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## NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2011 IRCA ELECTIONS

IRCA members, it is time to think about who you would like to represent you as the next club President, Secretary-Treasurer and Board of Directors. Their term will start on September 15th, 2011 per the IRCA Constitution, Article III, Section 5, Part 2. Nominations are now open for President, Secretary-Treasurer, and seven members of the Board of Directors from January 1st, 2011 through February 15th, 2011. Only one nomination each for President, Secretary-Treasurer, and only seven nominations for the Board, shall be allowed each IRCA member. An eligible member may nominate his or herself. All nominations must be submitted in written (or e-mailed) form to the ECC by February 15th, 2011. IRCA's Election Committee Chairman (ECC) is Nick Hall-Patch, who can be contacted via email at: nhp@ieee.org or by mail: 1538 Amphion St., Victoria, BC, Canada V8R 4Z6.

### NOMINATIONS FOR THE TED VASILOPOULOS AND RIC HEALD AWARDS

Nominations Are Open for the TVA and RHA for 2010-2011.

### 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: Bill Block, Nancy Johnson, Patrick Martin, Nick Hall-Patch, and Lee Freshwater.

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### **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: John Bryant, Gary DeBock and Dan Riordan.

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

TVA Nominations: Bill Block, 7716 E. Thelma Dr., Prescott Valley, AZ 86314. E-mail: billwblock@msn.com

RHA Nominations: Nick Hall-Patch, 1538 Amphion St., Victoria, BC, Canada V8R 4Z6. E-mail: **nhp@ieee.org** 

All nominations must be received by the above no later than February 15, 2011.

### DX TESTS

Paul Walker reports three DX tests scheduled for February:

Saturday February 12 - At precisely 0100 and 0200 CST (0700 and 0800 UTC): KHMO 1070 Hannibal, MO

Will test with morse code, sweep tones and voice announcements for 5 minutes at the top of the first hour with its 5KW/3 tower day pattern and 5 minutes at the top of the second hour at its 1KW/6 tower night power.

Saturday February 12 - From 0300 to 0400 CST (0900-1000 UTC): WLIQ 1530 Quincy, IL

### WLIQ 1530 Quincy, IL

Will test for 20 minutes using morse code, sweep tones, voice announcement, special music, sound bites, etc, at its 1400W Non-Directional Day Power, then for 20 minutes at is 290W Non Directional Critical Hours Power, and then for the final 20 minutes it will test at its once-proposed 3 Watts Non

Directional Night Power.

Saturday February 19 -- From 1am to 2am CST (0700-0800 UTC)

# WLRB 1510 Macomb, IL

Will test for the first 30 minutes using morse code, sweep tones, voice announcement, special music, sound bites, etc, at its 1KW Non Directional Day power and for the final 30 minutes with much the same content at its 250W Non Directional Critical Hours Power.

Snail-mail QSLs: Send a self addressed stamped envelope to the Chief Engineer at the following address:

## Gary Glaenzer

c/o (Put the name of the station whose DX test your are reporting on this line) 325 East Douglas Avenue

# Jacksonville, IL 62650

Tapes or CDs will be accepted along with written reports but MUST be cued up to the point of where the best reception is. If sending in a report by mail, you MUST include a return, self addressed, stamped envelope. The reports are being sent to the engineers home address, not the station. So please be patient, as Mr. Glaenzer is the Chief Engineer for 16 radio stations in Missouri and Illinois.

E-QSLs are available - Send to the engineer at <glaenzer@frontier.com> with both the station call letters and the words "DX test" in the subject line, as follows:

### KHMO DX Test WLIQ DX Test WLRB DX Test

Finally, we ask that you please not telephone any of the stations or the engineer during the test. No one will be at the stations during the tests - everything is being done remotely by phone control.

Of course, be sure to report any catches to the DX lists, to club bulletins, or to any of your regular communication channels. And please help the cause by forwarding this test information far and wide, and - if you can – by organizing a test of your own!

With thanks to Paul for arranging and Gary for running.

Saul Chernos IRCA-NRC DX Test Committee

### FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The Johnsons were on vacation in Arizona this past week, so there's no Western DX Roundup or Central DX Roundup this time around. (They needed a break; all my logs nearly gave John a hernia, hil-EiC) Nancy didn't forget to give us an update on this year's Magic Seven Contest, though. As a result, the DX is dominated by the East this time around, including the last part of the DXpedition report from Lemmenjoki. Our intrepid President, Lee Freshwater, is on vacation this week, so that may explain the lateness of this issue.

