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This time, IRCA welcomes Kenneth Brooker in Lummi Island WA... DX and report often! Seattle deadline, every Monday 6 PM PLT.

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The dates of the 2018 IRCA Convention will be Friday September 7 and Saturday September 8 2018 at the Best Western Plus Charles Inn in St Charles MO. The registration fee is \$25.00 per person. Radio tours and the Saturday banquet site are TBA at this point. Ken Hawkins (stlouisherdfan@gmail.com). (More details as they become available. Set these dates now if you plan to attend - pb)

Bruce Portzer's Annual GetTogether

I'll be holding my annual DX get together on Saturday February 17 at 2 pm. Consider yourself invited, and be prepared to talk about AM, shortwave, or TV-FM DX with like-minded persons. Bring radio stuff for show-and-tell if you'd like. It will be held at my house: 6546 19th Avenue NE in Seattle, 206-522-2521. Potluck snack food (liquid or solid) is welcome. See you there! Bruce



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OF SPECIAL INTERES

630 (KIDD) CA, Monterey 1/16 noted off the air, still off as of 1/19. Nothing noted on 630 with KIDD off. (DG-CA)

- 1240 (KNRY) CA, Monterey 1/1 switched format to oldies. On 1/16 noted off the air, still off 1/19. Only station heard with KNRY off is KJOP Lemoore CA.
- (DG-CA) ***** 550 KLLV CO, Breen heard 1/16 at 0809 with "This is K Love, KLLV." (BB-AZ)
- UT, Cedar City 1/16 at 2100 "News Radio 5-90 KSUB Cedar City" to Fox network news. (RB-AZ) 590 KSUB
- MT, Kalispell 1/11 2255 jingle ID "600 KGEZ," oldies. Good signal with deep slow fades on R390A with E-W wire. LONG time no hear! (GH-OR) 600 KGF7 640 KFI CA, Los Ángeles 1/16 1900 ID and news correspondent reports very good well before local sunset on Hammarlund HQ-200 and Slinky (outdoor). (RB-A7)
- 670 KBOI ID, Boise 1/16 at 1900 network news, network ad spots, to man "KBOI News starts now" at 1903. Pre-sunset, very solid on Hammarlund HQ-180A, Terk loop. (RB-AZ)
- 790 KBET NV, Winchester 1/17 2052 ad spot for Japanese restaurant "Right here in Vegas," returned to syndicated talk show. Jingle-type ID on the hour to Fox News. (RB-AZ)
- 800 CKOR BC, Penticton 12/30 0100 generic vocal music. Fair with one UnID fading up from time to time, on JRC with N-S wire. (GH-OR)
- KKBE 910
- NM, Roswell heard 1/17 at 0732 with "93.7 The Beat." (BB-AZ) TX, Amarillo heard 1/16 at 0814 with "News Talk KIXZ." (BB-AZ) 940 KIXZ
- 960 KOVO UT. Provo heard 1/19 at 0848 with "Utah's Sports Station ESPN 960." (BB-AZ)
- SD, Deadwood heard 1/16 at 0823 with weather report, then "KDSJ." (BB-AZ) KDS.J 980
- TX, Waco 1/14 under local KXXT which was nulled as best as possible. 0001 out of "Probe" religious program with mention to listen to the 1010 KBBW
- 1110 KRDC
- 1270 KIMI 1350 KSBO
- KOHU 1360
- KRAC 1370 KGNÜ 1390
- TX, Waco 1/14 under local KXXT which was nulled as best as possible. 0001 out of "Probe" religious program with mention to listen to the program on KBBW followed by "KBBW Waco and 105.7 24 hours a day" legal ID. New for me. (JCJ-AZ)
 +Heard 1/14 at 2000 with a very weak "Waco ?? KBBW?" (BB-AZ) (That's about all I heard too, Bill. John was lucky! NJ)
 CA, Los Angeles 1/18 0151 lots if kiddie-pop-country tunes, frequent "Radio Disney Country" IDs by female. Good legal ID at 0151 (2352 local). Solid. Dominant. Monitored on SW-2000629 with inductive aimed to loop favor L.A. (RB-AZ)
 WY, Gillette heard 1/7 at 0714 with weather report then Wyorning News and at 0720 "KIML." (BB-AZ)
 CA, Santa Rosa 12/26 0000 ID and news (I think) in a 3-way mix. KRLC in there as well as one other on HQ-145 with E-W wire. (GH-OR)
 OR, Hermiston 1/2 2345 C&W music and ID. Buried in the static and weak! Fighting with KUIK on JRC with Kiwa loop. (GH-OR)
 CA, Red Bluff 1/11 0100 talk show with ID whirling around in a 3-way jumble with UnIDs. Weak on R-390A with N-S wire. New! GH-OR)
 CO, Denver heard 1/16 at 0800 with "Boulder Community Radio KGNU Boulder-Denver." (BB-AZ)
 CA, Santa Ana 1/18 mixing with KQAM. 0701 out of Vietnamese programming with "Little Saigon Radio" jingle, anthem, and long ID mentioning KVNR and another station and mention of littlesaigonradio.com web site. Finally got an ID after days of trying. Note, Nancy has been trying to get a call ID out of them since last September! New for me. (JCJ-AZ) (Days!!! He hears an ID after just days of trying! I've been trying to hear an ID at 0800 every morning for the past four months! NJ)
 MN, Saint Paul heard 1/14 at 0747 with ad for The Ticket King in Saint Paul and Minneapolis, then at 0747 "ESPN 1500." (BB-AZ)
 TX, Stockdale heard 1/19 at 0832 with "KQQB 1520 San Antonio." (BB-AZ)
 TX, Bellaire 1/12 good, mixing with KZNR and XLJPV. 0003 out of Vietnamese programming with "Radi 1480 **KVNR**
- 1500 KSTP
- 1520 KQQB 1560 KGOW
- KLIV 1590
- CA, San Jose 12/27 0800 C&W with "1590 KLIV Country Gold" ID. Very weak, poor on sunrise. Occasionally heard at night. (GH-OR) BCN, Tijuana 1/16 1045 interesting South American music, a lot of flutes, drums. Well after local daybreak, and holding steady to nearly 9 am local time (1100 EST). Caught tuning to bottom edge of "Marine Band" on Longine's Symphonette World Traveler portable, barefoot. (RB-AZ) CO, Denver 1/17 at 0840 interview with Cato Institute on harmful effects of high tariffs on trade, clear ID, and news at the ToH. Caught tuning to bottom edge of "Marine Band" on Longine's Symphonette World Traveler portable, barefoot. (RB-AZ) 1630 XEUT 1690 KDMT
- Thank you WDXR reporters for taking the time to send your loggings! Nancy 1/19 1900



