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Don't forget to vote for the TVA/RHA awards by May 15. I've reprinted the ballot in this issue as a reminder!! IRCA welcomes: Paul Judd in Maple Ridge BC, Antoine Gamet in Coatsville PA, Don Moore in Bellefonte PA, Max Heidel in Houston TX, Doug McAbee in Goodrich, MI (rejoin) and Joseph Malet in Torrance, CA. DX and report often. Seattle deadline for our next issue (V57_N31) is Monday 05/11/20 1200 PLT (two weeks) – pb

2020 Convention

The 2020 IRCA/DecalcoMania Convention will be held at the Four Points by Sheraton, 1221 S Harbor Blvd, Anaheim CA 92805. (North of Disneyland) September 10-12 2020. Phone number for reservations is 714-758-0900 (mention convention). Guest room rate is \$115 per night plus tax and includes all you can eat breakfast. Parking is \$10 per day. Registration fee (not including banquet) is \$25 payable to Mike Sanburn PO Box 1256, Bellflower CA 90707-1256. Activities will include station visits, IRCA business meeting and auction, and nightly fireworks show. Hotel amenities include free Wifi, 24 hour business center and 24 hour pool. Local eateries within walking distance are Starbucks Coffee, Taco Bell, and Shakeys Pizza. Cutoff date for room reservations will be August 20th. More details will appear soon. For information contact mikesanburn@hotmail.com. Website for haheim visitor's information: www.visitanaheim.org. Here is the link for making reservation at Four Points https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/ireservation-link.mi?id=1576099122178&key=GRP&app=resvlink

Folks can send their registration fee via PayPal at mikesanburn@hotmail.com (please include name, contact info and note that it is for convention registration).



IRCA ELECTIONS – Nick Hall-Patch – 1538 Amphion St – Victoria BC Canada V8R 4Z6

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2019-2020 Ted Vasilopolous Award (TVA) (vote for one):

Ma	ark Connelly: for his long time contributions to DXWW and for sharing his expertise in TA and Latin DXing
Lyı	rnn Hollerman: for serving as IRCA Secretary-Treasurer for many years and all her work with the IRCA website
Kra	aig Krist: for his work as Slogans List editor
	uce Portzer: for his continuing work on DXWW-II and the IRCA Countries List, for his work as club President, and for his general contribution to the hobby as editor of the Pacific Asian Log
	(reason)
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(There is a write-in space above to vote for any IRCA member, except for the following members who have won the TVA in the last five years and are ineligible this year: Mark Durenberger, Nancy Johnson, Phil Bytheway, John C Johnson, Gary DeBock and Eric Bueneman.)

2019-2020 Ric Heald Award (RHA) (vote for one):

Tim Hall: for his work putting together the latest edition of the IRCA Mexican Log

____Stephen S Howe: for continuing his fine work as verifications signers editor, and for volunteering to fill the position left vacant on the IRCA Board by Bill Block's passing.

(reason)

(There is a write-in space above to vote for any IRCA member, except for the following members who have won the RHA in the last three years and are ineligible this year: **Kenneth Hawkins**, **John C Johnson**, **Brandon Jordan**, and **Mark Durenberger**.)

This ballot must be **RECEIVED** by the Election Committee Chairman, **Nick Hall-Patch**, no later than 0001 hours Eastern Standard Time, May 15 2020. You may simply state your votes in a regular Email text, if you so choose. Email to: **nhp@ieee.org**



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DATE OF COLUMN: April 18 2020 Column data span: April 04-18 2020. Data courtesy of Stationintel.com, FCC database and member contributions.

CALL CHANGES

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW CALLS
1280	WJYE	Gardiner, ME	WHTP
1400	WCYR	Veazie, ME	WHZP
1480	WFLN	Arcadia, FL	WCXS

FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW INFORMATION
540	WBWD	Islip, NY	old slogan: "Bolly 540", new: "Radio Zindagi"
550	KNUI	Wailuku, HI	now silent
710	WEGG	Rose Hill, NC	old slogan: "710 AM 100.5 FM KIX-FM", new: "710 AM and 100.5 FM KIX-FM"
	WFNR	Blacksburg, VA	was silent, now talk and Fox Sports Radio sports
770	WAIS	Buchtel, OH	adds slogan: "Area Inspiration Station"
790	WBLO	Thomasville, NC	was tropical, now romantica
840	WCEO	Columbia, SC	was Spanish, now regional Mexican
870	WQRX	Valley Head, AL	now silent
940	WADV	Lebanon, PA	now silent
950	WROL	Boston, MA	old slogan: "950 The Spirit of Boston", new: "950 AM and 100.3 FM The Spirit Of Boston"

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980
        WAZS
                   Summerville, SC
                                               old slogan: "La Raza 980-1480", new: "La Raza 103.9"
1030
        WNOW
                   Mint Hill, NC
                                               adds slogan: "La Zeta"
        WHFB
                   Benton Harbor, MI
                                               was talk, now urban adult contemporary
1060
        WXNC
                                               was Spanish oldies, now regional Mexican, old slogan: "Pepe 1310", new: "La Zeta"
                   Monroe, NC
1080
        KWAI
                   Honolulu, HI
                                               now silent
1150
        WAVO
                   Rock Hill, SC
                                               was adult standards, now religious teaching
1170
        KPUG
                   Bellingham, WA
                                               adds slogan: "KPUG AM 1170/FM 97.9"
        KKOJ
                                               old slogan: "True Country", new: "True Country 99.7 / 1190"
1190
                   Jackson, MN
        WANB
                   Waynesburg, PA
1210
                                               was country, now classic country
                   Brookneal, VA
1230
        WODI
                                               now silent
1240
        WHMQ
                   Greenfield, MA
                                               old slogan: "Pioneer Valley's NewsRadio", new: "News, Information And The Arts"
        WHVN
                   Charlotte, NC
                                               now silent
                   Elizabeth City, NC
        WCNC
                                               now silent
                                               old slogan: "Better Than Ever Country", new: "WBEJ FM 107.9 FM / AM 1240"
        WBF.J
                   Elizabethton, TN
1250
        WGL
                   Fort Wayne, IN
                                               was silent, now adult hits, adds slogan: "103.9 Wayne FM"
1260
        WZBO
                   Edenton, NC
        WCLC
                   Jamestown, TN
                                               now silent
1270
        WJMC
                   Commerce, GA
                                               was silent, now classic country, adds slogan: "Whisperin' 95.1 FM 1270 AM"
        WCGC
                   Belmont, NC
                                               now silent
1310
        WGSP
                   Charlotte, NC
                                               was Spanish oldies, now regional Mexican, old slogan: "Pepe 1310", new: "La Zeta"
                                               was Spanish contemporary Christian, now ethnic, old slogan: "Radio Cantico Nuevo", new: "Radio Zindagi" old slogan: "The Voice Of The Haitian-American Community", new: "Radio Nouvelle Lumiere" old slogan: "The Peak", new: "The Peak 97.1"
        WXMC
                   Parsippany-Troy Hill, NJ
        WPBR
1340
                   Lantana, FL
        WBRK
                   Pittsfield, MA
                                               old slogan: "Your Information Station", new: "1340 AM - 105.1FM WENT"
        WFNT
                   Gloversville, NY
        WBLB
                   Pulaski, VA
                                               old slogan: "Family 1340", new: "The Lighthouse 107.5FM and 1340 AM"
1370
        WGHN
                   Grand Haven, MI
                                               was oldies, now classic hits
1380
        KMUS
                   Sperry, OK
1410
        WCMT
                   Martin, TN
                                               old slogan: "1410 Your Best Friend", new: "1410 Talk and News You Can Use"
1420
        WASR
                   Wolfeboro, NH
                                               was talk, now Westwood One Good Time Oldies, changes secondary format from sports to talk
1440
        WLXN
                   Lexington, NC
                                               was unknown format, now Air1 contemporary Christian, adds slogan: "Air1"
        KCKX
1460
                   Stayton, OR
                                               now silent
        KPHX
1480
                   Phoenix, AZ
                                               was silent, back on with new unknown format
                                               was regional Mexican, now romantica, old slogan: "La Raza 980-1480", new: "La Latina 95.5" was news/talk, now adult alternative, old slogan: "Colorado Public Radio", new: "Indie 102.3"
        WZJY
                   Mount Pleasant, SC
1490
        KXRE
                   Manitou Springs, CO
                                               old slogan: "1490 Fox Sports Radio", new: "Fox Sports AM 1490 / 92.5 FM" old slogan: "Kool Gold 1510 WLKR", new: "92.9 WLKR Classic"
        WJJM
                   Lewisburg, TN
1510
        WLKR
                   Norwalk, OH
        WBZW
                   Apopka, FL
                                               was business news, now ethnic, old slogan: "1520 The BIZ", new: "Radio Nouvelle Lumiere"
1520
                                               adds slogan: "WEXY 1520 AM" adds slogan: "Hill County's Country Station"
        WEXY
                   Wilton Manors, FL
1560
        KHBR
                   Hillsboro, TX
        WTPA
                   St. Petersburg Beach, FL was unknown format, now ethnic, adds slogan: "Radio Nouvelle Lumiere"
1590
        WYSR
                                               adds slogan: "Christo Reyna 1590 AM"
                   High Point, NC
1680
        KRJO
                                               was hot adult contemporary, now classic country, old slogan: "99.7 My FM", new: "99.7 The Legend"
                   Monroe, LA
                                               old slogan: "Radio Luz", new: "1680 AM Radio Luz"
        KNTS
                   Seattle, WA
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MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Paul Walker Jr of Laramie WY sends along the following from the ABDX group dated 4/7/20:

KCBR 1040 Colorado Springs CO "Blazin 95.7" woke up early again today. They obviously have a timer problem but today, they only woke up half an hour early, not an hour like yesterday. They play hip hop/R&B and have a local morning show. It might be worth looking for if you want/need them in your log, signing on before sunrise might provide some better skip opportunities.

