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### STOP PRESS:

Welcome to new members this month.. F L Kincaid in Michigan, USA; Barry Williams, Wolverhampton; Ian Sharman, Northampton; Pentti J Savolainen in Finland; Bernie Steponitis in Dubai; Ronald Curtis in Texas; Brian Eatherton in Wisbech

Welcome to the Circle!

### LATE NEWS

**Radio Yunost** in Russia no longer operates on medium waves. The transmitting is completely stopped on medium and long waves(153kHz).Now on them only noise, broadcasts nothing. You can find more correct actual information about Russian MW and FM on http://victorcity.dxing.ru/f-indexr.htm (Russian language). *from Andrew Nogovitsyn via Gunter Lorenz (31/8/10)* 

**Pakistan**: It appears that during the recent disastrous floods, emergency public service announcements have been broadcast on FM transmitters (I'm not sure if that means they were not using MW for special broadcasts). <u>http://www.radio.gov.pk/flood\_s.htm</u>

Stop Press Deadlines: $30^{\text{th}}$  September for October 2010 $30^{\text{th}}$  October for November 2010

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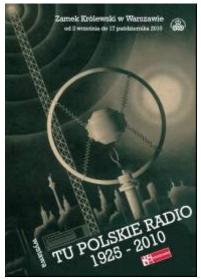
## EDITORIAL

#### with Steve Whitt

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Welcome back to monthly editions of Medium Wave News.

## Polish Radio's 85 years of broadcasting exhibition



An exhibition on Polskie Radio's 85 year history of broadcasting has began at the Royal Castle in Warsaw. The 1925-2010 Polish Radio exhibition presents a history of Poland's public broadcaster including developments in technology and some of the personalities and programmes that became part of the daily lives of listeners throughout the eight and a half decades.

The exhibition, which runs till 17 October, contains 390 photographs, dozens of posters and multimedia presentations based on the Polish Radio archives. <u>http://www.zamek-krolewski.pl/?page=Tu\_polskie\_radio</u>

Also see Polskie Radio's own website for a historical timeline: <u>http://polskieradio.pl/85/kalendarium/</u> replete with audio clips and photos of important events.

### BBC Burmese service celebrates 70 years

The BBC's Burmese radio service, the first broadcast media in the Burmese language, marks its 70th anniversary today. The milestone is being celebrated in Mae Sot, Thailand, a border town across the Moei River from Burma, with the distribution of free Hello monthly journals.

Although the Voice of America Burmese service and two stations in exile provide public broadcasting in Burmese, the BBC's service has a larger audience. Small teams based in Bangkok and London's Bush House broadcast to an estimated 22.9% of Burma's adult population, and in times of national crisis these figures soar.

Most of the audience who listen to the Burmese service in Burma still have to do so in secret because of extensive junta censorship. (*via Andy Sennitt*)

## Radio map of the UK - 1920 style

Ken Baird has made available a fascinating radio map of the UK showing broadcast, commercial, ham, aviation stations etc as they were c1920 (I'm not sure of the exact date). It is VERY large and took me 1.5 mins to download via broadband - but well worth it: http://www.ayrshirehistory.eu/tadx/map\_radio\_map\_of\_britain.html (*Paul Crankshaw*)

## Loran ceases broadcasts from USA

At 1316 local time, 03 Aug 2010, ETCS Fred Ripley, USCG, Officer in Charge of USCG Loran Station Caribou, directed ET2 Andrew Petersen to secure the Canadian East Coast 5930 Master Signal, terminating last United States Coast Guard Loran-C transmission. Loran Stations Shoal Cove, George and Nantucket had secured their transmissions just before Caribou. All the USCG loran transmitters are now silent.

For the first time since 1942, there is not a loran signal in the atmosphere above United States or the Canada. There are no longer any Coast Guard engineers and technicians designing new systems, maintaining and operation fielded ones or providing support to the field units to keep them on air

and in tolerance. With this, the Coast Guard's Loran-C engineering mission is complete and the Loran Support Unit engineers and technicians now move forward to disestablish our unit.



In this US Coast Guard video you see the demolishing of the 625foot LORAN-C tower in Attu, home of the westernmost Coast Guard unit in Alaska. <u>http://theuptake.org/2010/08/14/blowing-up-acold-war-era-radio-tower/</u>

The US Congress voted to cut the Long Range Aids To Navigation (LORAN-C) project in the 2010 budget after it was determined it wasn't needed as a back up to Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) technology. Shutting down LORAN-C will save \$36 million in fiscal 2010 and \$190 million over five years, according to the Office of Management and Budget.

### Protect your hard drive

Many DXers will make use of large capacity hard drives, with Seagate and Maxtor being significant suppliers in the market. They are both brands made by the same company. Some of their larger hard drives have been prone to failure and there is quite a lot on the web about it. While I was aware of the problem, I had thought that because the problem had been around for a while, Seagate would not be putting drives onto the market with the problems uncorrected. I was wrong!

In the last two months I have had two Seagate drive failures, one 500GB and one 1,000GB. They are both internal SATA drives. The 500GB failed due to damaged sectors and I got warning of its failure, so was able to back it up before it failed completely. I lost no files as a result.

Seagate produce diagnostic software called "Seatools" which is useful for examining the health of HDDs. It works well and is essential if you want to return a drive for repair. It's on the CD that comes with the drive if there was one, or is downloadable from the Seagate website (Seagate>Support>downloads). It analyses the health of all your HDDs and if there is a problem returns a Seatools Error Code which is required if you return the drive under warranty.

The second drive to fail (1TB) just suddenly stopped being detected after working faultlessly for about nine months. The drive was spinning but neither the BIOS nor Windows detected it and booting up took much longer than normal. The HDD activity light on the PC was lit continuously. I've since found out that this failure mode is common, it happens when the drive starts up on power-on. The drive can be working perfectly when you switch the PC off then not work at all when you next switch on. From what I can tell the drives affected are all internal SATA drives. In these circumstances nothing can communicate with the drive, so Seatools won't work.

I found out (only after it failed!) that had I downloaded updated firmware for the drive, the failure could have been avoided. New firmware is available from Seagate; at this page <u>http://seagate.custkb.com/seagate/crm/selfservice/search.jsp?DocId=207931&NewLang=en</u> there are details of the drives affected. At the bottom of the page there are a couple of links by which you can check whether firmware updates are available. Seagate say that the firmware upgrade may be performed without losing data but recommend backing up data first. This may mean buying another drive and copying to that. Possibly better than losing it altogether though!

The good news is that Seagate replaced both my drives under warranty. The replacement process is straightforward and quick. All you need for the warranty process is the drive's serial number and part number, available from the label on the drive. No proof of purchase is needed. You don't get back your original drive or the data that was on it, but you get a "remanufactured" drive of the same spec, and the warranty is honoured.

I found that the Seagate Chat <u>http://www.seagate.com/staticfiles/support/chat/supportchat\_en.html</u> was efficient at dealing with my queries.

In summary, if you have valuable recordings / SDR files then:

- back them up;
- check for firmware upgrades;
- install any that apply and

if your drive shows any sign of distress then back it up immediately!

Hard drives are relatively cheap nowadays so having multiple HDDs installed in one PC is both affordable and a sensible precaution.

I hope this helps other DXers. (Andrew Brade)

#### WWVA towers destroyed by high winds

Wednesday, August 4, 2010: All three radio towers of WWVA 1170kHz in Wheeling,. West Virginia collapsed after high winds rolled through the area. There is a massive amount of damage after Wednesday's severe storm, which has been classified as a down burst by the National Weather Service.

The damage is widespread. All three of WWVA-AM radio towers collapsed because of Wednesday's high wind. The site, just off of Barton Road in Belmont County, Ohio, has become a tourist destination.

Bill Timken, an employee of the wide reaching WWVA said he couldn't believe what he saw when he pulled up to the site. "It's something I didn't think I would ever see," said Timken. We don't know what the plans are for replacing the towers but we'll continue to monitor the situation and pass that information along to you.

CAPSTAR TX LLC SEEKS SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO OPERATE STATION WWVA WITH A LONG WIRE ANTENNA IN A NON-DIRECTIONAL MANNER WITH POWER REDUCED TO NOT EXCEED 12.5 KW, BOTH DAY AND NIGHT, DUE TO VERY SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE TO ALL 3 OF THE SELF SUPPORTING TOWERS UTILIZED AS ELEMENTS IN THE WWVA ANTENNA ARRAY.

AN EXTREME WIND EVENT IN THE LATE AFTERNOON OF AUGUST 4, 2010 RESULTED IN EACH TOWER BEING DAMAGED IN SUCH A MANNER THAT ONLY 40 TO 50 FEET OF EACH SELF SUPPORTING TOWER WAS LEFT STANDING. (*FCC request from WWVA*)

WWVA is now back on air with temporary facilities

#### AOR UK closes

I've noticed that AOR UK (Matlock) has closed from 30th June 2010 with AOR now being represented by Waters and Stanton in Essex . Richard Hillier is remaining "involved with the brand". This is the end of the chapter that produced the AOR 7030. (*Andrew Brade*)

#### Member to Member

Member Ronald Hagenen is looking for an S.E.M. QRM Eliminator that he can use for MW DX. If anyone is able to help, please contact Ronald direct at rhagensen@web.de

#### Now on with the show

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## US DAYTIMER TARGETS

kHz	Call	City of licence	State	Power	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
1160	WSKW	Skowhegan	ME	100001 10kW	2245	2200	2115	2100
1320	WDER	Derry	NH	10kW	2300	2200	2115	2100
1540	WGIP	Exeter	NH	5kW	2300	2200	2115	2115
890	WAMG	Dedham	MA	25kW	2300	2200	2130	2115
1200	WKOX	Framingham	MA	10kW	2300	2200	2130	2115
760	WCHP	Champlain	NY	35kW	2300	2215	2130	2115
1520	WIZZ	Greenfield	MA	10kW	2300	2215	2130	2115
1280	WADO	NYC	NY	50kW	2300	2215	2145	2130
970	WNYM	Hackensack	NJ	50kW	2300	2215	2145	2130
1500	WFIF	Milford	CT	5kW	2315	2215	2130	2130
1160	WVNJ	Oakland	NJ	20kW	2315	2215	2145	2130
1540	WNWR	Philadelphia	PA	50kW	2315	2215	2145	2130
1290	WWTX	Wilmington	DE	2.5kW	2315	2230	2145	2145
1600	WXXY	Dover	DE	5kW	2315	2230	2145	2145
850	WTAR	Norfolk	VA	50kW	2315	2230	2200	2145
980	WTEM	Washington	DC	50kW	2315	2230	2200	2145
1110	WYRM	Norfolk	VA	50kW	2315	2230	2200	2145
1120	WUST	Washington	DC	20kW	2315	2230	2200	2145
1310	WGH	Newport News	VA	20kW	2315	2230	2200	2145
1070	WNCT	Greenville	NC	10kW	2315	2230	2200	2200
1290	WDZY	Colonial Heights	VA	25kW	2315	2230	2200	2200
1180	WMYT	Carolina Beach	NC	10kW	2315	2245	2215	2200
1160	WCCS	Homer City	PA	10kW	2330	2245	2200	2145
1390	WNIO	Youngstown	OH	9.8kW	2330	2245	2200	2200
680	WPTF	Raleigh	NC	50kW	2330	2245	2215	2200
680	WKAZ	Charleston	WV	10kW	2330	2245	2215	2200
860	WOAY	Oak Hill	WV	10kW	2330	2245	2215	2200
970	WJMX	Florence	SC	10kW	2330	2245	2215	2215
1190	WBDY	Bluefield	VA	10kW	2330	2245	2215	2215
1290	WHKY	Hickory	NC	50kW	2330	2245	2215	2215
1040	WLVJ	Boynton Beach	FL	25kW	2330	2300	2230	2230
680	WCNN	North Atlanta	GA	50kW	2345	2300	2230	2230
790	WQXI	Atlanta	GA	28kW	2345	2300	2230	2230
1190	WAFS	Atlanta	GA	25kW	2345	2300	2230	2230
1430	WPLN	Madison	TN	15kW	2400	2315	2245	2230
940	WCPC	Houston	MS	50kW	2400	2315	2300	2245
1600	WMQM	Lakeland	TN	50kW	2400	2315	2300	2245
1060	WLNO	New Orleans	LA	50kW	2400	2330	2300	2300
1600	KLEB	Golden Meadow	LA	5kW	2400	2330	2300	2300
1430	KTBZ	Tulsa	OK	25kW	2430	2345	2315	2315

This table lists the times (in UTC) when certain stations cut power considerably or closedown. Just prior to these times there is an enhanced opportunity for European DXers to hear these stations on full power. Most of these stations have been heard in the UK in this manner.

## July 2010 Oregon Beach Ultralight DXpedition

Stumbling Across a Hot Spot for South Pacific DX

By Gary DeBock, Puyallup, WA, USA August 2010



For Pacific Northwest DXing enthusiasts eager to log exotic DX from Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific islands, the Grayland Motel on the Washington state coast has been the venue of choice for many years. Every year during the summer "DU" (down under) DX-chasing season, various DXers from western Washington descend upon Grayland to try their luck, content that the isolated ocean beach site is providing the best in South Pacific propagation.

Having enjoyed five such DU-chasing sessions at Grayland myself with Ultralight gear in previous years (occasionally with good friends like Guy Atkins and the late John Bryant), I had a fairly good idea of what to expect from the famous site. Perhaps because of incessant dreams of exotic Pacific DX, I was always willing to tolerate the little quirks of the Grayland Motel, which has somewhat less than a five-star reputation. Unfortunately, my wife and son did not share my enthusiasm for the famous DXing venue. For our 7-day family vacation this summer, they both made it abundantly clear that the Grayland Motel did not make the final cut—a very lucky decision, as it turned out!

<u>Two Days in Seaside</u> "Plan B" was to book a one-week vacation at the Seashore Inn in Seaside, Oregon, near the home of Patrick Martin, perhaps the resident expert on west coast TP reception. As Patrick related to us later, the choice of the Seashore Inn was a dubious decision, due to a unique combination of RF hash along the beach walkway and a beach crowded with campfire-building tourists (using fire wood actually sold by the Seashore Inn itself).

For the first two days of the DXpedition, it was necessary to carry my entire listening station down to the surf in total darkness in one trip, in order to avoid pilfering, and the thick smoke from tourists crowding the beach throughout the night. This involved a one-trip journey with the modified PL-380, AM and LW 7.5" plug-in loopsticks, modified ICF-2010 SSB spotting receiver, MP3 recorder, portable PVC 3' tuned passive loop, PVC loop base, WRTH, logbook and flashlight—all at 0430 local time every day. The smoke-dodging hassle got old very quickly, and provided sufficient motivation for a quick change of vacation venue to the Liberty Inn Motel in Lincoln City, Oregon, another ocean beach location about 80 miles south of Seaside.

