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IRCA welcomes the following: **James Johnson** – Nashville TN, **Richard Kawa** – Hamburg NY, **Robert D Montgomery** – Eagles Mere PA, **William Sawyer** – Mulberry AR, **Robert Bell** – Toronto ON and **Greg Harris** – Park Forest IL!!! No tips were received for the July Verification Signers column, next deadline is August 27 1500 ELT. Send your tips to Steve Howe – showe@albany.edu. Next **Seattle** deadline (V56, N02) **Monday 8/27/18 4 PM PLT** – pb.

Updated IRCA TIS/HAR LIST (Summer 2018)

The **IRCA TIS/HAR LIST** lists all US and Canadian TIS/HAR stations, by frequency, including call letters, state (province,) city, county, licensee, address. Updated through June 6 2018.

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Madison-Milwaukee DX Get-together

It is time for this year's Madison-Milwaukee DX Get-together and this one is a milestone edition! The **25th** annual Madison-Milwaukee Get-together for DXers and Radio Enthusiasts will be held on **Saturday August 18** from 1:00 to 9:30 PM CDT. This year's location is Madison WI and, like two years ago the venue is beautiful and spacious Lake Farm County Park (**4330 Libby Road Madison 53711**). Your hosts are **Mark Taylor** and **Bill Dvorak**, and we would be very pleased if you joined us in celebration of our long history. Interested? For more information or an invitation e-mail Bill at dxerak@gmail.com or Mark at markpik@gmail.com (please include "Madison DX Get-together" in the subject line). Participation by IRCA members is strong every year for this event, and this year should be no exception. We hope you can join us! See you on August 18!

2018 IRCA Convention (schedule on page 7)

The 2018 IRCA convention will be held at the Best Western Plus Charles Inn in St Charles MO on September 7 and 8 2018. The hotel is located at 1425 S Fifth Street in St Charles, NW of I-70 exit 229B, or the first exit west of the Missouri River, eight miles west of the Lambert St Louis International Airport. The room rate is \$104.99 a night for either a standard king or two queens. The phone number to call the hotel directly to make reservations for that weekend is (636) 946-6936 or toll-free at 1-888-274-0988. When calling to make the reservation, you must mention the code IRCA to get the rate. There is a block of 30 rooms reserved at that rate for each night for your choice of a single or double bed, your choice. Reservations must be made by August 7 2018. One note, if all the rooms for this block sell out, then the meeting room at the hotel will be complementary. **Registration for IRCA members is \$0**; registration for non-members is \$25 per person with free breakfast. There will be a tentative radio tour of KCLC FM 89.1 at Lindenwood College in St Charles as well as another possible radio tour and a possible tentative radio tower visit. The annual Banquet is out of pocket and at **Culpepper's**, just down the street from the hotel at 3010 W Clay St, St Charles MO 63301 (burgers, catfish, broccoli Alfredo pasta, chicken strips, etc – <https://www.culpeppers.com/Home>). Your host for the convention is **Ken Hawkins**. You can either email him at StLouisHerdFan@gmail.com or you can call him on this cell phone at (636) 577-4295. Registration and auction items can be sent to **4034 San Fernando Ln, St Charles MO 63304-2829**.

Make your plans and reservations now for the 2018 IRCA convention as this will probably be one of the best! **All DXers are welcome!**

This year's **IRCA** convention 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



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#1. DATE OF COLUMN: July 28 2018 **Column data span:** July 14-July 28 2018, Data courtesy of **Stationintel.com**, FCC database and member contributions.
#2. DATE OF COLUMN: August 11 2018 **Column data span:** July 28-August 11 2018.

CALL CHANGE

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW CALL
730	WZMF	Nanticoke, PA	WGMF

FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW INFORMATION
590	WCAB	Rutherfordton, NC	was country, now oldies, old slogan: "Country At Its Best", new: "The Best Of Both Worlds"
680	WCNN	North Atlanta, GA	old slogan: "680 The Fan", new: "680-93.7 The Fan"
760	KMTL	Sherwood, AR	now silent
940	KMER	Kemmerer, WY	was oldies, now country, old slogan: "K-940", new: "The Spur"
950	KMHR	Boise, ID	old slogan: "La Mejor", new: "La Ley"
	WDIG	Steubenville, OH	was silent, now Westwood One The Touch urban adult contemporary
960	WHAK	Rogers City, MI	old slogan: "Your Patriot Voice", new: "The Information Station"
970	KQAQ	Austin, MN	was classic country, now Eternal Word TV Network religious teaching, old slogan: "Classic Country Legends", new: "Real Presence Radio"
980	WTOT	Marianna, FL	was Westwood One Good Time Oldies, now Westwood One Mainstream Country
990	KZZB	Beaumont, TX	was silent, now urban gospel, adds slogan: "Gospel 990"
1000	WGVY	Altavista, VA	was talk, now oldies, old slogan: "NewsTalk1000", new: "102.1 The Groove"
1110	WJML	Petoskey, MI	old slogan: "The Talk Of The North", new: "The Information Station"
1210	WJNL	Kingsley, MI	old slogan: "The Talk Of The North", new: "The Information Station"
	KRSV	Afton, WY	old slogan: "Black Mountain Country", new: "The Spur"
1230	WAMM	Woodstock, VA	was unknown format, now Americana, adds slogan: "Americana Music Project"

1240	KJAA WGGG	Globe, AZ Gainesville, GA	now silent was ESPN Radio Network, now Westwood One Adult Contemporary, old slogan: "1240 ESPN", new: "The Lake 94.5 FM 1240 AM"
	WVSL	Saranac Lake, NY	was adult contemporary, now classic rock, old slogan: "The Choice", new: "Adirondack 105"
1250	KPZK	Little Rock, AR	now silent
1290	WOPP	Opp, AL	was country, now variety
	WCBL	Benton, KY	was silent, now talk, classic country
	WJBI	Batesville, MS	was silent, now classic country
1310	KIQQ	Barstow, CA	now silent
1320	WVNZ	Richmond, VA	old slogan: "La 1320", new: "Maxima1320.com"
1340	WIFN	Atlanta, GA	old slogan: "1340 The Fan 3", new: "1340-103.7 The Fan 3"
	WGRV	Greeneville, TN	old slogan: "There's Only One", new: "Hometown Radio"
1350	WOAM	Peoria, IL	now silent
1370	KGNO	Dodge City, KS	was classic country, now talk
1380	WMTA	Central City, KY	was gospel music, now talk, old slogan: "WGAF Faith 1180", new: "Straight Talk WMTA AM 1380"
	WWNT	Winston-Salem, NC	now silent
	KRKO	Everett, WA	old slogan: "Everett Radio", new: "Everett Radio 1380-95.3"
1390	WEGP	Presque Isle, ME	was Eternal Word TV Network, now Relevant Radio, old slogan: "The Presence", new: "Relevant Radio"
1400	KRVZ	Springerville, AZ	was talk, now classic country, old slogan: "KRVZ Talk Radio", new: "Cowboy Country Radio"
	WSIC	Statesville, NC	old slogan: "WSIC 100.7 FM and 1400 AM", new: "WSIC 100.7 FM-105.9FM-1400 AM"
1410	WSHY	Lafayette, IN	was Fox Sports Radio, now news/talk, old slogan: "Fox Sports 1410", new: "The Patriot 104.3"
1420	WXGM	Gloucester, VA	was oldies, now classic hits
1450	KGIW	Alamosa, CO	was Westwood One Adult Contemporary, now Westwood One Classic Hits
1470	WWBG	Greensboro, NC	now silent
1480	WCFR	Springfield, VT	old slogan: "Rewind 106.5", new: "Springfield Rewind 106.5"
1490	WMPX	Midland, MI	was soft adult contemporary, now classic hits
	KWOK	Aberdeen, WA	was Fox Sports Radio, now ESPN Radio Network, old slogan: "Fox Sports 1490 AM", new: "ESPN Radio 1490 KWOK"
	KTEL	Walla Walla, WA	was sports, now news/talk, old slogan: "1490 ESPN Walla Walla", new: "Fox News Radio"
	WBKE	Fairmont, WV	was news/talk, now country, old slogan: "The Talk of Fairmont 1490", new: "98.9 Blake FM"
1500	WVSM	Rainsville, AL	was southern gospel, now contemporary Christian, old slogan: "Rejoice 103.1", new: "Rejoice 103.1 FM"
	WDEB	Jamestown, TN	was oldies, now new unknown format
1560	KIQS	Willows, CA	was Spanish religion, now regional Mexican, old slogan: "Amistad Cristiana", new: "Radio Mexicana"
1570	KPRO	Riverside, CA	now silent (see below-ye ed)
	WHTX	Warren, OH	now silent
1580	WHLY	South Bend, IN	was silent, now regional Mexican, adds slogan: "La Raza 1580"
1600	WTF	Tiffin, OH	old slogan: "The Voice Of Seneca County", new: "Oldies WTF AM 1600 and FM 93.3"

MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Mike Sanburn of Bellflower CA sends along the following from **John Johnson** of Mesa AZ (via **radio.com**) re KPRO-1570 Riverside CA dated 8/6/18:

John Johnson reported on Facebook that KPRO 1570 is off the air, I haven't been able to confirm that yet. So many call letters have been on 1570 in Riverside over the years: KACE, K MAY, KHNY (Honey Radio). It was nice that they took the classic 1440 calls. Once a happenin' top 40 station. (Note: went to KPRO's website and noted that yes indeed they say they are off the air and that streaming should begin shortly online again, this on 8/7/18-ye ed).

Mike Sanburn sends along the following from **Dennis Gibson** of Salinas CA (via The Daily Breeze) re KPRO-1570 Riverside CA dated 8/7/18:

Radio: Riverside's KPRO goes off the air after 61 years, station land sold to build homes, By Richard Wagoner | **rwagoner@cox.net**, PUBLISHED: August 6 2018 at 3:01 pm | UPDATED: August 7 2018 at 3:41 pm.

The Inland Empire lost a radio station last Friday, as KPRO (1570 AM) left the air, a victim of declining AM radio listenership and vastly increasing value of property in Southern California, which makes the land many stations sit on worth more than the stations themselves.

But it's a station with a local presence dating back to 1957 when it was put on the air by husband and wife Ray and Helen Lapica and Helen's sister, Ollie Shervan. After the three original owners passed away, ownership transferred to Ray and Helen's children, Ronnie Olenick and Larry Lapica.

According to Olenick, her father originally ran the station much like he thought a newspaper should run. "He'd go out to the city council meetings and interview local politicians. He liked to editorialize," she told me this week. "In many ways, it was the beginning of local talk radio!"

"He thought he would be able to use the station to make an impact on the community," Olenick explained. "What he didn't realize is that you can't make an impact unless you sell ads, and ads can be hard to sell."

Eventually, Ray went to law school and left the running of the station to Helen and Ollie.

To show how much has changed in the years since the station went on the air, consider this: Ray Lapica once held a license for an FM station as well. But it was sold to another company, as there were so few listeners to FM radio at the time. The new owners – who also owned the old KFRG in Los Angeles – eventually let the FM station go dark, or off the air.

Over the years, the call letters changed a few times. Originally they were KACE; 1976 brought KHNY; K MAY came in 1978, and the KPRO calls have been in use since 1986. The station has broadcast at 1570 AM since the beginning.

Formats have changed over the years, as well. Talk, country music, "you name it," Olenick told me.

For the past 30 years or so, the broadcasts have been religious, the most recent years as block programming sold to ministers and preachers. That hasn't paid the bills, though. Olenick explained that she and her brother have been putting their own money into the station for quite some time.

"We did it because we knew the land was worth something," she said.

In the end, it was a tough decision to let the station go, due to the longtime family and local community connections. That longevity includes the staff: Station general manager Valorie Stitely has been with KPRO since she was a teenager, more than 40 years.

"We tried to sell the station but could not find a buyer for it, and that's why it's now dark. But the land the transmitter and studios are on was sold; the developer will be building new houses on the property," Olenick said.

I personally hate to lose a local radio presence, but I can understand why it happens. Perhaps someday someone else can pick up the license for 1570 and share transmitter space with another station, as has been done by numerous stations in populous cities throughout the country.

In the meantime, I hold my glass high as a toast to a station that was run by the same family for 61 years.

Mike Sanburn of Bellflower CA sends along the following from **Terry Keyowski** of Regina SK (via IRCA Digest) dated 8/7/18:

According to their Facebook page, 940 CJGX Yorkton Sask. is on low power until further notice. I verified this afternoon, not a peep from them 100 miles away. https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1315862941882210&id=215319648603217&_rdr

7/28. Hurt my back and left knee very badly last Friday, went to urgent care and then to hospital, I have a pinched nerve in my sacrum causing my severe left knee pain also, so I'll have to go to physical therapy shortly, taking medications for it, hope I won't need surgery, staying home from work UFN. Great way to spend my 58th Birthday which is Sunday 8/5, had plans and now they are all ruined. Happy upcoming B-day to Mike Sanburn, and belated to Dave Gordon. Hope everyone's DX is good, I am planning on doing a presentation on AM DXing at my local ham club on 8/22, but if my back isn't better by then, that will have to be postponed also. Hope everyone has a better week than I've had, at least I did get \$115 on my scratchoff lottery tickets... 73's. Bob Wien

8/11. Just had 58th B-day last weekend, not celebrating too much right now, have a pinched nerve in my sacrum causing lower back and left knee pain, seen the doctors several times, currently on short-term disability until at least 8/23, it has improved ever slightly, been to physical therapy twice also. Once healthy again, I'll go on to my B-day events. Hope your DX is better than my back, heh, but keep reporting to the respective columns anything you may hear.



CANADIAN RADIO NEWS – Dan Sys
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For July 2018, compiled August 1 2018.

FORMAT CHANGE

- 940 QC Montreal CFNV Will become Health and Wellness programming when extended testing is complete. French
- One useful piece for Canadian Radio News from **Jon Pearkins**:
- 600 BC Vancouver CHOF CRTC decision coming this week (Aug 13-17) on power increase to 50KW day/20KW night, and tower sharing with CKNW-980, likely positive given the lack of Interventions by other stations, could translate into testing very soon, if the new transmitter is already on site (a big "IF"). CKNW was off air in early July for site preparation. Night pattern (shown) is a broad lobe to the WNW with tight nulls to the South and East. Day pattern has a similar broad WNW lobe, but no tight nulls. Following CHOF's required one month 24/7 Test Period, KRPI-1550 programming will move to 600, leaving KRPI's fate unknown. (night pattern after back page – pb)



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WDXR DEADLINES: August 24, September 7, September 21, Sept. 28, Oct. 5, Oct. 12, Oct. 19, Oct. 26, Nov. 2, Nov. 9, Nov. 16. Please use Eastern Local Time.