### 2011 IRCA Convention - Colorado Springs, CO

The convention will be held June 23-25, 2011 at the Airport Value Inn (http://www.airportvalueinn.com) located on the east side of Colorado Springs at 6875 Space Village Avenue, Colorado Springs 80915, IRCA has set aside a special block of rooms with a special reservation rate of \$69.99/night (regularly \$79.99/night during the summer months), please call the hotel directly at (719) 596-5588 or toll-free (800) 596-5588 to book the special rate (the special rate is only available over the phone), views of the rooms can be seen on their website. The Colorado Springs Airport is located about 5 miles south of the hotel and is a relatively easy drive from the airport to the hotel (taxis are available at the airport, the hotel doesn't have a shuttle). Convention registration is \$30, please send registrations to: Robert Wien 2910 North Powers Boulevard, #106, Colorado Springs, CO 80922. If you wish to donate items for the auction, they can also be sent to this address as well. all AM radio-related donations are welcome. The convention will include radio station tours (specifics to be announced later), an AM transmitter tour around the city. DX guiz with prizes. business meeting, banquet, and the traditional Saturday night auction. The banquet will be held at the Golden Corral Buffet located on 1970 Waynoka Road (near Powers/Palmer Park Blvd., about 4 miles NW of the hotel) Saturday night 6/25/11 at 6 PM (we will have a room reserved at the Golden Corral. it is a 'pay-your-own-way' all-you-can-eat-buffet, cost is approximately \$10/person (NOTE: COST OF BANQUET IS SEPARATE FROM CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEE), beverage extra, to see the menu, go to http://www.goldencorral.net), with the auction to occur in the hotel meeting room after the banquet at approximately 8 PM. (Thanks to Mike Sanburn, KG6LJU, for the information.)

### Winterfest 2011 - Collinsville, IL

It's not often that a DX club puts in a blurb about a Hamfest. These are great places to find wire and other materials for an antenna or other project, or even a good new or used receiver. (I should know, I

picked up my current shortwave receiver, a Sangean ATS-803A, at a Hamfest, as well as my HF Amateur Radio transceiver, an ICOM IC-745.) The St. Louis and Suburban Radio Club (WØSRC/WØDCW), of which your Editor-in-Chief is a member, presents **Winterfest 2011**. The Hamfest will be held at the Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville, IL (Interstate 55/70 at Illinois 157; you can also use the Horseshoe Lake Road exit off of Interstate 255) on Saturday, January 29, 2011. For more information, go to **www.slsrc.org** 

# **BROADCASTING INFORMATION**

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CALL LETTER CHANGES					
FREQ	OLD CALL CITY		NEW CALL		
1180 1490	WUIN NEW	Carolina Beach, NC Lemont, PA	WSFM WSCE		
		FOR	MAT CHANGES		
FREQ	CALL	CITY	OLD INFO	NEW INFO	
660 680 760 880 1150 1160 1240 1250	KXOR KWKA WENO WMDB WJEM WSKW KCLV WHNY KBTC WAGF	Junction City, OR Clovis, NM Nashville, TN Valdosta, GA Skowhegan, ME Clovis, NM McComb, MS Houston, MO Dothan, AL	??? Talk Religion Black Gospel Gospel Oldies Sports - ESPN News – Talk - Sports Country Talk - Sports	Reported Silent Spanish Gospel Talk Sports - ESPN Sports - ESPN Talk Reported Silent Sports - ESPN Reported Silent	
		SLOGAN	I / IMAGE CHANGES		
FREQ	CALL	CITY	NEW SLOGAN		
680 880 1150 1240	KWKA WMDB WJEM KCLV	Clovis, NM Nashville, TN Valdosta, GA Clovis, NM	"La Ke Grande" "The Big Mouth" "1150 The Jock" "Talk 1240"		
		FACILITY AND PARAME		AND GRANTS	
730	WLTQ		IONS / GRANTS	K / 103 NDA at 32-46-24 / 80-00-56	
750	KSEO	Charleston, SC Durant, OK		to 220 DAY ONLY NDA at 34-02-12 /	
850 1190 1200	WKVM WPSP WXKS	San Juan, PR Royal Palm Beach, FL Newton, MA	Modify license to 690 /	ies to move tower site dismissed / 410 DA-N at 26-49-01 / 80-15-07 ne pattern to utilize an existing fourth er davtime array	
1240 1240	WGUY KGY	Ellsworth, ME Olympia, WA	License to cover for 1 K / 64 NDAat 44-31-50 / 68-23-46 Granted Mod of CP. Has CP for 1 K / 1 K NDA at 47-03-28 / 122-54-03 This Mod adjusts tower height ( 3 FEET TALLER)		
1250 1260	WHNY KWNX	McComb, MS Taylor, TX	Call sign and license c	ct co-ordinates to 30-36-18 / 97-25-	
1310	KMKY	Oakland, CA		d to reduce tower height by 13 feet to	
1340 1360 1380	NEW KHNC KNGN KRCM	Bethel Heights, AR Johnstown, CO McCook, NE Shenandoah, TX	CP for new statuion 1 k / 1 k NDA at 36-12-43 / 94-07-38 Modify license for 10 K / 1 K DA-N at 40-23-11 / 104-54-19 License to cover for 1 K NDA DAY at 40-13-20 / 100-41-37 Minor change granted to 2.8 K / 60 NDA from 250/69		
1470	KVSL WMGG	Show Low, AZ Egypt Lake, FL	Minor change to 1470 from 1450 DISMISSED Has CP to change COL to Egypt Lake 750/800 DA-N. Granted mod to change to one site operation at 28-00-42 / 82-29-53		
1530	WENG	Englewood, FL	License to cover for 1 82-19-24	K / 1 watt night NDA at 26-58-15 /	

