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DX TESTS

Saturday, March 22, 2014 KCKM 1330 Monahans, TX 0100-0130 ELT (Paul Walker)

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FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Have you begun planning for the 2014 Golden Anniversary IRCA Convention yet? Details on the upcoming Convention, hosted by John and Nancy Johnson, appear below. Billings, MT is the host city for this milestone event. The announcement of the TVA and RHA nominations are being run again...there seems to be no nominations for the RHA, and three nominations for the TVA (I will not divulge any further information). The bitter cold is about to release its grip on the Midwest; I, for one, am looking forward to warmer weather! I hope the bitter cold will release its grip on your hometown very soon...I'm sure you're tired of it.

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

- 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-free items available for purchase.

For more information about Lexington Inn & Suites by Vantage go to LexingtonBillings.com Hungry? You'll discover Billings, Montana is filled with numerous places to eat. There is a Johnny Carino's adjacent to the convention hotel. A few blocks away there is a Pizza Ranch. We're planning on a Friday evening get-together at Pizza Ranch where you'll find pizza and broasted chicken are on the buffet. The Saturday night convention banquet will be held at the Montana Rib and Chop House. 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

KCKM 1330 Monahans, TX will be conducting a DX Test on Saturday, March 22, 2014 from 0100 to 0130 ELT (Midnight-0030 CLT). The test will be at full daytime power of 12,000 watts using a non-directional pattern into a five-eighths wave tower. The test will consist mainly of Morse Code, sweep tones and sound effects known to cut through the mud. There will be a few voice announcements spread out throughout the 30-minute test.

Reports sent via E-mail are preferred, but will accept reports submitted via snail mail. If you send an E-mail, please send MP3 attachments only; WAV files would be too big.

E-mail reports are to be sent to bob@kckm1330.com

Snail mail reports can be sent with a CD or cassette cued up to the best part of the reception. The mailing address is:

KCKM AM 1330
Attention: Bob Souza, Owner and General Manager
P.O. Box 990
Monahans, TX 79756

Bob has said a verification post card will be sent. A single stamp is encouraged to help defray the cost of postage. Bob didn't ask for that, but it will be a kind gesture.

If there are any questions or any information left out, Paul will be glad to take your E-mail directly at walkerbroadcasting@gmail.com

(This DX test was arranged by Paul Walker.)

TVA/RHA NOMINATIONS

Nick Hall-Patch – 1538 Amphion St – Victoria BC Canada V8R 4Z6
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We have a Ted Vasilopoulos Award / Ric Heald Award election coming up, the deadline for nominations has passed, and your Election Committee Chair received zero nominations for the RHA, in spite of repeated calls for same on the front page of DX Monitor. (we have three for the TVA, a good showing)

So, I'm asking for your help. As a volunteer editor for the club, and/or a Board member you have perhaps a better idea of who might be worthwhile candidates for these awards, given that you may deal with potential candidates as much as every week during the season.

Could I get any nominations from you for this award as quickly as possible, please?

Again, here is the announcement that was running on the front page of DXM for the better part of two months (so nominations for the ineligible don't arrive):

Nominations are Open for the TVA and RHA for 2013-2014

Ted Vasilopoulos Award (TVA)

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

Evans, Phil Bytheway, Bill Block and Nancy Johnson.

Ric Heald Award (RHA)

Ric Heald was an enthusiastic IRCA volunteer and contributor. In 1995, after his passing, the RHA was created to recognize the IRCA member who most benefited the club in a particularly noteworthy way during the previous year. The following persons have won the RHA in the last three years and are ineligible this year: Kraig Krist, Mike Sanburn and Eric Bueneman.

Best wishes,

Nick Hall-Patch

Elections Committee Chair

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

Robert J. Wien (KG6RJW/3) - 902 Hall Station Drive #104 - Bowie, MD 20721
E-mail: wienbob@aol.com **Column Deadlines: Saturdays**

DATE OF COLUMN: February 8, 2014

Column data span: January 25, 2014-February 8, 2014

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
570	KSNM	Las Cruces, NM	KGRT
920	WCHR	Trenton, NJ	WNJE
1040	WNJE	Flemington, NJ	WCHR
1110	WYRM	Norfolk, VA	WKQA
1120	WMSX	Coral Springs, FL	WBUJ
1240	WBUJ	West Yarmouth, MA	WBAS
1520	WVOH	Spindale, NC	WGTN
1590	KTCH	Wayne, NE	KCTY

FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW INFORMATION
820	WTNW	Jasper, TN	new: "Good Times, Great Oldies"
820	WTNW	Jasper, TN	old slogan: "Tennessee 820"
820	WTNW	Jasper, TN	was Classic Country, now Oldies
850	WTAR	Norfolk, VA	was 24/7 Comedy, now Talk, Fox Sports Radio
860	KONO	San Antonio, TX	new: "CBS Sports Radio 860"
860	KONO	San Antonio, TX	old slogan: "San Antonio's Greatest Hits"
860	KONO	San Antonio, TX	was Classic Hits, now CBS Sports
880	WIJR	Highland, IL	new: "La Tremenda 880 AM"
880	WIJR	Highland, IL	old slogan: "La Ley 880 AM"
900	WILC	Laurel, MD	was Romantica, now Talk (English or Spanish?-EIC)
950	KSEW	Seward, AK	now silent
950	WXGI	Richmond, VA	new: "ESPN Radio 950 AM, Sports Radio FM 100.5"
950	WXGI	Richmond, VA	old slogan: "ESPN Radio 950"
1000	WRTG	Garner, NC	was Spanish Hits, now Regional Mexican
1070	WSCP	Sandy Creek, NY	now silent
1160	WPIE	Trumansburg, NY	new: "Ithaca's Sports Radio"
1160	WPIE	Trumansburg, NY	old slogan: "1160 ESPN Ithaca"
1200	WEMM	Huntington, WV	now silent
1210	WDGR	Dahlonega, GA	was silent, now Ethnic
1230	WLNR	Kinston, NC	was Spanish, now Southern Gospel
1230	WODI	Brookneal, VA	adds slogan: "1230 The Fan"
1230	WODI	Brookneal, VA	was silent, now CBS Sports Radio
1240	KDGO	Durango, CO	new: "Durango's News/Talk Station KDGO"
1240	KDGO	Durango, CO	old slogan: "SW Colorado's News/Talk Network"
1240	KVRC	Arkadelphia, AR	old slogan: "Kix 106.9", new: "News/Talk 1240"