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CountyComm GP-5/SSB Ultralight receiver, Grundig AN-200 tunable loop, General Electric Superadio III

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610	WTEL	PA, Philadelphia. 1/18 fair signal over KDAL in KCSP null 0455 noted with ESPN Sports Center All Night, ESPN promos and local spots. Last noted 11/27/2002 as WIP. [EB-MO]
640	WOI WXSM	 IA, Ames. 1/16 fair to poor signal, mixing with KWPN. 0404 noted with BBC News into interview program. [EB-MO] TN, Blountville. 1/18 fair signal over KWPN, WGST, WOI. 0617 noted with EST time check, college basketball scores, leading off with
1210	WPHT	Tennessee's loss to Missouri, followed by talk on the NFL playoffs. [EB-MO] PA , Philadelphia. 1/16 fair to poor through KGYN. 0304 noted with CBS News, local spots, "Philadelphia's Big Talker, 12-10 WPHT" ID into C2C program. [EB-MO]
	WIBA WJRW	WI, Madison. 1/13 good to fair over CIWW, WTLC, WTTL. 0514 with C2C, national spots, "News, talk WIBA and WIBA-dot-com" ID. [EB-MO] MI, Grand Rapids. 1/16 fair to poor signal, mixing with WLOK and other stations. 0505 noted with local spots, "13-40 WJRW" ID into <i>America This</i> <i>Morning</i> . [EB-MO]
1410	WIZM	WI, La Crosse. 1/12 fair signal over WING and other stations. 0831 noted with The Osgood File, "News, talk 14-10 and 92-Three WIZM" ID into
1440	WROK	news headlines. [EB-MO] IL, Rockford. 1/18 fair signal over KTUV, WZYX. 0426 noted with local spots, Rush Limbaugh promo, "News, talk 14-40 WROK and WROK-dot- com" ID into <i>Red Eye Radio</i> . [EB-MO]
1650	CINA	ON, Mississauga. 1/16 fair signal over KCNZ, KFSW. 0531 noted with South Asian music, mention of the GTA (Greater Toronto Area), "Seena Radio" ID. [EB-MO]
	CHTO HBACK	ON, Toronto. 1/16 good to poor signal in WVON null. 0520 noted with traditional and contemporary Greek music and brief talk in Greek. [EB-MO]
Omah Brazie "DX M IRCA was a OPEN	a NE me er, and D fonitor" after his ble to hea I MIKE	 January 27 1969 issue of "DX Monitor" Patrick Martin of Seaside OR logged YSM 1100 Managua, Nicaragua Ernest J Wesolowski of ntioned he couldn't remember a January so bad for DXing Starting with this issue, the IRCA Publishing Crew consisted of Bob Jacoby, Richard on Erickson. They met and printed on Friday evenings with mailing of issues on Saturday morning. // 25 Years Ago – January 23 1993 issue of Mike Sanburn of Bellflower CA told about the time he called Ray Briem of KABC to discuss DXing Jerry H Neves of San Bruno CA rejoined wife gave him a GE Superadio III for Christmas Tom Jasinski of Shorewood IL thanked JD Stephens for setting up all of the DX Tests as he ar quite a few new stations as a result.
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- 1550 WDLR OH, Delaware - 1/18 1750 noted with an eclectic Oldies format; got real excited when the announcer asked about "an average day in Delaware", as I need the state of Delaware, but turned out to be Delaware. Ohio. One minute of news headlines at 1800, followed by a local ad at 1801 before returning to music at 1802. "Six-to-Midnight Man" and mentions of 92.9 FM (W225CM Delaware OH - eb) mentioned by a DJ before "Thanks for listening to Classic Hits WDLR" ID at 1806. Weather report with meteorologist Rob Tanner, mentioning 18 degrees Fahrenheit at 1823, followed by an ad for Streetwise Motors-dot-com. Music heard from the Bee Gees, George Harrison, The Pointer Sisters, The Commodores and Tina Turner. A strong signal was noted; a little late for daytime power and no way this was 29 watts. (HD-KY) (WDLR has been forgetting to cut from their 500-watt day power from time to time as of late -eb)
 - WIGN TN, Bristol – 1/18 1739 noted with Bluegrass Gospel format, ad for a financial advisor, "Only the Best Gospel Bluegrass, 1550 WIGN" ID at 1745; disappeared at apparent power cut at 1747. The signal was fading poor to fair; clicked on Web stream to confirm, but got the ID off air. (HD-KY)

