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**IRCA PRESIDENT'S REPORT**  
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**Greetings and Happy Holidays.....**

As a Holiday gift to all IRCA members, and a way to make up for some of the publishing delays this volume, the BOD has voted on the following proposal:

**24.1.23** Extend SDXM and HDXM Subscriptions Two Issues (2) for Members in Good Standing as of December 1 2009. (Submitted by Dan Riordan)

All BOD members votes yes. Happy Holidays to you all!!!!

**Nominations Are Open for the TVA and RHA Awards for 2009/2010**

**Ted Vasilopoulos Award (TVA)**

Ted Vasilopoulos was a charter member of IRCA who died in 1965, and was known for his high DX standards and contributions to the club. This award in his honor is presented to the IRCA member who has contributed the most to IRCA and the DX hobby during the past several years. The following persons have won the TVA in the last five years and are ineligible this year: **Nancy Johnson, Patrick Martin, Nick Hall-Patch, Lee Freshwater, and Doug Pifer.**

**Ric Heald Award (RHA)**

Ric Heald was an enthusiastic IRCA volunteer and contributor. In 1995, after his passing, the RHA was created to recognize the IRCA member who most benefited the club in a particularly noteworthy way during the previous year. The following persons have won the RHA in the last three years and are ineligible this year: **Gary DeBock, Dan Riordan, and Lynn Hollerman.**

All nominations, including a brief statement supporting the nomination, should be sent to the folks listed below:

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All nominations must be received by the above no later than **February 1, 2010.**



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Ford car radio, GE Superadio
- (MJS) **Mike Stonebridge**-St Isidore, AB  
AOR 7030+ and a 1000' BOG at 320 degrees

**OF SPECIAL INTEREST**

- 1310 KIHP AZ, Mesa was KXAM, is now back on the air after being off since April. The new call is KIHP and the format is "Immaculate Heart Radio." First heard on 12/14 at 1125 testing with info on the new format. Came on the air with the new format on 12/17. (BB-AZ)
- 1400 KCYK AZ, Yuma was KJOK, heard 12/13 at 1631 with "Outlaw Country" and "KCYK Yuma" at 1859. (BB-AZ)
- 550 KTZN AK, Anchorage 12/5 1100 I heard the following ID "If you're not in the Zone, you're not in the game. Alaska's ESPN 550 KTZN Anchorage. This is the Zone." In the clear and alone on the frequency. It took me 4 consecutive nights of sitting on 550 and listening to multiple KARI/KOAC/KFYR ID's to log this one. My second new Alaskan logging this season. (MJS-AB)
- 560 KSFO CA, San Francisco 12/8 0000 ABC news and ID, ad for Geico Auto Insurance. Big and strong with slight static. Fair to good. (GH-OR)
- 570 (KQNG) HI, Lihue 11/14 1845 noted off the air due to lightning and thunderstorm. Back on 11/15. (5P-HI)
- 580 KMJ CA, Fresno 12/3 0030 male gave ID into news (I think), very weak and feeble. Big noise and static dominating. (GH-OR)
- 610 KVNU UT, Logan 12/11 1800 gent with "KVNU Logan" then ABC news. (AB-ID)
- 620 KHNU HI, Hilo 11/30 0120 noted with dead air. Thought station was affected by windstorm but heard at 0159 ID, ABC-E news and local commercials before returning to dead air instead of network programming. Barely perceptible English language music heard, probably not KPOJ-OR or XESS. (5P-HI)
- CKRM SK, Regina 12/11 1804 ads and "CKRM Sports" program. (AB-ID)
- 630 KIDD CA, Monterey 12/16 0652 ID "Oldies 630 KIDD" into "Ruby Tuesday by the Rolling Stones, with Reno & Boise, KFI IBOC off. (MS-CA)
- 650 KSTE CA, Rancho Cordova 12/3 0030 Jim Bohannon Show, ID and news. Fair with slow fades. One UnID far under, perhaps Cisl. Weak. (GH-OR)
- 660 KWVE CA, Orcutt/Santa Maria 12/16 0756 in KTNN down fade with spot for Azusa Pacific University, ID "K-Wave." Ex-KGDP for me. (MS-CA)
- 710 KFIA CA, Carmichael 12/11 1820 religious program, KFIA ID at 1826. New. (AB-ID)
- KIRO WA, Seattle 12/10 0759 with "KIRO Seattle," not heard very often. (BB-AZ)
- 810 KGO CA, San Francisco 11/24 0430-0530 noted them off the air leaving just a mix of stations. Back on at 0530 with station announcer mentioning they had been doing maintenance to their tower. Also was on the air on Rays Talleys Show. (CM-CA)
- 840 WHAS KY, Louisville 12/8 local KSWB off tonight, noted with KXNT-NV mix, promo for Rush Limbaugh program, also mentioned "Bank of Louisville" and "News Radio WHAS" ID under/over KXNT at 0430. Haven't logged WHAS in sometime. (PM-OR)

