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# **DX TESTS**

WNDB 1150 Daytona Beach, FL December 7, 2013 0100 ELT (Bobby Gray/Wayne Heinen)

#### FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

More details on the Golden Anniversary IRCA Convention appears below, along with details on a DX Test from WNDB 1150 Daytona Beach, FL (listed above). Details on the test are on the next page.

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# 2014 IRCA 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION – BILLINGS, MONTANA

The 2014 IRCA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Convention will be held in Billings, Montana on September 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. John and Nancy Johnson are your convention hosts. You may now start making your plans to attend. The convention will be held at the Lexington Inn & Suites by Vantage located at 3040 King Avenue West. IRCA members are eligible to receive a special room rate of \$95.00 per night plus 7% Lodging Tax & \$1.00 TBID fees. A limited block of rooms have been set aside so you will want to make

your reservations early. Please mention "IRCA-International Radio Club of America" when making your reservation for the special IRCA member's rate. You may call them directly at 406-294-9090 or toll-free 1-877-488-4649. You will need to give them a credit card number and check-in and check-out dates. They do offer an airport shuttle. The parking area is quite large. With this rate you will enjoy the following <a href="COMPLIMENTARY">COMPLIMENTARY</a> top quality amenities to enhance your stay:

- A 100% SMOKE-FREE and PET FREE to ensure a healthy environment,
- Guest rooms featuring beautiful furniture, sitting areas, spacious bright bathrooms, pillow-top mattresses, upgraded bed and bath linens and exceptionally quiet rooms.
- New Panasonic flat-screen TVs. iHome radios
- Comfortable and well-lit workspaces with secure high-speed internet desk access.
- Voice mail and free local calls within the (406) area code,
- Free Internet wired and wireless
- Indoor swimming pool with hot tub, changing room and outdoor patio, fitness center
- Hot continental breakfast. Some gluten ideas available for purchase.

For more information about Lexington Inn & Suites by Vantage go to LexingtonBillings.com More details about the convention will be announced later. If you have any questions please contact John Johnson at **John Johnson@Prodigy.net** (via John C. Johnson)

# FROM THE PRESIDENT (Phil Bytheway)

We are currently looking for a volunteer for **DX TEST (CPC) Chairman**. Helps arrange DX tests from stations and communicate with the various radio clubs/eGroups. In addition, we are seeking a volunteer to compile the **IRCA Slogans List**.

Contact me if interested in either position or have concerns about IRCA. pb



# **DX TESTS**

WNDB 1150 Daytona Beach, FL will be conducting a DX Test on Saturday morning, December 7, 2013 beginning at 1:00 a.m. ELT (10:00 p.m. on the West Coast). The programming will consist of voice announcements alternating with Morse Code IDs at five words per minute. The test will be conducted using the station's 1,000-watt non-directional facilities. This test was arranged by Bobby Gray, Director of Engineering, following recent antenna system upgrading. Mailed report with return postage can be directed to:

WNDB Test

Attention: Bobby Gray

126 West International Speedway Blvd.

Daytona Beach, FL 32114

E-mail reports will be accepted at Bobbygray@engineer.com

MP3 files are fine and will be welcomed. Those hearing the test may call (on your dime) on the Studio Line at (386) 239-0033. (Information provided by Wayne Heinen)

# **WESTERN DX ROUNDUP**

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WDXR DEADLINES: Nov. 1, Nov. 8, Nov. 15, Nov. 22, Nov. 29, Dec. 6 Please use Eastern Time.

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  Drake R8B, TMC GPR-90, Hammarlund HQ-180 & SP-600, R-390A, 1000' wire E/W,
  300' N/S. Kiwa loop
  - CKUA AB, Edmonton 10/18 1910 ID into some sort of talk program, fair & alone. (GH-OR) GA, San Diego 10/20 1010 off the air. Weak carrier noted but not strong enough to
- extract any audio. Back on at 1100. (DG-CA)
- 630 KCIS WA, Edmonds 10/18 1930 weak & barely perceptible with ID, nothing else heard.
- 700 KALL <u>ÙT</u>, N. Salt Lake City 10/20 0045 live p-b-p, Utah vs. Arizona college football, local quality. Some local spots at break. (RB-AZ)
- 740 KVOR CO, Colorado Springs 10/23 0943 with "You're listening to KVOR serving Southern Colorado." (BB-AZ)
- 750 KHWG NV, Fallon 10/20 0945 fair with country music in KCBS IBOC. (DG-CA)
- 760 KFMB CA, San Diego 10/18 940 weak & choppy with ID and talk program. Poor! (GH-OR)
- 820 KUTR <u>UT</u>, Taylorsville 10/20 1000 fair with TOH ID "KUTR Taylorsville" and two cities I didn't catch. (DG-CA)
- 880 KCMX OR, Phoenix 10/20 0107 choppy & mixing with unlDs. Very weak with ID on HQ-180 with Kiwa loop. (GH-OR)
- 930 KSEI ID, Pocatello 10/24 0830 sports talk, weak but steady and w/o interference. Some mixing with country music at :40, then suddenly covered by country music amped way up. Medved Chevrolet spot, mentions of Rocky Mountains, and "KRKY." Turns out to be first log of KRKY Granby. ID mentioned // broadcast on 101.9. Faded at ToH to "Sportstalk 9-30, KSEI." (RB-AZ)
- 1000 KOMO WA, Seattle 10/19 0214 good in local KTMS-990 splash. Not heard in a long time.