Despite the multiple hassles of DXing on the surf at Seaside, however, the South Pacific DX logged that first morning (July 18<sup>th</sup>) was exceptional, and included several DU stations never before logged on Ultralight gear at Grayland. The South Pacific propagation to Seaside was excellent indeed, providing abundant evidence of why Patrick has been so successful over the decades.

<u>A Dream DXing Venue</u> Arriving in Lincoln City on July 20<sup>th</sup>, we quickly discovered that the local beach park (within six blocks of the Liberty Inn) was situated on a cliff about 100' above the surf, and included an ideal picnic table for Ultralight DXpedition usage. The park was always deserted at the bizarre hour of 1140 UTC (0440 local time), when I arrived every morning to set up my portable

loop and Ultralight listening station. In comparison to Grayland, the South Pacific DX at Lincoln City turned out to be exceptional, to the extent that it seemed to be in an entirely different propagation league. Several DU stations that never managed a trace for me (or John Bryant) on Ultralight gear at Grayland (a presumed 585-2WEB, 603-Radio Waatea, and the Aussie talk station on 639) were S6-S7 regulars every morning at Lincoln City.

Occasional visitors like a French-sounding station on 666 kHz and 684-Radio Fiji had also never shown up for us at all on ULR's at Grayland, despite John's very sensitive Wellbrook Arrays. Faced with an embarrassment of DU riches (and a loop design that could only optimize reception on one frequency at a time), I was forced to concentrate on the lower band frequencies—and still had far more South Pacific DX than I could handle during the entire 5 days in



Lincoln City. My detailed DX search only got up to around 765 kHz, before we needed to pack up and head for home!

<u>The latest in Ultralight Radios, Spotting Receivers and Portable Loops</u> Although the total cost of the modified Ultralight radio and 3' loop used in this vacation was under \$125, both had been tweaked for maximum effectiveness This South Pacific DXpedition would be the first to feature the new Tecsun PL-380 model, an innovative pocket radio with excellent DSP-enhanced selectivity. Its



sensitivity was boosted by newly-designed 7.5" plug-in loopsticks for both AM and LW, providing fairly competitive stand-alone DXing performance on either band. Adding a potent AM signal boost (by inductive coupling) was a portable 3' PVC-framed tuned passive loop, designed to easily fit in a crammed compact car trunk (along with its portable PVC base) when disassembled. After reassembly in the dark (within a couple of minutes), this 3' tuned passive loop system provided enough DX signal gain to make this humble \$125 Ultralight listening station surprisingly effective in

chasing South Pacific DX.

To check propagation and determine suitable DXing targets, a modified ICF-2010 SSB spotting

receiver (with a transplanted 19.5" loopstick) was constantly tuned around the lower AM frequencies, providing continual updates on the SSB heterodyne strength of any DU station in memory. The ICF-2010's LED signal display allowed easy peaking of the 3' PVC loop on any AM frequency in the dark, since the 2010's LED display lit up like a Christmas tree whenever the loop's tuned frequency was adjusted to match its own. The modified PL-380 then only needed to be brought within inductive coupling range



of the 3' portable loop for a potent DXing signal boost, and an immediate MP3 recording (if desired).

In general the system worked very well, although Lincoln City's location to the southwest of Portland, Oregon (and Seattle, Washington) meant that the 3' loop encountered some domestic splatter from the back side on certain frequencies as it chased DU's to the southwest, due to its figure-8 reception pattern. The 1 kHz DSP selectivity of the Tecsun PL-380 tended to minimize this inconvenience, but it was still noticeable on several "big gun" DU frequencies like 567, 576 and 657 kHz. Fortunately, the South Pacific DX signal strength was usually potent enough to break through.



On the other hand, the small "footprint" of the portable 3' loop (and PVC base) allowed quick setup on practically any ocean beach or cliff top location in Oregon, providing great freedom to investigate South Pacific or daytime DX propagation (while providing a fairly competitive level of AM sensitivity). Although DXers' opinions concerning antennas are many and varied, the antenna choice tradeoff between weak-signal performance and setup convenience seemed to have reached a perfect compromise with the use of the portable 3' loop during this DXing trip. The flexibility to set up at ideal beach-side locations probably provided South Pacific DXing results that would never have been possible inside motel rooms, especially those with stray RF issues.

<u>Summary</u> The sudden loss of John Bryant in February hit the west coast TP-chasing group pretty hard, and this is the first

summer DU-chasing season that we are without him. John had invested the last two years of his talented life working together with me (and many others) to build up the Ultralight Radio enthusiast group, and he took great pride in the fact that we were bringing new enthusiasm and excitement into the AM-DXing hobby. I like to think that John would have been very pleased to see the results of this Oregon Beach DXpedition, in which the humble Ultralight radio performed far beyond expectations, and perhaps led the way in finding an area of superior South Pacific propagation.

We all miss John greatly, but his mission of bringing new excitement and enthusiasm to the AM-DXing hobby lives on, and I hope that this Ultralight DXpedition has contributed in some small way to that overall goal of John. If the excitement experienced during this Oregon Beach trip was any indication of the future of AM-DXing, the future seems very bright indeed!

73 and Good DX to All, Gary DeBock (in Puyallup, WA, USA)

<u>DX Loggings</u> Unless otherwise indicated, all loggings were made with a modified Tecsun PL-380 DSP receiver (having a 7.5" plug-in AM loopstick) inductively coupled to a 3' portable PVC-framed tuned passive loop. Times are in UTC. Sincere thanks is given to Patrick Martin, Chuck Hutton, Bruce Portzer and Guy Atkins for their extensive help in sorting out many unidentified South Pacific station mysteries, as indicated. Various MP3 recording links are included after selected loggings.

153 Radio Rossii Komsomolsk, Russia An LW regular in both Seaside and Lincoln City, //180 and 279 kHz. This was the second strongest of the three stations, after 279 kHz. Received on the PL-380 with a 7.5" LW plug-in loopstick in Lincoln City, 1152 7-24 http://www.mediafire.com/?skaffgagzalo6ij

- 180 Radio Rossii Belogorsk, Russia The weakest of three LW Russians, received on the 7.5" LW loopstick PL-380 at 1153, 7-19 in Seaside.
- 279 Radio Rossii Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Russia Strongest of the LW Russians all week. Heard on the 7.5" LW loopstick PL-380 at 1133, 7-18 in Seaside. http://www.mediafire.com/?wes5amhcb3n5cqt
- 531 2PM Port Macquarie, Australia (presumed) Classic rock and very infrequent ID's, usually only at TOH (according to Patrick). Heard with marginal signals at 1219 7-23 in Lincoln City for this MP3, the station was generally alone on the frequency: <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?zfb6r7ok6356df6</u>. A Grayland regular.
- 558 UnID All week long a DU station was at threshold audio here, but could never quite seal the. deal. Multiple possibilities (4AM, 7BU, 4GY, etc.), according to Patrick.
- 567 2YA Wellington, New Zealand (National Radio) Kiwi propagation beacon, this 50 kW "big gun" was usually the first DU to come into audio each morning (along with 657-Southern Star). With a mixed format of easy listening music and talk, it was often pestered by 570-KVI splatter, as in this MP3 at Seaside at 1215 on 7-18: http://www.mediafire.com/?6hqo9ozof69d4m0
- 576 2RN Sydney, Australia An ABC 50 kW station that occasionally had decent signals during the week, but usually pestered by 570-KVI splatter from the back side of the loop
- 585 2WEB Bourke, Australia (presumed) The fairly strong classic rock signals from this 5 kW station heard in Seaside at 1229 on 7-18 provided the first big surprise of the DXpedition <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?x5avb1mw42lncqj</u>. Heard regularly throughout the week, it had never managed a trace for John or me at Grayland on ULR's. (thanks to Chuck and Patrick for suggestions).
- 594 3WV Horsham, Australia Strong ABC 50 kW station that usually owned the frequency throughout the week, as in this recording at 1229 on 7-22 in Lincoln City http://www.mediafire.com/?ryp1po3a43w5cjy.
- 594 NZ-Rhema (Two stations in New Zealand) Occasionally audible with Christian contemporary music // 648 kHz on mornings with Kiwi-slanted propagation, as in this Lincoln City recording (without 3WV QRM) at 1239 on 7-23 http://www.mediafire.com/?5r98o54tzhea4t3
- 603 R. Waatea Auckland, New Zealand Another DXpedition surprise, with fairly strong Maori language programs almost every morning. A solid Lincoln City recording at 1234 on 7-23 made me wonder why John and I had never heard a trace of this on ULR's at Grayland <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?mxy9odb6ml42e0z</u>. The station was a regular all week, having a varied music format with Maori speech, as in the Lincoln City MP3 at 1229 on 7-21 <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?4t8pkr4bf3m83s3</u>
- 603 UnID-DU In this recording made at Seaside on 7-18 at 1222, both an easy-listening music station and a more lively music station (mixing toward the end of the MP3) are audible. <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?i5xtjw3ktalas0n</u> It's unclear which of the two is Radio Waatea, but the other may be 2RN, according to a suggestion from Bruce.
- 639 Radio Fiji One Laotoka, Fiji This 10 kW station was a DXpedition regular all week, usually fighting it out with a surprisingly strong talk station (presumed 2HC). Polynesian choral music was a large part of the programming, as in this Lincoln City MP3 at 1236 on July 22 <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?rog2ac43nqio2dg</u>
- 639 2HC Coff's Harbour, Australia (presumed) Another big surprise, this talk back station

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gave surprisingly stiff competition to Fiji almost every morning of the week, but had never been heard on ULR's at Grayland. This Seaside MP3 made at 1257 on 7-18 shows its strength <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?c1nwlbzljz4y23k</u>, and it occasionally fought it out with Fiji in a snarl, made worse by KFI heterodynes joining in (as in this Lincoln City recording made on 7-20 at 1241): <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?9n6jzr9ali2g2pw</u>. Thanks to Chuck for various info.

- 648 NZ-Rhema Gisborne, New Zealand This 5 kW station was a regular on most mornings with Christian contemporary music, and no DU competition. Occasionally it had quite good signals through the splatter, as in this Lincoln City MP3 on 7-23 at 1312: http://www.mediafire.com/?ahfdfdf61bszo11
- 657 2YC Wellington, New Zealand (Southern Star) Along with 567, this was usually the first DU to fade in, providing an indication of Kiwi propagation. Signal strength for its easy listening music programs was usually good, but with occasional domestic splatter from the loop's back side, as in this Lincoln City MP3 on 7-22 at 1205: http://www.mediafire.com/?swafbjya6wcsvt9
- 657 UnID-DU Occasionally mixing with 2YC on exceptional mornings was the talk format station in the early part of this MP3 recorded in Lincoln City at 1238 on 7-20: <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?7cetp8yj1r8i8ke</u> This may be 2BY (an ABC station), according to a suggestion from Chuck.
- 666 UnID-DU (French-sounding speech) An easy listening music station that was an occasional visitor in Lincoln City (only on exceptional mornings), this was probably the DXpedition's "big one that got away." The only speech recording made (in Lincoln City at 1227 on 7-20) <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?t55oe9qdruhu22v</u> was marginal, and though the intonation was "French-like," there just wasn't enough clarity to claim a presumed logging of the only French DU station on the frequency (Noumea, New Caledonia). Easy listening music made up most of the weak station's format, as in this MP3 recorded in Lincoln City on 7-23 at 1243 <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?17z1lianu94zz59</u>. A nice DX target for the next trip!
- 675 3YA Christchurch, New Zealand (National Radio) The strongest of the Kiwi stations throughout the week, this station's mixed format of easy listening music and talk was usually pounding in each morning, // 567 kHz. Its frequency helped it to avoid much splatter, as in this Lincoln City recording on 7-24 at 1239 http://www.mediafire.com/?u5tilrrhkbg833s
- 684 Radio Fiji One Labasa, Fiji Thanks to a tip from Walt, this 2.5 kW parallel of 639-Fiji was identified as having identical programming during infrequent fade-ins. With anemic signal strength, it was never audible when 2KP was around, and waited until exceptional mornings to show up at all..
- 684 2KP Kempsey, Australia One of the weaker ABC stations throughout the DXpedition, despite the relatively splatter-free frequency. Its signal rarely amounted to much (except during exceptional Aussie propagation), and it usually played hide and seek, along with 684-Fiji.
- 702 2BLSydney, AustraliaRegular good signals were common with this 50 kW ABC station<br/>all week long, although it didn't quite reach the legendary level of 738-2NR.
- 738 2NR Grafton, Australia The blowtorch signal level of this 50 kW ABC station in both Seaside and Lincoln City was one of the big surprises of the trip, and it was the strongest DU heard during the vacation. This booming MP3 made at Seaside on 7-18 at 1240 was typical: <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?h97pv3inxv2hr27</u>.
  738-Radio Tahiti (in French) was also on the frequency, however, and when these two DU "big guns" chose to fight it out, the result could sound almost catastrophic, as in this bizarre MP3 recorded in Lincoln City at 1255 on 7-20:

http://www.mediafire.com/?eea954j14dmzalm . This Armageddon-like signal pegged the PL-380's S/N display at 55/25, and was heard on a barefoot SRF-T615

iti Mahina, Tahiti This 20 kW French-language station was extremely strong throughout the week, but had the misfortune of sharing the frequency with 2NR. French speech and music often mixed with 2NR's English, as in this recording made in Lincoln City at 1300, 7-20: <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?97939k3l27e7orh</u>
Auckland, New Zealand (National Radio) Usually playing easy listening music and trying to make it through 750-KXL splatter, this Kiwi 10 kW station was much weaker than its 675 parallel. Audible only during favorable propagation.
Playing upbeat popular music, this mystery station showed up in Lincoln City for a last-day MP3 at 1220 on 7-24: <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?z5dyefc6doeyc5g</u> Because of strong Kiwi propagation at the time I thought that this might be the 2.5 kW Maori station 2XT, but the speech between songs sounds like English, and Guy suggests 2EC in Bega, Australia. Bruce also received 5CC here, in the early 90's.
Melbourne, Australia This 50 kW ABC station was a powerhouse on most mornings, but usually troubled by 770-KTTH splatter. Curiously, there was never even a trace of the Japanese mega-station JOUB on the frequency all week, in Oregon.
Brisbane, Australia During the infrequent times when checked, this music-oriented ABC station was holding down the split frequency very well. Depending upon propagation, this could be one of the more vibrant Aussies.
Adelaide, Australia This 50 kW Southern Australia ABC blaster had signals second only to 738-2NR on most mornings. This MP3 in Lincoln City at 1225 on 7-22 was typical, in which ABC's coverage of the Australian election season is being promoted: <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?7024pszgdr8vs4o</u> . The station also played some nice music at times, as in this banjo music recording in Lincoln City on 7-24 at 1302: <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?s3d55axxtbx31oc</u>
5AN occasionally had competition from fast-talking QRM (presumed to be the 5 kW Townsville station, 4TAB), as in this MP3 recorded at 1308 on 7-20 in Lincoln City: <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?0az52aamuq7x5az</u>
Brisbane, Australia Very strong signal at times, but usually pestered with 1120 kHz splatter. This MP3 of a talk back program was recorded in Lincoln City on 7-24 at 1310: <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?5gguvk71b7ni4xj</u>
During a rare upper band check, audio was noted on this frequency in Lincoln City on 7-24 around 1302, with a format similar to the NZ Radio Sport Network (heard before on ULR's at Grayland).
Newcastle, Australia Although upper band DX chasing was rare during this trip, this 10 kW music-oriented ABC station usually came through with decent strength (like in Grayland), and was the premier upper band DU signal.

