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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. DXpedition season is under way; over the past month, DXpeditions have taken place in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island in maritime Canada, as well as Colorado and Washington west of the Mississippi. Of course, we remember one of the saddest chapters in U.S history as we commemorate the 50th anniversary of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Members who were around on that fateful day in 1963 may share their memories of the event in a Forum, especially the radio station you were listening to or the TV station you were tuned to when you first got the news. DX Worldwide East returns in this issue, as well as the Volume 51 debut of DX Worldwide II.

2014 IRCA 50th ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION – BILLINGS, MONTANA

The 2014 IRCA 50th Anniversary Convention will be held in Billings, Montana on September 19th and 20th. John and Nancy Johnson are your convention hosts. 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(US) per night plus 7% Lodging Tax & \$1.00(US) 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

COMPLIMENTARY top quality amenities to enhance your stay

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- Free Internet – wired and wireless
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- Hot continental breakfast. Some gluten ideas available for purchase.

For more information about Lexington Inn & Suites by Vantage go to LexingtonBillings.com Registration for club* members is just \$35.00(US) (Does NOT include the banquet – details of the banquet will be announced later). Non-club member's registration is \$50.00(US) which includes a one year membership in the IRCA. (Hint: Save money, a one year membership in the IRCA is less than the increased registration fee for non-members. Join the IRCA now.) You may pay in advance by check or PayPal. If paying by PayPal, please add \$1.00(US) to cover the \$1.34(US) additional charges added on by PayPal. Use this PayPal address: john@johninmontana.com and include a message that the money is for the IRCA convention registration. If paying via check, make that out to John C. Johnson and mail to 265 Waterton Way, Billings, Montana 59102-7755. *club membership in

IRCA, NRC, and WTFDA qualifies for the \$35.00(US) registration fee. Non club members are encouraged to join the IRCA.

More details about the convention will be announced later. Check out the IRCA Facebook site too! If you have any questions please contact John Johnson at john@johninmontana.com

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 0100 ELT (2200 Pacific time). 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 (daytime) facilities. This test was arranged by Bobby Gray, Director of Engineering, following recent antenna system upgrading. Mailed reports with return postage can be directed to:

WNDB Test

Attention: Bobby Gray
126 West International Speedway Blvd.
Daytona Beach, FL 32114

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)

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DATE OF COLUMN: NOVEMBER 16, 2013

Column data span: November 2, 2013-November 16, 2013

Data courtesy of Stationintel.com, FCC database and member contributions

COLUMN DEADLINES: SATURDAYS

Please send your tips to the Email address above only and no other.
Deadlines for column will be Saturdays. Thank you.

CALL CHANGES

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW CALL
1120	WZBR	Coral Springs, FL	WMSX

FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW INFORMATION
580	KZMX	Hot Springs, SD	was silent, now Classic Country
740	WNYH	Huntington, NY	adds Radio Cantico Nuevo network
790	KOSY	Texarkana, AR	old slogan: "Praise 790 AM", new: "Rejoice 790"
790	KOSY	Texarkana, AR	was Gospel music (Southern Gospel?-EiC), now Urban Gospel
800	VOWR	St. John's, NL	changes city of license from St. John's to St. John's (???-EiC)
800	VOWR	St. John's, NL	was Christian Teaching, now Adult Standards
810	WMJH	Rockford, MI	new: "Super Hits 810"
810	WMJH	Rockford, MI	old slogan: "Interferencia 810 AM"
810	WMJH	Rockford, MI	was Spanish CHR, now Oldies
910	WMRB	Columbia, TN	now silent
910	WRKL	New City, NY	was Spanish Contemporary Christian, now Classic Rock
920	WCHR	Trenton, NJ	new: "920 The Voice"
920	WCHR	Trenton, NJ	old slogan: "Your Station For Inspiration"
920	WCHR	Trenton, NJ	was Christian Teaching, now Talk, adds Fox

930	WMGR	Bainbridge, GA	Sports Radio was Cumulus True Oldies, now Cumulus Classic Hits new: "1060 The Biz" old slogan: "The Radio Colorado Network" was Talk, now new unknown format was silent, now new unknown format was World Classical Network, now News/Talk new: "Port City Radio" old slogan: "Bach Radio 95.9" old slogan: "Radio Superhero 1210", new: "Sunny 1210" was Adult Alternative, now new unknown format was ESPN Radio network, now Fox Sports Radio old slogan: "Oldies Radio", new: "Cool Oldies 1250" was Oldies, now Classic Hits was Talk, Fox Sports Radio, now CBS Sports and Talk old slogan: "The Dove", new: "The Jock" was Salem Solid Gospel, now WW1 NBC Sports now silent old slogan: "The Dove", new: "The Jock" was Salem Solid Gospel, now WW1 NBC Sports adds slogan: "Gospel Excellence AM 1150" was silent, now Urban Gospel adds slogan: "The Word FM" was silent, now Contemporary Christian new: "1380 The Touch" old slogan: "The Ticket 1380 AM" was CBS Sports, now Cumulus The Touch Urban AC adds Fox Sports Radio new: "AM 1400 KEDO" old slogan: "Talk of the Town KEDO" old slogan: "Classic Country 1410", new: "The Light" was Classic Country, now Christian Teaching adds Radio Cantico Nueva network new: "Radio Cantico Nuevo" old slogan: "Voice of Russia" was Ethnic, now Spanish Contemporary Christian new: "The Cruise" old slogan: "Good Times, Great Hits" adds Fox Sports Radio was silent, now new unknown format adds slogan: "ESPN Deportes 1490" was silent, now ESPN Deportes Sports radio was Classic Hits, now Cumulus True Oldies now silent adds slogan: "93 MGR" was ESPN Radio, now Cumulus Classic Hits new: "The Bear Country 1560" old slogan: "Easy 1560 AM WRIN" was WW1 Adult Standards, now WW1 Classic Country new: "The Cruise" old slogan: "Good Times, Great Hits" old slogan: "La Ley", new: "Exitos 1590"
1060	KRCN	Longmont, CO	
1060	KRCN	Longmont, CO	
1140	WLOD	Loudon, TN	
1180	KORL	Honolulu, HI	
1180	WSFM	Carolina Beach, NC	
1180	WSFM	Carolina Beach, NC	
1180	WSFM	Carolina Beach, NC	
1210	WMPS	Bartlett, TN	
1210	WMPS	Bartlett, TN	
1240	KVSO	Ardmore, OK	
1250	WCHO	Washington Court House, OH	
1250	WCHO	Washington Court House, OH	
1270	WTSN	Dover, NH	
1300	WJYP	St. Albans, WV	
1300	WJYP	St. Albans, WV	
1330	KMBI	Spokane, WA	
1340	WMON	Montgomery, WV	
1340	WMON	Montgomery, WV	
1360	WMNY	McKeesport, PA	
1360	WMNY	McKeesport, PA	
1370	WPAZ	Pottstown, PA	
1370	WPAZ	Pottstown, PA	
1380	KXCA	Lawton, OK	
1380	KXCA	Lawton, OK	
1380	KXCA	Lawton, OK	
1400	KEDO	Longview, WA	
1400	KEDO	Longview, WA	
1400	KEDO	Longview, WA	
1410	WSCW	South Charleston, WV	
1410	WSCW	South Charleston, WV	
1430	WNSW	Newark, NJ	
1430	WNSW	Newark, NJ	
1430	WNSW	Newark, NJ	
1430	WNSW	Newark, NJ	
1450	WHLS	Port Huron, MI	
1450	WHLS	Port Huron, MI	
1470	WFNT	Flint, MI	
1490	KFCR	Custer, SD	
1490	KYSZ	Tyler, TX	
1490	KYSZ	Tyler, TX	
1490	WCSS	Amsterdam, NY	
1500	WQMS	Quitman, MS	
1500	WSEM	Donaldsonville, GA	
1500	WSEM	Donaldsonville, GA	
1560	WRIN	Rensselaer, IN	
1560	WRIN	Rensselaer, IN	
1560	WRIN	Rensselaer, IN	
1590	WHLX	Marine City, MI	
1590	WHLX	Marine City, MI	
1590	WNTS	Beech Grove, IN	

1590 WNTS Beech Grove, IN was Regional Mexican, now Spanish Hits
1600 WXYM Saltville, VA was silent, now Bluegrass

MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Ye editor sends in an article from the Las Cruces Sun-News (NM) dated November 14, 2013):

Cover: Student-run KRUX radio offers alternative to mainstream music

By Bethany Blundell

For Pulse

Posted: 11/14/2013 12:49:20 AM MST

One local radio station seeks shake up the mainstream monotony of today's music and offer a taste of freshest tracks currently on air.

KRUX 91.5 FM is a student-run radio station nestled on the second floor of the Corbett Center Student Union at New Mexico State University. The staff of six produces a 24-hour show that is unlike any other station in the area.

"KRUX is unique because it's very different from the everyday radio," said Robert Palacios, general manager. "You're not bombarded with advertisements and commercials. I feel there's more pride here because we are very selective as to what goes on the air."

Along with Palacios, the team consists of Engineer Joe Pestovich, Business Manager Jessica Chenoweth, Underwriting Manager Stephen Sandoval, Creative Director Doug Scarvie, Production Manager Joseph Vargas and Music Director Kylie Arrieta.

