

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 750 **KFQD AK**, Anchorage 10/31 good & dominant over KXK with weather for Anchorage, “Getting down to the single digits tonight,” ID and the KFQD jingle, into Clark Howard show at 0035. I was a bit surprised with the elevated A&K tonight, but Alaska is common. (PM-OR)

- 850 **KHHO WA**, Tacoma 10/19 1000 weak KHHO ID underfading KOA. (AB-ID)
- 860 **KTRB CA**, San Francisco 10/27 Cardinal Sports Network (Stanford) sports talk program, ID as “KTRB 8-60 AM.” Even with XEMO on Radio Shack TRF 12-655. (MF-CA)
- 920 **KXLY WA**, Spokane 10/22 2350 fair signal with ID, ad for Boy Scouts of America into Clark Howard Show, on Hammarlund with E-W wire. (GH-OR)
- 930 **KAGI OR**, Grants Pass 10/23 1000 man with KAGI IDf. (AB-ID)
- 940 **CJGX SK**, Yorkton 10/23 0000 ID barely above unID Mexican, very weak on Hammarlund with E-W wire. Not heard for a while. (GH-OR)
- 1110 **KLIB CA**, Roseville 10/20 1001 woman with KLIB ID then into Spanish language programming. (AB-ID)
- 1210 **CFYM SK**, Kindsersley 10/26 2345 oldies trading places with unID Spanish, extremely weak and mostly gone by 2350 on TMC with N-S wire. Heard only once before back in February. (GH-OR)
- 1230 **KBAR ID**, Burley 10/24 2006 gent with KBAR ID then into Savage Nation program. (AB-ID)
- 1240 **KSLV OR**, Lakeview 10/24 2012 man with KQIK ID. (AB-ID)
- 1320 **KAWC CO**, Monte Vista 10/24 2017 woman with KSLV ID. (AB-ID)
- 1350 **KSRO AZ**, Yuma 10/28 NPR programming, NPR news at 2030, local news and weather and back to NPR. Lots of fading in KCTC null, using the HQ-180A. (MF-CA)
- 1370 **KAST CA**, Santa Rosa 10/26 0005 ID and ad for Clark Howard Show. Very weak and suddenly gone, on Hammarlund with N-S wire. (GH-OR)
- 1480 **KGOE UT**, Astoria 10/22 1008 man with KAST ID. Slop from 1380-KSRV. (AB-ID)
- 1490 **KSYC CA**, Yreka 10/26 2320 male gave ID into talk program then totally gone, on TMC with E-W wire. Last heard 4/04. (GH-OR)

Thanks to our four WDXR reporters this week. Nancy 10/31 2100

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Kenwood R-1000, Radio West Loop

DOWN THE DIAL

- 550 **KOAC OR**, Corvallis. 10-25 good. 22:59 with long list of AM and FM stations ending with “...and KOAC AM Corvallis 5-50.” [NJ-MT]
- 600 **KROD TX**, El Paso. 10-27 fair with semi-local KCOL nullled by antenna alone. 00:05 with call letter ID and promo for **krod.com** web site. [CK-CO]
- 670 **KMZQ NV**, Las Vegas. 10-25 poor through KBOI, KLTT, and WSCR mix. 21:00 ID “You’re listening to KMZQ AM 6-70 Las Vegas and FM 99.3.” [NJ-MT]
- 890 **CJDC BC**, Dawson Creek. 10-26 fair, mixing with WLS at times. 00:33 with ID by man, “...on 8-90 CJDC” into country music song. [CK-CO]
- 1150 **KWKY IA**, Des Moines. 10-24 fair to good. 20:27 with spots and ID into football game. Now new, but been awhile since last logging. [TN-WI]
- 1250 **GFRN AB**, Edmonton. 10-26 good over a few others. 01:29 out of local spots with “All sports all the time, we’re Edmonton’s sports radio. Team 12-50.” [NJ-MT]
- 1280 **KZNS UT**, Salt Lake City. 10-28 good with strong KBNO mostly nullled. 20:00 with “12-80 The Zone, KZNS 12-80 Salt Lake City, Ogden, Provo. 24 hours a day at **1280thezone.com** sports radio 1280 The Zone. First with sports.” [NJ-MT]
- 1310 **KKNS NM**, Corrales. 10-26 good over local KFKA. 19:50-19:55 in SS. Ranchera music, several “La Ley” and “La Ley 95.9” slogans. [CK-CO]