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

Tecsun PL-380 AM-FM-SW-LW DSP receiver	review <u>http://www.mediafire.com/?w4yuzhj2kyz</u>
3' Portable PVC Loop pictorial article	http://www.mediafire.com/?hqyzzu1mvyt
PVC Loop Article	http://www.mediafire.com/?igw1zjwfzmw
PL-360/ PL-380 7.5" Plug-in Loopstick article	http://www.mediafire.com/?yummxhqeyjy
Supercharging the ICF-2010 (19.5" loopstick)	http://www.mediafire.com/?lrlmpp0bjw7x8p7

## NORTH AMERICAN NEWS

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#### with Andrew Brade

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Hello again. Here is what's been happening on the North American AM dial. May I express my gratitude to the organisations which make this summary possible? Thanks this month to: - IRCA, ABDX, NRC DX News, FCC, CRTC, DXLD.

As the nights get longer in the Northern Hemisphere it's time to start rediscovering the stations from North America that have been mostly absent over the summer months. This issue there are a few changes to report that affect stations that are commonly heard in Europe, so we begin with them.



**1060 WBIX:** Interesting news regarding the business station 1060 WBIX. Natick MA – the station is potentially to change to Catholic religious programming if the sale by the owner, Alex Langer, goes ahead. It's possible that the new station will use the callsign WQOM and be on the air by 1<sup>st</sup> November.

**930 CJYQ**: This station, previously heard commonly in Europe, has not been heard so much recently. The station has applied to the CRTC to reduce its nighttime output from 25kW directional to 3.5kW non-directional due to deterioration of their antenna.

Meanwhile Radioworld reports that KYHN 1650 Fort Smith AR might return to the airwaves as a minority community radio station.

#### CANADIAN RADIO NEWS

930 CJYQ St. John's, NL Applies for U5 25000/3500, decreasing their nighttime power and going non-directional and relocating that night transmitter. The wording of the application isn't too clear whether they plan to locate the night transmitter to

another second site (they are now a 2-site operation), or consolidate the day and night sites. They state that the night antenna site is unusable due to deterioration caused by the coastal Newfoundland weather.

#### CALL LETTER CHANGES

1570 CFAV Laval, QC CJLV (see below)

#### FORMAT CHANGES

820 CHAM Hamilton, ON CHAM has been a talk station with the slogan "Talk 820" since September 2008. It reverted to a country format at mid-day on 22nd July. 1240 CKDR-6 Atikokan, ON This 50-Watt repeater station has applied to change from being a relay of CKDR-3-FM (92.7MHz) Sioux Outlook to become a relay of CFOB-FM (93.1MHz) Fort Frances. 1370 CFOK Westlock, AB THE FOX to 1370 CFOK (remains Classic Hits) Oldies Country - News "News Country 1380" 1380 CKPC Brantford, ON 1410 CKSL London, ON From Adult Standards to Oldies 1570 CFAV Laval, QC From R.Boomer to 1570 AM (remains Oldies) after ownership change from Diffusion Laval to Michel Mathieu.

#### OFF THE AIR

1220 CJUL Cornwall, ON
1220 CHSC St.Catharines, ON
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CRTC have terminated the station's licence effective from 31<sup>st</sup> August citing "a history of repeated non-compliance and disregard for its regulatory obligations since acquiring CHSC in 2002".

#### PROPOSED AM TO FM CONVERSIONS

560 CHTK Prince Rupert, BCApplies to move to 99.1 MHz with 160 Watts at<br/>578 metres.1230 CFXG Grand Cache, ABApplies to move to 93.3 MHz with 190 Watts<br/>CFXG is a 50-Watt relay of CFXE Edson, AB.

#### GRANTED AM TO FM CONVERSIONS

1140	CBI	Sydney NS	Following CRTC decision 2007-222 allowing transfer to FM, CBI began testing on 97.1MHz FM beginning July 2010. In its ruling CRTC allows a six month simulcast period before the AM transmitter is switched off.
1450	CHOR	Summerland, BC	CP granted to move to 98.5 MHz with 20 Watts at 348 metres.
1220	CHSC	St. Catharines, ON	The CRTC has denied CHSC's application for renewal, and the station must go silent at the end of its current license term, August 31, 2010. The commission cited numerous instances of non-compliance with CHSC's regulatory obligations.

#### USA RADIO NEWS CALL LETTER CHANGES

FREQ	OLD C	CALL	CITY		NEW CALL
670	WPMH	Clai	cemont,	VA	WRJR

710 1010 1230 1230 1320 1340 1380 1400 1440 1460 1490 1510 1580 1590	KMIA WRJR WTOP KZZR WNRR WBOB WSGF WYNF WSGF new KDIF WZNZ KIST KPIG KKKK KMBD	Black Canyon City, AZ Portsmouth, VA Silver Spring, MD Burns, OR Augusta, GA Jacksonville, FL Augusta, GA North Augusta, SC North Augusta, SC Vernal, UT Riverside, CA Jacksonville, FL Santa Barbara, CA Piedmont, CA Colorado Springs, CO Tillamook, OK	KBMB WPMH WBQH KBNH WEZO WJNJ WSGF WNRR KRAM KFNY WQOP KSPE KSFN KREL KTIL
		Colorado Springs, CO	
1590	KMBD KROX	,	KIIL KLRK
	~	Mexia, TX	
1600	WQOP	Atlantic Beach, FL	WZNZ
1690	new	Charlotte Amalie, VI	WIGT

#### SLOGAN/IMAGE CHANGE OR UPDATE

FREQ	CALL	CITY	SLOGAN UPDATE
670	WRJR	Claremont, VA	"Heart & Soul Radio 670"
1160	KHPP	Waukon, IA	"K-Soft"
1170	WACV	Montgomery, AL	"104.9 The GUMP"
1200	WPTK	Pine Island Center, FL	"WINK News Radio"
1230	KZYM	Joplin, MO	"AM 1230 The Talker"
1310	KZRG	Joplin, MO	"News/Talk 1310"
1310	WSLW	White Sulphur Sprs, WV	"The Red Zone 1310"
1400	KEBE	Jacksonville, TX	"Kompa"
1450	KQYX	Galena, MO	"Cool 1450"
1460	WNPL	Golden Gate, FL	"WINK News Radio"

#### FORMAT CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY	OLD INFO	NEW INFO
540	WXYG	Sauk Rapids, MN	new	Unknown
590	WDIZ	Panama City, FL	Standards	Sports - ESPN
600	WKYH	Paintsville, KY	Talk	Sports
670	WRJR	Claremont, VA	Talk	R & B Oldies
750	WPDX	Clarksburg, WV	Classic Country	Reported Silent
810	WSJC	Magee, MS	Religion	Reported Silent
840	KVJY	Pharr, TX	Spanish Religion	Sports - Fox
840	WKTR	Earlysville, VA	Sports ESPN	Southern Gospel
850	WKVL	Knoxville, TN	Talk	Classic Country
850	WPFD	Fairview, TN	Spanish	Reported Silent
860	WWDB	Philadelphia, PA	Business Talk	Spanish Sports - ESPN
910	KKSN	Vancouver, WA	Spanish Sports	Modern Rock // KNRK HD2
920	KYST	Texas City, TX	Spanish Sports	Spanish Talk
930	WRVC	Huntington, WV	Sports	Talk
940	WCND	Shelbyville, KY	Silent	Regional Mexican
950	WERL	Eagle River, WI	Standards	Talk - "Freedom Talk"
980	WPFP	Park Falls, WI	Sports ESPN	Talk – "Freedom Talk"
990	KRSL	Russell, KS	Classic Hits	Classic Country
1010	KIND	Independence, KS	Adult Standards	Oldies
1010	WRJR	,	Silent	Religion
1050	WTOP	Silver Spring, MD	News	Regional Mexican
1100	KVTT	Mineral Wells, TX	Silent Cla	ssic Country // KCLE 1460
1160	KHPP	,	Oldies	Adult Contemporary
1170	WACV	Montgomery, AL	Oldies	Modern Rock
1170	WSOS	St.Augustine Beach, F		Reported Silent
1180	KGOL	Humble, TX	Ethnic	Spanish Sports
1200	WPTK	Pine Island, FL	Sports	News – Talk
1200	WSML		Talk	Sports
1210	KEVT	Sahuarita, AZ	Regional Mexican	Reported Silent
1220	WAYE	Birmingham, AL	Black Gospel	Reported Silent

#### FACILITY AND PARAMETER APPLICATIONS / GRANTS

(A) = application, (G) = grant, (D) = Dismissed

550	KMVI	Wailuku, HI	Application to reduce tower height and add Top Loading.(A)
550	KTZN	Anchorage, AK	Requests 3.1k/5K from 5k/5k Relocate to site of KTZN (A)
550	WAME	Stateville, NC	Licence to cover 500/53 NDA (G)

560	WQAM	Miami, FL	Application to modify 50/25kW CP to 30K/25kW DA-2 from a new site which puts a better
570	new	Pass Christian, MS	signal over Miami. (A) Application for U4 1000/500, first filed in
600	WBWL	Jacksonville, FL	2004, has been dismissed & re-applied-3 times. CP granted for U2 5000/1800. WBWL lost two of its original five towers to age and subsequent deterioration about two years ago. They elected to not replace them to return to their original U2 5000/5000 power levels. Now, they've re-structured the nighttime signal from the three remaining towers. The new pattern is an eastbound circle anchored at Jacksonville, with minor lobes to the south, west and north.
630 630	KJNO KTKK	Juneau, AK Sandy, UT	Modification of licence 5K/1K NDA (G) Licensed for U4 1000/500, KTKK lost their antenna site in 1998 and has been operating under a Special Temporary Authorization (STA) with U1 1000/51 from the tower of KLLB-1510 West Jordan. They have applied for U4 500/500 changing the City-of-License to Kearns. This action extends that STA.
630 670 670	WREY KMZQ KMZQ	St. Paul, MN Las Vegas, NV Las Vegas, NV	Minor change in facilities 2.3K/2.3K DA-2(G) 25K / 600 DA-2 from 30k/600(A) U4 25000/600. In addition to the daytime power decrease, they propose to use a different tower arrangement with a slight alteration of the pattern. (A)
670	WVVT	Essex Jn, VT	This unbuilt station has a CP for U7 50000/300 CH 20000. This amendment requests U7 15000/260 CH 11000.
690	WIST	New Orleans, LA	Licensed for U4 10000/5000, KIST applied for U2 8000/2500. That application has been replaced by one for U2 9300/2500.
720	WGCR	Pisgah Forest, NC	This daytimer applies to increase to 50K/15K CH from 25K/15K NDA (A)
740	new	Kihei, HI	Application for $5 \text{ k} / 5 \text{ k}$ NDA (A)
740	WDGY	Hudson, WI	Increase to 5 K from 2.5 K DA-D (G)
750	KHWG	Fallon, NV	U1 6000/250, decreasing their daytime power. (A)
770	KCBC	•	Licence to cover 50K/4.1K DA-2 (A)
800 820	WJAT KORC	Swainsboro, GA Waldport, OR	Licence to cover for 1K/500 NDA(G) U1 5000/15, increasing the day power. (G)
860	KTRB	San Francisco, CA	Licence to cover 50K/50K DA-N (G)
920	KLMR	Lamar, CO	Licensed for U2 5000/500, KLMR is operating
			under an STA with U1 5000/125 due to the fact that their #2 tower collapsed on July 15th and
930	KNSA	Unalakleet, AK	the station is pursuing efforts to replace it. CP granted for 4.2K/4.2K NDA from 2.5K (G)
930	KNSA	Unalakleet, AK	License to cover for 4.2 k / 4.2 k NDA (A)
940	WIDG	St. Ignace, MI	Modify license to show 5 k / 4 watts NDA G)
940	KGMS	Tucson, AZ	CP granted to make minor modification to Night time DA (G)
950	KTON	Belton, TX	Application for minior change DISMISSED to move from 940 change COL (D)
960	KOVO	Provo, UT	CP dismissed for U4 50000/940 moving to Bluffdale. (D)
960	WFIR	Roanoke, VA	Licensed for U2 5000/5000, WFIR had a CP for U2 10000/4800. This CP has been dismissed by the licensee's request and replaced with an application for U2 10000/4400.
990	KAML	Kenedy-Karnes, TX	Application for U4 500/200 moving to Mathis has been dismissed. KAML remains U1 250/70.
990	WISK	Americus, GA	Licensed for D1 1000/0 on 1390 with a CP here with U1 950/25, WISK has applied to amend the CP to U1 1000/25.1000 WMUF Paris, TN Licensed for D4 5000/0 CH 2500, WMUF is operating under an STA for D1 602/0 from their #2 tower while

