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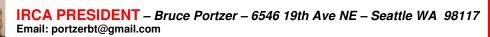
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070	WOON	IL, Chicago 17/6 mixing with KE11, no sign of Kinza 0000 with 100 te listening to Chicago's original sports talk station, hadio 070 the 3core.			
		670thescore.com, WSCR in HD, Chicago" ID. First time heard here in Arizona. (JCJ-AZ)			
600	KSJB	ND, Jamestown 11/3 2357 with country Gospel, CBS news at 2400. (GK-CA)			
720	XEJCC	CHIH, Ciudad Juarez 11/5 201102021 Spanish talk with KDWN nulled. Confirmed by their web stream. (GK-CA)			
760	KDFD	CO, Thornton 11/4 0935 burying KFSD, "Freedom 93.7" slogan and back to Glenn Beck program. (GK-CA)			
780	WBBM	IL, Chicago 11/5 0411 local news mostly under KKOH. (GK-CA)			
830	KNCO	CA, Grass Valley 11/5 9431 Coast to Coast in KLAA null. (GK-CA)			
1010	KIHU	UT, Tooele 11/5 0935 in the clear with telephone talk show. This is another Relevant Radio O&O. My RR #12. (GK-CA)			
1050	XED	BCN, Mexicali back on the air, heard 11/2 0945-1000 with bizarre mix "San Francisco" by Scott McKenzie, lots of rock and some disco. (GK-CA)			
1100	WTAM	OH, Cleveland 11/8 dominating 1100. No sign on local KFNX or KNZZ. 0000 out of promo with "When you need to know on Twitter and breaking			
		news when it happens. This is news radio WTAM 11-hundred Cleveland" ID into ABC News. New station for me, Ohio #2 from Mesa. (JCJ-AZ)			
1220	KHTS	CA, Canyon Country 11/8 good, alone on 1220. 0100 with "KHTS AM 1220 and 98.1 FM. It's 10 o'clock, time for national news on KHTS" ID. First			
		time heard. May have been on daytime power. (JCJ-AZ)			
1300	XEP	CHIH, Ciudad Juarez 11/3 0200 Mexican National Anthem and call letters heard clearly. Local Pasadena station was very weak and easy to DX			
		through (MS-CA)			

670 WSCP II Chicago 11/8 mixing with KLTT, no sign of KMZO 0000 with "Vou're listening to Chicago's original sports talk station. Padio 670 The Score

1340 KWXY

1450 KZNU

1600 KYBC

CA, Cathedral City 11/4 0945 faded up nicely with mentions of kwxy.com then into NOS standard "In Other Words." (MS-CA)

UT, St. George 11/2 0732 dominant with ID "...on St. George Radio 1450 AM, 93.1 FM KZNU." (MS-CA)

AZ, Cottonwood 11/2 0834 very strong signal with callsign ID and "Arizona's Best Music" slogan. (GK-CA)

MD, Lexington Park 11/8 weak, KFSG nulled, KDNT off the air. 0000 out of adult standards music with "You're listening to southern Maryland's favorite soft music WPTX 1690 AM Lexington Park, Maryland" legal ID. First time heard. State #29 logged from Mesa. (JCJ-AZ) 1690 WPTX

There are not many times that I receive a WDXR report with a logging of a station in Maryland. Luckily I'm married to that DXer and he alerted me that he was hearing Maryland so I was able to also log a new state. Thank you John! - Nancy 11/8 1800



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[JN-TX]

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ELAD S2, Perseus SDR, Drake R8, DKAZ (East-South), 140' x 23' high.
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Kenwood R-1000, Radio West Loop

# **DOWN THE DIAL**

620 WAKY

KY, Louisville. 11/7 fair to poor signal, mixing with WRJZ. 0453 noted with Oldies format, "WAKY" jingle. [EB-MO]
WV, Charleston. 11/7 fair to poor signal, mixing with CJOB, WCTT, WMFS. 0545 noted with news and sports headlines, "Bloomberg Radio" mention, discussion on European financial markets, business news headlines, discussion on laws concerning vehicle registration, promo mentioning "Six-80 AM" and two FM frequencies into local spots. [EB-MO]
MS, Greenwood. 11/7 fair to poor signal over KMA, KZIM. 0344 noted with Blues music, "WABG AM Nine-60" ID in promo. [EB-MO]
AR, Jonesboro. 11/3 fair to poor signal, mixing with KHVN and other stations. 0443 noted with Fox Sports Radio and local spots. [EB-MO] 680 WKAZ

960 WARG

970 KNEA

990 CBW

MB, Winnipeg. 11/7 good signal over XET. 0503 noted with *The World This Hour*, "CBC News" mention into *Ideas*. [EB-MO] OH, Cincinnati. 11/6 fair signal over CHUM, XEG. 0413 noted with Urban Gospel format, "Cincinnati's Urban Gospel Connection" slogan, "WGRI" 1050 WGRI ID. Probably on day power. [EB-MO]

OH, Fairborn. 11/7 fair signal over KFAB, ACI from KMOX 1120. 0330 noted with Southern Gospel format, "Faith News Radio" ID and Web site 1110 WGNZ promo. [EB-MO]