1310 WDXI TN, Jackson, 10-21 fair, 22:00 with legal ID into USA Network News. Not new, but this is not very common here. [TN-WI]
 1330 KLBS CA, Los Banos, 10-27 good over KOVE, KNSS, 22:58 with music in a foreign language. EE ID at 23:00 "You are listening to Portuguese Radio KLBS 13-30 AM Los Banos." [NJ-MT]
 1490 (KBRS) MT, Laurel, 10-26 noted off the air at 23:07, but back on by 00:58. [NJ-MT]
 1600 WKXX WV, Wheeling, 10-14 fair, 22:00 with legal ID. Noted again on 10-24 with football game, ID. New logging for me. [TN-WI]

25 YEARS AGO

Date issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Bill Nittler** of Meeker, CO commented on stations beginning operations in small cities like Silt, Deer Trail, and most recently, Breen ... **Fritz Meilberg** of Hawarden, IA said he has heard 455 stations with WVOL-1470 as his best catch ... **Karl Forth** of Chicago, IL told about his visit to Beardstown and WRMS 790 ... **Pat Martin** of Seaside, OR logged the Philippines on 837 with some interference from JOQK.

OPEN MIKE

We're into November already. It's time to think about a winter vacation. Have you joined this year's DX Contest? This column was typed 11-1-08. 73, John

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STARS OF THE WEEK

(KK-VA) **Kraig Krist** Manassas, VA
 NRD-545 rx with homemade 134 foot multiband antenna running NW to SE
 (WM-MD) **William McGuire** 2412 59th Place, Cheverly MD
 DX-398
 (JC-DE) **John Cereghin** WDX3IAO Smyrna, DE
 FRG-7, SRF-59, DT200VX

LOGGINGS

550 NY WGR Buffalo, 10/28 0155-0305, WGR with sports mixing with Spanish, talk and station playing oldies. 0216 "Your home for play-by-play coverage of the Buffalo Sabres... weekday mornings... WGR sports radio five fifty" into talk about baseball world series.
 640 OH WHLO Akron, 10/14 2100, "Newstalk 640".
 680 NC WPTF Raleigh, 10/18 1835, ad, ID.
 690 VA WZAP Bristol, 10/18 1900, S. GSPL mx hrd; "WZAP must reduce power at this time"
 WV WELD Fisher, 10/18 1842, Oldies music; ID.
 790 KY WKRD Louisville, 10/04 2000, "Talk Radio 790"; ID.
 850 NC WRBZ Raleigh, 10/20 1840, Local Ads, mention of Raleigh.
 PA WKGE Johnston, 10/14 1900, "News Talk and Sports"; ID; "The Edge" (ed note-William, you were close... WKGE simulcasts with WWGE 1400, that is close to the "WWGB" that you heard- LF).
 910 CT WREF Ridgefield, 10/29 1720, "True Oldies Channel"; ID.
 PA WAVL Apollo, 10/30 0815, "Praise 910" and mentions of the Pittsburgh area, Christian Contemporary music.
 TN WJCV Johnson City, 10/17 1855, Ads, ID.
 920 ON CKNX Wingham, 10/15 1900, Local ads, ID.
 970 PA WBGW Pittsburgh, 10/18 1906, Pittsburgh/Navy FB Post game.
 1070 VA WINA Charlottesville, 10/22 1833, After news, "Newsradio 1070"; ID.
 1110 VA WYRM Norfolk, 10/25 1630, "The Ministry Station, WYRM", Christian.
 1270 MD WCBC Cumberland, 10/21 2000, ID heard in mess.
 1290 OH WHIO Dayton, 10/21 2100, Ad; ID; CBS.
 PA WFBG Altoona, 10/21 1907, ID heard in mess.
 1360 NC WCHL Chapel Hill, 10/28 0815, "News Radio WCHL, Chapel Hill, Carrboro", CBS news at 0800.
 1400 MA WILLN Lowell, 10/25 0815, ESPN Radio, IDed with AM 890, which would be WAMG Dedham.
 1470 NY WNYW Ithaca, 10/31 2015, "Progressive Talk 1470", Air America ads, CNN news at 2030. (JC-DE)

