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IRCA welcomes Brian Rachford in Prescott AZ. Report often (and that goes for the rest of you as well!!) Seattle deadline is Monday 4 PM PLT.

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IRCA ELECTIONS – Nick Hall-Patch – 1538 Amphion St – Victoria BC V8R 4Z6 E-mail: nhp@ieee.org

## Nominations for the IRCA 2015 Elections

IRCA members, it is time to think about who you would like to represent you as the next club President, Secretary Treasurer and Board of Directors. Their terms will start on September 15th, 2015 per the IRCA Constitution, Article III, Section 5, Part 2. Nominations will be open for President, Secretary-Treasurer, and seven members of the Board of Directors from December 1st, 2014 through January 15th, 2015. Only one nomination each for President, Secretary-Treasurer, and only seven nominations for the Board, shall be allowed each IRCA member. An eligible member may nominate his or herself. All nominations must be submitted in written (e-mail) form to the ECC by January 15th, 2015. IRCA's Election Committee Chairman (ECC) is Nick Hall-Patch, who can be contacted via email at: nhp@ieee.org

## Nominations Are Open for the TVA and RHA for 2014-2015

#### 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: **Nick Hall-Patch**, **Lee Freshwater**, **Richard Evans**, **Phil Bytheway** and **Bill Block**.

#### 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: Mark Connelly, Kraig Krist and Mike Sanburn.

All nominations, including a brief statement supporting the nomination, should be sent to Nick Hall-Patch, at nhp@ieee.org All nominations must be received no later than February 15 2015.

#### 2015 SWL Fest

The North American Shortwave Association will have its annual SWL Fest February 27-28 outside of Philadelphia. The exact venue is to be selected, but the recent ones have been at the Doubletree Hotel in Plymouth Meeting PA. The details will be posted on their Fest will be on their web page, http://www.swlfest.com/.



#### BROADCASTING INFORMATION – Robert J Wien – 14051 Belle Chasse Blvd #415 – Laurel MD 20707 E-mail: wienbob@aol.com Phone: 301-477-3733 Column Deadlines: Saturdays

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#### FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES

CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW INFORMATION
WJAG	Norfolk, NE	adds ESPN Radio Network
WCBX	Bassett, VA	now silent
KSEI	Pocatello, ID	was sports, now oldies, new slogan: "Oldies 930"
WWIO	St Marys, GA	now silent
WMOR	Morehead, KY	now silent
WFNS	Blackshear, GA	now silent
WOTE	Clintonville, WI	was adult standards, now ESPN Radio Network, old slogan: "1380 The Lounge", new: "ESPN 1380"
KAMI	Cozad, NE	was religious teaching, now new unknown format
WIXK	New Richmond, WI	was classic country, now ethnic
	WCBX KSEI WWIO WMOR WFNS WOTE KAMI	WJAG Norfolk, NE WCBX Bassett, VA KSEI Pocatello, ID WWIO St Marys, GA WMOR Morehead, KY WFNS Blackshear, GA WOTE Clintonville, WI KAMI Cozad, NE

Very short column this time due to Thanksgiving holiday I guess!! Well, we are well into the holiday season, hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and are looking forward to an even greater Xmas. DX season is in full swing now, please send any broadcasting changes you may have to this column, they are much appreciated. 73's. Bob Wien

## CANADIAN RADIO NEWS - Dan Svs

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For November 2014 (December 1 2014 - next update January 1 2015)

## **CALL LETTER DATA**

1340	ON	Temagami	CBEU	Will become CBCS-1 when flip to 106.1 occurs.
				BRANDINGS
1040	QC	Saint Constant	CJMS	From CJMS to 1040 AM.
				TECHNICAL CHANGES ON THE AIR
1150	SK	Estevan	CJSL	Moved from 1280. 10,000 watts fulltime.
				AM TO FM CONVERSIONS GRANTED
1340	ON	Temagami	CBEU	Move to 106.1 with 50 watts.
				TECHNICAL CHANGES GRANTED
1150	ON	Hamilton	CKOC	Reduce night power from 50,000 to 20,000 watts (daytime power will remain 50,000 watts)

#### **CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS**

WA Oak Harbor **KRPA** Ordered to immediately stop broadcasting South Asian programming originating in Canada. The directive has been 1110 complied with. 1550 WA Ferndale **KRPI** Ordered to immediately stop broadcasting South Asian programming originating in Canada. The directive has so far been

**KVRI** 1600 WA Blaine Ordered to immediately stop broadcasting South Asian programming originating in Canada. The directive has so far been

ignored.

## PROPOSED OWNERSHIP CHANGES

1280 QC Montreal **CFMB** From CFMB Limited to the Evanov Radio Group



WESTERN DX ROUNDUP – Nancy Johnson – 2922 S Olivewood – Mesa AZ 85212-2923 E-mail: NancyJohnson@prodigy.net

WDXR DEADLINES: Dec 12, Dec 19, Dec 26, Jan 2, Jan 9, Jan 16, Jan 23, Jan 30, Feb 6 and Feb 13. Please use Eastern Time.