Coining the motto "Swimming Against The Mainstream," KRUX offers a variety of alternative music that isn't heard on most of the mainstream radio stations.

Although a lot of people don't know KRUX exists, the station is building a good reputation among promoters across the country and is receiving recognition as "the" alternative radio station in New Mexico, said Arrieta.

"To me, KRUX is such a creative vehicle and has the potential to continue to be that creative vehicle on campus for student expression and music in general," she said.

The station is also staffed by volunteer DJs who are given the freedom to create their own shows and showcase their favorite music. The DJs are all NMSU students and scheduled for a weekly time slot. DJs and KRUX staff view the station as a stepping-stone for potential careers.

"People can go from here and get a job at a bigger radio station, so we take pride in being that starting point for students," Palacios said.

After competing against 400 other colleges from across the nation, Arrieta received the "Best Taste in Music" award from the College Music Journal in New York City at a recent conference attended by the KRUX crew.

For one DJ, that starting point is just within reach. Michael Yaczko hosts the only talk show on the station -- a show that eventually progressed into play-by-play broadcasts for Aggie home football games.

"I am an individual that is enthusiastic about broadcasting," he said. "It's a great stepping stone, and KRUX is an outlet that people do pay attention to."

This is the first time in more than 10 years where KRUX has broadcasted play-by-plays of athletic games. Yaczko hopes to gain experience by expanding the play-by-play to include a variety of sports. His ultimate goal is to professionally report on sports, and he said although his broadcast is still in the infancy stage, he sees it being very successful in the future.

The station broadcasts at 1,000 Watts, meaning the tunes can be heard across Doña Ana County. Recently, the station caught the attention of other listeners outside of the targeted area.

Arrieta recently won College Music Journal's "Best Taste in Music" award for the music playlists she creates when DJs are not on air. There are 400 college radio stations and non-commercial stations that report to CMJ, and after being narrowed down to five finalists, Arrieta took home the title.

"Beyond me, I think it's a great sign for KRUX," she said. "We are a really small station from New Mexico, so it's very easy for us to get lost in the shuffle and not be on the radar, but I do think that award means that we are on the radar."

Palacios said he is excited about the award, and he plans to continue developing KRUX into the best station possible with the help of his staff.

Palacios plans to update the studio to create the most efficient and technologically-advanced studio for students.

"My goals are their goals," he said. "Whatever they want to achieve, I'm there to support them."

Bethany Blundell is a freelance writer for Pulse. She can be reached at bethany@nmsu.edu.

WHAT TO LISTEN TO WHEN:

MONDAY

- Joe's Show: 5 - 6 p.m.
- Mountain Man: 6 - 8 p.m.
- Metal Melee: 10 p.m. - midnight

- TUESDAY**
- NMSU Reel Talk: 3 - 4 p.m.
 - The Takedown: 4 - 5 p.m.
 - Keith Diaz: 5 - 6 p.m.
 - Folk Infused: 8 - 9 p.m.
 - North Sea: 9 - 11 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY**
- Jazz with Jon: 6 - 8 p.m.
 - Electro Injection: 9 - 10 p.m.
 - Boom, Roasted: 10 p.m. - midnight
- THURSDAY**
- In Da House: 5 - 6 p.m.
 - Trap Thursday: 6 - 7 p.m.
 - Last Call: 10 p.m. - midnight
- FRIDAY**
- Sports: 2 - 3 p.m.
 - Travailer Waves: 3 - 5 p.m.
 - The Spectrum: 5 - 7 p.m.
 - Native Noise: 10 p.m. - midnight
- SATURDAY**
- Justin & Tara: 2 - 4 p.m.
 - Seeds & Stems: 4 - 6 p.m.
- SUNDAY**
- New in the Booth: Noon - 2 p.m.
 - Divine Philharmonics: 7 - 8 p.m.
 - All that Jaz: 8 - 10 p.m.

TOP 10 FAVORITES

Music Director Kylie Arrieta's Top 10 favorite songs

1. "Spring:" Bill Callahan
2. "Preacher:" Fuzz
3. "Feelin':" DJ Rashad feat. Spin and Taso
4. "Smug:" Polica
5. "Lights:" M.I.A.
6. "Bathed In Grey:" King Krule
7. "Design:" Glasser
8. "Winter Isn't Coming:" RJD2
9. "Love The House You're In:" Moonface
10. "Shaker:" Cosmonauts

Ye editor sends along the following from the Dallas Morning News (TX) dated September 24, 2013:

Hermann Bockelmann, Dallas radio announcer, host of "Europe Today," dies at 73

By JOE SIMNACHER
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Published: 23 September 2013 10:47 PM

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German-born Hermann Otto Wilhelm Bockelmann found his passion and an avocation in Dallas radio. He entertained with his brand of spontaneous, high-energy wit, most recently as the host of Europe Today, his Friday evening program on KAAM-AM (770).

Bockelmann, 73, died Sept. 12 of Lewy body dementia at his Dallas home.

Services will be at 11:30 a.m. Friday at Christ Lutheran Church in Dallas.

"It was a very popular program," said Jack Davis, KAAM operations director and afternoon host.

"Hermann was well-known for his spontaneity — his being such a character."

Bockelmann's history was as colorful as his program. He was born in Bremen, Germany, and grew up in the countryside.

As a child during World War II, he could hear the roar of Allied bombers overhead, the distant thunder of the bombs they dropped and see the glow of the resulting fires on the horizon.

In 1959 — after he flunked his college oral exams in Germany — his parents sent him to live with friends in Dallas who were in the cotton business.

"He was a very bright, funny man," said his wife, Linda Hall-Bockelmann of Dallas. "He had a great love for the United States; it fascinated him."

In 1961, Bockelmann enlisted in the Army as part of his path to citizenship. He served in Germany.

"They frequently asked him how he learned such perfect German," his wife said. "He told them it was a six-week course at the University of Texas."

Bockelmann enjoyed his three years in the Army.

"That probably Americanized him more than anything," his wife said.

In 1965, Bockelmann became a citizen in Dallas, where he was an officer with the German-American Club. He set up shop as a wholesaler at the Dallas Trade Mart, his day job that allowed him to become a part-time radio personality.

"He represented some of the finest American and European manufactures in china, crystal and silver," Hall-Bockelmann said.

He also dabbled with a retail store in Snider Plaza.

"That was just because it was close to Kuby's," his wife said.

In the 1970s, Bockelmann started co-hosting a weekly two-hour music show on KERA-FM (90.1). He substituted for someone who had been pre-recording the programs.

"He said, 'Oh, no, no, no, we must do it live,'" Hall-Bockelmann said. "That started his love of radio."

After seven years at KERA, he joined WRR-FM (101.1) as Ludwig, the hard-of-hearing sound engineer for morning show host Steve Cummins.

Bockelmann and KAAM discovered each other when he recorded an advertisement for Kuby's at the station. The general manager noticed how easily Bockelmann made the commercial and offered him a job.

He and his Europe Today were on KAAM-AM (1310) on Saturday mornings. He worked for several other stations after the 1310 frequency was sold. In 1999, he rejoined KAAM when it moved to the 770 frequency.

Bockelmann had many interests, from art to rowing, a sport he had enjoyed since his youth.

He became an active member of the Dallas Rowing Club in the late 1980s.

"He rowed many marathons and races," Hall-Bockelmann said. "He used to drive the boats all over the U.S. for different events. He loved rowing."

Bockelmann was a voracious reader.

"Our house is full of books, and I know he's touched every one of them," his wife said. "If it held his attention, he finished it; if it didn't, he didn't."

Bockelmann was a trained artist and enjoyed painting.

"He had many varied interests and sometimes that was not a great thing, because he would jump from one thing to another and maybe not complete what he started out to do," his wife said.

Bockelmann's last radio show was four weeks ago.

In addition to his wife, Bockelmann is survived by his daughter, Ingrid Bockelmann of Houston; and a brother, Jochen Bockelmann of Switzerland.

Dale Park (now living in San Mateo County, CA) sends in an article from the Honolulu Star-Advertiser (HI) dated October 16, 2013):

KZOO has kept isles, Japan connected for half a century

By Erika Engle

POSTED: 01:30 a.m. HST, Oct 16, 2013

KZOO-AM 1210 marks half a century of broadcasting in Hawaii on Friday, the exact date on which the station signed on in 1963.

The station has a long heritage of keeping its Japanese-speaking audience members in touch with the Hawaii community as well as the homeland, but station officials have continually implemented new ways of connecting with core listeners as well as the broader community.

(Note: unable to access rest of article-ye ed.)