930 KSEI ID, Pocatello 12/4 0100 ESPN format, male gave ID. Up strong momentarily then back into the mix. At least 2 unIDs as well. (GH-OR)

960 KOVO UT, Provo 11/30 2126 Mexipop music. Gent with "La Favorita" slogan at 2128. Lost after 2130. New. (AB-ID)

1030 KTWO WY, Casper 12/16 0905 huge with KTWO local news. (MS-CA)

1110 KAOI HI, Kihei 11/20 now IDing at TOH as "KAOI AM Kihei, 11-10 AM and 96-Point-7 FM," meaning station has taken over translator K244DN-FM from sister station KAOI-FM which the following week moved its tower and cut back its power by 96.5 percent. (5P-HI)

1220 CJRB MB, Boissevain 12/8 2156 gent with an ad(?) "In Southern Manitoba." Poor, new. (AB-ID)

1230 KORT ID, Grangeville 11/21 ended a country tune at 1959 and ID'd. It typically does ID one minute before the hour. (LG-MT)

1240 KOFE ID, St. Maries 11/24 gave ID during basketball game at 2300. (LG-MT)

KQEN OR, Roseburg 11/28 2330 ID and ad for Huber's Furniture store. Fair for several minutes then back down in the jumble. Heard fairly regularly. (GH-OR)

1250 KHIL AZ, Willcox 12/6 2020 coming up over everything including Santa Barbara, CA with numerous spots, K-Hill Country ID's, and C&W music. (MS-CA)

1270 KBAM WA, Longview 12/9 0030 a couple of "Real Country" ID's and I knew it was them. Fair signal among the others. (GH-OR)

1280 KIT WA, Yakima 11/29 0000 old time radio show, ID and news. Fair at times but mostly poor. Not bad for 1000 watts. (GH-OR)

1300 KLER ID, Orofino 11/30 1835 gent with "1300 KLER" ID, poor. New. (AB-ID)

1340 KATA CA, Arcata 12/2 0900 "KATA" ID and "ESPN Radio." New. (AB-ID)

KZNW WA, Wenatchee 12/3 0959 gent with KZNW ID. Last logged Nov. 2008. (AB-ID)

1380 KTKZ CA, Sacramento 12/10 2330 with ID and exclusive weather forecast. Fighting it out with UnID (probably KRKO). Last heard 1/09. (GH-OR)

1400 KXGF MT, Great Falls 11/20 was on top at 2100. A man said "Fisher Communications, we keep it real, Real Country 1400 KXGF." (LG-MT)

1430 KLO UT, Ogden 11/29 2230 ad for Rusty Humphries show, ID and national weather report. Mostly poor but fair at times with choppy scratch. (GH-OR)

1450 KVML CA, Sonora 12/15 1933 fading up loudly with weather from KCRA TV 3 in Sacramento. Clear ID as "1450 KVML," mentioned mother lode. (MS-CA)

1540 ?KMPC? CA, Los Angeles 11/30 0128 tentative, very poor with very weak KK programming. Local KREA off due to gusty winds, so at least there's still KK on the channel, hi. Also noted off at 0120 due to wind were KWAI-1080, KNDI-1270 and KKEA-1420. Weak signals also noted on 1080, 1270 and 1280. Stations noted back on around 0200. (5P-HI)

1560 KNZR CA, Bakersfield 12/1 1504 woman with "1560 KNZR" followed by a spot for a Christian Center, second ID at 1506. Good signal mid-day! (AB-ID)

1590 KLFE WA, Seattle 12/1 0000 ID and news, ad for Trinity Debt Management. Really scratchy and sputtering in the static. One UnID far under. Weak. (GH-OR)

1600 KGST CA, Fresno 12/3 2143 "ESPN Deportes," two gents talking about sport (soccer) in Mexico, Auto Zone and Future Ford ads, and "KGST" ID at 2200. New. (AB-ID)