I normally would not include this much info, but I felt it made for some interesting reading.-ed

Zimmer Radio, Inc. Licensee of Stations KZRG (AM), Joplin, Missouri KZYM (AM), Joplin, Missouri In this Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture, we find that Zimmer Radio, Inc., licensee of Stations KIXQ (FM), Joplin, Missouri; KSYN (FM), Joplin, Missouri; KXDG (FM), Webb City, Missouri; KJMK (FM), Webb City, Missouri; KZRG (AM), Joplin, Missouri; and KZYM (AM), Joplin, Missouri, apparently willfully and

repeatedly violated the Commission's equal employment opportunity rules by failing to comply with the recruitment, self-assessment, and public file requirements. Based upon our review of the facts and circumstances before us, we conclude that the Licensee is apparently liable for a monetary forfeiture in the amount of eight thousand dollars. To prevent future violations of these requirements, we also impose reporting conditions on the Licensee and any successor licensee of any of the Stations, as well as on the licensee of any stations that become a part of the above Stations' employment unit during the reporting conditions periods listed below. Accordingly, based upon the facts before us, the factors noted above, and pertinent precedent, we propose the following forfeiture amounts for the Licensee's apparent willful and repeated violations of these Rules: \$5,000 for its violation of Section 73.2080(c)(1); \$1,000 for its violation of Section 73.2080(c)(6)(i); \$1,000 for its violation of Section 73.3526(e)(7); and \$1,000 for its violation of Section 73.2080(c)(3), for a total proposed forfeiture in the amount of \$8,000. We will also impose reporting conditions as set forth below, to ensure that the Licensee and any successor licensee of any of the Stations maintains an adequate EEO program in compliance with the Rules. The reporting conditions will apply to the Stations listed in this Order, and, during the periods specified below for reports to be filed, will apply to all other stations that are part of their employment unit in the future, if any. It is so ordered that Zimmer Radio, Inc. and any successor licensee of any or all of Stations, KIXQ (FM), KSYN (FM), KXDG (FM), KJMK (FM), KZRG (AM), and KZYM (AM), SHALL SUBMIT to the Federal Communications Commission, Media Bureau, EEO Staff, an original and one copy of a filing, sworn to by an officer of Zimmer Radio, Inc., containing the following information on November 1, 2011; November 1, 2012; and November 1, 2013, with respect to Stations KIXQ(FM), KSYN(FM), KXDG (FM), KJMK (FM), KZRG (AM), and KZYM (AM), and all other stations in their employment unit: (a) the unit's most recent EEO public file report; (b) dated copies of all advertisements, bulletins, letters, faxes, e-mails, or other communications announcing each full-time vacancy for the preceding reporting year; (c) the recruitment source that referred the hiree for each full-time vacancy and the job title of each full-time vacancy; (d) the total number of interviewees for each full-time vacancy for the preceding reporting year and the referral source for each interviewee. (KZYM operates on 1230 kHz, KZRG on 1310 kHz-EiC)

# **EASTERN DX ROUNDUP**

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Deadlines: Saturdays 8 AM!!

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(KK-VA)	Kraig K	rist Mai	F <mark>ARS OF THE WEEK</mark> nassas, VA. D-545 rx w/ KIWA Loop	
(WM-MD) William			2 59th Place, Cheverly MD 398	*****
540 FL	WFLF		B Mixing w/ other WWCS, other talk, Spanish, Go . Top of the hour every day. 5-40 WFLA".	spel and (KK-VA)
PA	WWCS	Canonsburg 1/12 18 singing. Child annot	ably being WDDZ in Pittsburgh.	ospel and (
620 SC	WGCV		Black Gospel heard; ID	(WM-MD)
870 NC	WTCG		700 Religious Pgm heard; ID	(WM-MD)
	WCXN		5 Spanish Music heard. NEW	(WM-MD)
1200 SC	WJES	Saluda 12/28 1700		(WM-MD)
1380 NC	WKJV	Asheville 1/11 1718 Mixing w/ other talk and Spanish. Religious songs. "Presenting the wonderful grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is Asheville		
			aospel. AM 13-80 WKJV".	(KK-VA)
1410 NY	WDOF		Mixing w/ other KQV, WPOP and C&W songs. W	
	WDOL		D's and 80's. Jingle "14-10 WDOE". "WDOE".	(KK-VA)
1530 NC	WOBX		800 Religious Music heard; ID	(WM-MD)
1620 IN	WDND		800 ESPN program; ID	(WM-MD)
1650 VA	WHKT		806 CBS hourly news; Mark Levin Show	WM-MD
1670 GA	WFSM		05 Fox Sports Radio	(WM-MD)
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Another short one this week. Thanks to Kraig and William.. I will be leaving for our annual cruise next weekend.... I will do EDXR and info before I leave Saturday, however The Hard DXM will be delayed by about 3 - 4days . fresh 1/15 0830



# DX WORLDWIDE – EAST

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Welcome to another edition of DXWW-East. This week features Mark Connelly's logs from the recent Chatham Marconi Maritime Center DXpedition. Thanks Mark!