1680 MI WPRR Ada, 10/30 1755-1905, Interview about elections in North Carolina. 1805 into radio drama. 1830 interview with Elvira on "From the Vault on Pacifica Network".
 Never did hear an ID, but WPRR is a Pacifica network affiliate station. (KK-VA)
 Berwyn, 10/29 1832-1905, Local news and "Chicago sixteen ninety WVON".
 1837 "Right now it's 50 at O'Hare, 51 at Midway and 52 here at the 'Talk of Chicago' sixteen ninety WVON" into interview about elections. 1900 "CNN Radio News" (KK-VA)
 Huntsville, 10/28 1755-1905, Preaching and Gospel type singing. 1800 interview about Alabama elections. 1823 Talk about 50 years of "WE UP". 1825 "WEUP 24 hours of Gospel power... The People's..." back to "Real Talk". (KK-VA)
 560 ?? ??? UN-IDEN
 Unknown station Cuba 10/27 0155-0305 Spanish song. 0203 Spanish "Rebelde Cuba la revolucion."

 Best to all... fresh 11-01 0830

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Greetings everyone.

DX continues to be pretty good as it gets towards winter more and more.

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

730 MEXICO, El Sifon, Son. 10/26 at 0225-0234 SS, very good signal mixing with another station in SS. "Radio Uno" slogans and mention of "Grupo Radiofonico Zer, Sonora" (ex 670). Thanks to John Wilkins for the tip. (CK-CO)
 780 MEXICO, Monclova, Coah. 10/27 at 0430 SS very good signal, Mexican vocals, ad mentioning "Monclova" several times, "Radio Nostalgia" slogan by man. (CK-CO)
 910t CUBA, Radio Cadena Agramonte, 10/26 at 0500. Poor signal tentative with local superpet KPOF phase-nulled. Clear beep and "RR" in code at the top of the hour. Only heard on the top of the hour makes me believe this station "borrowed" the time marker from Radio Reloj. Either that or there is a new Radio Reloj station on this frequency. Anyone else notice this? (CK-CO)
 950 UNID, 10/27 0705 SS M&F w/pgm, Not KAH1, per website carries no SS programming. No sign of KKGN 960's HD carrier, which was on earlier tonight. XEKAM BCN? Good signal, het GRM. Also heard before LSR 10/27. (5P-CA) (Very likely XEKAM, as I hear them up here often. PM)
 1030t MEXICO, Tijuana BCN XESDD, 10/27 0150 SS Mexican mx dominating channel, no sign of KTWO-WY, Fair. (5P-CA*)
 1040 MEXICO, Guaymas, Son. 10/26 at 0610 SS, Banda mx "La Primera" and "La Primera 10-40" slogans; station promo, back to bandas (CK-CO)
 1410 MEXICO, Los Mochis, Sin. 10/27 at 0315-0325 Fair/good signal even with mess, SS "La Mexicana" slogans and smooth Ranchera music. (CK-CO)

TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

189 RUSSIA, 1243 11/2 good with noise and man in RR. (DV-WA)
 279 RUSSIA, 1244 11/2 weak with man in RR. (DV-WA)
 558 JAPAN, Kobe-JOCR 1354 11/2 fair with woman in JJ. (DV-WA)
 594 JAPAN, Tokyo JOAK 1348 11/2 good with mx and man in JJ. (DV-WA)
 648 RUSSIA, 1357 11/2 good with man in KK language. (DV-WA)
 657 DR KOREA, 1403 11/2 fair with woman in KK. (DV-WA)
 666 JAPAN, Osaka JOBK 1248 11/2 fair with woman in JJ. (DV-WA)
 693 JAPAN, Tokyo JOAB 1347 11/2 good with man in JJ. (DV-WA)
 750 ALASKA, Anchorage KFQD good and dominant o/KXL with weather for Anchorage. "Getting down to the single digits tonight", ID and a KFQD jingle, into Clark Howard Show at 0735 10/31. (PM-OR)
 774 JAPAN, Akita JOUB 1256 11/2 Good with woman in JJ. (DV-WA)

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Guy Atkins at Grayland

The highlight of my 2-night DXpedition over the weekend in Grayland, Washington was certainly the logging of Radio Farda, 1575 kHz in the UAE. This was during grayline conditions last night (Nov. 2 UTC date), less than an hour past local sunset and just before Al-Dhabbaya, UAE sunrise. It's a distance of 7,538 mi/12,131 km., per the Google Earth "Distance Tool" from the R. Farda antenna array to Grayland Beach State Park!