- TX, Cleburne. 11/7 good signal over WRVA. 0529 noted with local spot mentioning "Once Cuarenta AM" in Spanish, "KHFX in Cleburne, Texas" 1140 KHFX legal ID in heavily accented English at 0530 into Christian teaching program in Spanish. [EB-MO]
- 1150 KNED OK, McAlester, 11/6 good to fair signal, mixing with WJRD. 0500 with "KNED McAlester, K252FQ McAlester" legal ID into ABC News. [EB-MO] AL, Tuscaloosa. 11/6 good to fair signal, mixing with KNED, KSAL. 0501 noted with "WJRD" ID, "This is America's True Oldies Channel" ID into **WJRD** Oldies format. [EB-MO]

  AR, Prescott. 10/22 fair to good signal. 20:00 jingle with calls. New logging for me. [TN-WI]
- 1370 KTPA
- KY, Mayfield. 11/1 noted while passing 1430. 00:59 with "This is your local radio station, 91.9 FM, 1430 AM WYMC Mayfield, Kentucky" clear ID 1430 WYMC
- by male announcer going back to music. New logging for me. [JN-TX] MO, Rolla. 11/4 good to poor signal, mixing with KDMO, KFTK and other stations. 0413 noted with Contemporary Hit Radio format, "The new Hot 1490 KTTR 104-point-Nine" ID. [EB-MO]
  - WHOC MS, Philadelphia. 11/1 fair signal. 01:00 with "1490 AM and 93.7 FM WHOC Philadelphia, Mississippi" ID by male announcer. Thanks to Russ Edmunds from the GYDX group for help on this new logging for me. [JN-TX]

    MO, Saint Joseph. 11/2 fair signal over CBEF, WPFC. 0548 noted with Classic Hits format, "Joe Town 107-point-Five" ID. [EB-MO]

    MO, Sikeston. 11/1 fair signal under KOKC. 00:58 with country music and "...4.9, 1520, Country Legends KRHW" ID by male announcer. FM
- 1550 KESJ
- 1570 KRHW frequency beginning was missed, assume 94.9. New logging for me. [JN-TX]

# **FLASHBACK**

50 Years Ago – November 15 1969 issue of "DX Monitor" ... Rick Evans of Gary IN logged 96 stations in October ... Paul S Lotsof of El Cajon CA said since the second attempt to merge with the NRC had failed, he would offer a one year subscription to NRC's "DX News" to whoever predicted the exact failure date of a third attempt to merge ... Fred D Prechtl of Cincinnati OH commented on the windshield antenna on his new 1970 Chevy Nova. // 25 Years Ago - November 12 1994 issue of "DX Monitor" ... Gary Larson of Burbank CA said he was working the graveyard shift at a Hollywood construction site and listened to Art Bell Coast to Coast AM during his shift ... Rich Toebe of Fairfield CA mentioned the Sacramento Bee newspaper printed Arbitron ratings, KFBK 1530 was on top.

# **OPEN MIKE**

Thanks to Eric, James, and Tim for reporting this week. This column was typed 11-8-19. 73, John



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# **TUNING THE DIALS THIS ISSUE:**

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

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

## **ACROSS THE DIAL**

- 1250 WJZU VA, Franklin – 10/25 0630 noted with continuous Urban Gospel music, "Jack Junior, South Main, downtown Franklin. If you think all they do is towing, you don't know Jack!" mention by a male announcer at 0636; surprising play on words on a Christian music station. The signal was noted mixing with WDVA, WGHB, WPGP and WYKM. (KK-VA)
  - WV, Rupert 10/25 0651 noted with A Country format, "Playing today's best country and more of it; WYKM" ID by a male announcer; possible WYKM
- mention of "The Squirrel". The signal was noted mixing with WDVA, WGHB, WJZU and WPGP. (KK-VA)

  GA, Baxley 10/25 0604 noted with "96.7 Light FM" ID by a male announcer. Since when did they switch from a Country format? The signal was noted mixing with WCHV, WSUA, WZBO and unidentified stations with Christian talk and music. (KK-VA) (96.7 refers to W244CR Baxley GA. 1260 WUFE Your Christian talker is most likely all-Catholic WQOF Washington DC - eb)
- 1270 WXYT
- VA, Newport News 10/25 0600 noted with "Praise Radio WTJZ Newport News" legal ID, mention of FM relays on 92.5, 96.9 and 104.9, along with WHKT 1650 by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WCBC and WTJZ Newport News" legal ID, mention of FM relays on 92.5, 96.9 and 104.9, along with WHKT 1650 by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WCBC and WXYT. (KK-VA) (92.5 refers to W223CT Norfolk VA, 96.9 WTJZ
- refers to W245BB Newport News VA, and 104.9 refers to W285FM Hampton VA eb) **PA**, New Castle 10/25 0616 noted with "This is Elaine Britain's Day on ESPN 1280 WUZZ. If you see Elaine, please tell her to have a Happy 1280 WUZZ Birthday" greeting from a female announcer; first time noted since call change from WJST. The signal was noted mixing with WHVR and unidentified stations with vocal music, Christian talk and Spanish language programming. (KK-VA) (Your Spanish station is WADO New York NY -

# **FDITOR'S NOTES**

Thanks to Kraig for his logs this week. As the weather is getting colder, the DX is heating up. 73 and good DX from NØUIH, the Florissant Valley Dial Twister.



