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Welcome to these new members ... Chuck Rippel WA4HHG, Chesapeake, VA (rejoins); Lee Reynolds, Lempster, NH; Pat Murphy, Chesapeake, VA; Alan Johnson, Reno, NV; Jim Amici, Allen-town, PA; Ben Hester, East Bend, NC; Alex Calabrese WA2ADS, Buena, NJ (rejoins); Andrew Ooms, PA; Mike Harrington, Coral Springs, FL; Todd Williams, Hood River, OR (rejoins); John Dawson, Pittsboro, NC; Clarke V. Greene, Middletown, CT; David Hawn K7TCN, Redmond, WA; Ivan Geisler, Denver, CO; Tim Francisco, Bedford, OH; John Harding, Plymouth Meeting, PA; Joseph DelGiudice K1CR, Cranston, RI; Keith Christiansen, Falls Church, VA; and Henry Byra, Berkeley Heights, NJ. We mailed out 775 copies of DXN for #24.

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Domestic DX Digest

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DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-br. ELT

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Medium Wave AM Blunders

Some Canadian news from Broadcast engineering: "CHSJ-700 Saint John will be moving from AM to FM. The new transmitter will operate on 94.1 MHz, with 50.6 kW. New Brunswick Broadcasting Co Limited currently operates CHSJ-AM in Saint John, which will go dark three months after the FM is up and running. Both CBFX-FM and CHI-AM/KCHJ-FM in Fredericton opposed the flip, prompting the Commission to impose the condition that CHSJ not solicit advertising from the Fredericton market. CHSJ-AM will also have to produce 110 hours of local programming every week."

And some U.S. news... "Two Washington-area firms bid a total of $175 million at a government auction for the rights to provide a new breed of radio service that can be heard coast-to-coast and offers CD-quality reception. American Mobile Radio Corp., a unit of American Mobile Satellite Corp. of Reston, Va., placed a winning bid of $89.9 million at a Federal Communications Commission sale for one of two licenses to offer digital audio radio. Washington-based CD Radio Inc. put down a top bid of $83.3 million for the second license in a long-delayed -- and controversial -- auction limited to four companies. Digital radio, expected to be up and running by the latter half of 1999, will be beamed via satellite nationwide and will allow listeners anywhere in the country. It will be subscription-based and will allow listeners anywhere from 25 to 50 stations of music, news and other specialized programs. The small satellite antenna needed to tune in the broadcasts could be installed in cars, trucks and homes. People who drive a lot -- or who live in remote areas with few existing radio channels -- are considered prime candidates for the new service. CD radio expects to begin its service in the second half of 1999, offering 50 channels of programming. Most channels will be commercial-free and offer music." - Reuters/ Variety

Dennis Elyea writes: "I'm getting 1510 KFBI in Greenwood, AR. They ID as KDFE, which is // KFBI. Another forgotten daytimer! I also have a web page now: http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/Lab/3426/"

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SPECIAL

670 KWNK CA
Simi Valley - 4/3 - is now Radio Centralamerica and has changed formats from all-sports to Spanish language, Central American music format... (Inet)

820 WJJD IL
Chicago - The Chicago Sun-Times 4/2. Robert Feder column that WJJD and WSCR will switch places on Monday April 7 at 2:30 pm. 820's call sign, though, will be WYPA. WJJD is already giving a mixture of call signs. Their IDs say WJJD but the traffic guy says WYPA. (MM-IL)

1160 WSCR
IL
Chicago - The long-awaited switch of sports talk station WSCR from 820 kHz to 1160 kHz happened on April 7, 1997 at 1530 ET. This move ended WJJD, which occupied 1160 kHz for long time. Contrary to reports in DDXD-West in DX News No. 24, WJJD never changed call letters to WJMK. They just simulcasted sister station WJMK during the transition period. WYPA took over the 820 kHz frequency with Motivational Talk Format. (CR-IL)

950 WEJN IL
Chicago - The few times I have tuned the AM band in the last few months, I have not noticed WEJN to be SILENT as reported in AM Switch in DX News No. 24. They were just sold to Douglas Broadcasting recently and are planning to become time-brokered foreign language station. (CR-IL)

980 KRTX
TX
Rosenburg - 3/28 - Is now these calls. Ex: KMQF. (Inet)

1390 WGGI
IL
Chicago - Per the Chicago Sun-Times on 4/10/97, Evergreen Media/Chanellor Broadcasting Co. have agreed to buy and sell several AM and FM stations in the Chicago area. This move involves WGGI 1390 kHz, which will be called Winnitus, which will be purchased by the Evergreen Media/Chancellor Broadcasting Co. (CR-IL)

1440 KEYS
TX
Corpus Christi - 3/28 - Now uses the slogan NewsTalk 1440. (Inet)

1470 WCFJ
IL
Chicago Heights - 3/30 - Has been on the last several days with a dead carrier. Also a weaker signal than normal. (MM-IL) [Mark: this is official city-of-license - Ed.]