## \*\*\* TRANSATLANTIC DX \*\*\*

- 531 **ALGERIA** Chaîne 1, Ain-El-Beida, JAN 8 2200 group male Arabic vocal, strings, drums, then pips and talk by man followed by dramatic music and female talk; excellent. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 531 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2302 Spanish talk; way under Algeria. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 549 ALGERIA Alger Chaîne 1, Les Trembles, JAN 8 2200 // 531 with Arabic vocal, then newstalk; excellent. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 558 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 sýnchros, JAN 8 2200 ID "Radio Nacional de España, informativos" then news by man; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 567 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2200 // 558 with soft music, pips, RNE ID; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 585 SPAIN RNE R.1, Madrid, JAN 8 2159 Spanish talk; in slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 594 **PORTUGAL** Radio Sim, Muge, JAN 8 2302 excited Portuguese talk by man; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 595 MOROCCO RTM 1 & 2, Oujda, JAN 8 2302 man & woman in Arabic; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 612 MOROCCO RTM A, Sebaâ-Aioun, JAN 8 2201 man in Arabic; poor. [Connelly\*C-MÁ]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE R.1 synchros, JAN 8 2159 Spanish talk mentioned Casablanca; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 639 CZECH REPŬBLIC Ceský rozhlas, Liblice, JAN 8 2100 Slavic newstalk by woman; poor, over Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 639 SPAIN RNE R.1, La Coruna et al., JAN 8 2159 fast Spanish talk; over other. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 648 **SPAIN** RNE R.1, Badajoz et al., JAN 8 2200 man in Spanish not parallel to some of the other RNE's, no pips at top of hour; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 657 **SPAIN** RNE R.5, Madrid, JAN 8 2200 ID "Radio Nacional de España, informativos"; to fair peak. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 675 LIBYA Libyan Jamahiriya, Benghazi, JAN 8 2202 Arabic music; in WRKO slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 684 SPAIN RNE R.1, Sevilla, JAN 8 2101 man with news about España; through WRKO slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 693 **GERMANY** VOR relay, Zehlendorf, JAN 8 2202 Russian talk; briefly atop UK and Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 693 UNITED KINGDOM BBC R. 5, Droitwich et al., JAN 8 2100 BBC news; slightly over unID talker. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 702 FRANCE (MONACO) RMC-Info, Le Col de la Madonne, JAN 8 2200 pips, French talk "Ici Radio Chine International"; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 720 **PORTUGAL** RDP Antena 1 synchros, JÁN 8 2201 excited Portuguese talk, likely sport-related; in jumble. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 729 SPAIN RNE R.1 synchros, JAN 8 2202 man in Spanish; to fair peak. [Connelly\*C-MA]

738 SPAIN RNE R.1, Barcelona, JAN 8 2202 - Spanish talk; in tough CHCM slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]

- 747 CANARY ISLANDS RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2302 echoey Spanish talk; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 747 **NETHERLANDS** R.5, Zeewolde (Flevoland), JAN 8 2100 man & woman in Dutch mentioned Obama; to fair peak. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 756 **GERMANY** Deutschlandfunk, Braunschweig & Ravensburg, JAN 8 2100 woman with news in German about politics, Obama; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 765 IRAN IRIB 1, Chahbahar, JAN 8 2101 mideast male vocal; noisy. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 774 EGYPT Middle East R., Abis, JAN 8 2101 man in Arabic; over Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 774 SPAIN RNE R.1 synchros, JAN 8 2202 Spanish talk with synchro-echo. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 783 MAURITANIA R. Mauritanie, Nouakchott, JAN 8 2302 Arabic talk sounding like praying. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 783 **SPAIN** Rock y Gol Radio Miramar, Ctra. Conseria (Barcelona), JAN 8 2101 fast Spanish talk; a bit over others. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 792 SPAIN SER, Sevilla, JAN 8 2130 echoey Spanish sports coverage; over France. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 801 SPAIN RNE R.1 synchros, JAN 8 2200 man in Spanish; over other. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, JAN 8 2159 fast Spanish sportstalk by two men. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE R.1 synchros, JAN 8 2200 news by man in Spanish; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]