1670 KNRO CA, Redding 12/11 2000 with "You're listening to Fox Sports Radio KNRO 1670 Redding." (BB-AZ)

**DX TEST**

1550 (WSRY) MD, Elkton 11/29 0001-0100 tried for the test but no luck. (CM-CA)

**UNIDS**

630 UNID 12/3 0110 soft spoken male reading Bible verses in between relig vocal music. Up fairly strong a couple of times but soon lost. (GH-OR)

1210 UNID 11/27 0000-0100 Spanish vocal with breaks at top & bottom of the hour, but no ID in English. KTBK? Big and strong with only a few light fades. Ideas? (GH-OR)

1300 UNID 12/6 0000-0100 many "Bloomberg Radio" ID's but no formal ID's at TOH or BOH. Mostly fair and dominating. Help! (GH-OR)

1320 UNID 12/5 1900 man said "1320 Info Radio." Barely up out of the static from time to time. Heard mention of "SRN" as well. Ideas? (GH-OR)

Happy Holidays to everyone! Nancy 12/18 2100



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(LF-FL) your editor

**STARS OF THE WEEK**

Ocala, FL  
 Drake R-8B, KIWA Loop, Grundig S-800, MFJ Phasor, LF MFJ 616 audio enhancer, BSI Auto Logging Software, Vox Pro E-2 editing software, 75' LW  
 Manassas, VA  
 NRD-545 rx w/134' multiband antenna NW to SE  
 2412 59th Place, Cheverly MD  
 DX-398  
 L'Anse, MI  
 Sony ICF SW7600GR stock

(KK-VA) **Kraig Krist**

(WM-MD) **William McGuire**

(JJR-WI) **John J Rieger**

**LOGGINGS**

550 ND KFYZ Bismarck 12-13 0807. Poor in w/WSAU. YL w/many ND temps. "Here in Bismarck, light snow and -7" into Christmas song. No calls hrd. (JJR-MI)

580 WV WCHS Charleston 12/3 1907. Ads; ID; "The Voice of Charleston." (WM-MD)

590 ON CJCL Toronto 12-12 2025. Poor but o/others. "Toronto's Sports Station, the Fan-590." Sports. (JJR-MI)

660 AB CFFR Calgary 12-12 0741. Poor after UNID C&W stn faded out. "660 News traffic on the 1's." (JJR-MI)

680 CA KNBR San Francisco 12-13 0750. Poor waiting upon hearing sports talk, many, many ESPN, **ESPN.com** promos, more chatter and finally LID at :00, then Sun morn PSA program "Commonwealth Club." Alone. (JJR-MI)

820 TX WBAP Fort Worth 11/28 1903. Break in Baylor/Texas Tech football, "News talk 820"; ID heard. (WM-MD)

920 NC WPCM Burlington 12/09 2200. ID heard in mess. (WM-MD)

930 AB CJCA Edmonton 12-13 0821. Poor but alone. "Merry Christmas from the sales team at the Light-930." NEW! (JJR-MI)

940 GA WMAC Macon 12/1 1700. ID heard in the mess. (WM-MD)

950 MB CFAM Altoona 12-13 1731. Poor lost to WWJ. Calls heard. (JJR-MI)

1010 AB CBR Calgary 12-12 0830. Poor -"it's 6:28. Hello on... and 91.3FM. ...at 6:30, CBC radio." (JJR-MI)

1070 CA KNX Los Angeles 12-13 0740. Poor clear "KNX news-time is 4:40" into money feature o/anything. Tight null. (JJR-MI)

1080 MI WOAP Owosso 12-12 0728. Fair "The Big 1080" w/no usual WNWI. Nice to hear. OLD. (JJR-MI)

1230 MN KTRF Thief River Falls 12-12 0917. Poor "AM 1230 KTRF" on tune in to fade. (JJR-MI)

1250 MN KBRF Fergus Falls 12-12 1748. Poor "weather eye wx at Good Neighbor Radio - KBRF" into Limbaugh repeat. (JJR-MI)

1340 NC WPOL Winston Salem 12/6 1800. Up with dual ID with //WKEW 1400 NEW. (LF-FL)

TN WLDT Winchester 12/04 0600. In with TOH ID Poor but readable NEW. (LF-FL)

