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This time, IRCA welcomes **Mark Pettifor** in Goshen IN. **Seattle** deadline (V56\_N09) **Monday 10/29/18 4 PM PLT** – pb.

### IRCA Slogans List (October 2018)

This completely revised Slogans List includes radio slogans from the US and Canada (over 4500). The 2018 IRCA Slogans List is posted on the IRCA website for all to download. The link is: [http://www.ircaonline.org/editor\\_upload/File/IRCA%20Slogans-Introduction.pdf](http://www.ircaonline.org/editor_upload/File/IRCA%20Slogans-Introduction.pdf)

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### 2019 Convention Bids

Bids for the IRCA 2019 convention are now being accepted. If you're interested, please contact me at the above email address for a convention bid form. Deadline for bids is **now 11/15/18**.



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### CALL CHANGES

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW CALL
1230	WOIC	Columbia, SC	WPCO
1410	WTIX	Concord, NC	WEGO

### FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW INFORMATION
590	WDIZ	Panama City, FL	now silent
770	WEW	St Louis, MO	was ethnic, now variety
810	WYRE	Annapolis, MD	was silent, now adult alternative (had been khztv.com Top 40 hits before going silent-ye ed)
850	WGV5	Muskegon, MI	old slogan: "Real Oldies 1480/850", new: "Real Oldies 1480-850"
900	WNMB	North Myrtle Beach, SC	was silent, now classic rock, adds slogan: "95.5 The Drive"
910	WSRP	Jacksonville, NC	now silent
920	WKVA	Lewistown, PA	was oldies, now classic hits, old slogan: "Gold Hits 920", new: "Big 100.3"
940	WGPR	Greenville, PA	was oldies, now adult contemporary
1010	KXPS	Thousand Palms, CA	old slogan: "Team 1010, KXPS", new: "Team 1010 AM-102.7 FM"
1060	WRHL	Rochelle, IL	adds Westwood One Good Time Oldies as primary network
1120	WBNW	Concord, MA	old slogan: "WBNW 1120 AM", new: "Money Matters Radio"
1150	WTMP	Egypt Lake, FL	was classic hip hop, now R&B oldies, old slogan: "Boomin' 1150", new: "Classic R&B Oldies"
1200	KPSF	Cathedral City, CA	old slogan: "Money Radio 1200", new: "Money Radio 1200 AM-100.9 FM"
1220	KLPW	Union, MO	adds slogan: "Rock-N-Americana"
1230	WLNR	Kinston, NC	now silent
1290	WRPA	Providence, RI	old slogan: "Rhode Island Public Radio", new: "The Public's Radio"
1380	KRKO	Everett, WA	old slogan: "Everett Radio 1380-95.3", new: "Everett's Greatest Hits 1380 and FM 95.3"
1400	WZAZ	Jacksonville, FL	was unknown format, now urban gospel, adds slogan: "Gospel 1400"
	WBAT	Marion, IN	was talk, now classic hits and talk, old slogan: "Newstalk and Information Station", new: "WBAT Marion's Greatest Hits"
1420	WKSR	Pulaski, TN	was country, now classic hits, adds slogan: "Classic KSR"
1430	WLTG	Panama City, FL	now silent
1450	WDNG	Anniston, AL	was news/talk, now adult contemporary, old slogan: "NewsTalk 1450", new: "MY 95 FM"
	KSIG	Crowley, LA	was oldies, now soft adult contemporary, old slogan: "1450 AM KSIG", new: "Sunny 95.1"
1480	WGVU	Kentwood, MI	old slogan: "Real Oldies 1480/850", new: "Real Oldies 1480-850"
1500	WFED	Washington, DC	old slogan: "Federal News Radio", new: "Federal News Network"
	WPJX	Zion, IL	was Spanish, now rock, old slogan: "La Campeona", new: "Rebel Radio"
1510	KFNN	Mesa, AZ	old slogan: "Money Radio 1510", new: "Money Radio 1510 AM-105.3 FM"
	KTTT	Columbus, NE	was ethnic, now classic country and ethnic
1520	KKXA	Snohomish, WA	old slogan: "Classic Country 1520-101.1", new: "Classic Country KKXA 1520 and FM 101.1"
1540	WMYJ	Martinsville, IN	old slogan: "My Joy 1540", new: "My Joy 1540 and 100.5"
	WULT	Sandston, VA	was adult hits, now Spanish CHR, old slogan: "Boomtown Richmond", new: "Ultra 94.1 FM 1540 AM"
1580	KQFN	Tempe, AZ	old slogan: "1580 The Fanatic", new: "The Fanatic 1580 AM-95.9 FM"
1600	WKYI	Eminence, KY	was Spanish, now classic country and classic rock, old slogan: "Poder", new: "My 94.1"