EDITOR'S NOTES

Thanks to Harry, Kraig and Bob for their logs in this issue. Harry has more information on WEKY 1340: "I wanted to get you a report on this one since the format change was noted in the Broadcasting Information column on November 21 2017. The related station that changed, WIRV 1550 Irvine KY, had already been reported by Paul Snider. DXers may have a confusing time through the interference and be misled by this one. Due to cross-pollination between owners Wallingford Broadcasting (WEKY) and Kentucky River Broadcasting (WIRV), you may hear spots mentioning WEKY, WIRV, WCYO and WLFX. (Could this be an LMA? - eb) Also, the aforementioned WBON-TV, which is Wallingford's streaming video service, which they market in part by putting the audio news on this station under the WBON identifier also using the Kentucky News Radio service mentioned above. Also, the weather reports here come from Lexington TV station WLEX, so you hear LEX-18 Storm Tracker Weather a lot. I have a suspicion that the programming comes from Cumulus; just a suspicion. Anyway, it's not my cup of tea, but they keep it active and driving; I suspect they'll have success with this format and also pick up a few listeners in Lexington. They also carry some Madison County (and maybe occasionally, Estill County?) sports, which includes Madison Central, Madison Southern, Berea and Richmond-Model High Schools. I think they do carry Eastern Kentucky University's women's basketball team; I don't know about men's sports, which I think is on the FM side." Thanks for the information, Harry! At Harry's suggestion, I've included each reporter's E-mail address. 73 and good DX from NØUIH, the Florissant Valley Dial Twister.



Deadline - Sunday Midnight Central Time.

