

# **DX MONITOR**

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No new folks this time. Deadline for our next issue is Monday 6/29 @ 6 PM PLT.

## **Latest Convention Info**

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## IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR THE 2015 FORT WAYNE DX CONVENTION!

We're now less than one month away from our big joint gathering hosted by IRCA, NRC, WTFDA and DecalcoMania, July 10-12 in fabulous Fort Wayne, Indiana – and registration is now open.

- Your \$55 registration fee includes -Tours of area radio and TV facilities
- -Educational sessions with top DXers
- -Snacks and beverages (liquid, not wire!) in our meeting room
- -Saturday night banquet catered by Hall's, one of Fort Wayne's top restaurateurs
- -Convention program

You can register by check/money order (made payable to "National Radio Club" and sent c/o **Scott Fybush**, 92 Bonnie Brae Ave, Rochester NY 14618) or PayPal on the front page of **www.nrcdxas.org**. (A small additional convenience fee may apply for PayPal registration (\$1.00 – pb).

## PLUS...

On Friday night, July 10, we've arranged a special group rate to see the Fort Wayne Tincaps, the class A affiliate of the San Diego Padres, take on the Great Lakes Loons at Fort Wayne's new downtown ballpark, Parkview Field! Your \$30 ticket includes a buffet dinner – there's no better bargain in baseball.

If you'd like to purchase a ticket, please contact Lisa Fybush at **lisa@fybush.com** or send a \$30 check/money order (made payable to "Lisa Fybush") to 92 Bonnie Brae Ave. Rochester NY 14618.

\*\*\*REGISTRATION FOR THE CONVENTION AND FOR THE BALLGAME IS DUE BY JUNE 25!\*\*\*

#### HOTEL

Our hotel will be Don Hall's Guesthouse, 1313 W. Washington Center Road, Fort Wayne IN 46825 and our specially negotiated rate is \$85 per room per night. That includes comfortable lodgings and a very tasty breakfast buffet each morning. The hotel is conveniently located right off I-69, the main drag through Fort Wayne.

Reservations for the negotiated hotel rate end when the block set aside for the convention is sold out (soon). They must be made directly with the hotel by calling 260-489-2524 or 1-800-348-1999. The Group Number is **7110**. PLEASE BE SURE TO GIVE THE GROUP NUMBER TO MAKE SURE WE ARE PROPERLY CREDITED FOR ALL THE ROOMS THE CLUBS ARE USING!

Once you've made your reservation, please drop me a line at **scott@fybush.com** so I can keep track of who's staying with us. **EVENTS**:

Our convention will get under way on Friday, July 10, with afternoon station tours and educational sessions. We'll leave the hotel at 6 to go downtown for the baseball game, if you're going. (If not, the meeting room and hotel restaurant will be open, and there are numerous other restaurants close to the hotel as well.)

On Saturday, July 11, we'll have additional station tours and educational sessions during the day, followed by our banquet, auction and club business meetings in the evening. The meeting room will be open afterward for informal DX bull sessions!

On Sunday, July 12, we'll have our famous DX Quiz in the morning, before heading our separate ways. (There may be another tour or two as well, if anyone's intersected.)

If you are planning to come to the convention with your family (or are trying to figure out your summer vacation plans), summer is the peak time to visit the Fort Wayne area. The annual Three Rivers Festival kicks off July 11 with a parade and continues for nine days with a variety of activities.

Fort Wayne also has a nationally renowned Children's Zoo, a historical society, an art museum and a botanical garden. If you are interested in any nonradio activities for yourself or your companions, please get in touch with Lisa at 585-442-5411 or **lisa@fybush.com** and tell her what sounds fun. If there's something else that sounds fun, tell her that, too. This is not a comprehensive list. Lisa will coordinate any extraconventional activities.

AUCTION:
Please send donations for the auction to **Blaine Thompson**, 6523 Emmons Drive, Fort Wayne IN 46835 – or bring them to the convention with you!

In addition to easy road access from much of the country, Fort Wayne is accessible by most major airlines and Greyhound bus. Amtrak serves Waterloo, Indiana, about half an hour away from the convention hotel. Please let us know as soon as possible if you'll need to be picked up at the airport, bus station or train stop. The hotel is just off I-69 and has plenty of free parking.

## ANY QUESTIONS?

Registration, convention schedule, hotel or transportation: Drop me a line at scott@fybush.com.

Ballgame or family activities: Drop Lisa a line at lisa@fybush.com.

Educational program: If you'd like to speak or have an idea for a talk, contact Mark Durenberger at mark4@durenberger.com.

See you in WOWO-land!!

## **Madison-Milwaukee Get-Together**

The 22nd annual Madison-Milwaukee Get-Together returns to the Milwaukee area this year, on Saturday, August 15. This is an all-band event, open to anyone with an interest in the radio hobby. Your hosts are Tim and Jill Noonan and their sons Chris and Paul, and you can obtain more information by writing to Tim at **DXing2@aol.com** or phoning 414 813-7373.



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## **CALL CHANGES**

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW CALL
1280	WIBB	Macon, GA	WIHB
1300	KRZS	Searcy, AR	KSMD
1310	WPLV	West Point, GA	WPCH

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**MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS** Mike Sanburn of Lakewood CA passes along the following from Paul Walker re CKOC-1150 ON dated May 28 2015:

The change will happen this fall, going from classic hits to TSN (Sports). In the interim, they will be carrying all of the Hamilton tiger Cats from the Canadian Football League. More details here: http://www.1150ckoc.ca/Other/PDFs/2015/May/TSNRadio-HamiltonTigerCats-Partnership.pdf.

Martin Foltz of Aliso Viejo CA passes along the following dated June 5 2015 re KCKQ-1180 Sparks NV:

Per Email verification from station, their slogan is: "AM 1180 Reno's Goodtime Oldies"

Thanks, Mike and Martin for the tips! Well, we're in June swoon out here, 5 straight days of rain. Keep those tips raining down on this column! 73's. Bob Wien

## CANADIAN RADIO NEWS - Dan Sys

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For May 2015 (June 1 2015 - next update July 1 2015)

## **FORMAT CHANGE**

ON Hamilton CKOC From Oldies (OLDIES 1150) to Sports (TSN Radio) (will be phased in during summer, 2015). 1150 **NEW STATION LAUNCHED** 700 AB Calgary **CJLI** Commercial. 50,000 watts (days)/20,000 watts (nights). Christian. Touch Canada Broadcasting. THE LIGHT. (testing).

PROPOSED AM TO FM CONVERSION

Move to 98.1 with 50 watts. 1240 ON Nakina **CBLN** 



# WESTERN DX ROUNDUP – Nancy Johnson – 2922 S Olivewood – Mesa AZ 85212-2923

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WDXR DEADLINES: June 26, July 3 and August 14. Please use Eastern Time.