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 690 XEWW **BCN**, Rosarito 8/1 0330 noted with Chinese, as was proposed. (AWP-CA)
- 580 KUBC **CO**, Montrose 7/14 at 0730 promo for "Lars Larson" to ID by man "On Newstalk 5-80 KUBC." (RB-AZ)
- 670 KLT **CO**, Commerce City 7/24 0145 a call-in show on family relationships. The usual co-channel stations so far down in signal level as to not be a factor, until right on the hour when KMZQ early covered the ID. Of course, after the ID, KLTT went back to being the dominant station on the channel. Very good on barefoot Satellit 205. (RB-AZ)
- KMZQ **NV**, Las Vegas 8/1 0900 "On the all new 6-70, talk you can trust," to local news and spots. After local daybreak, on the road with GMC Sonoma dashboard rig. (RB-AZ)
- 780 KKOH **NV**, Reno 7/13 0800 "Newstalk 7-80, KOH" good over static as local sun rising. (RB-AZ)
- 910 KKSF **CA**, Oakland has changed format from sports in Spanish to liberal talk, calling themselves "Real Talk." Well, usually IS real, isn't it? (AWP-CA)
- 1090 (KBOZ) **MT**, Bozeman 7/18 1018 while in Livingston MT I noted them off as per news articles about them leaving the air earlier this year. (NJ-MT)
- 1110 KRDC **CA**, Pasadena 7/20 0945 string of pop/country tunes, ID came up at top of the hour with "Disney Country" slogan. Strong steady and clear on ATS-909X with a null of KFNX splatter. (RB-AZ)
- 1140 KGEM **ID**, Boise 7/15 0340 Sampson, Delilah and hair; religious lecture by man, to on-the-hour ID. Many repetitions of official slogan "Salt and Light." Alone and dominating the frequency, no sign of co-channel stations. Strong and clear on ATS-909X (barefoot). (RB-AZ)
- KXST **NV**, Las Vegas 7/20 1000 solid legal ID by man on the hour. CBS Sports Radio jingle, and sports headline update. Good, solid, and steady. Not uncommon at this hour in fall/winter, but this was real good receiver for summer on barefoot portable. (RB-AZ)
- 1160 KSL **UT**, Salt Lake City 7/13 2155 local talk show, host asking for feedback from callers. Topic was obscured by intense t-storm static. Mention of "Newstalk 11-60 KSL" and ID given at ToH. News on the hour sounded local, not network news. KSL not a hot DX catch here, but this was well before local sunset, and maybe due to weather conditions here at the moment. Heard on barefoot SW-2000629, but faded down a bit a culpa minutes before the hour, so I brought it back up with turning capacitor on Terk Loop. (RB-AZ)
- 1220 KLDC **CO**, Denver 7/14 strong, station on with daytime power. 0100 out of religious program with "Honoring God and country, this is the Crawford Broadcasting Company. You're listening to KLDC Denver on 1220 AM and 95.3 FM and streaming online at 1220kldc.com. A Crawford Broadcasting God and country radio station" into Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem. Not needed, but sure comes in strong when they leave their daytime power on. Rarely hear the National Anthem on radio anymore. (JCJ-AZ)
- 1250 KKDZ **WA**, Seattle 8/1 0600 call ID in English at TOH, then back to ethnic/Punjab, lots of QRM on channel, but thankfully on top at the critical time. New logging. (AWP-CA)
- 1290 KOUU **ID**, Pocatello 7/21 2312 strong with "AM 12-90 KOUU" ID into country song at Canyon Campground in Yellowstone National Park. (NJ-WY)
- 1330 KGAK **NM**, Gallup 7/14 2213 man in mixed Navajo and English with good ID and to music of chanting, tom-toms. Covering all the co-channels. (RB-AZ)
- 1340 KSGT **WY**, Jackson 7/19 1528 heard with country music, 1539 "K-Jax, where Country is Cool," political ad, PSA, local ads, 1341 weather. Good signal at Colter Bay campground in Grand Teton National Park. (NJ-WY)
- 1390 KLTX **CA**, Long Beach, Radio Nueva Vida 8/8 0415-0500 with religious programming in Spanish with frequent IDs as Radio Nueva Vida, English call ID at TOH. Co-channel KLOC surprisingly weak today. (AWP-CA)
- KENN **NM**, Farmington 7/18 0134 "Northwestern New Mexico's Talk Leader, KENN," made it through a co-channel pileup and major t-storm static crashes. (RB-AZ)
- 1450 (KYLW) **MT**, Lockwood 7/17 and 7/23 not on the air while I was in the area. (NJ-MT)
- 1490 (KBSR) **MT**, Laurel 7/17 and 7/23 in spite of being mentioned numerous times, this station was not on the air while I was in the area. The antenna was removed years ago and when I drove through Laurel there was no tower there. (NJ-MT)
- 1640 KDMT **CO**, Denver 7/15 2130 talk show, string of spots. ID not heard until local spot and male announcer right on the hour. Steady and fluttery well before local sunset here. (RB-AZ)

Welcome to our first WDXR column of the new DX season! – Nancy 8/10 1900



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DOWN THE DIAL

- 530 CIAO **ON**, Brampton. 8/2 fair signal over Cuba. 0547 noted with talk and local spots in Hindi and South Asian music. [EB-MO]
- 570 WWNC **NC**, Asheville. 8/5 fair to poor signal over KLIF, WNAX. 0533 with local spot, "News radio Five-70 WWNC" ID into *America's First News*. [EB-MO]
- 610 WTVN **OH**, Columbus. 8/9 good signal in KCSP null. 0606 noted with "News radio Six-Ten WTVN" ID, sports report and local spots. [EB-MO]