			the antenna for translator station W48BK on Tower #1 is being installed. Regular operation is expected to return on or about September 15, 2010.
1050	WSMT	Sparta, TN	U1 950/178 from a newly-installed 3-wire folded unipole antenna on an existing tower. Since the new structure is slightly taller than the old facility, the power levels are lower than their licensed U1 1000/181. In a related matter, co-owned WTZX-860 has applied to move to this same location utilizing the same antenna described above with U1 950/11 CH 950. That application is still pending. (G)
1060	new	Captain Cook, HI	Application for experimental permit dismissed 5K/5K NDA (D)
1060	WBIX	Natick, MA	Applies to modify CP for 50 K $/$ 2.5 K DA-2 to change Daytime parameters and reduce towers from 5 to 3 (A)
1090	new	South Hills, NV	Application for new station dismissed 1k/1k DA-2 and also 250/250 DA-N (D)
1090	KEXS	Excelsior Spr, MO	Licence to cover for 8K/4K CH DA-3(A)&(G)
1090	KULF	Bellville, TX	CP granted for 1K/1K DA-2 from 250 DAY NDA (G)
1100	KFAX	San Francisco, CA	Application for U4 50000/50000. They remain U3 as day and night patterns are identical. (D)
1100	new	Lebanon, OR	Applies for U4 5000/5000.
1110	WNAP	Norristown, PA	Licence to cover 4.8K/500 DA-D(G)
1120	KEOR	Catoosa, OK	Minor change 10K/0 CH 7K DA-2 from 2 KW (A)
1120	new	Peralta, NM	Applies for U7 50000/250 CH 28000.
1130	KTRP	Mount Angel, OR	Licensed for U4 25000/490, KTRP has applied
			for U4 50000/490. While they are conducting soil conductivity tests, they will be
1150	T.TT.TT TT		operating U2 6250/490. (A)
1150	WWLE	Cornwall, NY	CP granted for U4 2500/500 moving from 1170 kHz. They will be adding two new towers at their current site to allow the power increase using four during the day and three at night.
			The new day pattern will send the signal in a balloon-shape to the northeast, while the night pattern sends a major lobe to the southeast, whit minor lobes to the west-southwest, northwest and northeast, but see 1170kHz below. (G)
1160	КСТО	Cleveland, MO	Licence to cover 5K/230 DA-1 (G)
1170	WKFL	Bushnell, FL	Licensed for D1 1000/0, WKFL had a CP for D4 10000/0 CH 5000. That CP has been deleted.
1170	WWLE	Cornwall, KY	Application cancelled for 2.5K/500 DA-2 and move from 1150 khz. Licensee asks for
			reinstatement of application for 2.5K/500 DA-2
1190	KOO7	University City, MO	and move from 1150kHz. (A) Licensed for U4 10000/22 at Desoto, KQQZ had a
1100	тçççu	oniversity city, no	CP for U4 10000/6500 moving here. This CP has
			been dismissed leaving them with an
			application for U4 10000/650 CH 1000 moving to
			Fairview Heights, Illinois. (D)
1210	KUNF	Washington, UT	Decrease night power to become U1 10000/231,
			as they diplex their operation with one of the
			three towers of co-owned KDXU-890 at 37-04-
			06/113-31-04. Since the KDXU towers are 250'
			tall compared with the current KUNF 220'
			tower, the night power must be slightly less to theoretically cover the same area. (G)
1240	new	Merrill, OR	Application for U1 1000/1000 reconsidered.
1250	new	Willow, AK	U1 50000/50000 (A)
1260	KBSZ	Apache Junction, AZ	License to cover for 800/50 NDA (A) & (G)
1280	KSOK	Arkansas City, KS	Licensed for U1 1000/100, KSOK applied for U1 1000/100 CH 500. That application has been
			dismissed at the request of the licensee.
1280	KSOK	Arkansas City, KS	Minor change to lower tower height, and remove
			tower lights. (G)
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1280	KYRO	Potosi, MO	Licensed for U1 500/84, KYRO first applied for U1 660/70 moving to a new site, then amended the request to U1 1000/70. That amendment has
1280 1290	WWTC WWHM	Minneapolis, MN Sumter, SC	been dismissed. (D) Modification of licence to 5K/5K DA-N (A) Application dismissed for U1 1000/12 with move to Wedgefield. WWHM remains U2 1000/1000 with an application for U1 1000/12 remaining at Sumter.
1290	WWHM	Sumter, SC	Licensed for U2 1000/1000, and having operated under an STA of U1 1000/250 since February 2006 due to problems with the ground system, WWHM is now requesting to go to U1 1000/12 on a permanent basis.
1310	КМКҮ	Oakland, CA	U4 5000/5000 (from U3 and no change in power), but they propose to reduce the height of their three towers from 200' to 188' in order to eliminate the lighting and marking requirements. Shortening the towers leaves the pattern unchanged in shape, however the coverage area is slightly reduced. (A)
1310	new	Bakersfield, CA	CP for 1.4K/2.5K DA-1 (clarification to last issue)(G)
1320	KCTC	West Sacramento, CA	Application to modify CP 5K/5K DA-2. Has CP to consolidate DAY & NIGHT sites to the Day site and change city of licence to West Sacramento. Station now asks ONLY to change the city of
1320	KSDT	Hemet, CA	license and continue to operate with 2 sites. Licensed for U4 500/300, KSDT initially applied for U4 230/400 moving to Redlands, then amended the application to U4 230/285. Now they have submitted another amendment requesting U4 250/410 at Loma Linda. Site will be diplexed with KHPY Moreno Valley, CA (A)
1320	new	Merlin, OR	Application for new CP dismissed. One for 1K/500 DA-2 and another application for 1K/1K DA-2 (D)
1320 1330	new new	Merlin, OR Porterville, CA	U4 1000/1000 (reapplication). CP for 1.5K/500 DA-2 (clarification to last issue)(G)
1340	KRLV	Las Vegas, NV	CP granted for U1 1000/900, moving to the tower of co-owned KLAV-1230 (G).
1340	KVGC	Jackson, CA	This new, unbuilt station, has a CP for U1 270/1000. This request is for U1 440/210.
1340	KWVR	Enterprise, OR	Applies to move to a new tower while remaining U1 1000/1000.
1350	KDZA	Pueblo, CO	Applies for U1 1300/150 moving to the #2 tower of co-owned KCSJ-590's 3-tower array. Since this tower is more than twice the height of the one currently used, KDZA is forced to reduce its power levels from their licensed U1 5000/280.
1360 1360	KDJW KMGN	Amarillo, TX McCook, NE	Licence to cover 6K/320 DA-2 (A) Minor change in facilities 1K DAY NDA (G)
1360	new	Tyonek< AK	Applies for U1 10000/10000.
1360	WVMC	Mount Carmel, IL	Having had their license cancelled, WVMC filed for reinstatement. This has been accepted, and an STA for U1 500/20 has been granted. So WVMC is not only back on the air, but they are now full time (vs being a daytimer). A phone call confirmed their 'on-the-air' status.
1370	KGEN	Tulare, CA	Licensed for U1 710/72, KGEN's CP for U5 3800/102 moving to Sanger has been dismissed.
1370	KHNY	Big Horn, WY	This unbuilt station has a CP for U2 10000/250. They applied to move to Huntley, Montana with U2 10000/430. The application has been dismissed. (D)
1370	WVIE	Pikeville, MD	CP granted for U4 50000/24000, increasing their nighttime power from 7.7kW. The night

1380	KOSS	Lancaster, CA
1380	KRCM	Shenandoah, TX
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1390	WLAN	Lancaster, PA
1390	WOHS	Shelby, NC
1400	new	Juneau, AK
1400	WAJL	South Boston, VA
		Redlands, CA
1420	KUJ	Walla Walla, WA
1430	WGFS	Covington, GA
1450	KENA	Mena, AR
1450	new	Dunbar, WV
		Flora Vista, NM
		New Brunswick, NJ
1450	WKEI	Kewanee, IL
1450	WLAY	Muscle Shoals, AL
	KHOJ WJTI	St. Charles, MO West Allis, WI
1470	KVSL	Show Low, AZ
	new	Anchorage, AK
1470		Orocovis, PR
1470	WMBD	Peoria, IL
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	KRSN WDEP	Los Alamos, NM Ponce, PR
1490	WRCE	Watkins Glen, NY

pattern remains the same shape and orientation (to the southeast), but increases in size. WVIE remains a 2-site operation. CP dismissed for U4 1000/11 moving to Rosamond. KOSS remains U5 1000/20. (D) Application to raise power to 2.8K days, reduce night to 60 NDA (A) License to cover. 250/69 NDAC (G) Now licensed here with U1 250/69, after moving from Beaumont, KRCM had been granted an STA with U1 250/69 from a long wire antenna. Their original tower was destroyed by Hurricane Rita, and they were granted a 'silent' STA. This action grants them a continued 'silent' STA. (See related application above) CP granted for U1 1100/18 from 5K/1K, moving to the nearby tower of WLPA1490 (G). Licensed for U2 1000/500, WOHS applied for U1 1400/16. This amendment requests U1 700/16. U1 1000/1000 (A) and (G) License to cover 1K/1K NDA (G) 4.7 k / 4 K from 5K/4K DA-D (G) Licensed for U1 5000/900, KUJ had a CP for U1 10000/650 which has been dismissed. (D) Licensed for U1 3900/212, WGFS applied for U1 1600/500 moving to 1220 kHz. That application has been dismissed. (D) Move to Fort Smith and diplex into the tower of co-owned KFPW-1230 with U1 1000/1000. (A) New CP for 1K/1K NDA(G) Requests 250/250 NDA (A) Application dismissed for U1 1000/1000. (D) Mod. of licence 500/1000 NDA (G) After losing its transmitter site, WLAY is operating under an STA with U1 1000/1000 from their 120' Studio-to-Transmitter Link (STL) tower in Sheffield until a new tower location can be found and facility built. Licence to cover 5K/210 DA-2 (A) Application to change their City-of-License to Milwaukee. (D) Applies to move here from 1450 1.1k / 80 NDA U1 10000/10000 (reapplication). Increase to 2.4/3.7K (A) As of June 8, WMBD was operating under an STA of U1 3800/1250 in order to repair lightning damage to the tower lighting equipment and to facilitate the re-painting of tower #1. The work was expected to be finished by the first week of July, but as of our deadline, they had not filed to return to their licensed U4 5000/5000. Their normal night pattern is directed to the northwest, so DXers in all the other directions may want to try for them. Applies to move site 1k/1k NDA (A) CP granted for U1 5000/1400 moving to a new transmitter site (G). Licensed for U1 400/400, WRCE has been operating under an STA of U1 100/100 since February 2010 when their tower collapsed. In May they applied for U1 880/880 from a new replacement tower (with a folded monopole, shunt fed antenna) built at the site of the old tower. Now, they've applied to operate with U1 400/400 from that newly-built tower. But wait . . . they haven't even received the CP to build that new tower, so the U1 400/400application has been denied. They remain U1 100/100. (see below)

1490	WRCE	Watkins Glenn, NY	CP for 880 /800 NDA from 400/400 NDA This replaces a fallen tower (G)
1490 1490 1500 1510	WSFB WTJV new KLLB	Quitman, GA Deland, FL San Angelo, TX West Jordan, UT	CP for new site 1K/1K (G) License to cover 1K/1K NDA (G) U4 600/250 (A) CP dismissed for D1 10000/0 CH 840. (D)
1510	KPIG	Piedmont, CA	Licence to cover 8K/2.4K DA-2 (A)
1520	new	Fultondale, AL	Application for $6K/250$ DA-2 (A)
1520	new	Merlin, OR	Application dismissed for a new station. (D)
1530	new	Petal, MS	Their CP for U7 50000/250 CH 20000 has been
			deleted and replaced by an application for U2 3000/250 CH 3000.
1550	KESJ	St. Joseph, MO	CP granted for U2 2500/500, moving to the site
			of co-owned KFEQ-680. KESJ will build 4 new
			towers interspersed between two of KFEQ's 4
			existing towers. KESJ's new night signal will be a teardrop pattern aimed to the northwest.
1550	KMAD	Madill, OK	Applies to move to a new transmitter site
1000	MIAD	Madili, OK	while remaining U1 250/90.
1550	KWBC	College Station, TX	Licensed for U1 250/26 at Navasota, KWBC was
			granted a CP moving here with U5 1400/24. They
			have asked that the CP be deleted and replaced
			with an application for U5 1500/24 at College
			Station. (D)
1550	KWBC	Navasota, TX	Application for minor change. Change city of
			licence to College Station, TX 1.5K /24 DA-D
1550	new	Merlin, OR	U4 5000/1000 (initial application was for 1520
1 5 7 0		Desitab TV	kHz) - reapplication.
1570 1580	new KKKK	Fritch, TX	U4 10000/750 (A)
TOOD	NNNK	Colorado Spr, CO	CP granted to increase their nighttime power as U1 10000/140.
1580	new	Lolo, MT	Applies for U2 10000/1000.
1580	new	Springville, UT	U7 10000/570 CH 10000 (A)
1660	KRZI	Waco, TX	Applies to move to a new transmitter site
			while remaining U1 1000/1000.
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#### CONSTRUCTION PERMITS ON THE AIR

540	KMLB	Monroe, LA	Licensed for U4 5000/1000, KMLB has a Construction Permit (CP) for U1 4000/26 from a new transmitter site. This action extends KMLB's Special Temporary Authorization to operate with U1 1500/65, as they have since June 2009, as they continue work on the new site. This temporary site, located at 32-33- 10/92- 04-28, is the tower they used when the station was on 1440 kHz (per the application). The justification is "America's economic downturn", so it may be a while before the new CP takes to the air.
540	WXYG	Sauk Rapids, MN	Reported to be on air and testing with Rock music and using the slogan I-101 (Eye One-oh- one).There is no indication on the FCC website that WXYG has received the go-ahead to operate. Their licence is for U4 250/250, sharing the antenna site with co-owned WMIN- 1010 at 45-36-18/94-08-21. The day pattern, from four towers, sends a major lobe to the east with a small lobe to the west. The night pattern, from three towers, is a circular lobe to the southwest.
620	WTRP	La Grange, GA	Licensed for Ul 2500/127, WTRP is operating under a Special Temporary Authorization (STA) with Ul 1500/127 from the remaining 199' of their damaged tower. They are also trying to relocate their transmitter to a new location.