  Usually completely buried by KTMS, which is operating under an STA until both out of tolerance patterns can be retuned. Night power is 1000 watts instead of 500 watts.

  (DG-CA)
- 1210 KPRZ <u>CA</u>, San Diego 10/18 1940 female emerged from the static with "KPRZ dot com" and station stayed on for several minutes alone and undisturbed. (RB-AZ)
- 1370 KXTL MT, Butte 10/4 010 ad for Honda dealership into George Noory show. Fair with Kiwa loop. (GH-OR)
- 1430 KCLK WA, Asotin 9/21 0000 ID and sports talk, weak in the mix on HQ-180 with E/W wire. Long time no hear. (GH-OR)

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- 1460 KARR <u>WA</u>, Kirkland 10/18 1730 religious sermon with deep slow fades, fair to poor with one unID far under. (GH-OR)
- 1520 KXXA <u>WA</u>, Snohomish 10/18 1810 poor with fain ID and not able to discern much content, fighting with unID Spanish. (GH-OR)
- 1540 KXEL IA, Waterloo 10/6 0052 heard mention of KXEL.com with news type program.

  Fighting it out with Music of Your Life unID probably Bellevue, WA station, on TMC with KIWA loop. First time heard this season. (GH-OR)
- 1600 KOPB <u>OR</u>, Eugene 10/18 1830 many NPR IDs and ad for All Things Considered, big & strong as a local. (GH-OR)
- 1660 KTIQ <u>CA</u>, Merced 10/24 1030 electronic music, well after local sunrise. Male announcer in Spanish, then religious hymn. Very good, but faded completely out at 1045. (RB-AZ)

Thank you to all who reported to WDXR this week! Nancy 10/25 2100

# CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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Drake R8A and Quantum QX Pro V2.0 Loop antenna.

## **DOWN THE DIAL**

- CKGM QC, Montreal. 10/21 fair to poor in KSTL null. 2044 noted with local spots. [EB-MO]
   WAEB PA, Allentown. TENTATIVE. 10/16, 00:00 ID at TOH, City name clear, call letters
- garbled, Very weak during WKRD fade with WNIS, and in tight null of WBBM IBOC.

  Suspect this was WAEB. They have a night time null to the west, could they have been on day power? ITMJ-ILI
- 840 KWDF LA, Ball. 10/1'9. 08:20 main station here is not WHAS nor KTIC, but something NW/SE, speaker with strange accent answering questions fed by unaccented person about whether Arabs are descended from Abraham. In fact his accent was so heavy at first I thought it was some non-English language. The only thing which fits by format and direction is KWDF in Ball LA, street address in Pineville, per NRC AM Log as REL: K-Love, 8 kW non-directional daytimer, 7 am to LSS. [GH-OK]
- 910 WALT MS, Meridian. 10/21 good to fair signal, mixing with WGTO. 2058 noted with local spots, "WALT AM and FM Meridian" legal ID into ABC News. [EB-MO]
- 970 WGEE WI, Superior. 10/20, 19:00, MOYL and ID on the hour. Good over WHA. [TMJ-IL] WZAM MI, Ishperning. 10/24, 07:57, Local news, mentioned Marquette, brief sports, ID on hour, WZAM Ishperning, Marquette and W227CJ (93.3) Marquette. Into ESPN sports calling it ESPN U.P. (for covering the Upper Peninsula....." Good, mixed with WGEE music. [TMJ-IL]
- 1030 WONQ FL, Oviedo. 10/19, 20:00, ID "WONQ Oviedo", clear and distinct in accented EE male voice. On with day power with strong signal with Creole language, talk and music. Over WBZ, in all night and even after KCTA and WNVR returned on morning of 10/20. First time heard. FL#43. [TMJ-IL]
- 1050 WNES KY, Central City. 10/21 fair to poor signal, mixing with other stations. 2123 noted with Classic Country format, calls. [EB-MO]
- 1290 KRGE TX, Weslaco. 10/20. 08:33 Spanish music and SHVA announcement, but can't copy anything identifiable; loops N/S vs. sports talk in English. The only SS which fits in NRC AM Log 2013 is KRGE, 5/5 kW in Weslaco, RGV, TX, though it's supposed to be religious. There are no northeast XEs on 1290. [GH-OK]

#### 25 YEARS AGO

October 29, 1988 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Niel Wolfish** of Willowdale, ON told about CFGM Richmond Hill moving to 640 from 1320 ... **Ric Heald** of Sacramento, CA mentioned KRED 1480 had gone 24 hours ... **Rick Evans** of Milwaukee, WI logged two new stations, KMPL 1520 and WBZN 1460, by getting up early and DXing.