1350 MN KDIO Ortonville 12-12 1738. Very poor o/KRNT. "Best of the new, best of the old KDIO-1350." Rare! (JJR-MI)

MN WCMP Pine City 12-13 0731. Poor w/calls at end of song o/others. (JJR-MI)

1370 MN KSUM Fairmont 12-13 1800. Poor w/LID o/others. OLD C&W. (JJR-MI)

1380 MI WGHM Port Huron 12-12 2102. Poor -singing LID, Red Wings hockey Popped up o/others. (JJR-MI)

1410 ON CKSL London 12-12 2055. Poor w/LID "London's Oldies 1410" in mess. (JJR-MI)

1420 IN WIMS Michigan City 12/3 2023. High School Basketball hrd. (WM-MD)

1430 SD KBRK Brookings 12-14 0815. Poor, local ads, "here in Brookings." No calls hrd. Lost to CHKT. (JJR-MI)

WI WBEV Beaver Dam 12-13 1759. Poor, LID by Packers pbp annrc into Packers post game show. (JJR-MI)

1440 MI WMAX Bay City 12-12 0801. Poor - "**AveMaria.net**... Sat at 7 on Catholic Radio for Michigan" LID not hrd or missed. (JJR-MI)

NY WJLL Niagara Falls 12-14 0617. Poor to fade u/WNFL. Calls and Oldies. (JJR-MI)

1450 WI WDLB Marshfield 12-12 0839. Poor - "5 mins away from a WDLB sports update." In-out of mess. (JJR-MI)

1470 IA KWSL Sioux City 12-12 2140. Very poor in w/others. "Super Hits 1470 KWSL" OLD. (JJR-MI)

1560 MN KBEW Blue Earth 12-13 1750. Poor "AM 1560 KBEW" said 2x into promo. Live, not off bird. OLD. (JJR-MI)  
 1630 GA WRDW Augusta 12/9 1900. "News Talk Sports"; ID. (WM-MD)  
 1640 WI WKSH Sussex 12/17 2355-0035. Typical Radio Disney programming. "This is WKSH and WKSH HD1 Radio Disney...." (KK-VA)  
 1650 IA KCNZ Cedar Falls 12/16 2355-0035. Mixing w/Indian type singing (probably CINA) and WHKT. Discussing sports. Local Ad. (KK-VA)  
 1660 MI WQLR Kalamazoo 12/14 2355-0035. Mixing w/talk and singing. "...sixteen sixty WQLR Kalamazoo sixteen sixty 'The Fan'" into "Fox Sports News". "It's Fox Sports Radio sixteen sixty 'The Fan'". (KK-VA)  
 1670 GA WFFX Dry Branch 12/9 1800. Fox Sports Radio; ID. (WM-MD)  
 1690 IL WVON Berwyn 12/12 2355-0035. Mixing w/singing on CHTO. Talk. "CNN Radio News". "This is WVON". "Chicago's am sixteen ninety WVON" into Curtis Bay call in show. (KK-VA)  
 IL WVON Berwyn 12/9. Promo; ID. NEW. (WM-MD)  
 ON CHTO Toronto 12/12 2355-0035. Mixing w/talk on WVON. CHTO with singing. "You're listening to CHTO Toronto. Visit our website [www.am1690.ca](http://www.am1690.ca)". (KK-VA)

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 Thanks to Kraig, William, and John. Some great DX from John this time. A couple new ones for me on 1340 as I am still reviewing the "Auto DX" audio files. Best to you all as we get ready for the new year... fresh 12-19 1025

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Greetings everyone,

Merry Christmas and the best of DX in the New Year. 2009 has been a good one. Hopefully 2010 will be even better with the low A&K. No DX this week to report on, but a bunch of nice QSLs.