1510 KCVI
TX
Canton - 3/29 - Has moved here from Mineola. (Inet)

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

570 KKHI-CA
Alturas - 3/25 0300 - Not heard thru WNAX and CKY slop. (SA-MB)

690 KSTL-MO
St. Louis - 3/24 0316 - Heard CIDs several times. Never heard any audio. (CR-CO)

1390 WEGP-ME
Presque Isle - 3/29 0300 - Test heard with weak CIDs under KRRZ and a couple of UNID stations. NEW. (SA-MB)

1420 WHKT OH
Cleveland - 4/7 0311 - Heard one possible "CQ" in Morse code but too weak to be sure. XXXX-1420 all channels of modulated. (TRH-CA)

WHK- OH
Cleveland - 4/7 0300-0330 - KSTN-Stokton dominates with SS talk & music. UnID EE station with Golden Oldies Don't Be Cruel and It's Not Unusual behind plus another (XXXX-BCN 7). WHK not heard. (BK-CA)

1600 WKF
FL
Key West - 4/7 0030-0100 - Not heard, just Chinese Radio KMYN Pomona and SS station. At 0100 Arabic-type music under UC talk. (BK-CA)

TIS & OTHER STUFF

1610 WNUB568
CA
Chula Vista - Has been running OC for a few weeks now. (TRH-CA)

1610 WNPFA05
CA
San Diego (Balboa Park) - Has been running OC off entirely for a week or more (not sure which due to WNUB568 OC, but suspect they are running OC as well due to my difficulty in nulling the OC() on this channel. (TRH-CA)

1610 KOP26
NM
Sandia Peak - 4/7 2327 - In briefly with mentions of Sandia Peak. Used to be semi-regular here before local pests came on the air. (TRH-CA)

1610 TIS
CA
Yosemite National Park - 4/7 2339 - Good at times, but fading. Female announcer with park info, mention of services along highways 120 and 140, gave phone # 1-800-446-1737. Still there at recheck 4/8 0700. New. (TRH-CA)

1610 KNEC996
CA
(CalTrans mobile unit) - 4/7 2339 - Man with tape loop on road widening project on CA 126 from Santa Paula to Santa Clarita. Suspect that the old "Grapevine" mobile station has moved a few miles west, but can't tell for sure at this distance. Can LA or Ventura-area DXers confirm? (TRH-CA)

1620 Pirate?
CA
San Diego - 4/7 2340 - Station is still here with the same handful of old black oldies (maybe no more than about 10 songs, probably on a tape loop). Gets out well. No DJs or IDs. Sounds like someone got a hold of
an old TIS transmitter and set it up in their backyard or something. Anybody besides Doug Martin and myself hearing this? (TRH-CA)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

580 KUBC CO Montrose - 3/23 0050 - Good signal and oldies. (CR-CO)
590 KRFE TX Lubbock - 4/6 0558 - Out of a BBD tune, a nice legal ID and into an indistinguishable newscast. Poor at best. (PLB-MI)
690 WTIX LA New Orleans - 3/1 0300 - Strong signal and all alone. WTIX New Orleans 690 AM, WASO Covington 730 AM. News from UPI and then at 0305 sports update from World Web News Network. Back to a talk show, maybe Art Bell. (CR-CO)
1000 KXRB SD Sioux Falls - 4/1 0718 - With . weather next, here on KXRB, followed by local weather, C&W music, ads for local carpet store and a car dealer. Strong. (CR-CO)
1010 KTNZ TX Amarillo - 3/30 0305 - With ABC news prog items on Heaven's Gate Cult and McVeigh trial, followed by local weather and KTNZ, Amarillo. New, for Texas #106. (CR-CO)
1020 KTUR UT Tooele - 3/7 0300 - The News Station and 1010 KYUR Tooele, Salt Lake City, Utah. Quick IDs at the top of the hour. Then back to AP news. (CR-CO)
1550 KDDC KS Dodge City - 4/2 0742 - NOS music, call ID. New here. (JR-OK)
1560 WPAD KY Paducah - 4/2 0730 - Call ID, NOS music. (JR-OK)