- 864 **FRANCE** France Bleu, Villebon-sur-Yvette, JAN 8 2301 woman in French, jingle, talk by man, then slow French male vocal and piano; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 864 SPAIN RNE R.1, Socuellamos, JAN 8 2202 fast Spanish talk; over others. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 873 **GERMANY** AFN, Frankfurt, JAN 8 2302 // 1107 with Led Zeppelin (or similar) rock vocal; to good peak over presumed Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 882 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, JAN 8 2301 man & woman in Spanish; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2200 to good peak with "This is BBC Radio 5 Live", lead story about the shooting of US congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords and others in Arizona. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 918 **SLOVENIA** Radio Slovenija 1, Ljubljana-Domzale, JAN 8 2200 R. Slovenia ID, anthem-style music interval, Slavic talk by woman; poor over Nigeria 917 het. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 936 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2202 Spanish news; fair over other. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 936 unID ?, JAN 8 2302 mideast string music, not sure if Iran or Morocco. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 945 **FRANCE** France Info, Toulouse, JÄN 8 2200 lush orchestral music, France Info ID, interval music fanfare, French news; to good peak. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 963 SPAIN R. Euskadi, Vitoria, JAN 8 2200 Spanish talk; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 972 **GERMANY** NDR Info, Hamburg, JAN 8 2200 bits of German news by woman; under huge Libya signal. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 972 LIBYA Libyan Jamahiriya BC, Sirte, JAN 8 2100 male Arabic vocal and orchestra; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 981 ALGERIA RTVA Chaîne 2, Algiers, JAN 8 2200 5 pips then sixth higher pitched pip, fanfare music, man in Arabic; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1026 **SPAIN** SER synchros, JAN 8 2159 fast Spanish talk by man; poor to fair through slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1035 **PORTUGAL** R. Clube, Belmonte, JAN 8 2300 female version of B.J. Thomas 1969 hit "Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head"; fair over WBZ slop.
  - + JAN 8 2300 "San Francisco" by Scott McKenzie from 1967, Star FM mention by man, Portuguese talk by woman, Star FM jingle, "Harvest Moon" by Neil Young; fair to good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1044 SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 8 2301 fast Spanish news; over IBOC hash. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1053 **SPAIN** COPE Castellon, Ctra Chilches (Castellon), JAN 8 2201 fast Spanish talk; atop UK and growl-hets 1053.047 (?) and 1053.103 (Libya). [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1053.103 LIBYA Libyan Jamahiriya, Tripoli, JAN 8 2159 woman in Arabic; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1062 ITALY RAI Radiouno synchros, JAN 8 2201 woman in Italian; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1080 SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 8 2202 fast Spanish news; over/under WTIC. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1089 **RUSSIA** Tbilisskaya, JAN 8 2159 clanging bells, then Russian news; over UK and 1088 Angola het. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1089 UNITED KINGDOM TalkSport synchros, JAN 8 2202 now coming up over Russia, reverberated TalkSport ID, promo, scores, "Middlesborough suffered a defeat." [Connellv\*C-MA]
- 1098 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2200 song "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas", pips, fanfare, ID "Radio Nacional de España, informativos", news; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1107 GERMANY AFN synchros, JAN 8 2302 // 873 with Led Zeppelin (or similar) rock vocal; mixed with Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2159 // 1098 with "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas", pips, fanfare, RNE ID; to good peak. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1116 **SPAIN** SER synchros, JAN 8 2200 SER mention, excited Spanish talk by man; to good peak over other station. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1124.942 unID ?, JAN 8 2200 low-side growl against 1125 Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1125 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2200 news by man in Spanish; in jumble / growl. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1134 SPAIN COPE synchros, JAN 8 2200 man & woman in Spanish; over Croatia. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1143 **SPAIN** COPE synchros, JAN 8 2159 fast talk by man // 1134; poor, in mix with possible Russian. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1152 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2159 // 1098 with "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas"; poor. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1206 FRANCE France Info, Bordeaux, JAN 8 2101 French news by man; over slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1215 RUSSIA (KALININGRAD) VOR, Bolshakovo, JAN 8 2100 Russian national anthem; good, over UK.
  - + JAN 8 2200 ID "You're tuned to the World Service of the Voice of Russia"; mixed with UK and Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1215 SPAIN COPE synchros, JAN 8 2201 fast Spanish talk; over/under UK. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1215 UNITED KINGDOM Absolute R. synchros, JAN 8 2159 Absolute Radio ID, advert for

windscreen repairs (see "autoglass.co.uk"); over Spain and Russia. [Connelly\*C-MA]

- 1242 **FRANCE** France Info, Marseille, JAN 8 2101 man with news in French; through WBUR slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1251 LIBYA Libyan Jamahiriya, Tripoli, JAN 8 2202 man in Arabic, then dramatic music flourish; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1269 **GERMANY** Deutschlandfunk, Neumunster, JAN 8 2100 // 756 with news by woman in German; fair over CJCB slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1296 **SPAIN** COPE, Valencia, JAN 8 2159 Spanish talk by man; mixed with Sudan. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1296 SUDAN SNBC, Reiba, JAN 8 2159 Arabic music; mixed with Spain. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1305 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2100 ID "Radio Nacional de España, informativos" then news by man; over Iran (1305.09) growl. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1314 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** R. Farda, Al Dhabbaya, JAN 8 2200 slow vocal, Radio Farda ID at 2200:45; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1323 **GERMANY** VOR, Wachenbrunn, JAN 8 2100 French newstalk by man & woman, emphasis music. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1394.85 ALBANIA TWR, Fllakë, JAN 8 2100 Slavic talk, religious sounding music interlude; fair to good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1413 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 2100 // 1305 with ID "Radio Nacional de España, informativos" then news by man; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1422 ALGERIA RTA, Algiers, JAN 8 2101 French talk by woman, the Arabic music; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1422 **GERMANY** Deutschlandfunk, Heusweiler, JAN 8 2300 pips, man in German; mixed with Algeria, through slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1431 DJIBOUTI R. Sawa, Arta, JAN 8 2101 R. Sawa ID, strings, male vocal; good. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1440 LUXEMBOURG RTL, Marnach, JAN 8 2100 intro music based on variations of 6-note interval signal, French ID "Ici Radio Chine International"; over WRED & WVEI. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1449 LIBYA Voice of Great Homeland, Misurata, JAN 8 2100 male and female Arabic vocals, drumming, strings; to good peak. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1467 **FRANCE** TWR, Roumoules, JAN 8 2101 woman in Arabic; poor to fair through WLAM slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1476 SPAIN Euskadi Irratia, San Sebastian, JAN 8 2100 possible Basque talk by woman; poor over 1476.268 growl. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1476.268 unID (IRAN ?) ?, JAN 8 2100 het growl against Spain, not much audio. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1485 SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 8 2101 echoey Spanish sportstalk; fair. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1494 **FRANCE** France Info synchros, JAN 8 2100 France Info fanfare music, French news; over WBAE slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1503 **SPAIN** RNE R.5 synchros, JÁN 8 2100 Radio Nacional de España ID; in slop. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA, Duba, JAN 8 2101 Arabic news by man, music "stingers" between items. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1548 **MOLDOVA** VOR, Grigoriopol, JAN 8 2101 man in Russian; dominant over Kuwait. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1557 **FRANCÉ** France Info, Fontbonne, JAN 8 2100 // 1206, 1242, 1494 with France Info fanfare music, French news by man. [Connelly\*C-MA]