630	WREY	St. Paul,MN	CP for U4 2300/2300 is now on, after moving to, and sharing four of the five WCTS-1030 towers. Although the FCC considers the facility to be "DA2", both day and night patterns are identical, being a teardrop
860	KTRB	San Francisco, CA	directed to the northwest. Their CP for U2 50000/50000 is now on, changing from U4. The day signal emanates from the KFAX-1100 #3 tower at Hayward, while the night pattern continues from their original night site.
1160	КСТО	Cleveland, MO	Their CP for U4 5000/230 is now on the air. The new day pattern is essentially identical to the old one (tear drop to the north- northeast), only larger.
1230	KYSM	Mankato, MN	Is now on the air from a new tower at 44-10-
1230	WVNT	Parkersburg, WV	06/93-54-39, as they remain U1 1000/1000. Is now on with U1 880/880 after moving to the tower of WADC-1050. Since the 1050 tower is taller than the former 1230 facility, WVNT is required to reduce their daytime power from the previous 1000 to 880 Watts in order to cover the same theoretical area.
1240	KRJY	Sacramento, CA	After losing their transmitter site, KRJY is now operating under an STA with U1 250/250 from a 200' long wire 20' off the ground. The theoretical pattern from this wire is a figure-8 with lobes to the north-northeast and south-southwest.
1270	WQKR	Portland, TN	Is operating under an STA with U4 500/29 (their new licensed facilities) their new transmitter location awaiting FCC approval. The original Proof-of-Performance was submitted in an incorrect format and was denied by the FCC. They have re-submitted the paperwork correctly and have asked for approval based upon this information.
1490	WSFB	Quitman, GA	After losing the lease on their tower location and currently operating under an STA with U1 165/165 from a long wire, WSFB has completed the move to a new (existing) tower & returned to its licensed power levels of U1 1000/1000.
1510	KPIG	Piedmont, CA	CP for U4 8000/2400 is on the air. KPIG's new night pattern directs the signal due west.
1510	KGA	Spokane, WA	CP for U4 50000/15000 is on the air. KGA added a fourth tower (using 2-daytime; 4-nighttime) to their array and downgraded from Class A (U4 50000/50000) to Class B in order to allow co- owned KPIG (see above) to upgrade. KGA's new night pattern beams the signal to northwest.
1090	KEXS	Excelsior Sprs, MO	D4 8000/0 CH 4000. The day pattern remains a large lobe to the southwest with a smaller lobe to the northeast. The added CH pattern is
1260	KBSZ	Apache Junction< AZ	identical, only smaller. U1 800/50 from an 85' VALCOM antenna, moving from 1250 in Wickenburg. They still have an application for U1 3500/50 from this location.
1390	WOHS	-	U1 700/16 (altered from the initial daytime power of 1400 Watts) and relinquishing its nighttime 500 Watt directional signal.
1580	KKKK	Colorado Springs, CO	U1 10000/140.

That just about clears my "In Tray" for another month so I'll sign off with best wishes for some good DX all around The Circle.

Andrew

## WORLD NEWS

(Europe, Asia, Africa) with Ton Timmerman

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Hello radiofriends,

The summer ended with a lot of rain here in the west of the Netherlands. Living at 5 km from the North-Sea we got a good portion of it. It was very good for the earth connections of my antennas and the tropical plants in our garden. It was bad for my physical condition because of the fact that I couldn't take my hour of outside sports. Some people here are hoping for a late "Indian summer" in September.

The nights are getting longer, so the chance of DX'ing on mediumwave is getting higher. Don't forget those little European stations which are more difficult to catch than the powerhouses from the American eastcoast! I am wishing you happy listening and lots of success with your DX'ing efforts.

### Bosnia-Herzegovina

BH Radio 1, listed on 612kHz is off air. Patrick Robic sent an e-mail to the station and received the following answer: "Dear Mr. Robic, unfortunately, our transmiter is off-air for 6 months. We have to repair our transmitter. Thank you for this mail. Best regards Senada Cumurovic-director of BH radio 1" *Patrick Robic via mediumwave.info>* 

## Egypt

I came across an interesting article about Egypt's public broadcaster, the Egyptian Radio and Television Union (ERTU). Although it broadcasts nine radio networks, Nadine Emile wonders if people are still listening. She says that ?Facing competition from Egypt's two private radio stations, as well as the popularity of television, public radio is steadily losing its once devoted audience. She also says that besides content, public radio suffers from rampant bureaucratic and budgetary problems.



According to Bassma Habib, the current manager of the European Programme, listenership in is decline. "I have been trying to improve the station's frequency, I want to get better equipment instead of the old ones, I am trying to make the station stream online, but things are moving slowly and the budget is not enough." he explains.

Read the article: http://www.almasryalyoum.com/en/news/egypts-public-radio-anyone-listening



By coincidence, the day after I found an article about the malaise of Egypt's public radio networks, The Los Angeles Times has published one about the commercial station Nile FM. The paper says that "With its slogan as Cairos No. 1 hit music station, Nile FM, which began airing in 2003, offers a wide range of shows, including morning news roundups and discussions of everyday life issues, from littering to romance, that conservative state-run

radio stations would not dare to mention in the Arab world" s most populous country.?

Read the article: <u>http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/babylonbeyond/2010/07/egypt-english-language</u> *Andy Senitt via medianetwork* 

## Iceland

Longwave radio mast Hellissandur.

A Facebook page has just been opened, search "Longwave radio mast Hellissandur". "The Longwave radio mast Hellissandur is a 412 metre high guyed radio mast for longwave transmissions at Gufuskálar in the vicinity of Hellissandur on the peninsula Snæfellsnes of Iceland. This mast, which is the tallest structure in Western Europe, is insulated against ground and guyed in 5 levels by steel ropes, which are subdivided by insulators. It was built in 1963 as replacement for a 190.5 metre (625ft) tall LORAN-C tower, which was built in 1959, for the North Atlantic LORAN-C chain (GRD 7970). After the LORAN-C scheme was shut down on December 31st, 1994 the longwave radio mast Hellissandur was converted to an aerial mast for a longwave broadcasting

transmitter of the Broadcasting Service of Iceland, for a transmission frequency of 189 kHz and a power of 300 kilowatts." (*Mike Terry via MWDX*)



### India

All India Radio Leh 1053 kHz severely damaged by flash floods.

Flash floods in the city of Leh in Jammu and Kashmir on Friday have severely damaged the transmitter site of All India Radio there. The Hindustan Times reports that water has gushed through the AIR building, sweeping furniture and equipment helter skelter, and a dish on top the building is contorted beyond recognition - from the impact of a truck that was swept against it.

AIR Leh normally broadcasts on mediumwave 1053 kHz and shortwave 4760/6000 kHz. 132 people have been killed and over 500 people are reported to be still missing as of this post. (Various press reports via RN media network weblog)

#### Italy

My friend and DXer Alessandro Capra this morning (26 August) heard on 1512 kHz the Italian private station "Onda Media Broadcast" with "prove tecniche di trasmissione". Real good signal on the highway between Padova and Bologna (North Italy) fading out moving from Bologna to Reggio Emilia. They broadcast Classic, Jazz, Pop music. After the id mentioned also DRM tests. It was heard also by other DXers in August. (*Giampiero Bernardini*)

Onda Media Broadcast transmits on 1512 from Galliera, 40 km north of Bologna, with 300 watts and 1/8 vertical antenna. (*Stefano Valianti*)

#### Libya

Voice of Africa, Libya noted to-day August 10, 2010 on 1251 kHz at 1920 UTC in English with SIO 243/222 with ID at 1927 UTC. (*Ehard Goddijn via Mediumwave.Info*)

### Madeira

1017 Posto Emissor do Funchal, Santana 1 kW (Madeira's NE) has been silent for a few weeks' time. (*Carlos Goncalves*)

### Netherlands

Big L International 1395 has started issuing new QSL cards, for more information check <u>http://www.1395.eu/</u> send an email to <u>qsl@biglradio.co.uk</u>. The address to send your reception (with a sae) is p.o. box 1536, 1000BM in Amsterdam. (*Big L Message Board, via Mike Terry*)

## Portugal

1035 R.Club Português, Belmonte (Benavente) (+ a few VHF-FM fqs too) has changed its format, and is broadcasting Portuguese & foreign music from the 60s & 70 since approx. mid July. Just yesterday, 30/7 when this tx was off once again, I got the information this current format is only temporary, and it is almost certain it will change a bit (again!!!), but my contact added it should remain an oldies stn nevertheless. Current power level of their 100 kW THALES tx at Belmonte is about 1/3 due to budgetary limitations.

783 ditto, Avanca (Estarreja, near Aveiro), is stuck, probably for good as the vandalism that stroke this unmanned site back in early 2010 - which could have been solved with minor repairs on the copper elements that were stolen - met another break in causing extensive damage to the 100 kW THALES tx. My contact reported the administration is simply unwilling to spend lots of money with it, so it remains silent, and has been silent ever since everything was put in place and tested in order to be finally switched on parallel to 1035. (*Carlos Goncalves via Mediumwave.Info*)

### Russia

Russian radio update: Radio Mayak 20 kW transmitter in Kazan on 1521 kHz has been closed. I will visit Moscow and Kazan 21 to 25 August. Do you have any coordinates or street names for MW transmitter sites? I can not find locations on the web. Any hints are appreciated. I am writing a story on Russian Broadcasting. (*Christopher K. Horne via Mediumwave.Info*)

### Ukraine

The National Radiocompany of Ukraine restarted its mediumwave broadcasts on mediumwave and on longwave on 1st of July.

I monitored that 675, 936, 972 khz is working and relaying UR1. But, Ur2 on 549 khz remained off the air. Of course, 657 khz transmitter is on the air too (this broadcast romanian programmes for romanian minorities). On 675 khz, I also discovered that UR1 doesn't broadcasts Zakarpatske Oblasne Radio: 0445-0500 UTC in Ukrainian. Unfortunately www.emwg.info mentions it wrongly, but, I didn't report them because I need more monitoring. It is a bit difficult, because I live in west Hungary, and Ukraine is in the North East. Summer time is not good for monitoring MW. I hope next time I can supply more correct info. (*Tibor Gaal via Mediumwave.Info*)

#### Turkey

The Voice of Turkey 702 kHz Catalca Transmitter former TRT Istanbul Radio.

I have just received an e mail from The Voice of Turkey Foreign Service Department. VoT have been on the air test transmissions in 702 kHz medium wave band. This broadcasting period is 24 hours in Turkish language.But only in Ramadan Month (until the 9<sup>th</sup> of September ) this station will carry out "Ramadan Special" programme between 1700-1800 UT evening fasting time. Schedule of this broadcasting details:

1700 News

1705 Instrumental Music with reed and times announcement meal before dawn (Imsak) and fasting (Iftar)

#### 1710 Fasting Programme

1750 Instrumental music with reed then times announcement meal before dawn (Imsak) and fasting (Iftar). (*Mustafa Cankurt via DXLD*)

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## **BBC News**

#### BBC Broadcasting House gets go-ahead for anti-terror plans

16 July, 2010

THE BBC has been given the final go-ahead to build a fortress-style parapet around Broadcasting House to defend it from terrorist attack. Under the £5million scheme, which has been endorsed by MI5, an imposing "ring of steel" consisting of hydraulic rising bollards and concrete planters is being erected around the landmark building in Portland Place. Parking spaces will be lost from the immediate perimeter to "prevent vehicular attack".



The proposals are outlined in an internal council report, which also reveals City Hall officials will enter into a "bond" agreement with the BBC to protect the council should the broadcaster breach its obligations.

Grade-II listed Broadcasting House will soon be the centre for BBC News when the department moves from Television Centre. (<u>www.westendextra.com</u> via Steve Whitt)

#### Commercial Radio News Gold stations cut

UTV Global Radio, have put an end to what was 26 thriving medium wave stations this week. Original commercial stations such as Radio Trent 301, South Coast Radi\_o, GEM AM, Invicta Radio and Hereward all took their last local breath as Gold went national.



29 June 2010

Until recently, each AM station produced a locally recorded four-hour daytime show from 12pm till 4pm, a far cry from when the stations launched, when they were mostly live and local 24 hours a day. Also from Monday, there will be no local programmes on the Gold network.

But with recent Ofcom changes, and the introduction of the Digital Economy Act, stations on AM are now allowed to network 24 hours a day in their own country. This has lead to just one Gold covering England and one Gold covering Wales. A third version operates some local programmes in the Midlands as stations in Birmingham, Coventry and Warwickshire, Wolverhampton, Shrewsbury, and Telford are owned by a different company to the rest (Orion Media bought the stations from Global Radio due to ownership rules).

Over at Media UK, a list of what these stations were previously known as has appeared. They are: England: Classic Gold, Brunel Classic Gold, Brunel Radio, Radio Brunel, GWR Radio, Radio



West, Radio Mercury, Mercury Extra, Fame 1521, Breeze, Classic Gold Breeze, Chiltern Radio, Chiltern Radio Supergold, The Breeze, Supergold, Severn Sound, Invicta Radio, Coast AM, Capital Gold, Fortune 1458, Lite AM, Big 1458 AM, Amber Radio, , Northants Radio Supergold, Hereward Radio, GEM AM, Radio Trent, Classic Gold GEM, Hereward Radio, Plymouth Sound AM, The Gold AM, South Coast Radio, Southern Sound, GWR, Wiltshire Radio

Midlands: 1152 Xtra AM, Mercia Sound, Xtra AM 1359, Mercia Classic Gold 1359, Classic Gold 1359, WABC, Nice & Easy Radio WABC, Beacon Radio, Classic Gold WABC, Classic Gold 990/1017

Wales: Touch AM, Capital Gold, Marcher Sound 1260, Marcher Sound | Sain y Gororau, Classic Gold Marcher 1260. Apologies to those who have not seen this before. They were announced in late June (I was away on holiday) and our Editor notified all members by email.

#### **Radio faces plunge in advertising**

7 August, 2010

Revenue from Government advertising could fall by about 75 per cent this year, Global Radio predicted yesterday. The private owner of the Heart, Galaxy and LBC stations that boasts 40 per cent of Britain's commercial radio market, made about £18 million last year from advertising campaigns funded by the Central Office of Information. But after the Government froze all but "essential marketing campaigns" for this financial year, the group is understood to have lowered its Whitehall derived revenue this year to only  $\pounds 4$  million. The advertisements reminded people to complete their tax returns, check the smoke alarm or quit smoking.

In May, the Government froze its £540 million annual advertising budget of which £193 million is spent on traditional media, with the aim of reducing its spending "in the region of 50 per cent". This week the Cabinet Office confirmed that advertising spending in June had fallen by 52 per cent to about £6.5 million. (www.the times.co.uk)

## **RSL & LPAM News**

Radio Mallory 1602 kHz was on air from Mallory Park, Leicestershire broadcasting Motor Sport over the weekend 25/27 June 2010. The contact point was Diane Smith - telephone: 01280 820 420.



MCR -Ramadan Special 1134 kHz - London E1 Whitechapel. On air from: MCR 11 August to 11 September 2010. Contact: Abdullah Faliq Telephone: 020 74561062

Radio Caroline 531 kHz was on air from Harwich over the August Bank Holiday 27 -30 August.

**Cowes Radio** celebrates 25 years at the worlds' greatest regatta, Cowes Week, (early August) on 87.7FM as the longest running RSL station in the UK. They previously broadcast on Medium Wave!