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(RB-AZ2) DXing from BLM wilderness near Superior AZ with Grundig Satellit 750 & Radio Shack 20-629

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(NP)

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Drake R8, Grundig S350, Sangean DT400W @ home

(SW-ID) 1991 Ford Probe car radio @ work parking lot in Coeur d'Alene, ID

## OF SPECIAL INTEREST

HI, Kahului is on the air with Gospel music, "The Spirit of Maui." CP for 5kw, but currently running 1kw according to a Scandinavian DXer I got an 1240 KEWE e-mail from. I tried tonight, but not heard as yet here on the coast. PO Box 1437, Wailuku HI 96793. They also have an FM and a website. The first GYer Hawaii has had since the 60s when KTOH moved from 1490 to 1350 kHz. This should be a good challenge for even the DXer on the West Coast. But once they boost to 5kw, it should be easier when conditions are decent. The station was logged by a DXer in Finland already. It came on Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>. (PM-OR)

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570 KCFJ CA, Alturas 11/23 1931 at first I was puzzled over who could be playing NOS music loud & clear until I heard local ads and a KCFJ sung jingle. Only second time ever heard and the first was years ago. (SW-WA)

CA, Los Angeles 12/3 0715 sports talk, two co-hosts – one with a distinct Chicago accent. Good with a few long deep fades. (RB-AZ) KS, Topeka 12/2 weak, 0025 with spot, "WIBW" mention during promo for wibwnewsnow.com web site. (JCJ-AZ) NE, Omaha 12/1 2200 heard with "KXSP." (BB-AZ) KI AC

580 WIBW

590 KXSP

600 **KSJB** ND, Jamestown heard at 1932 with several ads for the Jamestown area, then sports at 1935. (BB-AZ)

WSM TN, Nashville 12/1 2000 weak but on top while looking for KGAB. Mentioned the "Music City" just before TOH ID. I'm sure it's been over 25 years 650 since I last heard WSM from here. (SW-WA)

MB, Winnipeg 11/22 2217 normally dominant KNBR faded down momentarily to reveal CJOB giving their call letters. I just happened to be dialing 680 CJOB by on the Grundig. Another one I've only heard once years ago. (SW-WA) CO, Denver 11/28 1918 traffic report and then "KNUS." (BB-AZ)

710 KNUS

CA, Costa Mesa 12/3 0830 relig service with responsive readings over/under KCBS. Not heard until bottom of the hour. First log here. I've wanted 740 KBRT this one for a while, so I knew what to listen for. (RB-AZ)

**KCBS** CA, San Francisco 12/3 0825 local spots, "here in the Bay Area," very good with loop null of local KIDR. (RB-AZ)

760 KTKR TX, San Antonio 12/2 2145 some local spots, return to live p-b-p, college hoops Iowa St vs Texas. (RB-AZ)

770 KKOB NM, Albuquerque 11/29 0949 "KKOB dot com," fair well after daybreak. (RB-AZ2)

KKOH NV, Reno 11/29 1004 morning news, co-hosts, ID "Newstalk 780 K(K)OH," "Northwest Reno." Not usually heard this late in local morning. (RB-AZ) 780

CO, Brighton 12/1 1832 with "Where Love Lives KLVZ." (BB-AZ) 810 KLVZ

UT, Saint George 11/28 0905 Osgood File to woman with local news, ID. (RB-AZ2) 890 KDXU

MN, Aikin 12/1 0700 ID as "KKIN Aikin, Red Zone Sports Radio 930" ID at the hour, then ABC Sports Radio update. (NP-AB) 930 KKIN

940 **KGMS** 

AZ, Tucson 11/29 2199 with "KGMS Tucson and KNXN 1470." (BB-AZ)
WI, Fort Atkinson 11/29 0600 under KPSZ with weak but clear WFAW call ID and mention of 940wfaw.com website. (NP-AB) WFAW

950 KJTV

TX, Lubbock 11/30 0905 with "AM 950 and 100.7" then weather report for Lubbock. (BB-AZ)

TX, San Angelo 11/29 0758 with "We report it, you talk about it, KGKL," than at 0759 "Newstalk KGKL San Angelo." (BB-AZ) 960 KGKL

1000 KKIM NM, Albuquerque 11/28 0930 man with religious lecture to woman with local weather, ID at BoH. No change in signal level from before daybreak.