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

774 SPAIN RNE1 synchros. NOV 4 0554 – during JBA TA MW carrier search, this is strongest and bearing some audio; at 0601 sounds like Castilian intonation, woman talking and some music; 0628 still talk, 0630 timesignal typical on half-hours from RNE1. Except for some very low power UKs, the RNE1 synchros on 774 are the only signals in W Europe, eight of them ranging from 100 kW Valencia down to 10 kW at four locations, adding up to 270 kW. Since I was hearing a beat, at least one of them must be slightly off-frequency. 774 is also just about the best split, near evenly with nothing big on 770, but plenty splash from 780 WBBM, even tuning LSB. [GH-OK]

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

- 530 CUBA CMBQ, Radio Enciclopedia, Villa Maria. NOV 8 0524-0529 "Radio Enciclopedia" clear and strong with signature very light music, featuring female vocal in Spanish. CMBA "Radio Rebelde" with male Spanish talk was usually there, too, way under CMBQ. Both stations faded in and out together in a 5 second cycle. First time heard here in almost a year. [JP-AB]

  MÉXICO XEWA, San Luis Potosi, SLP. NOV 8 0534 – female Spanish vocal Mexican pop music with CBK much easier to null than normal, perhaps due to
- groundwave/skywave phasing effect. [JP-AB]
- 1090 MĚXICO XEAU, Monterrey, NL. NOV 9 0553 I finally tune in before local midnight, Spanish with KAAY from right angle easily nulled, making a slow SAH of exactly 1.0 Hz, advice on how to accomplish e-commerce; 0556 into choral multi-verse NA; 0600 a guick ID which dammit I cannot copy, but seems to mention FM, presumably linked to this XEAU Monterrey; mentions milenio.com, and into infomercial for lentes de leer (reading glasses). Now there is a UK TA het QRMing from 1089, which I can't null as long as I do null KAAY. IRCA Mexican log says of XEAU: "5000/500 watts, FM Tu 103.7 [Zona Urbana], 1200-0600 REG ORO //XHFMTU 103.7FM. Moved to FM? (Web stream ID is FM only, but AM is still included in 6/19 IFT list)." [GH-OK]

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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

JP-AB JON PEARKINS, Edmonton AB

Sangean PR-D15 with internal antenna only, on batteries.

Bah, missed recording the Mercury transit today due to clouds. Stay warm! 73 and Good DX, Brandon



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## LBI 18 Logs

The LBI 18 Logs can be found at the URL. This reflects log notes only, no SDR file playbacks. http://radiodxing.com/LBI18logs.htm

Sandy Neck Beach DX (Roy Barstow - Falmouth MA via IRCA eGroup)

This on 11/2-3/2019 When many were picking up signals early.

This beach good for Mideast stations. The upper parking area about 50 to 70 ft. above the water. This long night had so many signals I have to have a part 2 later.

2030 - Antenna 90 degrees.

666 SPAIN Talk along with a fast clicking clock.

837 IRAN Good on top with news.

864 **EGYPT** Talk at the time.

1170 UNITED ARAB EMERITS A vocal with stringed instruments. On top.

1287 ISRAEL Weak with Mideast music. A woman singing.

1332 IRAN and UnID maybe Romania.

1458 UNITED KINGDOM Lyca Radio.

2045 – 90 degrees

756 ROMANIA Music in fair.

765 SAUDI ARABIA Quran. Weak with splatter.

774 EGYPT and SPAIN mixing.
 810 UNITED KINGDOM BBC Scotland. Bagpipes along w/talk.

819 EGYPT Music.

936 SAUDI ARABIA Quran under Morocco. At this location when Saudi in good one can knock them off like popcorn popping when on the Quran program as many //stations.

1026 IRAN With slop.

1134 KUWAIT On top with talk and Spain under with a game.

1143 SPAIN Cope. With soccer game. S 4-5.

1152 **ROMANIA** On top with music.

2100 - 90 degrees

540 HUNGARY 2 pips pause 2 pips and chimes. Into news. Under CBC.

576 BULGARIA and SPAIN mixing w/talk.

612 **SPAIN** With game and mixing with Morocco.

657 ITALY Pisa. Talk by a woman. Thanks to, Max van Arnhem, Chuck Hutton, and Alessandro of RealDX.

666t IRAN Mideast music.

702 OMAN Talk with the man mention of BBC. New country

711 MOROCCO Good with minimum slop and equal to WOR at times. Spain under them.

720 PORTUGAL On top with 4 plus 1/2 pips, into news.

2115 - 90 degrees

567 SAUDI ARABIA Quran mixing with SPAIN.

792 **SAUDI ARABIA** As above.

828 UnID Soft music

SPAIN All talk //1107 and also Saudi Arabia with Arabic talk along for the 1098 ride.