1240	KVRC	Arkadelphia, AR
1240	WSYY	Millinocket, ME
1240	WSYY	Millinocket, ME
1240	WSYY	Millinocket, ME
1290	WDZY	Colonial Heights, VA
1300	WQPM	Princeton, MN
1300	WQPM	Princeton, MN
1320	KOLT	Scottsbluff, NE
1320	WISW	Columbia, SC
1320	WISW	Columbia, SC
1330	WGFT	Campbell, OH
1380	KDXE	North Little Rock, AR

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1380	KRCM	Shenandoah, TX
1380	KRCM	Shenandoah, TX

1380	WABH	Bath, NY
1380	WABH	Bath, NY
1380	WABH	Bath, NY
1400	WPCE	Portsmouth, VA
1410	WELM	Elmira, NY
1410	WELM	Elmira, NY
1410	WELM	Elmira, NY
1410	WMYR	Fort Myers, FL

1450	KQYX	Galena, KS
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1450	KQYX	Galena, KS
1460	WDDY	Albany, NY
1480	WVOI	Marco island, FL

1490	WMPX	Midland, MI
1490	WMPX	Midland, MI
1490	WMPX	Midland, MI

1500	WASN	Youngstown, OH
1500	WASN	Youngstown, OH
1530	WLLQ	Chapel Hill, NC

1530	WLWB	New Holstein, WI
1560	WBYS	Canton, IL
1560	WBYS	Canton, IL
1560	WBYS	Canton, IL
1570	WIGO	Morrow, GA
1590	KCTY	Wayne, NE
1590	KCTY	Wayne, NE
1590	KCTY	Wayne, NE

1640	KZLS	Enid, OK
1660	WCNZ	Marco Island, FL

MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Mike Sanburn of Long Beach, CA sends along the following tips courtesy of the IRCA Digest dated 1/28/14:

(re KEIB-1150 Los Angeles, CA, dated 1/28/14-ye ed) Just heard an ad for Rush Limbaugh tomorrow morning at 9AM so he is on 1150. Now to find out what is happening at KFI 640...Legal ID KEIB Los Angeles!!! Fox news at top of hour. Sean Hannity show at noon on KEIB....Period commentaries by Tom Brokaw. ("An American Story")

Via Mike Sanburn and Glenn Hauser courtesy of the IRCA Digest dated 1/31/14:

According to him (Glenn Hauser-ye ed), it looks like this OK X-bander is ditching the Oldies for Talk. OKLAHOMA. 1640, Jan 31 at 2102 UT check, no news, just "True Oldies" music even at hourtop from KZLS Enid-Hennessey-Oklahoma City. But not for long! Tnx to Artie Bigley for finding this on the reactivated Radiolnsight.com board for Oklahoma, posted by Lance Venta, yet "another" format change for 1640; call change coming too? ---

Via Mike Sanburn and Bruce Portzer courtesy of the IRCA Digest dated 2/8/14:

Family Radio outlet KARR-1460 Kirkland WA, will leave the air at the end of February. According to on-air announcements, the shut down is due to "a number of factors", most notably the non-renewal of the lease for the transmitter site. It's not clear whether this is related to Family Radio's financial difficulties. KARR's transmitter site is in the middle of a residential area, so the property owner may have other (more financially rewarding) uses in mind for the land. It will be interesting to see what impact there will be on Radio Disney KKDZ-1250, which shares the site with KARR at night. (Family Radio recently sold the shortwave station at Okeechobee, FL to Jeff White; the calls were changed from WYFR to WRMI-EIC)

Still out of work but have some possible prospects. Good long column this time. Thanks, Mike for several great contributions to the column as well as people who contributed to those, please send in any tips you may have for publication here. DX test coming up from WFNY-1440 Gloversville, NY on 2/22, I'll give it a try here in Bowie, MD, give it a try no matter where you are! Be sure to support John & Nancy Johnson and the IRCA convention in Billings, MT in 2014. And Happy B-day to Lee Freshwater! 73's. Bob Wien

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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WDXR DEADLINES: Feb. 14, Feb. 21, March 14, March 28, April 11. Please use Eastern Time.

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Drake R8

590 KQNT WA, Spokane 2/4 0856 "KQNT 590" then traffic and weather. (BB-AZ)
600 KCOL CO, Wellington 2/4 0858 with traffic, weather, and "KCOL." (BB-AZ)
650 KMTI UT, Manti 1/31 2049 "Utah's Sports Leader," good. (RB-AZ)
670 KBOI ID, Boise 1/31 1903 end of network news, "It's 5:03 in the KBOI newsroom," good a little before local sunset. (RB-AZ)
690 CBU BC, Vancouver 2/4 0852 with traffic and weather. (BB-AZ)
760 KKZN CO, Thornton 2/5 0901 with "Colorado's Progressive Talk." (BB-AZ)
790 KGHL MT, Billings 2/6 0905 with weather report and "KGHL" at 0909. (BB-AZ)
970 KBUL MT, Billings 2/6 0851 with "You're listening to Billings Mornings News" then "95.5" and weather. (BB-AZ)
1040 WHO IA, Des Moines 1/23 2324 string of local promos for the station, "Newsradio 10-40 WHO," on Hammarlund using extended outdoor Slinky, good over mild ACI. (RB-AZ)
1150 KEIB CA, Los Angeles 2/1 0900 with "KEIB 1150 Los Angeles, The Patriot." Ex-KTLK. (BB-AZ)

It's another "All Arizona" column this week! Nancy 2/7 2100

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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RIDING GAIN

[EB-MO] Eric Bueneman, Hazelwood, MO N0UIHEric@aol.com
GE Superadio III, Yaesu FRG-7, Worcester Space Magnet II.