- 630 CFCO **ON**, Chatham. 8/4 fair to poor signal through a nulled KYFI. 0535 noted with "CFCO" ID, mention of "92-point-Nine FM and AM Six-30" into Country format. [EB-MO]
- 670 KHGZ **AR**, Glenwood. 8/3 fair over WSCR. 0635 with Country format, "Real Country, Caddo Country 98-point-Nine FM and Six-70 AM" ID. [EB-MO]
- 680 WOGO **WI**, Hallie. 7/25 fair to poor signal over WMFS. 0605 noted with USA Radio News, "103-point-One FM" mention, weather forecast, "Talk Radio WOGO" jingle. [EB-MO]
- 690 KTSM **TX**, El Paso. 8/4 fair to poor signal in KSTL null. 0539 noted with local spots, "News, talk Six-90 KTSM" ID into C2C. [EB-MO]
- 770 WVNN **AL**, Athens. 7/26 good signal over WABC. 0619 noted with "Seven-70 AM, 92-point-Five FM WVNN" ID into *The Will Anderson Show*. [EB-MO]
- 970 WMAY **IL**, Springfield. 8/9 fair signal in WGTK null. 0453 with "News, talk 94-point-Seven FM and Nine-70 AM WMAY" ID into *Red Eye Radio*. [EB-MO]
- 980 WYFN **TN**, Nashville. 8/10 good signal over KMBZ, KSGM. 0404 noted with prayer requests, light Christian music and "BBN" mention. [EB-MO]
- 1020 WPEO **IL**, Peoria. 7/24 good to fair signal in KDKA null. 0620 noted with *A New Beginning*, *Our Daily Bread* and "FM 97-point-Seven, FM 103-point-Nine WPEO" ID. [EB-MO]
- 1040 WPBS **GA**, Conyers. 7/24 fair to poor signal in WHO null. 0529 with pop music, local spots in Korean and voter registration PSA in English. [EB-MO]
- 1070 CHOK **ON**, Sarnia. 8/1 fair to poor signal, mixing with WAPI, WDIA, WFNI. 0539 with news headlines, "CHOK" jingle into Classic Hits format. [EB-MO]
- 1130 WBBR **NY**, New York. 7/26 fair signal with ACI from KMOX 1120 in analog mode. 0535 noted with "Bloomberg Radio" ID into local sports report. [EB-MO]
- 1190 KDMR **MO**, Kansas City. 8/1 fair to poor signal, mixing with WOWO in KQQZ null. 0631 noted with "EWTN" mention in promo into a discussion on Catholic teaching. [EB-MO]
- 1210 WPHT **PA**, Philadelphia. 7/26 fair signal over KGYN. 0531 noted with local spots, "Talk radio 12-Ten WPHT" ID. [EB-MO]
- 1400 WEOA **IN**, Evansville. 8/1 fair to poor signal, mixing with KFRU, WGIL and other stations. 0515 with Urban AC format, "WEOA 98-point-Five" ID. [EB-MO]
- 1450 KWPM **MO**, West Plains. 8/2 fair to poor signal, mixing with other stations. 0633 noted with local spots, "KWPM" ID. [EB-MO]
- 1470 WVOL **TN**, Berry Hill. 8/2 fair to poor signal, mixing with other stations; no sign of usual WMBD. 0539 noted with Urban Gospel format, "Old-time gospel on WVOL" ID. [EB-MO]
- 1700 WEUP **AL**, Huntsville. 7/24 fair to poor signal, mixing with KKLK. 0500 noted with Urban Gospel format, "94-point-5 FM" mention. [EB-MO]

UnID

- 1280 UnID 7/24 fair to poor signal, mixing with WBIG, WGBF, WNAM. 0550 noted with *Red Eye Radio* and national spots. The show's Web site doesn't list an affiliate on 1280. [EB-MO]

FLASHBACK

50 Years Ago – August 16 1969 issue of "DX Monitor" ... **Bill Nittler** of Englewood CO told of his vacation to Palo Alto CA ... **Reid C Wheeler** of Aberdeen WA mentioned he was getting things ready for the new DX season ... **Patrick Martin** of Seaside OR logged his 11th Alaska station, KBTR 1270 ... **Bruce Portzer** of Seattle WA reported from Dawson Creek on his way further north ... **Fred Osterman** of Williamsville NY told of his job at Radio Shack ... **Dave Osborn** of Omaha NE wondered why there were no girls in the club. // **25 Years Ago – August 12 1994** issue of "DX Monitor" ... **Larry Godwin** of Missoula MT commented on DXing during the Jupiter comet collisions in July ... **Bill Townshend** of Washington DC told about going to Britain and Ireland ... **Gary Jackson** of Sacramento CA discussed the proposed Bay Area TIS for 1030.

OPEN MIKE

This issue starts a new volume. The new DX season starts soon. Thanks to Eric we have a column this week. This column was typed 8-10-18. 73, John



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- (KK-VA) **Kraig Krist** (KG4LAC), Manassas VA
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- (PS-ON) **Paul Snider**, Thorold ON, Canada paulsnider@yahoo.ca
Elad FDM-S2 software-defined receiver, Pixel RF Pro-1B loop, MFJ-1020C tuner

ACROSS THE DIAL

- 770 WCGW **KY**, Nicholasville – 7/20 1830 through 7/22 1517 A massive storm emergency gave this station several days of trouble. With the studio, the transmitter for 770 kHz and FM relay W227CW 93.3 all in different counties and some equipment without power, an unusual situation occurred. With the AM on open carrier during normal daytime hours and the FM relay entirely off the air, out-of-area signals on 93.3 MHz were somehow received, detected and weakly modulated the WCGW carrier. Several poked through at various times; three were identified. Those were WAKW Cincinnati OH with "Star 93" ID and Contemporary Christian format, WKYQ Paducah KY with a Country format, and WODC Asheville OH identifying as "93.3 the Bus in Columbus". On July 22 at 1517 ELT, station personnel arrived at the AM transmitter site and manually cut the carrier. Simultaneously the then-received audio of WKYQ disappeared, confirming the aberrant signals were riding on the AM carrier. (HD-KY)
- 1030 WWGB **MD**, Indian Head – 7/31 2211 noted on after sunset with Christian music, talk by a male DJ in Spanish into more music. Off suddenly at 2228. A very good to fair signal was noted, mostly over WBZ; confirmed via Simple Radio Web stream. (PS-ON)
- 1060 WQMV **TN**, Waverly – 7/17 2334 noted with Oldies format. A poor signal was noted under XEEP with no sign of KYW; confirmed via Simple Radio Web stream. (PS-ON)
- 1080 WOKT **KY**, Cannonsburg – 7/20 0434 noted with "The music you... Across the Ages on Walk FM" mention by a male announcer. This is a new station in the logbook. The signal was noted mixing with WTIC, WWDR, vocal music in Spanish, talk in English and French, and what sounded like African tribal music. (KK-VA) (Your unidentified English talker may be KRLD Dallas TX – eb)
- 1100 WHLI **NY**, Hempstead – 7/27 0436 noted with Oldies format, "All hits you won't hear anywhere else, 1100 WHLI" ID by a male announcer. At 0441, this ID was read by a male announcer: "From One Great Song to Another; The Hits of a Lifetime, 1100 WHLI". The signal was noted mixing with WTAM and unidentified stations with Spanish language programming and vocal music. (KK-VA)
- 1110 WJML **MI**, Petoskey – 7/9 2224 noted with *The Jim Bohannon Show*, weather forecast at 2230, "WJML" ID, local ads, another "WJML" ID at 2232 before returning to *Jimbo*. A fair to very poor signal was noted, at times over WBT. (PS-ON)
- 1120 WKAJ **NY**, Saint Johnsville – 7/27 0528 noted with a Country format, "1120 AM WKAJ, Real Country" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with KMOX, WSME and unidentified stations with vocal music in Spanish and a talk format. (KK-VA) (Your talk station may be WBNW Concord MA – eb)
- WSME **NC**, Camp LeJeune – 7/27 0608 noted with a "Freedom 97.1, WSME and 94.1 the Beach" network ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with KMOX, WKAJ and unidentified stations with vocal music in Spanish and a talk format. (KK-VA)
- 1130 WEAJ **SC**, Camden – 7/27 0600 noted with "WALD 1080 AM Johnsonville or W254DC Scranton, WEAJ 1130 AM Camden..." multi-station ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WBBR, WPYB and unidentified stations with 1980s type music and vocal music in Spanish. (KK-VA) (Your 1980s music may be from WAMB Brazil IN, which has occasionally forgotten to drop power at night; your Spanish music may be WLBA Gainesville GA, which has been occasionally forgetting to sign off at night – eb)
- 1150 WMNY **PA**, New Kensington – 8/5 2225 noted with South Asian (Hindi) music, "Radio Dhoom" ID at 2254 before another music set. "WMNY New Kensington, Pennsylvania" legal ID in English at 2301, EDT time check, mention of current temperature, Fox News Radio update in English before another set of South Asian music. A poor to very poor signal was noted, at times almost over CKOC; confirmed by Web stream at Dhoom Radio-dot-com (PS-ON)
- 1200 WJXY **SC**, Atlantic Beach – 7/18 2338 noted with "Rejoice FM 103.5" ID and mention of "Rejoice FM-dot-net" Web site into Urban Gospel format. 103.5 is W278CB Atlantic Beach SC. Radio Locator also shows a 95.5 relay, but is not mentioned in the ID. A poor to fair signal was noted in WOAI null. (HD-KY) (The NRC Log lists 95.5 as being part of the Rejoice group; the calls are W238CJ Atlantic Beach SC. This was on day power; I've noted this in the past as WMIR – eb)
- 1210 WTXK **AL**, Pike Road – 7/19 0032 noted with ad for Airport Marine, with a location near Interstate 65. The Web site for the business shows that it's right off Interstate 65 south of Alabaster, north of Montgomery. A mention of ESPN Sports (Radio) popped through; WTXK's Web site shows this as an ESPN affiliate and IDing as "The Ticket". This is most likely WTXK. (HD-KY) (Another one likely on day power; I caught this one on January 5 1999 at 0600 ELT, when the station was WQLS and assigned to Ozark AL, near Dothan – eb)