Just got a job offer from my local work here so at this point looks like I'm staying put, that's a relief in this economy! Just a short time till Thanksgiving, and we have our 1st DX test of the season with WNDB-1150 FL. in early December, so we are definitely in DX mode now. If you have any frequency/call changes, format changes, or interesting articles, please send them to me, they make for great reading while checking out those split frequency hets! Be sure to support John & Nancy Johnson and the IRCA convention in Billings, MT in 2014. 73's. Bob Wien



WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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Drake R8

- 600 KCOL CO, Wellington 11/8 1928 heard with "Fox News 600 KCOL." (BB-AZ)
- 760 KKZN CO, Thornton 11/9 1845 interview program, local references. Fair but steady. (RB-AZ)
- 770 KKOB NM, Albuquerque 11/12 0949 local weather report for city & around New Mexico. Male announcer "For 7-70, KKOB." Near local quality after daybreak. (RB-AZ)
- 810 KGO CA, San Francisco 11/11 0915 local news re: large fire in Bay Area. Still at pre-sunrise signal level, same on repeated rechecks until 0938 when the bottom dropped out as I was listening. (RB-AZ)
- WHB MO, Kansas City 11/9 2106 with "Sports Radio WHB 810 Kansas City." (BB-AZ)
+11/9 2005 Bama football broadcast (vs. Louisiana State - ?). Heard on NE/SW loop with Grundig. 2013 dropped way down in signal level. (RB-AZ)
- 900 KFLP TX, Floydada 11/11 with "KFLP The Farm Station" and at 0746 "The Farm Station 900 KFLP." (BB-AZ)
- 960 KGKL TX, San Angelo 11/13 0730 heard with "KGKL San Angelo." (BB-AZ)
- 1030 KTWO WY, Casper 11/9 1015 local spots, "Thunder Basin," "Talkradio, AM Twenty, K-2." Good with slight co-channel interference. (RB-AZ)
- 1110 KFAB NE, Omaha 11/9 1920 post game show, Nebraska over Michigan. Good, with some ACI from KFNX splash, sliminated using passband offset, narrow bw. (RB-AZ)
- 1130 CKWX BC, Vancouver 11/9 0200 hockey recap, local traffic, network news, "News 11-30." Good. (RB-AZ)
- 1150 KTLK CA, Los Angeles 11/12 0830 with traffic report then "K-Talk 1150." (BB-AZ)
- 1210 KHAT WY, Laramie 11/12 1500 had been monitoring before the hour with country music, very good post sunrise signal, expecting it to be KGYN (Guymon, OK) which is very reliable here. ID at the top of the hour lost in a short dip in signal. At 1512 local spots, several mentions of "Laramie" and male ID'ing as ... on Buckin' Country Ninety Two." Google search show KHAT, and using parallel on FM (92.3 translator). First log. (RB-AZ)
- 1310 KLIX ID, Twin Falls 11/10 2200 with "Newsradio KLIX Twin Falls, Idaho U.S.A" then Fox News. (BB-AZ)
- 1360 KHNC CO, Johnstown 11/8 2100 "This is The Lion KHNC Johnstown-Denver." (BB-AZ)
- 1370 KSOP UT, South Salt Lake 11/8 1958 with "Utah's Classic Country KSOP." (BB-AZ)
- 1440 KRDZ CO, Wray 11/10 1933 with "KRDZ Wray, Colorado" then into sports. (BB-AZ)
- 1570 KPRO CA, Riverside 11/8 1944 with "KPRO 1570." (BB-AZ)
- 1680 KGED CA, Fresno 11/12 0945 female talk show host, political blather, good after daybreak here. (RB-AZ)

Once again we have an "all Arizona" column this week. Nancy 11/15 2100

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DOWN THE DIAL

- 830 WFNO LA, Norco. 11/9 fair to poor signal in WCCO null. 00:52 noted with Norteña music, "WFNO Norco, New Orleans" legal ID in heavily accented English. [EB-MO]

- 930 WBEN NY, Buffalo. 11/7 good signal over WKY. 20:00 noted with "News Radio Nine-30 WBEN Buffalo" legal ID, also mentioned an FM HD2 channel, into CBS News; local news at 20:03. [EB-MO]
- 960 WHAK MI, Rogers City. 11/7 fair to poor signal over KZIM. 17:35 noted with Oldies format, "99-9 The Wave" ID (WHAK-FM), into Alpena area spots. [EB-MO]
- 1020 WRIX SC, Homeland Park. 11/8 good to fair over KJKK in KDKA null. 02:52 noted with "AM 10-20 WRIX" ID into Southern Gospel format. Listed as a 10 kW daytimer. [EB-MO]
- 1430 KZQZ MO, Saint Louis. 11-8 10:30 with rock oldies tune, "KZQZ 1430" ID. This was on the car radio, I-35 near Edmond OK, KZQZ remarkably able to dominate the frequency on whip car antenna. [GH-OK]
- 1440 WGVL SC, Greenville. 11/8 good to fair over KTUV, ACI from KZQZ 1430. 02:58 noted with promos, "Sports 14-40 WGVL Greenville" legal ID into Fox Sports Radio. [EB-MO]
- 1450 KOKO MO, Warrensburg. 11/8 fair to poor signal through mess. 03:00 noted with promo, "14-50 KOKO Warrensburg" legal ID into ABC news. [EB-MO]

25 YEARS AGO

November 19, 1988 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Robert Wien** of San Jose, CA talked about local radio ratings noting KGO 810 was number one ... **Tim Hall** of Chula Vista, CA mentioned a 64% return rate on reports asking for verifications in 1988 ... **Floyd Perry** Jr. of Stockton, CA told about the pirate station in Stockton.

OPEN MIKE

Black Friday is a couple of weeks away. What will you be adding to your radio room? This issue of "DX Monitor" contains details about the 2014 IRCA 50th Anniversary Convention being held in Billings, Montana. Have you reserved your convention hotel room yet? This column was typed 11-15-13. 73, John

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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DEADLINES: Thursday 2000 ELT

TUNING THE DIALS THIS ISSUE:

- (KK-VA) **Kraig Krist** (KG4LAC), Manassas, VA
Winradio G33DDC software-defined receiver, Kiwa loop

ACROSS THE DIAL

- 540 WGTH VA Richlands – 11/8 1700 noted with "WGTH AM and FM Richlands and WGTH-dot-net around the world" ID by female announcer, into SRN News. Noted mixing with unidentified stations carrying Fox Sports Radio, Oldies, Talk and Spanish vocal music (XEWA?-eb). (KK-VA)
- 550 WKRC OH Cincinnati – 11/9 1718 noted with "...studios. This is 55 KRC, the News/Talk Leader" ID by male announcer. Noted mixing with WWSA, WGR, and unidentified stations carrying ESPN Radio and Country music. (KK-VA)
- 560 WHBQ TN Memphis – 11/10 1759 noted with "The Voice of The Fan, Sports 56 WHBQ Memphis and 87.7 FM...W..." legal ID by male announcer. Noted mixing with CFOS, WFRB, vocal music and Christian preaching. (KK-VA) (The 87.7 FM station mentioned is WPGF-LP Memphis, which is a low-power analog TV station operating as an FM station on VHF Channel 6. FM DXers call these stations "Franken-FMs".-eb)
- 590 CJCL ON Toronto – 11/13 1733 noted with "SportsNet 590 The Fan" ID by male announcer. Noted mixing with WARM and WVLK. (KK-VA)

EDITOR'S NOTES

A short report from Kraig this time around.

Kraig also notes that he's also host of "The Forgotten Song" on The Mighty KBC, a shortwave broadcaster based out of the Netherlands, operating through a transmitter site in Germany. I've heard this station on 7375 kHz; it has a decent signal into the East and Midwest. The station operates on weekends. Kraig's Web site is <http://www.kg4lac.com/>

Stay tuned for DX Worldwide East, coming up later in this issue.

73 and good DX from NØUIH



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TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 153 **RUSSIA**, Komsomolsk, Radio Rossii. 0713 11/12 poor signal with man in Russian between static crashes. Active whip. (DV-WA)
+ 1427 11/13 fair signal with woman in Russian. Radio Rossii ID 1429. Active whip. (DV-WA)
+ 1247 11/15 good signal with jazz music. Active whip. (DV-WA)
+ 1345 11/18 fair signal with woman/man in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
- 180 **RUSSIA**, Yelizovo, Radio Rossii. 0500 11/12 weak signal with man in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
+ 0425 11/14 weak signal with man in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
+ 1248 11/15 poor signal with man in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
- 209 **ALASKA**, CYT, Yakataga. 1347 11/18 weak with weather forecast. Active whip. (DV-WA)
- 279 **RUSSIA**, Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Radio Rossii. 1426 11/13 fair signal with woman in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
+ 1249 11/15 very weak signal with man in Russian. Sky wire loop. (DV-WA)
+ 1348 11/18 fair signal with man in Russian. Active whip. (DV-WA)
- 529 **ALASKA**, SQM, Level Island, 0716 11/12 weak with weather forecast. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1349 11/18 weak signal with weather forecast. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 567 **JAPAN**, JOIK, Sapporo, NHK1. 1416 11/18 weak signal with man in Japanese. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 594 **JAPAN**, JOAK, Tokyo, NHK1. 1439 11/13 weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1251 11/15 weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1446 11/18 very weak signal with man in Japanese. Heavy splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 603 **REP KOREA**, Namyang. 1406 11/15 weak signal with man in Korean, NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1445 11/18 very weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 747 **JAPAN**, JOIB, Tokyo, NHK2. 1251 11/15 fair signal with English lessons. Heavy splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 774 **JAPAN**, JOUB, Akita, NHK2. 1425 11/13 fair signal with English lessons. NW ewe. Moderate splatter. (DV-WA)
+ 1253 11/15 good signal with English lessons. NW ewe. Moderate splatter. (DV-WA)
+ 1400 11/18 poor signal with only pips heard. NW ewe. Moderate splatter. (DV-WA)
- 828 **JAPAN**, JOBB, Osaka, NHK2. 1432 11/13 very weak signal with woman in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1407 11/15 fair signal with man in Japanese. Sky wire loop. (DV-WA)
+ 1402 11/18 good signal with man/woman in Japanese. Sky wire loop. (DV-WA)
- 972 **REP KOREA**, HLCA, Dangjin, KBS. 1434 11/13 very weak signal with man in Korean. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1255 11/15 fair signal with woman in Korean. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1351 11/18 good signal with woman in Korean. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1053 **REP KOREA**, jammer. 1352 11/18 jammer with fair signal and moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1242 **JAPAN**, JOLF, Tokyo, NBS Nippon Hoso. 1236 11/13 assuming the station with poor audio. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1314 **JAPAN**, JOUF, Osaka, Radio Osaka Obc. 1510 11/18 assuming the station with very weak signal. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1386 **JAPAN**, JOQC, Morioka, NHK2. 1455 11/18 assuming the Northern Japanese station with fair signal with Japanese talk. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1422 **JAPAN**, JORF, Yokohama, RF Radio Nippon. 1452 11/18 weak signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1458 **CHINA**, Nei Menggu. 1455-1505 11/18 guessing the station with in and out weak signal with man in Asian language. Seemed //7210 Mongolian service. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1467 **JAPAN**, JO??, NHK2. 1514 11/18 one of the low power Japanese stations. Man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1476 **CHINA**. 1452 11/18 assuming the station with very weak Asian speech. NW ewe. Not heard since 09/27/2013. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1503 **JAPAN**, JOUK, Akita, NHK1. 1515 11/18 poor just above threshold level. Music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1566 **REP KOREA**, HLAZ, Cheju, FEBC. 1437 11/13 weak signal with woman in Chinese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