DOWN THE DIAL

550 KTSA TX, San Antonio. 2/5 fair to poor signal through a nulled KTRS. 03:03 noted with ABC news, a few seconds behind KTRS, local spots, weather forecast, call letters into Red Eye Radio, a few seconds behind KTRS. [EB-MO]
850 WFTL FL, West Palm Beach. 2/5 fair to poor signal over KEYH in KOA null. 03:15 noted with Red Eye Radio, show promo, local and national spots and call letters. [EB-MO]
1310 CIWW ON, Ottawa. 2/5 good to poor signal over WTLC, ACI from KSIV 1320. 02:23 noted with sports scores, "News, talk, sports, 1310 News" ID in promo, into CBS Sports Radio. [EB-MO]
1550 KYAL OK, Sapulpa. 2/5 good to fair over WPFC, WDLR, CBEF. 01:58 noted with multi-station legal ID, promos, "The Sports Animal" and "The Animal" IDs. [EB-MO]

25 YEARS AGO

February 11, 1989 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Bruce Portzer of Seattle, WA mentioned his annual get-together would be held on Saturday, February 18th ... Bob Bennison of Prescott, AZ sent in an article on the Phoenix area station ratings. KNIX FM was number one.

OPEN MIKE

Winter continues in Billings, Montana. There was a record low of -24 degrees just the other day. It's not too early to start thinking about attending the 50th Anniversary IRCA Convention this September. You'll find details in this issue of "DX Monitor." This column was typed 2-8-14. 73, John

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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TUNING THE DIALS THIS ISSUE:

(KK-VA) Kraig Krist (KG4LAC), Manassas, VA
Winradio G33DDC software-defined receiver, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ Imperium loop
(JJR-MI) John J. Rieger, L'Anse, MI
Grundig Satellit 750, Terk AM-1000 loop

ACROSS THE DIAL

540 WXYG MN Sauk Rapids – 2/3 2012 noted with Classic Rock format (The Band, The Beach Boys), call letters into an obscure album cut. A poor signal was noted in a tight CBK null. (JJR-MI)
660 KCRO NE Omaha – 2/4 0729 noted with mention of KCRO-dot-org, call letters and weather forecast. A poor signal was noted, mixing with other stations. (JJR-MI)
660 WAMO PA Wilkesburg – 2/2 1636 noted with R&B format, "...exclusively on the best and hottest hits, WAMO (wham-O) 100" ID by a male announcer. It's been a long, long time since I've heard this Pittsburgh legend. The signal was noted mixing with WFAN and unidentified stations carrying Christian music and talk. (KK-VA)
670 WIEZ PA Lewistown – 2/4 0719 noted with "Crying in the Chapel" by Elvis Presley, some DJ chatter, possible local ad and calls before going into another song. A poor signal was noted in a tight WSCR null. (JJR-MI)
680 WINR NY Binghamton – 2/2 1709 noted with station contest promo: "...Rock and Roll Hall of Fame ceremony in New York; part of the ultimate...listen to win on Oldies 96.9" mention. The signal was mixing with WCBM, WPTF and CFTR. (KK-VA)
680 WOGO WI Hallie – 2/4 0850 noted with "I'm Mark...on 680 WOGO and WOGO-dot-com" mention into ad for Adams Auto Center in Eau Claire. A poor signal was noted; atop the frequency, rather unusual conditions. (JJR-MI)
690 CKGM QC Montreal – 2/2 1902 noted with coverage of Super Bowl XLVIII, "TSN 690, The Voice of the Montreal Canadiens" ID by male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WELD, WOKV, WZAP and Radio Progreso (Cuba). (KK-VA)
690 WOKV FL Jacksonville – 2/2 1727 noted with a rebroadcast of "The Sean Hannity Show", "WOKV First Alert Weather Forecast" mention by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with CKGM, WELD, WZAP and Radio Progreso (Cuba). (KK-VA)
910 KJJQ SD Volga – 2/5 0715 noted with farm news from the Brownfield Agricultural Network, "AM 910 The Ranch" ID into a long list of commodities and ads for businesses in Brookings. A poor signal was noted with other stations nulled. (JJR-MI)
950 CFAM MB Altona – 2/3 2005 noted with "CFAM Radio 950" ID by female announcer into Classical music. A poor signal was noted with WWJ nulled. (JJR-MI)
1050 WJOK WI Kaukauna – 2/3 1830 noted with mention of "...in the Green Bay area on Relevant Radio" into underwriting announcement from American Climate Control. A poor signal was noted; lost at power drop. (JJR-MI)
1060 CKMX AB Calgary – 2/3 2025 noted with "The All New Comedy 1060" ID by female announcer. A poor signal was noted in a KYW null, with possible WLNO in tow. (JJR-MI)
1070 KNX CA Los Angeles – 2/5 0807 noted with "KNX news time 5:07" mention by a male announcer. This station was nice to hear! A poor signal was noted in a tight WTSS null. (JJR-MI)
1080 WOAP MI Owosso – 2/5 0701 noted with legal ID, vocal music in Spanish booming in; "Radio Exitos" slogan at 0706. A poor signal was noted in WNWI null. (JJR-MI)