1332 ROMANIA Music //1179 and presume Iran w/talk and music.

1359 UnID Talk but weak.

2130 - 90 degrees

657 ITALY Sounded like a play. Good on top.

666 PORTUGAL on top of SPAIN.

855 SPAIN w/game and ROMANIA with music.

1035 ESTONIA Music w/WBZ slop.

2145 - 90 degrees

630 SAUDI ARABIA Quran program //765 under WPRO.

CZECHIA Talking by woman. //954 and mixing with SPAIN with soccer 639

810 SPAIN SER. With game along with WGY.

2200 - 10 to 70 Degree. Not many carriers at 10 degrees, so moved the truck during the file.

603 ROMANIA and SPAIN mixing.

2215 - 110 degrees

675 QATAR RTC, Al Arish. Playing Mideast music. To a fair peak. Not //to Saudi Arabia.

756 EGYPT or IRAN w/Mideast music

2230 - 110 degrees

783 SYRIA Talk at S 9.

2245 - 110 degrees

216 FRANCE Talk in good.

225 POLAND Music.

234 LUXEMBOURG Music song, Staying Alive.

252 ALGERIA Music, best LW.

270t CZE Talk but weak.

585 SAUDIA ARABIA Talk mixing with SPAIN //1098.

621 EGYPT Mixing with SPAIN.

1512 SAUDI ARABIA Quran. Fair.1521 SAUDI ARABIA Nice Arabian song by a woman. Good.

1539 UNITED ARAB EMERITS Fair with music.

1575 **ITALY** Fair w/talk.

1618.5 and 1665 with carriers.

1179 ROMANIA //1152 and SPAIN mixing

1188 IRAN Music at S 6.

1206 ISRAEL Music and Hebrew talk. S 5-7. On many files with talk.

1278t IRAN To much slop.

1377t ARMENIA All talk, maybe news.

1386 LITHUANIA Talk in fair.

1422 ALGERIA Talk with slop in fair.

1503 **SPAIN** Good in spots with opera selection.

1584 **SPAIN** SER. Game in progress.

1593 KUWAIT Radio Sawa. Talk.

1611 UnID with music.

1716.3 UnID Carrier

783 SPAIN mixing with SYRIA.

882 SAUDI ARABIA Quran. Good on top of UNITED KINGDOM.

936 MOROCCO mixing with SYRIA //783 and Spain under w/pips.

945 UnID Music program and no //found.

981 ALGERIA Talk in fair.

1633 UnID PIRATE Music and then the man said, "low power from the low tower

1645 UnID PIRATE Music at S 4-5.

1671 UNID Carrier.

1467 FRANCE Talking by a woman and some music at a strong level.

1476.2 **EGYPT** Koran program to S 8 peak.

1512 IRAN Mention of Iran a few times by a woman. Later in the file mixing

with Saudi Arabia with Quran. 1548 KUWAIT Mixing with MDA TWR.

1550t ALGERIA With Mideast music.

1557t IRAN A snip it of Mideast music. 1560 NY throwing out a lot of hash.

1080 **SPAIN** With game under WTIC.

1296 UnID Asian, Mideast type music. UNITED KINGDOM Radio XL?

1295.980 SPAIN mixing w/game at end of file.

1637.980 UnID PIRATE One song after another. S 5-6.

828 UnID 2 weak stations.

999 SPAIN Cope with game.

1638 UnID Music at S 6.

1116 SPAIN and UnID station playing fast music.

1161t IRAN Talk but weak.

1197 IRAN Woman in Farsi into music.

648 SAUDI ARABIA Talk //585 w/bits of Spain Nacional.

666 IRAN With talk and some music and also with SPAIN.

675 **QATAR** again with talk but weak. A good carrier but not much audio.

792 SAUDI ARABIA with Quran on top of SPAIN.

828t AZORES Weak with talk.

1071 EGYPT Arabic talk with some music. On top of unknown station with talk, presume Iran.

2300 - 20 degrees. No Asian stations 549t IRELAND After a heavy beat song a man sounding like British talking with a woman. The woman said, in order of, etc. Then I found tentative for the UNITED KINGDOM on, 648, 657, 837. I made clips but much noise with them. 1071 UNITED KINGDOM Talk Sport. With 2 men into sports. //1089. New. 1548 UNITED KINGDOM Gold. With talk at S 4-5. It seems many low band stations coming in at this time. 0030 - 100 degrees 1512t IRAN With talk. 0100 - 100 degrees 630 PUERTO RICO WUNO. Noted mixing with WPRO. 1080 SPAIN Pips under WTIC. 666 PORTUGAL Pips into news. 1098 SPAIN and SLOVAKIA mixing. 846 UnID Maybe 4 pips into news.
855 ROMANIA and SPAIN mixing pips. Talk, good. 1107 SPAIN and ITALY A mix of stations and I hear. DJIBOUTI Talk in good at S 8. 1431 864 EGYPT Koran. Peak at S9+10. SLOVAKIA Hear we have a guitar solo coming in weak to fair. //1098. 1521 900 **SPAIN** Pips into news with others. New 1593 ROMAINA Pips into news. //1458 at S 8. 1062t IRAN Much like a Quran program. To a fair peak. 0130 - 100 degrees 1170 UNITED ARAB EMERITS Sing-song music. Taking over 1170. 846 SAUDI ARABIA Quran in weak. 936 SAUDI ARABIA Quran in fair. 1332 IRAN and ROMANIA mixing. 945 **ROMANIA** On top of the mix. //1593. 1359 UnID Talk and music but weak. 1098 SPAIN SVK and presume SAUDI ARABIA with Quran type program. 1278 IRAN Thanks to, Chuck Hutton, Vlad Titarev, and Russ Edmunds from RealDX. 1602 SPAIN Pips into news and others. 0230 - 100 degrees 702 ALGERIA Weak with Quran. 1296 SPAIN with UnID with Asian music, maybe the UK. 765 SAUDI ARABIA With Quran. 1476 UNITED ARAB EMERITS Music and talk was in English. Thanks for ID 828 UnID EZL music, weak. 963p TUNESIA Presume with soft music. from Walter Salmaniw, Jim Renfrew (in NF) and Jari Savolainen. 0300 - 100 degrees 810 UNITED KINGDOM on top w/BBC news. Pips under them presume 1062 TURKEY Anthem and pips. Weak //954 New. Spain w/5+1 pips. 1071 UnID 3 stations on this channel mixing. In fair with slop. 909 ROMANIA Talk and music. Pips. 1503 SPAIN In fair. Have not heard Egypt on this channel recently. 954 TURKEY IS, Anthem, ID, into news. This at S9+10 peak. New. 1530 SAO TOME E PRINCIPE VoA. Anthem in the mix. 540 HUNGARY S/on Anthem, chimes, talk. About equal to CBC NFLD. 1386 LITHUANIA In good w/talk.