- + At very good level just after the TOH at 1500 11/14, briefly before fading and a slight recovery, then slid into oblivion. Heard on my North corner fed loop. Strange that nothing else was audible. (WS-BC)
- + 1256 11/15 good signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1353 11/18 fair signal with woman in Chinese. 1518 excellent signal. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1575 **THAILAND**, Rasom, VOA. 1409 11/15 very weak signal with woman in Asian language. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1448 11/18 fair signal with woman in Asian language. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 1180 **MÉXICO**, XEJK, Ciudad Delicias, Chih, Ke buena. 0148 11/9, Spanish from NE/SW, and no Cuba/Martí problem from the SE. "Los 40 Principales y La Ke Buena," plug event "domingo 17 de noviembre a las 8 pm, en el centro de la ciudad;" fortunately the next ad for a mueblería mentions what city: Delicias. So it's per current Cantú: XEJK + FM 95.3 5,000 1,500. But XEDCH in WRTM 2013 and IRCA 2012, latter with 250 night power. I assume the ref to Top 40 was about joint sponsorship by sibling station XEBZ 1590 as in Cantú. (GH-OK)
- 1200 **BRAZIL**? This evening I had some (Brazilian) Portuguese on 1200 at 0124 11/15; with WOAI nulled, which must have been in a fade as it gradually took over again. It's all talk, first a man mentioning "spiritual" and then a woman talking as the QRM grows. The first Brazilian I think of is R Cultura, São Paulo, or rather Cultura Brasil as it is now known, but it should be mostly music. It's 100 kW but only 20 kW at night; and there are five others of lower powers. CJRJ in Vancouver is multi-cultural, but mostly Punjabi and apparently no Portuguese per their schedule. A few Spanish in the US such as WJUA (ex-WINK) in Florida, Mexican music, and WRTM in Chicago, Univisión, but hard to imagine them slipping into Portuguese. This was not "Portunhol" – the Davi Miranda wacko preaching which is a mixture of languages, heard on many SW stations. There are several Mexicans on 1200, but again why would they have anything in Portuguese, or why would anything outside of Brasil? Could there be some other ethnic and/or religious station in the USA? Here's my clip; please listen and offer any suggestions. It's best at the first but after two minutes, can only be heard under WOAI. <http://www.w4uvh.net/1200Braz.rm>. You'll note a subaudible heterodyne of almost 4 Hz against WOAI in case that helps to ID it. Surprised to see WOAI at 36 Hz high as of September 2013 in mwofsets. Only Brazilian listed is Fortaleza, 7 Hz lo. (GH-OK)
- 1260 **MÉXICO**, XESA, Culiacán, Sin. 0250 11/9. Local spots, man in Spanish mentions Sinaloa, then Culiacan, then call sign XESA. Good and owning the frequency at the moment. (RB-AZ)

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- DV-WA **DENNIS VROOM**, Kalama WA
JRC NRD 545, NW ewe + sky wire loop 880', High Performance Active Whip (HPAW), Palstar Tuner MW550P
- GH-OK **GLENN HAUSER**, Enid OK
Mostly DX-398 with internal antenna only or Sony SRF-59
- RB-AZ **RICK BARTON**, El Mirage AZ
Hammarlund HQ-180A, outdoor Slinky
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TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 531 **ALGERIA** Jil FM, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi – 11/6 2200 noted with hard rock music //549 kHz; fair to good signal. (Connely Y-MA)
- 549 **ALGERIA** Jil FM, Les Trembles – 11/6 2200 noted with hard rock male vocal across the top of the hour; good signal. (Connely Y-MA)
- 558 **SPAIN** Radio Nacional de España Radio 5 synchros – 11/9 2201 noted with Spanish talk in WGAN slop. (Connely O-MA)
- 576 **CANARY ISLANDS/SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/11 2200 noted with "Radio Nacional de España" ID; noisy signal. (Connely Y-MA)
- 585 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1, Madrid – 11/9 2201 noted with fast news and sports reports in Spanish; to a very good signal peak. (Connely O-MA)
- 603 **FRANCE** France Info, Lyon-Tramoyes – 11/6 2201 noted with France Info music fanfare, just under Spain. (Connely Y-MA)
- 603 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/6 2201 noted with fast talk in Spanish by male announcer; over France. (Connely Y-MA)