- 1210 CFYM SK Kindersley – 2/3 0821 noted with “Hits of the ‘50s, ‘60s and ‘70s on Classic Hits 1210” ID, Saskatchewan mentions in morning chatter. A poor signal was noted; no sign of WPHT and other stations. (JJR-MI)
- 1230 KGHS MN International Falls – 2/4 1852 noted with “Keeping the...rockin’ with Good Time Oldies, 1230 KGHS” ID into “Heartbreaker” by Pat Benatar; Oldies format. A poor signal was noted in the mess. (JJR-MI)
(A number of Oldies stations have been playing hits from the early to mid-1980s in recent years-eb)
- 1230 KMRS MN Morris – 2/4 0857 noted with interview with a local high school coach, “on 1230 KMRS” mention, PSA for Senior Lodging Minnesota, giving 1-800-338-2433 as a contact number, “AM 1230 KMRS in Morris” legal ID. A poor signal was noted; this one is rarely heard in L’Anse. (JJR-MI)
- 1240 WATT MI Cadillac – 2/4 0700 noted with “WATT...WATT Cadillac” legal ID into ABC News. A poor signal was noted in the mess. (JJR-MI)
- 1240 KFOR NE Lincoln – 2/3 0824 noted with “in downtown Lincoln” mention by a female announcer; ad for an auction business. A poor signal was noted in the mess. (JJR-MI)
- 1240 WOBT WI Rhinelander – 2/4 0700 noted with legal ID mentioning a translator on 101.3 into a Classic Country format. A poor signal was noted, mixing with WATT in the mess. (JJR-MI)
- 1250 WGL IN Fort Wayne – 2/5 0855 noted with “Oldies 102.9 WGL” ID; the signal was strong for two minutes before fading out. A fair signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 1260 KDUZ MN Hutchinson – 2/5 0934 noted with “...on KDUZ, KARP” mention, “KDUZ” jingle, into ad for AI Sorenson Sales, gave a contact number of 320-687-xxxx. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 1270 WWWI MN Baxter – 2/3 0811 noted with “Welcome to the morning...on 3-W-I” mention. A poor signal was noted in a WXYT null. (JJR-MI)
- 1290 WKLJ WI Sparta – 2/4 0817 noted with “ESPN LaCrosse” ID, followed by ad for Valley View Mall and “Mike and Mike”. A poor signal was noted; dominant before fading. (JJR-MI)
- 1320 WFHR WI Wisconsin Rapids – 2/4 0818 noted with “Misty’s Menu, Highway 13 in Wisconsin Rapids” and “Birthdays on WFHR” mentions. A fair signal was noted, although it dropped quickly. (JJR-MI)
- 1340 KPOK ND Bowman – 2/3 0923 noted with mention of “...Auto Sales on First Street in Bowman”. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 1360 WKYO MI Caro – 2/4 1904 noted with “WKYO Caro” legal ID into Eric Clapton’s rendition of Bob Marley’s “I Shot the Sheriff”. A very poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 1410 KGSO KS Wichita – 2/3 0904 noted with “The All New 1410 KGSO” ID, advertisement for a local bank into Fox Sports Radio. A poor signal was noted, mixing with several others; rarely heard in L’Anse. (JJR-MI)
- 1410 KDKT ND Beulah – 2/3 0844 noted with “Fox Sports 1410” ID, North Dakota farm news, Bismarck area news, ad for a car dealer on Main Street in Beulah. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 1420 WHK OH Cleveland – 2/5 0650 noted with Bill Bennett’s show, local traffic report, “The Bob Vila Minute” and promo for “AM 1420 The Answer, Northeast Ohio’s...” A poor signal was noted with no sign of usual KTOE. (JJR-MI)
- 1490 WMPX MI Midland – 2/4 1934 noted with “Sunny 97-7” ID after area transit ad, into Soft Adult Contemporary format. A poor signal was noted in mess. (JJR-MI)
(John, the AM is still WMPX; WMRX is the FM call, licensed to nearby Beaverton, MI-eb)
- 1520 WHOW IL Clinton – 2/5 0911 noted with Mid-Illinois news, comments from Senator Dick Durbin, weather forecast calling for snow in Illinois and, FINALLY, “on WHOW” mention at 0919. A poor signal was noted, fading in and out with KOKC. (JJR-MI)
- 1520 KSIB IA Creston – 2/5 0919 noted with “when you’re in Creston, please stop by...” mention. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 1570 KAKK MN Walker – 2/5 1027 noted with “KAKK Walker” legal ID, “Classic Hits Radio” mention in passing. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 1580 KDOM MN Windom – 2/5 1035 noted with an ad for Holiday Inn in Owatonna and call letters. It’s been a while since this one was heard. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)

EDITOR’S NOTES

Thanks to Kraig and John for their reports!

This came from John’s log: “Eight NEW logs in January, but nothing yet in February. Still, there were quite a few that misses the ears. Stuff is still out there. Tuning the Terk loop and turning the loop on

the Grundig creates a nice “phasing” effect. Just nice stuff! And, the long nights/short days here make more DX time, I guess. Stuff was still in at 10:30 a.m. CST! God only knows what I missed!”

The days are starting to get longer and warmer...after all this bitter cold, I’m ready for some warmer weather!

73 and good DX from NØUIH

DX WORLDWIDE – WEST / TROPICAL BAND DX
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Deadlines Monday noon PLT.

TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 558 **REP KOREA**, HLQH, Yeong-il, HLQH. Poor to fair w/vocal music //603 1515 2/2. Also 2/4, ballads //603 at 1512 and 1522. (NHP-BC)
+ Fair with long set music at 1451 2/10, //603. (GDB-WA)
+ 1510 2/10 weak signal with music. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 567 **JAPAN**, JOIK, Sapporo, NHK1. Faint western pop vocal 1449 1/18, then man in Japanese 1450, maxing about 1456, fair to good signal; no 594 or 1503 for parallels, though 594 finally poked its nose out at 1458 for a parallel. (NHP-BC)
+ 1524 2/6 poor with woman in Japanese. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1515 2/10 very weak with woman in Japanese. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 594 **JAPAN**, JOAK, Tokyo, NHK1. Pips and faint talk 1200 2/5. (bp-WA)
+ 1349 2/5 fair signal with man and woman in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Very faint talk and pips 1400 2/6. (bp-WA)
+ 1524 2/7 weak signal with woman in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Excellent level Japanese news briefly at 1507 2/8, its strongest audio of the entire season here <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/i9ujvcqvo9cdbcM/594-JOAK-1507z020814SWP.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+ Man in Japanese, unsteady signal briefly good 1508 2/8. (bp-WA)
+ Lively Japanese conversation 1323 2/9. Faded out a few minutes later. (bp-WA)
+ 1352 2/9 weak signal with woman in Japanese. Fair signal at 1515. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1144 2/10 fair signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Very good with Japanese talk at 1438 2/10; strongest low band TP. (GDB-WA)
- 603 **CHINA**, Hulun Buir + **REP KOREA**, HLSA, Namyang. Good level mix at 1458 2/4 with female Chinese speech often at a competitive level with HLSA’s music; Chinese speech continuing through HLSA’s 3+1 pips at the 1500 TOH <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/33p5n2pdr1gnxqx/603-HLSA-China-mix-1458z020414SWP.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+ Female Chinese speech over a weak HLSA at 1457 2/6; these two were competing throughout the morning <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/ux896uv71718oqs/603-China-1457z020614SWP.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
- 603 **REP KOREA**, HLSA, Namyang, 1530 2/4 very weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1530 2/4 very weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ On top of China with interval music, female KBS ID and 3+1 pips at the 1500 2/6 TOH <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/b8ig3a67w6wp1ks/603-HLSA-1459z020614SWP.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+ Fair level interval music, female KBS ID and 3+1 time pips at 1500 2/8 TOH; no sign of usual Chinese co-channel <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/ngqjtz8wzfbuk35/603-HLSA-1459z020814SWP.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+ 1530 2/4 very weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Fair-good at 1500 2/10 TOH with KBS ID and 3+1 pips. (GDB-WA)
+ 1512 2/10 very weak signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 612 **AUSTRALIA**, 4QR, Brisbane. Poor w/male talk, on and off until just past 1400 1/28, when ABC news fanfare was heard, and woman started talking. (NHP-BC)
- 612 **JAPAN**, JOLK, Fukuoka. Man in Japanese //1503 and 594 at 1537 1/21, the strongest of the trio at that time with fair signal, soon giving way to 1503. (NHP-BC)
- 639 **CHINA**, various, CNR1. Weak 1445-1505 2/4, poor to 1510. (SR-OR)
+ Man in Chinese peaking to very good level at 1529 2/4, but still pretty good for the pips on the half hour and the Beijing time check. (NHP-BC)
+ Very poor/poor for only a minute or so 1454 2/5. (SR-OR)
+ Poor-fair at 1507 2/10 with male-female Chinese news. (GDB-WA)
- 648 **RUSSIA**, Razzdolnoye, VOR. Poor-fair under CISL splatter during peak sunrise enhancement 2/10. (GDB-WA)
- 657 **DPR KOREA**, R Pyongyang. Fair-good with female Korean speech at 1504 2/10. (GDB-WA)

