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Seattle deadline for next issue – **Monday 5/15** 6 PM PLT. **Verification Signers**: "No tips were submitted to my column this month. Deadline for the May column will be Monday, May 29 2017 at 1500 EDT – Steve **showe@albany.edu**. IRCA is still looking for a new editor for **DXWorldWide-West**, **DX Test Coordinator** and backup **Editor-in-Chief**.

## 2017 IRCA/NRC/DecalcoMania CONVENTION

IRCA will be hosting the 2017 IRCA/NRC/DecalcoMania Convention held Thursday August 17-Saturday August 19 (checking out on Sunday) at the Best Western Airport Plaza hotel, 1981 Terminal Way, Reno NV 89502. For reservations use phone number 775-348-6371 and request International Radio Club of America rate of \$100 per night plus tax. Major credit cards accepted. (Attendees are encouraged to double up, share a room and save). Airlines serving Reno include Alaska, Allegiant, American, Delta, JetBlue, Southwest, United, and Volaris. Amtrak passenger train service is available as well. Registration fee (not including banquet) is \$25 payable to Mike Sanburn, PO Box 1256, Bellflower CA 90707-1256. Or, by PayPal (add \$1 to cover fee) mikesanburn@hotmail.com Include contact info and club affiliation(s) if any. Information on activities, banquet, and station tours will be announced shortly. Visitor's information can be found online at www.visitrenotahoe.com.

This year's **IRCA/NRC/DecalcoMania** convention in Reno will be an excellent chance to re-connect with old friends and to share DX stories. Speaking of sharing, we issue our annual *call to action* for those who wish to present a talk or paper during the convention. As you know, this can be as *formal* or *informal* as you want. To make it easier, we can provide you with audio-visual support, including slide-preparation and display.

If you're interested in sharing your experiences... or if you want to present questions for discussion that might lead to a better understanding of a particular aspect of your own DXing, please contact Mark Durenberger at Mark4@durenberger.com

## RADIO STATION STAMP AUCTION

## FROM, Neil Carleton, Almonte, Ontario, Canada

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- I'm happy to report that Sparks Auctions has confirmed the dates for the sale of my radio stamp collections.
  - When Tuesday, May 23, and Wednesday, May 24 2017

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Sparks Auctions http://sparks-auctions.com/

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How to Bid http://sparks-auctions.com/how-to-bid-with-us/ advance bidding + live internet bidding + in person

The extensive scale and scope of the radio stamp collections is expected to be offered as a dozen or so lots that include aerogrammes + audience reply cards + commemorative cancellations + covers + **EKKO** stamps + first day covers + local post stamps + maximum cards + meter stamps + philatelic bulletins + postage paid impressions + postage stamps (commemorative, postal tax, semi-postal, special delivery) + postal stationery + postcards + radio station and broadcasting service hand stamps + radio station request card + souvenir cards + souvenir sheets + verification of reception (QSL) cards and letters + verification of reception stamps/sheets/proof sheets.

- mounted collections: 9 volumes, 658 pages;
- stock pages: 4 volumes, hundreds of un-mounted items;
- 29 radio topics: precursors, patron saint, inventors and pioneers, magnetic field and ionosphere, time zones, radio telegraphy, Morse code, radios, headphones, speakers, microphones, tubes and circuits, radio studios, radio at sea, radio in the air, radio in the Arctic and Antarctic, fixed radio links, mobile radio, radio and meteorology, amateur radio, radio exhibitions, the radio revolution, radio conferences/events/organizations, radio trade union congresses, radio towers/waves/symbols;
- EKKO album: 106 pages;
- additional verification stamps: 5 pages;
- Adventist World Radio verification stamps: including sheets and proof sheets;

- reference books: 12 volumes.

#### Google Drive Folder

120 files of scanned images + inventories and other references are available for viewing on request. ve3nce@gmail.com

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## CALL CHANGES

Olivehurst, CA

NEW CALL

#### FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES

	FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES									
FREQ	CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW INFORMATION							
940	KCOE	Bend, OR	now silent							
950	KWAT	Watertown, SD	was adult contemporary, now talk							
	KJTV	Lubbock, TX	old slogan: "AM 950/100.7 FM Lubbock's News Talk Sports", new: "AM 950/100.7 FM Lubbock's News Talk Sports" (??-ye ed)							
1050	WLMA	Alexander City, AL	old slogan: "Real Country 1050/96.3", new: "Real Country 1050"							
	WJCM	Sebring, FL	adds slogan: "Highlands ESPN"							
1070	WMIA	Arecibo, PR	was Spanish talk, now Spanish news-talk, old slogan: "MIA 1070 Radio Arecibo", new: "La Poderosa"							
1120	WXJO	Douglasville, GA	was silent, now SB Nation Radio sports, adds slogan: "1120 The Score"							
1160	WKCM	Hawesville, KY	old slogan: "Real Country", new: "Nash Icon WKCM 1160"							
1230	KSLO	Opelousas, LA	was regional Mexican, now religious teaching							
1290	WJBI	Batesville, MS	old slogan: "Kool 107", new: "Kool 1290"							
1300	WKQK	Cocoa Beach, FL	adds slogan: "Radio 1300"							
1310	KZIP	Amarillo, TX	was Spanish oldies, now regional Mexican, old slogan: "Recuerdo", new: "La Caliente"							



1320 1330 1340	WENN WITM WITS KPOK	Birmingham, AL Marion, VA Sebring, FL Bowman, ND	was silent, now soft adult contemporary, adds slogan: "Easy 102.1" was urban gospel, now new unknown format adds slogan: "Highlands Christian Talk" adds classic rock format
1350 1410	WCMP WELM	Pine City, MN Elmira, NY	was adult standards, now classic hits, old slogan: "America's Best Music", new: "Pine Hits 106" was Westwood One NBC Sports Network, now CBS Sports, old slogan: "NBC Sports Radio 1410", new: "CBS Sports Radio 1410"
1420 1470 1580 1450 1580	WCRE KSMM WVOZ KVML KFCS	Cheraw, SC Liberal, KS Morovis, PR Sonora, CA Colorado Springs, CO	was oldies, now classic hits was oldies, now classic hits was silent, now Spanish news-talk, adds slogan: "La Poderosa" old slogan: "News-Talk 1450", new: "News-Talk AM 1450/102.7 FM" adds slogan: "1580 The Trumpet"

(Note: more 'repeating' slogans from Stationintel.com, I'll just continue reporting them as they are reported-ye ed).

Just got back from a trip to Hollywood Casino Penn National Races in Grantville VA (NE of Harrisburg PA, the state capital). Very nice place, and I even won something! Tax day was this week (4/18), hope your DX hasn't been too taxing! No member contributions this time .... Keep reporting those tips to the column and enjoy the 2017 IRCA convention later this year in Reno NV! 73's. Bob Wien

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WDXR DEADLINES: May 12, May 26, June 9, June 23, July 14 and Aug. 11. Please use Eastern Local Time.

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610	KNML	NM, Albuquerque 4/24 0500 coming up through KOJM with ID as "Albuquerque's Lobos station, Sports Radio 610, KNML Albuquerque" into CBS Sports Radio program. (NP-AB)									
660	KGSV	CA, Oildale 4/24 0758 heard through CFFR with Indian music, ID at the hour as "You're listening to Radio Punjab, KGSV AM 660 Oildale, K273CB 102.5 FM" (NP-AB)									
880	KCMX	OR, Phoenix 4/24 0800 ID as "KCMX Phoenix, Oregon 880 AM. This is southern Oregon's source for news and weather 24 hours a day. News Media 880 KCMX." then ABC news. (NP-AB)									
910	KRAK	CA, Hesperia 4/23 0800 dominating the frequency under auroral conditions with ID as "Krack sports, KRAK Hesperia-Victorville-Apple Valley, 910									
	KBLG	AM for great live sporting events and the high desert's best sports talk keep it on Krack sports 910 AM, CBS Sports Radio." (NP-AB) <b>MT</b> , Billings 4/26 0857 mixing with CKDQ, with ads for Billings businesses, then ID "this is the only sports station in Billings, ESPN 910 KBLG									
		Billings." (NP-AB)									
	KVIN	CA, Ceres 4/24 0759 oldies song, then ID as "America's best music KVIN Ceres, Modesto, Stockton" (NP-AB)									
	WFAW	WI, Fort Atkinson 4/19 0000 ID as "WFAW Fort Atkinson," and also mention of 940 wfaw.com website. (NP-AB)									
980	KNTR	AZ, Lake Havasu City 4/23 0800 ID as "You're listening to 980 KNTR Lake Havasu City and Laughlin. All sports all the time on 94.3 FM and									
000	KFCD	100.5 FM. Welcome to the KNTR sports team," then CBS Sports Radio programming (NP-AB) TX, Farmersville 4/19 0000 coming through CBW with ID as "This is KFCD 990 AM, Farmersville-Dallas-Fort Worth" (NP-AB)									
	KWG	<b>CA</b> , Stockton 4/23 0459 program promo ending "Monday to Friday on your Immaculate Heart radio station." then ID "Immaculate Heart Radio,									
1230	RWG	KWG" (NP-AB)									
	KHSN	<b>OR</b> , Coos Bay 4/19 0000 ID at ToH and ESPN format. Weak but only one discernible in the jumble. 1000 watts and 300 miles away. (GH-OR)									
1240	KQEN	OR. Roseburg 4/8 0700 up from the jumble for ID. Fair to poor and drifty on sunrise skip using NRD with E-W wire. Sometimes heard at night.									
		(GH-OR)									
	KASL	WY, Newcastle 4/21 2300 came through a jumble of stations with mention of web site at kaslradio.com and ID as "1240 AM, KASL." (NP-AB)									
1260	KSFB	CA, San Francisco 4/21 good with KTRC nulled, local KBSZ on with only their carrier. 0100 with Immaculate Heart Radio promo followed by									
		"KSFB San Francisco" legal ID. New for me. (JCJ-AZ)									
	KAPL	OR, Phoenix 4/8 0030 religious type music with ID at BoH. Weak and choppy but alone on NRD with S-W wire. (GH-OR)									
	KTIK	ID, Nampa 4/13 2320 George Noory, fair but choppy and mixing with UnIDs on HQ-180A and Kiwa loop. (GH-OR)									
1370	KRAC	CA, Quincy 4/7 2350 ad for local business. Man said "You're on Crack K-R-A-C," Red Eye Radio show. Poor to fair and mixing with UnID at times on NRD with S-W wire. (GH-OR)									
1490	KUGR	WY, Green River 4/18 faded up in mess 0059 with promo for "The Radio Network" with numerous mentions of Wyoming news, weather and									
		sports. 0100 with "KUGR Green River Wyoming" jingle ID into CBS News. New for me. (JCJ-AZ)									
	KVRI	WA, Blaine 4/9 2330 ID in English at BoH into Punjabi music, etc. Fair to poor mixing with others on SP-600 and E-W wire. (GH-OR)									
1610	WQBV56	9 WA, Yakima 4/20 0501 Washington State Highway Advisory Radio with ID by woman as "this is radio station WQBV569 near Yakima," and									
		information on construction. (NP-AB)									