Mike Sanburn of Bellflower CA sends along the following from Dennis Gibson of Salinas CA via the IRCA IO Groups dated 4/7/20:

Licenses cancelled: 4-2-20 WQHC-1170 Hanceville, Alabama, 4-2-20: WGML-990 Hinesville, Georgia

Paul Walker Jr sends along the following via the ABDX group dated 4/10/20

I have not heard a signal from them (who KMXA-950? - pb) all morning and even before sunrise, they'd be audible here in Laramie WY 150 miles away. Two friends in Denver say they don't hear the station and one friend reported hearing KDCE Espanola NM. I should add I have a fairly clear KCAP Helena MT with KDCE under them at my location. (I get KDCE/KKSE and a few others on 950 here in ABQ at night-ye ed)

Mike Sanburn passes along the following from Martin Foltz of Mission Viejo CA dated 4/11/20:

KCAA-1050 Loma Linda CA currently silent.

Mike Sanburn passes along the following from Vern Jackson (location unknown) via the IRCA IO Groups dated 4/13/20:

Just an update on the report of the FCC license revocation of four St Louis area radio stations. KQQZ 1190 AM remains on the air with normal programming as of 3:50 CDT

Saturday April 11. KZQZ 1430 AM ceased programming on Tuesday April 7, and the transmitter was shut off around noon or 1 PM, as I remember. However the next day, 1430 KZQZ had just a dead carrier, at 50 KW, with no programming. I suspect that since the transmitter is automation controlled, and no one is available who knows how to disable it, it will continue daytime at full 50 KW power, carrier only, until Ameren Illinois shuts off power to the transmitter site.

KFTK 1490 AM East St Louis was LMA'd and ceased operation as soon as revocation took place, as I don't believe they had any interest in pirate radio. So it

is off for good.
1510 in Highland, Illinois, went off air due to technical issues early March 2019, and has been silent, so its license has already expired as a matter of law.

Just a follow up in the St Louis radio stations on 1430 and 1190. As of 10:50 AM, Monday April 13, both stations are silent, with just dead carrier on 1190 and 1430 AM. Vern Jackson, WA0RCR, April 13

Mike Sanburn sends along the following from Dennis Gibson via the IRCA IO Groups dated 4/14/20:

License cancelled: 4-10-20: WJDM-1530 Elizabeth, New Jersey

Jon Pearkins sends along the following dated 4/17/20:

The Idaho State Highway Advisory Radio (HAR) communication system is being decommissioned. The use of the old system was suspended on April 1. Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) is evaluating whether existing HAR equipment and infrastructure can be repurposed to meet other needs.

There are 25 HAR sites and 58 beacons located around the state, broadcasting emergency information on the AM radio frequency. However, the equipment had reached the end of its useful life, and no longer met the technology security requirements of the state

In addition, surveys showed that the HAR system, although once popular, was now ranked well behind other more viable sources for information distribution, such as 511 or roadside electronic message boards.

Dave Gordon of Morgan Hill CA sends along the following dated 4/19/20:

For the past week or so, I noticed the stations haven't been on the air. Today, I see the reason from radioinsight.com at this link: https://radioinsight.com/headlines/186231/six-stations-cease-operations-this-week-due-to-coronavirus-impacts/ I'll report if and when the stations go back

Six Stations Cease Operations This Week Due To CoronaVirus Impacts, By Lance Venta on April 19 2020

After five stations ceased operations last week, an additional half dozen stations filed Silent STA's this week blaming the CoronaVirus. Summerland Media's Bilingual "Radio Ritmo" 102.5 WPIK Summerland Key/Key West FL went off the air "because too many advertisers are no longer able to advertise".

Jackson Hole Media's Country 100.1 KCHQ Soda Springs ID went off the air with owner Ted Austin stating, "Revenue at FM radio broadcast station KCHQ has dropped below the level necessary to sustain the operation." Mount Wilson FM Broadcasters has ceased operation on Classical "K-Mozart" 630 KIDD/106.7 K294CA and Oldies "K-Surf" 1240 KNRY/95.9 K240EV Monterey CA. A donation of both stations to Balanced Radio Foundation last November has yet to close.

After East Carolina Radio's Classic Country simulcast 1260 WZBO Edenton and 1240 WCNC Elizabeth City NC filed Silent STA's last week, the company

also took Christian 1530 WOBX Wanchese silent claiming the station experienced multiple advertisement cancellations resulting in significant reductions in revenue.

Southwest Montana Media took 100.9 KBOQ Lima MT off the air blaming financial reasons and the state of Montana's Stay at Home Order.

Paul Walker Jr of Laramie WY sends along the following via ABDX group dated 4/20/20 (late addition to column just before I sent it out-ye ed):

KMXA 1090 Denver is once again missing during the morning on Monday April 20th. It's about 20 minutes after sunrise and I'm getting a decent KVOP with a very weak KAAY way down in the noise. This is got to be about the 6th time or so in the last 2 weeks that KMXA has been missing in AM drive, but... every single time it's been missing in AM drive, when I get home at 5:30 pm, it's on. (Others closer to Denver usually note it back on around 10-11am).

And an addition: I heard from someone at Entravision Communications who says "KMXA is running reduced hours and reducing power at night. I was told this is true of all Entravision AM stations across the country. Not sure of the reason(s)" (maybe COVID-19 - ye ed)??

Well, COVID-19 still has its grip on the world. I've been working from home for a month now and it will continue well into May at this point. Hope all of you are staying healthy and not venturing too far from home and keeping 6' from everyone if possible. Walmart near my house now has one-way aisles in the store, they were doing a "one-in-one-out" policy recently but didn't the last time I was there. If you stay home, be sure to DX and report to the proper columns. Traditional tax day has come and gone but taxes not due till July 15th now, thank goodness! Everyone stay safe! 73's. **Bob Wien**



CANADIAN RADIO NEWS – Jon Pearkins

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COVID-19 issues are delaying broadcasting changes in Canada, not just on the ground at transmitter sites and studios, but also at the Regulatory level with CRTC Hearings postponed and an increase in requests to the CRTC for Extensions.

The Facebook page Canadian Radio News by **Dan Sys** provides much of the information for this column.

600 BC Vancouver **CKSP** ON **CFAJ** 1220 St Catharines

Engineers report a one to two month delay in initial on-air testing due to unspecified technical issues.

Radio Dhun Inc now has until October 20 2020 to complete testing, after they requested, and were granted, an extension due to potential COVID-19-related delays in the construction and equipping of studio facilities, after falling

behind on tower installation. Power during initial testing, which began in mid-February, has been confirmed as 1KW non-directional. No word yet on full 10KW directional testing.

CRTC approval of Radio Dhun's purchase of CFAJ in October 2017 indicates that there were no physical assets at the time. A Classic Hits format, covering music from 1970 to 2010, is still planned, but the license does allow up to 15% non-English programming. The station was originally licensed April 2016.



WESTERN DX ROUNDUP - Nancy Johnson - 2922 S Olivewood - Mesa AZ 85212-2923

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WDXR DEADLINES: Thursday May 7, May 21, June 4, June 18, July 9 and August 6. Please use Eastern Local Time. For reporters in AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY and the Canadian provinces of AB, BC and the Yukon Territory.

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Sangean DT 160

CA, unknown location 4/10 1600 loop ID "This is Cal Trans Highway Advisory Radio Station. This is only a test. This message will repeat." 620 TIS

(MS-CA)

OR, Sweet Home 4/22 well over KDWN and WGN. 0100 out of KFIR News with "This is the Voice of the Valley. Newstalk 7-20 KFIR Sweet Home, **720 KFIR** Eugene, Springfield" legal ID into Townhall network news. Station must have been on daytime power to be this strong. New, first time heard.

(JCJ-AZ) 730 KSVN ÙT, Ogden 4/21 good signal mixing or over KLOE. 0100 out of Spanish music with "This is KSVN Ogden, Salt Lake City" ID in English. First time

heard, must have been on daytime power. (JCJ-AZ) 840 KTIC NE, West Point 4/13 0800 good signal, dominating 840. No sign of KXNT. 08000 out of market report with "This is your number one station for real

country music, agriculture, weather, and news. 840 KTIC West Point" legal ID. New for me, first time heard. (JCJ-AZ)

NV, Las Vegas EX-KBAD. 4/12 mixing with KQBU, no sign of KVEL. 0100 with "...here on 920 The Game KRLV Las Vegas" ID. Needed for call

920 KRLV change. (JCJ-AZ)

+4/14 0100 KRLV call letters now on this frequency, ID at top of the hour. Ex-KBAD, ex-KORK for me. (MS-CA)

K//FI UT, Vernal 4/14 0105 forecast from "Newstalk 920 KVEL." (MS-CA)

1090 KAAY AR, Little Rock 4/21 2332-2335 Stop Set with a Sprint ad and a Social Security PSA into Southern Gospel music. Strong and sometimes alone to SSE nulling KFNQ. (JP-AB)

KBOZ MT, Bozeman 4/21 2332-2340 fading in and out, mixing with KFRQ and KAAY. At 2339, KBOZ was al alone in all directions, strongest to the south. Running non-stop OTR (1940's network radio), heard here doing a mystery with British-accented players. The station is on briefly to avoid losing their license. (JP-AB)

WA. Seattle 4/21 2332-2340 sometimes fading out completely making way for KAAY and KBOZ, less than half an hour after Seattle sunset. **KFNQ** (JP-AB)

ÙT, Salt Lake City 4/16 0930 talk program with two men, all sports, and ID given before the hour but none right ON the hour. Heard on a sharp null 1280 KZNS of local KXEG, newly reactivated (at the time of this report) and playing varied oldies hits. Amazing to hear sports talkers working to make their shows interesting in a time when no games are actually being played. (RB-AZ)

+4/22 0834 local ads, ID with slogan "12-80 The Zone," very strong and clear on channel, no KXEG. The latter was on just days ago with oldies music, went silent again and still off now. (RB-AZ)