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Hammarlund HQ-150, Sanserino air-core box loop (JCJ)

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Icom IC-R75, 75' N-S longwire, 70' E-W longwire

1050 XED BCN, Mexicali 5/29 mixing with XEG 0200 with "XED" ID and "La Gran D de Mexicali" slogan. (JCJ-AZ)

CA, Pasadena 6/7 strong, no sign of KFAB, 0159 with "KDIS Pasadena, Los Angeles" legal ID during Radio Disney programming. (JCJ-AZ) 1110 KDIS

CA, Roseville 6/3 mixing with KDIS 0800 with "KLIB Roseville, Sacramento" ID. (JCJ-AZ) KLIB 1140 KNWQ

CA, Palm Springs 6/4 on top 1140 0200 with "94.3 K-News" slogan in promo, "KNWQ Palm Springs, KNWZ Coachella, KNWH Yucca Valley...

94.3 FM and 970 AM" ID into CBS news. (JCJ-AZ)

AZ, Yuma 6/9 over KCTC, no sign of KFNZ. 0159 out of Jazz music program with listener support promo, "This is KAWC, Yuma, Colorado River 1320 KAWC

Public Media" ID into BBC News. (JCJ-AZ)

1360 KLSD CA, San Diego 6/11 under KPXQ, 0200 out of Fox Sports with "KLSD AM San Diego": ID. (JCJ-AZ)

UNID

1580 UNID UnID Jazz station very strong, mixing with KGAL on 6/12 at 0005. Gave ID as simply 101.3. Did a station change format here? (LG-MT)

Thank you to Larry and John for our WDXR column this issue. The next WDXR deadline is Friday June 26. - Nancy 6/12 2100



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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, 150 foot homebrew dipole

## **DOWN THE DIAL**

- 640 WCRV TN, Collierville. 5/28 fair signal with ACI from KYFI 630. 2131 noted with promo, "Bott Radio Network, AM Six-40 and FM 100-point-7" ID. [EB-MO]
- TX, Fort Worth. 5/28 fair signal over WCPT, analog and digital ACI from KFUO 850. 2134 noted with EAS activation, severe thunderstorm warning 820 WBAP announcement, "WBAP" ID. [EB-MO]

  LA, Norco. 5/31 fair signal through WCCO. 0300 noted with "WFNO Norco, New Orleans" legal ID in heavily accented English, "La Caliente 8-30"
- 830 WFNO ID into pop music in Spanish. [EB-MO]
- 1160 WYLL IL, Chicago. 5/31 good to fair signal over WCRT. 2055 noted with "Unshackled", local spots, promo for the station's iPhone app, Scripture reading before cutting to night pattern at 2100. [EB-MO]
- 1220 KLPW MO, Union. 5/29 fair signal, alone on channel. 1230 noted with local news, sports, weather forecast, "KLPW AM 12-20" ID into the Dennis Prager program. [EB-MO]
- 1230 **WJBC** L, Bloomington. 5/31 fair signal in WHCO null. 1910 noted with financial talk show, local spots, "WJBC-dot-com" mention in promo. [EB-MO]
- MO, Park Hills. 5/31 fair, mixing with WTAX. 1953 with sports talk from CBS Sports Radio, local spots, "KFMO" ID before news update. [EB-MO] IL, Springfield. 5/28 good signal over KFMO, WENK. 1954 noted with local spots, "News radio 12-40 AM, 107-point-5 FM, WTAX" ID. [EB-MO] MO, Waynesville. 5/31 fair signal over WKBF, no ACI from WSDZ 1260. 1931 noted with ESPN promos into sports talk. MO AM #115 from 1240 **KFMO** WTAX
- 1270 KIIK Hazelwood. [EB-MO]
- 1300 WNQM TN, Nashville. 5/28 good signal over other stations, ACI from WIRL 1290 and KSIV 1320. 2027 noted with Christian teaching in English, "AM 13hundred WNQM" ID in English, "AM mil trescientos WNQM" ID in Spanish. [EB-MO]
- 1350 **KCHR** MO, Charleston. 5/29 fair to poor, mixing with KRNT and other stations. 2050 with Country format, "KCHR Charleston, Missouri" legal ID. [EB-MO] IA, Des Moines. 5/31 fair to poor signal over WTDR. 0332 noted with Adult Standards format, "Thanks for listening to Des Moines' finest music, KRNT 13-50 KRNT" ID. [EB-MO]
- IA, Fort Madison. 5/28 fair signal over WMOB, WSAI. 2052 noted with Country format, "13-60 KBKB" ID. [EB-MO] 1360 KBKB
  - TN, Nashville. 5/29 good signal over WSAI, KBKB. 2019 noted with local spots, mentions of "WNAH-dot-com". "Speaking Hymn" followed by **WNAH** "Walked Away" features. (The latter is about those who walked away from worldly lives.) [EB-MO]
- 1400 KJFF
- MO, Festus. 5/28 good to fair signal over WGIL. 2005 noted with Gateway Grizzlies baseball PBP and local spots. [EB-MO]

  IL, Kewanee. 5/30 fair to poor signal, mixing with KMRY, WFMB, other stations. 0140 noted with "WKEI 14-50 AM" ID into local spot. [EB-MO] 1450 WKEI
- 1470 WVOL
- TN, Berry Hill. 5/28 fair signal over WMBD. 2144 noted with Urban AC format, "WVOL One-Forty-Seven" ID. [EB-MO] IL, Vandalia. 5/31 fair signal over WBRI, KSTP. 1943 with Adult Contemporary format, Web site promo mentioning WPMB, local spots. [EB-MO] 1500 WPMB

## 25 & 50 YEARS AGO

50 Years Ago - June 16 1964 issue of "DX Monitor" ... David Rogers of Buffalo OK mentioned WMT-600 had a frequency test daily at 05:40 to 05:50 ... Mike Wilson of Calgary AB told about CJNB's improved signal after moving from 1460 to 1050. //25 Years Ago – June 16 1989 issue of "DX Monitor" ... Rick Evans of Milwaukee WI received his first two veries from Milwaukee, WSGW-790 and WFTW-940 ... Jim Hilliker of Carmel Valley CA said he was now working at both KOCN FM and KNRY 1240 ... Rick Dau of Oakland IA mentioned he started DXing when he was 12 in 1977 when he heard KLEU 850 - 200 miles away.

Thanks to this year's Numberama DX Contest many of us added new station loggings that we would have missed. The new contest will start September 1st so if you didn't enter this last season; you will want to consider the contest this fall. This column was typed 6-12-15. 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, stock antenna, Terk AM1000 loop

## ACROSS THE DIAL

- 560 CFOS ON, Owen Sound – 5/30 0459 noted with a mention of "Now, another hour of great music and more" by a male announcer, "CFOS" jingle. The signal was noted mixing with WQAM, WFRB, WVOC, WFIL, and an unidentified station carrying ESPN. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your unidentified ESPN is very likely WOOF Dothan AL - eb)
- FL, Miami 5/30 0457 noted with mention of "...weekdays from one to four P.M., 560 WQAM" by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing 560 WQAM with CFOS, WFRB, WVOC, WFIL and likely WOOF. (KK-VA)
- SC, Columbia 5/30 0522 noted with "Coast-to-Coast AM", mention of "Start your day with Columbia's Morning News, weekdays six to nine AM 560 WVOC on News Radio 560 WVOC" by a male announcer. This is the first time I've heard this station since the call change from WXBT. The signal was
- noted mixing with WQAM, CFOS, WFRB, WFIL and likely WOOF. (KK-VA)