#### OPEN MIKE

Start making your plans now for the 2014 IRCA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Convention being held in Billings, Montana on September 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Complete details will unfold in the 'DX Monitor' soon. This column was typed 10-25-13. 73, John



# EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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**TUNING THE DIALS THIS ISSUE:** 

(JJR-MI) John J. Rieger, L'Anse, MI

Grundig Satellit 750, Terk AM-1000 Loop

(KK-VA) Kraig Krist (KG4LAC), Manassas, VA Winradio G33DDC, Kiwa Loop

#### ACROSS THE DIAL

- 670 KLTT CO Commerce City 10/21 0728 noted with "Commerce City/Denver, KLTT-HD and 670 KLTT-dot-com" ID, "Mighty 670" slogan. Poor but steady signal with WSCR nulled. (JJR-MI)
- 750 KBNN MO Lebanon 10/22 0745 noted with nice sign-on into talk program, already in progress. Poor signal with no sign of WSB at all. (JJR-MI)
- 760 WVNE MA Leicester 10/21 1759 noted with "Family Life Today' with Dennis Reed is coming up next after the six o'clock news here on WVNE" ID by male announcer, into news. Noted mixing with WJR, WCIS and unidentified stations carrying sports talk and Spanish programming. (KK-VA)
- 760 WCIS NC Morganton 10/21 1818 noted with "You're listening to music and Christian programming. You'll find it all at The Cross, AM 760 The Cross" ID by female announcer. Noted mixing with WJR, WVNE and unidentified stations carrying sports talk and Spanish programming. (KK-VA)
- 780 WCKB NC Dunn 10/23 1829 noted after WAVA sign-off with "Family Matters Minute", Christian music. At 1840, a female announcer mentioned: "The Providence Quartet on WCKB; that's 'Pray for Me'. Before that, we heard from the Downeast Boys with 'Amen'. Sign-off at 1844 by male announcer: "This is Radio Station WCKB in Dunn, North Carolina now concluding its broadcast day. WCKB is owned and operated by North Carolina Central Broadcasting, Incorporated and operates at 7...". Noted mixing with WAVA prior to 1830, WBBM and an unidentified talk station. (KK-VA)
- 790 WSGW MI Saginaw 10/24 1758 noted with "Your home for Rocket Grab-dot-com deals. This is WSGW Saginaw/Bay City/Midland, a NextMedia station. Now, (WNEM) TV 5 news at 6:00" ID by male announcer. Noted mixing with WPIC, WNIS, WLSV, and unidentified stations carrying vocal music and Spanish programming. (KK-VA)
- 790 WLSV NY Wellsville 10/24 1754 noted with Country format, "AM 790 WLSV" ID by male announcer. Noted mixing with WPIC, WNIS, WSGW and unidentified stations carrying vocal music and Spanish programming. (KK-VA)
- 790 WPIC PA Sharon 10/24 1759 noted with "You are listening to News/Talk 790 WPIC Sharon/Hermitage. A Cumulus Station" legal ID. Noted mixing with WSGW, WNIS, WLSV and unidentified stations carrying vocal music and Spanish programming. (KK-VA)
- 820 WBKK MN Wilton 10/21 0921 noted with "34 with a wind chill of 16...AM 820 WBKK" into NAB "Radio, It Works" promo and Laura Ingraham's program. Fair signal. (JJR-MI)
- 840 KTIC NE West Point 10/22 0823 noted with calls, CDT time check, local ad mentioning a phone number of 402-528-xxxx. Poor signal, but alone on frequency. (JJR-MI)
- 980 KKMS MN Richfield 10/22 1927 noted with "Truth for Life", "The Twin Cities' Christian Talk Station, AM 980 KKMS" ID. Poor but steady signal. (JJR-MI)
- 1070 KVKK MN Verndale 10/21 0846 noted with simulcast of KSKK 94.7 Staples, MN; "94.7 The Arrow" ID, ad for Staples Bakery. Never noticed a morning simulcast before. Good signal with no sign of WTSO. (JJR-MI)
- 1090 KSOU IA Sioux Center 10/22 0815 noted with "..on KSOU" ID by female announcer. Poor signal in WAQE null. (JJR-MI)
- 1090 KNWS IA Waterloo 10/22 0815 noted with "Waterloo/Cedar Falls" mention before fading into the mess. Poor, but clear, signal in WAQE null. (JJR-MI)
- 1450 KBMW MN Breckenridge 10/21 0949 noted with "The Osgood File" and "AM 1450 KBMW" ID into ads. Poor signal. (JJR-MI)
- 1470 KWAY IA Waverly 10/21 1022 noted with "The Winner, AM 1470" ID into Classic Country format after local ad. Poor signal; barely there. (JJR-MI)
- 1490 KOVC ND Valley City 10/22 0900 noted with legal ID, "it's eight o'clock" time check into ABC News. Poor signal, though over others. (JJR-MI)