0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

970 KJLT NE North Platte - 3/7 1000 - You're listening to KJLT, North Platte and into USA News. REL music format. (CR-CO)
1140 KCJY CA Palm Springs - 2/26 0933 - In briefly with NOS music and CL ID. New, for California #64. (CR-CO)
1490 KDMCMO Carthage - 3/8 0810 - Missouri Network with news, weather and call ID. (JR-OK)

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

820 WOSU OH Columbus - 4/3 2000 - After hearing WSCR sign-off, was surprised to hear an ID from WOSU. After the ID they played a few bars of the theme for Things Considered, then switched the antenna or whatever they do. New. (MM-IL)
1000 KKIM NM Albuquerque - 4/1 1914 - With ID as This is KKIM, 1900, Christian Talk Radio, and into REL talk program. (CR-CO)
1040 WSZF TN Memphis - 2/24 1925 - Very strong signal in KTWU null. Local ads for Shelby Dodge mentioning to Say that the Rainman sent you. Then back to a local call in sports show hosted by the Rainman. New. (CR-CO)
1250 KTFJ NE Dakota City - 3/20 2302 - Good signal in KBRF null. REL talk and music. Mentions Nebraska and Iowa in the ID. (CR-CO)
1300 KYNQ CA Fresno - 2/28 2253 - Good for awhile in the mess. LA Lakers basketball game and ads for TKA Computers in Fresno, Salinas and Bakersfield. ID as 1300 all sports KENV. (CR-CO)
1320 KLWN KS Lawrence - 3/17 2203 - With CL ID followed by news. Mixing with KXYZ. (CR-CO)
1340 KXYZ TX Houston - 3/17 2203 - With CL ID and Radio Texas followed by news, local weather, promo for radio game. A regular here. Quite a signal for 5 kw. (CR-CO)
1560 KBBX CA Bakersfield - 3/14 2033 - SS music with announcement in EE. Fading and QRM. New here. (JR-OK)
1570 KYCR MN Golden Valley - 3/29 2125 - Good signal and all alone. We're KYCR 1570, more of the songs you love and KYCR your home for Christian music. REL music. Still in there at 0015. A surprise at 230 watts (unless they forgot to power down) and a new one. (CR-CO)

DDX-East

A nice turnout for this issue. Keep 'em coming, folks!
There was a tremendous amount of publicity here about the big solar flare on 4/7, but conditions haven't been very good recently as well. The sunspots seem to be picking up again though, with more aurora of late than usual for the last couple years.

Condolences to regular reporter Mark Burns, whose father passed away in late March.

Deadlines for upcoming issues: May 6, June 10.