  FL, Pinellas Park 5/30 0458 noted with a "The new Faith Talk 570 and 910 WTBN" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with 570 WTBN
- WSPZ, Radio Reloj (Cuba) and an unidentified vocal music station. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your music station may be WIDS Russell Springs KY eb) **AL**, Tuskegee 5/30 0523 noted with "Classic Rock and Roll on 580 WACQ, FM 101.1" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing 580 WACQ with WHP, WCHS and WDBO; a new station in the logbook. (KK-VA)
- 580 WDBO FL, Orlando - 5/30 0527 noted with mention of "Orlando Magic all summer long at 4:00, on the home of the Orlando Magic" and "ESPN Orlando" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WHP, WCHS and WACQ. (KK-VA)
- 590 WPBJ222 MD, Bethesda 5/30 0803 noted with "You're listening to... radio WPBJ 590 and WPBG..." by a male announcer. Mention of various locations in Maryland. The signal was noted mixing with CJCL, WARM, WCAB, WMBS, WEZE, and unidentified stations carrying Classical music, Spanish language programming and Fox Sports Radio. (KK-VA) (Your Classical station is definitely Cuba... your Spanish could also be coming from Cuba. Your Fox Sports Radio affiliate is WDIZ Panama City FL – eb)
- PA, Scranton 5/30 0459 noted with "Northeast Pennsylvania's Sports Leader, Sports Radio 590 WARM Scranton/Wilkes-Barre/Hazelton. A 590 WARM Cumulus station; worldwide at Sports Radio 590-dot-com" legal ID by a male announcer, followed by a "CBS Sports Radio" jingle. The signal was noted mixing with CJCL, WPBJ222, WCAB, WMBS, WEZE, likely WDIZ and two possible Cubans. (KK-VA)
- 610 WTEL PA, Philadelphia - 6/5 0459 noted with "610 Sports WTEL AM Philadelphia" legal ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WIOD, WXVA and an unidentified Spanish language station. (KK-VA) (Your Spanish may be from Cuba – eb)
- FL, Saint Petersburg 6/5 0457 noted with "620 WDAE-dot-com, Tampa Bay's Sports Radio 620 WDAE" ID by a male announcer. The signal was 620 WDAE
- 620 WHKB
- WVMT 620 News/Talk 620 WVMT Burlington/Plattsburgh" legal ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WHEN, WKHB, and likely WRJZ and WSNR. (KK-VA)
- 630 WREY MN, Saint Paul - 6/5 0614 noted with "Radio Rey" sweeper ID in Spanish. A poor signal was noted; briefly faded up then gone. (JJR-MI)
- **CFMJ** ON, Richmond Hill - 5/22 2059 noted with "640 Toronto-dot-com; John Oakley in the morning and Dave Carroll in the afternoon. It's time to talk 640 about it; this is Talk Radio AM 640 CFMJ Toronto; this is AM 640 News" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WWJZ and WHLO. (KK-VA)
- WHLO. (RK-VA)

  NC, Fayetteville 6/5 0608 noted with the Star Spangled Banner, "Good Morning, Fayetteville" mention by a male announcer, followed by a sign-on announcement and a "News/Talk 640 WFNC" ID. The station was noted mixing with WWJZ, WHLO, Radio Progreso (Cuba) and unidentified stations with CBS Sports Radio, Oldies and ESPN Radio. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your CBS Sports Radio station is WXSM Blountville TN; your Oldies station is KTIB Thibodeaux LA, while your ESPN affiliate is likely KWPN Moore OK eb) 640 WFNC
- 1160 KFXE
- IA, Waukon 6/5 0700 noted with legal ID, "K-Fox Sports 1160" ID. A poor signal was noted with no sign of WYLL. (JJR-MI)

  MI, Iron Mountain 6/4 0715 noted with mention of "in downtown Iron River". A poor signal was noted; it was in and out before the signal was lost. 1230 WFER If this is heard three times a year, it's a lot! (JJR-MI)

- 1260 WCCR OH, Cleveland - 6/4 2136 noted with the Holy Rosary broadcast //Web stream. A poor signal was noted in a fade up. (JJR-MI)
- 1260 WEKZ WI. Monroe - 6/4 2131 noted with "Classic Country 1260 WEKZ" sweep ID by a female announcer. A poor signal was noted; it cut through, and then it was gone. (JJR-MI)
- WI, Medford 6/4 0645 noted with an ad for Mall Furniture in Marshfield mentioning that one store was closing, followed by an ESPN promo. A poor signal was noted before being lost in the mess. (JJR-MI)
  WI, River Falls 6/4 0750 noted with an ad for TMS Tire in Baldwin. A poor signal was noted over WHIT before fading. (JJR-MI) 1490 WIGM
- 1550 WEVR
- 1600 KPNP MN, Watertown - 6/4 0757 noted with Buddhist chanting in Hmong, no ID heard if it was given. A poor signal was noted over a weak KGYM; faded five minutes later. (JJR-MI)

## **EDITOR'S NOTES**

Saint Louis area DXer Walt Breville is right about one thing; AM BCB DX is something that we can enjoy most nights of the year. This is especially true in this era of crowded bands. I hope you're having a good summer, regardless if you're dealing with a drought, flooding, heavy rains or heat. 73 and good DX from NØUIH

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Deadline - Sunday Midnight Central Time.

## \*\*\* TRANS-ATLANTIC DX \*\*\*

- FRANCE France-Inter, Allouis, JUN 5 0300 Pop French female vocal, French talk by man and woman, pips, France Inter ID; good. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- MOROCCO Radio Mediterranee Internationale, Nador, JUN 5 0300 Male Arabic vocal, percussion; fair. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 183
- GERMANY Europe No 1, Felsberg, JUN 5 0300 Male French talk, chimes, news by man and woman; good. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  UNITED KINGDOM BBC Radio 4, Droitwich et al, JUN 5 0300 "Online, on mobile, and on air, you're listening to the BBC World Service, the world's 198
- radio station." Good. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  MOROCCO Radiodiffusion Television Marocaine (A), Azilal, JUN 5 0300 Sounds like weak Arabic talk by man; over CL beacon (on USB to dodge 207 stronger QI beacon LSB). [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 216 FRANCE Radio Monte Carlo, Roumoules, JUN 5 0300 - Man and woman in French talking, laughing; good, way over CLB beacon. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- LUXEMBOURG RTL, Junglinster, JUN 5 0300 Woman in French with weather info then talk by man, fanfare music at 0300:45; fair. [Connelly\*Y-MA] ALGERIA Radiodif. Algerienne, Tipaza, JUN 8 0300 French talk, bit of Arabic music, pips, news by man in French; dominant. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 234
- 252
- 252 IRELAND RTE R 1, Clarkestown, JUN 5 0300 - Man in English talking about something on weekday mornings; poor, mixed with other. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- Jil FM, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi, JUN 8 0300 Arabic dance-club music; fair. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- FRANCE France Info, Lyon-Tramoyes, JUN 4 0200 //1377 with French newstalk by woman; to fair peak. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 603
- SPAIN RNE Radio 1, La Coruña et al, JUN 4 0200 Pips, Radio Nacional España ID, news; to fair peak. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 639
- 747
- METHERLANDS Radio 5, Zeewolde (Flevoland), JUN 4 0200 Dutch news by man; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  MAURITANIA Radio Mauritanie, Nouakchott, JUN 4 0200 North African wailing, drumming; to fair peak. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  SPAIN RNE Radio 1 synchros, JUN 4 0200 Spanish news by man; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  SPAIN RNE Radio 1 synchros, JUN 4 0200 Spanish news by man; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 783
- 801
- 855
- UNITED KINGDOM BBC Radio Wales, Washford, JUN 4 0159 Woman talking about an investigation; to fair peak. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 882
- 909 UNITED KINGDOM BBC Radio 5 synchros, JUN 4 0200 - BBC 5 Live ID, news by man & woman; fair.
- +JUN 5 0300 BBC 5 Live ID, news; fair. [Connelly\*Y-MA] SPAIN Onda Cero, Madrid, JUN 4 0200 - Bits of Spanish talk by man; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 954
- UNITED KINGDOM TalkSport synchros, JUN 5 0300 Mrshi atlik by man; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  UNITED KINGDOM TalkSport synchros, JUN 5 0300 Mrshi atlik by man; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  SPAIN RNE Radio 5 synchros, JUN 4 0200 //1107 with news by woman then man; to fair peak. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  SPAIN RNE Radio 5 synchros, JUN 4 0200 Echoey Spanish news //1098; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  UNITED KINGDOM Absolute Radio synchros, JUN 4 0158 Rock with fast drumming; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  FRANCE France Info, Lille, JUN 4 0200 //603 with French news by woman; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  GERMANY Deutschlandfunk, Heusweiler, JUN 4 0200 Pips, woman in German; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 1089
- 1098
- 1107
- 1215
- 1377
- 1422
- SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA, Duba, MAY 26 0200 Arabic news by man; good. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 1521