- 611 **MOROCCO** Radiodiffusion Television Marocaine A, Sebaa-Aioun – 11/6 2201 noted with news in Arabic by male announcer; over het from 612 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 612 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1, Lerida/Lleida – 11/9 2201 noted with noted with male announcer in Spanish. Fair signal, splittable in upper sideband (USB) from 611 kHz Morocco. (Connelly O-MA)
- 621 **CANARY ISLANDS/SPAIN** RNE Radio 1 synchros – 11/6 2200 noted with “Wild World” by Cat Stevens, Spanish talk //855 kHz; over second station believed to be Belgium. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 639 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1, La Coruna, et. al. – 11/6 2200 noted with “Wild World” by Cat Stevens, Spanish talk //855 kHz; good signal over second station (Czech Republic?). (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/12 0002 noted with talk //855 kHz. LOUD signal! (Connelly Y-MA)
- 657 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5, Madrid – 11/12 0002 noted with Spanish talk //855 kHz; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 665.77 **IRAN** Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting 1 Shushtar – 10/22 2303 noted with bits of audio on carrier that was stronger than adjacent 666.0 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 684 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1, Sevilla – 11/12 0002 noted with news-oriented talk //855 kHz; to good signal peak despite slop from WRKO 680. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 693 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1 synchros – 11/12 2130 noted with sports shouting (play-by-play?-eb) //684 kHz; dominant signal on frequency. (Connelly O-MA)
- 693 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC Radio 5, Droitwich, et. al. – 10/22 2303 noted with mention of a government investigation and aircraft //909 kHz; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/11 2200 noted with tennis match coverage mentioning Rafael Nadal //909 kHz; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 711 **FRANCE** France Info, Rennes – 11/11 2200 noted with talk up to France Info theme at 35 seconds after 2200, followed by female announcer in French; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 711.111 **WESTERN SAHARA** Radiodiffusion Television Marocaine, Laayoune – 11/12 0002 noted with bits of Arabic music; light modulation, carrier stronger than France on 711.0 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 729 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1 synchros – 11/12 0002 noted with male and female announcers in Spanish //855 kHz; through slop. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 738 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1 synchros – 11/12 0002 noted with talk in Spanish //855 kHz; to fair signal peak. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 747 **CANARY ISLANDS** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/9 2130 noted with folk style vocal, “Radio Cinco” ID/slogan; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 747 **NETHERLANDS** Radio 5, Zeewolde (Flevoland) – 10/23 2300 noted with “I Only Have Eyes For You” by The Flamingos (1959 oldie), then Dutch talk and jingle. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/6 2100 noted with news in Dutch by female announcer. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 756 **GERMANY** Deutschlandfunk, Braunschweig and Ravensburg – 10/22 2303 noted with female announcer in German; fair to good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/6 2200 noted with Deutschlandfunk sounder, time pips; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 765 **IRAN** IRIB 1, Chahbahar – 10/22 2303 probably this with chanting; poor signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 774 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1 synchros – 10/22 2303 noted with female announcer //855 kHz; through WTME 780 slop. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/6 2200 noted with “Wild World” by Cat Stevens //855 kHz; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 792 **FRANCE** France Info, Limoges – 11/11 21158 noted with male announcer in French //1206 kHz; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 792 **SPAIN** Sociedad Española de Radiodifusion, Sevilla – 11/9 2131 noted atop frequency with sporting event in Spanish. (Connelly O-MA)
- 801 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1 synchros – 11/9 2129 noted with echoey Spanish announcement //855 kHz. (Connelly O-MA)
- 837 **CANARY ISLANDS/SPAIN** Cadena de Ondas Populares Españolas synchros – 11/6 2201 noted with male announcer in Spanish. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 855 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1 synchros – 10/22 2303 noted with male and female announcers in Spanish //774 kHz; through slop from WEEI 850. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/6 2200 noted with Cat Stevens’ “Wild World”, then female announcer in Spanish, “Radio Nacional de España” ID. Unidentified weak carriers noted on 855.023 and 855.073 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 864 **EGYPT** Egyptian Radio and TV Union, Santah – 11/9 2131 noted with Arabic vocal; now up over Spain and France. (Connelly O-MA)
- 864 **FRANCE** France Bleu, Villebon-sur-Yvette – 10/22 2303 noted with disco vocal; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- + 11/6 2159 noted with female announcer in French; to good signal peak. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/11 2200 noted with Bleu jingle, male announcer in French; to good signal peak. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 864 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 1, Socuellamos – 11/9 2130 noted with excited Spanish talk //855 kHz; slightly over France and Egypt. (Connelly O-MA)
- 873 **SPAIN** SER synchros – 11/12 0002 noted with fast Spanish talk; through slop. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 882 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC Radio Wales, Washford – 11/12 0002 noted with light music, over COPE Spain. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 890.985 **ALGERIA** Radiodiffusion Television Algerienne Chaîne 1, Algiers – 11/6 2200 noted with 5+1 pips (last higher), female announcer followed by male announcer in Arabic; LOUD, more than 10 dB stronger than WAMG 890. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC Radio 5 synchros – 10/22 2303 noted with news mentioning the arrest of someone suffering from mental illness; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/6 2159 noted with sports talk mentioning Liverpool, also German teams including Hamburg; good signal with slight echo, over something else (likely Romania). (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/11 2200 noted with tennis match coverage mentioning Rafael Nadal //693 kHz; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 918 **SPAIN** Radio Intercontinental, Madrid – 11/12 0002 noted with male announcer in Spanish; poor to fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 936 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/12 0002 noted with male and female announcer in Spanish //855 kHz; over other stations. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 945 **FRANCE** France Info, Toulouse – 11/6 2200 noted with talk by male announcer across the top of the hour, brief bit of talk by female announcer, then France Info fanfare music at 2201 UTC; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 954 **SPAIN** Onda Cero, Madrid – 11/6 2200 noted with news in Spanish; through slop. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 981 **ALGERIA** RTVA Chaîne 2, Algiers – 11/6 2200 noted with Arabic male vocal, guitar music, then 5+1 pips, news intro fanfare music; loud signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/11 2200 noted with male Arabic vocal, drumming, 5+1 pips (last higher); good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 999 **SPAIN** COPE synchros – 11/6 2101 noted with news in Spanish by male announcer; over others. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/11 2200 noted with pips, male and female announcers in Spanish with COPE ID, fanfare music; good signal, over other stations. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1026 **SPAIN** SER synchros – 11/9 2158 noted with two male announcers in Spanish with sports talk; through slop from WBZ 1030. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1053.103 **LIBYA** Libyan Jamahiriya, Tripoli – 11/9 2129 noted with male announcer in Arabic; LOUD signal! (Connelly O-MA)
- 1062 **ITALY** Radiotelevisione Italiana (RAI) Radio Uno synchros – 11/9 2201 seemed to be a female announcer in Italian; through slop from WQOM 1060. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** TalkSport synchros – 11/6 2200 noted with talk about Arsenal and Manchester United teams; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
+ 11/9 2130 noted with talk mentioning “I’m a Chelsea fan”, promo for “Inside the Boiler Room” show, TalkSport ID; good signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1098 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/6 2200 noted with 5+1 pips, fanfare, “Radio Nacional de España” ID //1107 and 1152 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1107 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/6 2200 noted with 5+1 pips, fanfare, “Radio Nacional de España” ID //1098 and 1152 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1125 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/9 2101 noted with reverberated talk in Spanish (possibly sorts commentary); fair signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1126.51 **LIBYA** Radio Free Libya, El Beida – 11/9 2129 noted with het against Spain; not much audio, previously identified on the MW Offsets list. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1134 **SPAIN** COPE synchros – 11/12 0002 noted with fast talk by male announcer in Spanish; to a good signal peak. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1152 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/6 2200 noted with “Radio Nacional de España” ID. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1179 **CANARY ISLANDS/SPAIN** SER synchros – 11/11 2200 noted with SER News by female announcer in Spanish; dominant signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1206 **FRANCE** France Info, Bordeaux – 11/11 2158 noted with male announcer in French //792 kHz, et. al.; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1214.13 **ALBANIA** Flake – 11/6 2200 noted with growl against Absolute Radio (UK) on 1215 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)

- 1215 **SPAIN** COPE synchros – 11/9 2131 noted with two male announcers in Spanish talking and laughing; good and dominant signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** Absolute Radio synchros – 11/6 2200 noted with “Absolute Radio” ID, promos and advertisements; over Spain and others. Upper sideband (USB) used to dodge Albania growl. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1296 **SPAIN** COPE, Valencia – 11/9 2201 noted with talk in Spanish; in jumble. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1305 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/9 2129 noted with folk music vocal //747 kHz; fair signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1314 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/9 2100 noted with fanfare music, “Radio Nacional de España” ID; fair signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1377 **FRANCE** France Info, Lille – 11/11 2200 noted with French talk across top of hour, France Info theme music at 35 seconds past 2200; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1394.86 **ALBANIA** Trans World Radio, Flake – 11/9 2058 noted with vocal hymn by female singer; fair signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1404 **FRANCE** France Info synchros – 11/9 2131 noted with speech //1377 kHz; poor signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1413 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/11 2201 noted with male and female announcers in Spanish //774 kHz; poor signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1422 **ALGERIA** Radiodiffusion Television Algerienne, Algiers – 11/11 2358 noted with Arabic vocals and violin music; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- + 11/12 noted with female announcer in French; fair signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1457.64 **ALBANIA** Flake – 11/9 2130 noted with bits of piano music or chimes, talk by female announcer; growl against probable United Kingdom on 1458 kHz. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1467 **FRANCE** Trans World Radio, Roumoules – 11/9 2130 noted with TWR musical box interval signal, followed by male announcer in Arabic; good signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1485 **SPAIN** SER synchros – 11/9 2130 noted with sports shouting in Spanish; fair signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1494 **FRANCE (CORSIKA)** France Bleu, Bastia – 11/9 2101 noted with talk in French by male announcer not paralleling France Info outlets; over France Info synchros. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1503 **SPAIN** RNE Radio 5 synchros – 11/11 2200 noted with “Radio Nacional de España” ID into news in Spanish; to fair signal peak. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** Broadcasting Service of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Duba – 11/9 2100 noted with pop female vocal in Arabic; male announcer in Arabic, dramatic music, news; loud signal. (Connelly O-MA)
- 1557 **FRANCE** France Info, Fontbonne – 11/9 2100 noted with France Info theme music at 34 seconds past 2100, female announcer in French; loud signal. (Connelly O-MA)

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 530 **CUBA** Radio Enciclopedia, CMBQ La Habana – 11/7 0000 noted with “Radio Enciclopedia, La Habana, Cuba” ID; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- + 11/12 0000 noted with cover version of “Love is Blue” instrumental, into usual samba-like theme music, “Transmite CMBQ, Radio Enciclopedia desde La Habana, Cuba” ID by female announcer; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 540 **CUBA** Radio Rebelde, Guantanamo and Sancti Spiritus – 11/12 0000 noted with “Rebelde, La Habana” ID; over WFLF and growl from Nicaragua on 539.858 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 560 **CUBA** Radio Rebelde, Ciego Avila – 11/11 2359 noted with Latin jazz //670 kHz; mixed with WFIL and remnants of a nulled WGAN. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 570 **CUBA** Radio Reloj, Arroyo Arenas – 11/11 2359 noted with Reloj program; annihilating WMCA. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 580 **PUERTO RICO** WKAQ San Juan – 11/7 0000 noted with “WKAQ San Juan” legal ID and list of other stations; loud signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 590 **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** Radio Santa Maria, HIDV La Vega – 11/7 0000 noted with “Radio Santa Maria” ID atop channel with WEZE nulled. Thanks to Timo Klimoff and Arnstein Bue of the Real DX list for ID help. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 600 **CUBA** Radio Rebelde, CMKV Urbano Noris – 11/7 0000 noted with “aqui Rebelde” ID; good signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 610 **CUBA** Radio Rebelde, CMAN Bahia Honda – 11/11 2359 noted with jazz //670 kHz, under WIOD. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 620 **CUBA** Radio Rebelde, Colón and Moa – 11/11 2359 noted with Latin American jazz, then organ music, announcement: “Rebelde, La Habana, emisora de la revolución”; over WSNR and WZON. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 630 **VENEZUELA** Radio Nacional de Venezuela, YVKA Caracas – 11/7 0000 noted with “Radio Nacional de Venezuela” ID, tropical music; briefly over WPRO. (Connelly Y-MA)