0400 – 100 degrees

1494p MOLDOVA Radio. Moldova. Presume them with a man talking. Weak 1593 ROMANIA Radio Targu Mures. Anthem, pips, into news. Thanks to Alessandro RealDX.

My longest DX session. In the saddle for 8 hrs. Before it got dark I take a walk between captures. Nice DX this trip but maybe not so long next time. **Roy Barstow** – Falmouth MA.

# Hawaii DXpedition Final Day - 400w Australian Bonanza! (Gary DeBock via IRCA eGroup - full report later - pb)

11/9. On the final day of last year's Poipu, Hawaii DXpedition exceptional long range Asian propagation hit the Kauai beach, with Oman, Iran, India (2), Bangladesh, Myanmar, Cambodia and Vietnam all received on a 5" FSL antenna. This year's final day also featured exceptional propagation, but from a different direction – Australia.

A collection of relatively obscure 400 watt Australian stations are on frequencies from 1611 to 1701, and although several of these are regular catches with SDR's and large broadband antennas on flat west coast ocean beaches, they are not common fare on small, live DXing FSL antennas – which tune one frequency at a time, and have a reputation for best performance on the low band. Despite this, on the morning of November 7th the Kauai, Hawaii propagation provided a rare thrill – multiple 400 watt Australian HPONS stations at great strength on the X Band, including several at S9 – easily received on my portable 5" diameter FSL antenna. To provide even more enhancement, Australian DXpedition partner Chris Rogers was right by my side, providing background information on several of these obscure, flea-power stations.

This was far and away the best Australian propagation of the entire DXpedition, and we had a blast exploiting it! Attached are some photos from the final day morning session, including Chris and I with our respective live DXing gear (Chris was using a Tecsun PL-880 and 20" PK loop while seated at a picnic table, while I was standing up, using a 7.5" loopstick CC Skywave Ultralight and 5" Frequent Flyer FSL on a 5' PVC base). Chris is an awesome DXer who made out like a bandit tracking down South American and African DX in Rarotonga last June – and he provided a lot of "on the job training" to help Craig and I improve our sunset DXing strategy!

- AUSTRALIA Three Australian Mix. Pandemonium breaks out at 1620 UTC as three low power stations mix together at good strength, one of which is almost certainly Vision Radio Network, according to Chris https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/mru2w7od0jofcy2d0zu9291fkr3ha104
- AUSTRALIA 4KZ. According to Chris this 400w station has the best antenna of any of these HPONS stations, personally installed by Chris' friend Al Kirton (while the other stations' antennas are "nothing special"). The antenna was sure doing the trick at a powerful level during a call-in talk show at 1618 https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/1trwkqq6xc9h9gbymribu8i630gwks6n
- 1629 UnID Good level conversation about the release of a music album at 1624 maybe 2HRN?

https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/xkykqt1ps7k535ab359na99e2x3i242x

- 1638 UnID Arabic (?) at very good level at 1629 https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/vvq3dsfpn9erin96z762qr5qmflki79x
- 1656 AUSTRALIA Voice of the Australian Chinese (+ UnID). Chinese music station with S9 peaks at 1631 prevailing over weaker UnID male "talker" station https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/o7lim33qfmj217xqmgjclnpt0hbgow0v
- 1665 UnID Weak male "talker" station rising above the noise level at 1642, with co-channel flutter from something even weaker https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/mjkrf4g0wdjgkm0jmhpja71fffso62nz
- 1701 AUSTRALIA Radio Brisvani, Brisbane. Distinctive South Asian music with S9 peaks at 1614 definitely one of the stars of the session https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/yah56zm6cwqplakzpnlhk9800jwzz6cj. Keeping up its S9 strength at 1648 https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/8xr0pspg13slny760e45gr5009h3atky
- 1701 UnID Weak male "talker" co-channel giving Brisvani some temporary competition at 1637, but soon swallowed up by the South Asian music https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/3s3mwgi6z2059jhxxzql1c1ufppltn2t