To my knowledge, R. Farda has not been heard before on the West Coast of North America with a receiver of any type, communications receiver OR a cheap portable.

I had R. Farda the previous night on my Perseus SDRs before 0200, but didn't realize what I was hearing. I first thought it was an early fade-in of an Asian, but of course 0130-0155 UTC is *far* too early! I never expected to hear a TA on a "barefoot" ultralight portable from Grayland, much less on my Perseus receivers and Wellbrook Phased Array antenna. When I realized that it might have been R. Farda after all, I was more prepared the next evening.

Sure enough, a het was first heard and seen on 1575 with the Perseus spectrum display at 0130, and audio faded up with dance/techno music at 0140. Five minutes later between music selections, I heard an Arabic language announcer with mentions of "Arabiyya". The best reception (poor-fair level at best) was around 0150 with a pounding, bass-heavy dance/techno tune and Arabic vocals.

Would it be possible to hear anything at all on a barefoot SRF-39FP? I had pre-tuned the Sony between a Spanish station on 1570 and 1 kw. KBAL, Lebanon, Oregon on 1280. The radio was ready to go, already rotated for best null of 1280, and waiting for me on the railing of the outside porch. When Farda seemed like it wouldn't get any stronger, I dashed outside the yurt (cabin) in Grayland and slapped on the headphones... woo-hoo! There was the dance/techno music, in parallel to what I was hearing on Perseus! The signal (only moderately weaker than on Perseus) lasted only 15-20 seconds on the small Sony before it was gone into oblivion on both radios.

Here's a short MP3 of how this TA station sounded on the Perseus SDR:
http://www.guyatkins.com/files/sdr/grayland_nov08/1575_farda_uae_02nov08.mp3

As luck would have it, my Wellbrook Phased Array (prototype) antenna was oriented approximately correct for grayline reception of Radio Farda--to the Northwest at 300 degrees. Hmm... perhaps this wasn't technically a "trans-Atlantic" reception, as the grayline took the signal north-northeast over Russia, Siberia, across Alaska, and down along the British Columbia coastline.

The only other possible TA noted during this DXpedition was 1008 kHz, heard both nights with dance and electronic music before 0200 UTC, but not found on the Sony ultralight. 1008 may be a reactivated GrootNieuwsradio, Holland, or possibly a Spanish SER station.

This Grayland DXpedition was highly productive overall; I'll be sharing full details early this week.

Guy Atkins, Puyallup, WA USA, www.perseus-sdr.blogspot.com

Here are the loggings from the first night of DXing at Grayland this past weekend. There may be a few stragglers as I review the Perseus WAV files further; I still need to go over the 1500 and 1600 UTC top-of-hour recordings. Also, I see that I didn't note any DX on 675 kHz, so I'll need to review once more to make sure I didn't miss Voice of Vietnam commonly heard on 675.

There are many top of the hour loggings here, because the recorded files of the SDR are highly useful for checking frequencies at TOH for IDs, parallel content, etc.

I'll be going over my November 2nd Perseus recordings soon, and reporting in with any new catches not heard the previous night.

549 **RUSSIA** R. Mayak, Nov 1 0900 – Moscow Nights interval signal followed by 5+1 time pips and woman announcer in Russian. Parallel 576. Presumed Khabarovsk location. Poor to fair. (Atkins-WA)

558 **SOUTH KOREA** HLOH KBS2 Yeong-Il, Nov 1 1200 – Man and woman in Korean; simple piano tune at 1000. Mentions of 'Radio-Immida'. Good level. (Atkins-WA)

567 **JAPAN** JOIK Sapporo, Nov 1 0729 – Nice acoustic guitar music to 0720 Japanese announcers, parallel to 594. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)

576 **RUSSIA** R. Mayak, Nov 1 0640 – Lively talk in Russian by man and two women. Quite strong on peaks. Faded to nothingness by 0655, but back up with heavy rock music 0659 and into 'Moscow Nights' interval signal 0700, and then 5+1 time pips. Presumed Khabarovsk location. (Atkins-WA)

594 **JAPAN** JOAK Tokyo, Nov 1 0658 – Noted with poor to fair signal in Japanese 0658. 3+1 TPs at 0700 and into news. (Atkins-WA)