- 640 **CUBA** Radio Progreso synchros – 11/7 0001 noted with soft vocal song by female //690 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 650 **CUBA** Radio Progreso synchros – 11/7 0000 noted with severe “wobbler” with audio //640 kHz; demolishing WSM. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 670 **CUBA** Radio Rebelde, CMQ Arroyo Arenas – 11/7 0000 noted with “aqui Rebelde, transmitiendo desde La Habana, Cuba” ID; loud signal. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 690 **CUBA** Radio Progreso, Jovellanos – 11/7 0001 noted with vocal music by female //640 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 710 **CUBA** Radio Rebelde synchros – 11/12 0000 noted with “spooky” organ music, talk: “la programación deportiva de Radio Rebelde”; mixed with WOR. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 750 **CUBA** Radio Progreso, CMHV Trinidad – 11/12 0000 noted with female announcer in Spanish //650 kHz; under WSB. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 750 **VENEZUELA** RCR Radio Caracas, YVKS Caracas – 11/7 0000 noted with Venezuelan sports talk, “RCR” ID in Spanish; over CBGY, WSB, CMHV. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 760 **COLOMBIA** Radio Cadena Nacional, HJAJ Barranquilla – 11/12 0000 noted with “RCN Noticias” mention; mixing with WJR, others. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 770 **CUBA** Radio Rebelde, Victoria de las Tunas – 11/7 0001 noted with Rebelde talk //670 kHz; over WABC. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 790 **CUBA** Radio Reloj, Pinar del Rio and Holguin – 11/12 0000 noted with Reloj programming; over WPRV, others. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 810 **BAHAMAS** ZNS3 Freeport – 11/7 0001 noted with Bahamas news and sports by an accented announcer; over WGY, CJVA, and several stations in Spanish. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 870 **CUBA** Radio Reloj synchros – 11/7 0000 noted with “tick-tock” sounds, dominant signal with some carrier instability (though not full-blown “wobbling”). (Connelly Y-MA)
- 890.112 **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** Radio Continental, HIPJ Santo Domingo – 11/11 2359 noted with growl, presumably from this one (logged previously). (Connelly Y-MA)
- 900 **CUBA** Radio Progreso – 11/12 0001 noted with female announcer in Spanish //690 kHz; over jumble. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 960 **CUBA** Radio Reloj, Guantánamo – 11/11 2359 noted with Reloj programming; over WELL, WHYL, others. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1000 **CUBA** Radio Granma, Media Luna – 11/7 0000 noted with “Transmite Radio Granma” ID by female announcer. A “Radio Surco” mention was also heard. Thanks to Arnstein Bue on Real DX for ID assistance. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1020 **CUBA** Radio Reloj, Victoria de las Tunas – 11/12 0000 noted with Reloj programming over KDKA and unidentified Spanish talker. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1039.61 **VENEZUELA** La Voz de Carabobo, YVLB Valencia – 11/7 0000 noted with fast Spanish talk by male announcer through slop (OK on lower sideband). (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1060 **COLOMBIA** Radio Delfin, HJLY Riohacha – 11/7 0001 noted with Radio Delfin ID; over WQOM, KYW, and growl from something on 1060.28 kHz. (Connelly Y-MA)
- 1180 **CUBA** Radio Rebelde (CMBT Villa Maria and others) – 11/11 2359 noted with Latin jazz //670 kHz; over WHAM. (Connelly Y-MA)

THANKS TO THIS EDITION'S CONTRIBUTOR

- (Connelly O-MA) **Mark Connelly** (WA1ION), Orleans, Cape Cod, MA
Receiver: Microtelecom Perseus
Antenna: cardioid-pattern Micro-SuperLoop on car roof, square, 2 meters per side, with Clifton Laboratories Z10130A amp on east bottom corner to speaker wire with 2:1 transformer to W7IUV amp, and 9:1 transformer to speaker wire to 500-ohm null-adjust potentiometer.
Details at http://www.qsl.net/wa1ion/loop/car_roof_loop.htm
- (Connelly Y-MA) **Mark Connelly** (WA1ION), South Yarmouth, Cape Cod, MA
Receiver: Microtelecom Perseus
Antenna: two dual-feedline cardioid-pattern SuperLoops
1) 75-255 degrees, 9 meters vertical by 15 meters horizontal
2) 170-350 degrees, 10 meters vertical by 11 meters horizontal
Picture at http://www.qsl.net/wa1ion/pictures1/dual_feedline_superloop.gif

EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Once again, thanks to Mark for his report from two different locations on Cape Cod!

From Mark's notebook: “Some of the loggings coincided with the dates of East Coast DXpeditions at Prince Edward Island, Canada, Newfoundland and New Jersey. There were also western DXpeditions active in Oregon and Colorado.” Some of the PEI logs can be found at <http://www.bamlog.com/2013peidxped.htm>

Speaking of the PEI DXpedition, I'm getting a report from Walter Salmaniw ready for an upcoming DX Worldwide East. This is a big report...I'm planning to cut the non-tropical band shortwave logs out and

forward the tropical band logs to Pat Martin. The longwave logs will be included (yes, you can report longwave DX to this column, Mark).

73 and good DX de NØUIH

DX WORLDWIDE – II

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ASIA AND PACIFIC

AUSTRALIA: X-band observations: 1638 4ACR Brisbane. Chinese programming but also to make it confusing gives out a twitter address as hrx@2me.com.au plays about a 20 minute loop tape of Chinese music interspersed with this twitter ID. 22/10 0830. Good level.

1692. Station X Southport QLD. Whilst on the good ship, fishing, about 20 to 30 miles away, was after the religious station at Nanango. All of a sudden this pop music station bobs up. After sometime gave AIR news then ID by girl as "Station X". Turns out run by ex-member Peter Tate! 20/10 0400, then heard at Caloundra 24/10 at 0350 at bigger strength from about 60 miles away on a portable AT909 with a Tescun loop. (Wright).

4ACR Brisbane is leasing this from 2ME. Chinese format. The 2013 WRTH says its station 220 in the list but this wrong. Gives phone number as 1300477377 PO Box 2692 Strawberry Hills 2012 NSW. The email address does not work, as no reply.

Station X 1692 Is Peter Tate's at Southport QLD. 80 watts. Contact studio@stationX.com.au Peter would love to hear from anyone. (All via John Wright Peakhurst NSW via ADXN)

CHINA: CNR-1 delayed s/on and s/off for 30 minutes from November 5 (Beijing Time). Now operating at 2025-1805UT. (Ex. 1955-1735UT) (S.Hasegawa, dxld 7 Nov)

Nei Menggu PBS, new previously unlisted outlet noted on 1224 and 1305, noted during October DXpedition (Mika Mäkeläinen, dxing.info)

Aihui PBS 999 kHz in Heilongjiang province, is new, started operation in August, noted during Grayland DXpedition 19 Oct, website with streaming audio, also on 91.2 MHz FM. Sometimes has English IDs. <http://www.aihui.gov.cn/html/index/content/2013/08/tv.html> (Bruce Portzer)

++ As part of an ongoing campaign launched in April, city police located and seized illegal transmitters in Jiangbei and Yuzhong districts, the report said, but did not say if anyone had been arrested in the raids.

"The city is carrying on its joint campaign on illegal radio," Chongqing Culture Radio and Television Bureau staff member Li Xiaoping told the Global Times on Tuesday.

Li's bureau, Chongqing Radio Management Committee, and local police have all been involved in tackling the illegal broadcasts.

Li added no more details to the Xinhua story reported on Monday, but his bureau's own website said the hit had occurred between September 26 and 27.

City residents had first tuned into obscene adverts for sexual performance drugs on their radios in late March, Zhang Xueming, a senior official from the city's radio management committee, told the Chongqing Evening Post in April.

Authorities began investigating the case after receiving more than 100 reports of illegal transmissions, Zhang told the paper. The drugs advertised had been expensive, several hundred yuan each, and a few citizens had bought them and felt cheated.

>From April to September, Chongqing authorities have launched four raids, arresting one suspect and confiscating six transmitters, six antennas and six computers.

http://www.globaltimes.cn/content/816351.shtml#_UIRM_kZwbDc (Global Times, October 8, via Mike Terry, DXLD)

INDIA: Take a look at the new DRM India webpage (part of the www.drm.org site) that focuses on all the latest DRM activity in India. http://www.drm.org/?page_id=2494 (Alokesh Gupta, dx_India)

The monitored AIR B-13 schedule is available in my site as follows:

External Service Time Wise: <http://qsl.net/vu2jos/es/time.htm>

External Service Language Wise: <http://qsl.net/vu2jos/es/Language.htm>

AIR Complete SW schedule: <http://qsl.net/vu2jos/sw/freq.htm>

No major changes noted to All India Radio Home & External Services for B-13. Some frequencies are not heard as usual. However on 1071 kHz Rajkot 1000 kW only Urdu programs are monitored (No Sindh at 0100-0200 & 1230-1500 UTC & Baluchi 1500-1600).

The B-13 schedule is yet to be put in AIR official web site. (Jose Jacob, dx_india)

TAIWAN: RTI has again started using 1098 kHz 1300-1700, weekdays 1705. I also heard them going past the hour without ID and signing off at 1705 last Monday. (Mauno Ritola, RealDX, 3 Nov)

TIMOR LESTE: 684, R. Timor-Leste, Dili. Inactive.