## \*\*\* PAN-AMERICAN DX \*\*\*

- 530 CUBA CMBQ, R. Enciclopedia, La Habana, JAN 8 2300 slogan "lugar en aire" (place in the air), chat by woman, Muzak; good on LSB to dodge powerhouse 531 Algeria. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 555 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** R. ZIZ, Basseterre, JAN 8 2200 promo for "the Saturday Megamix on Zed-I-Zed Radio"; excellent. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 560 CUBA R. Rebelde, Moa, JAN 8 2301 9-note Rebelde sounder, Spanish newstalk, electronic 'squirting noise' stingers; under WGAN & WFIL. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 570 CUBA Ř. Reloj, Arroyo Arenas, JAN 8 2200 Reloj ticks, newstalk; over/under WMCA. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 580 **PUERTO RICO** WKAQ, San Juan, JAN 8 2200 Puerto Rican local adverts, WKAQ ID; loud. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 590 CUBA CMHI, R. Rebelde, Santa Clara, JAN 8 2301 // 560, 600 with 9-note Rebelde sounder, Spanish talk; mixed with VOCM & WEZE. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 600 CUBA CMKV, R. Rebelde, Urbano Noris, JAN 8 2200 Cuban news; under WYEL. + JAN 8 2301 - now huge. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 600 **PUERTO RICO** WYEL, Mayaguez, JAN 8 2200 // 580 WKAQ with adverts, WKAQ ID's; over Cuba. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 610 CUBA CMAN, R. Rebelde, Bahia Honda, JAN 8 2201 9-note Rebelde sounder; mixed with