1010 KIHU ÙT, Tooéle 11/21 1800 weak, mentioned "Immaculate Heart Radio" into TOH ID. Last heard years ago with SS format & different calls. (SW-WA)

1040 WHO IA, Des Moines 11/29 0030 p-b-p broadcast, sounded like replay of Nebraska vs Iowa football game played earlier Friday. Good, mixing with UnID Mexican station. (RB-AZ2)

UT, Roy 11/28 1113 steady & strong, occasionally fighting with UnID Spanish language station on the channel. (RB-AZ2) 1120 KANN

AZ, Prescott Valley 11/30 1300 with mention of "Your talk of the quad cities" and a "KQNA Prescott Valley" ID. (JCJ-AZ) 1130 KONA

NV, Las Vegas 12/4 1020 sports talk, man & woman. Shaky but good level signal well after local sunrise. (RB-AZ) 1140 KXST

SK, Estevan 11/29 0600 "CJ 1150 weather" by a woman, mixing with KSAL. My first log of them since the move from 1280. (NP-AB) 1150 CJSL

CA, San Jose 11/28 0947 string of local & national spots, mentions of the "Bay Area." Very good just after local daybreak. (RB-AZ2) 1170 KLOK OK, Tulsa 11/28 2000 "Oklahoma's News Source," to news and more Ray Rice updates. This station is very reliable, but often covered over by **KFAQ** 

Trios Norteno music at times when conservative talk show hosts are on the topic of immigration. (RB-AZ2) 1190 KEX OR, Portland 11/30 1933 with traffic and weather, then "Newstalk1190.com." (BB-AZ)

1210 **KGYN** 

OK, Guymon 11/28 0758 "U.S. Country, 12-10 KGYN." (RB-AZ2)

WY, Newcastle 12/3 0901 end of country song, then ID "Your home for today's country... this is 1240 KASL Newcastle, broadcasting live on the 1240 KASL world wide web..." then ABC news. (NP-AB)

1260 KBSZ AZ, Apache Junction 11/2 2030 clips of standup comedy. Excellent reception from this BLM site between Apache Junction and Superior. Log corrected from my last report when I was interrupted in between what should have been two logs. (RB-AZ2)

1270 KDJI AZ, Holbrook 12/4 mixed with two unID Mexican stations. 0100 out of C2C and spots with "KVWM 970 Show Low and 1270 AM KDJI Holbrook" ID into Fox News. (JCJ-AZ)

1280 KCNI NE, Broken Bow 12/2 1759 end of country song, then announcer gave KCNI ID during rundown of sports coverage, also mentioned sister station KBBN. New one for me. (NP-AB)

1290 KAZA CA, Gilroy 11/27 0820 Spanish language program on Catholic Church, "Papa Francisco." Dominant and steady with no CCI. (RB-AZ2)

- 1320 KFNZ UT, Salt Lake City 11/29 1345 presumed the one with man & woman with talk about NBA basketball. Dominant & steady. Muddled ID at ToH due to propagation, but his one is very reliable so I'm making the call. (RB-AZ2)

  NM, Gallup 11/29 0840 long talk by man in Navajo with mentions of "Santa Claus," then to country song. Good, just over an UnID. (RB-AZ2) 1330 KGAK SO, San Luis Rio Colorado 11/28 1313 "Radio Centro." (RB-AZ) AZ, Sierra Vista 11/29 0857 with string of local spots. (RB-AZ2) 1350 XELBL KTAN 1420 BC, Vancouver 12/1 0300 good, ethnic Asian programming, relatively common here except that I haven't caught an EE ID on them in years: 1470 CJVB "Multicultural Radio CJVB, Fairchild Radio" into Asian language. (SW-WA) 1490 KYCA AZ, Prescott 12/2 mixed with numerous others. 0100 with "News 1490, this is KYCA Prescott" ID. (JCJ-AZ) 1530 **KFBK** CA, Sacramento 11/29 1115 faint but audible well into mid-morning with male announcer. (RB-AZ) 1560 KNZR CA, Bakersfield 11/28 0956 "KNZR Bakersfield, the talk radio leader." A bit after local daybreak, and steady. (RB-AZ2) 1580 KREL CO, Colorado Springs 11/30 2248 fair, gave local weather forecast then call and back into Fox Sports. New here! (SW-WA) NM, Albuquerque 12/5 0030 with Albuquerque spots, long deep fades, 0059 spots and then ID "New Mexico's only twin channel rock of talk 95.9 1600 KIVA FM and KIVA Albuquerque." (JCJ-AZ)
  CA, Sacramento 11/28 2015 male with religious lecture. (RB-AZ2) 1620 KSMH IA, lowa City 11/30 2024 weak with ads for Iowa City and gave "Mighty 1630" slogan. Heard them a couple times when they first came on years 1630 KCJJ ago and not since until now. (SW-WA) 1650 KBJD CO, Denver 11/30 2300 weak but alone with Spanish format, but gave English ID. Another one that was heard when they first took to the air in a less crowded X-band and not heard since until now. (SW-WA) 1660 KQWB ND, West Fargo weak, C&W, gave "Willie at 1660" and "Willie 1660 AM" slogans. They are slightly more common for me as I heard them once last year as an oldies station. (SW-WA) (Date & time? - NJ) LINIDS 1100 UNID 11/29 1205 Mexican National anthem, unable to copy ID, loop null of KFNN. (RB-AZ) 1420 UNID 11/29 0900 sports results, "Fox Sports!" (RB-AZ2) The next column deadline is Friday December 12. - Nancy 12/5 2100 CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP – John C Johnson – 2922 S Olivewood – Mesa AZ 85212-2923 E-mail: John\_Johnson@prodigy.net CDXR reports ONLY: cdxr@ircaonline.org RIDING GAIN [EB-MO] Eric Bueneman, Hazelwood MO NOUIHEric@aol.com GE Superadio III, Yaesu FRG-7, Worcester Space Magnet II. [RD-NE] Rick Dau, South Omaha NE drummer1965us@hotmail.com Kenwood R-5000, Quantum QX Pro loop [FTS-MN] Todd Skaine, Woodbury MN todftscytj7707@gmail.com Sony ICF 2010, GE Superadio II, Grundig S350, Grundig M400, Toyota car radio. [FTS-WI] DXing with car radio just outside Hudson WI **DOWN THE DIAL** IL, Chicago. 11/29 1156 on top of WEBC's weakened night pattern. [FTS-WI] WY, Orchard Valley. 11/29 1341 big surprise here. [FTS-WI] TN, Nashville. 1313 very weak u/WNMT with country music. [FTS-WI] 560 WIND 650 KGAB **WSM** WI, Oshkosh. 11/29 1313 very weak u/KFXN. NEW! [FTS-WI] 690 WVCY 700 WIW OH, Cincinnati. 11/29 noticed all day. [FTS-WI] MI, Detroit. 11/29 1242 in very well briefly against major KUOM slop. [FTS-WI]