The DX season is winding down. Thank you to our three reporters to the column this time! - Nancy 4/28 1900

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# GE Superadio III

## **DOWN THE DIAL**

- 890 WKNV 1140 WBXR VA, Fairlawn. 4/23 fair to poor signal through WLS. 0622 with Southern Gospel format, "FM 93-point-One and AM Eight-90" mention. [EB-MO] AL, Hazel Green. 4/23 fair signal over WVEL. 0730 noted with promo, calls into Bible teaching program. 1140 #10 from this location. [EB-MO] 1310 WDXI TN, Jackson. 4/27 fair signal over WTLC. 0713 noted with community announcements and local spots. [EB-MO]
- MO, Springfield. 4/27 fair to poor signal, mixing with KWYN, WGIL and other stations. 0655 noted with local spots and weather forecast from KOLR-TV. [EB-MO] 1400 KGMY

### **FLASHBACK**

April 30 1966 issue of "DX Monitor" ... Tom Jasinski logged CBA 1070 for Province #5 from Mokena IL ... CM "Stan" Stanbury II offered more comment on Radio Americas ... A chart showing daylight saving time for each state was included. All of Montana was MST except Butte. Only 19 states had complete DST in 1966. // April 27 1991 issue of "DX Monitor" ... Gary Larson of Burbank CA told about KDAY 1580 going off the air ... Father Jack Pejza of Ojai CA mentioned his appearing on Jeopardy! and getting a chance to mention IRCA. (On air broadcast date July 8 1991) ... Karl Jeter of Stone Mountain GA said he was up to 1428 veries.

## **OPEN MIKE**

Thanks to Eric we have a column this week. This column was typed 4-28-17. 73, John



# TUNING THE DIALS THIS ISSUE:

(KK-VA) Kraig Krist (KG4LAC), Manassas VA

	Winradio	G33DDC	software-	-defined receiver,	Wellbrook ALA1530S+	Imperium loop

(PS-ON) Paul Snider, Welland ON, Canada

ICOM IC-R75, Pixel RF Pro-1B loop, MFJ-1020C as a tuner

## ACROSS THE DIAL

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860	WAOB	PA, Millvale – 4/22 2321 noted with the Holy Rosary broadcast, featuring prayers and a female vocalist backed by a children's choir. A very poor
		signal was noted, at times barely audible under CJBC. (PS-ON)
1160	WOBM	NJ, Lakewood Township – 4/17 2308 noted with an Oldies format featuring music from Elton John and Kiki Dee, Gary Lewis and the Playboys and
		The Eagles, "Beach Radio 1310, "My Beach Radio-dot-com" ID at 2311, another "Beach Radio" ID mentioning 1160 and 1310 at 2313. A poor to
		very poor signal was noted, mixing with WYLL and other stations. (PS-ON) (1310 refers to WJLK Asbury Park NJ: I wonder if these stations have
		played music by Asbury Park's favorite son. Bruce Springsteen – eb)
1410	WDOV	
1410	VVDOV	
		Fox News Radio. A fair at times to very poor signal was noted, mixing with other stations. (PS-ON)
1440	WMKM	MI, Inkster – 4/14 2345 noted with Christian sermon, Urban Gospel music, "Tell your friends about The New 1440 WMKM reborn" ID at 2351 into
		another music set. A fair to very poor signal was noted mixing with an unidentified Fox Sports Radio station; no sign of semi-local WJJL. (PS-ON)
		(Your Fox Sports Radio affiliate is WGVL Greenville SC – eb)
1600	KGYM	IA. Cedar Rapids – 4/19 0035 noted with The Freddie Coleman Show, local ads. PSAs, ESPN promos and mentions, ads for Upside Down-dot-
		com and Casper Mattresses, weather forecast with "Gym" mention, "KGYM, Eastern Iowa's Sports Station" ID at 0057, local sports news, mention
		of "KGYM Radio-dot-com". A fair at times to very poor signal was noted, mixing with other stations. (PS-ON)
	WIDU	NC, Fayetteville – 4/7 0545 noted with an Urban Gospel format, "We are 1600 AM WIDU Fayetteville, WIDU Radio-dot-com" ID by a male
	mbo	anouncer. The signal was noted mixing with WCPK, WKKX, WWRL and an unidentified vocal music station. (KK-VA)
1670	WMGE	
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		an unidentified vocal music station. (KK-VA) (The vocal music station could likely be CJEU Gatineau QC – eb)
1680	WOKB	FL, Winter Garden – 4/14 00514 noted with "Inspiration 1680 Orlando" ID by a female announcer. The signal was noted mixing with KRJO and
		WPRR. (KK-VA) (KRJO runs an Adult Hits format as "My 99.7" – eb)
1700	WRCR	NY, Ramapo – 4/14 0509 noted with an Adult Contemporary format, DJ talk, "At Home, At Work or In Your Car; We Belong with You, AM 1700
		WRCR" slogan by a male announcer. According to their Web site, they are known as "Radio Unscripted"; the GM noted that the station is AC/Talk
		0100-1300 and Ethnic, with programming furnished by Radio India, Limited 1300-0100. (KK-VA)
TENT		
1630	CHYW	ON, Ottawa – 4/7 0536 noted with ad for sending flowers anywhere in Canada. Is this CHYW? The signal was noted mixing with KCJJ, WRDW
		and the Northern Virginia Community College-Manassas campus TIS. (KK-VA) (This must be a very new station; it is not listed in the latest NRC

AM Radio Log - eb) EDITOR'S NOTES

Thanks to Kraig and Paul for their logs. 73 and good DX from NØUIH

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Mondays 1201 PM PLT. All times UTC/GMT. We are looking for a new editor for this column, contact me if interested phil\_tekno@yahoo.com. TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 531 JAPAN JOQG, Morioka, NHK1. Extreme minimalist DX with man talking very weak, //567 1308 4/9, but actually got a little stronger at 1313 with woman talking //594. Also noted weakly, man talking //594 1258 4/14. (NHP-BČ)
- REP KOREA HLQH, Yeong-il, KBS2. 1306 4/13. Man and woman in Korean fair strength //603. (NHP-BC) 558
- JAPAN JOIK, Sapporo, NHK1. Man in Japanese //594, good signal at 1301 4/3 after pips on the hour (previous to hour, there was a separate program 567 from 594, but definitely Japanese). Also noted good strength 1247 4/13, man in Japanese //594; similar strength //594, 1222 4/17. (NHP-BC) 576
- AUSTRALIA 2RN, Sydney. News /612 at 1301 4/18, fair strength. (NHP-BC) JAPAN NHK1 synchros; JOHG? 1300 4/14. Sports and pips, poor strength but //594. Whichever it was, NHK1 has not been heard at home before on this channel. (NHP-BC) AUSTRALIA 7RN, Hobart. Woman and man talking, pretty weak but //576 1322 4/4. (NHP-BC)
- 585
- JAPAN JOPG, Kushiro, NHK1. 1305 4/9. Man talking poor strength, //567. Also noted poorly, 1259 4/14 Japanese sports //594, NHK pips on hour as talking continued. (NHP-BC)
- +1301 4/15. Man talking, poor strength, //594. (NHP-BC)
- 594 AUSTRALIA 3WV, Horsham. 1320 4/4, man talking, then music, poor strength, //612. Also noted 1247 4/18, man talking, poor but clearly //612. (NHP-BC) 603 JAPAN JOOG/JOKK, Obihiro/Okayama, NHK1. 1306 4/9. JOOG more likely, man mumbling //594, poor strength. (NHP-BC)
- t NEW ZEALAND Manukau, Radio Waatea. Assumed with island style vocal harmonies 1238 4/4, fair strength. (NHP-BC)
- REP KOREA HLSA, Seoul, KBS2. Good strength, woman in Korean 1319 4/3, paralleled with 558 earlier. Also noted fair strength w/man in Korean, soft music, 1233 4/13 //558. (NHP-BC)
- 612 AUSTRALIA 4QR, Brisbane. Woman and man talking, good signal, "ABC radio" mention by man 1305 4/15. Also noted, excellent strength, peaking around local sunrise with two men talking DU English 1311-12 4/18, fading back up again at 1317 for a last hurrah. (NHP-BC)
- AUSTRALIA 3RN, Melbourne. 1324 4/6. Man talking //576, poor strength, and 620 splatter made even the parallel difficult. (NHP-BC) 621
- JAPAN JOIP, Oita, NHK1. 1302 4/14. Poor, fading up over JOPB with sports //594, but with JOPB making occasional forays for the next couple of minutes. 639 Extreme minimalist DX at its best. (NHP-BC) JAPAN JOPB, Shizuoka, NKH2. 1301 4/14, woman talking //774 then man, faded down, and NHK1 faded up, both pretty weak but fairly clear. Think this is new at home, but heard again 1204 4/17, very weak w/woman and man talking //774. (NHP-BC)
- 657 DPR KOREA Pyongyang, Pyongyang BS. Man in Korean, fair signal 1302 4/3; presumed this one. (NHP-BC)
- JAPAN JOBK, Osaka, NHK1. 1256 4/13. This one seems likely, woman in Japanese not //594, good strength; this is a time when NHK1 stations break out 666 for local programming. (NHP-BC)
- JAPAN JOAB, Tokyo, NHK2. Poor-fair with man in Japanese at 1157 4/17. (NP-AB) 693
- 702 AUSTRALIA 2BL, Sydney. 1234 4/18. Man talking //612 4/18, poor strength; reprise of this at 1320-22, after sunrise. (NHP-BC)
- +Mild carrier signal at 1146 4/22 (LSR 1147) fading away at 1155. (RA-OK) +Fair strength carrier signal at 1140 4/23 fading away at 1147 (LSR 1146). The signal was stronger than yesterday. No signals noted on 621, 774 or 1116. (RA-OK)
- JAPAN JOKD/JOFB, Kitami/Hiroshima, NHK2. 1300 4/13. English lessons after pips, fair strength. (NHP-BC) 702
- 729 UnID. Very weak, with man talking at 1210 4/25. Not //1503, so likely RNZ. (NP-AB)
- JAPAN JOIB, Sapporo, NHK2. Fair, with woman and man presenting language lesson at 1201 4/17. (NP-AB) 747
- 756 UnID. Traces of music at 1154 4/25 under the IBOC noise. Presumably RNZ from Auckland. (NP-AB)