73 and Good DX, **Gary DeBock** (DXing with **Craig Barnes** and **Chris Rogers** at Poipu, Kauai, Hawaii from November 2-7), 7.5" loopstick CC Skywave Ultralight + 5" Frequent Flyer FSL antenna (on a 5' PVC base)

# **ESPN LOCAL BREAKS**

## ESPN local breaks (via ABDX eGroup)

11/9. The breaks vary plus or minus a minute or so. ID can come at any time in the break. Usually as a slogan. eg "ESPN 1000" or "ESPN Chicago" rather than call letters From observations I have:

:15-:20 past the hour :25-:30 :45-:49 :56-00



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Greetings. All times and dates strictly UT. Receiver: 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.

CANADA [and non]. 326 kHz, November 8 at 0802, dash and YQK, which is 200 watts from Kenora, Ontario. Also on same frequency, different pitch, MA, 400 watts from Midland, Texas.

OKLAHOMA [non]. 341 kHz, November 8 at 0803, no signal from Enid's only beacon, EI; just OIN from Oberlin KS. Of course hardly any flights would need it at this hour of our minor regional Woodring airport. Still no EI at 1955 daytime November 8 (but OIN is already audible during the following hour long before sunset).

CANADA. 362 kHz, November 4 at 0649, NDB sending dash and SB. It's 500 watts from Greater Sudbury, Ontario, per **dxinfocentre.com** 366 kHz, November 4 at 0650, dash and YMW, i.e. 500 watts from Maniwaki, Quebec.

USA. 379 kHz, November 4 at 0652, ND beacon RUE. It's 25 watts from Russellville, Arkansas. I was tuned to 380.

USA. 521-MCW kHz, November 7 at 0720, NDBeacon ORC, 25 watts from Orange City, Iowa. Yes, a few beacons still exist on this band just below MBC.

UnID. TA conditions must be VG, as earlier November 4 Mark Connelly in MA reported Syria "inbooming" (where'd he get that?) on 783. Too late for that now, but at 0550-0600 I decide to perform a JBA MW carrier search on the R-75 with E/W longwire, and find plenty of them: 531, 549, 558(2), 567, 585(2), 595.9, 621, 639, 684, 693(2), 711, 729, 738, 747, 756, 774(2: See SPAIN), 801, 837, 882, 909, 936(2), 954, 963 (both sides of my 960 local), 999, 1053, 1062, 1089, 1125(2), 1134, 1215, 1305, 1566.

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UnID. It's way too late for a detailed JBA TA MW carrier bandscan, November 5 at 0717, but a few spot-check before dozing: 774 with beat, presumed Spain(s); 693, 621; and 846 which I assume is really Kiritimati TP; rather than low-powers in Denmark, Ireland, Italy; medium powers but too far into dayside now, Iran, Saudi, UAE, South Africa.

MÉXICO. 710.0, October 27 at 0603 tune-in, last few notes of orchestral Mexican NA and apparently off, no Spanish or music further. Must be XEDP, Ciudad Cuauhtémoc, Chih, from the SW, the only one I ever hear. This and the other two actives in the IRCA Mexican Log are all shown as 24 hours. NB that at the bottom of the Log https://www.ircaonline.org/editor\_upload/File/2019%20Mexican%20Log.pdf there is a new extensive survey of when and what version of national anthems are played, including XEDP, "Adult choral at Midnight" The morning/evening anthemings do not necessarily denote sign-ons/offs. BTW, except for border towns, the rest of Mexico which had been on DST has now gone off it, a week before the United Statesian Hallowe'en extension, which Mexico never copied despite Dia de los Muertos.

USA. 720, November 10 at 1335, TexMex music, break for super-hype voice actor to proclaim, "---104.1 y 720 AM, la estación de la raza". Null/separable from WGN, but soon outfading, is KSAH Universal City (San Antonio) TX. NRC AM Log says the slogan is "Norteña 104.1" which is not a mere translator.

OKLAHOMA. 930, November 10 at 1329, WKY, OKC, with double audio! Closing pubaffs show 'Sunday Morning Magazine' about elections in OK, when to register for primary, etc; and ID for WWLS 98.1 The Sports Animal which is its normal programming source. No one paying attention at station to suppress TSA at least during this breakaway!

UnID. 1110, November 10 at 0753, KFAB Omaha in C2CAM normally owns this clear channel at night, but now has some musical QRM with SAH, hard to DF with KFAB nulled. Of course, the only other 50 kW at night 1110 station is WBT Charlotte NC, but it's news/talk too; with deep nulls toward each other. Suspect it's one of the numerous daytimers in between running at night. Or maybe KRDC Pasadena CA, all 20 kW supposedly WSW into the Pacific but C&W/Disney format.