*** TRANS-PACIFIC DX ***

- 531 JAPAN JOQG, Morioka, NHK1. JAN 14 1539 Traces of classical orchestra, poor strength, //567. [NHP-BC]
- 540 JAPAN NHK1 synchros. JAN 14 1537 - Classical music //567 poor strength. [NHP-BC]
- 558 REP KOREA HLQH, Yeong-il, KBS2. JAN 14 1536 Slow vocals //603, fair strength; another station there also. [NHP-BC]
- 585 JAPAN JOPG, Kushiro, NHK1. JAN 14 1539 classical music //567 poor strength. [NHP-BC]
- JAPAN JOLK, Fukuoka, NHK1. JAN 14 1538 classical music //567 poor strength. [NHP-BC] 612
- UnID JAN 21 1543 Chinese talk by woman, fair strength. No sign of usual HLSA. [NHP-BC]
- AUSTRALIA 3RN, Melbourne. JAN 21 1533 Woman in DU English, fair strength; was weaker when // established with 828 at 1539. [NHP-BC] 621
- CHINA CNR1. JAN 12 1513 Man in Chinese at good level; a couple of minutes earlier, when weaker, it had been noted //945. Also noted similar strength 639 with man in Chinese, slightly offset from //6125, JAN 13 1526 and also JAN 19 1544. [NHP-BC]
- JAPAN JOAB, Tokyo, NHK2. JAN 11 1519 Woman and man in Japanese, fair strength //774; nulling CBU-690 helped readability. [NHP-BC] 693 738 AUSTRALIA 2NR, Grafton. JAN 21 1500 – ABC fanfare, poor strength. [NHP-BC]
- 774 AUSTRALIA 3LO, Melbourne. JAN 21 1525 Man in DU English, call in program, fair strength, //828 (neither 774 or 828 were //747 which had Japanese; an odd morning). [NHP-BC]
- AUSTRALIA 3GI, Sale. JAN 21 1526 Call in program, poor strength, //774. [NHP-BC] 828
- JAPAN JOQK, Niigata, NHK1. JAN 12 1505 Man talking, poor, //594. [NHP-BC]
 AUSTRALIA 4QO/4QB, Eidsvold/Pialba, ABC. JAN 21 1500 ABC fanfare, poor strength, no pips. [NHP-BC]
- 873 JAPAN JOGB, Kumamoto, NHK2. JAN 12 1501 Ballad fair strength, //774 before the hour; woman talking in Japanese. [NHP-BC]
- 918 UnID JAN 21 1513 slow vocal music, poor strength, almost an island feel to it, but when woman started talking, it sounded Chinese. [NHP-BC]
- 945 CHINA Jiaohe, CNR1. JAN 12 1511 Man talking, poor, //639. [NHP-BC]
- CHINA CNR1 synchros. JAN 12 1520 Man talking, poor, //639. [NHP-BC] 981
- INDIA Rajkot, AIR. JAN 15 2200 music; Strong signal on peaks for a few moments then with deep fades back and forth ongoing. [AW-NF] 1017
- 1188 JAPAN JOKP, Kitami, NHK1. JAN 11 1601 Man in Japanese fair strength; noted //594 at 1606 with weaker signals. [NHP-BC]
- 1242 JAPAN JOLF, Tokyo. JAN 20 1500 Heard a number of times with Japanese sounding talk, but the cuckoo pips at 1500 clinched it. Poor strength in splash. [NHP-BC]
- 1251 CHINA Jixi, CNR1. JAN 14 1536 Woman talking //1593, poor strength. [NHP-BC]
- JAPAN JOUF, Osaka. JAN 20 1508 Likely with man and woman in Japanese, fair strength. [NHP-BC] 1314
- 1332 JAPAN JOSF, Nagoya. JAN 20 1513 Man talking //1242, slight echo; poor strength. [NHP-BC]
- 1386 JAPAN NHK2 synchros. JAN 20 1505 – JOQC Morioka most likely? Man in Japanese, fair, //774 and at better strength. Heard best on north Flag.
- [NHP-BC]
- 1503 JAPAN JOUK, Akita, NHK1. JAN 14 1543 Classical music //594, poor strength. [NHP-BC]
- 1512 JAPAN NHK2 synchros. JAN 20 1602 S/off music box, poor strength. Strongest one on this channel is 5kw directional. [NHP-BC]
- JAPAN NHK2 synchros. JAN 20 1602 Traces of sign off music box... most powerful NHK2 transmitter on this channel is 100 watts. [NHP-BC] 1539
- 1566 REP KOREA HLAZ, Jeju, FEBC. JAN 12 1638 Man in Russian, excellent; believe it or not, this was when HLAZ' signal was strongest this morning, well after local sunrise at 1600. Through mid-January, HLAZ often peaked at local sunrise or even well afterward and occasionally heard after 1700. [NHP-BC]
- THAILAND Ban Phachi, VOA. JAN 12 1600 "you are listening to the Voice of America" by man, fair strength. [NHP-BC] 1575 UNID JAN 20 1559 - Beethoven's Fur Elise on piano and across hour, poor strength. There was a note on the MW Circle list that AFN stations were playing classical plano due to government shutdown... so wonder if this was AFN rather than usual VoA. [NHP-BC]
- REP KOREA KBS1 synchros. JAN 20 1545 Pop vocal, then deep voiced man talking, then more pop vocal, poor strength. //594 but echoey; a collection 1584 of 100 watt transmitters only on this channel. [NHP-BC]
- CHINA Changzhou, CNR1. JAN 12 1601 Woman in Chinese, fair strength, //6125. This often peaked around local sunrise in mid-January. [NHP-BC] 1593 JAPAN NHK2 synchros. JAN 20 1544 – Man in Japanese, good signal //828; mixing with CNR1. [NHP-BC]

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- ICOM R-75 w/183m random wire to SE @ 135°
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- Drake R8, RFSpace NetSDR; RFSpace SDR-14 running DX Fishbarrel program; north FLG-100 antenna, west FLG-100 antenna, 1m indoor box loop, 14m sloper, DXP-3 phasing unit.

73, Brandon

PJB-800 Bonaire is still scheduled to increase power from 100KW to 450KW on January 30th. The Facebook Live Event begins at 3:00 pm Bonaire time, though the power increase may occur earlier in the day. The latest report on TWR's web site, dated January 17th, indicates that the 9 person launch team was doing final testing last week. TWR web site graphics show a four tower array and a Figure 8 directional pattern with lobes NNW and SSE. The one to the North is directly at Florida and Cuba. Jon Pearkins 01/22/18

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Tim Hall's DXpedition to Cambria CA

TRH-CA1 DXing on vacation in Cambria CA. Perseus SDR-IQ, Sony ICF-2010, Radio West Loop, 70 ft longwire running W, 660 and 840 ft. unterminated mini-BOGs aimed NNW