1404, R. Timor Kmanek, Dili. Heard just a few times but mostly off air. Your last chance at logging East Timor on MW! (David Foster, Oct Australian DX News via DXLD)

VIETNAM: BOOK REVIEW: Good Morning Hanoi - Iain Finlay and Trish Clark. Vietnam has always been a country that interested me, largely because I was a teenage DXer and shortwave listener when the Vietnam War was very much under way in the 60's and early 70's. The English programs from the Voice of Vietnam consisted of heavy propaganda... and not much else! The occasional QSL card would arrive, along with English language propaganda "newspapers" printed on rough quality paper. It was also a time when the possibility of being "called up" for service with the Australian Armed Forces operating in Vietnam was a very real possibility. Fortunately, Australia's involvement in the war ended 18 months before I would have been eligible for potential call-up.

So, when I picked up a copy of Good Morning Hanoi a few years ago, I was already especially interested in the topics of Vietnam and its international broadcaster, the Voice of Vietnam. This book is a great read! Simple as that! And if you have an interest in radio, there are some fascinating insights into the operations of the Voice of Vietnam some ten years ago.

Authors Finlay & Clark in 2003/04, Australian journalists/foreign correspondents/radio producers and presenters Iain Finlay and Trish Clark found themselves in Hanoi, courtesy of the Australian Volunteers International (AVI), an aid agency. Their role was originally to job-share in assisting the local announcers of the English language section (VOV5) in preparing programs, scripts and with training in the clear and correct usage of English grammar and pronunciation. However, they very quickly found themselves virtually running the whole broadcast. Around them were young and enthusiastic reporters endeavoring to learn their craft. Some accounts of the day-to-day life in the English language section on the third floor in Ba Trieu Street make great reading for shortwave radio enthusiasts.

There were some funny moments when scripts were written and then sent off to higher authorities for approval, only to find that certain parts of the scripts had been altered.....but not always successfully. Matching concepts in both the English and Vietnamese languages proved to be more challenging than Iain and Trish first thought. And the management's attempt to try and control what the two Australian journalists wrote and reported also had some humorous results.

Aside from the radio interests, however, are some wonderful insights into life in central Hanoi. The book contains fascinating descriptions of ordinary people going about their daily business as well as descriptions of traditional customs, society, values and culture. The authors found a house to rent, which backed onto a small courtyard and eventually they became a part of an extended family in that tiny part of central Hanoi. Some of the revelations about Vietnamese culture, life and its meaning, along with the impacts of such a long war on the population, take up much of the commentary in this impressive book. The writing consists of vivid portrayals of work colleagues, neighbors and friends. There are a few monochrome photos scattered throughout the book and a lovely set of color plates depicting Vietnamese people and their customs.

Some readers may remember the authors, Finlay and Clark, as the producers of an internationally successful science TV program called Beyond 2000. They have since travelled to many parts of the world, traversing Asia, Antarctica, Africa and America. Both authors have written numerous fiction and non-fiction books.

Although Good Morning Hanoi was first published in 2006, it is still available both here in Australia and internationally on Amazon. It was originally published by Simon & Schuster. To search for its availability, do a search on Google. You won't be disappointed!

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WESTERN HEMISPHERE

BRAZIL: According to the TV news, president Dilma has signed a decree which enables all Brazilian MW/AM stations to switch over to FM. As of January 1, 2014 the stations can apply for switching to FM.

Associação Brasileira de Rádios e Televisão believes that around 90% of the 1784 stations currently broadcasting on MW/AM in Brazil will be switching over to FM. Initially, the stations will be able to broadcast both on AM/MW and FM.

After five years the stations must decide whether to switch to FM permanently or to continue on FM. They may also decide to stay on MW/AM and are allowed to expand their presence in this band.

Some of the motives for the decree is better audio quality and less interference plus the fact that FM transmissions, contrary to AM/MW radio, can be received on cellular phones.

Tough for AM/MW buffs, indeed! (Nils Olsson, formerly of ARC, via Bengt Ericsson, ARC)

COLOMBIA: 1010 HJCC Acuario Estéreo, Santafé de Bogotá, ex Rado Reloj. "The Bogotá 1010 frequency has now been reactivated. For the first several days it used its former name of Radio Reloj but now it has changed to Acuario Estéreo 1010 offering ballads of the 1970s and 80s.

The station uses the name of an FM station which had the same kind of programming on 104.9 MHz many years ago. Today this FM station is known as Vibra FM. It seems that owner William Vinasco would like to pay homage to the station which starter hais carrier as a Colomban radio magnat. I Am Petty sure that in due course the station Will rente air time to compaigns promotion Heath products and similor services." (Rafael Rodriguez 2.11.2013 via Mauno Rigola, WRTH)

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC : 600 HISD R Santo Domingo, La Romana, rel 620 kHz, new
730 HIZ Zulu Radio, Sto Domingo, ex R HIZ
790 HIL R Millón, Sto Domingo, ex R Centro, 5 kW
900 HIEN R Puerto Plata, Puerto Plata, inactive
1030 HIDL R Novedades, La Vega, ex Santiago
1040 HION CDN AM, Sto Domingo, new name
1130 HIRL CDN AM, Santiago, rel 1040 kHz
1240 HIAU R Vida, Puerto Plata, inactive (Dino Bloise via Mauno Ritola, WRTH)

PERU:

840 OCU5N New license to Radio Television Doble RI E.I.R.L. – 1 kW. □ Jr Manuel Seone N° 320, Abancay, Dept. de Apurímac (MTS)
920 OCU7W New license to Apolinaria Mariza Quispe Condori – 1 kW. □ Sector Triunfo s/n, Tambopata, Dept. de Madre de Dios (MTS)
980 OAM4G New license to Alejandro Arnaldo Zenón Jara – 1 kW. □ Pampa de Lara s/n, Barranca, Lima (MTS)
1100 R Original – ID "Radio Original AM 1100" – location unknown (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna)
1100 R Nuñoa, Nuñoa, Prov. de Melgar, Dept. de Puno. Unlisted (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna)
1120 Unlisted station located to Santo Tomás, Prov. de Chumbivilcas, Dept. de Cusco (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna)
1150 R Sureña "Radio Sureña, la número uno todo el sur" – location Juliaca (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna)
1150 OAM4E New license to Mary Luz Carhuas Flores – 1 kW. □ Av Miguel Grau s/n, Distr. de Paramonga, Prov. de Barranca, Dept. de Lima (MTS)
1200 OCX7S R Continental, Juliaca (PU19) – ex. R Cultura. □ Jr. Carabaya 998, Juliaca W: www.continentalrtv.com E: info@continentalrtv.com (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna)
1260 R Paz, Juliaca, Dept. de Puno (presumed). (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna)
1300 R Candarave, Prov. Candarave, Dept. de Tacna – unlisted. (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna)
1350 OCU5Q New license to José Hugo Vabellos Valera – 1 kW. □ Av Grau N° 592, 5to Piso, Oficina N° 502, Distr. de Huacho, Prov. de Huaura, Dept. de Lima (MTS)
1370 OAU9E New license to Nancy Lopez Cabrera – 5 kW. □ Jr. Libertad N° 157, Moyobamba, Dept. de San Martín (MTS)
1410 R Korichekche – new station. □ Dist. de Huaquirca, Prov. de Antabamba, Dept. de Apurímac. (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna and identified by Henrik Klemetz)
1520 OBU6Z New license to Isabel Endana Quispe – 6 kW. □ Pse San Antonio s/n, Prov. de Mariscal Nieto, Dept. de Moquegua (MTS)
1550 R San Sebastián – location unknown (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna)
1600 R Andina del Perú – location unknown (Tetsuya Hirahara visiting Tacna) (via Arctic)

VENEZUELA: 560 YVPJ CNB Tachirenses, Rubio – inactive
600 YVQB R Sucre, Cumaná – inactive
640 YVQO Unión Radio Deportes, Puerto La Cruz, ex Actualidad
680 YVZJ R Llanera, Barinas – inactive
760 YVQQ R Puerto La Cruz, Puerto La Cruz – inactive
820 YVKU R Altura 820, La Grita – inactive
870 YVRU Unión Radio, Puerto La Cruz – inactive
880 YVYM R Venezuela 880, Puerto Ordaz, ex Guayana
940 YVLU R Fe y Alegría, Campo Mata, ex El Tigre
940 YVZR R Continental, Barinas – inactive
970 YV.. Mundial Oriental, Barcelona – inactive
1000 YVOA R Táchira Deportes, San Cristóbal – add Deportes
1070 YVPX R El Sol, La Fría – inactive
1090 YVTG Médica 1090, Machiques – inactive
1110 YVXR Unión Radio Valencia, Valencia, ex Deportes Unión Radio

1120 YVMF Ondas del Lago, Maracaibo – inactive
1130 YVPU R Amazonas, Puerto Ayacucho – inactive
1140 YV.. R Porlamar "LV del Caribe", Porlamar – inactive
1170 YVQV R Acarigua, Acarigua – inactive
1180 YVNJ R Petrolera, Cd Ojeda – inactive
1190 YVRE R Barinas, Barinas – inactive
1210 YVZT R Anzoátegui, Barcelona – inactive
1220 YVVM Circuito R Venezuela 1220, Valencia
1230 YVNT R Barlovento, Caucagua – inactive
1250 YVML R Cabimas, Cabimas – inactive
1280 YVRY R Horizonte, Nirgua – inactive
1270 YVTR R Tucupita, Tucupita – inactive
1300 YVKH AM Center, Caracas ex R Recuerdos
1330 YVTU R Regional, Cd Ojeda – inactive
1360 YVTI R Internacional, Maracaibo – inactive
1380 YVTL R Triunfo, Caja Seca – inactive
1380 YVTT R Tererepaima, Cabudare – inactive
1420 YVNZ R Marabina, Maracaibo – inactive
1440 YVTY R Sucesos, Táchira – inactive
1450 YVZQ Informativa 14-50, Los Puertos de Altigracia – inactive
1480 YVRP R El Sol, Maracaibo – inactive
1580 YVYO R Celestial, San Francisco, Maracaibo – inactive (Williams López via Mauno Ritola, WRTH, via Arctic)