Well, an October column has come and gone. Cold here in Laurel this morning, only in the 30's and 50's daytime so fall is definitely here, like this weather vs 85 and humid!! DX is picking up steam rapidly and conditions are getting much better. I'm giving a presentation on AM DXing to my Laurel MD ham radio club next Wednesday 10/24, hope everyone there likes it and maybe I can entice a few people into joining IRCA if they are really interested. Anything to increase club membership, heh. Hope the bid for the 2019 convention is for a really great location, we'll see what emerges. Everyone have a great rest of October and as everyone tells me this time of year, "Hello Wien" (Halloween). 73's. Bob Wien



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**WDXR DEADLINES:** Oct. 26, Nov. 2, Nov. 9, Nov. 16, Nov. 23, Nov. 30, Dec. 7, Dec. 14, Dec. 21, Dec. 28. Please use Eastern Local Time.

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- 550 KRAI **CO**, Craig heard 10/16 at 0825 with "KRAI 55 Country." (BB-AZ)  
 630 CHED **AB**, Edmonton 10/13 good with KHOW nulled, no sign of KFXD. 0100 out of spot with "The station you turn to in an emergency, CHED 630 Ched" ID into Canadian news. New for me. (JCJ-AZ)  
 900 CKBI **SK**, Prince Albert heard 10/18 at 0855 with weather then "Saskatchewan's Country." (BB-AZ)  
 920 KBAD **NV**, Las Vegas heard 10/17 at 0821 with "KBAD Las Vegas." (BB-AZ)  
 970 KBUL **MT**, Billings 10/17 at 0859 with "??? 95.5 KBUL Montana Talks Here." (BB-AZ)  
 1110 KEJL **NM**, Humble City 10/13 alone, no KFAB or KRDC. 0900 with "Time for more of the Bob and Tom Show on KEJL Humble City, Hobbs, K263AZ Hobbs. The Classic Rock Station. Eagle 100 point 5" ID. New for me. (JCJ-AZ)

The new DX season has begun, as has the 2018-2019 IRCA DX Contest. I hope that you will join in the contest fun! – Nancy 10/19 1900



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**RIDING GAIN**

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 FRG100B, Quantum Loop

**DOWN THE DIAL**

- 630 CFCO **ON**, Chatham. 10/18 fair signal through KYFI. 0448 noted with Country format, "Serving Southwestern Ontario for over 80 years, AM Six-30 CFCO" ID. [EB-MO]  
 920 KVEL **UT**, Vernal. 10/17 fair to poor signal, mixing with KARN, KDHL and other stations. 0305 noted with SRN News, "News, talk KVEL" ID, weather forecast into C2C. Apparently on day power and pattern. [EB-MO]  
 970 WFUN **OH**, Ashtabula. 10/17 fair over WGTK, WMAV. 0318 with local spots, "ESPN Nine-70 WFUN" ID into *ESPN Sports Center All Night*. [EB-MO]  
 1070 KHMO **MO**, Hannibal. 10/12 briefly fair then gone. 06:53 with "...Sunday mornings on KHMO" and local weather. New. [GH-IL]  
 1240 KLIK **MO**, Jefferson City. 10/17 surfaced briefly over mess then gone. 01:51 with "News talk 1240 KLIK" by male announcer. New. [GH-IL]  
 WHBU **IN**, Anderson. 10/15 fair to poor signal, mixing with WENK and other stations. 0606 with calls in spot for the station's sales department. [EB-MO]  
 1340 KGHM **OK**, Midwest City. 10/15 fair to poor signal through other stations. 0537 noted with Oklahoma City spots. [EB-MO]  
 1420 KTOE **MN**, Mankato. 10/12 fair signal over WIMS, WOC. 0524 noted with Regional Mexican format, "La Reina 102.7 FM" ID in Spanish. [EB-MO]  
 1430 WDAL **GA**, Dalton. 10/18 fair to poor signal, mixing with other stations; local KZQZ off. 0529 noted with weather forecast, "Bulldog Country 98-Three" ID into Country format. [EB-MO]  
 WYMC **KY**, Mayfield. 10/18 fair to poor signal, mixing with other stations; local KZQZ off. 0605 noted with local spot, "You can depend on us, 93-point-Nine FM, AM 14-30 WYMC" ID into Oldies format. [EB-MO]