Lyneham Radio 1449 kHz has closed. Of late, the station had been relaying BFBS programmes. (Dave Kenny BDXC-UK)

Radio West Suffolk 1350 kHz has been awarded an FM licence and was scheduled to launch on 13 August, 2010. The AM frequency is expected to close. (Dave Kenny BDXC-UK)

Football Club	Station	September 2010	October 2010
Crystal Palace	Palace Radio 1278 kHz	14 Portsmouth*	2 QPR
		18 Burnley	16 Millwall
			30 Swansea
Blackburn	Radio Rovers 1404 kHz	18 Fulham	16 Sunderland
			30 Chelsea
Rushden and	Radio Diamonds 1503 kHz	14 Fleetwood	11 Newport
Diamonds		24 Wimbledon*	21 Histon*
	Radie Diamonds	28 Grimsby	25 Crawley

**Evening Games** 

#### IRISH NEWS Ireland to continue with FM

Radio listeners in Ireland have been told they will not have to throw their sets away after the Government vowed it would not be switching off the Country's FM signal. Britain and parts of Europe are planning to switch off their analogue signal in favour of Digital Audio Broadcasting

(DAB), sparking fears that the same would happen in Ireland, as public broadcaster RTÉ is already broadcasting DAB in parts of the country.

However, a spokesman for Communications Minister Eamon Ryan told the Sunday Independent: Ireland has no plan to cease VHF-FM band II. Ireland never had such a plan. (http://www.independent.ie/2263311.html via Steve Whitt)

## OTHER NEWS

RTF

#### Radio Amnesty takes 10,000 radios

Data from the Radio Amnesty has been released, and reveals that over 114,000 digital radios were sold in June 2010, with retailers reporting sales up by 20 per cent. 10,000 of those sold were as a result of tradingin fully working analogue FM radio sets.

Other contributors to the record sales month were the scheduling of digital content including World Cup coverage on BBC Radio 5 live, 5

live Sports Extra and TalkSport, Glastonbury coverage on BBC 6Music, and Isle of Wight festival coverage on Absolute Radio.

The Radio Amnesty, which ran from the end of May to the end of June 2010, offered consumers a discount on a new digital radio in exchange for their analogue radio, collected to be reconditioned for charity or recycled. During the campaign the overall market sales increase was 17 per cent.

The 10,000 radios which were traded in are currently being assessed and refurbished by RadioFix, the radio repairs service, and a quarter of them have already been allocated to the Children's Radio Foundation in Southern Africa. (www.radiotoday.co.uk)

#### Radio listening hits all-time high

Radio listening figures have reached an all-time high with 46.8 million people tuning in, according

to the latest Rajar(the Company that monitors radio listening) figures. For a second quarter running the audience figures have reached record levels since introduction of the current research methodology was in 1999, with an impressive 90.6% of the adult population listening from the three months leading to the end of June. The figures have risen 500,000 year on year and are up 300,000 from the previous record in the last quarter.

The second quarter was boosted by an upsurge in Commercial radio listening figures, which had its highest reach in the past decade, gaining 905,000 listeners over the past year. It was also helped by landmark events such as the World Cup and the General Election, with BBC Radio 5 Live reporting its biggest audience since its launch in 1990, while Radio 4 averaged a weekly audience of 10.4 million, aided by its best ever audiences for shows including Today, PM and The Archers.

Another trend evident from the quarterly figures is that digital platforms are attracting more listeners. Weekly reach and share for digital listening on DAB have seen growth this quarter, with digital TV, internet and other devices either remaining static or increasing. Year-on-year figures rose 11% in weekly reach, meaning 20 million people now tune in to radio via a digitally platforms each week. DAB ownership is up by 7.6% year on year, with 18.2 million adults (aged 15+) claiming to live in a household with a DAB receiver. Listening by mobile phone has remained





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steady, with only 12.5% of adults claiming they listen to radio via their mobile phone. (www.radiotoday.co.uk via Steve Whitt)

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171	Radio Rossii, Bolshakovo; ID, News	222	2100	4/8 FW
279	Belaruskaye Radio 1, Sasnovy; ID, News	333	0200	5/8 FW
540	Onda Cero Radio Cataluña, Barcelona; ID, News	333	0200	17/7 FW
549	Deutschlandfunk, Nordkirchen; ID, Talk, Music, News	444	1321	1/8 HS
558	Spectrum Radio, London; ID, Music, Ads	444	1203	7/8 HS
558	UNID Music talk, no ID heard	344	1127	7/8 HS
558	Radio Slovenija 1, Nemcavci; ID, News	333	2300	8/8 FW
567	Rai Radio 1, various; ID, News	333	2300	11/8 FW
576	SWR Cont. Ra, BW, Mühlacker; ID, News	444	0200	12/8 FW
576	RNE 5, Palau de Plegamans (Barcelona); News	222	0205	12/8 FW
585	Radio Nacional, Majadahonda (Madrid); ID, News	444	00.00	17/7 FW
594	Radio Crne Gore, Klicevo; ID, News	333	2300	13/8 FW
603	Gold, Littlebourne; ID, Music	333	1412	12/8 HS
603	France Info, Tramoyes (Lyon); ID, News	444	2300	15/8 FW
603	România Actualitati, various; News	222	2303	15/8 FW
621	Radio Nacional, various; ID, News	333	2300	20/8 FW
630	BBC Three Counties Radio Luton; "You're listening to BBC Regional			BB
	Radio in the South East of England"	F	2145	31/7
648	BBC World Service, Orfordness; ID, News on several subjects	555	1826	5/8 HS
666	SER Radio Barcelona,; ID, News	333	2300	17/7 FW
675	Radio Maria, Lopik; ID, religious program, music	555	1826	5/8 HS
684	Radio Nacional, Dos Hermanas (Sevilla); ID, news	444	0200	18/7 FW
711	COPE Radio Murcia; ID, Local Infos	333	2257	18/7 FW
738	R. Nacional, Palau de Plegamans (Barcel.); ID, News	444	0200	19/7 FW
765	BBC Essex Chelmsford; Travel news	F	1555	8/8 BB
774	Radio 5, Zeewolde; ID, Talk, Music, News	555	1736	12/8 HS
783	Rock y Gol Radio Miramar, Ctra. Consería; ID, News	333	2300	19/7 FW
792	SER Radio Sevilla, Sevilla; ID, News	444	0200	20/7 FW
810	SER R. Madrid, Ctra. Carabanchel; ID, Local Infos	333	2255	20/7 FW
819	Rai Radio 1, Trieste; ID, News	222	0200	17/6 FW
819	Radio Euskadi, San Sebastián ; ID, News	333	0200	21/7 FW
828	Arrows Classic Rock; Classic Rock (Supertramp)	444	0150	18/6 FW
828	NDR Info, Hannover; ID, News	222	0200	18/6 FW
828	KISS-FM Barcelona, Tartassa,; ID, Music	333	0215	22/7 FW
837	France Info, Nancy-Nomeny; ID, News	444	2300	18/6 FW
837	COPE Burgos, Burgos; ID, Local Infos Burgos	333	2257	21/7 FW
846	Radio North, Carndonagh; Country Mx, ID "R. North"	333	0155	20/6 FW
855	Sunshine 855 Ludlow; At home, at work and in the car, Sunshine Radio	F	1335	2/8 BB
864	France Bleu, Paris - Villebon-sur-Yvette ; ID, Music Bonny Tyler	433	0150	23/6 FW
873	BBC R Norfolk West Lynn; News	F	1600	9/8 BB
873	AFN Power Network, Oberursel-Weißkirchen; ID, News	444	2300	23/6 FW
873	SER R. Galicia, Santiago de la Compostela; ID, Local Infos	333	2255	22/7 FW
882	COM Radio, Mollet del Vallès (Barcelona); ID, News	333	0200	23/7 FW

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909	BBC Radio 5 Live, various; ID, News	333	0200	29/6 FW
909	Radio Nacional 5, Palma de Mallorca; Local Px	333	1845	22/7 FW
918	Radio Slovenija 1, Ljubljana-Domzala; ID, News, Talk, Music	444	2100	1/8 HS
918	Radio Slovenija 1, Ljubljana-Domzale; Talk	333	1931	30/6 FW
927	Radio Vlaanderen Info, Wolvertem; ID, Music	455	1811	12/8 HS
927	Radio Vlaanderen Info, Wolvertem; ID, News	333	2300	30/6 FW
936	Rai Radio 1, various; ID, News	333	0200	5/7 FW
945	France Info, Toulouse-Muret; ID, News	444	0200	6/7 FW
954	Onda Cero Radio, Ctra Humera (Madrid); Talk, Infos	333	2315	8/7 FW
954	Onda Cero Radio, Ctra Humera (Madrid); ID, News	322	2300	23/7 FW
963	Radio Euskadi, Biribilondo; ID, News	333	0200	24/7 FW
981	R. Star Country, Emmyvale (Co. Monahan); ID, Music	333	2315	12/7 FW
990	BBC R5 Live Tywyn; Sports news	Fpk	2210	9/8 BB
999	COPE Madrid, Majadahonda; ID, Infos Madrid, Real Madrid	333	2257	24/7 FW
1116	Radio Bloemendaal, Bloemendaal; ID, religious music/program	444	1601	1/8 HS
1143	AFN Power Network, various; ID, News	333	0200	9/7 FW
1152	LBC News 1152, Saffron Green (London); ID, News	444	2300	5/7 FW
1161	Tay AM Dundee; "One Great song after another"	G	2205	16/8 BB
1161	BBC Southern Counties, Bexhill-on-Sea; ID, News, Infos	333	2300	4/7 FW
1170	Radio Slovenia Int'l, Beli Kriz; ID, News	444	2300	3/7 FW
1188	MDR-Info, Reichenbach; ID, News	333	0200	30/6 FW
1197	Absolute Radio, various; ID, Infos, Music,	333	2300	28/6 FW
1197	Euskadi Irratia, Vitoria; ID, News (Basque language)	222	0200	25/7 FW
1215	Absolute Radio, various; ID, Music	444	1850	5/8 HS
1213	Herri Irratia - Loyola Media, San Sebastián; ID, News	333	0200	25/6 FW
1224	COPE Radio various; News	222	0200	25/6 FW
1224	Herri Irratia - Loyola Media, San Sebastián; ID, News	333	2300	25/7 FW
1224	Absolute Radio various; ID, Music Tin Lizzy	333	0200	23/7 FW 24/6 FW
1233	France Info, Marseille-Cabriès-Réaltor ; ID, News	444	2300	24/0 FW
1242	Radio 5/Radio 1, Hulsberg; News	444	2300	22/0 FW 21/6 FW
1251	BBC Radio York, Row Bow; Px with Diana Luke	333	2300	21/0 FW 19/6 FW
1260	Gold 1260, Mangotsfield (Bristol); ID, Infos, Mx	333	2230	19/6 FW
		444	2310	
1278	France Bleu, Sélestat; ID, News			16/6 FW
1296	COPE Valencia, Castellar; ID, News	333	0200	26/7 FW
1395	Big L International; "Rock 'n; Roll Saturday"	G	2130	31/7 BB
1413	Premier Christian Radio London ; "Winning ways"	F	2140	16/8 BB
1521	Gold, Crawley and Reigate; Sky news	F	2200	11/8 BB
1521	Gold Digital, Duxhurst; Song Beatles "Love me do"	222	0155	21/8 FW
1530	Pulse 2, Huddersfield ; ID, News, Infos	333	0200	18/8 FW
1539	SER Radio various; ID, News	333	0200	16/8 FW
1548	Gold, Saffron Green; ID, Infos, Music	444	0200	14/8 FW
1557	France Info, Nice-Fontbonne; ID, News	444	2300	12/8 FW
1566	County Sound, Peasmarsh (Guildford); ID, Music, Infos	444	2300	11/8 FW
1602	R.Orient, Nimes, France; Arabic music	232	1650	02/8 FB
1645	R.Schaduwjager, Pirate, Netherlands; -Polka music	333	1944	11/08 FB
1647	R.Brandaris, Pirate, Netherlands; - Frank Sinatra song, ID	333	2003	11/08 FB
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kHz	Callsign	Station, location; details heard etc	SIO	UTC	Date	Who
162		France silent period but no sign of Turkey (in previous years		2325	19/8	SW
501		had extended programmes during Ramadan)		2200	(10	
531		Alger Chaîne 1, El Ain Beida, Algeria; ID, news	444	2300	6/8	FW
555	ZIZ	Basseterre, St Kitts; weak EE news	222	0345	18/7	MDe
570	CMBD	R Reloj, Santa Clara; SS talks pips good for two minutes	332	0333	26/7	MDe
570	CFCB	Corner Brook NL; "CFCB Corner Brook your home for 50 years. 5-70 CFCB"	W/F	0500	22/8	PC
590	VOCM	St John's NL; VOCM ID	322	0310	18/7	MDe
590	VOCM	St John's NL; "VOCM first news" // 620 kHz	W	0430	14/8	AB
595	RTM	Oujda, off channel again //540kHz Arabic talk & music	Good	2323	19/8	SW
600	CBNA	St Anthony NL; CBC News	322	0319	18/7	MDe
620	CKCM	Grand Falls NL; "VOCM first news" // 590 kHz	W	0430	14/8	AB
640	CBN	St John's NL; IS & CBC News	W	0300	4/7	BD
660	CFFR	Calgary AB; Newsletter	222	0310	18/3	MDe
680	CFTR	Toronto ON; news	222	0313	18/7	MDe
700	LV3	Radio Córdoba; "Transmite LV3 Radio Córdoba AM 70, (?).9 FM de las Cadena 3 Argentina"	F/G	0300	6/8	PC
710	LRL202	R Diez, Buenos Aires; "Radio Diez. Siempre Noticias"	W/F	0400	20/7	PC
710		R Diez, Capital Federal; usual "Radio Diez – La Radio" slogan		0402	22/7	AB
710		Radio Diez, Buenos Aires; OM/YL talk show, TS & "Radio Diez"	W	0452	14/8	BD
730	CKAC	Montreal QC; French talks	322	0316	18/7	MDe
730	HJCU	Radio Lider, Bogotá; "Cadena Melodía de Colombia"	W/F	0400	20/7	PC
740	CHCM	Marystown NL; VOCM Roadshow //620	Weak	0025	19/8	SW
740	CHCM	Marystown NL; "You're listening to 5-90 VOCM Radio St John's, a division of Newcap ? Communications" // 590 kHz	W	0430	14/8	AB
740.01	ZYH446	Rádio Sociedade da Bahia, Salvador; listener call in show, TS & "Rádio Sociedade da Bahia"	W/F	0157	5/7	BD
740	ZYH446	R Sociedade da Bahia, Salvador; full ID at TOTH	F	0400	20/7	PC
740		R Soc da Bahia, Salvador; PP talk by male followed with	222	2347		MDe
		Brazilian mx				
750	CBGY	Bonavista Bay NL; CBC News; good peak	332	0305		MDe
760	WJR	Detroit MI; "This is the great voice of the Great Lakes. Newstalk 7-60" then sung "WJR Detroit"	W/F	0400	2/8	PC
800	PJB	Bonaire; SS religious px mentioning "Radio Transmundial"	F	0436	10/8	AB
819		General Programme, Batrah, Egypt; music	333	0210	17/6	FW
820		TBN Charlestown, Nevis; religious talks by female	322	0330	18/7	MDe
830	YVLT	Radio Nueva Sensación, Caracas; lively Salsa rhythms, "Sensación" & TC	W	0302	13/7	BD
860	ZYJ459	R CBN, Rio de Janeiro; "CBN" IDs	F	0400	22/7	PC
870	WWL	New Orleans LA; "The Big 8-70, WWL New Orleans"	W/F	0400	22/8	PC
890	WLS	Chicago IL; spots, "WLS" jingle & ABC News	W	0359	17/8	BD