1520	KSIB	IA	Creston – 10/21 0736 noted with the Dan Patrick program, "Fox Sports, KSIB Creston, Iowa" legal ID; always chasing for needed KZOY. Poor signal in KOLM null. (JJR-MI)
1520	WNWT	ОН	Rossford – 10/22 1942 noted with "Positive, Encouraging K-Love" ID. Only K-Love affiliate on 1520. Poor signal in KOLM null. (JJR-MI)
1560	KLNG	IA	Council Bluffs – 10/22 0830 noted with "Thanks for tuning in. This is KLNG" ID,
1560	KBEW	MN	followed by Christian preaching. Poor but steady signal. (JJR-MI) Blue Earth – 10/22 0830 noted with call letters into news. Very poor signal, way
			behind KLNG. (JJR-MI)
1690	KDDZ	CO	Arvada – 10/21 0733 noted with Radio Disney programming. Poor signal in tight null; faded to usual WVON. (JJR-MI)

#### **EDITOR'S NOTES**

Another set of excellent reports from John and Kraig in this edition!

John also has a site that has plenty of DX reports from the Heartland of America. It's called DX midAMerica, and can be found at this URL: http://DX-midAMerica.com/

Stay tuned later in this DX Monitor for an abbreviated edition of DX Worldwide East.

73 and good DX from Eric (NØUIH)

# DX WORLDWIDE - WEST / TROPICAL BAND DX

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Deadlines Monday noon PLT.

New PAL Radio Guide Available. The latest version of the PAL Pacific Asia Listeners Radio Guide is now available at www.radioheritage.net.

It covers MW radio stations across the region as far west as Afghanistan, including Alaska, Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand, Polynesia, Melanesia, Micronesia, Japan, China, India and many others.

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Radio Heritage Foundation, www.radioheritage.net

#### TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 153 RUSSIA, Komsomolsk, Radio Rossii. 1313 10/23 good signal with woman in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
  - + 1301 10/25 good signal with man in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
  - + 1440 10/26 good signal with woman in Russian. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1330 10/28 fair signal with man in Russian. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 162 MONGOLIA, Ulaanbaatar, MRT1. 1408-1415 10/25 steady weak signal with male speaker. Music at 1415. New station for this location. Best on Active whip. (DV-WA)
  - + 1405 10/28 very weak signal with male speaker. Active whip. (DV-WA)
- 171 RUSSIA. Ovash. Radio Rossii. 1405-1407 10/25 steady weak signal with woman/man in Russian, Active whip, (DV-WA)
- RUSSIA. Petropaylovsk. Radio Rossii. 1316 10/23 fair with music. Active whip. (DV-WA)
  - + 1322 10/25 fair signal with man in Russian, Active whip, (DV-WA)
  - + 1442 10/26 weak signal with woman in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
  - + 1335 10/28 fair signal with woman in Russian. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 209 ALASKA, Yakataga, CYT. 1409 10/25 weak with weather forecast. Active whip. (DV-WA)
- RUSSIA, Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Radio Rossii. 1319 10/23 good signal with woman in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
  - + 1324 10/25 excellent signal with music. Active whip. (DV-WA)
  - + 1443 10/26 fair signal with music. Active whip. (DV-WA)
  - + Good reception at 1355 10/27. (WS-BC)
  - + 1341 10/28 fair signal with woman/man in Russian, NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 529 ALASKA, Level Island, 1343 10/28 fair with weather forecast, Sky wire loop, (DV-WA)
- 558 **REP KOREA**. HLQH. Yeong-il. 1327 10/25 weak signal with man in Korean. Moderate splatter, NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- JAPAN, JOIK, Sapporo, NHK1, 1329 10/25 fair signal with man in Japanese. //594. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