- 1270 WQTT **OH**, Marysville – 7/8 2329 noted with Oldies format, “True Oldies 96.7” ID at 2330, ABC News update, ad cluster including spots for Motel 6 and Home Depot, “This is Reds Country, True Oldies 96.7” ID. A poor to very poor signal was noted under WHLD and other stations. (PS-ON) (Radio Locator lists the 96.7 relay as W283AJ Marysville OH, moved from 104.5 MHz – eb)
- 1310 WTZN **PA**, Troy – 7/15 2126 noted with Oldies format, “Oldies 99.9 and 107.?” ID at 2130. A very poor signal was noted, mixing with CIWW, WDTW, and a station with Asian music (possibly WXMC) before fading out. Confirmed via Tune-In Web stream. (PS-ON)
- 1350 WIOU **IN**, Kokomo – 8/9 2144 noted with sports talk format, multiple “WIOU” IDs at 2146, ads for the Indiana Sports Journal and Burger King, another “WIOU” ID into more sports talk. A fair signal was noted at times before being lost in a mix of stations. (PS-ON)
- 1400 WRAK **PA**, Williamsport – 8/5 0006 noted with a clear “WRAK” ID twice at tune-in, into *Coast-to-Coast AM/Somewhere in Time* interviewing a guest connected with Area 51. A fair signal was noted for a bit to very poor. (PS-ON)
- 1410 WRTZ **VA**, Roanoke – 7/23 2226 noted booming in with Oldies format, “True Oldies WRTZ” ID. A very good signal was noted, fading at times to a poor signal with CJWI and WING underneath; may be on day power. (PS-ON)
- 1520 KOLM **MN**, Rochester – 7/11 2247 noted with *Ferrall on the Bench, CBS Sports Minute*, “CBS Sports Radio” jingle, ad cluster including NAPA Auto Parts, no ID at 2300, CBS Sports Radio update before returning to *Ferrall*. A fair at times to very poor signal was noted; coming in well this evening under WWKB, at times almost over KB! (PS-ON)
- 1540 WBNL **IN**, Boonville – 7/8 2155 noted with a Soft Adult Contemporary format, didn’t hear a legal ID at 2200, a possible jingle at 2205. A very, very poor signal was noted under CHIN and KXEL; eventually lost to both stations, confirmed via Tune-In Web stream. I must have caught them before switching to night power. (PS-ON)
- 1550 WIGN **TN**, Bristol – 7/16 2225 noted with Bluegrass music, “Gospel and Bluegrass at Its Best, 1550 AM, 92.1 FM WIGN” ID, church promo, recorded promo from a listener and “1550 WIGN” ID”. A fair signal was noted at times over CBEF; WDLR was also heard. Coming in well... definitely not six watts! (PS-ON)
- 1560 WGLB **WI**, Elm Grove – 7/15 2316 noted with Urban Gospel format, talk by male and female announcer, “...right here on 1560 WGLB” ID at 2317 into another music set. I can usually hear them under WFME, especially during the winter, but tonight they are especially strong. A fair to poor signal was noted, almost over WFME. (PS-ON)
- 1590 WCSL **NC**, Cherryville – 8/4 2330 heard various WCSL IDs, including “1590 and now 92.3 FM WCSL” into Country format. An occasionally fair to very poor signal was noted under WAKR. (PS-ON)
- 1700 WRRC **NY**, Ramapo – 7/26 2001 noted back on the air. Possible weather forecast at tune-in, multiple “WRRC” IDs at 2002, into Adult Contemporary format. A fair to poor signal was noted at times. (PS-ON)

EDITOR’S NOTES

Thanks to Harry, Kraig and Paul for their logs in this edition... welcome to Volume 56! If you plan to DX from the IRCA Convention in Saint Charles MO, please report your DX to John C Johnson; the convention site is in the CDXR reporting area. 73 and good DX from NØUIH, the Florissant Valley Dial Twister



DX WORLDWIDE/TROPICAL BAND DX – Brandon Jordan – PO Box 338 – Rossville TN 38066
E-mail: dxww.irca@gmail.com all times UTC

Deadline – Sunday Midnight Central Time.

*** TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ***

- 837 **CANARY ISLANDS/SPAIN** COPE synchros. JUL 19 0100 – Cadena COPE and Canarias mentions, pips, fanfare music; fair. [MC*Y-MA]
855 **SPAIN** RNE1, Murcia et al. JUL 19 0059 – Man in Spanish, Enya or similar vocal, to fair peak. [MC*Y-MA]
954 **SPAIN** Onda Cero, Madrid. JUL 19 0100 – Man with news in Spanish; fair through WROL slop. [MC*Y-MA]
1044 **SPAIN** SER, San Sebastian/Valladolid. JUL 19 0100 – Teletalk, Cadena SER ID; good. [MC*Y-MA]
1530 **SAO TOME E PRINCIPE** VOA, Pinheira. JUL 19 0259 – Man with Voice of America ID, Yankee Doodle theme music; dominant. {A} [MC*Y-MA]

*** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***

- 630 **PUERTO RICO** WUNO, Radio Uno, San Juan. JUL 21 0100 – NotiUno mentions in shouting; under WPRO. [MC*Y-MA]
640 **VENEZUELA** YVQO, Union Radio, Puerto La Cruz. JUL 19 0301 – Union Radio and “información venezolana” mention; briefly over CBN, Cuba. [MC*Y-MA]
650 **MEXICO** XETNT, Los Mochis. AUG 8 1118 – Radio 65 promo that it’s also “en el cien – 100.5 FM”. XETNT Los Mochis, still holding onto AM, and we hope for good, as Mexican AMers are dropping like flies, so we need to keep reconfirming the ones that remain. [GH-OK]
700 **BRAZIL** ZYK686, Nossa Radio, São Paulo. JUL 21 0059 – Portuguese religious talk by woman; fair. [MC*Y-MA]
760 **BRAZIL** ZYH588, Radio Uirapuru, Fortaleza. JUL 21 0100 – Radio Uirapuru ID, man in Portuguese, tranquil music interlude; fair. [MC*Y-MA]
810 **COLOMBIA** HJCY, Caracol Radio, Bogotá. JUL 25 0100 – Caracol Radio IDs; mixed with WGY, others. [MC*Y-MA]
MEXICO XERI, Reynosa, Tam. AUG 8 1110 – dominant signal from south, ID between songs as “Radio Rey, la más [poderosa?], seis, nueve minutos”. Should not be claiming powerfulness, as IRCA Mex Log had it as only 1000/100 watts, XERI, Reynosa, Tamaulipas, and so does WRTH 2018. By now probably on hefty day power. On DX-398 vs heavy local storm noise. Our sunrise 1144 UT. [GH-OK]
840 **CUBA** CMHW, Dobleve, Santa Clara. JUL 19 0300 – Dobleve theme music, talk; mixed with WHAS. [MC*Y-MA]
HAITI Radio-Télé 4VEH, Cap Haitien-Petite Anse. JUL 20 0101 – Dashing through the Snow 5-note interval signal, man “Vous écoutez Radio 4VEH”; good. {A} [MC*Y-MA]
940 **PUERTO RICO** WIPR, San Juan. JUL 19 0300 – Woman with WIPR nueve cuarenta AM ID; dominant. [MC*Y-MA]
1010 **BRAZIL** ZYH625, Radio CBN, Fortaleza. JUL 21 0100 – Portuguese sports shouting, Fortaleza mention; mixed with WINS. {A} [MC*Y-MA]
1070 **COLOMBIA** HJCG, Radio Santa Fe, Bogotá. JUL 21 0100 – Radio Santa Fe IDs; alone on channel. [MC*Y-MA]
1290.3 **BRAZIL** ZYH888, Radio Timbira do Maranhão, São Luís. JUL 21 0100 – Reverberated Portuguese sports shouting by man; audible on USB. [MC*Y-MA]

CONTRIBUTORS

- MC*Y-MA **MARK CONNELLY**, WA1ION, South Yarmouth, Cape Cod MA (GC= 41.6931 N/70.1912 W) (grid FN41vq)
NOTE: {A} in entry indicates that audio can be accessed from link on the following page: http://www.qsl.net/wa1ion/doc1/audio_2018.htm
Receiver: Microtecom Perseus
Antenna 1: Cardioid-pattern SuperLoop: 10m vertical by 11m horizontal (peak 165 degrees, null 345 degrees)
Antenna 2: Cardioid-pattern SuperLoop: 9m vertical by 20m horizontal (peak 90 degrees, null 270 degrees)
GH-OK **GLENN HAUSER**, ENID OK (via direct and DXLD eGroup)
DX-398 with internal antenna only or PL-880; NRD-545 with ALA-330S inside E-W or inside random wire N-S; Nissan stock caradio as specified; ICR-75 E-W longwire.

73 and Good DX, Brandon



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Craig Barnes in HI

7/29. After my stay on the Kona Coast, I spent a few days on the Hamakua Coast on the northeast side of Hawaii. To my dismay, there was a major source of power line QRM to the southwest of the rental home I stayed in. That QRM seemed to negate TP reception from Latin America. West coast US domestics were plentiful, along with some surprising midwest loggings. I was accompanied by the outstanding DeBock Turbocharged Tecsun PL-380 and 5 inch Frequent Flyer FSL.

Here are the results from my Hamakua Coast bandscans:

- 610 San Francisco CA 4/21/18 0922z
- 620 KGTL Homer AK w/KPOJ Portland OR 4/21/18 0925z
KPOJ Portland OR 4/22/18 0947z
- 630 KIDD Monterey CA mixing w/KXFD Boise ID 4/22/18 0934z
- 660 KTNN Window Rock AZ 4/21/18 0953z w/it's distinctive Navaho programming
- 670 KPUA Hilo HI 4/21/18 0935z w/Coast to Coast show
- 700 WLW Cincinnati OH 4/21/18 0938z weak, but alone on frequency w/mention of Ohio
- 750 KXTG Portland OR 4/21/18 0955z w/sports talk
- 770 KCBC Manteca CA 4/21/18 0957z w/clear ID
- 780 KKOI Reno NV 4/21/18 1000z promo for Odd Fellows in Reno
- 790 KABC Los Angeles CA 4/21/18 1005z
- 820 WBAP Ft Worth TX 4/21/18 1008z
- 840 WHAS Louisville KY 4/21/18 1015z w/clear ID
- 890 KIHG Arroyo Grande CA 4/22/18 0906z
- 910 KXSF Oakland CA w/presumed KOXR underneath 4/20/18 0646z w/"Deportes Radio" and ranchera music under
- 950 KJR Seattle WA 4/21/18 1024z w/sports talk
- 1090 KFNO Seattle WA 4/21/18 1038z
- 1160 KSL Salt Lake City UT 4/22/18 0852z
- 1180 KERN Wasco-Greenacres CA w/possible XEFR underneath Mexico City DF 4/21/18 1046z
- 1580 KBLA Santa Monica CA 4/22/18 0828z w/Spanish religious program
- 1590 KVTA Ventura CA w/KLIV San Jose CA underneath 4/22/18 0826z w/talk show and C&W under
- 1630 KKGW Ft Worth TX 4/22/18 0820z w/religious program
- 1640 KDIA Vallejo CA w/KDZR Lake Oswego OR under 4/22/18 0816z
- 1660 KBRE Merced CA 4/22/18 0815z w/"The Bear" slogan
- 1670 KHPY Moreno Valley CA 4/22/18 0811z w/Spanish religious program
- 1680 KGED Fresno CA 4/22/18 0808z
- 1700 KVNS Brownsville TX w/KKLF Richardson TX underneath 4/22/18 0800z ESPN sports w/Spanish under

Looking forward to my first Rockworks session next week!

73 and Best of DX, **Craig Barnes**. DXing on NE Hamakua Coast HI, Turbocharged Tecsun PL-380 and 5 inch Frequent Flyer FSL

Rockwork DXpedition (a taste) – Gary DeBock

8/1. Once again the largest collection of ferrite this side of the Ukraine crossed over the Columbia River bridge at the bizarre hour of 2:30 AM this morning, kicking off the major Rockwork DXpedition on the ocean cliff near Manzanita, Oregon. Unfortunately nobody seemed to have informed the "sleeping squatters," who had jammed up Rockwork 4 with three large RV's. An attempt to set up in between two of them didn't quite go according to plan, as the owner of the closest RV attempted to back up his turf claim with some loud, colorful language. As such, Craig Barnes and I relocated to Rockwork 5, which featured only one sleeping squatter (with a bicycle), who turned out to be quite tame. Rockwork 5 is also a little too narrow for foul-mouthed RV owners and provided one of the most exciting DU-DXing sessions we had ever experienced.