1390 (KWRM)

1460 KZNT

1480 KYOS

CA, Corona 4/13 0633 still off the air leaving a Spanish speaking station likely San Jose, CA. (MS-CA)

CO, Colorado Springs 4/15 0200 very steady and solid on barefoot Sangean ATS-909X. Townhall/Salem news, Hugh Hewitt, ID at the top "AM 14-60, FM 1-Oh-1 point 1 The Answer, KZNT Colorado Springs" to Fox network news. (RB-AZ)

CA, Merced 4/15 strong with string of local ads "On AM 14-80, KYOS." (RB-AZ)

NV, Enterprise 4/20 mixing with KMPC. 0100 with "KENT Enterprise 1540 AM" ID followed by two chime tones. This new station has not been on the air very long, but this is the first time I've logged them. (JCJ-AZ)

CA, West Sacramento 4/15 0750 strong and clear on Satellit 205 with phone-in show, religious issues. (RB-AZ) 1540 KENT

1620 KSMH

1640 KDIA CA, Vallejo 4/15 0801 "KDIA Vallejo-San Francisco." (RB-AZ)

CA, Fresno 4/15 0740 male announcer with station promo saying KGED will move to 1550 kHz on May 1st. KGED will be swapping with local 1680 KGED

KXEX, which currently had religious programming in Spanish. (RB-AZ)

CA, Roseville 4/18 0720 at tune-in airing alternative rock, over/under KDMT. "KFSG Roseville-Sacramento" ID by woman on the hour 0800. 1690 KFSG (RB-AZ)

I hope you and your loved ones are safe and healthy! - Nancy 4/24 1700



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RIDING GAIN

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CountyComm GP-5/SSB Gen 3 and CCrane CCPocket Ultralight receivers, Grundig AN-200 tunable loop

Ward Elliott, Dallas TX dwrd759@yahoo.com [WE-TX]

PL 600, PL 380, PR-D5, PR-D4, ATS-803A, TCF-Antenna, MFJ-16010, 75' random wire

[JN-TX]

James Niven, Austin TX jniven@austin.rr.com ELAD S2, Perseus SDR, Drake R8, DKAZ (East-South), 140' x 23' high.

DOWN THE DIAL

1400

600 WMT IA, Cedar Rapids. 4/11 good signal with ACI from KFNS 590. 0823 noted with local spots, "News Radio Six Hundred WMT" ID into The lowa Home and Garden Show. [EB-MO]

660 KSKY TX, Balch Springs. 4/18 fair to poor signal with ACI from WSM 650. 0701 noted with SRN News, "This is the Answer" ID into local spots. [EB-MO]

TX, Lubbock. 4/20 mostly under KBME, on top for slogans and calls at 0232 and 0258. [WE-TX] KFYO 790

WCBS NY, New York. 4/21 good to fair signal over WIJR, ACI from WLS 890. 0323 noted with an excerpt from the 4/20 press briefing by Governor 880 Andrew Cuomo, local spots, "WCBS news radio Eight-80" ID into news headlines. [EB-MO]

910 WGTO MI, Cassopolis. 4/16 fair signal, mixing with KVIS. 0637 noted with weather forecast, "Cool FM" ID into local spots. [EB-MO]

KYST TX, Houston. 4/20 with religious music. 0500 with calls in English, 05:59 with calls in English and slogan in Spanish. [WE-TX]

CKNX ON, Wingham. 4/18 fair to poor signal, mixing with KARN, KDHL. 0534 noted with Country format, "Time for a break on CKNX" mention into local spots. [EB-MO]

930 KDET TX, Center. 04/20, 0226 with local spot, TSN Lonestar Farm Report and News at 0630. Mention of "County Center Broadcasting Company and KDET Facebook page. [WE-TX]

KOGA NE, Ogallala. 4/20 at 2140 with calls, slogan and a fax number. [WE-TX]

GA, Macon. 4/11 fair signal over KPSZ. 0628 noted with local spots, "From the Jack Schmidt Ford studios, this is WMAC Macon, a Cumulus 940 WMAC station" legal ID at 0630. [EB-MO]

LA, New Orleans. 4/21, 0433 with slogan "Hallelujah 940" slogan. Never heard calls mentioned. [WE-TX]

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SC, Spartanburg. 4/13 fair signal over WWJ. 0331 noted with tornado warning for the Greenville/Spartanburg area, simulcast from NOAA Weather 950 WORD Radio station WXJ21 162.550 MHz Greenville, SC, returning to ESPN SportsCenter All Night at the end of the warning broadcast. [EB-MO]

1020 WLVJ FL, Boynton Beach. 4/22 fair to poor signal, mixing with KMMQ in KDKA null. 0601 noted with "Está es Radio Actualidad" ID, brief promo into news in Spanish. AM #40 from the Sunshine State. [EB-MO]

1030 WCTS MN, Maplewood. 4/11 fair signal over KCWJ. 0802 noted with "WCTS Maplewood, Minneapolis, Saint Paul, serving the Twin Cities and western Wisconsin, with translator K250BY 97.9 FM" legal ID into a Scripture reading. [EB-MO]

LA, Ville Platte. 4/22 in XEG null. 03:34 with classic country music, "KVPI Country" slogan, "We celebrate French culture of South Louisiana, 1050 KVPI KVPI" at 0415. [WE-TX]

1070 WDIA TN, Memphis. 4/22 good to fair signal over KHMO. 0720 noted with R&B Oldies format, "WDIA" ID, contest promo, CDT time check into traffic report. [EB-MO]

1220 WHKW OH, Cleveland. 4/20 good to poor signal, mixing with WLPO. 0320 noted with In Touch with Dr. Charles Stanley, features on Christian living, "12-20 the Word" ID. [EB-MO]

1230 KFPW AR, Fort Smith. 4/20, 2259 with nice clear ID by male announcer "You're listening to the Voice of Oklahoma since 1930, KFPW 12-3-0 and now 96.7 FM Fort Smith, The Marshall." Thanks to Tim Hall with help on this one. New. [JN-TX]

TX, Levelland. 4/19 fair to poor signal, then gone in jumble. 1259 before top of the hour with quick call letters. Relog. [JN-TX] KI VT

LA, Opelousas. 4/20 fair to poor. 1128 with promo, "... 90.5 FM Opelousas..." mention. Thanks to **Tim Hall** with help on this one. New. [JN-TX] **TX**, Sulphur Springs. 4/19 fair signal then gone into jumble. 0100 noted briefly with "Good Time Oldies 1230 KSST" ID. Relog. [JN-TX] **TX**, Waco. 4/20. 0300 with quick "The Talk of Waco" slogan into Fox News. Relog. [JN-TX] **KSLO**

KSST

KWTX

TX, Kilgore. 4/19 fair, on top 1240. 0158 with rock music, "1230 KDOK" ID. New. [JN-TX]
WY, Cheyenne. 4/10 mixing with WCGM and unID with nonstop country music. 2300 with "KFBC Cheyenne" ID. [WE-TX] 1240 KDOK KFBC

TX, Raymondville. 4/20 fair signal. 1301 with female announcer giving frequencies and calls for Radio Vision stations. Relog. [JN-TX] TX, Bryan. 4/19 fair signal. 0304 with female announcer giving "KTAM Bryan" ID in English. Relog. [TN-WI] KSOX

KTAM

AR, Stuttgart. 4/20, fair signal, quickly came up and then gone. 0701 with male announcer with nice clear "KWAK AM 1240... Arkansas has restored service too...." New logging. [JN-TX]

MS, Gulfport. 4/10, 2247 with classic rock format, two sets of calls at 2247. [WE-TX] **KWAK**

WCGM

MS, Picayune. 3/29, 0650 with "WRJW Radio, it's home" ID into country Gospel music. [WE-TX] 1320 WRJW

KAND TX, Corsicana. 4/19 fair signal. 2100 noted with classic country music, many mentions of "1340 KAND." Relog. [JN-TX] 1340

KICK MO, Springfield. 4/11 fair to poor signal, mixing with other stations. 0659 noted with local spot, "KICK Springfield and K222CT" legal ID into ABC News at 0700. [EB-MO]

KRMD LA, Shreveport. 4/20 poor to fair signal, noted briefly then lost in the rumble. 0504 with mentions of Shreveport and KRMD. Relog [JN-TX]

MO, Salem. 4/13 fair to poor signal, mixing with KXÉO, WSOY and other stations. 0607 with "KSMO radio" ID, brief talk into local spots. [EB-MO] **KSMO** KVNN

TX, Victoria. 4/19 up firefly with fair signal. 0234 with call letters and mentions of Victoria. Relog. [JN-TX]

TX, Greenville. 4/20, 0359 with "...105.9 KGVL Greenville K290AP" then disappeared in the jumble. Relog. [JN-TX] OK, Norman. 4/20 fair. 0459 with "...1400 AM KREF Normal, Oklahoma 99.3 FM..." ID. Relog. [JN-TX] **KGVL**

KREF KUNO

TX, Corpus Christi. 4/20 fair signal. 2059 with recorded "1400 AM KUNO" ID. Relog. [JN-TX]

MN, Mankato. 4/15 fair signal over WIMS, WOC. 0744 noted with local spot, brief feature, 14-20 AM, 102-point-Seven FM KTOE" ID. [EB-MO] 1420 KTOE

NE, Grand Island. 4/14 fair to poor signal, mixing with WBEV, WXNT and other stations. 0700 noted with AM 14-30 KRGI and K288HC 105-point-Five FM Grand Island" legal ID into ABC News. [EB-MO]

MI, Ionia. 4/14 fair to poor signal, mixing with WBEV, WXNT and other stations. 0655 noted with local spot, "WION AM Stereo 14-30" ID. [EB-MO] 1430 KRGI

WION 1440 WKPR MI, Kalamazoo. 4/11 fair signal, mixing with WGEM. 0859 noted with mention of 105.1 FM, weather forecast, legal ID into Christian teaching. AM #50 from Michigan. [EB-MO]