- 594 JAPAN, JOAK, Tokyo, NHK1, 1321 10/23 fair signal with man/woman in Japanese, NW ewe.
  - + 1455 10/24 weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1329 10/25 good signal with man in Japanese. //567. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1552 10/25 fair signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1344 10/28 weak signal with woman is Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1425 10/28 weak. (CN-BC)
- 603 CHINA, Hulun Buir? Good Chinese female speech at 1405 10/26; dominant over a weak HLCA all session long http://www.mediafire.com/listen/thamemkpxqmopc1/603-China-1405z102613PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
- CHINA, Hulun Buir? + REP KOREA, HLSA Seoul. Male Korean speech (from HLSA) mixing with female Chinese speech (from 603-China) at fair to good level late at 1435 10/28 http://www.mediafire.com/listen/v66go8z9cpjrb8k/603-China-HLSA-mix-1435z102813PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
- REP KOREA, HLSA, Seoul. Good strength easy listening music sets around 1355 10/22 //558. weak Chinese co-channel underneath at times http://www.mediafire.com/listen/ e8dmqzs6ht70u3x/603-HLSA-1355z102213PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + 1354 10/23 very weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Good level music at 1408 10/24 //558, sounding like a Korean version of the old Eagles' hit "Desperado" http://www.mediafire.com/listen/9lcr631tz0uiirh/603-HLSA-1405z102413PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + 1444 10/24 weak signal with music. 1515 Fair with music. Weak 1522. Sky wire. (DV-WA)
  - + 1332 10/25 weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1445 10/26 weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1408 10/28 very weak signal with music. Sky wire loop. (DV-WA)
- 639 CHINA, CNR1 synchros. Fair Chinese male speech (news) //6030 in KFI splatter very late at 1450 10/22 http://www.mediafire.com/listen/iwnw5yfyk47cu9i/639-CNR1-1448z102213PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + Good male-female Chinese news at 1410 10/24, continuing with decent signals until around 1445 http://www.mediafire.com/listen/0gxm0k6ci0w1zrn/639-CRN1-1410z102413PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + 1458-1500 10/24 weak with Pop music. Pips TOH. Still around with very weak signal 1515. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1410 10/25 fair signal with man/woman in Chinese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Excellent strength Chinese female-male talk (apparent news) at 1410 10/25; recorded on 638 because of strong 640-KFI signal (best signals ever here) http://www.mediafire.com/listen/ 4e665v6odb6qt18/639-CNR1-1410z102513PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + 1602 10/25 threshold audio. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Good male-female Chinese speech at 1441 10/26, but signals slightly down from yesterday http://www.mediafire.com/listen/282patzqy4w2ouu/639-CNR1-1441z102613PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + Good on North loop at 1433 10/27. //945. fair. (WS-BC)
- 648 RUSSIA, Ussuriysk. 1457 10/24 weak signal in Asian language. 1514 still around with audio. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- JAPAN, JOBK, Osaka, NHK1. 1326 10/23 fair signal man in Japanese. //594. NW ewe. (DV-
- JAPAN, JOVK, Hakodate, NHK1. 1412 10/25 very weak with man in Japanese. NW ewe.
- JAPAN, JOBB, Tokyo, NHK2, 1327 10/23 fair signal with English Radio Conversation program. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - 1335 10/25 fair signal with Chinese lessons. //774. Heavy splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 738 TAIWAN, Penghu, BEL2. Male Chinese talk show host playing the theme music for his call-in talk show at 1355 10/24; best signals for about a week here http://www.mediafire.com/ listen/5298csp2xnv68mb/738-BEL2-1355z102413PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + 1336 10/25 weak signal with men in Chinese, Heavy splatter, NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Talk-show theme music and male Chinese host taking call from female caller at 1354 10/25 over jumble of weak co-channels http://www.mediafire.com/listen/a1a6p1h4cn07751/738-BEL2-1354z102513PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
- 738p REP KOREA, HLKG, Daegu. Temporarily atop 738 jumble at 1352 10/25 with Korean speech, but no KBS1 // available; first appearance of the season here http://www.mediafire.com/listen/7lmu9nibuc30bmd/738-HLKG-1352z102513PL380.MP3.
  - + Apparent Korean speech and bizarre singing practice by a woman at 1435 10/26; no KBS1 // available, but this kind of singing practice is common on 972-HLCA http://www.mediafire.com/ listen/lkgv8s9j5b87v8l/738-UnID-TP-1435z102613PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
- UnID. 1507 10/24 weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