603 **SOUTH KOREA** HLSA KBS2 Namyang, Nov 1 0930 – Man and woman announcers in Korean; good signal. (Atkins-WA)

648 **RUSSIA** Voice of Russia, Nov 1 1000 – Deep-toned bells or vibraharp at 1000, followed by

announcements in Korean. Tentative; PAL shows VOR in Korean here, but not in this language until 1200. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)
 648 **RUSSIA** VOR, Nov 1 1400 – Poundingly loud signal of gong tones, male and female Chinese announcers (not Korean as listed in PAL), and Web address spelled out as 'www.vor.ru' and repeated. (Atkins-WA)
 666 **JAPAN** JOBK Osaka, Nov 1 1200 – Excitable announcer in Japanese with sporting event coverage and 'crowd goes wild' in background. 3+1 time pips over announcer at 1200. Parallel to 594. Very good signal. (Atkins-WA)
 693 **JAPAN** JOAB Tokyo, Nov 1 1200 – 3+1 time pips at 1200 and woman announcer in Japanese, parallel to 774. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)
 702 **JAPAN** JOFB/JOKD, Nov 1 0700 – Japanese NHK2 synchros with 3+1 time pips at 0700, parallel 774. Poor to fair signal. (Atkins-WA)
 711 **SOUTH KOREA** HLKA Soraie, Nov 1 1400 – 3+1 time pips, male announcer in Korean. Good in spite of KIRO 710 splatter. (Atkins-WA)
 720 **RUSSIA** Voice of Russia/R. Mayak, Nov 1 1000 – Sign-on at 1000 with VOR interval signal, followed by female announcer in Russian. Strong signal, and nearly dominating 720 kHz. Two other signals heard beneath VOR: one unidentified, but another with ID as KDOWN, Las Vegas... a broadcast station... where Nevada tunes for breaking news, traffic, and weather 24/7. (Atkins-WA)
 729 **CHINA** Jiangxi RGD, Nov 1 1200 – A mess of overlapping time pips at 1200 due to multiple transmitters on the frequency. The strongest signal was a presumed Jiangxi with a loud signal in Chinese, man and woman announcer and ad string. (Atkins-WA)
 738 **CHINA** Jilin RGD, Nov 1 0930 – Presumed, with very strong signal. Man and woman in Chinese with advertisement or announcement. (Atkins-WA)
 747 **JAPAN** JOIB Sapporo, Nov 1 0700 – 3+1 time pips at 0700 and into presumed news by male announcer in Japanese. Parallel to 774. Good level. (Atkins-WA)
 765 **RUSSIA** R. Vostok Rossii, Nov 1 1000 – Sound effects past 1000; announcer in Russian at 1000:30. Telephone link with reporter at 1001, and various news items. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)
 774 **JAPAN** JOUB Akita, Nov 1 0648 – An early evening powerhouse, simply booming in with amusing radio drama or folk story. Lots of sound effects and exclamations in Japanese. (Atkins-WA)
 819 **NORTH KOREA** KCBS, Nov 1 1000 – 3+1 time pips at 1000, and woman announcer in Korean. Fair to good level, and parallel to 873. (Atkins-WA)
 828 **JAPAN** JOBB Osaka, Nov 1 0733 – Two men with discussion or interview in Japanese, parallel to 774. Fair to good level. (Atkins-WA)
 837 **JAPAN** JOOK Niigata, Nov 1 0800 – 3+1 time pips at 0800, and into talk by man in Japanese. Parallel to 594. Fair. (Atkins-WA)
 846 **JAPAN** Unid. NHK1, Nov 1 0800 – 3+1 time pips and into Japanese talk, parallel to 594. JOCP Koriyama most likely, as the strongest Japanese station (5 Kw) on this frequency. Poor level. (Atkins-WA)
 873 **JAPAN** JOGB Kumamoto, Nov 1 1200 – 3+1 time pips and Japanese man and woman at 1200. Good signal and parallel to 774. North Korean KCBS heard in background. (Atkins-WA)
 873 **NORTH KOREA** KCBS, Nov 1 1000 – 3+1 time pips at 1000, followed by female Korean announcer. Very good, and parallel to 819. (Atkins-WA)
 909 **JAPAN** JOCB Nagoya, Nov 1 1200 – Another NHK2 station, heard parallel to 774 with 3+1 time pips and Japanese announcers at 1200. Good level, but mixing with another Japanese station (STV network listed). (Atkins-WA)
 918 **CHINA** Shandong News Channel, Jinan, Nov 1 1000 – Man in Chinese to 1000 ID 'Shandong... News Radio', then 5+1 time pips; trumpet music and then ID again. Echoes from multiple transmitters made listening tough, despite good signal strength. I noted a VERY faint 3+1 time pips sequence from another station a full 11 seconds before Shandong's TPs; possibly one of the 1 or 5 Kw Japanese stations listed for 918. (Atkins-WA)
 930 **USA** KTKN Ketchikan, Nov 1 0250 – 'AM 930 KTKN' ID at 0250 and 0251. Ads for a bank and a RV dealer. Excellent signal. (Atkins-WA)
 945 **CHINA** CNR1, Nov 1 0800 – 4+1 time pips, followed by Chinese language man and woman announcers. Heard partial Guangbo Dientai ID at 0800:15. Poor level. (Atkins-WA)
 963 **CHINA** CR1, Nov 1 1000 – Russian language program with interval signal at 1000, and IDs in Chinese and Russian. Fair to good. (Atkins-WA)
 981 **CHINA** CNR1, Nov 1 1000 – At 1000, noted 5+1 time pips, followed by announcements in Chinese by man and woman. Good level. (Atkins-WA)
 1008 **RUSSIA** R. Yunost, Khabarovsk, Nov 1 0551 – Heavy techno music and occasional announcers in European sounding lang. while at fair level 0605. Still going strong at 0635. Music was more pop-oriented from 0645, slowly growing stronger, and Russian language from female announcer became apparent. Back to heavy-beat techno at 0655. (Atkins-WA)
 1026 **CHINA** Beijing Jingji GD, Nov 1 1000 – Usual 5+1 time pips, followed by Beijing Jingji 'Guangbo Dientai' by man in Chinese. Another mention of Beijing followed a few seconds