- 630 **PUERTO RICO** WUNO, San Juan, JAN 8 2200 talk "noticias en todo Puerto Rico"; over WPRO. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 640 CUBA R. Progreso synchros, JAN 8 2202 // 690 with tropical music; under CBN. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 650 **COLOMBIA** HJKH, RCN Antena Dos, Bogota, JAN 8 2302 Spanish talk, Bogota news items; in mess. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 650 unID ?, JAN 8 2301 someone with pips (5+1) exactly one minute late! [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 650.134 unID ?, JAN 8 2301 off-channel growl. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 670 CUBA CMQ, R. Rebelde, Arroyo Arenas, JAN 8 2201 talk about Castro, Habana, into 9-note sounder at 2201:30; loud. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 690 CUBA R. Progreso, Jovellanos, JÁN 8 2202 // 640 with tropical music; under WOKV. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 700 **BRAZIL** ZYK686, R. Eldorado AM, Sao Paulo, JAN 8 2300 man & woman in Portuguese, Brasil mentions; fair on USB to dodge WOR IBOC LSB. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 710 CUBA R. Rebelde synchros, JAN 8 2301 Rebelde 9-note sounder // 600 et al.; mixed with WOR. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 720 VENEZUELA ÝVQE, R. Oriente, Porlamar, JAN 8 2300 Spanish talk about Isla Margarita and other local areas; fair on LSB to dodge IBOC. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 730 COLOMBIA HJCU, Cadena Melodia, Bogota, JAN 8 2302 old-fashioned vocal, "Melodia" ID; over CKAC. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 740 BRAZIL ZYH446, R. Sociedade da Bahia, Salvador, JAN 8 2300 pips, Portuguese shouting; briefly noted under CHCM. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 750 CUBA CMHV, R.Progreso, Trinidad, JAN 8 2301 woman in Spanish // 690; under WSB & CBGY. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 760 BRAZIL ZYH588, R. Uirapuru, Fortaleza, JAN 8 2159 light music, Portuguese talk; briefly over domestics.
  - + JAN 8 2300 woman in Portuguese; good before fading under Colombia. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 760 **COLOMBIA** HJAJ, RCN, Barranquilla, JAN 8 2302 // 770 with RCN net Colombian news; over Brazil. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 770 COLOMBIA HJJX, RCN, Bogota, JAN 8 2302 Colombian newstalk // 760; mixed with Cuba and WABC. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 770 CUBA R. Rebelde, Las Mercedes, JAN 8 2201 9-note Rebelde sounder // 670; over WABC & HJJX. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 780 **BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS** ZBVI, Roadtown, Tortola, JAN 8 2200 ID "Radio Station Zed BVI" mixed with WCKB-NC. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 790 CUBA R. Reloj, Pinar del Rio, JÁN 8 2200 ticks, news, "RR" beeps; under CFNW/WPRV. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 800 **NETHERLANDS ANTILLES** PJB, Trans-World Radio, Bonaire, JAN 8 2300 piano music, USaccented announcer "7 o'clock Atlantic Standard Time and that is the signal for the Glory Train, the English radio service of TWR Bonaire in the Dutch Caribbean winding its way over hill and vale down the rails that never fail on 800 AM. I'm Bill Early .."; excellent / local-like. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 810 BAHAMAS ZNS3, Freeport, JAN 8 2300 non-stop street-band music a blend of calypso and Dixieland jazz; good, dominant. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 820 ST. KITTS & NEVIS Trinity Broadcast Network / R. Paradise, Charlestown, JAN 8 2300 excited preaching; over WNYC and 819 Egypt het. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 840 CUBA CMHW, "W", Santa Clara, JAN 8 2301 Spanish talk with news of several Cuban cities including Santa Clara; strong, over Haiti and Brazil. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 840 HAITI R. 4VEH (4VEF), Cap-Haitien, JAN 8 2200 "dashing through the snow" interval signal, ID "Ici Radio 4VEH"; over Cuba, others. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 860 CUBA R. Reloj, JAN 8 2301 Reloj ticks, news, beeps; under CJBC. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 870 CUBA unID site, JAN 8 2300 "wobbler" occasionally mixing with R. Reloj. Cuba trying to QRM itself, or just sheer technical ineptitude? [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 870 CUBA R. Reloj, JAN 8 2159 ticks, Radio Reloj ID, "RR" beeps; dominant. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 890.114 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIPJ, R. Continental, Santo Domingo, JAN 8 2301 fast Spanish talk mentioning Santo Domingo; getting by (nulled) WAMG. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 900 CUBA R. Progreso, JAN 8 2159 // 690 with Cuban news by man. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 920 **unID** site, JAN 8 2200 Spanish vocal music, through top of hour with no ID, somewhat overmodulated; completely burying WHJJ. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 950 CUBA R.Reloj, La Habaná & Mayari Arriba, JAN 8 2301 Řeloj program over second Spanishlanguage station and domestics. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 960 CUBA R.Reloj, JAN 8 2300 Radio Reloj ID by woman, ticking, "RR" beeps; huge / dominant. [Connelly\*C-MA]

- 1100 **BRAZIL** ZYK694, R. Globo, Sao Paulo, JAN 8 2301 Globo ID, Portuguese talk by man, jingle; coming up over WTAM. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1180 CUBA R. Rebelde (CMBT Villa Maria and others), JAN 8 2301 9-note Rebelde sounder, man in Spanish. splash sound-effect; strong, echo on audio from synchro delay. [Connelly\*C-MA]
- 1220 **BRAZIL** ZYJ258, R. Globo, Rio de Janeiro, JAN 8 2300 reverberated man in Portuguese, R. Globo ID; over domestics. [Connelly\*C-MA]

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[Connelly\*C-MA] = Chatham, Cape Cod, MA, USA (GC = 41.7038 N / 69.9808 W) Chatham Marconi Maritime Center (WCC): website <a href="http://www.chathammarconi.org">http://www.chathammarconi.org</a> Receiver: Microtelecom Perseus

Antenna: Kaz Delta, 12 m base to apex, 36 m base width, dual-feedline, set up to null northwest.

73, Brandon.

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Gary Siegel, 2955 - 115th Street, Toledo, Ohio 43611-2839 (continued from two weeks ago)

Here's a Christmas wish: may the IBOC HD-digital die a quick death and the broadcasters realize their folly. I'd suggest that DXers perhaps tape frequencies destroyed by IBOC in their areas, then when a subsequent same frequency clears up as an offending station turns the IBOC off, send those tapes to their Congressmen or Senators explaining what is going on. Question them as to why legalized jamming is being allowed by the FCC and why they've allowed broadcasters to do thisparticularly in the post sundown hours. I would also suggest including comments as to how this form of legalized jamming could be a national homeland security issue or a safety issue in cases of local/national emergencies, I.e. Katrina. We as DXers need to take a proactive stance to save our AM dial from those who are destroying it. I'll cite my recent example, WCWA-1230 on a recent Sunday night had its IBOC off and I was able to hear WCBY-1240 Cheboygan. MI. next day it's back on and 1240 is a buzz saw. I'm sure I'm not alone though. I find that many recently reported receptions are 50kws being heard about 500-700 miles away. I can remember when clubs used to frown on those types of reports because they were considered "chalk". Guess that's not the case any more. KSTP-1500 St. Paul, MN gets my vote as best 50kw coverage nowadays. I get them here & out west I had them into NM & NV! KFI couldn't match that! Congrats to Kraig Krist on the WGRY-1230 catch, now that's quality!