- + Chinese Wild 3-way mix of UnID Chinese female announcer mixing with BEL2's Chinese male talk show host and HLKG at 1343 10/25 http://www.mediafire.com/listen/nneb4e54553qgbh/738-ChinaMix-1343z102513PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
- 747 **JAPAN**, JOIB, Tokyo, NHK2, Poor //774 at 1005 10/25, (RA-OK)
  - + 1338 10/25 fair signal with Chinese lessons. Heavy splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1346 10/28 weak signal with Chinese lessons. Heavy splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1426 10/28 weak. (ČN-BC)
- 774 JAPAN, JOUB, Akita, NHK2. 1329 10/23 fair signal with end of English Radio Conversation program. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Good signal at 0957-1005 10/25 on barefoot PL-310 receiver. Best TP signal of the season thus far. Still audible at poor strength at 1050 hours. (RA-OK)
  - + 1339 10/25 fair signal with Chinese lessons. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Poor to barely audible talking at 1219 10/28 fading out at 1220 (ORM: KSPI 780). (RA-OK)
  - + 1347 10/28 weak signal with Chinese lessons. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1430 10/28 weak with talk. (CN-BC)
- 828 JAPAN, JOBB, Osaka, NHK2. 1336 10/23 weak with Chinese lessons. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1341 10/25 weak signal with Chinese lessons. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1349 10/28 fair signal with Chinese lessons. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1433 10/28. (CN-BC)
- 873 JAPAN, JOGB, Kumamoto, NHK2. 1338 10/23 poor signal with man in Japanese. Slight splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1341 10/25 very weak signal with Chinese lessons. Slight splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 891t JAPAN, JOHK, Sendai, NHK1. 10/28 Solid het not much audio. (CN-BC)
  - + 1452 10/28 very weak signal man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 891 UnID. 1512 10/24 two weak signal mixing. One with Asian talk, other with music. Sky wire loop. (DV-WA)
- 918 JAPAN, JOEÉ? 1343 10/25 assuming the station with very weak signal. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 963 UnID. 1447 10/28 pretty solid signal not yielding much in the QRM. (CN-BC)
- 972 **REP KOREA**, HLCA, Dangjin, KBS. 1340 10/23 fair with man in Korean. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1510 10/24 good signal with man interviewing man. S-9 +20 db. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Strong het at 0955 10/25, QRM: 970 WDAY. Weak audio at 1047. Fair singing at 1057, fading away at 1058. Fair talking in WDAY QRM at 1102. (RA-OK)
  - + 1345 10/25 fair signal with man in Korean. Good signal at 1415. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1604 10/25 good het, but no audio. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1506 10/26 fair signal with man in Korean. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1528 10/27 fair signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Weak het at 1146 10/28, audible until 1257. (RA-OK)
  - + 1451 10/28 fair signal with man in Korean. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1451 10/28 fair to good signal. (CN-BC)
- 1017 CHINA, Changchun, CRI. Fair level Korean service at 1417 10/26; signals improved over yesterday (along with those of 1323 //) http://www.mediafire.com/listen/w5y49kj2f51ygbt/1017-CRI-1417z102613PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
- 1044 CHINA, Changzhou, CRI. 1415 10/28 very weak signal with woman in Chinese. Sky wire loop. (DV-WA)
- 1053 REP KOREA, jammer. One of the vibrant big guns early in the session with a good buzz at 1315 10/23; the buzz slid downhill from there http://www.mediafire.com/listen/khdpfzkee4ctepe/1053-Jammer-1315z102313PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + Poor at 1023 10/25. (RA-OK)
  - + Strong jamming signal at 1242 10/28 soon fading to barely audible. (RA-OK)
  - + 1353 10/28 jammer with fair signal and moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1098 CHINA, Golmud, CRN1. 1446-1454 10/26 Tibetan Service with fair signal and moderate splatter. //6010 & 7350. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Weak audio, may be // to 7350, but not 100% sure. (WS-BC)
- 1098 TAIWAN, Kouhu, BED97 CBS-RTI-Vo. 1348 10/25 assuming the station with poor Asian audio. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1098 UnID. 1506 10/24 Pop music briefly, faded out, Sky wire loop, (DV-WA)
- 1116 AUSTRALIA, 4BC, Brisbane. At good level at 14:18 with Johnny Cash's "Love is a Burning Thing" from Ring of Fire. (WS-BC)
- 1134t JAPĂN, JOQR, 1140 HBC. 1354 10/28 assuming the station with weak signal and moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1134 **UnID**. Trace of signal at 1055 10/25 and 1113. (RA-OK)
- 1206 CHINA, Fujian. 1351 10/25 poor to fair. Woman in Korean. (PALS) Active whip. (DV-WA)
- 1287 JAPAN, JOHR, Sapporo, HBC. 1354 10/25 weak signal with moderate splatter. Man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1512 10/26 weak signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1417 10/28 very weak signal with moderate splatter. Man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