**QSL'S**

518 **JAPAN**, I sent surface mail reports to four Japan Coast Guard Regions regarding their respective Navtex broadcasts. Yokohama sent an e-mail thanking me for my report and apologizing for the lack of QSLs. Moji sent a short polite non QSL e-mail saying they won't confirm whether the report was correct or not. Naha sent a short e-mail QSL that was specific as to date and freq. I'm still waiting for Otaru. (BP-WA)  
 518 **GREENLAND**, Aasiaat Radio sent QSL in about 2 weeks by surface mail for e-mail Navtex report. QSL was a folded sheet of paper with photo of tx site on one side and QSL message on the other. V/S Bo Mogensen, Frafikchef. No return address on envelope, but report was sent to [tele@tele.gl](mailto:tele@tele.gl) which I found on their website <http://www.tele.gl/dk/Kystradio/GMDSS/index.htm>. The site also lists a surface address, Postboks 1002, 3900 Nuuk. (BP-WA) (Great QSL Bruce. PM)  
 570 **CANADA**, Whitehorse CFWH sent friendly letter in about a month for surface report and CD. V/S John Boivin, Program Mgr. Also sent medallion and a couple of small stickers. I now have Yukon 100% QSL'd, both stations, not counting the LPRTS. (BP-WA) (Well done, Bruce. PM)  
 640 **ALASKA**, Bethel KYUK sent friendly e-mail reply in about an hour. V/S Joe Siebert at [joe@kyuk.org](mailto:joe@kyuk.org) said this was the first time in about 20 years he's gotten a report from the lower 48. (BP-WA) (It sounds like they haven't gotten any reports since I QSL'd them some 20 years ago. But with KFI going, probably not many hear them, unless in the NW. PM)  
 729 **JAPAN**, Nagoya sent unsigned QSL card, stickers, and NHK World/Radio Japan schedule in about 3 weeks for a surface report. (BP-WA)  
 963 **FINLAND**, I now have Europe QSL'd from the Pacific NW. I received a very nice QSL (without location) for 963 Poro for my recent report sent to the CRI address, as opposed to the general Audience Response address for CNR. It came from Ying Lian of the EE section and had a CRI folder, QSL card, note card, sticker, and paper cuts. So it looks like CRI is still QSLing foreign language broadcasts, at least part of the time. Very pleased. (JB-WA) (Very nice, John. PM)  
 1071 **NEW ZEALAND**, Ashburton. I sent 4 or 5 follow ups in Nov for the summer DU season and I got my first reply today from Graham Stevens-Trackside Media Consultant. He QSL'd their outlet on 1071 Ashburton, South Island. I DXed at Grayland using the first generation Wellbrook Array and my G313e. He sent along a pamphlet on Trackside Radio in Kiwi Country. (JB-WA)  
 1323 **GERMANY**, VoR relay sent QSL card in about a month for a report+MP3 sent to [world@ruvr.ru](mailto:world@ruvr.ru). Card was specific as to date/time/freq but not site. (BP-WA)

1330 **ALASKA**, Juneau KXLJ received a handwritten card in 63d for CD report. V/S: Jacob Cagsians-Op Mgr. AK QSL #61. (PM-OR)

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**COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