STATION NEWS

550 WPNW RI Pawtucket - NRC member Craig Hasty told us that new station owner Peter Otmara will keep the station going. He's at least another year while he evaluates the performance of Bloomberg Business Radio in this market. (DG-RI)
590 WEZE MA Boston - 3/20 1400 - Now with these calls, ex-WBNW. Change is official per call to station. (DG-RI)
600 WSNL MI Flint - 4/1 - New call letters, contemporary Christian and brokered religion continues with new slogan "Salt 'N Light." Ex-WTAC, the original call since sign-on in May 1946. (TS-MI)
670 WVNS VA Claremont - Construction continues; current plans are to push the first "power tower" on the "boulevard" but that's tentative. A DX program is still a possibility; stay tuned. (AM-VA)
760 WMTN MN Minneapolis - Per QSL, full ZIP is 55717-7825. (EK-OK)
800 WNNF VA Norfolk - Per Internet page, has replaced Tom Leykis Show with fellow Westwood One Bruce Williams Show in the 1900-2200 timeslot. (DP-HI)
910 WNEZ CT New Britain - Possible format change to UCRAP, "Jams" IDs. Competition for WKND-1480 Windsor. (RM-CT)
950 WIBX NY Utica - 4/1 - Now airs "Coast to Coast AM" seven a days per week show per show. (DP-HI)
960 WTCR CA Salisbury - Now IDs as "960 AM and 106.9 FM, the Game," apparently now simulcast on Ocean City's 106.9 FM, which cannot be heard here. (DP-DE)
1020 KDKA PA Pittsburgh - 4/1 (no foolin') - Apparently dropped AM Stereo. Will check this further. (JRM-PA)
1040 WULF CA Sterling Heights - Per v/1, alternate address is P. O. Box 1030, Sterling Heights MI 48311. (EK-OK)
1100 WHYZ SC Sans Souci - Report sent to P.O. box address in Log was returned. Anyone have new address? (DT-JAM)
1080 WPGR PA Pittsburgh - 2/23 - First day on the air, IDing as Pittsburgh's Gospel Radio, upbeat GOS music, address 960 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh 15222. V's names given were Stacy Anderson, Business Manager and Phil Austin, GM. In a LMA with WAMO 860, 106.7, 107.1, ex-WDSY, WEYM. (JR-MA)
1000 WJJD IL Chicago - 3/22 0446 - Noticed using its old calls, conducting a self-help program using phrase, "your personal achievement station." (RPC-FL)
1250 WTKG MI Grand Rapids - 4/1 - Now using these calls, ex-WCUZ. Slogan is "Talk Radio 106.9." (PLB-MI) [Original, hi. - DV]
1260 WPZE MA Boston - 3/10 1403 - Now with these calls, ex-WZM. Running contemporary Christian music when tuned in, ID as "WPZE Boston." Station now calls itself "Praise 12-60." (DG-RI)
1290 WCCC CT West Hartford - Still AOR // WCCC-FM 103.9. Never went to a sports format. (RM-CT)
1390 WDCWNY SC Syracuse - 3/9 0100 - Heard with sign-off message, mentioning return at 0500. No longer 24 hours. (DB-DE)
1400 WKEW NC Greensboro - 3/30 - Adds "Moneymakers" with Bob Brinker" per show today. (DP-HI)
1410 WPOT CT Hartford - Now all-sports, with billboards around Hartford showing an athletic supporter and "The Sports Authority." (RM-CT) [Not enough support- ers to keep the Whalers in town though, unfortunately. - DY]
1430 CHKT ON Toronto - 3/5 1100 - Noted with these calls, ex-CKYC, announcing end of Loblawn program with EE announcement, "You're listening to Fairchild Radio AM 1430 CHKT," mentioned new multi-cultural voice for Toronto. Seems to be mostly Asian languages, including lots of Chinese. (MS-ON)
1550 WSHN MI Fremont - 4/3 - Noted now using the slogan "The All New 15-50 AM," format changed to NWS/TLK. No longer C&W / FM. (PLB-MI)
They must aim only a few dozen watts in this direction. (SF-TN) of dead air on WOU coincided with the tone stopping, and choice for the original hits, we’re WPTY AM weakly with code 0305-0322 under WEOK, WZHF. Phone number in “not in service.” (RCP-IN) 543-5355 (couldn’t make out what for), into car dealer ad, weak in slightly nulled CBL. (RKC-ON)

3/14 0620 Heard in with great signal, several a few seconds of code at 0323, QRM from CBF, R. Deportes @T-JAM) It seems my earlier...3/14 0620...3/23 0458 Heard...3/24 0315-0330 poor under WRSC, WRTK, “The greatest hits, Country 630, CFCY.”

14/32 0005-0030 - Possibly very poor in YG swamp, noted a bit of tone and a possible code ID, but not even enough for a tentative. (MB-ON) Not heard. (SF-TN) Not heard in jumble of uniID stations; unneeded. (DT-JAM)

3/21 0103-0136 - Not heard, with WWR, having jacked up power and a semi-local pest (CHNR) on the channel. (MB-ON)

LOGGINGS: 0000-0800 ELT

WASG AL Atmore - 3/23 0458 - Booming in with great signal, several IDs and mentions of 105.9 FM. No sign of usual WCKY. (RCP-IN)

630 CFCY Pl Charlotte-town - 4/4 0025-0032 - Heard ID under Red Sox game on WPRO, "the greatest hits, Country 630, CFCY." (RWT-MA)

690 WTIX LA New Orleans - 3/11 0504 - Ad for Bob’s Muffler Shop, dual IDs for WTIX and WASO, with news at top of hour. Fair in CBF null, not often heard here. (RCP-IN)