- 774 AUSTRALIA 3LO, Melbourne. Man talking //612, poor strength, and way under JOUB 1247 3/16. Also noted 1234 4/18 w/man talking //612, poor strength, but with less interference from JOUB. (NHP-BC)
  - +Traces of news were noted at 1203 4/19. (NP-AB)
  - +Bits of talk noted before the hour and ABC news fanfare at 1100 4/20. (NP-AB)
  - JAPAN JOUB, Akita, NHK2. Fair-good, //747 with language lesson at 1201 4/17. (NP-AB)
- 819 DPR KOREA Pyongyang, KCBS. 1240 4/13. Woman in impassioned Korean, good strength, //855. (NHP-BC)
- 792 AUSTRALIA 4RN, Brisbane, ABC National. Just detectable with ABC news fanfare at 1200 4/20. (NP-AB)
- 828 AUSTRALIA 3GI, Sale. Fair level with talk, time pips, and ABC news fanfare at 1200 4/20. Wiped out mid-fanfare by KXNT IBOC, presumably when they switched to day pattern/power. (NP-AB)
  - JAPAN JOBB, Osaka, NHK2. Fair with woman in Japanese at 1159 4/17. (NP-AB)
- UnID. Traces of talk by a man at 1151, music at 1153 4/25. Music seemed //954, but would Trackside Radio play music? (NP-AB)
- 837 JAPAN JOQK, Niigata, NHK1. 1301 4/13. Poor strength with woman talking //594. (NHP-BC)
- 846 JAPAN NHK1 synchros. 1230 4/13. Man talking, poor strength //594. (NHP-BC)
- 864t REP KOREA HLKR, Gangneung, KBS1. 1239 4/13. Likely this, with man in Korean, fair strength. (NHP-BC)
- 891 JAPAN JOHK, Sendai, NHK1. Man in Japanese, good level, 1255 4/16; dominant even in LSB, though of course with a het. (NHP-BC)
- 909 UnID. Traces of choral music at 1148 4/25. Likely Star from Napier. (NP-AB)
- 945 CHINA Jiaohe, CNR1. Man and woman in Chinese //981, fair strength, 1253 4/13. (NHP-BC)
- 954 JAPAN JOKR, Tokyo, TBS. 1502 4/3. Man in Japanese, fair strength //1242; local sunrise at 1347. Better strength at a more predictable time, good with two men in Japanese 1252 4/16. (NHP-BC)
- UnID. Traces of music at 1154 4/25. (NP-AB)
- 963 CHINA Huaduan, CRI. Man talking, poor strength but //1323 1337 4/3. (NHP-BC)
- 972 **REP KOREA** HLCA, Dangjin. Poor, with man speaking in Korean at 1201 4/17. (NP-AB)
- 981 CHINA CNR1 synchros. Man and woman in Chinese //945, good strength 1252 4/13. Really good strength, woman in Chinese 1255 4/17, //945 and 6135, at one point only 10dB down from CKNW-980. (NHP-BC)
- UnID. Faint traces of talk by a woman just after 1200 4/20. Coincided with a fadeout on 4BC so couldn't check //. (NP-AB)
- 1008 NEW ZEALAND Tauranga, Newstalk ZB. Traces of talk at 1149 4/25 through strong 1010 splatter (which somewhat surprisingly came mostly from California rather than Calgary). Musical piece at 1157 which I was able to //1035. (NP-AB)
- 1017 CHINA Changchun, CRI. CRI chimes and fanfare, poor strength 1300 4/3. Also likely with one with woman in Korean 1249 4/13, fair strength, best on north Flag. Assumed with Chinese lessons, good strength, 1253 4/17, man and woman repeating Chinese phrases. (NHP-BC)
- 1026 NEW ZEALAND Newstalk ZB. First noted in audio at 1157 4/25 with music segment //1035. (NP-AB)
- 1035 CHINA various, CNR1. 1322 4/3. Woman talking, poor strength, //945 more or less, given 1035 was echoey at times. (NHP-BC) NEW ZEALAND Wellington, Newstalk ZB. Fair audio with an interview at 1146 4/25 when I first started the session. Ad string at 1152. Consistent until 1220 fadeout. (NP-AB)
- 1044 CHINA Changzhou, CRI. CRI chimes and fanfare, woman in Japanese, fair strength, 1300 4/3. (NHP-BC)
- 1089 JAPAN JOHB, Sendai, NHK2. 1240 4/16. Man talking //774, poor strength. (NHP-BC)
- 1098 MARSHAL ISLANDS V7AB, Majuro. A minute or so with audio at 1101 4/17, during a piece of music. (NP-AB)
- 1116 AUSTRALIA 4BC, Brisbane. Bits of audio, with Aussie-accented woman at 1202 4/17. (NP-AB)
- t Assumed, w/man in DU English, talking to another man on the phone 1252 4/18, fair strength. (NHP-BC) +Man talking noted at 1154 4/19, then after a fade back up with news by a woman at 1201. (NP-AB) +First observed at poor level with commercial at 1059 4/20. Stronger at 1202 with woman presenting news. (NP-AB)
- 1134t JAPAN JOQR, Tokyo, NCB. Man in Japanese 1225 4/17, fair strength. (NHP-BC)
- t REP KOREA HLKC, Kimpo, KBS3. Likely with man in Korean, fair strength, 1302 4/13. (NHP-BC)
- 1143 UnID. An IBOC-afflicted frequency, but heard traces of a woman talking at 1203 4/25. (NP-AB)
- 1152 JAPAN JORP/KOPC, Kochi/Kushiro, NHK2. Likely JOPC Kushiro. Man talking, poor strength, //828 1254 4/16. (NHP-BC)
- 1179 UnID. Traces of music at 1155 4/25. Likely Radio Ake. (NP-AB)
- 1188 JAPAN JOKP, Kitami, NHK1. 1303 4/13. Man talking //594; poor signal, better on north Flag. (NHP-BC)
- 1215 NEW ZEALAND Kaikohe, Newstalk ZB. Traces of talk by a man at 1148 4/25. Better at 1203 with ad for South Pacific cruise (very tempting as we had snow here today!), //1035. (NP-AB)
- 1242 JAPAN JOLF, Tokyo. 1501 4/3, strong signal, way over 1240 domestics with man in Japanese, had faded up rapidly after the hour, fine post sunrise DX. Also likely the one, man in Japanese, fair strength 1248 4/13. Good strength, with two women in Japanese 1311 4/16. (NHP-BC)
- 1251 UnID. Bits of talk at 1201, and music at 1206 4/25, but tough competition from 1250. (NP-AB)
- 1287t JAPAN JOHR, Sapporo, HBC. Woman in Japanese, then man 1500 4/3, fair strength, better on north Flag. Another nice piece of post sunrise DX. Also, fair with woman and man in Japanese 1309 4/13. (NHP-BC)
- +Poor, with mix of talk and music at 1207 4/17. (NP-AB) NEW ZEALAND Greymouth, Newstalk ZB. Only snippets of man talking at 1155 4/25, but enough that I was able to //1035. (NP-AB)
- 1296 NEW ZEALAND Hamilton, Newstalk ZB. Poor at 1158 4/25, with music //1035. (NP-AB)
- 1323 CHINA Shuanghyashan, CRI. Hints of the distinctive music leading up to chimes and fanfare 1259 4/3, poor strength, woman and man talking, "Kitaya" mention, final chime 1300. Also likely the one with man and woman in Russian, fair strength, 1247 4/13. Good strength, w/man and woman in Russian, "Radio Kitaya" ID at 1226 4/17. (NHP-BC)
- 1386 JAPAN NHK2 synchros. JOQC Morioka most likely? Man talking 1255 4/16 //828; poor strength. Better level w/English lessons "good morning" by woman, 1213 4/17. (NHP-BC)
  - NEW ZEALAND Auckland, Radio Tarana. Poor, with talk by man at 1203 4/25, then south Asian music. (NP-AB)
- 1503 NEW ZEALAND Christchurch or Wellington, Radio Sport. American sports talk about Aaron Hernandez at 1206 4/25. (NP-AB)
- 1548 AUSTRALIA 4QD, Emerald. Man talking, DU English, fairly quick fade up to good strength in 1550 splash 1316 4/11. (NHP-BC)
  - +ABC news fanfare was clear at 1200 4/19 in spite of the 1550 splatter, followed by the news read by a man. If not for the 1550 splatter would have been 100% copy at times. (NP-AB)
- UnID (4QD?) Carrier signal heard at 1134-1151 4/19 (LSR). Sadly no audio. (RA-OK)
- 1566 **REP KOREA** HLAZ, Jeju, FEBC. Weak, with man talking at 1207 4/17. (NP-AB)

## TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

1215t UNITED KINGDOM various sites, Absolute Radio. Even though a couple of WCNA North Americans were heard in Britain in mid April, the best this seemed to manage was a strong het 0315-0435 4/13, with maybe some grumblings of audio. Other carriers on 1089, pretty good carrier at times, 855 was so-so; hints on 882 1053 1089, 1107 and an odd one, 1296. 1215 noted on 14 and 16 April also, but a weaker carrier then; no audio when I was listening. (NHP-BC)

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- NP-AB NIGEL PIMBLETT, Dunmore AB (via eGroup)
- RA-OK RICHARD ALLEN, near Perry OK (via eGroup)
- WR-G313e, ALA1530LNP-NA. C Crane Skywave and Tecsun PL-380 with an 8-inch FSL antenna.



Deadline - Sunday Midnight Central Time.

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

- 549 ALGERIA Jil FM, Les Trembles. MAR 28 0100 Autotune-effect vocal and synthesizer, woman with Jil FM ID. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 684 SPAIN RNE Radio 1, Sevilla. MAR 28 0100 News; through WRKO slop. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 783 MAURITANIA Radio Mauritanie, Nouakchott. MAR 24 0000 Fast Arabic talk by man; best TA. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- \*\*\* PAN-AMERICAN DX \*\*\*
- 530 CUBA CMBQ, Radio Enciclopedia, La Habana. MAR 25 0402 Woman with "CMBQ Radio Enciclopedia" ID; mixed with Rebelde station. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 540 CUBA Radio Rebelde, Sancti Spiritus. MAR 2 0700 Dominant with 9-note signal, "noticias" mention. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 570p MEXICO XEBJB Monterrey, NL. APR 28 0455 dominant signal here with choral NA early, stops at 0456 but no ID, so sign-off? Nothing further heard. Loops south, so I would expect XEBJB. IRCA Mexican Log as of 2015 showed XEBJB as 24 hours, but some others going off at 0500 or 0600. [Hauser-OK]
- CUBA Radio Musical Nacional, La Julia. MAR 25 0400 Cuban anthem, Radio Musical Nacional ID; mixed with WEZE, WARM. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 590
- 600 PUERTO RICO WYEL, Mayaguez. MAR 25 0401 //580 with Puerto Rico news by woman; under Cuba. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 630 CUBA Radio Progreso synchros. MAR 25 0401 Anthem //690; mixed with WUNO and WPRO. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 650 MEXICO XETNT, Los Mochis, Sin. APR 14 1157 good signal from XETNT, which really gets out on skywave. Much better now than any other XE in the 500s, 600s or 700s, although 730 XEHB Chihuahua is weakly audible too. XETNT with music, 1159 full ID for XHTNT 106.5 and XETNT 650, both Radio 65. 6 am timecheck, announces newscast, but not yet, back to songs. Today's Enid sunrise: 1159 on way to earliest of the year in about two months, 1113. [Hauser-OK]
- 720 CUBA Radio Progreso, Mabujabo. MAR 25 0401 Cuban anthem //730; mixed with WGN and UnID Latin American. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- CUBA Radio Progreso, La Fe. MAR 25 0359 Dominant with Radio Progreso ID by woman. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
   CUBA Radio Angulo, Sagua de Tanamo. MAR 25 0400 Cuban anthem way over CFZM. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 800 MEXICO XEROK, Radio Cañón, Ciudad Juárez, Chih. APR 20 1303 after Mex NA, sign on by a station with address in Ciudad Juárez, seems to mention FM 102.7. As usual, a struggle to copy weak signal, no borderblaster, with near-local KQCV OKC nulled as much as possible. XEROK is not known to have an FM, but adding that is certainly the trend on both sides of la frontera. Wikipedia gives website as http://calibre800.com/ but that's the newscast it carries, not the station per se, and no sign of an FM mentioned there. 102.7 may be wrong, as there is a K-love translator on that in nearby Anthony TX, although as such would be subject to bumping by a US non-translator, and presumably Mexican.
  - +APR 27 1200 XEROK with choral NA, near-local KQCV OKC nulled as much as possible. This time I can copy enough of the full ID which follows at 1202 to tell that Radio Cañón with street address is \*not\* mentioning an FM frequency with a seven in it, but instead after 800, they say "Grupo 7". [Hauser-OK]
- COLOMBIA HJCY, Caracol Radio, Bogotá. MAR 25 0401 Through jumble with CARACOL Radio net ID. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 810
- 830 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIJB, Santo Domingo. MAR 25 0400 Dominant with HIJB ID at 0400:44. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 840 CUBA CMHW, "W", Santa Clara. MAR 28 0100 Loud with "Esta es Dobleve, desde Santa Clara, en el centro de Cuba." [Connelly\*Y-MA] 900 CUBA Radio Progreso. MAR 25 0359 Good (over YVMD, CHML) with Radio Progreso ID. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 940 CUBA Radio Progreso, Sancti Spiritus. MAR 25 0401 Anthem //690; under CFNV. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- CUBA Radio Granma, Media Luna. MAR 28 0100 Granma chimes mixed with Artemisa wobbler. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 1000
- 1100 BRAZIL ZYK694, Radio Globo, São Paulo. MAR 28 0100 In jumble with reverberated man in Portuguese mentioning 'fútbol'. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 1630 MEXICO XEUT, Tijuana, BC, APR 5 0600 Punk rock, pleasant sounding W presenter "muy buenas dias". Good well after local surrise on Panasonic RF-2200, stock loop, oriented for SW/NE reception. Note: This station is the Radio Nikkei 1 of North America, ie a very eclectic lineup of music. Anything from
- Beethoven to Tangerine Dream to Muddy Waters Dave Brubeck or The Clash is possible here. [Barton-AZ] 1700 MEXICO XEPE, Tijuana, BC. APR 3 0815 NBA report, Excellent on Symphonic World Traveler. [Barton-AZ]

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Note: Gary DeBock's DXpedition in Hawaii is presented in our Ultralight column this issue.

Roy Barstow's Cape Cod DXpedition APR 10-11 (via Mark Connelly)

## Cape Cod Mini-DXpedition - Orleans, MA, USA - APR 10-11 2017

Report from Roy Barstow, Times/dates = UTC/2017 Nauset Beach – Orleans, Cape Cod MA, USA GC= 41.7857 N/69.9365 W (= 41°47.14' N/69°56.19' W) (grid FN51as)

Map: https://www.google.com/maps/@41.7857,-69.9365,1779m/data=!3m1!1e3

Receiver: Elad FDM-S2 See http://shop.elad-usa.com/sdr-radio/fdm-s2/

Antenna: Wellbrook ALA1530LNP See http://www.wellbrook.uk.com/ALA1530LNP-1

## \*\*\* TRANSATLANTIC DX \*\*\*

- ALGERIA Jil FM, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi. APR 10 2333 Strong with typical Arabic instrumental music //549. [Barstow-MA] 531
- 549
- 567
- ALGERIA JII FM, Les Trembles. APR 11 0001 Loud with Jii FM jingle, Mideast techno-dance music. [Barstow-MA] SPAIN RNE Radio 5 synchros. APR 10 2344 Weak to fair peaks; after talk, woman singing //603. [Barstow-MA] CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN RNE synchros, Las Palmas//Barcelona. APR 10 2344 Fair with Spanish talk //567. [Barstow-MA] 576
- 595 MOROCCO RTM 1 and 2, Oujda. APR 10 2344 Weak with talk //612. [Barstow-MA]
- 603 SPAIN RNE Radio 5 synchros. APR 10 2334 Strong //558. [Barstow-MA]
- 639 UnID. APR 11 0016 Weak unknown language with slop. Maybe Czech Republic. [Barstow-MA]
- UNITED KINGDOM BBC Radio 5, Droitwich et al. APR 11 0017 Good with talk about education. [Barstow-MA] SPAIN RNE Radio 1 synchros. APR 11 0000 RNE news fair on LSB. [Barstow-MA] 693
- 729
- SPAIN RNE Radio 1, Barcelona. APR 11 0000 Good with RNE news, mention of Estados Unidos. [Barstow-MA 738 774
- **EGYPT** Middle East Radio, Abis. APR 11 0016 Fair to good peaks, over and under Spain with music program. [Barstow-MA] SPAIN RNE Radio 1 synchros. APR 10 2345 Strong with talk. [Barstow-MA]
- 783 SPAIN COPE, Barcelona. APR 10 2345 Talk with Mauritania under. [Barstow-MA]