- 666 **JAPAN**, JOBK, Osaka, NKH1. Woman in Japanese 1535 1/21 //612, 1503, 594; poor signal. (NHP-BC)
+ 1354 2/9 very weak signal improving to a weak signal with woman in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 693 **JAPAN**, JOAB, Tokyo, NHK2. 1326 2/4 cheery woman talking, sounded like part of language lesson. (bp-WA)
+ Weather 1319 2/5, local ID 1320, then began English lesson "let's start day 3 for the month of February", amid heavy CBU splatter. (bp-WA)
+ 1200 2/6 woman talking, pips, a few bars of music, more talk, very faint in CBU splash. (bp-WA)
+ Weak Japanese talk in the CBU splash 1255 2/7. (bp-WA)
+ Woman in Japanese //774 1329 2/8. (bp-WA)
+ Weather report in CBU splash 1305 2/9. (bp-WA)
+ 1419 2/9 weak signal with woman in Japanese. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1134 2/10 good signal with man in Japanese. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 738 **FRENCH POLYNESIA**, Papeete, Radio Polynesie/France Inter. Woman and man in French 1347 1/26 to past 1405, pretty much the only DX around at this time. Completely readable if the splatter had let up. (NHP-BC)
- 738 **TAIWAN**, Penghu, BEL2. Presumed the one with weak Chinese speech under KCBS splatter at 1507 2/10. (GDB-WA)
- 747 **JAPAN**, JOIB, Tokyo, NKH2. Bits of talk 1157 2/4. (bp-WA)
+ Man and woman with Chinese lesson 1352 2/5. (bp-WA)
+ Bits of talk in 750 splatter 1256 2/6. (bp-WA)
+ Woman with Japanese-like inflections 1327 2/8. (bp-WA)
+ Male talk 1335 2/9. (bp-WA)
+ 1558 2/9 fair weak signal with man in Japanese. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1141 2/10 weak signal with man in Japanese. Heavy splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Fair Japanese speech at 1502 2/10, but troubled by 750-Portland. (GDB-WA)
- 774 **JAPAN**, JOUB, Akita, NHK2. 1321 2/3 English lessons. (bp-WA)
+ Weather report 1318 2/4, then local ID 1320, faded, then back with English lessons 1322. (bp-WA)
+ Briefly good with weather report 1304 2/5, otherwise fair-nil 1248-1401 with the usual assortment of language lessons, talk, etc. (bp-WA)
+ 1353 2/5 weak signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Time pips 1200 2/6, then language lesson. (bp-WA)
+ Weather report 1308 2/7. (bp-WA)
+ Orchestral music, then man in Japanese 1230 2/8. (bp-WA)
+ Rose up briefly 1348 2/9 with English lesson about Winter Olympics, woman talking about curling, then man translating. Otherwise, poor-nil today. (bp-WA)
+ 1407 2/9 fair with man in Japanese. Fair with English lessons at 1507. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1142 2/10 good signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 828 **JAPAN**, JOBB, Osaka, NHK2. 1400 2/3 weak pips. (bp-WA)
+ Faint pips 1300 2/4, weak weather report 1308. (bp-WA)
+ Faint talk 1309 2/5. (bp-WA)
+ 1343 2/5 very weak signal with man in Japanese. Sky wire. (DV-WA)
+ Weak talk and pips 1200 2/6. (bp-WA)
+ Very faint talk 1258 2/7, weak pips 1300. (bp-WA)
+ Faint talk 1340 2/8. (bp-WA)
+ 1400 2/9 weak signal with man in Japanese. Fair at 1420. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1143 2/10 weak signal with woman in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Very good Japanese male speech at 1510 2/10; one of its best signals recently. (GDB-WA)
- 850p **ALASKA**, KICY. Briefly atop KHHO/KOA with man in Russian, then Russian folk song 1248 2/4. Soon faded. (bp-WA)
+p Russian male mixing with KHHO 1242 2/5. (bp-WA)
- 873 **JAPAN**, JOGB, Kumamoto, NHK2. 1401 2/9 very weak signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 909 **CHINA**, Quanzhou, CNR6. Fair strength w/quiet music at 1516 1/24 //1089. (NHP-BC)
- 936p **CHINA**, Anhui. Poor-fair Chinese female speech in and out of noise at 1509 2/10. (GDB-WA)
- 963 **UnID**. 1327 2/7 woman talking weakly thru the 960 splash, probably CRI Russian service but too weak to ID the language. (bp-WA)
- 972 **REP KOREA**, HLCA, Dangjin, KBS. Korean talk 1327 2/3. (bp-WA)
+ 3+1 pips 1300 2/4, fanfare, then woman in Korean. (bp-WA)
+ Conversation in Korean 1333 2/5. (bp-WA)
+ 1357 2/5 very weak with woman talking. Moderate domestic splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Korean talk 1209 2/6 and 1331. (bp-WA)
+ Jovial man and woman talking 1302 2/7. (bp-WA)
+ 1527 2/7 fair signal with music. Domestic splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1309 2/8 man and woman in Korean. (bp-WA)
+ 1508 2/9 good signal with man in Korean. Domestic splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Very good Korean speech over "Freedom 970" at 1510 2/9 <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/hg854jwfmra7ii/972-HLCA-1510z020914SWP.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+ Korean conversation 1517 2/9. (bp-WA)
+ 1500 2/10 fair signal with woman in Korean. Domestic splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Very good Korean male-female conversation at 1511 2/10. (GDB-WA)
- 981 **CHINA**, CNR1. Faint Chinese talk in CKNW splatter 1229 2/5. (bp-WA)
- 981 **UnID**. Faint talk 1241 2/6. (bp-WA)
- 1008 **JAPAN**, JONR, Osaka, ABC. 1408 2/9 fair signal with man in Japanese. First time heard since late October. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1035 **CHINA**, various, CNR1. Man talking, a few words slipping through //1593 at 1532 1/19, musical interlude, and more talk. Poor level. (NHP-BC)
- 1044 **CHINA**, Changzhou, CRI. Woman in Japanese 1527 1/19, fair level, IDed earlier as //5980 at 1518. (NHP-BC)
- 1053 **REP KOREA**, jammer. Very weak but still recognizable 1259 1/23. (NHP-BC)
- 1062 **JAPAN**. 1455 2/9 very weak signal with man in Japanese. Music at 1459, and went through TOH. Many Japanese Independent stations on channel. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1089 **CHINA**, Fuzhou, CNR6. First noted 1/24 1508 1/24 w/jazzy piano, poor strength, but IDed at 1516 w/ //909, both new for me. (NHP-BC)
- 1107 **JAPAN**. 1449 2/9 Very weak with Japanese talk at 1453. Three stations listed on this channel. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1116 **CHINA**, Shaowu, CNR5. No pips at 1500 1/24 excellent strength, but after comparing what I heard with the very fine "How to Identify Chinese Radio Stations" by Mika Mäkeläinen (http://www.dxing.info/articles/identifying_Chinese_radio_stations.dx), there is no doubt I was listening to this: "Zhongyang renmin guangbo dientai, zhonghua zhi sheng" by man then by woman with the distinctive CNR5 interval music beforehand. (NHP-BC)
- 1134 **JAPAN**, JOQR, Tokyo HBC. Good rapid-fire Japanese male-female speech at 1456 2/10; usually KBS here. (GDB-WA)
+ 1503 2/10 weak signal with man singing. Followed by woman in Japanese. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1134 **UnID**. Faint talk in 1130/1140 splatter 1502 2/5. (bp-WA)
- 1170 **CHINA**, Meizhou, CNR1. 1500 1/24. KPUG took a breather to allow the last of Chinese pips, the start of the Beijing time check, then back came KPUG, but could still hear CNR1 interlude music underneath. Poor strength, but clear. (NHP-BC)
- 1170 **REP KOREA**, KBC. Partial pips from somebody, probably KBS u/KPUG 1500 2/4. (bp-WA)
+ Final tone from KBS time pips 1500 2/5 during very brief pause in KPUG audio. (bp-WA)
- 1179t **JAPAN**, JOOR, Osaka. Assumed this, fair to good strength w/high octane Japanese talk by woman followed by pop music 1525 2/5, best on W. Flag. (NHP-BC)
- 1179 **UnID**. Chinese pips 1500 1/24, Chinese sounding talk by man 1514, often mixing w/assumed JOOR, w/Japanese sounding talk. All poor strength, and messy in splash. (NHP-BC)
- 1215 **UnID**. 1443-1445 2/9 very weak signal with man in Asian language. Signal to weak to guess at language. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1224 **JAPAN**, JOJK, Kanazawa. Woman talking //1503 at 1535 1/21, poor signal at best. (NHP-BC)
- 1251 **CHINA**, Jixi, CNR1. Woman talking 1458 2/4 //1593 poor strength, best on north Flag; all the upper band stuff was better on north Flag, lower band was better on the west Flag. (NHP-BC)
- 1269 **JAPAN**, JOFM/JOHW. Esashi/Obihiro. Poor strength 1539 1/24, man talking //1287, but often there were things here not //1287, a mess on both channels. (NHP-BC)
- 1287 **JAPAN**, JOHR, Sapporo, HBC. Fair-good with Japanese talk at 1504 2/10. (GDB-WA)
+ 1518 2/10 weak signal with man in Japanese. Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1314 **JAPAN**, JOUF, Osaka, Radio Osaka Obc. 1441 2/9 very weak signal with woman in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1314 **PHILIPPINES**, DWXI, Parañaque. 1540 1/14 Choral music, similar to the web stream from El Shaddai (<http://tunein.com/radio/El-Shaddai-1314-s99570/>), changed to woman singing 1541, sort of an island flavor, about a minute's delay to web stream, then stringed instrumental 1543, probably the "peak", though it was never more than poor at best. Man talking and responses 1545, a prayer? New one for me at home. Also noted 1/22, choral music followed by man preaching... poor strength, but coincided nicely with the web stream at 539-1541. (NHP-BC)
- 1314 **UnID**. Music 1509 2/5. (bp-WA)
- 1359 **CHINA**, CNR1 synchros. Echoey Chinese talk by woman //1593 and 6175 at 1520 1/24, huge carriers, not much audio. Also 2/4, musical notes, man talking over them, poor strength, //1593 1457. (NHP-BC)
- 1377 **CHINA**, Zhengzhou, CNR1. Man in Chinese //6175 1534 1/19, peaking 1344 at fair level, oriental singing by woman. (NHP-BC)
+ Chinese talk in KRKO splatter 1455 2/4 //1593. (bp-WA)
+ 1517 2/5 assuming the station with threshold audio and Moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