MÉXICO. 1130, re XEYZ, Aguascalientes2 still/again on the air: On the WTFDA Forum, Raymie Humbert, AZ, also replied October 20: "XEYZ still on air!? What necromancy is this? This is an AM that nearly 18 months ago told the IFT "you can have the AM back, thank you": [4 pp] http://rpc.ift.org.mx/rpc/pdfs/35226\_181212173840\_5224.pdf. What is going on?" Pertinent paragraph among all the verbiage: "Ahora bien, en términos de lo señalado en el último párrafo de la propia Condición Tercera de la citada Resolución, manifiesto la voluntad de la concesionaria para renunciar a la frecuencia 1130 KHz. originalmente asignada, a través de la estación de radio con distintivo de llamada XEYZ~AM; en ese sentido, es nuestra intención continuar la operación y explotación únicamente de la frecuencia 107.7 MHz, por medio de la radiodifusora con distintivo de llamada XHYZ~FM. Como consecuencia de lo anterior, solicitamos que los Títulos de Concesión correspondientes versen exclusivamente sobre la frecuencia que opera en la banda de Frecuencia Modulada y en su caso, se indiquen las condiciones y el momento en que deberá de suspenderse de manera definitiva la operación de la frecuencia de Amplitud Modulada y por tanto revertirse en favor del Estado."

USA. 1160, November 7 at 1401, "AM 1160 The Hope", church info for Naperville, soon losing to Spanish presumably Kansas City. WYLL Chicago, U4 50/50 kW but seldom heard here and never well since day pattern is circular tangent to SE, and night pattern tight to the north.

USA. 1210, November 9 at 0705, ad for texting RANK to some number, and another ad for something in northern Michigan, Petoskey. So it's certainly 50-kW ND daytimer cheating again, WJNL, Kingsley near Traverse City. I've often checked for this but there has been too much KGYN even nulled. Now I'm not even trying to do that, on the east-west longwire which should favor KGYN. Its own adherence to legally nulling toward Philadelphia at night is questionable, but maybe now they really are.

USA. 1480, Sunday '10 at 1339, surprised to hear the tones of Jim Bohannon in the light of day, guest author who is a "Bible-believing Christian". This is certainly my semi-local KQAM Wichita KS, atop remnant of Vietnamese KNGO The Metroplex making a slow SAH. But KQAM is not a JIMBO affiliate per: http://www.jimbohannonshow.com/station-finder/ rather 3 other 1480s all at normal nighttimes or later repeats pre-sunrise. But what do they know? Jimbo is among the Big Talkers at: http://stecklinecommunications.com/kqam/ Sundays at 12-14; and weeknights live at 03-06.

USA. 1550, '10 at 1352, "Cape Radio 100.3 News-Talk", 1359 local PSAs for Cape Girardeau, caperadionews.com; rapid legal ID I think fits in a 1550 mention, 1400 Fox "news". Is KAPE now on 5 kW directional day power. Lucky MO has two others 1550s. From ENE, I'm really trying to null it and hear wanted KMAD, Madill on the south side of OK, often silent but lately reported active.

USA. 1580, re my log of KQFN Tempe AZ, Rick Barton, AZ, replies: "Hi Glenn, the KQFN story is about as confusing as it gets. KMIK did transmit from Tempe/Mesa, but the rumor was, when KQFN came on, they moved the transmissions from there to a site in SW Phoenix. I drove to the site and confirmed it. The station is transmitting from a single tower located just a cupla blocks south of 38th avenue and Indian School Rd. The nearest address I could give you would be 3883 N 38 Ave, Phoenix. The signal really loaded up my car radio at that location. The tower can easily be seen from nearby Grand Avenue, just to the east. Regards from the southwest – rb"

USA. WORLD OF RADIO 2006 monitoring: Vern of WAORCR, 1860-AM, MO, now explains what happened with WOR last Saturday night. Due to a program schedule error earlier in the day, it ran at 0301-0330 Sunday, just before I tuned in, and preceding TWIAR. Says he will see about updating the websked. And: "In equipment, I replaced the DAP-310 audio processor with an Inovonics INO223 Audio processor, three independently adjustable bands, digital look ahead processing; a 5 kHz brick wall band-pass limiter. Also, pre-emphasis to enhance intelligibility. 5 kHz is the minimum available, I would have preferred 4. It allows me to set + 103%, -95% peak modulation level with no occasional over-modulation spikes. With 360 watts radiated power from the antenna, it does a reasonable job. I will try to keep better tabs on log timing. Thank you for your input, and keep up the good work. Vern"

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USA. WORLD OF RADIO 2007 monitoring: confirmed Sunday November 10 at 0426, 11 minutes into on WA0RCR, 1860-AM, MO, so started circa nominal 0415. Readable but marred by local high noise level between 1.7 and 2.4 MHz, and another narrow peak at 2.68 MHz, but fortunately no problem higher. (I dread the Holiday Season with Christmas lighting all over, although 2 or 3 neighbors run Christmassy lighting yearound.)

USA. 3215, November 9 at 2312, WWRB is already on this early for Saturday evening, S9+20 and OK modulation! with what else, a gospel huxter. REP KOREA. 3475, November 7 at 1359, JBA carrier and not on 3480 or 3485; today's frequency for Voice of the People. Only 3475 is shown in the latest Aoki/NDXC. No check for the rest of the jump-arounds today.