- TRH-CA2 On the road between Chula Vista and Cambria. Toyota car radio
- 620 WQYN846 CA, Ontario. 12/18 1500 Ontario Airport TIS has moved here, which would seemingly mean that the 6 CalTrans HAR stations on 620 kHz in this area of Riverside and San Bernardino County (WPFK505, 4 of which still show up in the FCC TIS search page), which still have signs up all over I-15 and I-10 despite most of them being silent for years, are gone. The airport station uses lots of "bumper music," which I believe is against the rules for a TIS. (TRH-CA2)
- CA, Oroville. 12/22 (0859 Spanish Catholic programming, ID with call sign and city-of-license in English, then frequency in Spanish. (TRH-CA1) NV, Sparks. 12/22 0900 ID for Nevada talk network (KELY-1230 and KNNR-1400). (TRH-CA1) 1340 KPYV KNNR
- CA, Shasta. 12/22 0859 Mixing with KION. "The news on KCNR Shasta-Redding is brought to you by...." Station uses a variety of slogans at the 1460 KCNR top of the hour, most of which have the word "community" in them. (TRH-CA1) CA, Yreka. 12/22 0859 – Multi-station ID for Jefferson Public Radio. (TRH-CA1)
- 1490 KSYC
- ID, Caldwell. 1/6 0659 ID for KEZJ-1450 and KCID-1490. Spanish Catholic format. Mixing with KOSJ (recent call change from KSPE). (TRH-CA) KCID 1610 WPXB746 CA, Angels Camp. 12/21 0615 – CalTrans HAR. Female announcer with CA-4 highway winter closure information and ID (TRH-CA1)
- HAR CA, Grapevine. 12/18 1630 - CalTrans HAR near Grapevine seems to have been revived with (probably) a new transmitter. Unfortunately the people who program the CalTrans HARs in the Southern California district have a long history of being very careless/inept, and they've left this one running with the default message provided by the text-to-speech vendor (basically the whole message is a commercial for that vendor) and giving a frequency of 1680 kHz! (TRH-CA2) CA, Paso Robles. 12/18 1815 – Religious pirate noted along CA-46 and US-101. (TRH-CA2)
 - Pirate

 - WQIP267 CA, sac holes. 12/10 1015 heigida bilade holes and 05-101. (TRH-0A2)
 WQIP267 CA, San Luis Obispo. 12/22 1300 Cal Poly San Luis Obispo University Police Department TIS with short loop. Gets out well. (TRH-CA2)
 WQTY654 NV, Carson City. 12/21 0615 Nevada DoT HAR Male announcer with road information for the Carson City area. (TRH-CA1)
 KNNH639 OR, Ashland. 12/22 0850 Oregon DoT HAR Information on I-5 at CA/OR border: "You are approaching Siskiyou Pass... the speed limit is 55 miles per hour for a list of closed roads call 1-800-977-6368." Easily recognized this station since we spent a few days in that area about 6 months area. (TRH-CA1) months ago. (TRH-CA1)

PAN-AMERICAN DX:

- 540 MÉXICO XEHS, La Mejor, Los Mochis, Sin. DEC 22 1358 – AM/FM ID by male announcer. Still uses slogan "la mejor, aquí nomás." This is one of several syndicated "formats" which appear to be more of a marketing/branding service (pre-recorded IDs, standard look and feel for web site, etc) as opposed to a 24-hour feed of network programming. Soon lost to Mexican anthem presumably from XESURF. (TRH-CA1)
- CUBA Radio Rebelde, unknown location(s). DEC 21 1205 Still making it all the way to the California coast, very close to Cuban sunrise, with ID. 1180 (TRH-CA1)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX:

- UnID DEC 20 1400 Single time pip noted at top of hour. (TRH-CA1) UnID DEC 20 1400 Station faded up with orchestral music. (TRH-CA1) 558
- 594
- 684 UnID DEC 20 1400 - Time pips (two low, one high). (TRH-CA1)
- JAPAN JOAB NHK2, Tokyo. DEC 19 1400 NHK time pips, very weak today. 693
- +DEC 20 1358 Fair signals with instrumental music //774, time pips on the hour. (TRH-CA1)
- 702 UNID DEC 20 1400 - Time pips noted at top of hour. Haven't found any audio on my first quick scan of the recording. (TRH-CA1)
- JAPAN JOUB, NHK2, Akita. DEC 21 1102 English lessons very nostalgic for me, as my first logs of Japanese stations took place over 40 years ago 774 when JOIB and JOBB were still on 750 and 830 kHz, and running English lessons. (TRH-CA1)
- 864
- UnID DEC 19 1400 Time pips, very weak. (TRH-CA1) JAPAN JOGB, *NHK2*, Kumamoto. DEC 19 1400 Poor signals with NHK time pips. +DEC 20 1359 Music and NHK time pips //774. (TRH-CA1) UnID DEC 22 1400 Long tone at top of hour. Probably China? (TRH-CA1) UNID DEC 20 1400 Time pips, very weak. (TRH-CA1) DEC 20 1400 Time pips, very weak. (TRH-CA1) 873
- 909
- 927
- 972
- 1008
- **REP KOREA** HLCA, *KBS*, Hanminjok. DEC 19 1400 Fair signals with KBS time pips. (TRH-CA1) UNID DEC 19 1400, DEC 20 1400 Long tone at top of hour. (TRH-CA1) CHINA DEC 22 1358 Presumed CRI Japanese service with Japanese-style music. Clock strike and single high pip at the top of the hour. (TRH-CA1) 1044
- 1062
- 1134