  IN, Indianapolis. 12/2 poor in strong WCCO 830 IBOC hash, even with WHB. 16:59 with three IDs in English. KBHB soon overtook 810. [FTS-MN] 760 WJR 810 WSYW KOA CO, Denver. 11/29 1315 occasionally on top of WWJC and a weaker WAIT w/college football talk. [FTS-WI] 850 SK, Saskatoon. 11/29 1356 another surprise with La Premier. [FTS-WI] 860 CBKF2 930 KRKY CO, Granby. 11/29 fair to poor signal, mixing with WTAD, WSFZ, WKY. 0320 noted with Country format, "KRKY" jingle, "We are Country radio" slogan. CO#25 and #20 on 930 from Hazelwood. [EB-MO] +12/5 1833 – Fair to good in KYFR splash with "KRKY" and "101.9" clearly heard in local promo. [RD-NE] 960 WABG MS, Greenwood. 12/4 fair to poor signal, mixing with KMA. 0439 noted with "Nine-60 WABG AM, the best Classic Rhythm and Blues" slogan into Blues format. [EB-MO] 970 WGFF WI, Superior. 11/29 stronger than normal all day. Not part of the Gopher network FYI. [FTS-WI] 1000 WMVP IL, Chicago. 11/29 1144 mixing weakly with KXRB. [FTS-WI] MN, Thief River Falls. 11/29 1511. Echoing seconds behind KWNO with Gopher Football. [FTS-WI] 1230 **KTRF** KY, Scottsville. 11/29 fair signal over WSSP, KYYS. 0422 noted with "12-50 WLCK" ID into Christmas music. [EB-MO] 1250 WLCK 1330 CJYM SK, Rosetown. 11/29 1524 with '60s oldies. [FTS-WI] WRAM IL, Monmouth. 1511 11/29 ID into country song. NEW! [FTS-WI] 1340 **KDLM** MN, Detroit Lakes. 11/29 1515 Heard w/gopher network. [FTS-WI] TN, Cleveland. 12/4 fair to poor signal, mixing with WLOK, WSOY, KXEO and other stations on frequency. 0354 noted with "News, talk 13-40 **WBAC** WBAC" ID before fading into the multitude. TN#105 from Hazelwood. [EB-MO] 1350 WKCU MS, Corinth. 12/4 fair to poor signal, mixing with KRNT, WTDR. 0258 noted with Tupelo area spots, barely pulled legal ID through the mess into ESPN Sports Center All Night. [EB-MO] 1380 KCIM IA, Carroll. 11/29 1004 Weather report back to rock classics. [FTS-WI] 1410 KRWB MN, Roseau. 11/9 1147 with '80s oldies. On top of channel. Shocked at this and shifted gears to aim for NW. [FTS-WI] WI, Plymouth. 11/29 1120 poor-fair mixing w/WOC u/KTOE. [FTS-WI] 1420 W.JUB IA, Davenport. 11/29 1120 fair mixing with WJUB u/KTOE w/talk show. [FTS-WI] WOC 1450 KZZJ ND, Rugby. 12/1 1830 - Atop with local sports report sponsored by a Rugby lumber company and credit union, First time heard here in over 3 years. [RD-NE] 1460 WBOG WI, Tomah. 11/291132 poor u/KDWA with oldies music. NEW! [FTS-WI] 1470 KHND ND, Harvey 11/29 1149 MoR music //web stream. New! [FTS-WI] MO, Rolla. 11/19 2200 - Atop with Missouri S&T (yes, that's the name of the college!) basketball vs. Univ of Missouri-Kansas City. Confirmed via 1490 KTTR web stream. After being off since Monday evening 11/17, my local on 1490, KOMJ, returned to the air with the full 1 Kw at 1713 ELT on Friday 11/21. The silence was nice while it lasted, as I am now in double digits on each of the 6 GY frequencies from here in South Omaha. [RD-NE] **KXLQ** IA, Indianola. 11/18 1851 – Fair with promo for Hawkeye Huddle sports talk program "Tuesdays from 5-6 on 1490 The Jock". The bed music for the promo was the lowa Marching Band's rendition of "In Heaven There Is No Beer". [RD-NE] MN, Rochester. 11/29 1045 back on day power. [FTS-WI] 1520 KOLM
- 1690 KDDZ **CO**, Denver. 11/29 1032 fair WVON w/Radio Disney. [FTS-WI]