- 1314t JAPAN, JOUF, Osaka, Radio Osaka Obc. 1433 10/28 assuming the station playing music with very weak signal. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1323 CHINA, Heilongjiang, CRI. 1345 10/23 assuming the station with very weak audio with piano music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Fair to good level at 1320 10/27 with programming language in Russian (not Korean) http://www.mediafire.com/listen/d4wl2ocvpycsk46/1323-CRI-1320z102713PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + 1438 10/28 fair signal with music in string music in background as woman spoke. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1377 UniD. 1444 10/28 very weak signal with man speaker. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1422 JAPAN, JORF, Yokohama, RF Radio Nippon. 1401 10/25 very weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1445 10/28 weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1503 JAPAN, JOUK, Akita, NHK1. 1447 10/28 very weak signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1566 REP KOREA, HLAZ, Cheju, FEBC. 1605-1612 10/22 steady weak signal with moderate splatter. Man in Chinese. Still around at 1622 with poor signal. (DV-WA)
  - + 1301 10/23 excellent signal with man in Japanese. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1504 10/24 fair signal with man in Chinese? Music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Heard at 1340 10/25 with talk fair signal. (BB-AZ)
  - + 1402 10/25 weak signal with man in Chinese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1457 10/26 weak signal with man in Chinese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1519 10/27 good signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Poor signal with man speaking Japanese at 1249 10/28 briefly (LSR 1250.) (RA-OK)
  - + 1401 10/28 fair signal with man in Chinese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1445 10/28 fair signal. (CN-BC)
- 1575 THAILAND, Ban Phachi, VOA. 1302 10/23 fair signal with man in Asian language. NW ewe.
  - Very good level female speech in Asiatic language in and out at 1448 10/23; best signals of the season here http://www.mediafire.com/listen/ygwwl296asia5ly/1575-VOA-1448z102313PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + 1304 10/25 excellent signal with woman in Asian language. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Heard at 1336 10/25 with talk great signal. (BB-AZ)
  - + Very good level female Asiatic language speech in and out with distinctive short fades at 1449 10/25 http://www.mediafire.com/listen/3f81fg7puck3mde/1575-VOA-1449z102513PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + 1438 10/26 fair signal with moderate splatter. Woman speaker. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Just blasting in with VOA Thailand in Burmese, but with AFN clearly heard co-channel. I'm seeing a decent carrier 60 Hz low, as well as one 4 or 5 Hz low (presumably AFN). Not too shabby at all! 10/26. (WS-BC)
  - Strong level English lessons for Asiatic language speakers at 1325 10/27 http://www.mediafire.com/listen/c7hfwq431ax5c1j/1575-VOA-1324z102713PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
  - + 1522 10/27 good signal with woman in Thai. (Pal) NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + 1402 10/28 good with man in Asian language.1460 excellent signal. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
  - + Good level female Asiatic language speech in and out late at 1448 10/28 http://www.mediafire.com/listen/lq7aib40bd7rmw2/1575-VOA-1448z102813PL380.MP3. (GDB-WA)
- 1593 CHINA, Changzhou, CNR1. 1403 10/28 weak signal with man in Chinese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

# TRANS ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- 189 ICELAND, 0715 10/26. Fair strength at times. New station and country for me. (RA-OK)
- 252 ALGERIA, Tipaza, Radio Algérienne. (750 kW at 8077 km/5019 miles). The program of music faded to barely audible to poor at 0141 10/28, fading out at 0204. New station and country on long wave. (RA-OK)

# PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 530 CUBA, Havana, Radio Enciclopedia. 10/22 0035 noted with Classical music, "Radio Enciclopedia" ID and light vocal music in Spanish. Good signal over local HAR station WNLD711. (EB-MO)
- MÉXICO, XÈFZ, Mónterrey, NL, ABC Radio. 1214 10/213, Nuevo León state PSA, then ID as ABC Radio, Monterrey, with FM and AM frequencies, phone numbers, but did not hear any call signs; then news headlines. Cantú shows: XEFZ 10,000 1,000. (GH-OK)
- 690 MÉXICO, XEMA, Fresnillo, Zac, La Mejor. 0531 10/24, ID by SHVA mentions Zacatecas, so must be per Cantú: XEMA + FM 107.1 50,000 2,000. A state seldom heard here. With SAH from KGGF KS open carrier amid other QRM. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XEGD, Hidalgo del Parral, Chih, La Poderosa. 1203 10/20, big hum on open carrier again, previously tracked to: XEGD + FM 90.3 5.000 1.000. (GH-OK)