# 2010-2011 IRCA Magic Seven DX CONTEST

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January 15, 2011 update

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\*Contest manager is not eligible to win.

Please remember to report any special loggings you hear while DX'ing for the contest to the appropriate editor! The contest runs until May 31, 2011 so there is plenty of time to enter. The contest rules appear in the Sept. 11, 2010 DXM.



#### LEM295 DXpedition to Lemmenjoki (Part Two) October 23-30, 2010 By Mika Mäkeläinen

### Thursday, October 28, 2010

Once again no daytimers, so we let automated recordings supervise the AM band through the night. It seems that conditions to North America were somewhat better than before. As customary, daybreak at 0500-0600 UTC was the most interesting period, when keeping track of the direction of propagation conditions was a fulltime task. Around 0600 UTC we heard a bunch of Cubans and for example WWFE Miami FL on 670 kHz. Later on signal levels subsided a bit, but the stations did not vanish, as they had been doing for the previous five days. During the daytime reception of U.S. West Coast varied from average to excellent. 1450 kHz, which is the toughest graveyard frequency, was



KVSI, now both seen and heard

audible better than I have heard ever before. We were able to identify for instance KVSI Montpelier, Idaho, a station that I happened to photograph on a family road trip through the Rockies in midsummer 2008. We were driving from Salt Lake City to Yellowstone, and stayed overnight in Montpelier. KVSI is located right on the main road. Now I've both seen and heard it! And a few days later we continued to Glacier National Park in Montana, where we shared a cabin with Jim's family for a week of hiking. It was a memorable trip, but, now back to 2010. RFO Tahiti on 738 kHz and quite a few Hawaiians showed up around 0800 UTC. The first Japanese tried to emerge at 1030 UTC, but then at 1115 UTC almost everything-from both the East and the West-just disappeared. Eventually Asians returned before 1300 UTC, and we got a full couple of hours of mostly Chinese stations.



### Friday, October 29, 2010 North American stations were audible

through the night from around 2300 UTC, with emphasis on the Midwest and the Rocky Mountains. It remains to be seen what our drift net recordings caught from Latin America overnight, but at least some Venezuelan stations were heard rather well in the morning after 0500 UTC. The Rockies and the U.S. West Coast remained strong late in the morning, although there unfortunately weren't any sharp changes or clear focus in the nature of propagation conditions like on the previous morning. We spent the daylight hours travelling to and from Aihkiniemi, and when we arrived just before 1300 UTC. the Pacific

On the scenic road from Lemmenjoki to Kittilä

Northwest was heard with monster signals. Also Hawaii and Alaska came quite well for a moment right after 1300 UTC. Asian stations were still quite weak, but by 1400 UTC Chinese stations were extremely strong and occupied almost every AM frequency. Although Chinese stations gradually lost the fight by 1600 UTC, they made a forceful and surprising comeback before 2100 UTC, well before local dawn.

### Saturday, October 30, 2010

Overnight conditions to North America were above average, and by midday trans-Atlantic stations were stronger than on any previous day during the past two weeks – tough luck, as it was our departure day, and we had to vacate the cabin shortly after midday. We drove in crisp and sunny weather for three hours down to Kolari, where we caught a train back home. LEM295 was perhaps not a major success in terms of new stations heard, but still worth the trip and a lot of fun, as always.

#### Published on November 12, 2010 http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/lem295rep.dx

Just last month, IRCA lost one of its Founding Fathers when Marvin Robbins passed away. I thought I would like to share some insight from Ernie Wesolowski, a noted DXer in Omaha, NE. Marv was the only survivor of a car crash in Macon, MO that cost the lives of three noted DXers.

Marv was one of the founders of the IRCA back in 1963 after the NRC Convention in Denver, CO. In 1962 he was on his way to Indianapolis, IN for the NRC Convention on Labor Day Weekend when the car that he was in crossed the center-line and had a head-on-collision near Macon, MO at 7am.

Marv's friends died in the crash (Francis Nittler of Denver, Hal Wagner of Longmont, CO and Carroll Seth of Buffalo, NY).

I was to join the 4 in Hiawatha, KS and continue to Indy. My parents did not like the idea, so I took the train. Upon entering the convention hotel, I was told to call home for an emergency message. This is how I and the attendees learned of the accident. Marv wanted me to go to Macon, MO to pick up two boxes of promo material for the 1963 Denver Convention I told the hospital nurses to put the material on a Grevhound Bus, of which I picked them up the next day in Indianapolis for the attendees. Marvin would have been 79 on last New Years Eve.

### -by ERNEST J. WESOLOWSKI, Omaha, NE

Editor's note: This was in an E-mail that was sent to me; thanks to Ernie for his thoughts and insight on this particular event.

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