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930	WBEN	Buffalo NY; "News Radio 9-30 WBEN"	W	0300	16/8	PC
940	WINZ	Miami FL; "9-40 WINZ"; difficult copy with het on frequency	W	0500	22/8	pc
940	ZYJ453	Super Rádio Brasíl, Rio de Janeiro; YL PP studio talk, "Super Rádio" & choral music	W	0357	22/7	BD
940	ZYJ453	Super Rádio, Rio; "Super" "Boa Vontade" ID and programming	gF/G	0400	6/8	PC
950	LR3	R Belgrano, Buenos Aires; "Radio para sentir, Belgrano, AM 9- 50, Buenos Aires"	W	0400	24/7	PC
963		Main Arabic Programme, Kuwait City; music	222	2310	11/7	FW
980	ZYH707	Rádio Nacional Brasília, Brasília; soft pops, IS, "Nacional 9-80 kHz" & PP studio talk	W	0157	1/7	BD
980	ZYH707	R Nacional, Brasília, DF; Nacional ID // 1130 kHz	W/F	0300	6/8	PC
1000	WMVP	Chicago IL; "ESPN Chicagoyou're looking at WMVP AM and HD Chicago"	W/F	0400	19/8	PC
1010	WINS	New York NY; news mixing with CFRB – equal strength	W	0402	21/8	JW
1010	CFRB	Toronto ON; "Newstalk 10-10"	W	0259	8/7	JW
1010	CFRB	Toronto ON; enjoy the news	322	0305	18/7	MDe
1020	KDKA	Pittsburgh PA; "The Voice of Pittsburgh. News Radio 10-20 KDKA"	W/F	0300	16/8	PC
1030	WBZ	Boston MA; News Radio	332	0312	18/7	MDe
1050	CHUM	Toronto ON; sports news then promo "CP24.com"	F	0359	12/8	JW
1050	CHUM	Toronto ON; "This is today's best music, 104.5 CHUM-FM"	G	0359	20/8	AB
1060	WBIX	Natick MA; promo " here on WBIX every Monday at 9pm"	W	0433	14/8	AB
1060	HJFJ	RCN, Manizales; multi-tone insert followed by "RCN Noticias"	'W	0430	14/8	AB
1060	XEEP	R Educación, México DF; SS talks by a priest; ID "Educación"	222	0341	25/7	MDe
1060	XEEP	Radio Educación, DF; "XEEP Radio Educación 10-60 amplitud modulada" & studio talk	W	0529	26/7	BD
1070	LRA1	R El Mundo, Buenos Aires; SS talks about Argentina	222	0404	9/8	MDe
1070	HJCG	R Santa Fé, Bogotá; " Radio Santa Fé, 1070 kilociclos en Bogotá"	W/F	0400	28/7	PC
1070	HJCG	Radio Santa Fé, Bogotá; promo for "futból nacional en Colombia, Golo deportes en Radio Santa Fé, el quipo ?"	W	0401	10/8	AB
1070	YVMA	Radio Mundial Zulia, Maracaibo; salsa rhythms, Radio Mundial Zulia & TC	W	0159	20/8	BD
1100	WTAM	Cleveland OH; "On demand News Radio WTAM eleven hundred Cleveland," WTAM weather & Fox News	W/F	0400	19/8	BD
1100	WTAM	Cleveland OH; end of news on "News Radio WTAM eleven hundred"	W	0406	20/8	AB
1100	ZYK694	Rádio Globo, São Paulo; PP talk, news & "Rádio Globo"	W/F	0258	13/7	BD
1100	ZYK694	Rádio Globo, São Paulo; Rádio Globo Noticias, heard on the North American aerial!	W	0501	20/8	AB
1100	HJAT	Caracol, Barranquilla; Caracol IDs and "Caracol Radio"	W	0500	19/8	PC
1120	KMOX	St Louis MO; "Visit kmox.com" heard in trailer. Faded at TOTH	W	0359	16/8	PC
1120	ZYK274	Rádio Rural, Porto Alegre (tent); excited PP sports commentary	W	0100	22/7	BD
1130	WBBR	New York NY; Phonecalls, news	332	0312	18/7	MDe
1130	ZYJ460	R Nacional, Rio de Janeiro; PP programming, multiple "Nacional" IDs	W/F	0300	6/8	PC
1140	WQBA	Miami FL; "This is WQBA 11-40 AM Miami," SS ID & info	F	0300	12/8	BD
1140	WQBA	Miami FL; "11-40 AM la voz en español de Miami Beach"	W/F	0400	12/8	PC

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1160	WYLL	Chicago IL; "Chicago's Christian talk, 11-60 WYLL Chicago"	W/F	0400	19/8	PC
1190	LR9	Radio América, Buenos Aires; studio talk, "Radio América" & himno nacional	W	0255	1/7	BD
1190	LR9	Radio América, Capital Federal; "Radio America Informa" heard on the North American aerial!	W	0402	20/8	AB
1200	WXKS	Newton MA; "WXKS Newton Boston" & Fox News	W/F	0400	30/7	BD
1200	CFGO	Ottawa ON; "CFGO Ottawa sports radio the team twelve hundred" & Fox sports talk	W/F	0400	17/8	BD
1230	HJLK	Radio Calidad, Cali; music followed by "Radio Calidad presenta …" then words I couldn't copy	vW	0434	14/8	AB
1240	CKIM	Baie Verte NL; VOCM // 740 kHz	W	0500	22/8	PC
1250	WEAE	Pittsburgh PA; "WEAE Pittsburgh, 12-50 ESPN"	W	0400	16/8	PC
1250	CJYE	Oakville ON; Christian pops & "You are listening to over night CJYE Joy 12-50"	F	0401	22/8	BD
1260	WMKI	Boston MA; Radio Disney	W/F	0300	3/8	PC
1270	WXYT	Detroit MI; "WXYT AM and WXYT HD1 Detroit"	W	0400	19/8	PC
1270	LS11	R Provincia de Buenos Aires; "Provincia noticias. Información ahora"	W/F	0400	21/7	PC
1280	VSB	Hamilton, Bermuda; "You're listening to BBN on WYFT FM Waynesboro"	W/F	0400	1/8	PC
1280	WCMN	Arecibo PR; YL with Noti Uno talk show	F	0250	12/8	BD
1280	HJKN	Radio Unica, Bogotá (tentative); noted with brokered esoteric talk format for the chosen few!!! OM Henrik Klemetz heard the show on his recent visit to Bogotá. Stuff like witchcraft can come up for discussion!. A variation on C2C? Alas no ID so noted as <b>tent</b> .	W/F	0354	5/8	BD
1280	HJKN	R Unica, Bogoá; (tentative); SS talks by male	222	0408	9/8	MDe
1290	WKBK	Keene NH; "AM 12-90 WKBK Keene" then FM ID	W	0400	21/8	PC
1290	CJBK	London ON; "New Talk 12-90 CKBK" & ESPN sports talk.	W/F	0300	22/8	BD
1290	YVLF	Radio Puerto Cabello, Puerto Cabello; MOR Latin rhythms & "Radio Puerto Cabello"	W	0057	1/7	BD
1290	YVLF	R Puerto Cabello; Latin rhythms ID as "Cabello"	222	0326	18/7	MDe
1290	YVLF	R Puerto Cabello; "Radio Puerto Cabello" IDs	W/F	0300	20/7	PC
1290	YVLF	R Puerto Cabello; ID and time check followed by bright Latin rhythms	G	0458	20/8	AB
1290	YVLF	R Puerto Cabello; "Radio Puerto Cabello" ID; tnx PC for ID		0500	20/8	DH
1300	WJMO	Cleveland OH; " 13-hundred WJMO, Cleveland's"	W	0300	27/7	PC
1300	WOOD	Grand Rapids MI; "news radio 13-hundred WOODat woodradio.com"	W	0300	16/8	PC
1300	WOOD	Grand Rapids MI; "News Radio thirteen hundred WOOD Grand Rapids" & news kicking through the 1296 DRM	F	0400	22/8	BD
1310	WLOB	Portland ME; spots, "wlobradio.com" & Fox News	W	0300	22/8	BD
1310	HJJZ	R Manantial, Bogotá; program trailer "en Radio Manantial"; personal first	W	0400	5/8	PC
1320	WLQY	Hollywood FL; "This is WLQY, Hollywood, Miami" with SS programming	Fpks	0400	20/8	AB
1320	CJMR	Mississauga ON; "You're listening to CJMR the voice of the city" & Punjabi programme	W	0301	7/7	BD
1320	YVWP	Radio Apolo, Turmero; "Radio Apolo" & call in show	W	0315	7/7	BD

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1323		BBC-Zygi, Cyprus; BBC WS ID, Outlook px	G	2205	9/8	HP
1330	WFNN	Erie PA; "This is Fox Sports Radio 13-30, The Fan"	W	0400	19/8	PC
1330	UNID	Talk in French by OM	V wk	0005	16/8	SW
1340	OAU4Q	R Alegría, Pucasana; SS talks and typical Peruvian mx; ID help by friends	222	0417	9/8	MDe
1350	WOYK	York PA; jingle "Sports Radio 13-50 WOYK" & baseball commentary	W	0201	9/7	BD
1350	WOYK	York PA; ID "Sports Radio 13-50 WOYK" then ad for the White Rose Bar and Grill in downtown York	F	0423	14/8	AB
1350	WOYK	York PA; "First in York, first in sports"	W/F	0300	21/8	PC
1350	LR6	Radio Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires; soft pops, "Radio Buenos Aires AM" & himno nacional	F	0257	1/7	BD
1350	LR6	Radio Buenos Aires; notice of religious gathering at el templo de la fé, Avenida Corrientes 4070 – IURD programming	F	0400	14/8	AB
1350	ZYH520	Rádio Cristal, Salvador; usual Boa Vontade PP sermon	W	0357	17/7	BD
1360	WDRC	Hartford CT; "This is the talk of Connecticut WDRC AM 13- 60 Hartford" & AP News	W	0300	30/7	BD
1360	WTAQ	Green Bay WI; "WTAQ Green Bay and (?) FM, a service of Midwest Communications"	W	0400	19/8	PC
1370	WXXI	Rochester NY; mixing with WDEA; "WXXI AM Rochester" and "wxxi.org" heard	W	0300	22/8	PC
1370	HJKX	<b>Radio Mundial, Bogotá;</b> MOR LA pops & OM with "Radio Mundial en 13-70 kiloHertz"; <b>personal first</b>	W/F	0357	5/8	BD
1370	HJKX	R Mundial, Bogotá; SS talks by male ID "Mundial; splatter	222	0419	9/8	MDe
1400	WOND	Pleasantville NJ; "WOND Pleasantville, Atlantic City"	W	0400	24/7	PC
1400	WOND	Pleasantville NJ; "Newstalk 1400 WOND" ID	vW	0431	14/8	AB
1400	НЈКМ	Emisora Mariana, Bogotá; soft MOR pops, IS, "Desde de la capital de la república, transmite Emisora Mariana" & news	F	0356	5/8	BD
1400	HJKM	Emisora Mariana, Bogotá ; various 'Mariana' IDs	W	0400	5/8	PC
1400	HJKM	Emisora Mariana, Bogotá; SS by male about Colombia; help by friends for ID	222	0411	9/8	MDe
1400	OBX4W	R Callao, Lima; "radiocallao puntocom" ID; tnx to Torolf Johnsson for ID		0500	19/8	DH
1420	WOC	Davenport IA; "News Talk 14-20 WOC Davenport, Quad Cities"	W/F	0300	19/8	PC
1420	WBSM	New Bedford MA; "This is WBSM New Bedford14-20 WBSM"	W	0500	21/8	PC
1420	WHK	Cleveland OH; "news talk 14-20 WHK"	W	0500	22/8	PC
1420	CKDY	Digby NS; "Saturday at two and Sunday at noon on AVR"	F	0430	14/8	AB
1430	СНКТ	Toronto ON; back to back "elevator" music & "This is AM 14- 30 CHKT, Fairchild Radio Toronto"	W/F	0257	4/7	BD
1430	ZYJ200	Rádio Clube B2, Curitiba; soft PP pops, "Rádio Clube" & spots	W	0352	9/7	BD
1450	VSB1	Hamilton, Bermuda; melancholy nostalgia & "You're listening to 14-50 AM Gold"	W	0303	8/8	BD
1450	HJNL	La Cariñosa Manizales; MOR SS pops, "14-50 AM" & "La Cariñosa" jingle; personal first	W/F	0352	5/8	BD
1450	HJNL	La Cariñosa, Manizales; SS music and ID "La Cariñosa"	222	0413	9/8	MDe
1467		IRIB 1 Isfahan; talks in Arabic and ID; good	444	2130	12/8	MDe
1470	WLMC	Georgetown SC; "WLMC Georgetown" ID	W/F	0300	21/8	PC