1450 KSIG LA, Crowley. 4/20 fair signal. 0358 with quick "Sunny 95.1" slogan and mention of mysunny951.com website. Relog. [JN-TX]

OK, Woodland. 4/20 fair. 0601 with "...1450 KSIW" ID, lost to rumble. Relog. [JN-TX]

KSIW OK, Altus. 4/19 fair to good. 2304 with "AM Stereo KWHW" ID. Also heard 4/20 at 0359 with "The Legend 1450 AM Altus" slogan. Relog. [JN-TX] KWHW

AR, Paragould. 4/15 fair to poor, mixing with other stations. 0700 noted with "iRock 103-Seven, KDRS Paragould, K279CQ Paragould" legal ID 1490 KDRS into hard rock format. [EB-MO]

TX, Austin. 4/20 fair. 2200 with recorded "KTSN 1490, K241DA, K261DW. The best music under the sun and sunradio.com" ID. Relog. [JN-TX]

KTSN

TX, Tyler. 4/20, 2100 with spots, "All sports, all the time, ESPN Radio" slogan. "KTBB" ID (KYZS and KTBB are sister stations). [WE-TX] WI, Medford. 4/18 fair to poor signal, mixing with WOSH and other stations. 0500 poked through with "WIGM" ID. AM #75 from America's KY7S

WIGM Dairyland. [EB-MO]

WOSH WI, Oshkosh. 4/22 fair to poor signal, mixing with other stations. 0743 noted with "14-90 WOSH" ID in promo and local spot. [EB-MO]

- 1500 KSTP MN, Saint Paul. 4/11, very good signal over WBRI. 0842 noted with local spots, Minnesota Home Talk Legal Minute into Minnesota Legal Talk,
- "Score North AM 15-hundred" ID. [EB-MO]

 TX, College Station. 3/29 mix with WLAC, KCKK, and KAGY. 2257 with religious message and spot. [WE-TX] 1510 KAGC
 - LA, Port Sulphur. 3/29, 2155 with spots and mentions of Moss Point and Port Sulphur. "1510 The Swamp" slogan. [WE-TX] CO, Littleton. 3/29, 2300 with KCKK ID and mentions of Littleton and Boulder. Top hits from all decades format. [WE-TX] NY, Buffalo. 4/22 fair to poor signal, mixing with KOKC, KRHW. 0400 noted with legal ID into ESPN Sports Center Update. [EB-MO] KAGY KCKK
- WWKB 1520
- 1550 WLTI IN, New Castle. 4/14 fair to poor signal, mixing with KYAL and other stations. 0610 noted with Classic Hits format, "New Castle's greatest hits, WLTI" ID. No longer using former call WMDH as a non-ID. [EB-MO]

UnID

1490 UnID 4/20 heard a station come up out of the rumble at 2259 with male announcer saying "All Sports, all the time 14-90" slogan, then gone as quick as it popped up. Signal poor to fair. [JN-TX]

FLASHBACK

50 Years Ago - April 18 1970 issue of "DX Monitor" ... Bill Block of Portland OR told about his visit to KEX 1190 ... Richard E Wood of Honolulu HI added CBA for Province number 7 and WLCB 1530 as his first Alabama station logged ... Steve Kamp of Irving TX mentioned he was 14 and had 23 states logged ... Vancouver was chosen over Detroit as the site for the 1970 IRCA Convention. // 25 Years Ago - April 22 1995 issue of "DX Monitor" ... Eric Bueneman of Hazelwood MO mentioned his local WKBQ 1380 changed calls to KRAM ... Larry Godwin of Missoula MT found his local KGVO 1290 off the air ... Nick Hall-Patch of Victoria BC got in some DX during a family holiday near Tofino on the west coast of Vancouver Island. // This weeks' Flashback DXer is... Richard Wood....



OPEN MIKE

Thanks to Eric, James, and Ward for reporting this week. IRCA members in AR, IL, IN, IA, KS, LA, MN, MS, MO, NE, NM, ND, OK, SD, TX, WI, MB, SK, and NWT report to CDXR. All times are Eastern, loggings over one month are tossed. Mexican stations are to be reported to DXWW. This column was typed 4-24-20. 73,



EASTERN DX ROUNDUP - Eric Bueneman (NØUIH) - 631 Coachway Lane - Hazelwood MO 63042-1347 Email: n0uiheric@gmail.com **DEADLINES: Friday 2359 ELT**

Report to this column if you live in AL, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MI, NH, NJ, NY, NC, OH, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, WV, NB, NF, NS, ON, PEI, QC and NU.

TUNING THE DIALS THIS ISSUE:

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

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

(PS-ON) Paul Snider, London ON, Canada paulisnider@yahoo.ca

Elad FDM-S2 software-defined receiver, Wellbrook ALA1530LN loop, MFJ-1020C as a tuner

ACROSS THE DIAL

- 990 WWKY KY, Winchester – 4/13 0010 noted with Soft Adult Contemporary format featuring a tune by England Dan and John Ford Coley, "102.9 FM and 990 AM WWKY" ID into a selection by Glenn Medeiros. A poor to very poor signal was noted, mixing with WNML and other stations. (PS-ON) (102.9 refers to W275CO Winchester KY - eb)
- 1120 WSME NC. Camp Leieune – 4/13 2235 noted on after sunset with Oldies format, eventually came up well enough at about 2232 with a selection by Bonnie Pointer, "Freedom 97.1 WSME" ID at 2254, local spots into another music set. A poor to very poor signal was noted under KMOX; confirmed via Simple Radio Web stream. First time heard in London. (PS-ON)
- MI, Zeeland 4/16 0035 noted with *Turning Point with David Jeremiah*, donation appeal for JD Greer Ministry, various PSAs, ad for a western Michigan flooring store, weather forecast, "WPNW Zeeland/Holland... the Pledge" legal ID at 0100 into SRN News. A fair at times to very poor signal was noted, mixing with WCCR; confirmed via Simple Radio Web stream. First time heard in London. (PS-ON) 1260 WPNW
- PA, Tyrone 4/10 1952 noted with mentions of "send an Email to Comments at WTRN Radio-dot-com... 96-9 and 100.7" and "From Elwood to 1340 WTRN Martinsville, this is 96-9 and 100.7 WTRN, a... station" by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WEPM, WHAP, WLSG and unidentified stations with Christian Teaching and Country music. (KK-VA) (96.9 refers to W245CZ Altoona PA; 100.7 refers to W264BZ Tyrone PA
- 1520 WARR NC, Warrenton – 4/16 0118 on after sunset with R&B Oldies format, including a tune by McFadden and Whitehead, "For the Best Gospel, R&B... The New 1520 WARR and the New 103.5 FM Warrenton, North Carolina" quasi-legal ID at 0127 into another music set. A fair at times to very poor signal over WWKB; confirmed by Simple Radio Web stream. (PS-ON) (103.5 must be a new relay; not listed on Radio Locator or Doug Smith's list – eb)
- PA, Columbia 4/20 0004 noted with programming from Radio Visión Cristiana with an occasionally passionate Christian sermon by a female 1580 WVZN preacher in Spanish. No ID was heard but confirmed via Simple Radio Web stream; probably on 500 watts day power. A poor to very poor signal was noted, mostly under CKDO. (PS-ON)

Thanks to Kraig and Paul for their logs this week. I hope you're keeping busy at the dials during this pandemic; I've been doing plenty of dial twisting the past month since the Shelter-in-Place order went into effect in my locale. 73 and good DX from NØUIH, the Florissant Valley Dial Twister.



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

Deadline - Monday 0000 UTC.

*** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***

- CUBA Radio Rebelde Glenn Hauser reports Rebelde has been off-frequency on 711 kHz recently. [GK-CA]
- MÉXICO XESU, Mexicali, BCN. MAR 10 1503 Spanish music and "Mexicali, Baja California." [GK-CA]
 MÉXICO XED, Mexicali, BCN. MAR 17 1333 American oldies music, mention "Cincuenta FM." [GK-CA] 1050
- MÉXICO XEQIN, San Quintín, BCN. APR 1 1325 bombing in over KSL with SS ballad. [GK-CA] 1370 MÉXICO XEHG, Mexicali, BCN. MAR 31 0944 with nortena music. [GK-CA]

MÉXICO XEEH, San Luís Río Colorado, Son. APR 1 1238 – ranchera music and mention of "Río Colorado," mucho QRM desde KKZZ. [GK-CA]
 CUBA Radio Rebelde, Guanabacoa (La Habana). APR 2 0347 – with tropical music; 0401 choir (probably Cuban national anthem), then more music until they totally disappeared under KSMH. Very rough copy. Confirmed via http://www.radiocubana.cu/emisoras/237-nacionales/21113-radio-rebelde-audio-en-vivo. [GK-CA]

*** TRANS-PACIFIC DX ***

1566 SOUTH KOREA HLAZ, Jeju-Do. MAR 27 1328-1354 – apparently in Korean with some brief music interludes, peaking at S5. [GK-CA]

*** TROPICAL BAND DX ***

2850 NORTH KOREA KCBS, Pyongyang – MAR 31 1410 – music and Korean talk. This may be useful as an indicator of TP conditions. [GK-CA]

3930 UnID APR 1 1256 - with operatic music in unknown language, S9+10 signal (likely Voice of the People - ed). [GK-CA]

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Icom IC-R75 with large un-tuned coaxial loop aimed more or less N-S

73 and Good DX, Brandon



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Sandy Neck Beach DX 4/11-12/20

I had a hard time putting up the 10 x 16 foot loop. The 15 MPH wind blew it over once but managed to raise it and tie it down. This was a Saturday and the upper parking lot about full as they will always head for the Cape during weekends. And many stayed till after dark after they pointed the piece of plastic in there hands toward the sunset. I did not go for a walk as would be normal before dark.

2330 - 110°

1062 IRAN music to fair peak.

1206 UnID some talk but weak

1215 **SPAIN** about equal to **UNITED KIMGDOM** around the middle of the file.