**FLASHBACK**

**50 Years Ago – October 26 1968** issue of "DX Monitor" ...IRCA President **Larry Godwin** reported that the dissolution of the IRCA and transfer of its assets to a new consolidated club was impossible for this may be done only when a non-profit corporation's assets exceed its liabilities according to Colorado law ... **Gordon P Nelson** of the NRC said the NRC has officially withdrawn from the proposed merger for these reasons ... **Bruce Portzer** of Seattle WA told about KURB 1510 Mountlake Terrace WA coming on the air. // **25 Years Ago – October 23 1993** issue of "DX Monitor" ... **RC Watts** of Louisville KY told about his visit to WHICH 1520 Hardinsburg, KY ... **Ernest Cooper** of Provincetown MA mentioned his verie count was at 4,428 ... **Richard Eckman** of Hampton VA told about his modification to his Kenwood TS-850S which improved sensitivity ... **Rick Evans** of Milwaukee WI mentioned he had always wanted a Hammarlund HQ-129X.

**OPEN MIKE**

Thanks to Eric and Greg for their reports this week. This column was typed 10-19-18. 73, John



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**TUNING THE DIALS THIS ISSUE:**

- (KK-VA) **Kraig Krist** (KG4LAC), Manassas VA  
 Winradio G33DDC software-defined receiver, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ Imperium loop

**UnID**

- 1510 UnID 10/13 0626 noted with Oldies format, "...here on 95-9 W?PD" mention by a male announcer. I was unable to determine what I'm hearing. The signal was noted mixing with WLAC, WWBC and unidentified stations with Country and Oldies formats and other vocal music. (KK-VA) (I looked up stations on 95.9, both full-power FM stations and FM relays on Radio Locator, and could not find a match, either. Could anyone help Kraig with this unidentified station? – eb)

**EDITOR'S NOTES**

Thanks to Kraig for the log this week. This mystery has gotten me stumped! 73 and good DX from N0UIH, the Florissant Valley Dial Twister



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**Deadline** – Monday 1200 UTC.

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

- 531 **ALGERIA** Jil FM, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi. SEP 29 0500 – Marching band anthem with chorus, Jil FM ID's, 2+2+1 pips, fanfare music; good. {A} [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 603 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros. SEP 29 2300 – RNE news intro; poor, some slop from WFST. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