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1470	HCLD2	Ecos de Naranjito, Ecuador; music programme with mention	G	0500	21/8	AB
		of "en la onda 14-70 Ecos de Naranjito". I hadn't yet identified				
		this station when Paul published his log, so thanks to Paul; also				
		thanks to HK who advised that the programme was "San				
		Viernes Rockolera", featuring Rockolera music which is a				
1470		regional Ecuadorian speciality; <b>personal first</b>	Б	0500	01/0	DC
1470	HCLD2	<b>R Ecos de Naranjito, Naranjito</b> ; "Cero horas en onda 14-70, cero horas en Radio Ecos de Naranjito"; <b>personal first</b>	F	0500	21/8	PC
1470	YVSY	Radio Vibración, Carúpano; MOR Latin rhythms & "Radio Vibración 14-70 AM"	W/F	0320	7/7	BD
1480	WGVU	Kentwood MI; "This is WGVU-AM and WGVS-AM. A service of Grand Valley State Universityin downtown	W/F	0300	18/8	PC
		Grand Rapids. This is Real Oldies 14-80 and 8-50"				
1490	HJBS	Emisora Punto Cinco Bogotá; ranchero style music & OM	W	0350	5/8	BD
		with "Punto Cinco"; personal first				
1500	WLQV	Detroit MI; "AM 15-hundred WLQV, life-changing talk radio"		0400	21/8	PC
1500	OBX4I	R Santa Rosa, Lima; SS disco mx; weak; actual 1499.842 kHz	222	0331	18/7	MDe
1510	WWZN	Boston MA; about the businessman in Boston	332	0310	18/7	MDe
1510	WWZN	Boston MA (presumed); EE talk and ads - then faded!-"This is CNN radio"	w/f	0359	10/8	JW
1510	WWZN	Boston MA (tent); talk show, adv for Chicago	F	0342	18/8	HP
1512		IRIB 1 Aradabil; full ID; good	444	2200	5/8	MDe
1520	WWKB	Buffalo NY; talk show, ads ID "kb1520.com"This is your show	٧F	0259	18/8	JW
		WWKB Buffalo" CNN news; later "A new voice a new choice				
		AM 1520" (Still using this slogan –must be over a year!)	-		- 10	
1520	HJLI	JC Radio, Bogotá; SS pops & "Jay see radio 15-20 kiloHertz"	F/G	0352	5/8	BD
1520	HJLI	JC Radio, Bogotá; SS pop songs; friends helping for ID	222	0408	9/8	MDe
1521		General Arabic Programme, Duba, Saudi Arabia; talk	444	0210	21/8	FW
1521		CRI Urumqi, China; ID	322	1900		
1530		VOA São Tome; "This is the Voice of America Washington DC signing on" & Yankee Doodle Dandy IS	F	0257	2/7	BD
1539		Radiodiffusion TV Djibouti; local mx in AA // 4780; at 2200 National Song	332	2152	15/8	MDe
1539		Radio Djibouti; VV talks // 4780 extended schedule during Ramadan, s/off 2201	F	2133	20/8	HP
1539		VOA R Aap Ki Dunyaa, Al-Dhabbiya, UAE; VOA News, ID	444	2205	5/8	MDe
1540	KXEL	Waterloo IA; "News Talk 15-40 KXEL Waterloo, Iowa. We now return to the Overcomer Ministry"	F/G	0300	18/8	PC
1540	CHIN	Toronto ON; Toronto's news	332	0327	18/7	MDe
1540	ZNS1	Radio Bahamas, Nassau; "This is the Bahamas" followed by national anthem	W	0400	26/7	PC
1540	ZNS1	Nassau, Bahamas; National Anthem & "This is the ZNS news update"	W?F	0358	2/8	BD
1540	HJLI	Vida AM Música, Bogotá; trailer for the "Comunidad Cristiana Manantial de Vida Eterna" with phone number 294 8300" ( <i>is this correct - HJLI on 1520kHz?? – Ed</i> )	F/G	0400	28/7	PC
1540		Turbomix AM, Cajamarca, Peru; "Turbo Música" ID; tnx Torolf Johnsson for ID		0336	4/8	DH
1548		Radio Sawa, Kuwait ID & <u>www.radiosawa.com</u>	Vg	2316	10/8	SW
1550	CBE	Windsor ON; CBC News	F	0400	1/8	PC

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1550	CBE	Windsor ON; IS & CBC News	W	0300	19/8	BD
1566		TWR Benin; EE child line, ID "Bringing hope to the world, this is TWR"	G	0303	3/7	HP
1570	CFAV	Laval QC; Boomer hits	322	0327	25/7	MDe
1570	XERF	La Poderosa, Ciudad Acuña; "15-70 XERF. La Poderosa"	W	0300	19/8	PC
1570	XERF	Ciudad Acuña; "La Poderosa 1,570" followed by one of their conversational legal IDs	F	0400	20/8	AB
1570	OCU4J	<b>Radio Nueva Q, Lima</b> ; Cumbia mx, 0305 "La fiesta Q, Q"; 0308 ID "La nueva Q Q Q", again ID at 0312; <b>personal first</b>	W/F	0300	15/7	HP
1570	OCU4J	<b>Radio Nueva Q, Lima</b> ; "Esta es Radio La Inolvidable93.1 FM y 6-60 AMEsta es la frecuencia de la Cumbia 107.1Nueva Qdonde manda nuestra Cumbia, Nueva Q (repeated); <b>personal first</b>	F	0400	20/7	PC
1575		Radio Farda, Al Dhabbiya, UAE; talk, music	333	1911	11/8	FW
1580	CKDO	Oshawa ON; oldies	322	0340	25/7	MDe
1580	HJQZ	Radio Maria Barranquilla; SS studio sermon, "Radio Maria" & contemporary Christian music; personal first		0350	5/8	BD
1580	HJQZ	R Maria, Barranquilla (presumed); sermon and Christian music matching BD's log, but no ID	W/F	0400	5/8	PC
1580	HJQZ	R Maria, Barranquilla; religious SS music; ID as "Maria" by female; friends helping with ID	222	0410	9/8	MDe
1590	WAKR	Akron OH; National news; "97.5 WONE, 15-90 WAKR. We do more than care.", WAKR jingle then weather	F	0505	22/8	PC
1600	WUNR	Brookline MA; "This is WUNR Brookline" & salsa rhythms	W/F	0401	2/8	BD
1600	WAAM	Ann Arbor MI; " 16-hundred WAAM Ann Arbor"	vW	0400	1/8	PC
1610		Caribbean Beacon, Anguilla; Melissa Scott preach	W/F	0335	3/8	HP
1610		Caribbean Beacon, Anguilla (pres) English; religion	V weak	2335	14/8	SW
1620	CMBA	R Rebelde, unknown site; SS talks about Cuba	332	0400	25/7	MDe
1620	CMBA	Radio Rebelde, unknown location; usual Rebelde IS, nx	F	0300	27/7	PC
1620	WDHP	Frederiksted USVI; country music show & "You're listening to WDHP"	F	0355	2/8	BD
1620	WDHP	Frederiksted, USVI; full formal WDHP ID	W/F	0401	2/8	PC
1620	WDHP	Frederiksted, USVI, usual BBC WS Relay	W/F	0351	3/8	HP
1630	KKGM	Fort Worth TX; "This is AM 16-30 KKGM Fort Worth Dallas, a Mortenson Broadcasting Station"	W	0400	20/8	AB
1640	WTNI	Biloxi MS; ESPN programming with ID "ESPN Sports Radio 14-90"	W	0402	18/8	AB
1650	WHKT	Portsmouth VA; " WHKT Portsmouth" & CBS News	W	0300	16/7	BD
1650	WHKT	Portsmouth NH; Dennis Miller Show on Westwood One, "You're listening to AM 16-50 WHKT Portsmouth conservative talk radio"	W	0300	20/7	PC
1650	WHKT	Portsmouth VA; talk show	322	0347	25/7	MDe
1660	WCNZ	Marco Island FL; glimpsed with "WCNZ Marco Island Naples" & jazz		0400	8/8	BD
1660	WWRU	Jersey City NJ; Korean talk and ID; good	332	0351	25/7	MDe
1660	KRZI	Waco TX; "16-60 ESPN Radio KRZI Waco-Temple-Killeen- Fort Hood" – something of a surprise in August	F	0400	20/8	AB
1680	WOKB	Winter Garden FL; YL Gospel & Gospel soul; 0359 ID 2x WOKB 16-80 AM	W/F	0340	3/8	HP

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1690	WMLB	Avondale Estates GA; I just caught the call sign "WMLB	W	0400	21/8	AB
		Atlanta" - the missing words were probably "Avondale Estates	,,			
		but were lost in a fade				
1690	CHTO	Toronto ON; "CHTO, AM 16-90. Toronto"	F	0300	20/7	PC
1690	CHTO	Toronto ON; soft pops & "You are listening to CHTO AM 16-	W	0401	2/8	BD
		90 Toronto"				
1690	CHTO	Toronto ON; "visit our website at <u>www.am1690.ca</u> "	G	0405	20/8	AB
1700	WJCC	Miami Springs FL (presumed); heavily accented FF program	W/F	0500	21/8	PC
1700	KVNS	Brownsville TX; "This is Classic Hits 17-hundred. KVNS	F	0300	20/7	PC
		Brownsville and the Rio Grande Valley"				
1700	KVNS	Brownsville TX; "This is Classic Hits 17 hundred KVNS	W/F	0400	2/8	BD
		Brownsville and the Rio Grande Valley" & oldies				
1700	KVNS	Brownsville TX; oldies	W	0359	3/8	JW
1700	KVNS	Brownsville TX; classic rock pop music	222	0400	10/8	MDe
1700		CRJ Beacon, Carajas, Brazil	F	0255	3/7	HP

**Loggings older than 3 months**. This section is restricted to personal and UK firsts, and stations not already reported in a particular year in the All Time Lists.

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610	ZYL268	<b>R Itatiaia, Belo Horizonte</b> ; tnx to Rocco Cotroneo via RealDX for identifying this old UNID of mine – he advises that it's a	F	0400	17/7/ 2009	AB
		sports programme with mention of Itatiaia; personal first				
920	KVEL	Vernal UT; promo "This is Michael Medved for talk radio that	Fpks	0805	15/11/	mah
		has more than just politics, join me on AM 9-20 KVEL News			2008	
		Talk Sports"; mixing CFRY; UK First				
972		VOA Aap Ki Duniya, Orzu, Tajikistan; jingle heard in TOTH	F	1600	17/11/	PL
		mix			2009	
1350	WARF	Akron OH; "Your hot spot for Akron Aeros baseball,	W/F	1000	14/11/	mah
		University of Akron (Zips?), we are 13-50 AM WARF Akron			2008	
		Sports Radio 13-50" and then Sporting News Flash; personal				
		first				
1460	WZNZ	<b>Jacksonville FL</b> ; this one was in my UNID pile for a while –	W	0500	2/4/	AB
		" <this is=""> Queen of Peace Radio, WZNZ AM", but identified</this>			2010	
		following the recent callsign swap with WQOP 1600; personal				
		first				
1670	KHPY	Moreno Valley CA; this is a resolved UNID from December	F	0802	9/12/	AB
		2009 with Spanish religious programming. Mention of Los			2009	
		Ángeles California, then "Los Grandes Amigos de Dios los				
		Santos de la iglesia Católica". ESNE Radio's website shows a				
		programme of this name. The station confirmed by e-mail;				
		personal first				
1680	KGED	Fresno CA; "KGED 16-80 AM"; UK First	Wpk	0900	14/11/	mah
			1		2008	

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**Barry** tells us: "For me typical summer fare here in Carlisle. Only oddity here was on the 5/8 with the appearance many Colombian stations at decent levels. 1490 is a no go channel for me with the Radio 4 infill on 1485 about 10 miles away but HJBS kicked its way through"!

**Hans** reports: "2 quiet months DX wise. Not really conditions are bad, but I did not spend much time on the radio. Instead I did some activity with my girlfriend. I just run through my file made on July 15th. What a big surprise I catch Radio Nueva Q in Peru with their Cumbia mx and several IDs. I'm sure this was a central European first! Hi! I should send an email to Peru. I wonder if they confirm? Looking forward to good conditions in September, as Asian season starts then. **Maurits** writes: "Conditions are fine, a nice peak on 9/8 ;with a little help from other DXers for ID, but it goes good for this time of year".

**Paul C** comments: "Conditions seem to have picked up quite a bit after the summer doldrums; a few less common S American stations have been heard and stations from the Great Lakes area and beyond have made it through.

**Steve** notes that he was pleasantly surprised to detect several trans-Atlantic DX signals before midnight UTC in August. In addition to those listed above he had weak signals on 1500, 1510, 1620 and 1010kHz. Hopefully a good precursor for the approaching MW DX season.

Steve also reports a new powerful digital transmission noted on approximately 1624.6kHz. This was clearly coming from a SSW direction form York with a strong night-time signal. Fortunately it was only noted on 10<sup>th</sup> August. Does anyone know what this is?

Here in Clashmore no DXing has been done in the last 2 months. The antennas have been down with damage caused by cattle that are still round and about, and I've also been engrossed in ham radio. My only contribution this month is from ongoing checks of old Perseus recordings.

The **deadline** for the October DX Loggings is **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September**. I look forward to receiving your logs by then, preferably electronically/via e-mail using the Word pro-forma, which is available from the "Files" section of our Yahoo Group; **very many thanks** to all members making the effort to submit contributions following the format used in DX Loggings.

73, Martin

## **VERIFICATIONS SECTION**

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Zimbabwe:NDB Kariba DW,300.0 kHz,PPC,63dVKNDB Kariba KB,399.0 kHz,63dVK

e-mail verie.

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NDB Southdowns (Kitwe) KT,

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1: v/s David Kolesar (Senior Broadcast Engineer)

2: with pics of transmitter and transmitter Site, and coverage pattern attached, v/s Dave Morgan (WO4S) – Director Of Engineering And AM Operations, Sinclair Communications. QTH: dmorgan@sinclairstations.com
3: e-mail verie in 17 weeks after follow-up and two weeks later promotional material and souvenirs by air-mail, v/s Sherree Woodmore, QTH: sherreewoodmore@arn.com.au

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A: what was received; B: what return postage was sent; C: Days to get a reply

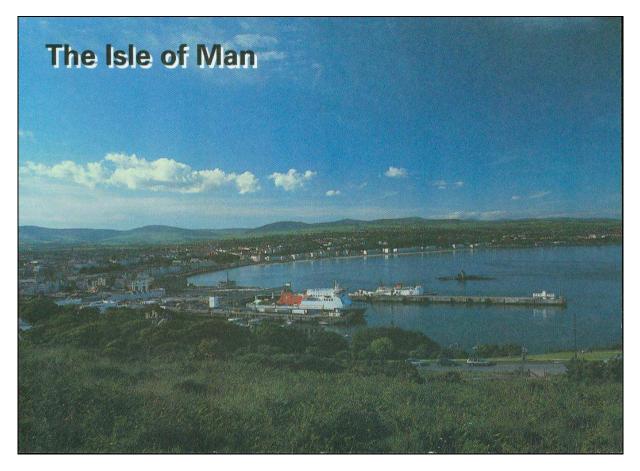
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