- 837 CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN COPE synchros. APR 10 2332 Good with talk //1143. [Barstow-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE Radio 1 synchros. APR 11 0000 - Good with RNE news. [Barstow-MA]
- EGYPT ERTU, Santah. APR 11 0017 Good and all alone with Koran program. [Barstow-MA] 864
- SPAIN RNE Radio 1, Socuellamos. APR 10 2332 Fair //855. [Barstow-MA]
- 873
- SPAIN SER synchros. APR 11 0001 Overall good with news and keyed teletype. [Barstow-MA] UNITED KINGDOM BBC Wales, Washford, synchros. APR 10 2347 Talk, weak to fair with slop. [Barstow-MA] 882
- UNITED KINGDOM BBC Radio 5 synchros. APR 11 0001 Good into news //693. [Barstow-MA] 909
- UnID. APR 11 0001 Weak with a music interlude and talk. UK suspected: talk seems British accented. [Barstow-MA] 945
- SPAIN Onda Cero, Madrid. APR 11 0001 Fair, pips into news. [Barstow-MA] 954
- 963 UnID. APR 11 0016 - Weak, instrumental with a female vocal, then a woman announcer. Pop music fair peak at first but it went downhill after 0016. Maybe UK. [Barstow-MA]
- 981 ALGERIA RTVA Chaine 2, Algiers. APR 10 2345 – Fair with Koran with slop. [Barstow-MA]
- 999
- SPAIN COPE, Madrid. APR 10 2344 Weak //783. [Barstow-MA] SPAIN SER synchros. APR 11 0001 Good with pips. Jovial men having fun, boos and laughing. [Barstow-MA] 1044
- UnIDs. APR 10 2347 Two stations with strong carriers, suspect UK and Libya. [Barstow-MA] 1053
- 1152 SPAIN RNE Radio 5 synchros. APR 10 2344 - Good, talk into music //a weaker 1125. [Barstow-MA]
- CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN SER synchros. APR 11 0000 Fair peak/dominant (on LSB) with Spanish news by man. [Barstow-MA] 1179
- 1287 SPAIN SER synchros. APR 10 2345 - Weak, talk //1044. [Barstow-MA]
- SPAIN RNE Radio 5 synchros. APR 10 2345 Fair to a good with man and woman in a duet //1152 and 1314. [Barstow-MA] SPAIN RNE Radio 5 synchros. APR 11 0001 Weak with pips into news //1305. [Barstow-MA] 1305
- 1314
- UnID. APR 10 2347 Weak, man talking in unknown language. Possibly //1404 (Romania?). [Barstow-MA] 1332
- 1413 SPAIN RNE Radio 5 synchros. APR 10 2333 Fair with talk //1305. [Barstow-MA]

(Captures didn't cover above 1500 kHz.)



## ULTRALIGHT NEWS – Phil Bytheway – 9705 Mary NW – Seattle WA 98117-2334 E-mail: phil tekno@yahoo.com





Introduction: Ever since the UK's Graham Maynard published his innovative article about the "Ferrite Sleeve" antenna in early 2011 an enthusiastic group of DXers and tinkerers has continually refined and upgraded the design, with most of them going in the pursuit of maximum possible gain. Monster FSL models were designed with weights of up to 38 pounds (17 kg), and considering the size, weight and subversive appearance of the typical model, the general assumption was that this new type of antenna was highly unsuitable for air travel, since it would send airport security personnel into a serious panic.

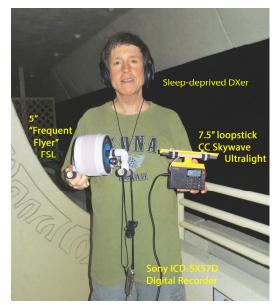
This situation continued for a full 6 years, during which the FSL antenna became a star performer in the related new niche of ocean cliff transoceanic DXing. But was there another possible application for the antenna's compact performance advantage? What if a very lightweight, high-performing model could be

designed which would not only provide a huge boost in DXing gain, but fit inside a hand-carry suitcase, and routinely pass airport security screening inspections around the world? This was a tough design challenge, but well worth the effort if successful!

Since the new antenna would need the maximum possible performance for its small, lightweight size, the use of the Russian surplus 100mm x 20mm x 3mm ferrite bars was mandatory. Every possible effort would be used to make the antenna as compact and lightweight as possible, although the choice of the highest-sensitivity 1162/46 Litz wire was critical for best performance. The PVC frame would be shrunk down to the smallest practical size. Finally, in a major experimental effort here over the winter season, the first of the new 5 inch (127mm) "Frequent Flyer" FSL's became a reality. The finished antenna had a very non-subversive appearance, and could fit inside a customsized plastic tote within a hand-carry suitcase. Most importantly, it could still deliver a serious amount of inductive coupling gain - roughly similar to that provided by a 4 foot (1.22m) air core box loop, but with the advantage of somewhat lower noise reception.

Because the Russian surplus 100mm x 20mm x 3mm ferrite bars are extremely scarce (without any current supply source) only five of these original "Frequent Flyer" models would be made, although alternative models using the commonly available 140mm x 8mm ferrite rods were also designed. These antennas would be somewhat heavier and larger, but these "Baby FSL" ferrite rod models could be easily assembled from parts available on eBay, fit inside the hand-carry suitcases, and still deliver a lot of DXing performance (while routinely passing airport security screening). Finally, an economic model using the commonly available 62mm x 12mm x 4mm Russian surplus ferrite bars was also designed. This lightweight FSL can be constructed for around \$65 US, and can still provide a serious DXing gain boost to a stock Ultralight radio. For want of better terms, these three classes of "Frequent Flyer" FSL antennas are called the "first class," the "business class" and coach class" models, with FŚL sensitivity scores (ferrite length x coil diameter) of 585, 490 and 300" respectively.





From April 9-12 a Mini-DXpedition was conducted on a 6th floor oceanfront room at the Royal Kona Resort Motel in Kona, Hawaii. This was the first of many long-range DXing trips based upon the performance boost provided by the compact new antenna – which was specifically designed to easily pass through airport TSA security checkpoints. A 5 inch (127mm) "Frequent Flyer" FSL antenna was packed inside a matched-size plastic tote within a hand-carry suitcase, and breezed through TSA security screening in both the Seattle and Kona airports (without even a single question ever being asked). This was one of the "first class" Frequent Flyer models described previously, and was used to boost DX station gain on a 7.5" loopstick C.Crane "Skywave" Ultralight radio. This combination was effective enough to track down many exotic Pacific Island stations (540, 621, 1440, etc.) at S9 levels during transmitter-site sunset skip propagation into Kona, as well as Asian TP-DX of varying strength around local sunrise.

This Kona trip was primarily designed as an anniversary celebration with my wife, so before we took off I had (somewhat reluctantly) agreed that DXing would have a secondary priority to sightseeing over the four days. Because of this there were many frequencies that could not be investigated in Kona, but I knew very well which Pacific island stations were tough challenges in both North America and Japan, and I was determined to go after them with a vengeance. 540, 621 and 1440 would all receive serious attention in Kona – not because they were great challenges in Hawaii, but because most DXers in both North America and Japan needed all possible information about them if they were to have any chance of reception at all. Besides this I was eager to try my longrange luck chasing exotic Asians around local sunrise with the innovative FSL antenna, but I knew that east-west propagation was almost totally dependent upon solar activity - and as it turned out both the A and K indexes shot up after our arrival. Overall the Kona MW propagation to the Pacific islands was exceptional around local midnight

(as expected), but the sunrise propagation to the Factor status was exceptional acoust instantiation (as expected), but the sunrise propagation was somewhat challenging for long range Asians. Perhaps the biggest success of this entire trip was the interest and excitement that the "Frequent Flyer" FSL antenna series (the major experimental project here this past winter) has inspired among DXers who routinely travel to foreign countries and other faraway venues. As I write this Craig Barnes of Wheat Ridge, Colorado is conducting his own 5 inch "Frequent Flyer" FSL- based DXpedition to Hawaii. Good luck. Craia!

531 AUSTRALIA 6DL? Dalwallinu. Presumably the one with the same-sounding announcer and program as the one on 630-4QN at the time (at 1547 on 4/9; see MP3 for 630-4QN), but it didn't seem to be exactly parallel (maybe a time zone delay?)

## https://app.box.com/s/7bg1hruxrufccuys5axc4yzumexr3q36

- SAMOA 2AP, Apia. This station features a lot of Samoan music (with both male and female announcers), and dominates the frequency in Kona 540 at night as long as it transmits. Unfortunately it doesn't follow the listed PAL sign off time of 1000, but runs past this time routinely, which made it tough to track down an exact sign off time during my limited sessions. My guess is that it signs off sometime between 1030 and 1100. The following MP3 is of S9+ level Samoan Christian worship music at 0931 on 4/9. This overwhelming signal was one of the most awesome recorded during the entire DXpedition https://app.box.com/s/8ejvx8s7udh5ibtqymtxs5ew65mquqcl. Energetic Samoan music at 0956 on 4/12. This is typical of the station's music format https://app.box.com/s/box.com/s/box.com/s/z8ecbx14fyqx0tpjtw2ahy2r7omhst4. Relaxing Samoan choral music at 1013 on 4/11 – a staple of programming in the station's format https://app.box.com/s/z8ecbx14fyqx0tpjtw2ahy2r7omhst4. Relaxing Samoan choral music at 1013 on 4/12 https://app.box.com/s/v50700yxviojl4qkkdgh9omdx1hf0yrl. The usual male announcer in Samoan at 1028 on 4/12 https://app.box.com/s/03xy87zls2aqqz52oiz8pbobi9f433rt. The usual female announcer in Samoan at 0856 on 4/11 https://app.box.com/s/6rkd8ckcd1005fyc5itupxowaf6jqhex
- 558 FIJI Naulu, Radio Fiji One. Somewhat of an underperformer considering its South Pacific location and (nominal) 10 kW power level. My guess is that the station has some transmitter and/ or antenna issues. Here is some fair level male speech with island music at 1001 on 4/9, which was the strongest signal it managed during the entire trip https://app.box.com/s/ly0u5y34rg85e1aotimyjjj1bksunsd3 UnID-TP. Once again, this weak signal sounded a lot like the 630-4QN program at the time (1548 on 4/11), so my guess is that 6WA in Wagin, Australia is the most likely possibility https://app.box.com/s/10plmz0gumpjk7ymwi6ay44oqzo67ong
- **REP KOREA** HLSA, Swoul, KBS2. One of the common Asians which ran the gauntlet of dicey solar activity. It was fairly good at 1521 on 4/12, but was MIA during a couple of days https://app.box.com/s/9s3g67w2j5ge9ggsj31kwuwnqmfdiyh9 603
- AUSTRALIA 3RN, Melbourne. This LR network station would start to fade in just when Radio Tuvalu was about to sign off (around 1000), although it never 621 provided any serious competition for the exotic station. This MP3 was made just after Tuvalu's sign off at 1006 on 4/9 https://app.box.com/s/x0k4bnu3jmytorhzjphz5a6nqyet4h5r