- 684 **SPAIN** RNE1, Sevilla. SEP 29 0300 – Mexican ranchera vocal, 5+1 pips, RNE news intro; to good peak over WRKO slop. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 693 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC Radio 5, Droitwich et al. SEP 29 0300 – Five Live news; hollow/synchro-echoey, Spain under. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 747 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** RNE5 synchros. SEP 29 0300 – Pips, RNE intro //684; poor. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 774.25 **EGYPT** ERTU, Abis. SEP 29 0300 – Bits of Arabic vocal; poor on USB to dodge 774 Spain. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 783 **SYRIA** SRTV 1, Damascus, OCT 1 2300 – Woman and man in Arabic; fair. {A} [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 855 **SPAIN** Murcia, RNE-1. OCT 19 0533 – good with readable Spanish by two women,  
[http://www3.telus.net/public/shalpat/4all/855\\_20181019\\_053348b.wav](http://www3.telus.net/public/shalpat/4all/855_20181019_053348b.wav) RNE, delayed about 45 seconds on their webstream. This seemed to have better modulation than the various tentative UK stations, which didn't deliver much for quite strong carriers during the same opening. [NHP-BC]  
 864 **EGYPT** Holy Koran Program, Santah. SEP 28 2300 – Reverberated talk then chant; to good peak. {A} [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 1044 **SPAIN** SER, San Sebastian/Valladolid. SEP 29 0301 – Spanish news by two men; fair. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 1053 **LIBYA** Libyan Jamahiriya/Radio Libya, Tripoli. SEP 29 0300 – Anthem, fanfare music, man in Arabic; in WEPN slop. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** TalkSport synchros. SEP 29 0301 – Sports teletalk; fair. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 +t OCT 19 0153 – poor in splash, man with a few words recognizable as English English, but also noted with similar talk at 0532, 0555 and 0636-7, though at times, "near imaginary" in the splash. [NHP-BC]  
 1107 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros. SEP 29 0300 – Ranchera style vocal, 5+1 pips, fanfare, ID "Radio Nacional de Espana, servicios informativos"; loud. {A} [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 1179 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** SER synchros. SEP 29 0300 – Spanish news //1044; Cuba/WHAM slop. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 1215t **UNITED KINGDOM** Absolute Radio synchros. OCT 19 0507 – poor with wispy bits of rock music, and at 0637, man talking, possibly English. [NHP-BC]  
 1278 **IRAN** IRIB Radio Kermanshah, Kermanshah/Bakhtaran, OCT 1 2300 – Mideast male vocal, percussion; in slop. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 1386t **LITHUANIA** Viesintos, Radio Baltic Waves. OCT 19 0304 – poor with man talking to another man in possible Russian, poor readability. [NHP-BC]  
 1422 **ALGERIA** Radio Algérienne, Algiers. SEP 29 0259 – Group Arabic vocal, drumming; fair. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 1458t **UNITED KINGDOM** Brookmans Park, Lyca Radio. OCT 19 0610 – poor with rock music, didn't sound as Indian as Lyca's stream, once I had found it, but the station was playing upbeat numbers also. One to watch. [NHP-BC]