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

- CUBA CMBQ, Radio Enciclopedia, La Habana, MAY 21 0300 Radio Enciclopedia ID by woman; mixed with Radio Rebelde. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 530
- CUBA Radio Rebelde, Guantanamo, MAY 21 0300 Rebelde 9-note attention music, news items with "splash" sound effect between items; mixed with 530 Radio Enciclopedia. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- CUBA Radio Rebelde, Sancti Spíritus, MAY 21 0300 9-note music at 0300:18; mixed with WFLF, other. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 540
- DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HICM, Radio ABC, Santo Domingo, APR 28 0159 ID as "Radio ABC, HICM". Thanks to John Fisher/RealDX for ID help. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- CUBA Radio Rebelde, Ciego Avila, MAY 21 0300 9-note music at 0300:18; under WGAN, WFIL, WHYN tangle. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 560
- 570
- CUBA Radio Reloj, Arroyo Arenas, MAY 15 0200 Reloj ID, "diez de la noche"; over WMCA. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
  CUBA Radio Rebelde, Mabujabo, MAY 21 0300 9-note music at 0300:18; under WKAQ, WTAG. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 580
- 580
- PUERTO RICO WKAQ, San Juan, MAY 21 0301 WKAQ ID; over WTAG. [Connelly Y-MA]

  MÉXICO XEMU, Piedras Negras, Coah, JUN 1 0616 June 2 at 0520, I am trying again to ID the Mexican music station mixing with, and mostly way under WIBW Topeka KS with 'Coast to Coast'. If WIBW is nulled, so is the competition. But occasionally the XE fades up when the KS fades down to a 580 SAH, such as at 0524, seeming live DJ with birthday music dedication, but no local references caught. (In Spanish, instead of nacerdía, they say cumpleaños, literally "completing years".) Finally at 0550 another fade up clinches it: "La Rancherita del Aire" ID in passing, which is XEMU, 5/2.5 kW - so contrary to Raymie Hunbert's suggestion (on WTFDA Forum), it is not yet quitting AM for only FM 103.7, though likely to be its eventual fate. [Hauser-OK]
- CUBA Radio Musical Nacional, La Julia, APR 13 0301 Harp music //1140; good.

  +APR 13 0400 Cuban anthem, harp interlude, then classical music; over WEZE, WARM. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA CMKV, Radio Rebelde, Urbano Noris, MAY 21 0300 Spanish newscast with splash sounds; under WYEL. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 600
- MEXICO XEHW, Mazatlán, Sin, JUN 6 1100 music other than NA, so probably not in UT-5 zone, fades at 1102 during full ID mentioning Mazatlán, Sinaloa, so XEHW 5/1 kW, "La Mejor" as listed by Cantú, IRCA and WRTH but the latter puts it in Rosario. Although Sinaloa is a hotspot for sunrise skip to 600 here, seems I have only logged this one a couple times before in March and April of 2013. [Hauser-OK]
- PUERTO RICO WYEL, Mayaguez, MAY 21 0300 //580 with WKAQ ID; over Cuba. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 600
- CUBA CMAN, Radio Rebelde, Bahia Honda, MAY 21 0300 9-note music, "Las Noticias" mention, news with splashes; mixed with WIOD, WTEL. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 620 CUBA Radio Rebelde, Colon/Moa, MAY 15 0201 – "Rebelde... Deportivamente" talk //670; dominant. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- CUBA Radio Progreso synchros, APR 13 0400 Cuban anthem //640; killing WPRO. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- PUERTO RICO WUNO, NotiUno, San Juan, APR 22 0101 Radio Uno ID (//760 WORA) noted during pause in WPRO talk. 630 MAY 15 0200 – Uno ID; under WPRO. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA Radio Progreso synchros, MAY 21 0300 – Nostalgic music //690. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- YVQO, Union Radio, Puerto La Cruz, MAY 12 0201 Puerto La Cruz mentions in Spanish talk by man; mix with Progreso de Cuba. 640 [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  COLOMBIA HJKH, RCN Antena Dos, Bogotá, MAY 8 0100 – Antena Dos Colombia ID; over Cubans
- +MAY 12 0200 Man mentioned several Colombian cities including Bucaramanga; over Progreso wobbler.

- 650
- +MAY 21 0300 Colombia sportstalk over Cuban wobbler. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA Radio Rebelde, MAY 21 0300 Progreso vocal //690; jumbled with HJKH and Radio Rebelde. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA Radio Progreso synchros, MAY 15 0200 Progreso vocal //690; jumbled with HJKH and Radio Rebelde. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA Radio Progreso, Jovellanos, MAY 9 0300 //640 with male folk vocal and guitar; under WFAN. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA CUBA CMQ, Radio Rebelde, Arroyo Arenas, MAY 21 0300 9-note music, "Las Noticias" mention, news with splashes; over WWFE. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA Radio Progreso, Jovellanos, MAY 21 0300 Nostalgic music //640. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 670