- + In and out of noise with male Chinese speech at 1513 2/10. (GDB-WA)
- 1386t **JAPAN**, JOQC, Morioka. With strongest signal during s/off at 1540-5 1/16, fair to good. Still fading up during the call letter ID, but seemed pretty much "JOQC", which is in NE Honshu with nothing much but salt water until Vancouver Island. (NHP-BC)
- 1422t **JAPAN**, JORF, Yokohama. Assumed w/woman in Japanese 1521 1/29, fair to good audio, the best this has been heard here in a long time. (NHP-BC)
- + 1452 2/10 weak signal with Japanese talk. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1422 **Unid**. Bits of music 1428 2/3. (bp-WA)
- + Weak female talk 1502 2/8. (bp-WA)
- 1458 **CHINA**, Nei Menggu. 1557 2/5 assuming China with poor audio at times. Moderate domestic splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1476 **JAPAN**, NHK2 synchros. Man and woman talking //1386 at 1535 1/21, poor strength and barely there in 1470 racket; opening bars of anthem cut through at 1540 also. That anthem is a regular foghorn... it IDed several NHK2 for me this morning. Also noted 1/24, s/off chimes, poor. //1539 1541, but by 1543 was woman talking. (NHP-BC)
- 1476 **Unid**. Probably China, weak music 1456 2/4, faint echoey 5+1 pips 1500, then music continued. (bp-WA)
- 1503 **JAPAN**, JOUK, Akita, NHK1. Woman in Japanese 1549 1/16 at good to very good level, but had been in somewhat less well at many other times, fairly consistent signal this morning on many occasions. Heard //594 a couple of times, but 594 was a pale shadow in comparison. (NHP-BC)
- + 1527 2/6 weak signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1518 2/7 weak signal with woman in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + Time pips 1500 2/8. (bp-WA)
- + 1512 2/9 weak signal with man in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1507 2/10 weak signal with woman in Japanese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + Good Japanese conversation at 1510 2/10, //594. (GDB-WA)
- 1503 **Unid DU**. 1518 2/7 over/under JOUK with woman and man in English briefly. (DV-WA)
- 1512 **JAPAN**, NHK2 synchros. A little bit of talk 1538 1/21 //1386, poor strength, then the anthem made itself known 1540. Faint chimes in splash 1513 1/26. (NHP-BC)
- 1539 **JAPAN**, NHK2 synchros. Opening bars of the anthem 1540 1/21, poor strength in splash. Also heard 1/29, man talking //1386 1523. (NHP-BC)
- 1557 **TAIWAN**, Kouhu, Music Interactive Network. Fair to good with androgynous pop vocal 1544 1/17; the corresponding webstream was delayed by about 10 seconds. Very good w/ vocal pop music 1/24 1510, and at this level other times also, matching the web stream. (NHP-BC)
- 1557 **Unid**. Music 1502 2/6. (bp-WA)
- 1566 **REP KOREA**, HLAZ, Cheju, FEBC. 1345 2/3 ending the Japanese program. Also quite good 1516 with hymn, then man in Chinese. (bp-WA)
- + Hymn 1326 2/4, then woman in Japanese. Usual close of Japanese service 1344. Much weaker during the opening minutes of the Chinese program, but rebounded in a big way 1411. Mediocre signal during the sunrise enhancement. (bp-WA)
- + 1347 2/4 very weak signal with woman and man in Chinese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1527 2/4 very weak signal with woman in Chinese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1347 2/5 very weak signal with woman and man in Chinese. Excellent signal at 1459 with Chinese ID. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + Heard at 1417 2/5 with talk just above the noise level. (BB-AZ)
- + Weak/medium at times 1450-1520 2/5. (SR-OR)
- + Quite good in Chinese 1457-1530 2/5. (bp-WA)
- + Huge w/man in Chinese 1507 2/5, blowing down the walls. I was constantly surprised by stumbling over it at very good strength various times this morning. (NHP-BC)
- + The star today with a very nice signal and lasting a long time 2/5. (SR-OR)
- + Chinese program 1507 2/6. (bp-WA)
- + 1518 2/6 fair signal with music. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + Japanese program fair-good between about 1230-1325 2/7. The signal peaked at about 1255. It started to drop off 1320 and was pretty much gone after 1335. (bp-WA)
- + 1510 2/7 weak signal with man in Chinese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1331 2/8 briefly good with Japanese woman, otherwise fair-nil today. (bp-WA)
- + 1403 2/9 weak signal with man in Chinese. Good signal at 1510. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + Chinese talk and female song 1506 2/9. (bp-WA)
- + 1146 2/10 good signal with woman in Japanese. Still good at 1508. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + Very good Chinese male speech during religious program at 1505 2/10. (GDB-WA)
- 1575 **CHINA**. Very poor 1459 2/4. (SR-OR)
- 1575 **THAILAND**, Ransom, VOA. Talk in Asian language fair-good 1456 2/4, "this is the Voice of America, Washington DC, signing off" 1459:33, then Yankee Doodle. Seemed to be just an open carrier after 1500. (bp-WA)
- + 1533 2/4 poor signal with bits of audio. Man in Asian language. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