### \*\*\* TRANS-PACIFIC DX \*\*\*

- 531 **JAPAN** JOQG, Morioka, NHK1. OCT 4 1332 – good w/man in Japanese //666. [NHP-BC]  
 UnID OCT 21 1407-8 – good with man in DU English talking about student uniforms; no idea. [NHP-BC]  
 540 **AUSTRALIA** 4QL, Longreach. OCT 21 1424 – poor with man and woman //594. [NHP-BC]  
 558 **REP KOREA** HLOH, Yeong-il, KBS2. OCT 7 1400 – excellent with woman talking, followed by time pip, ballad //603. [NHP-BC]  
 567 **AUSTRALIA** 4JK, Julia Creek. OCT 21 1438 – fair with man and woman talking //594. [NHP-BC]  
**JAPAN** JOIK, Sapporo, NHK1. OCT 19 1431 – excellent with jazz vibes number //675 (594 was in the shade just then). Was at this strength a number of times this morning. [NHP-BC]  
 576 **AUSTRALIA** 2RN, Sydney. OCT 21 1357 – excellent with interview of man by woman; paralleled with 846 a little later. [NHP-BC]  
**PHILIPPINES** DXMF, Davao City, Bomba Radyo Davao. OCT 7 1357 – good with some sort of sports broadcast, with pounding of drums. It was music across the hour of course. Bruce Portzer had found <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vcBukTt6XVM> to help Bill identify an UnID from Grayland in February, and that entertaining little song is what was being heard in Victoria at 1400. It's their sign off song. I wonder how many stations commission sign off songs? New here. [NHP-BC]  
 585 **AUSTRALIA** 7RN, Hobart. OCT 20 1403 – good with man talking about Australian rugby //621. [NHP-BC]  
 594 **NEW ZEALAND** Timaru/Wanganui, Star. OCT 13 1348 – Poor with laid back vocals //657 taking over briefly from JOAK. First logging here. [NHP-BC]  
 603 **AUSTRALIA** 2RN, Nowra. OCT 21 1400 – poor with ABC fanfare, nailed at 1417 with woman talking //585. [NHP-BC]  
**REP KOREA** HLSA, Namyang, KBS2. OCT 7 1400 – excellent with woman talking, pip, ballad //558. [NHP-BC]  
 612 **AUSTRALIA** 4QR, Brisbane. OCT 21 1425 – excellent with man being interviewed by woman //702. [NHP-BC]  
 621 **CHINA** Heilongjiang RGD Xinwen Guangbo synchros. OCT 7 1350 – good pop ballad and into another with no announcements. Two sets of Chinese pips (and NHK style one too) on the hour. A doorbell sound at 1401 was also heard on 900 kHz for a parallel. [NHP-BC]  
 639 **JAPAN** JOIP, Oita, NHK1. OCT 19 1419 – poor with man and woman talking //594. Heard several times over a couple of weeks. [NHP-BC]  
 657 **DPR KOREA** Pyongyang, Pyongyang BS. OCT 19 1412 – good with man in Korean. [NHP-BC]  
**NEW ZEALAND** Tauranga, 'Star'. OCT 14 1355 – fair with ballad //909. [NHP-BC]  
 702 **AUSTRALIA** 2BL, Sydney. OCT 21 1414 – excellent with man and woman talking about crusades //738. [NHP-BC]  
 738 **TAIWAN** Baisha, BEL2. Oct 18 1423 – good with woman in Chinese; IDed 1425 //1143. [NHP-BC]  
 747 **AUSTRALIA** 4QS, Toowoomba, ABC. OCT 21 1430 – good with man talking //738 and 774. [NHP-BC]  
 774 **AUSTRALIA** 3LO, Melbourne. OCT 21 1426 – excellent with man and woman //612. [NHP-BC]  
 828 **AUSTRALIA** 3GI, Sale. OCT 21 1412 – excellent with woman and man talking //738. [NHP-BC]  
 846 **AUSTRALIA** 2RN, Canberra. OCT 21 1407 – good with woman talking //576. [NHP-BC]  
 900 **CHINA** Heilongjiang RGD Xinwen Guangbo synchros. OCT 7 1400 – poor with Chinese pips on the hour. A doorbell sound at 1401 was also heard parallel to 621. Not too much bother from the ESPN pair on the channel. [NHP-BC]  
 909 **JAPAN** JOCB, Nagoya, NHK2. OCT 19 1420 – fair with man and woman talking //774. [NHP-BC]  
**NEW ZEALAND** Napier, 'Star'. OCT 15 1405 – good strength, breaking the Asian stranglehold with sports and weather reports //657. [NHP-BC]  
 918 **NEW ZEALAND** New Plymouth/Timaru, Radio New Zealand National. OCT 16 1413 – poor with woman talking, //756 and 567. [NHP-BC]  
 1053 **JAPAN** JOAR, Nagoya, CBC. OCT 20 1400 – poor but pretty sure I heard woman say "CBC rajio" and single long pip. [NHP-BC]  
 1062 **REP KOREA** HLKQ, Cheongju. OCT 19 1422 – poor with man talking //864. New here. [NHP-BC]  
 1089 **JAPAN** JOHB, Sendai, NHK2. OCT 20 1413 – fair with English lessons //774, fading under soft music (CNR6?). [NHP-BC]  
 1188 **JAPAN** JOKP, Kitami, NHK1. OCT 20 1407 – Poor with man talking //594. [NHP-BC]  
 1557t **TAIWAN** Kouhu, 1557 Music Interactive Network. OCT 16 1434 – fair with two men in Chinese. [NHP-BC]  
 1575 **THAILAND** Ban Phachi, VOA. OCT 18 1530 – fair with ID by man and Yankee Doodle, better on north flag. [NHP-BC]