MI, Ada. 11/29 1546 presumed the one w/OC. [FTS-WI]

CO, Denver. 11/29 1006 Fair w/KCNZ Spanish programming. [FTS-WI]

NJ. Lindonwold, 11/29 1612 SS mx verified via web stream, [FTS-WI]

LA, Monroe. 1008 ID into more country music and gone. Catch of the morning! [FTS-WI]

FL, Winter Park. 11/29 1550 lady w/commercial into old record song. Very weak u/KRJO. [FTS-WI]

1530

1650

1680

**KVDW** 

**KBJD** 

KRJO.

**WOKB** 

**WPRR** 

WTTM

AR, England. 11/29 fair, deep fades mixing with KQSP and occasionally WCKY. 00:19 with Black Gospel music matching web stream. [FTS-MN]

#### 25 YEARS AGO

25 years ago, December 10 1988 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... New members included Rick Dau of Oakland IA ... Frank Merrill of Macomb IL mentioned his totals from DXing in Milan MI in the 1960s totaled 2,500 loggings ... **John Clemmer** of East Moline IL commented on attending the Louisville convention and touring WHAS was a highlight ... **Gary Siegel** of Toledo OH told about WDRU 1030 changing to WUFL.

#### **OPEN MIKE**

Todd Skaine discovered some great daytime DX 10 miles from his home. Normally CDXR does not include band-scans, but Todd asked that these be included. Have you joined this year's DX Contest? The Numberama contest is in full swing. This column was typed 12-5-14. 73, John

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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, Sangean ATS-909X with stock antennas

#### **ACROSS THE DIAL**

- MN, Sauk Rapids 11/25 0731 noted with "Stairway to Heaven" by Led Zeppelin; "540 WXYG" ID said twice. A very poor signal was noted with 540 WXYG CBK nulled. (JJR-MI)
- 580 WKSK NC, West Jefferson - 11/21 1742 noted with "...right here on WKSK" ID by a male announcer, into a North Carolina Works PSA. The signal was
- noted mixing with WCHS, WHP and an unidentified Oldies station. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your Oldies station could be CKWW Windsor ON eb)

  NE, Omaha 11/25 0800 noted with legal ID and the Mike and Mike show from ESPN Radio. A poor signal was noted, with no sign of WJMS or 590 KXSP WKZO. (JJR-MI)
  - **WCAB** NC, Rutherfordton - 11/21 1742 noted with ad for Broadway Tire Service by a male announcer. At 1823, "Today's Best with a Blend of Yesterday's Memories, WCAB" ID by a female announcer was noted. The signal was noted mixing with WLES, WDWD, WEZE, and unidentified stations playing Oldies and Spanish vocal music. (KK-VA)
- ON, North Bay 11/28 1755 noted with "Today's Best Country, AM 600 CKAT North Bay" legal ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted 600 CKAT mixing with WBOB, WMT, WCAO, CMKV and an unidentified vocal music station. (KK-VA)

  IA, Cedar Rapids – 11/28 between 1625 and 1905 noted with college football talk on "The Huddle". The signal was noted mixing with WBOB,
  - WMT CKAT, WCAO, Radio Rebelde (CMKV – eb) and an unidentified station with vocal music. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your unidentified station could very well be WVAR Richwood WV; it's been noted in Hazelwood – eb)
- KY, Russellville 11/28 1728 noted with an Oldies format, "61 WRUS" ID by a male announcer, followed by an ad for a car dealer in Russellville and the Russellville Rock and Roll Community Calendar. This is a new station in my logbook. The signal was noted mixing with WTVN and an 610 WRUS
  - unidentified talk station. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your unidentified talker could either be WIOD Miami FL or, if it's sports, KCSP Kansas City MO eb)

    OH, Columbus 11/28 1626 noted with "News Radio 610 WTVN" ID. The signal was noted mixing with WRUS and an unidentified talk station. WTVN (KK-VA)
- 620 CKRM SK, Regina - 11/26 0742 noted with a mention of "-20 at CKRM" into information from the Regina Public Library. A fair and loud signal was noted with no sign of WTMJ. (JJR-MI)
  - FL, Saint Petersburg 11/28 1800 noted with mention of the "Tampa Bay Sports Morning Show" and a "620 WDAE... and 95.3 FM" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WHEN, WGCV, WVMT, WKHB, Radio Rebelde (CMBA eb) and what sounded like Russian talk. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your Russian talk may be coming out of WSNR Jersey City NJ eb)