- + 1401 2/5 theme music, then what sounded like news in SE Asian language (listed as Khmer.) (bp-WA)
- + 1500 2/5 good carrier, very low audio. Fair at 1531 with Burmese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + Fair to good strength, "welcome to Voice of America in Burmese" announced by man 1530 2/5, a messy channel w/several carriers including one about 40Hz low. (NHP-BC)
- + 1533 2/6 poor signal with some audio heard. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + Asian talk 1305 2/7. (bp-WA)
- + 1536 2/7 weak to fair signal with woman in Burmese. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + 1404 2/9 weak signal, Fair signal at 1438 with woman in Asian language. Good at 1511. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- + Very good Asiatic language speech at 1455 2/9; strong signals throughout the session <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/g3trgx82b17o2b4/1575-VOA-1455z020914SWP.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
- + Asian talk 1502 2/9. (bp-WA)
- + Good Asiatic language male speech at 1453 2/10. (GDB-WA)
- + 1454 2/10 weak signal woman in Asian language. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1575 **Unid**. Bits of Asian talk 1415 2/3. (bp-WA)
- + Faint talk 1455 2/6. (bp-WA)
- 1584 **JAPAN**, NHK1 synchros. Western pop vocal //1503 1552 1/17. Poor signal; best on north flag. Also noted 1541 1/21, and briefly //1503 1528 1/26. (NHP-BC)
- 1593 **CHINA**, Changzhou, CNR1. Various levels of hugeness after firm ID //6175 at 1514 1/19; probably best at 1548, top overseas signal on the band in more ways than one, and accompanied by a second station, woman singing fluidly, which I believe was my catch of the month (maybe the year?) Taiwan Fisheries (see below). Also CNR1 quite thunderous 2/4, woman in Chinese //6175 1456. (NHP-BC)
- + 1409 2/3 a few syllables now and then during KLFE quiet periods. (bp-WA)
- + Very poor/poor 1450 2/4. (SR-OR)
- + Fair-good Chinese speech through 1590-Seattle splatter at 1452 2/4 <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/ay2pyjnr56zvov9/1593-CNR1-1452z020414SWP.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
- + Very good signal getting mercilessly pounded by KLFE splatter. Managed to catch a few syllables of Chinese talk just before ToH, one of the time pips during very brief KLFE audio pause 1500 2/4, bits of the CNR1 theme music and partial "Zhongyang..." ID 1500:35. Better 1503-1510 with man and woman in Chinese valiantly struggling against the oppressive Capitalist splatter. (bp-WA)
- + 1517 2/5 a few syllables now and then when KLFE stopped to catch its breath. (bp-WA)
- 1593t **JAPAN**, JOTB/JOQB, Niigata, NHK2. S/off anthem then chimes w/CNR1 way under //6175, 1540 1/16, best by far on north flag despite splash from 1600. Almost certain that the ID before the anthem was "JOQB NHK Niigata", but it was still fading up at that time. I might play more with this, as I don't think I've heard a call ID at home. (NHP-BC)
- 1593 **TAIWAN**, Tocheng, Fisheries Broadcast Station. 1548 1/19. While CNR1 was blistering in, there was a woman singing a lilting little number way underneath, that sure sounds like what Taiwan Fisheries archive (<http://www.frs.gov.tw/newweb/live.asp?d=2014/1/19>) says was being played just at 23:48 Taiwan time. By 1550, a woman was talking w/CNR1, and so there was on the archive also... sure do like those archives! (NHP-BC)
- 1593 **Unid**. Poor 1451 2/5. (SR-OR)
- + Faint talk during microsecond pauses in KLFE audio 1515 2/6. (bp-WA)
- 1602 **JAPAN**, NHK2 synchros. S/off chimes 1542 1/16, fair signal. Also noted anthem and chimes 1540-1543 on 1/21, 1/22 and of course 1/24. (NHP-BC)
- + Faint bits of talk 1518 2/5, probably NHK. (bp-WA)
- + Weak pips and faint talk 1500 2/8. (bp-WA)

TRANS ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- 189 **ICELAND**, Gufuskálar, Ríkisútvarpid Rás 1+2. Weak laid back music 0710 1/29. RAS2 webstream had the same music delayed by a few seconds. 0718, man and woman talking, and into a quiet version of "Bang, Bang (my baby shot me down)." New country for me. (207 had a reasonable carrier also, but no audio.) (NHP-BC)

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 700 **MÉXICO**, XEETCH, Etchojoa, Son, La Voz de los Tres Rios. 1314 2/3, rustic song in non-Spanish with frequency to itself; still in at 1329 just before sunrise here but fading: presumed usual XEETCH, which broadcasts in three indigenous languages. (GH-OK)
- + 1315 2/4, rustic Mexican music, hypo announcer, no doubt the regular XEETCH. (GH-OK)
- 1170 **Unid**. 0655 2/5, still trying to pull an ID from a Spanish with KFAQ Tulsa nullled, making 72/minute SAH = 1.2 Hz; seems to be quoting Bible when KFAQ fades a bit. (GH-OK)
- 1180 **MÉXICO**, XEDCH, Ciudad Delicias, Chih. 0711 2/1 tune-in "Ciudad Delicias, Chihuahua" partial ID amid music. Per WRTH 2014, it's XEDCH with 1.5 kW at night; per IRCA it's 250

watts. And Cantú *still* claims the call is XEJK. Whatever, how can this possibly surpass the 34 R Rebelde jammers all over Cuba (per WRTH) on 1180 ranging from 1 to 200 kW, including four of 50 kW? What little RF is coming out of Cuba is easily nulled for XEDCH to dominate, with more QRM from Omaha than Cuba. (GH-OK)

TROPICAL BAND DX ROUNDUP

- 6185 **MÉXICO**, XEPPM. 0639 2/2, XEPPM is still modulating with Spanish music, instead of stopping circa 0600; and it's still undermodulated, but better than usual, yet not enough oomph to overcome 6180 Brasil. Just to be sure, I try to // it to 1060 XEEP, and succeed sufficiently amid the QRM there. Wolfgang Büschel also heard 6185- past 0600, 18 Hz low, and declared that "Aoki is wrong," but I say it's just another instance of variable closing on 6185; don't count on it to continue, nor even all-night as it once was. (GH-OK)
- + 0604 2/3, XEPPM is again still modulating Spanishly past nominal 0600*, ACI from Brasil. (GH-OK)
 - + 0625 2/4 check, XEPPM is completely off, no modulation and no carrier either; on 2/2, Wolfgang Büschel heard them until 0700. (GH-OK)

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