EUROPE, AFRICA, AND MIDDLE EAST

BULGARIA; Mikhail Shcherbak informs, that NGO Christian Centre in Sliven plans to start a new radio station on 1st January via Burgas 963 kHz 5kW and Stara Zagora 1161 kHz 30kW. The tender ends on 27th November and the technical details are here: <http://cem.bg/download.php?id=4588> (Mauno Ritola, ARC)

LUXEMBOURG: 1440 China Radio International has grossly expanded its German service, effective 23 Sep. It broadcasts now ten hours a day, using the 1440 kHz transmitter in Luxembourg in two blocks, 0600-1100 and 1800-2300 UT. <http://german.cri.cn/1837/2013/09/24/1s204512.htm> (Kai Ludwig via DXLD)

As far as I know, the Marnach site will definitely be closed by October to December next year. Indeed the extension of CRI broadcasts every morning has been a surprise and maybe the BCE managers will think about a change to Beidweiler or Hosingen. The Transradio TRAM600 transmitter must be configured as two TRAM300, one always in standby. The drop in field strength during normal RTL programming is severe and between 7 to 9dB. So the actual output cannot be more than 30 to 50 kW (while 300 kW for CRI). The switch between the skywave antenna during night is at 0358 UT and to the 85 (3 masts, not the former 45 5 masts) ground wave antenna at 1558 UT. BCE is experimenting a bit with the skywave during early morning skywave propagation and CRI transmissions. I observed a very high input level of -40dBm at our Berlin DDF site (U-adcock) at 07:30 UT (Walter Maus, mwmasts via DXLD)

NETHERLANDS: 828 R 10 Gold - Today, Monday, September the 30th, the 20 kW transmitter at Heinenoord near Rotterdam in the Netherlands was switched off.

From October the 18th 2010 until last Sunday evening, September 22th, Radio 10 Gold was on this frequency. Radio 10 now is on a FM network, DAB+ and the cable networks. Unclear is what will happen furthermore with the transmitter site.

Only left high power AM outlets in Holland are now 675 Radio Maria, 747 Radio 5 Nostalgia, 891 Radio 538, 1008 Groot Nieuws Radio and 1251 Radio 5 Nostalgia. Reception over longer distances from Vahon 1557 and Seagull 1602 should be possible, because the tx-sites are in a coastal area. (Willem Prins via Ydun's Medium Wave Info 30.9.2013)

PORTUGAL: 1035 StarFM, Belmonte, St. ^o Estêvão, is silent since, what, end February or so. I was then explained, that a certain aluminum core, modulation transformer had to be replaced, not simply rebuilt, so there was expectations for resuming operation in April. By the time this TX was operating, the output was 15 kW instead of just 10.

After all these months, I decided to get more information from my contact within the station, and he explained his dpt. was not allowed that expense, especially when along with the transformer certain other peripheral items should be replaced too.

A 100~120 kW unit operating at a fraction of its power, e.g. 10 kW, does not mean power consumption is about the same as that of an ordinary 10 kW - it's somewhat higher. This made my contact try to convince their adm. to "freeze" the 100 kW unit for some time and install a 10 kW unit as it would at least save on electricity costs, but on the other hand a new 10 kW TX would push the expense over the amount needed for modulation transformer. The answer was "no."

So 1035 will be on the air again only if & when conditions allow it.

++This is the current situation acc. to R. Renascença/R.Sim and my own data:

594 Muge_1x100 kW + 2x10 kW reserve units, all HARRIS. RR info: reduced to 2~3 kW via one of the 10 kW txs. One will notice the modulation is still low, regardless of the TX used, and this is due to saving costs but also some other reason I prefer to omit in this report.

891 Vilamoura_1x10 kW (ex-2x10 kW):>> RR info: reduced to 2~3 kW. Frankly, the coverage doesn't seem to be severely affected as observed at the SW coast. Maybe it was in different areas of the Algarve province, but I lack information on this in particular.

963 Seixal_1x10 kW + 1 kW reserve unit, both HARRIS :>> RR info: about 2 kW being used. This is still quite audible in the SW coast, but one notices the obvious power level drop. The modulation emanating from this site was plagued by too much splatter at times which acc. to RR./R.Sim was mainly due to the signal carried over a line directly to the txs, and this was (clearly?) Portugal Telecom's fault.

Remaining 10 kW txs elsewhere, viz.Coimbra 981, Valongo & Viseu 1251:>> RR info: reduced to about 3 kW

Others:Braga 576 kHz 10 kW switched off in Apr'13. Évora 927 kHz 1 kW switched off in Apr'13

>> Further info obtained from RR regards the method applied to decrease the power level of the txs, i.e. instead of dropping tensorion switching off PA modules, the PDM-pulse drift modulation was used.

(Carlos Gonçalves. Dxd 24 Oct)

RUSSIA: All Russian State Television and Radio Broadcasting Company (VGTRK) in 2014 will completely stop broadcasting R. Russia on long wave and medium wave in the regions, as said to Digit.ru an industry source.

This will be another step to reduce the broadcasting of public radio on the far broadcasting in the regions of Russia. As previously reported by Digit.ru, March 14, stopped broadcasting on long and medium wave radio station Mayak after which the station can be heard only in a few dozen cities, where works few transmitters on FM. Deputy General Director Sergei Arkhipov of VGTRK confirmed plans on switching off broadcasting Radio Russia on long wave and to reduce broadcasts on medium wave. He said that Radio Russia in the NE will be turned off where the radio station is broadcasting on shortwave and FM. Reduction of broadcasting will happen, according to Arkhipov, due to the decreased of funding of VGTRK in 2014.

<http://digit.ru/telecom/20131002/406216082.html> (Ivan Lebedevsky via NORDX 4.10.2013)

And here another sad news. Radio Teos, which broadcasts on 1089 kHz, in St. Petersburg, has also reduced their broadcasts, and the new transmission times are 0500-1300 UTC and only on Mondays to Fridays. No more broadcasts on weekends. (www.radioteos.ru via WRTH Facebook 6.10.2013)

SPAIN: RNE: REG/LOCAL schedule in UTC, winter time.

M-F: 0625-0630 REG RN // R5

0650-0700 REG RN // R5

0745-0800 LOCAL R5

0805-0910 REG R5

0830-0845 LOCAL R5

1125-1130 REG R5

1210-1300 REG RN // R5

1830-1900 REG R5

S-Su: 0805-0815 REG R5

1230-1300 REG RN // R5

CEUTA & MELILLA: They produce M-F the RN blocks and the 0745 and 0830 ones on R5

(Mauricio Molano, mwcircle e-group)

SWEDEN: The listenership to Swedish Radio has been given a four-legged increase after animal lovers in northern Sweden hung up portable radios in an attempt to prevent the elk from slipping through thin ice.

According to the local Piteå Tidningen paper at least five elk and a deer have drowned in the region having fallen through the ice over the past week.

Locals in Arjeplog have used various methods in order to get the animals to turn around and avoid the thin patches on the strait which flows into a local lake.

One method involved tying transistor radios to items of clothing and blaring out Swedish Radio (Sveriges Radio) station P4 at maximum volume.

"I have also fired shots into the air to scare them. Today I got four of them to turn around but there must be at least a dozen elk out here in the woods and above," said Michael Karlberg to the PT newspaper.

Arjeplog in northern Sweden has thick snow on the ground with temperatures as low as -14C already recorded this winter.

Another reason for wanting to prevent the deer from wading through is to prevent any threat to the local water supply.

"Animals are an environmental hazard. It is a long time since we rescued alive elk from icy water and we don't want to expose our staff to that kind of danger," said head of rescue services Hans-Eric Jonsson to PT.

In addition to firing shots and playing the radio, locals have also trampled into the snow to make it freeze better and thus make it more secure for the wandering elk.

<http://www.thelocal.se/20131112/swedish-radio-used-to-scare-off-elk> (The Local, 12 Nov13 via Mike Terry DXLD)

TUNISIA

585 Gafsa - 200 kW

630 Tunis/Dje - 300 kW

684 Medenine -50 kW

1485 Borj El Kadra - 1 kW (Report from "Francisco" to Ydun's Medium Wave Info 8.10.2013)

UNITED KINGDOM: The BBC World Service Archive Prototype allows you to search, browse and listen to over 36,000 radio programs from the BBC World Service archive spanning the past 45 years. For a limited time you can explore this archive and help us improve it by validating and adding topic tags that describe the programs. You just need an email address to register for the prototype." More at: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/blogs/internet/posts/An-experiment-with-the-World-Service-Radio-Archive> (Mike Barraclough via DXLD)

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November 15, 2013 update

1. Tim Noonan 33
2. Dennis Vroom 17
3. Greg Hall 11
4. Nigel Pimblett 2

We are just beginning our contest loggings for the season so there is plenty of time to join in the fun! Contest rules appear in the Sept. 14, 2013 SDXM and on the IRCA website.

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