    NY, Syracuse 11/28 1644 noted with "WHEN, Syracuse, New York's only R&B" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WGCV, WVMT, WDAE, WKHB, CMBA and what sounded like Russian talk. (KK-VA) WDAF
  - WHEN
  - SC, Cayce 11/28 1638 noted with Urban Gospel music, "Inspiring another, 620 AM and 105.1 FM, WGCV" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WHEN, WVMT, WDAE, WKHB, CMBA and what sounded like Russian talk. (KK-VA) (There are two different ways the WGCV vown's name is pronounced; one is "Case", another is "Casey". – eb)

    VT, Burlington – 11/28 1746 noted with "Dennis Miller on News/Talk 620 WVMT" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with
  - **WVMT**
- WHEN, WGCV, WDAE, WKHB, CMBA and what sounded like Russian talk. (KK-VA)

  MN, Saint Paul 11/22 2037 noted with "Radio Rey" ID in Spanish. An excellent signal was noted, at armchair level! This is rarely in this well! 630 WRFY
- (JJR-MI) (The calls are WREY, not WDEY eb)

  GA, Atlanta 11/28 1646 noted with the Dave Ramsey show, "Traffic on Talk Radio 640 WGST" mention by a male announcer into a traffic report. 640 WGST The signal was noted mixing with WWJZ, WCRV, CFMJ, Radio Progreso (CMBC - eb) and another sporting event. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your station carrying a sporting event could be either: WXSM Blountville TN or WFNC Fayetteville NC - eb)
  - **WCRV** TN, Collierville – 11/28 1754 noted with "Proclaiming the Power of God's Word at AM 640 and 100.7 FM; this is Bott Radio Network, WCRV Collierville/Memphis" legal ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WWJZ, WGST, CFMJ, CMBC and another sporting event. (KK-VA)
- SK, Gravelbourg 11/23 0800 noted with chatter in French by male and female announcers, "Ici Radio Canada" ID given three times into the news in French. A poor but steady signal was noted; alone on the channel. (JJR-MI) 690 CBKF1
- **KCFG** 780
- CO, Fountain 11/25 0727 noted with "AM 780 KCEG" ID into a Country format. A poor signal was noted in a WBBM null. (JJR-MI)

  MN, Wilton/Bemidji 11/25 0900 noted with legal ID with KPRM-FM 97.5 into CBS News. WBKK and KPRM-FM simulcast during morning drive 820 WBKK only. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 900 KTIS MN, Minneapolis – 11/24 0825 noted with frequent "Faith Radio" IDs in a talk with a doctor. A poor signal was noted; soon lost to CHML. (JJR-MI) WATK WI, Antigo - 11/22 2144 noted with "Classic Hits 98-7" ID into "Should I Stay or Should I Go?" by The Clash. A poor signal was noted in a CHML null. (JJŘ-MI)
- ND, Minot 11/23 0747 noted with "Country 91 KCJB" ID by a female announcer into a Classic Country format. A poor signal was noted with no 910 KCJB
- sign of WFDF. (JJR-MI)

  NY, Buffalo 11/21 1745 noted with talk on how to get through the storms; very local! A poor signal was noted, but over other stations. (JJR-MI) 930 WBEN
- IL, Carthage 11/21 0909 noted with mention of "on Highway 36 in Hamilton, IL", followed by a weather forecast with a high forecast at 44 990 WCA7 degrees. A fair signal was noted, although CBW was in within one minute. (JJR-MI)
- 1060 KNLV NE, Ord – 11/25 0752 noted with "KNLV" jingle into "The Loco-Motion" by Grand Funk Railroad. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- KSOU IA, Sioux Center - 11/25 0749 noted with "KSOU 1090 AM" ID following an Oldie. A poor signal was noted with no sign of WAQE. (JJR-MI) 1090
- MI, Detroit 11/24 0900 noted with call letters, "1130 The Fan" ID. A fair signal was noted, wiping out everything. This is not common in L'Anse. 1130 WDFN (JJR-MI)
- 1140 CHRB AB, High River - 11/26 0800 noted with High River online weather, a weather report mentioning a temperature of -5 Celsius, "Southern Alberta's AM 1140" ID. A fair and loud signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 1230 KGHS MN, International Falls - 11/24 0947 noted with mention of the Country Market in International Falls. A poor signal was noted; alone on channel. (JJR-MI)
  - **KDIX** ND, Dickinson - 11/22 0735 noted with "KDIX" ID going into a musical selection (AC/Oldies format - eb). A very poor signal was noted, though clear over a big mess. (JJR-MI)
- 1240 KCCR SD, Pierre – 11/25 0744 noted with "Wired to Hunt Radio", "KCCR Time" mention, weather report with a temperature of 25 degrees into obituaries. A poor signal was noted in the mess. (JJR-MI)
- 1280 CFMB QC, Montreal - 11/25 0823 noted with talk in French by male and female hosts. A poor signal was noted, wiping out anything on the channel. (JJR-MI) (The postal abbreviation for Quebec is now "QC", changed from "PQ". – eb)
- 1300 WQPM MN, Princeton – 11/24 0931 noted with "Your Dependable Neighbor, the Big Q" ID into local news. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)