TUVALU Funafuti, Tuvalu Radio. A very tough station to track down on the mainland, but certainly a "piece of cake" in Kona. Routinely has sign off at 1003, preceded by island choral music and the national anthem (sung by the same choral group). Around 0950 a female announcer begins the routine by giving a monolog news broadcast about 5 minutes long, typically followed by an island music song right before the fixed 5-minute sign off routine. The latter two features are included in the following 8 minute recording (at near S9 strength) made at 0955 on 4/10 https://app.box.com/s/3z2ql91i5afhhi6kmjsnvos4p9q2j56y. The usual female announcer with her 5 minute news broadcast at near S9 strength at 0955

prior to the sign off routine on 4/11. The lady giving the correct pronunciation for "Tuvalu" is at the 11 second point https://app.box.com/s/knpjrxdb40p7hfe9xx7djlwyz3fzf8j3. Around five minutes of typical Island choral music at good-level strength at 0921 on 4/9

https://app.box.com/s/0vouj030pvoxy96o7xtvg45zq0uxed1n. Here is a different recording of the female-announced news broadcast just prior to the sign off routine at 0956 on 4/9 (at very good strength) https://app.box.com/s/u0rg1xlye0le5jth12x8wccw6nc5sv99 630 AUSTRALIA 4QN, Townsville. This 50 kW station was far and away the strongest Australian signal heard throughout the trip. Unfortunately it wasn't in the

- same time zone as fellow LR network stations on 531 and 558 in Western Australia, making parallel checks seem dubious. Here is a typical signal at 1543 on 4/9 https://app.box.com/s/j82og05m8v4umgacm78e41cs1xht21to
- DPR KOREA Pyongyang, Pyongyang BS. This bizarre station was far and away the strongest Asian heard during the trip almost like it was a South Pacific semi-local. When solar activity cooled off it could blast in with serious power, such as at 1555 on 4/9 657 https://app.box.com/s/9exi01zvab4y2fjemxbqhz6ma1q3gv8o. For those who really don't mind wacky-sounding music (this is your final warning), the 3 minute long version of this signal is posted at https://app.box.com/s/m69fuqcxrjul7y06wu5f5ge63bap3cka
   UnID-TP. This mystery signal showed up at 1604 on 4/9, after NHK2 (JOAB) sign off. Obviously there is male speech and some kind of backup music at
- various times, but I'm totally unfamiliar with stations on this frequency (except for JOAB). Any hints or suggestions? This station only showed up on 4/9; rising solar activity brought in only 690-Honolulu splatter on the other three days https://app.box.com/s/8yabwqs7llyac52tsfv4taannfuggedq
- APAN JOUB, Akita, NHK2. Solar activity limited the usual potent signals from this NHK big gun, but it did manage fair strength at 1505 on 4/11 774 https://app.box.com/s/uigxcvv382u7ryq1k1xqcsvw7uuj5bd9
- REP KOREA HLCA, Dangjin. Another Asian big gun taking somewhat of a hit from unfavorable solar activity at 1517 on 4/12 https://app.box.com/s/uigxcvv382u7ryq1k1xqcsvw7uuj5bd9 972

https://app.box.com/s/digxevvacu/ryq/tk/rxqcs/w/ruljobd9 FONGA A3Z, Nuku'alofa. Island music at very good strength at 0944 on 4/9; this station was strong every evening at this same time https://app.box.com/s/ccq35g3lio356v4hserwpehi5o3cofcc. Live play-by-play of a sports competition at 1015 on 4/12, with a "goal" at the 10 second point in the recording https://app.box.com/s/umg0rj0as6h97wmwqsrqni57scs1woee. The usual male announcer in the Tongan language at very good 1017 strength at 0835 on 4/11 https://app.box.com/s/4ngp7fhuru3l6rmvgxnkqftu9nzmu3sn. The same Tongan male announcer at good level at 0953 on 4/11, obviously on "island time," with very long pauses in his speech pattern https://app.box.com/s/4y59xljxk0d24kvtbab8yjvnc5q1gc71 NEW ZEALAND Wellington, Newstalk ZB. Received late in sunrise enhancement at 1611 on 4/12, this was a rather modest signal from the Kiwi big gun,

- 1035 which never seemed to get anywhere close to its Oregon cliff strength during the entire trip https://app.box.com/s/1lwotewd38bn4z26l786ihjv5eyuklzf
- 1098 MARSHALL ISLANDS V7AB, Majuro, Radio Marshalls. One of the regular Pacific island stations received in Kona, and one of the best bets for Mainland reception. The frequency has very little QRM, although Newstalk ZB could be weakly received in between the island music songs after around 0900. Strong island music at 0955 on 4/9 (its best performance during the trip) https://app.box.com/s/cmqbngvvtnfvkm201jqlpcbws4te5wk5. More energetic island music at 0958 on 4/9 https://app.box.com/s/nvljx11f8tvrnrb2hyelci4fsxjwff93. Typical island music on the same night at 0948 (4/9) https://app.box.com/s/znb2botiiuzq7201xponc35c7o06blov NEW ZEALAND Christchurch, Newstalk ZB. Heard only once in between island songs on V7AB (at 0957 on 4/9); and never really strong enough to
  - compete for the frequency with Radio Marshalls https://app.box.com/s/x1i5e35rxkzgx6wxrnome06r9g2122j5

1440 KIRIBATI T3K1, Betio, Radio Kiribati. Because of its domestic frequency this obscure station is another of the toughest Pacific island stations (and countries) to receive on the Mainland, but some very helpful identity clues were discovered in Kona (where the station is a breeze to hear). The station routinely signs off at 0936 each evening, with a very loud 1000 Hz audio tone right before it cuts power. The station is a breeze to freah. The station ID's in both the local language and English around 0932 prior to the choral music national anthem, although because of her heavy accent the fact that the female announcer is talking in English might well go unnoticed. The full sign off routine is included in the following MP3, preceded by an Island music number

(during which a 1440 Spanish pest attempts a run on the frequency, only to be immediately drowned out) https://app.box.com/s/s9sgwesnmi3ljjf1fkuhlsb08st7ty5y. The station uses a distinctive 4-bong time signal on the half hour, as in this recording made at 0929 (at the 35 second point). https://app.box.com/s/ks6n49yjreqdykdu2am76jl7qqj9mvyu. The American country music format can be heard prior to the 4-bong time signal. Prior to the sign off routine this station also uses its female announcer to give a final news update (like 621-Tuvalu). This recording is of such a news update at 0925 on 4/11, with several mentions made of the American president

https://app.box.com/s/a1zx6jelrvhguzjfy6b5dgwlfjfceij. This station plays a lot of American country music (of all formats). Here is typical programming at 0912 on 4/11 https://app.box.com/s/fdtbl3tk01yz7u2y5lb7xyaaauc33km8

CHINA Yanbian (Presumed location) jammer. Because of Chinese inflection this is the apparent co-channel of HLAZ in the same recording at 1609 on 4/9; 1566 it was also received at 1600 on 4/10 with Chinese 5+1 time pips (thanks to Chris Kadlec for his assessment) https://app.box.com/s/m66yi638bm6r1vrigiewo9680yuydvk6

REP KOREA HLAZ, Jeju, FEBC. Fairly regular with its Chinese Christian service around 1530 each morning in Kona, but never at very great strength (possibly due to unfavorable solar activity). Here at 1609 on 4/9 it is the music station playing the Chinese version of "I Would Rather Have Jesus," in a mix with the (presumed) Mainland Chinese Yanbian Jammer https://app.box.com/s/m66yi638bm6r1vrigiewo9680yuydvk6 CHINA Changzhou, CNR1. Good strength at 1525 on 4/12, with co-channel NHK2 quite a bit weaker underneath 1593

https://app.box.com/s/3shbri3d8hfpaej6kvzyklkz6kl1oq4j

JAPAN NHK2 synchros. In a mix with CNR1 at about an equal level around 1520 on 4/12

https://app.box.com/s/my9bdqgobvo4iuvgd3hhrkh9yap28xgr



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Welcome to another edition of SportChannels! Baseball season is under way, and we're now taking a look at the network lists from Major League Baseball. The first divisions we'll be featuring network lists are from the Central Division of the National League. The NL Central features the defending World Champion Chicago Cubs; it's also the division my hometown team, the St. Louis Cardinals, play in. Flagship stations are in **boldface** type, Spanish flagships in **boldface** italics.