- MÉXICO XEDKR, Guadalajara, Jal, 6 JUN 1105 timecheck for 6:05 on 88.1 FM, just as it's hit by low rumbling het from another station cutting on the air, presumably XEGD Chihuahua. No 700s are listed with an FM 88.1, but must be XEDKR in Guadalajara, relaying Radio Red out of México DF which is also on 88.1 there. [Hauser-OK]
- 710
- CUBA Radio Rebelde synchros, MAY 21 0300 //670 with 9-note music, "Las Noticias" mention, news with splashes; mixed with WOR. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
  MÉXICO XEDP, Ciudad Cuauhtémoc, Chih, JUN 6 1115 that preacher in some variant of Low German, who we know comes to us via XEDP, fading a 710
- 720
- few minutes later. Mentions Hermosillo, and sounds like a few English words mixed in. [Hauser-OK] CUBA Radio Progreso, Mabujabo, MAY 12 0200 Vocal //640; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA] CUBA Radio Progreso, La Fe, MAY 15 0200 Progreso vocal //690; over CKAC. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 730
- Radio Angulo, Sagua de Tánamo, APR 22 0100 Chimes, man and woman with talk, jingle, Radio Angulo ID; good. Some wobbling noticeable. 740 Pretty much alone on channel. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- CUBA CMHV, Radio Progreso, Trinidad, MAY 15 0200 //640 with 1940s-style male vocal and big band; over YVKS. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 750
- VENEZUELA YVKS, RCR, Caracas, MAY 15 0200 RCR ID's in newstalk; slightly under Radio Progreso Cuba. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 750
- 760
- COLOMBIA HJAJ, RCN, Barranquilla, APR 28 0200 RCN Noticias mentions, time pips; over WJR news about Baltimore riot.

  +MAY 15 0200 Man with news in Spanish, mentions of Colombian cities; over others. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  PUERTO RICO WORA, Mayaguez, APR 22 0101 "NotiUno en la mañana" mention, into talk that could be paralleled with 630 WUNO. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA Radio Rebelde, Victoria de las Tunas, MAY 15 0201 9-note attention signal; under WARC. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 760
- 770
- VENEZUELA YVMN, Radio Coro, Coro, MAY 15 0201 Radio Coro ID; country-style male group Spanish vocal. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 780
- 790 CUBA Radio Reloj, Pinar del Rio/Holguin, MAY 15 0200 - Reloj newstalk, beeps, ticks; about even with WPRV-RI, WAXY-FL a bit under. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  BONAIRE PJB, TransWorld Radio, Kralendijk, MAY 21 0300 – Woman with Radio Transmundial ID and "desde Bonaire"; loud. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  BAHAMAS ZNS3, Freeport, MAY 15 0200 – Soul vocal across top-of-hour; over WGY and Progreso Cuba. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 800
- 810
- 810
- COLOMBIA HJCY, CARACOL, Bogota, MAY 12 0201 CARACOL Radio ID; over WGY. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA Radio Progreso, APR 22 0100 Shrill female vocal //640, 900 et al; over Reloj, WNYC. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 820
- CMDE, Radio Reloj, Contramaestre, APR 22 0100 Reloj ticks and talk; in jumble. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 820
- 820.18t COLOMBIA HJAD, Radio Vigia, Cartagena, APR 28 0200 Presumably Radio Vigia here with bits of Spanish talk; growl against stronger 820.0 Reloj and WNYC combo. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 839.95 unlD JUN 4 0200 Weak het, not much audio. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- CMHW, "W", Santa Clara, MAY 21 0259 Doblevé ID, theme music at 0259:35; dominant. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 840
- Radio Reloj synchros, MAY 12 0200 Wobbly Reloj mixed with WLVP-ME oldies.
- +MAY 21 0300 Reloj mixed with WWL. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- MÉXICO XEQS, Fresnillo, Zac, JUN 1 0454 I start monitoring this frequency intensively, as WKY OKC has been off the air since at least early afternoon. I have previously been able to log several stations despite it by tight nulling (and it was on slightly reduced power for a while), but now that's not necessary. At first I am mainly getting a weak but steady signal with Spanish music and wonder if that could be WKY on much reduced power as its initial comeback? But this música is romántica, far from the lively stuff WKY normally plays and loops about SSW, not SSE. No, it's México, as 0459 segué with no ID to choral national anthem. Likewise no ID right after it, just "son las 12 con 2 minutos" and back to romantic music. Some QRM like NW/SE in English, which would be another good catch. Finally 0507 canned full (?) ID so over-produced that I can't understand it includes beeping if not code SFX. At 0523 recheck, this signal has faded out leaving a weak mix of US stations. 0537 fades in again with XE music; I doze along and at 0602 finally catch a partial ID as "...Radio, 90.3 FM", so that means it's one of my two main suspects listed: XEQS, Fresnillo, Zacatecas, which on FM is XHQS 90.3, "Romance en Radio, Romántica" per IRCA Mexican Log (rather than closer XESHT Saltillo, Coahuila, with FM on 102.5). XEQS is 10/3 kW, three sources agree; city-to-city distance 1548 km=962 statute miles. [Hauser-OK]
  939.88 MÉXICO XEQ, Besame, Iztapalapa, Mexico City, DF, APR 13 0301 – To fair peak on LSB with man and woman in Spanish, "Q Radio" mention, jingle,
- 940
- chimes. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  COLOMBIA HJTL, RCN, Cucuta, MAY 12 0201 Banco Popular mention, then "RCN Noticias"; dominant. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  MÉXICO XEQ, Besame, Iztapalapa, Mexico City, DF, JUN 14 0601 partially copied full ID as "--- --- AM... 50 mil watts... estado de Mexico", ie new 940 identity as 'Ke Buena 940 AM' a slogan sorely lacking in originality used all over the United States of Mexico and America; heavy QRM but no het with
- XEQ on frequency tonight. [Hauser-OK]
  PUERTO RICO WIPR, Maxima 940, San Juan, APR 28 0200 "Máxima, Nueve Cuarenta" ID; good/dominant. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 940
- CUBA Radio Reloj, La Habana/Mayari Arriba, MAY 26 0200 Reloj programming mixed with WROL. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 950
- 1000 CUBA Radio Granma, Media Luna, MAY 9 0300 - Woman with "Radio Granma" ID; over IBOC hash. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- ARGENTINA LS10, Radio del Plata, Buenos Aires, APR 12 0300 Pips at top-of-hour consistent with previous logs; under WBZ. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 1030**t**
- ARGENTINA LS10, Radio del Plata, Buenos Aires, APR 12 0300 Pips at top-of-hour consistent with previous logs; under WBZ. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  MÉXICO XERDO, Matamoros, Tam, JUN 7 0505 end Mexican NA and immediate full ID for XERDO by SHVA, also XHRDO (?), so apparently this new
  AM station in Matamoros also has an FM dupe; not mentioned in the last Cantú list I preserved from February. Usual low audible het since it's offfrequency to hi side, and copying in USB helps a lot; simultaneously hearing non-hyped on-frequency announcements from XEEP México DF. Evidently
  RCC's KRCN in CO is not cheating with 50 kW day power at the moment. [Hauser-OK]

  COLOMBIA HJCG, Radio Santa Fe, Bogota, MAY 26 0200 Q'hubo Radio and Radio Santa Fe IDs, folk vocal; fair. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  MÉXICO XEAU, Monterrey, NL, JUN 7 0513 pausa en Milenio noticias, dominating channel rather than KAAY or anything else, but bothered by KRLD
  IBOC, lessened by off-tuning to 1088; so it's XEAU with TV soundtrack. [Hauser-OK] 1060
- 1070
- 1090
- COLOMBIA HJĆN, Bogota, APR 22 0100 Orchestral music, BBN ID, religious talk by man in Spanish. [Connelly\*Y-MA 1100
- CUBA CMBF, Radio Musical Nacional, Santa Clara, APR 13 0301 Harp music //590; slightly over others. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 1140
- COLOMBIA HJNW, CARACOL, Cartagena, MAY 12 0200 CARACOL ID; good. 1170
- 1180
- 1290
- LOUNDIA HJINW, CARACOL, Cattageria, MAY 12 0200 CARACOL ID, 9000.