later, and then a woman in British accented (!) English with 'Beijing Public Service Radio, 107.3 FM, 1026 AM' (matches entry in WRTH). A slightly out-of-sync transmitter noted in weakly in background during English language portion. Good level. (Atkins-WA)

CHINA CNR1, Nov 1 1200 – Unknown location, with 5+1 time pips, CNR orchestral flourish, and Chinese announcer. No better than fair level, and exception on this evening where nearly every 9 kHz channel has good or better audio. (Atkins-WA)

CHINA CR1, Nov 1 1100 – Male announcer in Chinese with 'Zhongguo guaji guangbo diantai' ID, as heard by Bruce Portzer at Grayland in 2003. Followed by woman in Japanese with presumed ID, then more Japanese talk (JJ per schedule in PAL). Very good signal. (Atkins-WA)

NORTH KOREA HLCDD/HLCI KCBS, Nov 1 1000 – 3+1 time pips, and into male announcer in Korean. Poor signal. (Atkins-WA)

MARSHALL ISLANDS V7AB Majuro, Nov 1 0934 – Female announcer in pres. Marshallese; mixing with Family Radio, Taiwan at 0942. After a slow fade, Marshalls returned at 1002 with presumed news items read by a male announcer. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOQR Tokyo, Nov 1 0659 – Man and woman announcers in Japanese to amusing exclamation 'RADIO!' just before 0700 time pip. Brief piano music, then into Japanese talk. Fair. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOKP Kitami, Nov 1 0615 – Like 1287 JOHR Sapporo, this northern Japan station in Kitami is fading in well before their local sunset. Fair to good level with Japanese talk by man and woman. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOKP Kitami, Nov 1 0700 – Poor to fair signal; 3+1 time pips at 0700, and into presumed news by Japanese announcer. (Atkins-WA)

SOUTH KOREA HLKX Inchon, Nov 1 1000 – Light music up to 3+1 time pips and female announcer in Korean, on this FEBC station. Good level, with a Chinese station noted beneath. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN Unid., Nov 1 0700 – Weak Japanese language signal barely above the noise. Single tone noted at top of the hour, and back to Japanese talk. Many weak JJ stations noted in PAL here. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOWL Asahikawa, Nov 1 1200 – Sporting event coverage in Japanese, in parallel with 1197, 1278 and 1440. Fair to good level. (Atkins-WA)