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

- 570 **COLOMBIA** HJND, Señal Radio Colombia, Bogota (El Rosal). SEP 29 0300 – Woman with Radio Nacional de Colombia ID; over WMCA and CFCB. {A} [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 650 **COLOMBIA** HJKH, RCN Antena Dos, Bogotá. SEP 29 0500 – Antena Dos ID's; over CKGA. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 690 **COLOMBIA** HJCZ, W Radio, Bogotá. SEP 29 0500 – Disco //700 HJCX; mixed with CKGM. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 700 **COLOMBIA** HJCX, W Radio, Cali. SEP 29 0500 – Disco //stronger 690 HJCZ. [Connelly\*Y-MA]  
 1000 **COLOMBIA** HJAQ, RCN La Radio, Cartagena. SEP 29 0301 – RCN La Radio IDs; dominant. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

### CONTRIBUTORS

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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](http://www.qsl.net/wa1ion/doc1/audio_2018.htm)

Receiver: Microtelecom Perseus

Antenna 1: Cardioid pattern SuperLoop: 9m vertical by 20m horizontal (peak 84 degrees, null 264 degrees)

Antenna 2: Cardioid pattern Flag: 3m vertical by 6m horizontal; to W7IUV 20 dB amp (peak 130 degrees, null 310 degrees) (moveable)

NHP-BC **NICK HALL-PATCH**, Victoria BC [nhp@ieee.org](mailto:nhp@ieee.org)

AOR AR7030, 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.

Nice logs! 73 and Good DX - Brandon



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Greetings. All times and dates strictly UT. Rx: mostly 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; or IC-R75 with E-W longwire.

Re this previous log: WJAG dates back to 1922, but no explanation of the call letters: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/WJAG> Own website seems to lack any history: <http://norfolkdailynews.com/wjag/> (Glenn Hauser).

The above led to an interesting thread on the nrc-am gg:

Like Glenn, I'm unable to find any information concerning the origins of WJAG's call sign. However, I did find this little monograph that gives a rather thorough overview of the station's history: <https://history.nebraska.gov/sites/history.nebraska.gov/files/doc/publications/NH2011WJAG.pdf>.

I checked the [newspapers.com](http://newspapers.com) database (to which I have access) as well and, while there's been much ink spilled over the years about the station, I saw nothing concerning the call sign itself (Bill Feidt).

According to one site, "With joy and gladness" [https://www.americanradiohistory.com/call\\_letters.htm](https://www.americanradiohistory.com/call_letters.htm). (Paul Walker, *ibid.*)

This source, The Early Years of Broadcasting in Norfolk, Nebraska, 1922-1928 <https://history.nebraska.gov/sites/history.nebraska.gov/files/doc/publications/NH1998Broadcasting.pdf> claims that the call letters were randomly assigned.

"Huse's fascination with radio, his hobby since the early teens, had blossomed into regularly scheduled broadcasting ten years later.

On July 27 1922, the Commerce Department granted a Limited Commercial, Land Radio Station broadcast license and randomly assigned call letters, WJAG, to the Huse Publishing Company (Norfolk Daily News)." (Bill Feidt, *ibid.*)

In many cases, particularly those which go back many years, a slogan attached to the call letters is created after the assignment of the calls. In other cases, the calls were requested specifically. WABC, WNBC and WCBS in NYC are examples of the latter.

One of the former type was WFBL-1390 in Syracuse NY which adopted the slogan "When Feeling Blue, Listen". Depending on how far back the calls go, it may not be possible to establish the sequence. At one time, there was a listing of calls and meanings/slogans published in DXN, and I believe also in DXM (Russ Edmunds, WB2BJH [what does that mean?], Blue Bell PA, Grid FN20id, *ibid.*)

As with so many of the 1922-23 era W-calls with "A" or "B" as the third letter, WJAG was purely sequential. If you go through the Department of Commerce Radio Service Bulletins, you can see the sequence as it was issued.