  \*\*JUN 5 0300 CARACOL ID; over WWVA. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  \*\*CUBA Radio Rebelde synchros, MAY 15 0201 "Rebelde" and "Deportivamente" mentions, 9-note attention music; huge/dominant. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  \*\*VENEZUELA YVLF, Radio Puerto Cabello, Puerto Cabello, MAY 12 0200 Radio Puerto Cabello ID; in jumble. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  \*\*BAHAMAS ZNS1, Radio Bahamas, Nassau, MAY 26 0200 Woman mentioned roles of Bahamas Ministry of Agriculture and Marine Resources 1540 agencies in managing local food. Over others. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, APR 13 0401 – Man preaching, hymn, announcement "You are watching the University Network. The phone
- number to call is 1-800-338-3030."; over Spanish-talk Canadian. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

  CUBA Radio Rebelde synchros, MAY 9 0300 Echoey SS news, "splash" sound effects. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

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Receiver: Microtelecom Perseus

Antenna 1: Cardioid-pattern SuperLoop: 10m vert by 11m horiz (peak 165 deg, null 345 deg) Antenna 2: Cardioid-pattern SuperLoop: 8m vert by 15m horiz (peak 75 deg, null 255 deg)

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Mostly DX-398 with internal antenna or Sony SRF-59

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NORTH KOREA KCBS, Pyongyang, MAY 29 1140 – Symphonic music to soprano vocalist, just above static level. Poor; fair on peaks. [Barton-AZ]

NORTH KOREA Pyongyang BS, Pyongyang, MAY 29 1210 – Monologue with man in Korean. Fair/Good. [Barton-AZ]

JAPAN Radio Nikkei 1, Chiba-Nagara, MAY 26 1240 – Male presenter in Japanese to music of Earth, Wind and Fire, Kool & The Gang. Fair. [Barton-AZ]

JAPAN Radio Nikkei 2, Chiba-Nagara, JUN 1 1211 – Pop/rock with Male announcer giving IDs with English "You're listening to RN2". Good. [Barton-AZ] 3925 3945

SOUTH KOREA Echo of Hope, JUN 1 1055 - Monologue with woman in Korean and well over top of roaring DPRK jammer. Very good. [Barton-AZ] 3985

4055 GUATEMALA Radio Verdad, Chiquimula, JUN 1 1115 - Religious lecture by woman in Spanish. Good. [Barton-AZ]

5025 CUBA Radio Rebelde, JUN 9 0538 - music is rather distorted. This transmitter/frequency usually manages to modulate OK. [Hauser-OK]

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or PL-880 with short reel-out clip-on (in the evenings)

73, Brandon

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## **ASIA AND PACIFIC**

AUSTRALIA: 1674 Surf FM and Lion FM have been replaced by Radio Brisviani (the Brisbane relay of 1701 Hindi station) at Werribee. (Ian Stanley, ARDXC)

CHINA: Alan Davies found an article about new transmitters for Yanbian PBS on 1188 and 1566 kHz with 25 kW, although I think 1566 kHz is stronger. But noteworthy is, that they admit them being for jamming! Usually jamming transmitters are called 'experimental', but here they use ganrao ji, literal translation: interference transmitters. Original: http://wuxizazhi.cnki.net/Search/KJFT201504118.html.

English translation:http://translate.google.com/translate?u=http%3A//wuxizazhi.cnki.net/Search/KJFT201504118.html&hl=fi&langpair=auto|en&tbb=1&ie=UTF-8.

Viz: Medium wave transmitting station room source transformation. Source: "Technology Wind" in 2015 the first 04 Author: Zhang Ziming;

Our medium wave transmitter station site is located in the town of Yanji city Xingan village Yilan. Signal source used as a main one two. The main road is an optical fiber (special road), prepare the way microwave analog signal. With the rapid development of urban construction, urban scale continues to expand, the location of the launch pad from the past into the suburbs of the city of Yanji city, the buildings gradually being under siege. This makes the old launch pad of the emitted electromagnetic waves, surrounding buildings can easily be blocked, absorbed, there has been transmitting antenna ground network seriously damaged, transmitter will not turn, transmit power reduction, listening effect of variation, reduced coverage and multiple broadcast barriers.

So we moved to a new station in 2009, the new station located in Longjing Town Dongsheng Bay Village. After we moved to a new launch pad Taiwan, a total of four sets of radio programs, which use 200 kilowatts produced American Harris DX200 transmitters 1, a frequency of 1206 kHz, the Yanbian Korean, and broadcast program. Shanghai Pearl producing 25 kilowatts TSD-25 transmitter three, frequencies of 1053 kHz, 1188 kHz, 1566 kHz, 1053 kHz which TSD-25 transmitter to broadcast Chinese Yanbian program; 1188 kHz, 1566 kHz TSD-25 transmitter for the jammer.

In order to achieve the "high-quality, uninterrupted, that is, economic, and security," the general policy requirements and effectively protect the safety of high-quality broadcast, each transmitter must be equipped with two-way power, but each has at least two signal transmitters Source is also unquestionable. MW new station located in Longjing Town Dongsheng Bay Village. (via DXLD)

I've had the article translated by someone better than Google – a native Mandarin speaker – and, indeed, the article states that the stations are meant to jam VOA Korean and FEBC Korean and Mandarin.

I'm not aware of the Chinese admitting this before but given their rather strident stance on lots of things of late it's not totally surprising. (Alan Davies, DXLD)

MACAU: 738 Radio Vila Verde has closed on MW and moved to FM 99.5 MHz. (WRTH Monitor)

MARSHALL ISLANDS: 1170 Eagle Christian Radio, a new station with 5 kW and 99.9 between 1800-1200. MW is operating irregularly. (WRTH Monitor) 1224 AFN Kwajalein has been closed. (WRTH Monitor)

MICRONESIA: 1260 Joy Family Radio operates also on MW with 1 kW in parallel with FM. (WRTH Monitor)

NEW ZEALAND: Rhema Media have killed off 'The Word' Bible Radio 24/7 and made several changes to AM as a result:

- 540 Christchurch now 'Rhema' ex 'The Word' and move from 612
- 576 Hamilton now 'Star' ex 'The Word' and currently remains //1494
- 612 Christchurch now 'Star' ex 'Rhema' and currently remains //963
- 1026 Invercargill now 'Star' ex 'The Word' and currently remains //1314
- 1377 Dunedin now 'Star' ex 'The Word' and currently remains //900

To recap other recent AM news:

- 549 Napier-Hastings now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 702 Auckland now Magic, ex Radio Live
- 711 Wellington now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 738 Christchurch now Magic, ex Radio Live
- 828 Palmerston North now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 873 Tauranga now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 891 Wellington now Magic, ex The Breeze
- 954 Hamilton now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 990 Nelson now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 1206 Dunedin now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 1224 Invercargill now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 1242 Timaru now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 1251 Taupo licensed in latest auction to Iain Stables with links to seasonal network for central North Island ski areas
- 1260 Christchurch now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 1323 Hawera now Coast ex NewstalkZB and move from 1557
- 1476 Auckland now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 1485 Gisborne now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 1548 Rotorua now TAB Trackside Radio ex Radio LiveSport
- 1557 Hawera now Hokonui Radio
- 1566 Wellington licensed in latest auction to World TV Auckland who operate 936 AM and other FM outlets in Chinese languages. (Theo Donnelly)

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA**: Latest update for NBC: \$100m+ is needed to rebuild the national broadcaster says the Minister of Communications. In a related interview broadcast from Radio New Zealand International recently, the Institute of National Affairs makes the following points:

- \* Shortwave continues to be the only way to reach all rural areas
- \* Provincial and district administrations are expected to put more funds into local programs after years of no attention
- \* NBC is reconsidering if it should own and manage the infrastructure such as broadcast towers and transmitters
- \* sharing of facilities with mobile phone operators is being considered to reach more areas with FM signals

In the meantime, provincial shortwave stations continue to come back to life after months off air, or go silent without warning. Regular monitoring is needed to understand the situation day by day. With thanks to ADXC/RNZI.

We continue to welcome monitoring reports of NBC Papua New Guinea shortwave and private shortwave stations in PNG to help us update the PNG country information in the World Radio TV Handbook [WRTH]. Details of FM outlets as relayed by provincial NBC stations is also needed. Please send information to info@radioheritage.net and thank you in advance. (David Ricquish, HCDX)

PHILIPPINES: 1179 DWET Life Radio has started in Santiago with 10 kW. (WRTH Monitor)

TAJIKISTAN: 1143 is reported carrying Tajik Radio 1st program between 2200-0200. (WRTH Monitor)

## **EUROPE, AFRICA, AND THE MIDDLE EAST**

FRANCE: 1557 France Info, Nice will end its long history on MW on August 31, 2015. (Cuvans Develioglu via ADX 23.4.2015 via Bengt Ericson, ARC)
According to information from Christian Ghibaudo (organizer of the excellent EDXC 2014 in Nice) the France Info in Nice will NOT stop the transmissions on MW 1557 kHz in August 2015. The Manager of Monte-Carlo Radiodiffusion answers Christian that there are no plans to stop the transmissions. As you may know the transmitter is located in Monaco at Col de la Madone, the same location as MCR. The participants of the EDXC 2014 passed that location on the way to Nice and got a view of the excellent location on the top of the mountain. Christian adds that the MW coverage is the only way as there are no FM transmitters in the mountains near Nice. Many thanks to Christian for the information. (Bengt Ericson ARC 7.5.2015)

Bretagne 5 has been awarded its official license for 1593 kHz today. Location: Saint-Goueno. Altitude 307 meters. Antenna height: 45 meters. Radiated power: 10 KW daytime (9 am to 5 pm local time/0700 to 1500 UTC in the summer)/nighttime 5 kW (5 pm to 9 am local time/1500 to 0700 UTC in the summer). Attenuation pattern: -1 dB from 350° to 90° and from 160° to 220°. (Rémy.Freiss, mwc 21 Apr)

GERMANY: Westdeutscher Rundfunk (WDR) 720 and 774 will close at the beginning of July. Bayerische Rundfunk will close 801 & 729 on 30-September. Reported by: http://www.radioeins.de/programm/sendungen/medienmagazin/radio\_news/beitraege/2015/wdr\_br\_mw.html. It seems Germany will have no more MW transmitters by the end of 2015, with the exception of AFN, unless they close also for other reasons. (Jurgen Bartels MWDX 4 May 2015)

LUXEMBOURG: 1440 Marnach schedule: 0255-1110 and 1455-2300 UTC. CRI is from 0600-1100 and 1800-2300 UTC. Religious programs from 0330-0400 and 1730-1800 UTC. At other times RTL Radio is on the air - not much left indeed. (Walter Barteczek via Ydun's Medium Wave Info 3.5.2015)

MADEIRA: 1530 CSB91 Posto Emissor do Funchal observed with local programming at night. No more //Radio Renascença. Complete schedule of PEF-Canal 1 (MW) here: http://pef.pt/sitepef/canal-1-2/programacao/. (Mauricio Molano 12.4.2015 via Thomas Nilsson)

MOROCCO: SNRT AI Idaâ Al-Watani again in 595 kHz. They had been using the reserve transmitter for a few days. 612 kHz SNRT AI Idaâ Al-Watania in Sebaâ-Aioun is transmitting at low modulation. (Sergio Sarabia via mediumwave.info 25/5-2015)

NETHERLANDS: From Monday June 1st The Mighty KBC will transmit on the frequency 1602 kHz. On air every day from 0700-1900 CET (0500-1700 UTC) except for Tuesday when it will close down at 1800. http://www.kbcradio.eu/index.php?dir=shows/1602. (The Mighty KBC website (29/5-2015) via mediumwave.info)

PORTUGAL: Good news from Portugal. RTP, the public broadcaster, has recently reactivated the transmitter for \*Antena 1\* at\* Cristelo Covo (Valença) - \*\*666 kHz 10 kW\*. This frequency, located Northwest Portugal close to Spain, was closed down some years ago (in 2011) because the transmitter suffered an found one spare transmitter not regularly used but kept in good condition, which should now replace the old, broken equipment.

According to the user "P. Pinto" at https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/mundo\_da\_radio/conversations/topics/2739 the modulation is somewhat weak;

anyway, the transmitter puts good signal between Valença and Caminha; 666 kHz have fair reception within the city of Viana do Castelo.

This MW outlet is particularly useful in highly mountainous areas where the reception via VHF-FM has some gaps. Despite the fact that RTP has been installing new VHF-FM relays in the region, there are few areas (eg Vila Nova de Cerveira) not well served by VHF-FM, so mediumwave should be an alternative to listen to the first channel of public radio. (Luís Carvalho, Portugal (11/6-2015) via mediumwave.info)

UKRAINE: 1278 kHz transmitter located at Petrivka (off Odessa) is now broadcasting UR 1. Very good signal in Växjö at 1830 UTC. (Bengt Ericson ARC 7.5.2015)

UNITED KINGDOM: I can confirm that the following MW transmitters are no longer on the air as of 16 May:

1233 - Absolute Radio, Reading (Manor Farm)

1431 - Smooth Radio, Reading (Manor Farm)

1485 - Smooth Radio, Newbury (Washwater)

Sad to see these close, especially 1431 which launched in 1976 as Radio 210 (1431 kHz being 210 meters), before becoming a relay for Classic Gold and more recently Smooth Berkshire. The 210 wavelength also gave its name to the local FM station "2-Ten FM" which became Heart Thames Valley in 2010. There is still one MW transmitter on the air in the Reading area: Blast 1386 at Reading College on 1386 kHz (LPAM – 1 Watt emrp). (Dave Kenny, BDXC-UK (16/5-2015))

## **WESTERN HEMISPHERE**

ARGENTINA: News AM station: Unidentified 540 kHz with religious programming, reported May 05 2015. The station transmitted from the northern suburbs of

Buenos Aires, perhaps from El Talar, General Pacheco. It has bad audio, maybe somewhat distorted and with low QSA.