2348 - 110°

576 ALGERIA and SPAIN weak.

603 SPAIN talk - ROMANIA with slow music.

747 SPAIN RNE Radio and RNE Radio 5. //with slow music with a man shouting along with the music. Maybe about the virus. One scene in Monty Python had, bring out your dead. Like mass graves in NYC.

783 **SYRIA** talk fair.

837 SPAIN and IRAN.

 $0000 - 60^{\circ}$

720 **PORTUGAL** pips in the mix.

801 **UnID** maybe Morse code at end of file. Sent clip to Netherlands test Email. No reply. Could just be some musical slop from 800.

0015 - 115°

700t BRAZIL Portuguese talk in the mix.

774 EGYPT and SPAIN.

828 SOUTH AFRICA Magic 828. Pop song. Man in a low voice for about 2 seconds then more music. In the clip just before the song starts you may be able to hear the man speak. This is rare as I do not think I have received this station from Sandy Neck Beach being full bore over the water from 830 WCRN. This clip BTW was in USB. Screen shot.

846 **UnID** weak and garbled talk.

909t ROMANIA music program under UNITED KINGDOM.

918 SPAIN fair.

1278t IRAN woman singing

1503 EGYPT w/music and SPAIN talk.

864 **SPAIN** and **EGYPT**.

882 **SPAIN** on top of **UNITED KINGDOM**.

1026 SPAIN and IRAN amidst the splatter of WBZ.

1332 ROMANIA a slow song, //603
1458 ROMANIA and UNITED KINGDOM mixing.

1521 SPAIN //1044 best at start of file.

1557 UnID weak w/music.

1071 UnID Quran or just singing, sometimes I just cannot tell.

1377 UnID weak w/music.

936 Mix of stations.

945 UnID maybe Romania w/singing

1071 **UnID** maybe English in the mix.

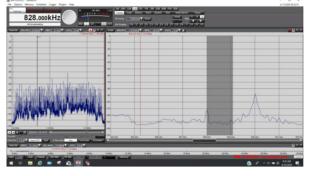
1188 HUNGARY some music, in weak.

1206 Near audio level.

1314 SPAIN woman talking. //1305 but morphed into unknown station with a man singing. Maybe Iran.

1377 UnID with singing but weak. Iran or TZA.

1512 UnID sounded a little like Italian. Sent to ReaIDX and Jan Savolainen said it was Iran but not in Farsi.



0030 - 115°

1107.980 UnID with a hum on LSB.

1287 **SPAIN** with talk. //1044.

1377.018 and 1376.942 carriers

 $0100 - 115^{\circ}$

630 PUERTO RICO WUNO

0130 - 115°

936 MOROCCO talk to music, on top.

0200 – 115°

1170t COLOMBIA talk and music, ID as Caracol Radio.

1395 IRAN presumed w/talk weak.

1467.017 UnID Man talking, SAUDI ARABIA tentative and IRAN carrier at 1467.373.

1476.016 UnID and IRAN on about 1476.257.

1422 ALGERIA with Quran.

1431 **DJIBUTI** also in weak w/talk.

That is it. Not as good as my last report but at the beach is where it is at. Need to find a South facing beach. Take care, Roy Barstow - Falmouth MA.

Sandy Neck Beach DX 4/23-24/20

Using 10 x 16 foot loop with G-33. No amplifiers. 2300 - 100° 1179 ROMANIA and SPAIN. 1188.258 UnID carrier, maybe a Pirate. 1422 ALGERIA talk, pips, NA., into news. 1187.981 presume IRAN. 2330 - 100° 576 ALGERIA weak. 1134 SPAIN and KUWAIT. 774 EGYPT and SPAIN. 1233t UNITED KINGDOM bits of music. 1242 UNITED KINGDOM Absolute. Music. //1215. NEW. 783 SYRIA Mideast music. Fair. 819 **EGYPT** talk to a fair peak. 1287 SPAIN SER. Woman talking, //1044. 855 **SPAIN** then mixing with **ROMANIA**. 1296 SPAIN and UNITED KINGDOM both talk. 864 EGYPT Quran, fair at S 4. 1332 ROMANIA talk //1179. 891 ALGERIA fair with music. 1377 UnID weak w/talk. ROMANIA talk and music. //855 under UNITED KINGDOM. 1422 ALGERIA good Quran at S 6 and under them ROMANIA w/talk //1332. 909 918 SPAIN talk in fair. 1431 DJIBUTI weak w/talk. 927 UnID bits of talk. 1503 **EGYPT** now mixing w/SPAIN. 936 SPAIN fair peak with call in reporting. //1098. 1512 IRAN woman in Farsi and some music. SPAIN SER. Talk with slop //1485. 945 ROMANIA music but weak. //909. 1521 981 ALGERIA S 5-6 with Mideast music. SPAIN //1521. Also some music from either, IRAN or UAE. 1539 1008 SPAIN fair peak. KUWAIT and UNITED KINGDOM Gold. Both with music. 1548 1053 SPAIN mixing with UNITED KINGDOM. Spain in good tonight.
1089 UnID Arabic talk mixing with UNITED KINGDOM. Suspect Algeria. 1557 UnID music w/slop. 1584 SPAIN SER. On top 1593 ROMANIA talk //1332 and other weak stations. 1098 SPAIN + UnID w/music. 1107 SPAIN + UnID and hum on LSB. 1602 SPAIN SER. Fair also with slop. 2345 - 100° 1314 SPAIN and IRAN. 702 ALGERIA Quran and 1 more with talk unless part of the Quran. 1413 **SPAIN** + **MDA** 711 MOROCCO talk in fair. 1458 UNITED KINGDOM Gold. Music //1548 and also maybe Lyca Radio. 801 SPAIN talk //774. 1107t UNITED KINGDOM mixing w/SPAIN. $0000 - 100^{\circ}$ 720 PORTUGAL pips into news. Fair on top. 1260 **SPAIN** 5+1 pips in the mix. 855 ROMANIA and SPAIN. 1278t IRAN sounded like Asian music w/string instrument. No // found. 882 UNITED KINGDOM and SPAIN. 1530 **ROMANIA** not much but 6 pips in the mix. $0015 - 70^{\circ}$ 1026 IRAN with Quran and SPAIN with talk. 1332 IRAN with Quran under ROMANIA $0100 - 100^{\circ}$ 666 PORTUGAL talk pips into news. 1278 IRAN now w/Quran. 720 PORTUGAL pips and talk mixing with WGN. 1368 UNITED KINGDOM Manx Radio. Fair peak. 1458 ROMANIA 6 pips mixing w/presumed Lyca Radio about Covid-19. 828 UnID music but weak.

 $0130 - 100^{\circ}$

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Deadlines: 5/9, 5/23, 6/6, 6/20, 7/11 and 8/8

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That's it. Last night was at South Cape Beach. Roy Barstow - Falmouth MA.

756 IRAN choir of boys singing, then into bells and ID and news.

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

855 SAUDI ARABIA bits of Quran, along with SPAIN.

Due to confusion over deadlines, I missed the last DXM, so this report covers almost a month, March 30-April 26. FYI, it took me almost 3 hours to extract and edit from my daily all-band log reports as archived here: http://www.worldofradio.com/Hauserlogs.html

USA. 245-MCW kHz, April 21 at 0617, ND beacon FS, which is 400 watts from Sioux Falls SD - Rock. Apparently the CV-19 outbreak there has not yet silenced it. Under spring storm conditions, logging any of these is difficult.

CANADA. 248-MCW, April 23 at 0622, ND beacon dash and WG, which is 1000 watts from WinnipeG; not often heard.

U S A. 251-MCW kHz, April 7 at 0627, NDB ID as AM, which is 100 watts from Amarillo TX; seldom logged here at 400 km. Still gone is Stillwater OK, SW from 255.

OKLAHOMA. 255-MCW kHz, April 4 at 0549, no signal from SW, the 25-watt NDB at nearby Stillwater, which had been one of our most constantly reliable, day and night by groundwave. 341 kHz, El, Enid also remains gone. Ditto at midday 1800; only ones audible are 350 RG OKC, which is sometimes missing; and much stronger 515 PN Ponca City which is never missing but sometimes chirpy. 255, SW is still missing as of April 26.

OKLAHOMA. 267-MCW, April 23 at 0623, NDB HET, which is 25 watts from HenryEtTa OK, not often heard. I was tuned to 265-USB, but 2 kHz

away it was as weak as could be.

USA. 293-MCW kHz, April 16 at 0620, regular ND beacon FBY in Fairbury NE has QRM from another underneath - hard to pull out but slightly different pitch and period so that at times it's mostly sending during FBY pauses. UI, which is 30 watts from QUIncy IL. FBY alone is audible again April 17 at 1344, almost two hours after sunrise here at 1155, so is this skywave or groundwave? Fairbury is in SE Nebraska only a few miles from the Kansas border, 422 km = 262 statute miles from Enid. Quincy IL is 690 km = 429 stmi.

CANADA. 326-MCW kHz, March 31 at 0616, dash and YQK, 200 watt NDB at Kenora, Ontario.

USA. 341-MCW kHz, April 9 at 0613, ND beacon OIN, which is 25 watts from Oberlin, Kansas; as El Enid is still gone, but there are loads of others

USA. 349-MCW kHz, March 31 at 0610, GW, 25-watt NDB at Greenwood, Mississippi.

OKLAHOMA. 350-MCW kHz, March 31 at 0611, RG, allegedly 400 watt NDB at Will Rogers World Airport, OKC; I am actually tuned to 348-USB, and hearing it here instead of on 350, and despite 349 GW in Mississippi betwixt. Several day and night chex for RG lately on 350 have been fruitless; erratic? With air travel drastically curtailed, more and more beacons may be turned off.

USA. 359-MCW kHz, April 7 at 0622, ND beacon SDR, which is 25 watts from Snyder, Texas, NW of Sweetwater, on US 84 toward Post and

Lubbock; 495 km away

CANADA. 362-MCW kHz, March 31 at 0609, dash and SB, 500 watt NDB at Greater SudBury, Ontario.