740 WGMN NY Huntington - 3/14 0620 - Very weak rising up to give phone number (516) 543-5355 (couldn’t make out what for), into car dealer ad, "hear more of today's country... huntington... must be country... huntington, W...,” into C&W. Tough, weak in slightly nulled CBL. (RKC-ON)

780 WWOL NC Forest City - 4/4 0715 - Ads for businesses that honor the WWOL discount card, including one in Sandy Mush, then religious music. Over, under WCKB. (IN-NC)

820 WQNY NY Horseheads - 3/21 0103-0136 - Play-by-play baseball, Iowa State vs. UCLA, review of game over, under WBAP. (DT-JAM)
LOGGINGS: 1600-2400 ELT

540 WGTH VA Richlands - 3/30 1920-2000 - Noted with GOS music, UIP news and weather 2000-2005, into more music. Apparently // 105.5 FM at least at this time. Fair at best with heavy fading, moderate QRN from CBEE. First time with this call. (EK-OH)

550 WOON NC Asheville - 3/31 1920-1945 - Good, classical music, "Ici Radio Canada" ID into news, echo created by delay with CBEE underneath, over WEWA. (BC-NH)

580 WOCT MD Frostburg - 11/27 1945-1950 - Fair mixing with WUFL C&W music, TCs and ID by male DJ, "Country Countdown" program. (EF-MD)

411 WFPI OH Columbus - 3/1 1950-1955 - Good, classical music. Good under, ID as \"WSIC\" apparently // 96.9 FM. Very difficult, but I'm surprised 40 watts gets this far at all! (EK-OH)

3/1 1955 - Good mixing with WFIL C&W music, IDs as \"WSIC\" apparent // 96.9 FM. Was this a format change or were two stations mixing? (PT-NJ) [Second one sounds like WJOX.

412 WJFU OH Louisville - 3/2 1955-1960 - EZL instrumental, Air Force Reserve Radio Canada, then got very clear with \"The Drill\" sponsored by \"Sports Fan Radio on 1300\" under somewhat nulled CHML. (RKC-ON) [I've been hearing this one a lot this year.

413 WPZT VA Bristol, Virginia - 3/3 1955-1960 - Spot for new Rent-to-Own shop in Monessen, ID as \"WPZT, Bristol\", UIP news on the hour. Local WPYB phased. (IN-NC)

317 WABS VA Alexandria - 3/3 1955-1960 - For employment at station, phone number as in Log, \"WABS is an equal opportunity employer.\" Semi-local WGBK phased. (IN-NC)

280 WRCN VA Virginia Beach - 3/3 1955-1960 - Good while CBL played classical music with lots of quiet spots. Made it past spot about strawberries vs. blueberries, ID by female. (BC-NH) [next couple of nights too. (RKC-ON) [I've been hearing this one a lot this year.

270 CHAL ON Chalmette - 3/3 1955-1960 - Good, classical music, \"Dr. Dean Edell, ID by woman into ad for Newfoundland Sportsman Outdoor Show April 3/14 1912-1930


250 WCHP NY Champlain - 3/3 1955-1960 - Weakly under WVNNE with sign-off at this time, full sign-off with mention of studios in Champlain, New York. (H-H)

240 WYMN AL Athens - 3/1 1955-1960 - Talk program about property rights against trespassers, break with many WYNN mentions. Fair with WABF phased. (PT-NJ)

230 WINS VA Richmond - 3/1 1955-1960 - ID as \"WSIC\" apparently // 96.9 FM. Very difficult, but I'm surprised 40 watts gets this far at all! (EK-OH)

220 WYEX MD Frederick - 3/1 1955-1960 - C&W mx. ID at top of hour as \"Great Country, from WXTR, AM 820, Frederick\" and into news. Alone atop channel. (IN-NC)

210 WERF OH Cuyahoga Falls - 3/1 1955-1960 - SS music to AM 950, \"A day on your AM dial,\" and \"Keep looking up, because that's where it all is.\" Into PSA for Selective Service with Paul Rodriguez, and back to SS music. Very good in WCCO null who was weak to begin with. First time with an ID on this. (RKC-ON)

200 WTRY OH Canton - 3/1 1955-1960 - News on the hour. Local WPYB phased. (IN-NC)

190 WERG OH Alliance - 3/1 1955-1960 - Good, classical music, ID as \"WSIC\" apparently // 96.9 FM. Very difficult, but I'm surprised 40 watts gets this far at all! (EK-OH)