106.9 WRQK-OH **Akron ZIPS** k Steve French, Frank Stams  
 1350 WARF-OH (co-flagship)  
 790 WPRV-RI **Brown U BRUINS** Scott Cordischi  
 1280 KXTK-CA **California Polytechnic SU MUSTANGS** Tom Barket, Eric Burdick  
 91.3 KCPR-CA (campus)  
 700 WLW-OH **Cincinnati BEARCATS** Dan Hoard, Jim Kelly Jr, Tom Gelehrter-s, Mo Egger-ST  
 103.1 KURR-UT **Dixie SC RED STORM** UNAVAILABLE  
 930 KIUP-CO **Fort Lewis College SKYHAWKS** Dave Bray, Mike Riggs  
 1300 WBOW-IN **Indiana SU SYCAMORES** Brian Fritz, Dave Sabiani  
 1130 WSDX-IN (relay)  
 100.1 WNIR-OH **Kent SU GOLDEN FLASHES** k Tom Linder, Rob Polinsky, Ty Linder  
 1100 WGPA-PA **Lafayette College LEOPARDS** Dick Hammer, Mike Joseph  
 1320 WTKZ-PA **Lehigh U MOUNTAIN HAWKS** Matt Kerr, Marty Horn, Kody Fedorchka  
 1230 WEEX-PA (relay) Matt Markus-s+ST, Tom Fallon-ST  
 1420 KPEL-LA **Louisiana (Lafayette) RAGIN' CAJUNS** Jay Walker, Steve Peloquin  
 1240 KANE-LA (network)  
 107.9 KRKA-LA (network)  
 1050 WLYC-PA **Lycoming College WARRIORS** UNAVAILABLE  
 104.1 W281AR-PA (relay)  
 96.3 WIVY-KY **Morehead SU EAGLES** Chuck Mraz, Jason Blanton, Tom Lewis-s Matt Andrews-p  
 90.7 KVNO-ne **Nebraska-Omaha MUSTANGS** David Gustafson, Curt Bohn,  
 100.3 KZEN-NE (network) Matt SantaMaria-s  
 1100 KWWN-NV **Neveda-Las Vegas REBELS** k Dave McCann, Mike Pritchard  
 1450 KHIT-NV (network)  
 103.9 KGRT-NM **New Mexico SU AGGIES** Jack Nixon  
 1150 KDEF-NM (network)  
 94.1 WXEZ-VA **Old Dominion U MONARCHS** Ted Alexander  
 800 KPDQ-OR **Portland SU VIKINGS** Tom Hewitt, Mike Lund  
 950 WXGI-VA **Richmond SPIDERS** k Bob Black, Jasmonn Coleman, Matt Smith-s,  
 93.1 WFLV-VA (network) Matt Josephs-ST  
 105.1 KQBL-MT **Rocky Mountain Coll BATTLIN' BEARS** UNAVAILABLE  
 100.9 WLUN-MI **Saginaw Valley SU CARDINALS** UNAVAILABLE  
 100.5 WSGW-MI (back-up, at least 2 games)  
 1230 KWSN-SD **Sioux Falls COUGARS** UNAVAILABLE  
 920 KCLS-SD **South Dakota Sch of Mines & Tech HARDROCKERS** Tom Rudebusch  
 97.5 K248BT-SD (relay)  
 105.1 WTZO-TN **Tennessee-Chattanooga MOCCASINS** I Jim Reynolds, Todd Agne, Will Poindexter  
 1470 WVOL-TN **Tennessee SU TIGERS** Barry Gresham, Albert Dawson  
 910 WMRB-TN (network)  
 94.7 WOJG-TN (network)  
 103.3 KESP-TX **Texas Christian U HORNED FROGS** Brian Estridge, John Denton, Jeff Williams-s, Taylor Durham-ST  
 88.7 KTCU-tx (campus)  
 740 KVOR-CO **US Air Force Acad FALCONS** Jim Arthur, Lee Douglas, Jay Ricci-ST,  
 1510 KCKK-CO (network) Bob Ihle-ST  
 770 WABC-NY **US Military Acad (Army) BLACK KNIGHTS** John Minko, Dean Darling,  
 1340 WALL-NY (network) Rich DeMarco-s, Bob Outer-ST  
 1390 WEOK-NY (network)



700	KALL-UT	Utah UTES m	Mike Lageschulte, Frank Dolce, Sharrieff Shah-s
750	KOAL-UT	(network)	
950	WPEN-PA	Villanova U WILDCATS	Joe Eichorn, Ryan Fannan
580	WIBW-KS	Washburn U ICHABODS	Bruce Steinbrock, Mark Elliott, Jan Lunsford-s
1400	WDTK-MI	Wayne SU WARRIORS	Sean Baligian, Joe Gough
1430	KLO-UT	Weber SU WILDCATS	Carl Arky, Ty Sparrow
102.7	WCKS-GA	West Georgia WOLVES	UNAVAILABLE

## 2009-2010 IRCA Focus on Five DX Contest

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### December 15, 2009 update:

1. Larry Godwin	30	5. Nancy Johnson*	21
2. Lee Freshwater	29	6. Bill Nittler	7
3. Chris Knight	28	7. Phil Bytheway	1
Tim Noonan	28		

\* Contest manager is not eligible to win.

You can join the contest at any time, so if you haven't joined already there is plenty of time to do so. The contest rules can be found online at the IRCA website, and also in the September 12, 2009 issue of DXM. Send me a note if you have any questions. Please, report to the appropriate editor any special loggings you hear while DXing for the contest! The contest runs until **May 31, 2010**.

## FROM THE IRCA E-MAIL LIST

This is just a brief first impression of the new Wellbrook K9AY antenna that I am in the process of evaluating. I LOVE IT! Since we have returned to Oklahoma 10 days ago, I've managed to erect both the older first generation ALA100-based Phased Array and the all-new K9AY version. Both arrays incorporate twin Delta Loops with the two loops 40 meters apart. I erected the two arrays parallel to each other, pointing due North-South for evaluation they are separated by about 300 feet, so there is little chance of interaction. I've just spent two evenings running the two arrays, but I'm seriously in love. The ALA100 array has been my antenna of choice for the past three seasons and has been a wonder. The K9AY Array is even better, especially for domestic DXers.