USA. 395-MCW, April 17 at 1346, NDB CA, which is 25 watts from Newton-Harvs, Kansas.

USA. 404-MCW, April 17 at 1347, NDB HU, which is 25 watts from Hutchinson KS.

UnID. Trans-Atlantic JBA MW carrier search, April 2 starting at 0606: 531, 558, 621, 693, 747, 774(2), 792, 837, 846(suspect TP Kiritimati), 855, 882, 891, 909, 936(2), 999, 1089, 1098, 1107(2), 1125, 1134, 1152, 1215, 1305(2), 1458, 1503(2 @ 4 Hz apart; no matching pair at mwoffsets), 1584(2).

UnID. Trans-Atlantic JBA MW carrier search April 3 at 0536 for next few minutes; method: 100-foot E-W longwire into R-75 set at 9-kHz steps, tuning USB 1 kHz below each frequency to detect 1 kHz het, however weak. Preamps off to minimize overload on MW. 531, 549, 558(2), 603, 612, 621, 657*, 684+, 693(2), 711*, 729, 747, 774(2), 837, 882, 891**, 909, 936(2), 1026, 1044, 1098, 1107, 1116, 1125(2), 1134, 1152, 1179, 1215, 1296, 1305(2), 1314, 1422, 1476, 1503, 1539, 1566, 1575. *657 is unusual, probably Spain or Italy, usually blocked by WSCR IBOC; a bit of auroral weakening it, or off? As 710.0 unusually dominated by the on-frequency Rebelde, and yes still with that carrier on 711 which is not TA; no beat on it detected this time. **891 strongest of all, no doubt Algeria. (2)=at least two carriers beating a few Hz apart. Re my remark about getting TA carrier on 657 instead of IBOC noise from WSCR Chicago, Tom Jasinski, Joliet replies April 4: "Glenn: The IBOC for WSCR 670 and WBBM 780 has been off for over a month now. Both stations now share the same tower. Tom Jasinski" – that's also good for TA on 684.

UnID. Trans-Atlantic just-barely-audible MW carrier search, despite K-index of 3, April 15 at 0143-0150: 531, 558(2), 621(2 @ 3.2 Hz), 639, 684,

774(2), 828, 855(2), 882, 891, 909, 936(2), 1026(2), 1044, 1053, 1089, 1098, 1215, 1422, 1431, 1575. See also CUBA 711. USA. 570, April 23 at 0630 "We're the Voice of the Midwest, 570 WNAX" and 0631 locally originated "WNAX News" presumably during break in some talk show. Not the only slogan in NRC AM Log for 570 in Yankton SD, "Your 5-state neighbor" - though who knows, it may also be uttered. Wikipedia agrees that Voice of the Midwest is the slogan of WNAX: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/WNAX_(AM). Searching also leads to Voice of the Midwest as title of a 1953 year book about WLW Cincinnati. I think only those east of Ohio could think of it as Midwest. "Midwest" is certainly an illdefined term. One source shows all the states within a ND-KS-OH triangle. But SD and others can also be considered in the Great Plains, or North Central region. Certainly not OK, though we are the only state with a Midwest City = OKC suburb. NRC DX News of April 14, AM Switch reported: "Applications to extend existing STA received: 570 WNAX SD Yankton – applies to extend STA, U1 5000/1250" WNAX nominal parameters: 5000/5000 U2, i.e. ND daytime, directional nighttime, majorly toward NNE with two minor south-ish lobes. Where's KLIF Dallas? Twice as close. Only WNAX heard now on the E-W longwire which should be equally unfavorable for both. Both day and night patterns of KLIF are null-ish toward here, but in the daytime it's atop WNAX, always audible underneath via high-ground-conductivity path, and of course the only SD day signal arriving.

CUBA [and non]. 711, April 1 at 0033, off-frequency carrier from presumed Radio Rebelde still hetting 710 stations; also again with a beat upon it of approx. 200/minute = 3.33 Hz, which I have been assuming is from something in Eurafrica as TA carriers are just starting to fade in before 0053 sunset here, only 891 and 936 at first, presumed Algeria and Morocco. However if one Cuban can be off-frequency, so can another. Is the beat still there much later at night after TA fadeout time, before sunrise, and before anything from DU? 1 kHz het could be a deliberate jamming tactic to be even more off-

putting than co-channel to "wacky" WAQI; but also annoying to Rebelde's own audience, but with plenty of alternatives.

CUBA. 711.00, April 2 at 0025, presumed Radio Rebelde off-frequency hetting legitimate 710.00 kHz stations - again and also again the ~200/minute beat or 3.33 Hz from another 711 kHz transmitter, in Cuba or somewhere. Now 31 minutes before LSS here of 0056 and only legit TA's making it this early are 891 Algeria and much weaker 936 presumed Morocco. Since 711 was first widely heard across North America March 25, it seems everyone else quickly lost interest in it/them.

CUBA. 711.00, April 2 at 0558, the + 1 kHz off-frequency carrier from presumed Radio Rebelde, but no modulation, is still there hetting legit 710.00 stations; and this time can detect a beat from a second carrier about 1 Hz away instead of 3.33; another Cuban, or TA, at least one of which has varied

frequency

CUBA [and non]. Further discussion on the IRCA iog about the 711 carriers I have been reporting: "What is being heard on 711 by east coast folks? Steve Ratzlaff Apr 2 #7576 - Lately 711 and 891 are often equal strength hets. I only get occasional traces of 711 audio, and lately not much more on 891. What do you east coast folks normally hear on 711? Thanks. Steve in AZ" "And, in Steve's case, as he was hearing Algeria on 891, maybe both Cuba and Morocco? (though then there might be a subaudible heterodyne as well. A late fade out time would eliminate Morocco, and Mwoffsets says that Morocco is a few Hertz low as well. The 711 that I see here seems to be spot on channel. Best wishes, Nick Hall-Patch, BC" "Mauno Ritola April 3 #7584 - At 1525 Florida Perseus shows a carrier on 711.001. Best regards, Mauno Ritola, Finland" "Mark WA1ION Apr 3 #7587 - Morocco (W Sahara) in early (2300C) on east antenna with little on south antenna. Cuban on both antennas later into the evening but better on south beam not surprisingly. Cuba the only 711 post 0600. What anyone gets on 711 is a factor of time, location, propagation, and antenna. I have not done precision frequency measurement on either of the 711 signals recently though I suspect that Mauno will have all the info here soon. Morocco (W Sahara) used to be about 100 Hz high but this is no longer the case. Mark Connelly, WA1ION|South Yarmouth, MA|FN41vq'

CUBA [and non?]. 711.00, April 15 at 0138, the off-frequency carriers still here hetting 710 stations; yes, not one, but two of them beating at rate of 204/minute = 3.4 Hz, one of them one of the Radios Rebeldes off-shifted for more annoying jamming, and perhaps the other; although I am getting also some mostly weak TA carriers; see UnID.

CUBA. 711, April 20 at 0600, presumed off-frequency Radio Rebelde is still very much here making big het against legal 710 stations. Someone reported hearing RR audio on 711, but I never have.

CUBA. 711.00, April 23 at 0044, weak carrier hetting 710.00 stations; this time I DF and confirm it from SE/NW, i.e. one of the Radios Rebeldes, not NE/SW from Eurafrica.

UnID. 711.00, April 22 at 0225, two JBA carriers slightly apart beating, one or both Cuban or TA? Cursory check of 9-kHz TA frequencies vs storm

noise level detects 828, 945, but interestingly, not 531, 549 nor 891, the usual Algerians.

USA. 830, April 17 at 0614, ID as "102.9 The Wolf" – what?? This has got to be the usual bigsig from WCCO Minneapolis. Long string of PSAs; 0617 finally ID as "WCCO 830 and AC on 102.9" - what's AC? Homepage https://wccoradio.radio.com/ shows nothing but 830, rather than promoting any FM. Searching leads to a few mentions of 102.9 simulcasts. WTFDA FM Database shows 102.9 in MN. MN is not a mere translator, but 100/100 kW KMNB, country format, "102.9 The Wolf", but nothing about a connection to WCCO 830; I suppose they are referring to being buried on a 102.9 "HD" subchannel. 0618 resumes 'Our American Stories' - show was supposed to be non-political but this one features voice of David Green, Oklahoma owner of Hobby Lobby, with his biblical propaganda. Good night, QRT.

OKLAHOMA. 1020 //1580, April 21 at 1742, two-thirds of the Triple-Play sport stations, KOKP Perry and KOKB Blackwell, respectively, are instead carrying what sound like a live event, probably from Oklahoma News Network, chief of Otoe-Missouria tribe and Gov. Still about to sign a "gaming compact" about sharing earnings from stupid gamblers between tribe and state, which has been a very contentious issue in OK, and presumably still so concerning several other tribes. A quick tune across the MW band finds *no* other stations carrying this, not even talk formats in OKC and Tulsa - after all, that would pre-empt Rush on some of them! TPS has always had a secondary non-sports talk format, evidently expanded with nothing to lose.

USA. 1040, April 25 at 0603, WHO Des Moines IA with dead air until 0606 comes to life, blasting ever-changing opening music of C2CAM //many others but not synchronized, 1100, 1110, 1000, etc. guest host tonight Jimmy Church. What would Ronald Reagan say? Is no human paying attention at WHO to its output? I should have hastened to pull something else thru it. Maybe will recur.

MÉXICO. 1060 XEEP: though their IDs as heard even on SW 6185 always proclaim 100,000 watts, they are supposed to cut to only 20,000 at night

and go directional, I have no idea which-away. But it certainly is no dominant signal here.