USA. 5085, Sunday November 10, I've had WTWW-2 on a receiver in the background for an hour or more of ham-talk, when finally at 0119 I first detect some organ music, so 'Theater Organ in the Ozarks' has started after 7 pm local, not 8 pm as on the website. I bring up \$tereo webcast of familiar tunes, finally 'White Christmas', abruptly ending at 0143, no show outro, cut to ID and immediately back to rock music, 'The Wanderer', which would have been neat to hear on the organ too.

Until the next, Best of DX and 73 de Glenn!



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Welcome to another edition of SportChannels! Hockey season is under way, and we're now taking a look at NHL network lists. The first division we'll be featuring network lists are from the Central Division of the Western Conference. This is the one my hometown team, the 2019 Stanley Cup champion Saint Louis Blues, play in. Due to a computer glitch, the complete network lists for the Wild and Predators were not presented in the last issue. Flagship stations are in **boldface** type.

## MINNESOTA WILD Bob Kurtz, Tom Reed, Kevin Falness, Web: nhl.com/wild/

1240 WMFG Hibbing, MN	1460 KDWA Hastings, MN	97.7 W249DK Hastings, MN (3)
1250 KCUE Red Wing, MN	1460 KKAQ Thief River Falls, MN	98.7 W254CN Eau Claire, WI (4)
1260 KDUZ Hutchinson, MN	1480 KAUS Austin, MN	98.9 K255CZ Red Wing, MN (5)
1260 KROX Crookston, MN	1480 KKCQ Fosston, MN	100.3 KFAN-FM/HD1 Minneapolis,
1340 KDLM Detroit Lakes, MN	1570 KVTK Vermillion, SD	MN
1370 KSUM Fairmont, MN	EM	101.7 KRCH Rochester, MN
1390 KXSS Waite Park, MN	93.1 K226CA Detroit Lakes, MN (1) 93.5 KSCR Benson, MN 93.9 KDMA-FM Granite Falls, MN* 94.3 KULO Alexandria, MN 95.1 K236CO Northfield, MN (2)	102.9 K275BB Roseau, MN (6) 104.5 KBUN-FM Blackduck, MN 107.1 KMGK Glenwood, MN 107.5 KNSG Marshall, MN**
1400 WBIZ Eau Claire, WI		
1410 KRWB Roseau, MN 1440 KKXL Grand Forks, ND		
1450 KBUN Bemidji, MN		
1450 WELY Ely, MN		33.7 KIVIIKO LAKE OLYSIAI, IVIIV
	1250 KCUE Red Wing, MN 1260 KDUZ Hutchinson, MN 1260 KROX Crookston, MN 1340 KDLM Detroit Lakes, MN 1370 KSUM Fairmont, MN 1390 KXSS Waite Park, MN 1400 WBIZ Eau Claire, WI 1410 KRWB Roseau, MN 1440 KKXL Grand Forks, ND 1450 KATE Albert Lea, MN 1450 KBUN Bemidji, MN	1250 KCUE Red Wing, MN 1260 KDUZ Hutchinson, MN 1260 KROX Crookston, MN 1340 KDLM Detroit Lakes, MN 1370 KSUM Fairmont, MN 1390 KXSS Waite Park, MN 1400 WBIZ Eau Claire, WI 1410 KRWB Roseau, MN 1440 KKXL Grand Forks, ND 1450 KATE Albert Lea, MN 1450 KBUN Bemidji, MN  1460 KKAQ Thief River Falls, MN 1480 KAUS Austin, MN 1480 KKCQ Fosston, MN 1570 KVTK Vermillion, SD  FM 93.1 K226CA Detroit Lakes, MN (1) 93.5 KSCR Benson, MN 93.9 KDMA-FM Granite Falls, MN* 94.3 KULO Alexandria, MN 95.1 K236CO Northfield, MN (2) 95.7 KMKO Lake Crystal MN

Relays: 1) KDLM 1340, 2) KYMN 1080, 3) KDWA 1460, 4) WBIZ 1400, 5) KCUE 1250, 6) KRWB 1410, Notes: \* denotes the Wild network list has old call KKRC, \*\* denotes the Wild network list has old call KARZ.

The Wild also lists KXLQ 1490 Indianola, IA as an affiliate; the station broadcasts a Regional Mexican format; they may not carry Wild games.

## NASHVILLE PREDATORS Pete Weber, Hal Gill, Web: nhl.com/predators/

AM 1230 WAKI McMinnville, TN 1560 WPAD Paducah, KY FM 1320 WMSR Manchester, TN 1050 WWIC Scottsboro, AL 1400 WHUB Cookeville, TN

SAINT LOUIS BLUES Chris Kerber, Joey Vitale, Alex Ferrario Web: nhl.com/blues/

101.1 WXOS-FM/HD1 East Saint Louis, IL

Network list unavailable on the Web.

WINNIPEG JETS Dennis Beyak, Paul Edmonds, Brian Munz, Web: nhl.com/jets/

# 1290 CFRW Winnipeg, MN only

That will wrap up this two-part edition of SportChannels! Next time, we'll feature the broadcast listings for the Pacific Division of the Western Conference. 73 and play hard from NØUIH, the Florissant Valley Dial Twister.

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