- + 1159 10/21, music right across hourtop, no NA, 1203 finally ID as "La Poderosa" and again at 1205. more music. Making SAH of 76/minute = 1.27 Hz with WLW roughly opposite. So XEGD in Hidalgo del Parral. Chihuahua has decided to modulate with something other than hum as 24 hours ago. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XEDE, Saltillo, Coah, La Kaliente. 0457 10/18, full ID for XHDE FM 105.7 & XEDE AM. 0458 NA. mixing WGN with SAH of 192/minute = 3.2 Hz. No sign of the real KSAH at the moment, Cantú: XEĎE + FM 105.7 8.000 250. Kudos to XEDE for holding its own with 250 watts vs 50,000. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XEJCC, Ciudad Juárez, Chih, Extremo 720, 1231 10/18, Fox-logo fanfare, then YL talking about someone who took off their clothes; phone keeps ringing in background; WGN almost nulled. Seems further west than Saltillo, ergo XEJCC. (GH-OK)
- UnID. 1205 10/20. Rosary in Spanish obsessed with Mary's bellyfruit over and over and over (BTW, confusing the womb with the stomach suggests an appalling lack of knowledge of physiology among SS Catholics {and confusing animal with vegetable}); loops about WŚW/ENE, suggesting KAMA El Paso which is SS, but supposedly not religious, but2 it's Sunday morning and any station might do that temporarily. However, NRC Pattern Book shows both day and night it's all-westward from there. Don't see any other likely US SS stations even eastward. Rarely hear any Spanish on 750. The most likely Mexicans in Cantú: XEOH La Jefa + FM 96.1 Ciudad Camargo, Chih. 1,000 750 or XECSI Extasis Digital + FM 89.5 Culiacán, Sin. 5,000 250, (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XEACH, Monterrey, NL, Radio Fórmula Primer Cadena. 1200 10/18, Fórmula promo with an 866- phone number to hear it "en la Unión Americana" from 7 to 8 am Mexican central time. ie a US toll-free number. Cantú: XEACH 25,000 1,000. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO. 1208 10/20, Donald Duck is really bad this morning vs KQCV OKC, except where I can get a tight null on it pointing right at XEDD Montemorelos, Nuevo León, previously traced to La Voz del Pato Donaldo: (it's so distorted that I am not sure if it's talk or music now, but lean toward the latter.} Strangely, not much from XEROK with KQCV nulled. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XEM, Chihuahua, Chih. 1229 10/23, with KOA nulled, Brazuguese is startling, but it's a clip during news, soon followed by Pres. Obama in English, and someone in English with a French accent, none of it directly translated, probably about spying; then to narration in Spanish during Milenio Noticias, 7:30 TC, so from DF TV feed? Then ID as Milenio Radio listing FM frequencies in several cities: including 103.7 Monterrey, 99.5, 95.3 Tijuana, 99.3 Saltillo, 103.7 Chihuahua; followed by further promos for the last one, as we already knew this would be XEM, where it's only 6:30 am. Next week will be confusing, as most of Mexico goes off DST a week before we, and the border cities do. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XENL, Monterrey, NL, Radio Recuerdo. 1211 10/20, Radio Recuerdos jingle, auto time & temp as 7:11, 16 grados, then ranchera. Loops almost N/S, and there is another SS song further west with this nulled, too many possibilities for that; no problem from KKOW KS at the moment. Per Cantú: XENL 5,000 2,000. IRCA and WRTH agree it's singular, so did I mishear it? Means memory/memories. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XEMMM, Mexicáli, BC. 1224 10/20, usual het looping E/W always audible around sunrise here, but never with any audio, no doubt XEMMM, per mwoffsets as of 3.5 years ago: 940 940.174 MEX XEMMM-AM 940 Oldies (Mexicali/Santa Isabel) [939.9839-] 20100406 [not explained what the bracketed frequency means] Cantú shows night power of only 100 watts! XEMMM 1,000 100. And not to be confused with 50 kW XEQ in the DF which is always off to the low side of 940 by a similar amount. (GH-OK)
- UnID. 1226 10/20 as I tune in, 4? chimes, but not all-descending as with XEW/XEK. This is mixing with XET La T Grande, and other CCI, and unthink it's from Monterrey as never heard when surely listening to XET. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XEMPM, Los Mochis, Sin, Exa. 1235 10/23, ID for 98.9, time as 6:35, so the match on UT -6 time zone and FM frequency in Cantú is: XEMPM + FM 98.9 10,000 1,000 although they also mentioned California; no BCS on 1030, but they should have listeners across the Sea of Cortez. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XEYC, Ciudad Juárez, Chih, Radio Fórmula, 1030, Oct 24 at 1240 10/24, several news items about Chihuahua city, with sounders between them, heavy CCI: Then promos "alta definición" on 103.3 FM coordinated with 1430 AM, and four different Fórmula HD channels (wouldn't that require a second FM transmitter? I may have missed the other one). There is no 1430 anywhere in Chihuahua state, nor a 103.3. That obviously refers to the Fórmula flagship in México DF, where HD is widely transmitted (no 1430 there either). This one is not in Chihuahua city either but per Cantú: XEYC 5,000 500. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XECPN, Piedras Negras, Coah, La Poderosa, 1320, Oct 20 at 1236 10/20, from SSW, "La Poderosa, Radiorama," with teléfonos en cabina, federal PSAs including one from Comisión Nacional de los Derechos Humanos: 1238 teléfonos again including an 800number, song. Dominating vs the CCI. Per Cantú: XECPN + FM 101.7 10.000 100. (GH-OK)

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Tecsun PL-310. Tecsun PL-360 with DeBock 7.5-inch ferrite stick antenna

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## **EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK**

This week, we're taking a break from Mark Connelly's DXpeditions on Cape Cod to check out conditions in other areas of the world. Andrew Brade of Medium Wave Circle in the United Kingdom is not reporting the same conditions on the other side of the Atlantic as those here in North America are reporting. From his location in the U.K., he notes: "only poor DX this last few weeks!" Furthermore, he also notes the conditions in another part of Northern Europe: "over in Norway, they complain of the same." He provides a link to a Web site covering the DX in Norway: http://www.kongsfjord.no/ Let's hope conditions get better over in Europe as the DX season progresses.

Before I wrap up this brief DX Worldwide East, I'd like to send out this request. If you live east of the Mississippi River, and have DX from outside the U.S. and Canada to report, please send your reports to this column. Even if you only report Mexicans and Cubans, I'd like to find out what you're hearing.

73 and good DX de NØUIH

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Thanks to Eric and Patrick this month. Looks like Eric's use of prepared cards is paying off. This column was prepared on 10/28/13. This column completes my 21<sup>st</sup> year as your Editor! It's been a pleasure! 73. SSH.

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