The main attraction was phenomenal signals from both 558-Fiji and 1017-Tonga, which both hit S9+ levels for extended periods. This was the best performance these two Pacific island stations have ever had at the Rockwork cliffs, and made it a special morning to remember. Craig and I had a blast tracking these and the usual Kiwi blasters, including the Maori parallels on 603 and 765, 531-PI and others. The session had some decent Oz reception as well, but most of the recordings have yet to be reviewed. A special watch was kept for the Western Australians on 531 and 558, and some interesting signals did show up (which need further attention). The obscure Kiwis on 576, 585 and 936 were missing in action, however. So the really exceptional signals were from both 558 and 1017, seemingly the first time that has ever happened at the cliffs. Craig and I plan to head back to Rockwork 5 tomorrow morning, which seems to have all the space that FSL users need for setup (and none of the wacky turf claims).



558 **FIJI** Radio Fiji One, Naulu. Awesome signal with island music and medley song ID on the half hour at 1230 (including "Radio Fiji One, Na Domoiviti" at 1:36) <https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/4d86k1snavks1alioju565k2l4zhq0j0>

765 **NEW ZEALAND** Radio Kahungunu, Napier-Hastings. The usual S9 signal from this 2.5 kW overachiever with distinctive Maori music at 1218 <https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/ejvw81klsuy5j2phywh9cssyan2rafmt>

1017 **TONGA** A3Z, Nuku'alofa. Monster signal with island music at the start of the session at 1221 <https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/ime1qsdd32h6wh0pumkrsozhwy6xestn>. Monster signal with island music near the close of the session at 1314 (in other words, all session long) <https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/xgw85zga7d337r8905bnyu1qdgmvpepn8>.

73 and Good DX, **Gary DeBock** (DXing with **Craig Barnes** at the Rockwork 5 ocean cliff near Manzanita, Oregon), 7.5" loopstick CC Skywave SSB and XHDATA D-808 portables + Very airport-unfriendly 15" and 17" FSL antennas (guaranteed to cause a security alert). Session photo (with Craig at the prime position) posted at <https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/49owffx8wi0zre3jmbaeggfxfwxkzgsx>

I'm sure we'll have a complete report from Gary in a future issue – pb



2018-2019 IRCA DX CONTEST – Manager: Nancy Johnson – 2922 S Olivewood – Mesa AZ 85212
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2018-2019 IRCA DX CONTEST RULES

This season every station 530-1710 kHz will count. All domestic and foreign stations will be worth one point! Some stations that have not been eligible in the past you will be able to report this season, such as TIS and HAR stations and stations on split frequencies.

The contestant with the most total points at the end of the contest will be determined the winner.

The contest will be open to all IRCA members in good standing. Entrants will be disqualified if they cease to be members of the club. The contest will run from 0001 September 1 2018 through 2359 May 31 2019. You may join the contest at any time during the year.

All loggings must be made within 25 miles of your main DX location. If a person moves during the contest they may start over at the new location.

To count a US station, you must hear the actual call letters. To count a Canadian, Mexican or foreign station, you must hear the actual call letters or hear a recognized slogan plus location. Loggings may be first time heard, or relogs of stations heard before. If a station changes call letters it may be relogged and be counted.

Contest entries must list station call letters, frequency, location, date and time of logging.
 Your contest report of stations heard in any particular month must be postmarked by the 5th day of the following month. For example, a station heard on September 12th must be submitted by October 5th to be eligible. Failure to do this will disqualify the item in question for points. Contest entries must not be sent along with WDXR DX tips as they easily become lost when filed away in the WDXR file. Contest entries may be sent e-mail or postal mail to the address above. E-mail entries must not be "attached files."

The contest manager will have the final word on all station and interpretation of all rules, including disqualification of a station for scoring or a member from the contest.

Standings will be updated on the 15th of each month and results published in the next available bulletin subject to normal deadline delays. The final standings will be tabulated on June 15 2019 and will appear in the July bulletin.

The contest manager may join the contest, but will be ineligible for the prize. There is no entry fee for the contest.

Entry in the contest implies consent to all rules, including those which may appear later as necessity dictates. If you have any questions please write.

Prize: A \$20 gift card will be the prize for the contest winner. The contestant with the most total points at the end of the contest will be determined the winner. Have fun! 73--Nancy



GEOMAGNETIC INDICES – Compiled by: Phil Bytheway
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Geomagnetic Summary July 1 2018 through July 31 2018

Tabulated from WWV on-line status daily (K @ 0000 UTC).

Date	Flux	A	K	Space Wx										
7/ 1	68	3	1	no storms	7/12	72	8	2	no storms	7/23	67	4	1	no storms
2	67	3	0	no storms	13	73	6	1	no storms	24	67	17	4	no storms
3	68	4	1	no storms	14	72	5	0	no storms	25	66	9	2	no storms
4	68	5	1	no storms	15	72	4	1	no storms	26	66	4	1	no storms
5	68	17	4	minor, G1	16	72	9	3	no storms	27	67	4	2	no storms
6	71	7	2	no storms	17	71	8	2	no storms	28	68	5	1	no storms
7	72	5	0	no storms	18	71	4	1	no storms	29	68	5	1	no storms
8	72	4	1	no storms	19	71	4	1	no storms	30	68	5	2	no storms
9	73	2	1	no storms	20	71	7	2	no storms	7/31	68	6	3	no storms
10	72	7	1	no storms	21	70	11	2	no storms					
7/11	73	8	2	no storms	7/22	68	5	1	no storms					

Gx – Geomagnetic Storm Level

Rx – Radio Blackouts Level

Sx – Solar Radiation Storm Level

IRCA Convention Schedule

Thursday, September 6 2018

Guests arrive by air, train, bus, and cars

6:00P Registration in meeting room. HOSTS: Ken Hawkins and Mike Lantz. Questions and Info: (636) 577-4295
 Dinner on your own at near-by restaurants

Friday, September 7 2018

6:00-9:00A Breakfast in hotel lobby: free for hotel guests
 8:00-9:00A Registration in front lobby, Ken (work pending) and Mike, Meeting room opens – convention begins
 9:00A Assemble in hotel lobby of hotel for car pools of tour of KHJY Joy radio
 10:00A Tour of KHJY Joy FM studios – Mike Thomas is your guide
 11:00A Lunch at restaurant at your choice either in Des Peres or St Charles
 1:00P Assemble in hotel lobby for car pools of tour of KWRE/KFAV radio
 2:00P Tour of KWRE/KFAV studios – Steve Rotz is your guide
 4:30P Gathering in meeting room for technical talks and questions and answers
 6:00P Pizza party in meeting room courtesy of Imo's-THE SQUARE BEYOND COMPARE! (Paid for by IRCA)
 8:00P "Tech Talks" (meeting room) Speakers TBD
 12:00M Good night (meeting room closes)

Saturday, September 8 2018

6:00-9:00A Breakfast in hotel lobby: free for hotel guests
 8:00A Meeting room opens
 8:30A "Tech Talks" (meeting room) Speakers TBD
 10:30A Discussion plus buy, sell, and trade Radio Music Surveys, stickers, and other swag
 12:00P Lunch on your own
 1:00P A. Drive by radio transmitters TBD, B. Other activities on hotel site TBD
 3:00P IRCA annual business meeting (meeting room) – Bruce Portzer
 5:00P Gather outside the front lobby for a group photo
 5:15P Group photo(s)
 6:00P Gathering banquet at Culpeppers (on your own funds), Speaker of the banquet: Mike Lantz, motivational speaker from Miami FL
 8:30P Auction in the meeting room – auctioneers TBD
 12:00M Good night (meeting room closes)