And as with so many of the 1922-23 era W-calls with "A" or "B" as the third letter, there were plenty of stories made up after the fact to "explain" the calls later on. (Scott Fybus, *ibid.*)

OKLAHOMA. 1230, Oct 17 at 2017 on caradio, I check out semi-local (in the daytime) WBBZ Ponca City, as there have been reports of name/format changes. "Ponca City's variety station, Sunny one-oh-four-point-seven [104.7]" is the only ID here on AM 1230.

So I check 104.7 and hear CCI between two stations, one of them country, NEITHER matching 1230 as I A/B. (Likeliest other is KVCY Fort Scott KS, 16/16 kW, 201 miles in SE Kansas).

At home on the PL-880, I do get local PC ads on 104.7 at 2036, and then at 2038: "The new one-oh-four-seven The Bull" and country music.

So we have the incredible situation of the real 104.7 (KQSN, not a translator) and another, fake 104.7 identifying as such on 1230!

This was reported in NRC DX News Oct 1 in Wayne Heinen's AM Log update: "1230, WBBZ, Ponca City – Format to TLK/AC (ex-NWS/TLK/SPT); slogan to "Sunny 1230," networks to C/Ok/Oa/P."

Here's the website: <http://www.poncapost.com/wbbz-schedule>.

The homepage link labeled "Sunny 1230" goes to this!: <https://www.poncapost.com/sunny-104-7>.

"Sunny 104.7 is the region's only Adult Contemporary radio station targeting 25-54 year old adults with a mix of Today's Hits and Yesterday's Favorites!"

Station Distinctives

Locally Unique: A blend of artists like Pink, John Mayer, Rod Stewart, Katy Perry, Aerosmith, Adele, Elton John, and Carrie Underwood.

Local Information: Sunny features local news updates from 7am–6pm weekday, plus 24/7 Dan Holiday Weather from the Oklahoma Storm Watch Weather Center, and live coverage of Ponca City High School Sports.

Local, award winning talent: Lyman James, most recently with Clear Channel/iHeart Media and a veteran of larger markets like Wichita (KFDI and KKRD), Kansas City (KQRC), Charlotte NC (WLYT) and Sacramento (KGBY), now makes his home here in the heartland and hits the airwaves live every weekday morning in Ponca City. Lyman has earned many industry awards both on-air and production work.

Locally developed programming. Other local FM's turn to LA and Denver for satellite fed music and air personalities for up to 21 hours per day. All Sunny 104.7 music programming originates here locally, designed specifically for the tastes of adults across North Central Oklaoma [sic].

Multiple local platforms: In addition to our broadcasts at 104.7, Sterling Broadcasting also operates Ponca City's legendary 1230 WBBZ, and owns **PoncaPost.com**, a local community news and information portal with over 24,000 followers, plus several other digital assets to provide maximum impact for our advertisers."

Yet also prominently displayed is a Listen Live link for 104.7 The Bull! but does not seem to have its own page or schedule. <https://www.poncapost.com/wp-content/plugins/srr-listenlive/images/listen.png> which leads to: <https://streamdb9web.securenetsystems.net/v5/KQSN>.

I suppose "The Bull" be a recent rebranding of 25/25 kW KQSN. But the old branding lives on via sibling station 1230 WBBZ, which otherwise has lost its own original identity, a legacy dating back to \*1928.

Wikipedia says: "On September 12 2018, WBBZ changed their format from classic hits to adult contemporary, branded as "Sunny 1230" (format moved from sister station KQSN 104.7 FM Ponca City, which switched to country)."

To add to the confusion, WBBZ (AM) is unrelated to WBBZ-TV in Williamsville NY, DTV RF channel 7, originally analog 67.

Some will say the following is not MW BCB – but these are broadcasts and they are below 3 MHz = MW or MF. Since tropical band SW logs are eligible for DXM, why not these?

CANADA. 2598-USB, Oct 15 at 0449, synthyl with marine weather in English, S4-S5 vs storm crashes up to S9+10.