 UnID DEC 20 1400 – Head 3 short time pips, but no long pip to mark the top of the hour. (TRH-CA1)
 REP KOREA HLKC, KBS, Hwaseong, DEC 19 1400 – presumed with KBS time pips. (TRH-CA1)
 CHINA UnIDs. DEC 20 1400. First station had music with a female announcer, "Big Ben" clock strike on the hour followed by late time pips, lots of Chinese talk and music. Second station had a male announcer in Chinese. These were two of the best TP signals heard on this trip. Both are assumed 1179 to be among the high-powered stations listed for mainland China. (TRH-CA1)

- UnID DEC 20 1400 Time pip, maybe 3 NHK/KBS-style short pips noted first (difficult to be sure. (TRH-CA1) 1242
- UnID DEC 20 1158 Carrier noted at first, then some traces of Asian music. (TRH-CA1) 1269
- 1287 UnID DEC 20 1400 - Time pip, about 2 seconds late. (TRH-CA1)
- UnID DEC 20 1400 Time pip, maybe 3 NHK/KBS-style short pips noted first (difficult to be sure). (TRH-CA1) 1314
- 1377 UNID DEC 20 1400 - Two stations with time pips. The first station had NHK/KBS-style pips, and the second station had pips that were just over half a
- second later and a tri-tone higher. WRTH 2017 lists several 1-5 kW NHK2 stations here. (TRH-CA1) 1386 UNID DEC 20 1400 - NHK/KBS-style time pips. About half a minute later I heard bits of what sounded like Chinese opera music. WRTH 2017 lists
- several 5-10 kW NHK2 and KBS stations here. (TRH-CA1) UnID DEC 20 1400 NHK/KBS-style time pips. WRTH 2017 lists a 50 kW KBS here and several 1kW NHK2 stations. (TRH-CA1) 1467
- UnID DEC 20 1400 Seemed to be one or two stations with time pips here. Hard to hear. (TRH-CA1) 1494
- 1548 UnID DEC 22 1400 - Time pips, two low pips followed by a long clashing pip at the top of the hour. (TRH-CA1)
- UnID DEC 22 1400 Possible time pips, one low short pip, followed by a slightly higher long pip. (TRH-CA1) 1593

73, Tim Hall

Pete Taylor's Trip to the Caribbean

My wife Kristine and I took off again on a trip that included Reno (11/5-12), Orlando (11/12-30) and then on a Caribbean cruise (11/30-12/10). The ship's navigational program did not provide coordinates and I could only get them on my cell phone when we were in ports. We were accompanied by an ICF-2010, a DX-398, a Sony TCM 200DV cassette recorder, and most important of all, one of Gary DeBock's marvellous FSL units which relentlessly peeled through layers of white noise and provided me with readable signals. Out of four trip air legs, TSA only inquired once.

We left from Fort Lauderdale. Ports were: Princess Cays in the Bahamas on land leased by Princess Lines, St Thomas, Martinique, Grenada, Bonaire, and Curaçao. We also went by Haiti, the Dominican Republic, and Cuba. I have not included the usual routine Cubans or the plethora of Venezuelans or Puerto Ricans which I could not specifically identify. All times are AST unless EST is indicated.

- 530 Neither Cuban had much oomph anywhere on the trip.
- Spanish local-like nearing Bonaire 12/6 9 am. Presumably Caracas. Not noteworthy anywhere else on the trip. Deportes, Puerto la Cruz, Venezuela never terribly strong but the only one there once the Cuban was gone. 630
- 640
- Radio Lumiere, Port-au-Prince at good level, P/S, with a string of stations mentioned during the ID including Turks & Caicos-530, which I never detected. 660