### Similarities in the two Arrays:

Both have two 40 meter apart small delta antennas, the antennas are amplified at the head unit in each case Both phase their two elements against each other to achieve very deep nulls that are instantly swappable fore and aft at the shack (very important for domestic DXers and sometimes trans-oceanic ones.) Both units can be easily expanded to operate two separate arrays so that one may cover all four cardinal directions, N, S, E, and West... or any two angles, since the two 2-antenna arrays are NOT interdependent. I'm actually running the two different arrays with one controller in the shack. Both units were/are quite expensive (they are multi-unit phased arrays, after all)

### Differences:

The K9AY array has a narrower front lobe (the ALA100 Array is, functionally, a full 180 degrees wide) This should help both in S/N ratio and in giving very different views of the band in each of four directions. The K9AY array has deeper nulls... so deep that they may not be fully measurable here in the winter, even at solar noon. EZNEC predicts about 5 to 10 dB deeper than the already deep 45 dB nulls of the ALA100 array. The K9AY sports somewhat larger loop (base of each Delta is about 30 feet, where the ALA100 unit base is about 20+ feet.) and the amplifier is technically even better and about 10 dB stronger. The K9AY requires good grounding at each antenna element for best performance; the older ALA100 unit required no grounding.

### Early Results:

I used my very accurate Winradio for these tests. HOWEVER, I paid no attention to the S-meter after peaking up the null before checking a frequency. One test was at the lower part of the band from 540

through 730. I maximized the null against the dominant southerly or northerly and then reversed the array. I did this for each array, about 15 or 20 seconds apart. There were 20 channels examined in that range (540 through 730.) On 15 of the channels, I marked something like "Much clearer on the K9AY" or "Much better on the K9AY" and, on virtually every channel, there was one station looking north and another looking south, at least on the K9AY. One channel, 600, I marked "ALA100 seems better" and on one... 620 with Dallas and CKRM, the two antennas both performed equally well. The remaining three were inconclusive. A couple of interesting notes: WWLS in Norman on 640 is one of my semi-local pests. It is nearly impossible to completely null it with the ALA100 Array, especially at night. The K9AY Array nailed it. WLS on 700 is off to the ENE and not nullable with this set-up, however, I had a strong Mexican beneath on the K9AY and nothing on the ALA100 Array. I also snuck up to mid-bander 930, my favorite rock and roll station 50 years ago and a local pest that is VERY difficult to null with any antenna. I had CJCA to the North mixing with residual WKY on the ALA 100, but CJCA alone and stronger on the K9AY array. WONDERFUL! On the upper part of the band, I just looked at 1600 to 1500 and the K9AY Array was superior here, too. 1600- had Cedar Rapids and Mexico, with the K9AY superior; 1590 was inconclusive as was 1580. 1570 was my old buddy growing up, XERF. The K9AY was superior, but there was nothing identifiable in the null. 1560 was inconclusive; 1550, 1540, 1530, 1520, 1510 and 1500 each showed the K9AY Array clearly superior! So three channels were inconclusive, due most likely to station locations and seven had the K9AY Array as the star. 1520 is worthy of special mention: that is the old rock and roll 50,000 watts of KOMA, 50 miles due south of me, now a talker as KOCY, I think. It and 50,000 w - 740 KRMG in Tulsa, an equal distance to my east, is my worst nemesis. I have never been able to null KOMA-1520 with any antenna that I have ever used. KOMA is the only station that I had ever received here on 1520... until two nights ago. The K9AY Array put KOMA in the mud about 90% of the time and I heard WHOW, Clinton, Illinois-1520 along with at least one other station with almost no KOMA remaining. I have yet to do any daytime test comparisons of the antennas or more formal evaluations, but I can already tell that the K9AY is a wonderful antenna... the ALA100 was very good... this is EXCELLENT.

In the coming weeks, I'll also be testing/comparing a two antenna Wellbrook Array based on two Conti Super Loops. That is not reversible from the shack, but probably out-performs even the K9AY array as a single-direction antenna. Lastly, I'll be looking at the very modestly priced single Wellbrook FLG100 which appears to be superior for driving single flags, super loops, EWes, KAZs, etc. The latter looks to be an EXCELLENT antenna for many at-home applications in suburban neighborhoods and even townhouses. So, I've got an interesting winter ahead, here on the Southern Prairie. Since these are all currently available Wellbrook antennas, I'll be able to post findings here in near real time, as well as finalize them in articles.

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