- 1310 KGLB MN, Glencoe 11/21 0931 noted with "Classic Hits 1310 KGLB" ID between two Classic Country songs. A poor signal was noted in a tight null.
- (JJŔ-MI)
- 1320 KHRT ND, Minot 11/23 1925 noted with call letters. A poor and steady signal was noted; alone on the channel. The rest of the band was dead at this time. (JJR-MI)
- 1440 KKXL ND, Grand Forks 11/26 0821 noted with mention of the "Fighting Sioux" and "in other North Dakota..." A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- 1470 KWAY IA, Waverly 11/21 1037 noted with a news story on the Hy-Vee supermarket chain, a weather forecast mentioning 44 degrees on Sunday, "The Winner, AM 1470" ID. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
  - WFNT MI, Flint 11/25 0906 noted with an ad for the Michigan Kubota Dealers, followed by a time check and call letters. A poor signal was noted with no sign of WMBD. (JJR-MI)
- 1490 KOMJ NE, Omaha 11/25 0739 noted with a "Magic 1490, Magic 1490" sweeper into "On Broadway" by George Benson. A poor signal was noted in the mess; a new station logged in L'Anse. (JJR-MI)
  - KOVC ND, Valley City 11/24 0925 noted with mention of "in Valley City", followed by "Dakota Country Weather", reporting sunny conditions and 18 degrees. A fair signal was noted; atop the channel! (JJR-MI)
  - WIGM WI, Medford 11/22 0800 noted with a very clear "WIGM" ID. A poor signal was noted in a huge mess. (JJR-MI)
- 1590 WCGO IL, Evanston 11/22 2200 noted with calls, a disclaimer into an infomercial. A fair and unusually loud signal was noted. (JJR-MI)
- WTVB MI, Coldwater 11/25 0912 noted with "AM 1590, FM 95.5 WTVB" ID said three times. A very poor signal was noted, way under WGBW. (JJR-MI)

  MN, Watertown 11/25 0900 noted with chanting in Hmong. A fair, but rather strong, signal was noted over KGYM and WAAM. (JJR-MI)
- UNIDENTIFIED
- 580 11/21 1729 noted with Morse Code number 3 (...-) sent three times. The signal was noted mixing with WKSK, WCHS, WHP and an unidentified
- Oldies station. (KK-VA)
- 620 11/28 1718 noted with Morse Code letters O (---) and T (-) sent. The signal was noted mixing with WDAE, WHEN, WGCV, WVMT, WKHB, CMBA
  - and what sounded like Russian talk. (KK-VA)
- 1/26 0836 noted with a Country format, local host mentioning "low tonight 10 to 16"; the calls were never mentioned in nine minutes of listening.
  - The signal was lost at 0845. A poor signal was noted with long fades. (JJR-MI)

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

Thanks to Kraig and John for their logs this week!

I have found using computer programs very helpful in identifying stations sending Morse Code. I have two on my computer. One is CW Decoder XP, which is a dedicated CW decoding program. I've used this in working CW stations on the 50 MHz Amateur Radio band. Another useful program is MultiPSK, in which CW (Continuous Wave) is included. Kraig, this could also help you decipher the stations in Morse Code.

73 and good DX from NØUIH

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#### TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

JAPAN, JOUB, Akita. Weak at 1114UT 11/30, 500kW, language + frequency + what-else-could-it-be (new), 5532 miles [I also posted to the list about this one, one of my best catches so far. It was in and out from 3:15-5:15am (1015-1215UT) before I quit. Had a female voice first, but mostly a male voice speaking Japanese and got some confirmation on that from a couple of experts from the list. Thanks, Nick and Richard! Looked at the NHK 2 website with Google Translate and they were in a Sunday night "culture" block which seems to match the dry tone. 5th country and a new distance record by far.] (BR-AZ)

## PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 590 MÉXICO, XEBH, Hermosillo, Son. Weak at 0652 11/24, slogan and webcast (new), 389 miles. Over-the-air "La Mejor" slogan and webcast match; latter important because Cantu lists 3 "La Mejor" stations on freq. (BR-AZ)
- MEXICO, XEACB, Ciudad Delicias, Chih. 1321 12/5 romantic music in Spanish, loops SW (and no sign of KTNN, not cheating today though KHAC 880 is in); 1324 timecheck for 6:23, then 6:24 and temp as 7C, vals music; 1327 another break with 6:27 TC, temp down to 6, another song; some CCI perhaps Monterrey, but this is certainly the only UT-7 station, XEACB, 3/1 kW, "La Lupe" and IRCA lists format as ROM. By 1337 UT, KSKY is overtaking, as it just sunrose at 1330 UT from 700 to 20000 watts, both with a minor lobe right at us. (GH-OK)
  - + 0700 12/6, Chihuahua anthem is playing, which is all we need to log it again as XEACB. Makes slow SAH with something, probably KSKY Dallas, which I can hear sloganing "The Answer" by nulling the XE. (GH-OK)
- 710.0 MÉXICO, XEDP, 1339 12/5, string of federal PSAs including one in an indigenous language, Chihuahua mentioned and then Cuauhtémoc too, ie XEDP. Lower XEs have started to fade out by now, and this one will soon with our sunrise at 1328. XEDP Dec and Jan sunrise is 1400. FCC AM Query includes Mexicans; I rarely check it for them, but I decide to this time: Strangely, they have three different XEDPs: facility 101134 as 5/0.1 kW at 28-30-00 N, 106-55-02 W; XEDP1, facility 122766/122767 at the same coordinates but 7/0.25 kW; and a second site for plain old XEDP with 7/0.25 kW at 28-25-04, 106-48-22. Note these are a considerable distance apart, and could also explain sometimes way off-frequency to the low side, and sometimes not (like today, no het on KCMO et al.) (GH-OK)
- 940 MÉXICO, XEQ, México, DF. 0905 11/30 noted with pop music and "La Q 940" ID in Spanish. Good to fair signal over WMIX, KPSZ. (EB-MO)
- MÉXICO, XEYC. Ciudad Juárez, Chih. 1256 12/4, looping roughly east-west, full ID for Radio Fórmula, XERFR, 970 in México DF, ie flagship of far-flung network in the US of M and the US of A at first I wonder if it could be the 50 kW SS in Memphis TN, but it's still supposedly its own Radio Ambiente. No, it must be the only real XE Fórmula affiliate on 1030, per Cantú: XEYC Radio Fórmula 5000 500. IRCA Mexican Log agrees except power as 1000/1000. WRTH 2014 went with 5000/500. (GH-OK)
- MÉXICO, XEMR, Apodaca, NL. Weak at 0151 11/22, slogan and webcast (new), 948 miles. Got the webcast match and "Radio Esperanza" slogan several times, but KGEM out of Idaho came over at the 7pm TOH. I kept recording while I was doing other things, but didn't get a call at the 8pm TOH. Only second log out of Nuevo Leon. (BR-AZ)

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#### Geomagnetic Summary November 1 2014 through November 30 2014

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Date	Flux	Α	K	Space Wx										
11/ 1	120	6	1	no storms	11/11	142	12	1	minor, G1	11/21	163	15	3	no storms
2	124	8	1	no storms	12	153	8	1	no storms	22	167	10	4	no storms
3	125	6	2	moderate, R2	13	161	12	3	no storms	23	173	10	2	no storms
4	129	21	4	minor, R1	14	161	15	2	minor, R1	24	172	7	1	no storms
5	135	16	3	moderate, R2	15	172	25	3	moderate, R2	25	169	5	1	no storms
6	136	9	3	moderate, R2	16	168	13	3	no storms	26	171	5	1	no storms
7	146	12	3	strong, R3	17	168	12	3	no storms	27	179	8	2	no storms
8	132	8	3	no storms	18	167	11	2	no storms	28	181	5	1	no storms
9	136	27	4	minor, G1	19	170	10	2	no storms	29	177	5	1	no storms
11/10	136	23	2	no storms	11/20	168	11	2	no storms	11/30	177	8	3	no storms
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NORTH AMERICA. 0302 12/7, old time radio show fading up and down, mostly down, slightly on the low side, and with running-water QRM at 0313. This is a good spot to be noticed, halfway between WWRB and WWCR. There are \*no\* logs of this one now on HF Underground. (GH-OK)

INDIA. 1350 12/8. Poor signal with woman in unknown language, 1355 some music mixing, S Asian? No time signal across 1400, as it is fading down. As on so many 60m frequencies, we have to choose between India and China/Tibet as the two countries are unwilling to coördinate and not collide with each other, despite plenty of clear spots on the band. I'm not sure Tibet would do a time signal at its hourtop, but India certainly would not at its hour bottom, so I am tentatively leaning toward this being AIR Chennai. With BFO it seems there is a second signal on the frequency. The only other suspect signal is 5040, which would be AIR Jeypore with nothing from China. Nothing audible vs RTTY on 4905 which would be another Tibet frequency if that area were propagating. (GH-OK)

5020.0 SOLOMON ISLANDS. 1200-1201+ 12/4, JBA carrier continues in 5025 Cuba splash. I suppose SIBC is again leaving its carrier on past "sign-off" even if no modulation; far too weak to tell the difference here. (GH-OK)

5050.0 UnID. 1202 12/4, JBA music, probably Voice of Beibu Bay Radio, Nanning, CHINA, rather than AIR Gauhati/Aizawl per Aoki. BTW, per Australian DX News, if and when Vintage FM comes back from NSW, it'll be on 5045 with 1 kW. (GH-OK)

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FRG-7 with 100 foot E-W longwire (always in the mornings, sometimes evenings), DX-398 with 10-meter N-S random wire (in the evenings) or PL-880 with short reel-out clip-on (in the evenings)



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