- 690 Thought I heard "W radio" 12/3 2205 from south of Puerto Rico but nothing matches.
- 710 Spanish very loud in Bonaire and Curaçao 12/6 and 12/7. Presumed YVKY Caracas.
- UnID 12/2 10 am EST. Spanish. Probably Cuban Progresso but no ID at TOH. 720
- 740
- WIAC San Juan. Never detected. Its pattern is shown as directional east. RCR Caracas. The most potent Caribbean signal. Readable days in St Thomas and almost everywhere else until we neared Cuba. Heard with string of affiliated stations 4:50 pm 12/3 from S. ZBVI at fair level in St Thomas. 12/3 8:30 am. 750
- 780
- PJB Bonaire. Not a great signal coming northward and relatively quiet modulation. We came around from the south and I was able to see their four giant 800
- towers. They are pretty thin in the distance but e-mail me if you want a copy of the picture. Our tour guide didn't know anything about the station. Cuban bubble-wobbler, 12/8 11 am off southern Haiti. Exactly the same sound I heard 11/30 4 hours out of Ft Lauderdale on 1000 kHz. Only time heard. Z-86 Willemstad, Curaçao. This and PJB-800 are the only AM stations left in the ABC islands. 810 860
- VON "Voice of Nevis" fair level, wireligion in St Thomas Virgin Islands 12/3 8:30 am. Radio Reloj, Cuba, pretty potent but very distorted during the northern part of the trip but cleaner further south. I never heard an echo so assume it was the 870 same transmitter haemorrhaging.
- UnID 12/2 10 am EST between the Cay and Puerto Rico. Seemed to give calls, HI.. (I missed the last two letters). Would appear to have been Radio 8-90, 890 La Consentida, Mao, Dominican Republic.
- 900 CBC St Michael, Barbados poor level 12/3 9 am from St Thomas. Signal level increased as we headed south but didn't hold up that well as we headed west from Grenada. A per ads, CBC has a monopoly in the communications business. Reggae Christmas carols were fun! Spanish local-like in Grenada. Presumed YVOX Porlamar. 12/5 9 am.
- 920
- 940 WINZ Miami – best FL signal at Princess Cay. No Cuban under/over it. Interesting because WINZ has an STA for 25kw night because of Cuban interference.
- 1000
- 1030
- Intererence. Cuban bubble wobbler. Only here one night (11/30, 4 hours out of Ft Lauderdale). It was also noted here last year. Port-au-Prince, Radio Ginen. Taped 12/2 10 am (heading to Puerto Rico) but no ID heard. WIXC Titusville is back on relaying WWBA-820 and yes, they do give an ID a minute or two before the WWBA ID. Heard in Orlando, St Thomas 9 am 12/3, Martinique (very weak 12/4 11 am) and also off of north central Cuba 11 am 12/9. Deportes, Caracas, one of the earlier YVs to boom in as we approached Grenada. Apparently YVSZ Caracas. My hearing must be grim because just as I did while in Boston in September. I heard this as "Radio Cinco" 12/3 10:15 pm from south of Puerto Rico. "CMX Radio Guaymas" is what I heard 11/30 9 pm 4 hours out of Ft Lauderdale but that doesn't hold up in deference to WRTH's Radio Bayamo, Texterpreter Buyerite. 1060
- 1090
- 1130 1150
- Entrongue Bueycito.
- Caribbean Radio Lighthouse, St John's, Antigua and Barbuda fairly good in Grenada but not memorable from anywhere else. It sounded like Radio Pinto to me but more than likely was Radio Tiempo, Caracas, 12/6, 9 am, 40 miles East of Bonaire. 1160 1200
- Radio Maria, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. No "de la alta gracia" ever heard. Good level between Puerto Rico and St Thomas, 10 pm EST 12/2 1240 and 12/3 9 am AST in St Thomas. It was heard quite a ways as we headed south. It was also surprisingly strong as we left Grenada for Bonaire. The web
- site says (essentially) variety programming but all I ever heard was religious chanting and hymns. WISO Ponce relaying WAPA 12/8 9 am between Haiti/Cuba. 1260
- 1260 Spanish w/Christmas music around 9 am 12/6 nearing Bonaire. Presumably Caracas.
- 1340 WSTA St Thomas fair level in Grenada 12/5 around 8 am.
- 1350
- Radio Libertad, Puerto Padre, Cuba, good level at Princess Cay 9 am 11/1. My ears heard "Radio Pinto" but that apparently is not to be. Call letters given (YV..) but I can't dig the last two out. My guess is YVME Ciudad Bolivar. 1380
- WELL is shown as off the air so not sure who was there along with a Cuban with EZ music. Thought I heard a "Radio Carla." At another time, I thought I heard "Radio St Paul de Alegre" 11/1 11 am EST from Princess Cay. Harbor Light, Carriacou, Grenada seemed to be stronger in Martinique than it was at our stop in Grenada (12/4 around 9 am) where it was only fair. Another Radio Maria noted from Bonaire 12/6 6 pm. This would be YVKJ Caracas. 1400
- 1400
- 1450
- YVRZ Cumana good level in Grenada 123/5 8 am. 1500
- 1510
- WWBC Cocca good level w/ID 12/9 11 am off north coast of Cuba. ZNS Nassau. Predictable coverage. However, it throws out a lot of garbage between 1500-1570 including spurs on 1500 and 1570 and a curious 1 kHz 1540 tone on 1520 which during one night's reception, competed with the Saudi's het. This same tone was heard a year ago and is quite loud in the Bahamas. Also very loud 12/9 11:30 am impacting an UnID English speaker.
- 1610 Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, Anguilla noted 4 hours out of Grenada but not overwhelming here or anywhere else on the trip

North America Stations: On 12/5 around 9 pm, we were out of Grenada heading for Bonaire. The following English language North America stations were noted: WFAN-660, UnID-680, CFZM-740 (very loud, mentions their FM on 96.7), WABC-770, UnID-790, WCBS-880, WLS-890, WINS-1010, UnID-1080, KMOX-1120, WHKW-1220, WLAC-1510, WCKY-1530. WFAN and WCBS showed up a couple of other times but there was no other night like this. WGN was also heard somewhere during the trip.