USA. 1520, April 2 at 0450, KOKC OKC has heavy CCI, soon recognized as 25 kW daytimer KYND, with Bill Turner's barker loop trying to attract programming to available airtime (even at night?); call him at 373-1520, area code missed; "1520 AM, KYND Cypress-Houston" unashamedly cheating

USA. 1520, April 20 at 0607, sports talk by woman is tearing up 'Red Eye Radio' on KOKC, and making fast SAH. Not exactly on topic, she admits to pasting greeting cards on the wall behind her videos, lacking any real art. I quickly hear the same she on 1390 KCRC, 1660 KWOD, 1670 WOZN, 1700 KBGG, all listed as CBS Sports affiliates in NRC AM Log – and which one on 1520? I guessed it: KOLM Rochester MN, the only one. Had had an STA to run low power, but now sounds like back on 10 kW day power QRMing equally underpowered KOKC as usual until recently. CBS Sports confirms at 2-6 AM, presumably EDT, it's 'After Hours with Amy Lawrence', their only female host? Got to hand it to her, keeping on keeping on with no

sports to discuss! Except greeting-card hanging.

USA. 2097.3-CW, April 19 at 0610, single-letter beacon A once every dekasecond is back! I bandscan across here almost every night and it's been USA. 2097.3-CW, April 19 at 0610, single-letter beacon A once every dekasecond is back! I bandscan across here almost every night and it's been USA. 2097.3-CW, April 19 at 0610, single-letter beacon A once every dekasecond is back! I bandscan across here almost every night and it's been used. missing since my last log February 21; or rather I first reported it missing as of March 4. A has been previously located as anywhere but Quartzsite,

Arizona.

UnID. 2097.3-CW, April 21 at 0613, single-letter beacon A is audible barely vs storm noise level. Still JBA on April 26.

USA. 3215, April 12 at 0019, gospel huxter on presumed WWRB before 3215 switch to WWCR at 0100. On air weekends only, but in A-season normally ascends to 5050. Not yet, so when?

GÚATEMALA. 4055, April 11 at 0218 check, Radio Verdad is off; despite local noise level of S9+20, I should be able to detect at least a carrier. A "Good" Friday thing? The perennial question: should pious broadcasters transmit more, or less, upon holy days?

GUATEMALA. 4055, April 26 at 0616, TGAV is still on late and stronger than usual at S9+10/20 during sermon in Spanish.

NORTH AMERICA. 4176-USB, April 4 at 0213, rock music, 0215 DJ hard to copy but mentions Mix Radio doing something; "under the stars" which points to previous log of X-FM on 4175-USB. 0220 "This is the Pirate Radio Relay League" with beeps and off at 0221*. More logs: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,65029.0.html

CUBA. 4765, April 3 at 0034 tune-in to dead air from Radio Progreso, S9+10/20; 0035 music starts; was there any modulation from nominal *0030? USA. K-index of 3 and SF of 69 will do it, per WWV at 0600, MUF way down, even: 4840, April 20 at 0557, TOMBS on WWCR is very poor, but still very good on 3215.

NORTH AMERICA. 4955-USB, April 6 at 0327, thanks to tip on the WOR iog from Mick Delmage who was getting a good signal in Alberta: good also to Ohio SDR I bring up quickly, hard rock, then jazz; 0335 Mix ID, 0346 "Mix Radio International Worldwide", quick female IDs every few minutes as music runs on; 0350 heavy echoes on ID; 0355 another, but cut off at 0359*. So much for Amauta (the legal Peruvian sporadically? active on 4955). Mix first reported here at 2345 but none as late as we heard it: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,65158.0.html

USA. 4980, April 21 at 0610, JBA carrier, presumed still the WRMI exciter-only test; and not even that much from 4990 if Suriname were active. USA [and non?]. 5000.0000, April 2 at 0018, checking WWV for exact time compared to TURKEY, qv, also the minute for propagation info: SF=69, K=3, no disturbances past or future - but with extremely fast RTTY QRM on the plus side covering 5000-5004! It's even audible by tuning 5000-LSB. What's that?!?! The little SF band is sacrosanct.

UnID. 5000-5004, April 2 at 2354, the rapid RTTY QRM to WWV is still here 24 hours later. It was being widely heard last night in the WOR iog, including: "I'm hearing it here in upstate NY too at 0212. I doubt this is coming from WWV - It appears to be on the high side of 5 MHz. It almost buries WWV here in the East. Listening to a Kiwi in Kansas City, the noise is audible, but WWV is louder. Even on the Kiwi in Ft Collins itself, I can hear it in the background, but WWV is of course loud and clear. Jim Barrett – Elmira, NY" "Now, WWV's signal is stronger at 0243, but RTTY is still very strong at 5000.63, 5001.49, 5002.32, 5003.19, 5004.0 kHz. Maybe it is Fax. If so it's about 3 kHz wide. Chuck Gessner, W3ON" "I've been running TDOA analysis on various receivers in the Kiwi SDR network in the East and Midwest. It consistently shows a likely source along an axis from central Indiana, up towards Chicago. The transmission is indeed VERY strong on individual Kiwis near Chicago, Indianapolis and Minneapolis. Jim Barrett, Elmira, NY" Wow. Thanks for the replies. I just turned on my Icom 756 transceiver at 1630 on Thursday, and I am hearing it loud. And that is 1230 pm EDT. I tried listening on my Cushcraft MA5B beam to see if there is any difference in signal level. It is mostly consistent with an S3 to S7 in most directions. At 300 degrees it was peaking from S4 to S9. I would suspect that under normal conditions propagation on 5 MHz would be about 500 to 700 miles from my location near Pittsburgh. As someone said, it is probably a goof on someone's part. But who? 73 de Chuck W3ON"

UnID. 5000+, by April 3, the FSK/RTTY QRM on the high side of WWV, has gone away. Meanwhile, further discussion of it, first from the MARE Tipsheet: "Jamie Tolbert: I wonder if that's the new stock exchange type communications system that was on the 20m ham band last year; has to do with the Chicago stock exchange. They didn't seem to care they were on 20m last year until someone told them about it." "Charles Gessner: I have been hearing it most of today. I started at 1630-it was strong at my home in West PA. I then tried again at 0030. It is still very strong. As said before someone has done a TDOA direction finding study using online SDRs and determined that it was on an azimuth northwards towards Chicago from Indiana. It is continuous, that's for sure. Oh well." And then on the WOR io group: "Hmm. I just turned on my receiver here at 1425 on Friday April 3, it appears that those FSK signals have disappeared. Strange how that happened. I will check Facebook to see if anyone on the Short Wave Listening group has any reports. I am hearing WWV on 5 MHz at a solid S5 signal, with nothing else heard. 73 de Chuck W3ON Gessner" "Whatever it was, it appears to be gone now at 1600 on 3 April. Early this morning, the signal reverted to a standard 850 Hz FSK transmission, centered about 5.002 MHz, but I don't hear it now in upstate NY, or on any of the Kiwi network receivers that were receiving it yesterday. Jim Barrett. Elmira NY" "Apparently now solved but here's a theory - Some years ago when I was selling HF radios for commercial and government applications. We had a customer that programmed one of their preset channels to exactly 10 MHz for receiving WWV for frequency calibration purposes. One day there was a microprocessor glitch and the unit came up on on exactly 10 MHz and was key-down at 100W for several days. In those days the FCC was a lot more active and tracked it down to the embarrassed organization! Anyway, my theory is that something like that could have happened here, this time to WWV on 5 MHz. Bob LaRose W6ACU San Diego" HAWAII. 5000, April 26 at 0619, WWVH with jittery Doppler flutter on carrier when heard with BFO, sign of severe prop disturbance, very unusual over such a low-latitude path; and NO signal from WWV Colorado which is normally atop here; it can be heard on 2500 though weaker than usual. Just missed the 0618 propagation report on WWV, but 3-hourly Email from WWV says at 0600 the K-index was only 2, SF 69, and no storms

EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 5005, April 19 at 0604, JBA carrier, so it seems Bata is back on air again, probably starting an hour earlier. Ron Howard had found it absent April 16-17-18 and Manuel Méndez agrees it was back today when checked at 0515 [although also about higher frequencies the following include 5010:].

TAIWAN [non]. 5010 //5800 //7780, April 2 at 0200, RTI Spanish via three WRMI frequencies contrary to schedule, repeating the ancient special about World Radio Day which was Feb 13.

USA. Survey of what's really on WRMI frequencies, April 1; much of this at variance with partially updated A-20 skeds at http://www.tinyurl.com/WRMIfqs 5010, Spanish, poor with LAH; "adiós hasta la próxima semana", and Radio Taiwán International s/off at 0128, 0130: 5010, Prague in English, 0200: 5010, Spanish, sounds like RTI again, 0230: 5010, Taiwan in Spanish again just closed, 2 or 3 notes of "Sandunga" and carrier off. Now on updated System H sked at 0100 on 5010, 0200 on 5010 and 5800, 2200 on 7780 = unconfirmed.

USA. Some WRMI observations Thursday April 2: 0130: via Alexandria SDR: 5850 //5010, Oldies 0200: 7780 //5800 //5010, RTI in Spanish on extra frequency, qv.

TAIWAN [non]. 9395 >> //7780 //5010, Saturday April 4 at 0201, following WORLD OF RADIO on the last two: Radio Taiwán Internacional replaying for the n-th time the special test in Spanish of 18 March. Presumably by April 6 there will be new shows each night. WRMI System H sked claims this is on 5010 and 5800! But 5800 had just turned off as at CZECHIA [non].

SCOTLAND [non]. 5850 //5010, Sunday April 5 at 0100-0200, 'Encore' classical music reconfirmed on both WRMI frequencies.