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CHICAGO CUBS Pat Hughes, Ron Coomer, Web: cubs.com

AM 670 WSCR Chicago, IL 800 KXIC Iowa City, IA 1050 WDZ Decatur, IL 1110 WJML Petoskey, MI 1140 KXST North Las Vegas, NV 1150 KCPS Burlington, IA 1210 WJNL Kingsley, MI 1240 WFWN Fort Myers, FL* 1270 WNOG Naples, FL 1300 WFRX West Frankfort, IL 1330 WRAM Monmouth, IL	1350 KRNT Des Moines, IA 1380 KCIM Carroll, IA 1400 KADR Elkader, IA 1400 WBAT Marion, IN 1440 WGEM Quincy, IL 1440 WROK Rockford, IL 1450 WFMB Springfield, IL 1450 WKEI Kewanee, IL 1450 WASK Lafayette, IN 1490 WDBQ Dubuque, IA 1490 KOMJ Omaha, NE 1540 WBNL Boonville, IN	1570 KMCD Fairfield, IA 1570 KVTK Vermillion, SD 1590 KWBG Boone, IA 1650 KCNZ Cedar Falls, IA 1660 WQLR Kalamazoo, MI <b>FM</b> 93.5 KJOC Bettendorf, IA 93.7 KNTK Firth, NE 94.3 WSSQ Sterling, IL 96.5 WZPN Farmington, IL 97.7 W249BP Boonville, IN (1)	98.3 WSVZ Tower Hill, IL 101.1 W266CS Traverse City, M 102.7 WAOR Ligonier, IN 103.1 WAKO-FM Lawrenceville, 104.1 K281CJ Omaha, NE (3) 104.3 W282AL Kewanee, IL (4) 104.9 WAXI Rockville, IN 105.3 KNOD Harlan, IA 105.9 WGKC Mahomet, IL 106.9 KUDV Bloomfield, IA
Note: * Cubs' list has calls as WSFX Relays: 1) WBNL 1540, 2) WJML 1110	/WJNL 1210, 3) KOMJ 1490, 4) WKEI 1	450	

CINCINNATI REDS Marty Brennaman, Thom Brennaman, Jeff Brantley, Jim Kelch, Doug Flynn, Web: reds.com

- AM
- 580 WCHS Charleston, WV 600 WKYH Paintsville, KY 680 WHBE Newburg, KY 700 WLW Cincinnati, OH 800 WVHU Huntington, WV 870 WPWT Colonial Heights, TN

900 WLSI Pikeville, KY 920 WTCW Whitesburg, KY 970 WATH Athens, OH 990 WTIG Massillon, OH 1130 WFNF Brazil, IN 1150 WLOC Munfordville, KY 1150 WIMA Lima, OH

1220 WSLM Salem, IN 1230 WCDS Glasgow, KY 1230 WHOP Hopkinsville, KY 1230 WIRO Ironton, OH 1230 WYTS Columbus, OH 1240 WFTM Maysville, KY 1240 WPKE Pikeville, KY

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1240 WSFC Somerset, KY 1240 WHIZ Zanesville, OH 1250 WCHO Washington Court House, OH 1260 WNXT Portsmouth, OH 1270 WXGO Madison, IN 1270 WAIN Columbia, KY

1270 WILE Cambridge, OH 1450 WWKU Bowling Green, KY 95.3 WNDI-FM Sullivan, IN 101.7 W269DD Munfordville, KY 1270 WQTT Marysville, OH 1450 WNOS New Bern, NC 95.3 W237BV Hopkinsville, KY (5) 101.9 WVOW-FM Logan, WV 102.3 WCYN-FM Cynthiana, KY 102.3 WMTD-FM Hinton, WV 1290 WVOW Logan, WV 1300 WLXG Lexington, KY 95.9 WAMW-FM Washington, IN 1460 WEKB Elkhorn City, KY 95.9 W293BP Pikeville, KY (6) 1490 WKBV Richmond, IN 1490 WBEX Chillicothe, OH 96.1 W241CD Bloomington, IN (7) 97.1 W246CJ Jacksonville, NC (8) 1340 WXFN Muncie, IN 102.5 W273BC Williamson, WV (15) 1340 WEKY Richmond, KY 1490 WMOA Marietta, OH 102.7 W274BQ Bowling Green, KY (16) 97.1 W246CE Athens, OH (9) 97.9 W250BZ Terre Haute, IN (10) 1360 WMOV Ravenswood, WV 1550 WCVL Crawfordsville, IN 102.9 W275AJ Muncie, IN (17) 1370 WGCL Bloomington, IN 1580 WAMW Washington, IN 102.9 WBUZ-HD2 La Vergne, TN 1370 WGOH Grayson, KY 1580 WLPK Connersville, IN 97.9 WSLM-FM Salem, IN 103.7 W279CE Middleport, OH (18) 1390 WMPO Middleport, OH 1590 WSRW Hillsboro, OH 98.1 W251AI Pikeville, KY (11) 103.9 WRBI Batesville, IN 1400 WCYN Cynthiana, KY 1600 WZZW Milton, WV 99.7 WUGO Grayson, KY 104.3 W282BZ Elkhorn City, KY (19) 1400 WFTG London, KY 100.1 WMDJ-FM Allen, KY 105.5 WMVR-FM Sidney, OH FM 1400 WIEL Elizabethtown, KY 1400 WBTH Williamson, WV 105.7 WHBE-FM Eminence, KY 106.1 WMOR-FM Morehead, KY 100.5 WSJD Princeton, IN 92.1 W221CS Crawfordsville, IN (1) 92.5 W223CU Richmond, KY (2) 100.7 W264BY Kingsport, TN (12) 100.9 WPGW-FM Portland, IN 1410 WING Dayton, OH 106.7 WZCB Dublin, OH\*\* 92.7 W224BR Chillicothe, OH (3) 106.7 W294AF Ripley, WV (20) 106.9 W295BT Connersville, IN (21) 1420 WTCR Kenova, WV 100.9 W265CH Grayson, KY (13) 93.5 WAIN-FM Columbia, KY 1430 WXAM Buffalo, KY 101.3 WFMG Richmond, IN 94.3 WKKI Celina, OH 1430 WFOB Fostoria, OH 101.5 WVKB Vine Grove, KY\*\* 107.9 W300CB Cambridge, OH (22) 94.5 WYDB Englewood, OH\* 1440 WPGW Portland, IN 101.5 W268CC Hillsboro, OH (14) 94.9 W235BW Nashville, TN (4)

Notes: \* Reds' list has calls as WKFS, \*\* Reds' list has calls as WTHX, \*\*\* Reds' list has calls as WCGX Relays: 1) WCVL 1550, 2) WEKY 1340, 3) WBEX 1490, 4) WBUZ-HD2 102.9, 5) WHOP 1230, 6) WLSI 900, 7) WGCL 1370, 8) WNOS 1450, 9) WATH 970, 10) WFNF 1130, 11) WPKE 1240, 12) WPWT 870, 13) WGOH 1370, 14) WSRW 1590, 15) WBTH 1400, 16) WWKU 1450, 17) WXFN 1340, 18) WMPO 1390, 19) WEKB 1460, 20) WMOV 1360, 21) WLPK 1580, 22) WILE 1270

MILWAUKEE BREWERS Bob Uecker, Jeff Levering, Lane Grindle, Web: brewers.com

AM 1240 WOMT Manitowoc, WI 98.3 WCQM Park Falls, WI 550 WSAU Wausau, WI 1310 WIBA Madison, WI 98.7 W254CS Oshkosh, WI (5) 92.3 WRLS Hayward, WI 570 WMAM Marinette, WI 1330 WHBL Sheboygan, WI 99.7 WWIS-FM Black River Falls, WI 92.7 W224BL Janesville, WI (1) 580 WKTY La Crosse, WI 1350 WPDR Portage, WI 99.9 WSAU-FM Rudolph, WI 92.7 WDUX-FM Waupaca, WI 93.9 WDOR-FM Sturgeon Bay, WI 94.3 WQPC Prairie du Chien, WI 1360 WTAQ Green Bay, WI 106.1 W291CD Appleton, WI (6) 590 WJMS Ironwood, MI 106.1 WA29CD Appletoli, WI (6) 106.1 WACD Antigo, WI 106.3 WEVR-FM River Falls, WI 106.7 WATQ Chetek, WI 620 WTMJ Milwaukee, WI 1400 WRDB Reedsburg, WI 940 WFAW Fort Atkinson, WI 1430 WBEV Beaver Dam, WI 95.1 W236CO Marshfield, WI (2) 960 WTCH Shawano, WI 1450 KFIZ Fond du Lac, WI 1450 WRCO Richland Center, WI 96.1 W241CJ Shawano, WI (3) 1100 WISS Berlin, WI 107.3 WNXR Iron River, WI 96.5 WHOH Rhinelander, WI 1150 WHBY Kimberly, WI 1490 WIGM Medford, WI 107.7 W299CD Richland Center, WI (7) 96.7 K244FM La Crosse, WI (4) 1230 WCLO Janesville, WI 1550 WEVR River Falls, WI 97.5 WTAQ-FM Glenmore, WI 1240 WJMC Rice Lake, WI 1590 WPVL Platteville, WI Relays: 1) WCLO 1230, 2) WSAU 550, 3) WTCH 960, 4) WKTY 580, 5) WISS 1100, 6) WHBY 1150, 7) WRCO 1450

PITTSBURGH PIRATES Greg Brown, Joe Block, Bob Walk, Steve Blass, Web: pirates.com