French language: Radio Ginen, Port-au-Prince, and 4VEH-840 were notable French language speakers. 640 and 1310 are obviously long gone and have been replaced in their home markets by a gaggle of low-power FM stations.

In Reno, the only surprise was hearing KHIT-1450 on 1650. There seemed to be a carrier. I can't see anything which it would bounce off of (like 1250). Pete Taylor, Tacoma WA (trip equipment described above)

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Welcome to another edition of SportChannels! Basketball season is under way, and we're now taking a look at NBA network lists. In this edition, we'll be featuring network lists are from the Northwest Division of the Western Conference and the Southeast Division of the Eastern Conference. Flagship stations are in **boldface** type, Spanish language flagships in **boldface italics**.

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AM	1300 KCSF Colorado Springs, CO
930 KIUP Durango, CO	1340 KTMM Grand Junction, CO
950 KKSE Parker, CO	1340 KGGS Garden City, KS
1010 KSIR Brush, CO	1440 KRDZ Wray, CO
1230 KSTC Sterling, CO	1450 KBFS Belle Fourche, SD

1490 KNAM Rifle, CO

103.1 KYDT Pine Haven, WY 106.1 KNFO Basalt, CO

92.5 KWOF Broomfield, CO* 100.5 KRSJ Durango, CO

Note: *denotes nighttime simulcast

PALDING

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AM 610 KDAL Duluth, MN 730 KWOA Worthington, MN 830 WCCO Minneapolis, MN 950 KWAT Watertown, SD 970 WDAY Fargo, ND 970 WDUL Superior, WI 1080 KYMN Northfield, MN 1210 KOKK Huron, SD 1220 KDDR Oakes, ND	1230 KTRF Thief River Falls, MN 1230 KWNO Winona, MN 1240 WJON Saint Cloud, MN 1260 KROX Crookston, MN 1270 KFAN Rochester, MN 1310 KNOX Grand Forks, ND 1320 KOZY Grand Rapids, MN 1340 KDLM Detroit Lakes, MN 1340 KWLM Willmar, MN 1390 KXSS Waite Park, MN	1410 KRWB Roseau, MN 1450 KATE Albert Lea, MN 1450 KBUN Bemidji, MN 1450 KMHL Marshall, MN 1460 KDMA Montevideo, MN 1480 KKCQ Fosston, MN 1490 KOVC Valley City, ND 1570 KVTK Vermillion, SD FM 93.1 K226CA Detroit Lakes, MN (1)	94.3 KKIN-FM Aitkin, MN 94.9 K235BP Bemidji, MN (2) 95.9 K240CJ Oakes, ND (3) 96.3 K242CF Willmar, MN (4) 97.1 K246AM Jamestown, ND (5) 101.5 KFGI Crosby, MN 103.3 K277AI Russell, MN (6) 104.5 KBUM Blackduck, MN 105.7 K289CE Grand Forks, ND (7)
1220 KDDR Oakes, ND 1230 KMRS Morris, MN	1390 KXSS Waite Park, MN 1400 KQDJ Jamestown, ND	93.1 K226CA Detroit Lakes, MN (1)	

Relays: 1) KDLM 1340, 2) KBUN 1450, 3) KDDR 1220, 4) KWLM 1340, 5) KQDJ 1400, 6) KMHL 1450, 7) KROX 1260

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1210 KGYN (1230 WBBZ 1240 KADS E	Dklahoma City, OK * Guymon, OK Ponca City, OK Elk City, OK	1240 KVSO Ardmore, OK 1380 KXCA Lawton, OK 1390 KCRC Enid, OK 1450 KSIW Woodward, OK 1470 KGND Vinita, OK 1500 KPGM Pawhuska, OK	1550 KYAL Sapulpa, OK FM 96.1 KITO Vinita, OK 97.1 KYAL-FM Muskogee, OK 98.1 WWLS The Village, OK	99.1 K256CP Bartlesville, OK (1) 100.3 KJCM Snyder, OK 101.3 KMCO McAlester, OK 106.1 KKBI Broken Bow, OK		
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1280 KZNS S	Salt Lake City, UT	el information available, Web: nba.cor	n/jazz/ 97.5 KZNS-FM Coalville, UT (simu	ılcast)		
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Relays: 1) W	/SFN 790, 2) WSEG 140	0				
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Relays: 1) W	/GGG 1230, 2) WMOP 9	00, 3) WNZF 1550, Notes: * denotes of	calls listed as WNLS, ** denotes calls listed	d as WSJZ		
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