CHINA Yanbian RGD, Nov 1 0740 – Mellow piano music and male & female voiceover in Korean. Program seemed to be a listener call-in or counseling program, with the soothing music repeated every so often. The signal rose from fair to amazingly strong in less than a minute... very impressive rise in strength. (Atkins-WA)

CHINA CNR7, Nov 1 1200 – Presumed this Chinese outlet; possible mention of '...Huaxia zhi Sheng'. Chinese announcers and orchestral fanfares. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOLF Tokyo, Nov 1 0700 – Weak signal with time pips 0700 and Japanese talk. Far stronger at 0730. (Atkins-WA)

CHINA VOR, Nov 1 1400 – Loud gong tones parallel to 648, Chinese language announcers, flute music. Fair level in splash. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOIR TBC – Sendai, Nov 1 1200 – Noted weakly with sports event coverage in Japanese, beneath a stronger Edmonton, Alberta station (Ding as 'This is Edmonton's sports radio, C-Drum 60'. JOIR was briefly at equal level with the Edmonton station at 1202. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOHR Sapporo, Nov 1 0545 – Already at a good level at tune-in, approx. 1-1/2 hours before Sapporo sunset. Fast talking male and female announcers in Japanese, and easy-listening music. Ten minutes later, the signal was down to fair, but at 0615 recheck it was back to very good levels with dramatic choral music in Japanese. (Atkins-WA)

CHINA CR1, Nov 1 1200 – CRI Russian service with trumpet fanfare, and IDs in Russian and Chinese by man and woman. Excellent signal. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOSF Nagoya, Nov 1 0700 – 2+1 time pips 0700, and into lively talk by man and woman in Japanese. Fair level. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOER Hiroshima, Nov 1 1000 – Two male Japanese announcers with sporting event broadcast. Mentions of Tokyo and Hiroshima. Fair to good signal. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN Unid. NHK1, Nov 1 0800 – Noted the usual 3+1 time pips, followed by male announcer in Japanese. Parallel to 594. Poor signal. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN Unid. NHK2, Nov 1 0800 – 2+1 time pips, electronic keyboards, and into female talk in Japanese. Parallel to 774. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)

SOUTH KOREA HLAM KBC, Nov 1 1300 – Female in Korean, followed by chimes-style time pips at 1200. Piano music interlude. Fair level. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JORF Yokohama, Nov 1 1000 – Fast talking male announcer in Japanese, joined by another male announcer 1001. Fair signal. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOWF STV – Sapporo, Nov 1 1000 – Very rapid-fire talk by two Japanese announcers. Single tone at 1000. Fair to good signal. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN Unid. NHK2, Nov 1 0800 – Another low power synchro here, with 2+1 time pips, keyboards music, and woman announcer in Japanese. Fair to good level. The usefulness of

the Perseus SDR with recorded files of the entire MW band is shown again and again, while checking for IDs and parallels at the top of the hour. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN JOUK Akita, Nov 1 1635 – Japanese male announcer. Impressive signal at 2 hours past local SR. (Atkins-WA)

TAIWAN Family Radio, Kounu, Nov 1 1543 – Bible reading in English by Family Radio's usual announcer, peaking to S-7. (Atkins-WA)

SOUTH KOREA HLAZ Cheju, Nov 1 1000 – 3+1 time pips at 1000, and into brief classical music interlude, followed by soft-spoken woman announcer in Korean. Very good level. (Atkins-WA)

THAILAND VOA Ban Phachi, Nov 1 1646 – Program in Bangla per PAL up to 1659 ID. This is Washington signing off, for the Voice of America by male. Yankee Doodle anthem to 1700, then sign-off. Fair to good level on peaks, more than two hours past local sunrise. Noted earlier at 1100 with excellent signal in English. (Atkins-WA)

CHINA Heilongjiang RGD, Nov 1 1000 – 4+1 time pips at 1000, followed by man and woman Chinese announcers, brief music, and then 'Heilongjiang Guangbo Diantai' ID. Fair to good, but mixing with other stations in background. (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN Unid. NHK2, Nov 1 0800 – Fairly good signal with 3+1 time pips, keyboards, and female Japanese announcer. Parallel to 774. 27 low power JJ synchros listed in PAL for this frequency! (Atkins-WA)

JAPAN Unid. NHK2, Nov 1 1000 – Talk by Japanese male announcer, parallel to JOIB Sapporo 747. Fair level. (Atkins-WA)



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