Sunday, September 9 2018

6:00-9:00A Breakfast in the hotel lobby: free for hotel guests
 9:15A The gathering quiz. Door prizes. Winner prize.
 12:00P 2018 gathering ends (meeting room closes). Have a safe trip home. See you next year!
 1:00P On your own suggestions:
 Gathering at Ken Hawkins' house for radio SCHTUFF
 Old town St. Charles on Main Street
 STL Arch
 Ameristar Casino

Technical Talk highlights

Topics include 2017 solar eclipse highlights from western America, KD9SV vs Cat-5 Beverages for hearing trans-oceanic DX "over the shoulder," tips and triumphs from MW phasing methodology, hands on with the "Frequent-Flyer FSL," another look at Cat-5 as a legitimate antenna and some fascinating personal-experience stories from Bruce Portzer and the Florissant Valley Dial Twister. Group discussions include a look at trans-polar DX possibilities during the upcoming solar minimum. Be there! Learn from and contribute to the dialogue!

The "Tech-Talk" Staff

Eric Bueneman

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Neil Kazaross

Bruce Portzer

Full Color IRCA Letterhead

Full color 8.5 x 11 MS Word 2007 file with the current IRCA logo. Send email to phil_tekno@yahoo.com to get yours today! Great for verification requests.

IRCA Slogans List (December 2017)

This completely revised Slogans List includes radio slogans from the US and Canada (over 4500). The 2017 IRCA Slogans List is posted on the IRCA website for all to download. The link is: [http://www.ircaonline.org/editor_upload/File/2017 IRCA Slogans List.pdf](http://www.ircaonline.org/editor_upload/File/2017%20IRCA%20Slogans%20List.pdf)

For those preferring a hard copy, one can be ordered from the IRCA.

Prices: **IRCA/NRC members** – \$7.25 (US), \$8.50 (Canada) \$10.00 (México), \$10.75 (rest of the world). **Non-IRCA members** – add \$1.00.

IRCA TIS/HAR LIST (Summer 2018)

The **IRCA TIS/HAR LIST** lists all US and Canadian TIS/HAR stations, by frequency, including call letters, state (province,) city, county, licensee, address, June 1 2018.

The 2018 IRCA TIS/HAR LIST is posted on the IRCA website for all to download. The link is: http://www.ircaonline.org/editor_upload/File/TIS_2018.pdf

For those preferring a hard copy, one can be ordered from the IRCA.

Prices: **IRCA/NRC members** – \$9.50 (US), \$11.00 (Canada) \$12.50 (México), \$14.00 (rest of the world). **Non-IRCA/NRC members** – add \$2.00.

A DXers Technical Guide, 4th Edition (Spring 2004)

In its nearly 200 pages you will learn about the principles underlying the design of successful receivers, antennas and receiving accessories, find reviews of the best commercially available DXing equipment in different price ranges, as well as detailed instructions for building one's own antennas and other DXing aids. Although it focuses on the technical backdrop to medium wave DXing, it will also be of interest to serious shortwave listeners and low band radio amateurs.

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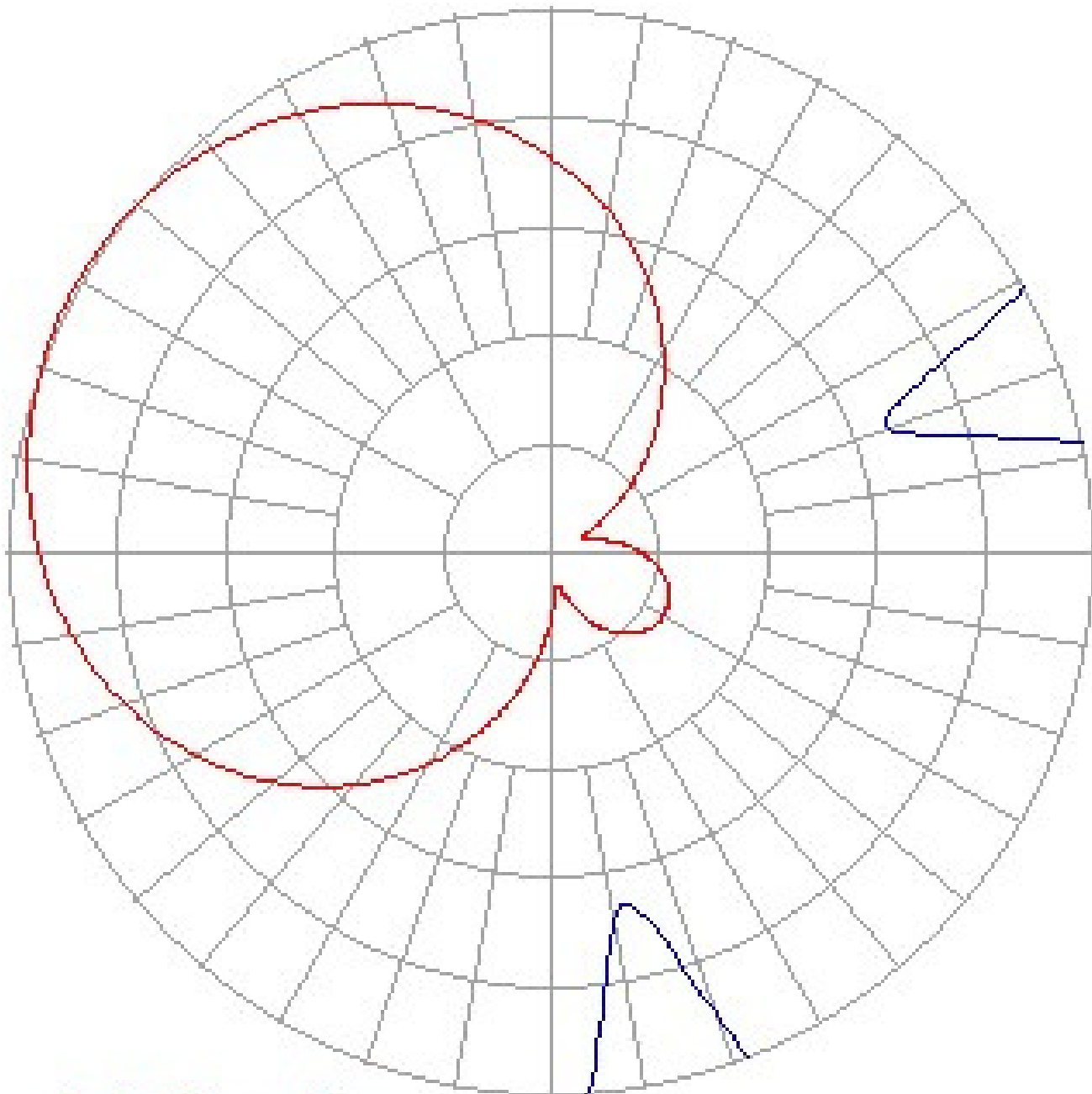
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