TAIWAN [non]. 5800, April 6 at 0101, ATI Spanish via WRMI on this frequency only, no //s heard. Supposed to be inauguration of new relay after test phase, but unknown whether it's really a new show yet. Repeat of 0200 checked at 0218 via various E USA remotes, to find RTI on *four* frequencies: 5010, 5800, 7780, 9395! 5010 goes off at 0230*

USA. What's really on WRMI at 0130 Monday April 6? 5010 //5850, fill music starting with "Cayman Holiday"

TAIWAN [non]. 7780 //9395 //5010, Tuesday April 7 at 0201, RTI Spanish on three WRMI frequencies, but 5800 has gone off. Opening announces that it's the test program for Tuesday March 17!! Still nothing new on these relays. All programs (ahem) should announce original recording or airdates so we can keep track of them. Usual delayed start following fragment of BZ ID and about a minute of music before off-timesignal and opening. Subject already COVID 19 originating in Hubei province, "continental China", refuting Big Lie that it's a "People's Republic" rather than a Commie dictatorship. BTW, Dr Fauci, it's Hoo-bay, not Hoo-by, but everything else he says is of the greatest credibility. Should you rely on forever impeached acting president Drumpf instead of him, you'll be SORRY or even dead.

USA. What's really on WRMIs, Wednesday Apr 8 at 0100? 5010 //5850, music with BB IDs, Oldies?

SCOTLAND [non]. 5850 //5010, Sunday April 19 at 0100-0200, 'Encore' classical music hour from Radio Tumbril via WRMIs, very good and fair respectively; Playlist is still up from last week. Another chance Monday 02-03 on 9455.

MADAGASCAR [and non]. 5010v, April 13 at 0315, LAH between two weak signals; one is surely RNM as always offset minus, and the other? Maybe WRMI on past nominal 0230* - or a Cuban 5040/5025 leapfrog? Too late for India.

TAIWAN [non]. 5010 //5800 //7780 //9395, April 14 at 0217, RTI Spanish via WRMI on *four* frequencies as we have observed before; now the April 11 update of WRMI skedgrid finally agrees with this observation; always a time lag to match up. The 0100 is shown and heard on 5800 only and the 2200 on 7780 only. I've not yet confirmed whether there really be a new show every night; maybe still mentioning date in openings.

TAIWAN [non]. 5800, April 15 at 0128, WRMI closing RTI Spanish relay with schedule, as if only one frequency each, next one at 0200 on 5010 only, rather than that *PLUS THREE MORE* as I monitored last night but not checked tonight; don't they read my reports? Or look at WRMI skedgrid? CUBA. 5025, April 4 at 0536, Radio Rebelde music is suptorted, as it has been all evening, as often the case.

CUBA. 5025, April 10 at 0553, Radio Rebelde is S9+20/30 but JBM/suptorted. 5040 Radio Havana Cuba in English at same signal level and with usual squealy defective modulation but readable. 5025, April 11 at 0217 check, now it's off, let us hope for much-needed repairs; while 4765 Radio Progreso and 5040 Radio Havana Cuba remain on.

CUBA. 5025, April 12 at 0013, Radio Rebelde back on air at S9+25 after missing last night, and now with OK modulation; but for how long?

CUBA. 5025, April 14 at 0553, Radio Rebelde is off again. Next check 1449 a JBA carrier: remnants normally audible ~sesquihour before sunset to sesquihour after sunrise over this 2+ megameter path.

CUBA. 5025, April 24 at 0541, Radio Rebelde is S9 but just barely modulated.

CUBA. 5040, April 19 at 0615, Radio Havana Cuba is still on but in mushy Spanish when no SW frequency is supposedly scheduled; maybe it was in English at 05-06.

USA. 5085, Wednesday April 1 at 0109, WTWW-2 is off, so no ham-show from Ted; but 5130 WBCQ is on for its W5KUB ham show, caller from Wyoming about gardening.

USA. 5085 //5830, April 2 at 0114, WTWW back on both frequencies, but both running SFAW gospel huxter, No rock on 5085. Has there been a counter-coup by SFAW HQ vs Ted's takeover of #2 transmitter for commercial rock and ham stuff? No, by 0511, 5085 has resumed rock music at S9+40 while on other side of the mega-meter MUF, 5830 talk is JBA, weaker than neighbor 5935 WWCR.

USA. 5085, April 2 at 2355, WTWW-2 is on earlier than usual *0100 except Saturdays, hard-sell ad by Ted. FYI: hard-sell ads by Ted or anyone

are immediate turn-offs for me. I will not buy *anything* that is pestering me to do so!

USA. 5085, Sunday April 5 at 0030 check, WTWW-2 with 'TONITO' in progress (Theatre Organ not in the Ozarks), so I switch to \$tereo webcast.

0052 mixed with music are growls, from a cat?! 0055 Bob Heil wraps up saying it was guest organist Len playing, 0056 back to rock.

USA. 5085, April 10 at 0552, WTWW-2 is so weak at only S9/+10 that I can't hear the spurs on 5072.1 and 5097.9! Since neighbor 4840 WWCR is just as weak, we know the MUF has dropped out, a propagation problem. The 5830 and 5935 pair are similar at JBA level. 18 hours later, 5085 is already on and almost up to usual strength with spurs.

USA. 5085, April 12 at 0012, WTWW-2 tune-in finds TONITO already running earlier than usual, S9+30/40 somewhat distorted organ music and I'm not near the computer for the \$tereo webcast. Applause between selections, and considerable hum, background noise during pauses, but doesn't sound like air compressor. 0030 during final piece other extraneous noises, animal? 0032 outro as again a performance by guest Len; 0033 finished, into a Morse CQ as ham-stuff resumes.

USA. 6159.959v, Sunday April 12 at 2325, WBCQ is on here again like last night instead of 5130 off for maintenance; music but undermodulated.

USA. 6159.911V, 0132 Wednesday April 15, WBCQ, S9+20/10, still on here instead of 5130, rippling carrier marring modulation, which is *not* the 'W5KUB Amateur Radio Roundtable' as scheduled 0100-0230 on 5130, but - after NHTSA PSA, 'Hal Turner'! //7490.1v and WRMI 9455. But Turner is supposed to be on 5130 only on Thursdays at 0100-0300.

USA. 5130, Friday April 17 at 0121, this WBCQ is back on, having been away for maintenance since April 11 - and with another expansion of Hal Turner. But 6160.017v, its substitute, is also still on //, S9+10 but suptorted modulation. Previously it was on minus side of 6160. We shall see if this lead to 6160v remaining airable.

USA. 6160v, April 19 at 0014, this WBCQ is still off, but 5130 is S9, undermodulated and wobbly like 6160 was, so same transmitter? 0049 sounds better with music, tweaked, or swapped back to original transmitter? This hour is scheduled as GRITS Radio on Area 51.
USA. 5129.987, Wednesday April 22 at 0127, WBCQ with 'Amateur Radio Roundtable', S9+10/20 but heavy approaching storm noise level

impossiblizes copy, other than interviewee sounds like a South Asian accent. Almost on-frequency as this transmitter has achieved lately. So is 6160v also on again, //? Apparently so as signature off-frequency 6159.917V has a JBA signal combined with high storm noise level to register S7-S9. Recheck 0222, 5130 still going but if it's really the other WBCQ, JBA carrier in storm noise now measured down to 6159.703V.

USA. 6159.917V, April 24 at 0134, WBCQ-#? is on and wavering off-frequency with talk show, presumably Hal Turner, whom I have no interest in hearing; and without // matching, sounds like same thing on 5130 and on 7490.110v; and 9455 WRMI.

NORTH AMERICA. 5165.04, April 2 at 0014, S7 JBA music, must be a pirate; low weaker het from closer to 5165.00, maybe birdie. Depend on hfunderground to clear it up: numerous logs here https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,64931.0.html as Radio Illuminati starting at 2133 April 1 until off at 0032 April 2. AFD is reputed to be a prime day for piracy, but only one I hear, none on 6.9 MHz band.

NORTH AMERICA. 5165-AM, April 5 at 0003, S7-S9 undermodulated talk. These say it's X-FM relay also on two other frequencies: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,65084.15.html

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



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WHAT was received: L = Letter with personalized statement; F = Form letter; Q = QSL card, commercially printed; C = Postcard or similar card supplied by station; P = Prepared card or form supplied by DXer; R = DXer's report returned with statement; cf = Certificate; E = Verification by Email; fx = Verification by FAX; M = Coverage map; B = Bumper or other sticker; bc = Business card; + = Extra goodies

WHEN the reply came: Number of days elapsed: f = Follow-up, by mail, FAX. Email, or visit: n = Return postage not used: r = Return postage returned

NOTES: * [For this column] = Martin sent his report to the Program Director; ** [For this column] = These are updated addresses from WVON's website; note the slight difference in Suite numbers for the two stations

Thanks to Eric, Martin, and Nigel for their tips this month: resulting in another robust column! Nigel included some comments from several of the veries he received that might help others verify these stations. The signer for CFRA-580 mentioned that Nigel's report was the first one from western Canada in some time; the signer for WEPN-1050 applauded Nigel's "dedication to the lost art of DXing"; and the signer for WGVU-1480 mentioned that he also likes to scan the AM band for distant signals using his GE Superadio. This column was prepared on 4/27/20. 73, SSH.

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4/21/2020 6:27 PM

RE: KSTN heard in Orange County

To Martin Foltz <martinfoltz@cox.net>

Hello Martin,

Thank you so much for tuning in all the way in Southern California!! Yes that is a correct report of our AM signal 1420. I can't believe you can hear us all the way in Orange County!

Thank you for listening and taking the time to email us! I hope you and your family are staying safe in these unsure times and all is well.

All the best, The Bull

From: Martin Foltz < martinfoltz@cox.net > Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2020 5:14 PM

To: info 1059thebull.com <info@1059thebull.com>

Subject: KSTN heard in Orange County

I listen to radio as a hobby and yesterday morning I listened to 105.9 The Bull on KSTN here in Orange County California.

I would like to receive a verification that my report is correct. I'm including an MP3 file that starts at 5:55:00 AM PDT along with the report. It's nice to hear music on AM radio. There seems to be more of it in the past few years.

I hope everyone at the station is safe and well during this virus epidemic

Martin Foltz

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6. The contest will end 2359 on May 31 2020 so there are not too many weeks left to DX for contest stations! - Nancy

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