AM 590 WMBS Uniontown, PA 600 WFRM Coudersport, PA 630 WJAW Saint Mary's, WV 680 WISR Butler, PA 680 WKAZ Charleston, WV 850 WNTJ Johnstown, PA 930 WRVC Huntington, WV 990 WLLI Somerset, PA 1050 WLYC Williamsport, PA\* 1150 WHUN Huntingdon, PA

1160 WCCS Homer City, PA 1230 WBVP Beaver Falls, PA 1230 WTIV Titusville, PA 1270 WCBC Cumberland, MD 1280 WJST New Castle, PA 1310 WNAE Warren, PA\* 1330 WETZ New Martinsville, WV 1340 WTRN Tyrone, PA 1390 WNIO Youngstown, OH 1390 WKLP Keyser, WV 1400 WJET Erie, PA

1400 WBBD Wheeling, WV 1420 WCED Du Bois, PA 1430 WEIR Weirton, WV 1430 WVAM Altoona, PA 1440 WAJR Morgantown, WV 1450 WFRA Franklin, PA 1450 WJPA Washington, PA 1450 WQWK State College, PA 1460 WMBA Ambridge, PA 1480 WCNS Latrobe, PA 1490 WESB Bradford, PA

1490 WMGW Meadville, PA 1490 WTCS Fairmont, WV 1540 WECZ Punxsutawney, PA FΜ

93.7 KDKA-FM Pittsburgh, PA 96.7 WLLF Mercer, PA 97.5 WDDH Saint Mary's, PA 104.1 WETT Bridgeport, WV 106.3 WCDK Cadiz, OH

Notes: \* The Pirates' list has the frequency as 92.7 MHz, \*\* The Pirates' list has a relay on 102.7, although there's no listing on Doug Smith's list or Radio Locator

SAINT LOUIS CARDINALS John Rooney, Mike Shannon, Rick Horton, no Spanish language PBP personnel info available, Web: cardinals.com

1560 WBYS Canton, IL 1280 KCOB Newton, IA 96.5 W243CU Henderson, KY (8) AM 540 WKFN Clarksville, TN 680 WMFS Memphis, TN 97.3 KYRX Marble Hill, MO 1290 WIRL Peoria, IL 1570 WTAY Robinson, IL 1310 WDXI Jackson, TN 1570 WTRB Ripley, TN 97.5 KNMO Nevada, MO 690 KAFN Benton, AR 1340 KBTA Batesville, AR 1580 KTGR Columbia, MO 97.5 KOEA Doniphan, MO 730 WFMW Madisonville, KY 1340 WJPF Herrin, IL 97.7 KOTM Ottumwa, IA FM 740 WVLN Olney, IL 1340 WNBS Murray, KY 97.9 KBXB Sikeston, MO 92.3 KSAR Salem, AR 92.5 KPPL Poplar Bluff, MO 92.7 KASR Villonia, AR 1340 KSMO Salem, MO 790 KKON Kealakekua, Hawaii, HI 97.9 KFBD Waynesville, MO 790 WMC Memphis, TN 1340 KXEO Mexico, MO 98.5 WQKZ Ferdinand, IN 800 KAGH Crossett, AR 800 KVOM Morrilton, AR 1390 KCBC Enid, OK 1400 WGIL Galesburg, IL 92.9 WSEI Olney, IL 92.9 WMFS-FM Bartlett, TN 93.3 WQTY Linton, IN 98.5 KWKJ Windsor, MO 98.5 K253AY Norman, OK (9) 850 KHLO Hilo, Hawaii, HI 1400 KREF Norman, OK 98.9 WHQQ Neoga, IL 1400 KWON Bartlesville, OK 99.1 KMA-FM Clarinda, IA 860 WSON Henderson, KY 93.3 K227CQ Bartlesville, OK (1) 99.1 WCBL-FM Grand Rivers, KY 870 WTIM Assumption, IL 1420 WINI Murphysboro, IL 93.5 W228DC Carbondale, IL (2) 870 KAAN Bethany, MO 1430 WYMC Mayfield, KY 99.3 KHUC Pine Bluff, AR 93.5 WSJK Tuscola, IL 880 WIJR Highland, IL\* 1450 WKEI Kewanee, IL 99.3 WZLT Lexington, TN 93.7 W229BO Galesburg, IL (3) 980 KSGM Chester, IL 1450 WAOV Vincennes, IN 99.7 KWPS-FM Caddo Valley, AR 93.9 WCEZ Carthage, IL 93.9 W230BQ Bruceville, IN (4) 990 KRMO Cassville, MO 1450 KIRX Kirksville, MO 99.7 K259BF Kirksville, MO (10) 99.7 KTTR-FM Saint James, MO 1050 KSIS Sedalia, MO 1450 KWPM West Plains, MO 93.9 W230BN Mayfield, KY (5) 93.9 KSSZ Fayette, MO 94.1 WMIX-FM Mount Vernon, IL 1450 KGFF Shawnee, OK 99.9 KIRK Macon, MO 100.3 KURM-FM Gravette, AR 1070 KHMO Hannibal, MO 1450 WTRO Dyersburg, TN 1120 KMOX Saint Louis, MO 1220 WLPO La Salle, IL 1220 KJAN Atlantic, IA 1460 WROY Carmi, IL 1460 KXNO Des Moines, IA 100.3 W262BI Robinson, IL (11 94.3 KATI California, MO 100.3 KUKU Willow Springs, MÓ 94.9 W235AC Madisonville, KY (6) 1230 WHCO Sparta, IL 1470 KGND Vinita, OK 100.5 KMEM Memphis, MO 95.1 KMAQ-FM Maguoketa, IA 1230 WJBC Bloomington, IL 1490 WDAN Danville, IL 100.7 W264CK Clarksville, TN (12) 95.5 KAAN-FM Bethany, MO 1490 WTUP Tupelo, MS 1490 WVBG Vicksburg, MS 1500 WMJL Marion, KY 1230 KZYM Joplin, MO 101.1 K266AN Atlantic, IA (13) 95.7 WSEY Oregon, IL 1230 WBBZ Ponca City, OK 101.3 WMSK-FM Sturgis, KY 95.9 KWHF Harrisburg, AR 1240 KTLO Mountain Home, AR 101.3 KTXR Springfield, MO 95.9 KCOB-FM Newton, IA 1240 KWAK Stuttgart, AR 1240 WTAX Springfield, IL 1500 KPGM Pawhuska, OK 101.7 W269CE Dyersburg, TN (14) 95.9 WGKY Wickliffe, KY 1520 WLUV Loves Park, IL 102.1 KJFM Louisiana, MO 95.9 KKBL Monett, MO 1540 WSMI Litchfield, IL 102.1 KTUI-FM Sullivan, MO 1240 KNEM Nevada, MO 96.1 W241CF Taylorville, IL (7) 1250 KBTC Houston, MO 1550 KESJ Saint Joseph, MO 102.3 WEBQ-FM El Dorado, IL 96.1 KITO Vinita, OK

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• v 103.7 KJEL Lebanon, MO 103.9 W280EG Peru, IL (16) 104.1 KPOC-FM Pocahontas, AR 104.3 W282AL Kewanee, IL (17) 104.3 KDBB Bonne Terre, MO 104.7 KRES Moberly, MO

104.7 WMUF-FM Paris, TN 104.9 KAGH-FM Crossett, AR 104.9 KYTN Union City, TN 105.1 WGEM-FM Quincy, IL 105.3 WJLT Evansville, IN 105.5 KYEL Danville, AR

105.9 WOKZ Fairfield, IL 106.9 W295BQ Litchfield, IL (18) 107.1 WEAI Lynnville, IL 107.5 W298AP Springfield, IL (19) 107.5 W298CD Shelbyville, IL (7)

Note: \* denotes only select games broadcast in Spanish Relays: 1) KWON 1400, 2) WINI 1420, 3) WGIL 1400, 4) WAOV 1450, 5) WYMC 1430, 6) WFMW 730, 7) WTIM 870, 8) WSON 860, 9) KREF 1400, 10) KIRX 1450, 11) WTAY 1570, 12) WKFN 540, 13) KJAN 1220, 14) WTRO 1450, 15) WIRL 1290, 16) WLPO 1220, 17) WKEI 1450, 18) WSMI 1540, 19) WTAX 1240 That's all for this edition of SportChannels; in the next edition, we'll feature the American League Central. 73 and play hard!

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## Geomagnetic Summary March 31 2017 through April 30 2017

Tabulated from email status daily (K @ 0000 UTC). I botched the 3/31 entry last time, this time I've included the correct numbers.

Date	Flux	A	ĸ	Space wx										
3/31	91	28	4	minor, G1	4/11	75	12	2	no storms	4/22	84	54	6	moderate, G2
4/1	101	16	3	minor, R1	12	71	6	0	no storms	23	83	41	4	moderate, G2
2	112	8	1	moderate, R2	13	74	5	2	no storms	24	80	20	3	no storms
3	108	4	1	moderate, R2	14	73	14	2	no storms	25	81	12	2	no storms
4	94	20	3	minor, G1	15	73	6	1	no storms	26	80	9	2	no storms
5	85	10	4	no storms	16	75	4	1	no storms	27	78	7	2	no storms
6	76	7	1	no storms	17	75	4	1	no storms	28	78	6	2	no storms
7	74	10	4	no storms	18	80	7	3	no storms	29	77	6	2	no storms
8	73	16	4	no storms	19	81	15	3	minor, G1	4/30	77	6	2	no storms
9	74	18	1	minor, G1	20	81	30	3	moderate, G2					
4/10	74	5	2	no storms	4/21	82	18	5	minor, G1					

Gx – Geomagnetic Storm Level 
 Rx – Radio Blackouts Level
 Sx – Solar Radiation Storm Level

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