"540 kHz NO IDENTIFICADA, con programación religiosa, reportada el pasado 05 de Mayo de 2015. La emisora transmitiría desde la zona norte del Gran Buenos Aires, tal vez desde El Talar, General Pacheco o zona y tiene muy mal audio, tal vez algo distorsionado y baja QSA." (Arnaldo Slaen, condiglist 23 May via mediumwave.info)

COLOMBIA: 1030 HJRF La Vallenata, AM in Aguachica, Cesar, is a part of the La Vallenata Network of Caracol Radio. Its programming consists of "vallenato" music. Along with my Bogotá friend Rafael Rodríguez we believed that Ondas del Cesar was inactive. Today it is on the air as La Vallenata de Caracol. (Rubencito Medina Parada, WRTH Monitor/Christer Brunström, Arctic)

ECUADOR: 540 HCFA2 R Santiago, Guayaquil, ex R Tropicana "...en Radio Santiago 540 Guayaquil, se inicia espacio publicitario" W: radiosatiago.com.ec. (Sylvain Naud, Port Neuf, and Quebec18.3.2015 via Arctic)

PARAGUAY: From Adán Mur, there is still no sign of a permanent presence of ZP5 R Encarnación, 760 AM. I understand that they were testing, about six months ago, but have interference-related problems to resolve. (Arctic)

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While conditions on the FM broadcast band have not been that great at this point of the season, I'm thankful that I have AM to fall back upon. I hit another milestone in my logbook at my present location on April 18 at 2045 ELT when I logged my 1,600th AM radio station. I was pleasantly surprised to find out that it was WTWB 1570 Auburndale FL with Ranchera music and "La Raza 1570 AM" ID in Spanish with WBGZ nulled. A Web search would indicate that WTWB is the only one on 1570 to use the "La Raza" slogan. Nine minutes later, I began my push toward 1,700 when I heard WNDA 1570 New Albany IN with an ID and talk program at 2054. I finally completed Missouri on 1580 with the log of KESM El Dorado Springs with the calls in a New Albany IN with an ID and talk program at 2054. I finally completed Missouri on 1580 with the log of KESM EI Dorado Springs with the calls in a promo at 2151 on April 23. I'm now one away from 115 AM stations from my home state. A pleasant surprise on May 2 was KCOL 600 Wellington CO with a PSA mentioning Colorado into "Coast-to-Coast AM" at 0104. At this time last year, I had no New Mexico AM stations in my logbook. KCKN 1020 Roswell NM was giving KDKA fits on May 21 at 0255 with Contemporary Christian music, promos, "Radio Vision Cristiana" ID in Spanish and a multistation legal ID in English (I clearly heard the KCKN legal ID). This is the third New Mexico station I've heard on AM in the last year; it was apparently on day pattern. On that same night at 0330, I noted WIBQ 1230 Terre Haute IN with calls and Fox News Radio. They used to be one of the dominant stations when they were WZZQ. 1230's old calls, WBOW, are now on 98.5 in Paris IL. Memorial Day brought my 65th AM from Wisconsin, in the form of KFIZ 1450 Fond du Lac with calls poking through WFMB and KMRY. How many of you are noticing certain AM stations forgetting to drop power and/or change patterns at night in recent years? WSLM 1220 Selben Misconsin in recent years; I often wonder if they're forgetting to drop from 50 kW day power to their 1 000change patterns at night in recent years? WSLM 1220 Salem IN has been dominant in recent years; I often wonder if they're forgetting to drop from 5,000 watts to their authorized 82-watt night power. Lately, WHKY 1290 Hickory NC has been forgetting to drop from 50 kW day power to their 1,000-watt night service. WHKY has been taking out WHIO and WIRL on apparent day power at night. On the local front, St Louis has its first low-power FM station; KTGP-LP 99.5 signed on with an Urban Gospel format in February. They're just eight watts, but broadcasts from a tall building in Clayton. KXFN 1380 St Louis MO is changing its calls to KRFT (formerly on 1190 in DeSoto), and has returned to an all-sports format under an LMA to InsideSTL, an Internet sports station. The station is still 5,000 watts DA-D; they're looking for a new nighttime transmitter site. WBGZ 1570 added an FM relay in January when W232CR 94.3 in nearby Jerseyville signed on the air. They've returned to using "The Big Z" as its identifier, and have switched its news affiliation from IRN-USA to SRN. W232CR's 200-watt signal can be heard all the way down to Lambert-St Louis International Airport. No buyer has been for the property for power for now-silent KENS 500 Wood River II. A found for WSDZ 1260 Belleville IL; it's still on the air with Radio Disney. There has also been no buyer for now-silent KFNS 590 Wood River IL. A Christian group reportedly tried to buy the station; that deal apparently fell through. As of May 27, the AM total stands at 1.606; the five most productive states have been Illinois (122 stations), Missouri (114), Texas (113), Tennessee (108) and Alabama (77). 73.

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It's about 95% certain that I will be at the convention in Fort Wayne in July. It's just a few miles up the road from here and the last convention I was at was the 1988 NRC convention in Milwaukee, the same summer I moved there. (added 6/14/15 – rce.) Eric's report should have been in the last issue of DXM, but my computer tower decided to act up and I wasn't able to clip the column to an e-mail to Phil. I found a laptop with the Vista program I needed a week later and now the tower is back to working normal again, hi. So, the bulk of my databases and spreadsheets are now in both computers. I now have my reservation made for the convention and my sister is set up to come down and stay with my wife for me that weekend. The vacation days are set at work so I should be seeing some of you in about four weeks. 73.

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I had a forum submission ready to send for the anniversary issue and then my laptop died on me so I couldn't send it. All my data is still in limbo but I'm pretty sure the hard drive is OK. Hope to have everything moved over to the new laptop soon. My last submission I erroneously said I rejoined but I meant renewed. Since my last forum I've heard three new stations: KTAP-1600 Santa Maria CA, KJAA-1230 Globe AZ and KCKQ-1180 Sparks NV. Thanks to Mike Sanburn for the KJAA tip in WDXR. Posts on the IRCA forum helped with the KCKQ log. Recent veries from KZSF-1370 San Jose CA (have all 4 San Jose stations now), KSEI-930 Pocatello ID, KMET-1490 Banning CA, KBRT-740 Costa Mesa CA, KNSN-1240 San Diego and KCKQ-1180 Sparks NV. I've been after KMET for over 10 years so I'm happy with that one. My goal by the end of the year is to receive veries from 125 California stations. I'm currently at 122 so I have a shot at it. I'm also trying to figure out how to put up an antenna that's more directional toward the east. My current longwire seems to be directional up the coast. My granddaughter's tetherball pole is right where I want the antenna so I need to figure something else out. I measured the block wall between my house and the neighbor's with visions of a portable D-KAZ but I only have about 85 feet before the hill. Too short for a BOG too! Hope everyone has a great summer. 73's Martin

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