2749-USB, Oct 15 at 0450, same type of broadcast, weaker S3. Checking the Canadian Coast Guard website schedule, <http://www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/Marine-Communications/RAMN-2018/Part2#21> we find that these both originate with VCF, although at many other times there are separate stations, partly from NS or NL; so these may well have been in //, not checked:

"Table 2-8 – Les Escoumins MCTS/VCF – Broadcasts [starting at:] 04:37 Natashquan 2598J3E La Vernière 2749J3E Radiotelephony Technical marine synopsis and forecasts for marine areas 215 to 221 and 301 to 302. Wave height forecasts for marine areas 215, 217, 219, 220, 221, 301 and 302. Notices to Fish Harvesters (when available)."

These are the last broadcasts of the night until resuming at 0847 on both. But where are these places, exactly, in Québec? Elsewhere in sked, concerning VHF, coördinates are shown:

La Vernière 47°21'28" N 061°55'30" W is in the Magdalen Islands.

Natashquan 50°09'06" N 061°47'42" W is on the north shore of St Lawrence in remote SE Quebec, on hwy 138; far from Les Escoumins HQ for VCF, also on hwy 138 much further west between Rimouski and Saguenay.

Above website shows many other DX possibilities on these two MF channels, on a rotating time schedule; and several other 2 MHz banders including 2582 and 2514 where I've yet to hear anything. Also higher marine bands from some northern stations.

UNID. 2960, Oct 15 at 0452, S2 bit of broadcast talking, presumably a 2 x 1480 harmonic, and where WERM, Mobile AL, has been heard before.

But I also have JBA carriers on many nearby frequencies: 2940, 2980, 3020, 3040, 3050, 3070, 3180, 3200. 2940 had HJNT, Cali, Colombia, last April. All but 3070 could also be second harmonics. Some or all of them could also be R75 receiver-produced; but I am only hearing such in this area, not lower on 2 MHz band. If and when we get extremely quiet no-storm winter conditions, maybe something else can be identified.

UNID. Trans-Atlantic JBA MW carrier search, Oct 15 from 0500: 531, 549, 558, 612, 621, 639, 684, 693, 711, 729, 747, 774, 837, 855, 882, 909, 936, 999(2), 1044, 1053, 1062, 1098, 1125(2), 1152, 1179, 1215, 1305 – and none higher and/or when I dozed off?

UNID. Trans-Pacific JBA MW carrier search, Oct 18 at 1227-1242: 774(2)-NW>WSW; 576, 585, 594-NW, 612, 657-WSW, 693-NW, 702(2)-WSW, 738, 747-NW, 756-WSW, 828-WSW, 837, 864, 882(2), 936(2), 945-WSW, 1026-WSW, 1044, 1052-NW, 1098-W, 1134, 1242(2), 1287, 1314-WSW, 1485, 1494-WSW, 1503-WSW, 1521-WSW, 1548-NW, 1566-NW. The very weakest ones I did not get a DF on.

Best of DX and 73 de Glenn

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I was curious while looking at the CDXR column this past week about my reaction to tests back on 10/4/93 so I went looking. It turned out that I only heard one new station that morning but it was Thornton CO on 760. I presume that WJR Detroit was on the air which would really make it a big catch for me. It was only the second Colorado station I heard out of 294 stations during my time in Milwaukee. In contrast, in 19 years from Indy, I have only heard one even though I have heard over twice the total stations. In northwest Indiana from 1966-1978, I heard 16 from Colorado out of a total of 1339 stations heard. Of course, those were the days of regular frequency checks, equipment tests, special tests for clubs and, perhaps the best, daytime only stations observed regular SR/SS times to sign on and off which allowed for great skip listening at those times. On an unrelated note, I think the politicians would like the answer if we figure out a way to really increase the number of voters in the club elections. It seems to be a wide-spread problem overall, not just with us.



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October 15 2018 – Contest Standings

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2. John C Johnson	99	4. Dennis Vroom	21	6. Nigel Pimblett	8

If you would like to enter the contest rules can be found in the August 18 2018 SDXDM (Vol 56 #1). The contest will end 2359 on May 31 2019 so there is plenty of time left to enter. New catches are guaranteed! In fact, since the contest began on Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> I have logged 9 new stations and John 13. – Nancy

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