180 WERS OH Youngstown - 3/1 1955-1960 - For employment at station, phone number as in Log, \"WABS is an equal opportunity employer.\" Semi-local WGBK phased. (IN-NC)

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you in touch with me;", fade into CHR under CKLY. Up again briefly at 1828 with singin ID into CHR/KROK. Fair-good considering that nulling CKLY nulled them too. (RKC-ON)

WGBI PA Scranton - 3/12 2000 - Promo for NCAA basketball into quad ID "WILK Wilke-R Barrett, WGBI Scranton, W..., W... West Hazelton..." into news. Poor in mass of WSBA, WLAS, and CKLY. My missing PA on 910. (RKC-ON)

920 WIRD NY Lake Placid - 3/31 2300 - Very good with WiHi briefly off the air due to 30-inch blizzard; WiHi came back on 2250 but I could still hear WiHi there good. IDs as the "Adirondacks" WLPW, WRGR, "CBS news 2300, ID. You’re listening to WRGR Tupper Lakes, and WLPW and WIRD Lake Placid;" Listed 87 watts. (WW-MA) [But probably running more, as usual. - DY]

WBBB NC Burlington - 4/5 2030 - Good, Carolina Mornings vs. Hershey Bears hockey, ad with mention of downtown Burlington. (BC-NH)

CJCJ NB Woodstock - 4/5 2110 - Good, CHR and ID for CJ 920, 1140-Andover, and 990-Plaster Rock. (BC-NH)

960 WELI CT New Haven - 3/15 1950 - Call letters only heard. (WM-MD)

970 WFUN OH AshScheduled at - 3/23 1950 - Solid signal with NCAA scores, "97 Oldies" slogan, and "WFUN, your news and information station, AM W-Fun," into song "Little Duce Coupe." (RCP-IN)

990 WCMF NY Rochester - 3/22 1832 - Good with little WILK-980 QRM, "26 FM. Your home for rock ‘n roll," ticket giveaway to Them Damn Yankees. (HJJ-PA)

1020 WIBG NJ Ocean City - 3/30 1800 - ID, REL music, mention of Route 9, station address, poor. (WM-MD)

1030 WNTL MD Indian Head - 3/21 1802-1810 - Fair to good in WBZ null, rewining WINX-1600 with soul, R&B oldies, frequent "WINX" IDs, WINX traffic update at 1809 sponsored by CNN’s "Crossfire," many DC area mentions, then "WINX Ski Watch" with mention of ski opportunities in Vermont. (MS-ON)

+ 4/1 1920 - Oldies and "94 FM" IDs mixed with another OLD station under WBZ. (BC-NH)

1040 WMTX FL Pinellas Park - 3/24 2116-2150 - Old pop music, fair-poor, QRM from WHO, unID SS. (DT-JAM)

1060 WKGX NC Leoni - 4/1 1932-2001 - C&W music killing WTIC, looped in beautifully for weather by female with temperatures given for Charlotte, Hickory, and "here at the WKGX studies." Signoff at 2001, no SSB. (PT-NJ)

1110 CKTY ON Sarnia - 3/30 2040 - Garden tractor ad, wake up show promo: "Wake up with Doug Rollina 6 to 10, on... Country’s best country, CKTY;" and "Six Days on the Bay." Tough copy with WTIC partially phased. (IN-NC)

1120 WADNMA Concord - 4/5 2317 - Promo for "The Ed Shannon Show" with NOS music "Saturday and Sunday mornings at 7 a.m.," mention of Colonial Livery to Logan Airport, ID "Walden radio WADN 1120 on your AM dial," new here and excellent with KMOX phased. (PT-NJ)

1150 WQWPA PA Oil City - 4/3 1990-2010 - In well after dark with 70's, R&B, announced as "All 70's, 11 Q" so format change? Dominant, some KMOX QRM. (EK-OH)

1155 WGGH IL Marion - 3/25 2042 - Song "Lay My Burden Down" from "Soul and gospel choice, WGGH." Promo for USA News at 6:00 and "Turning Point" after the news. Weak but alone with WDEL phased. (PT-NJ)

1160 WVNJ NJ Oakland - 4/5 1922 - Poor, noted while trying to find WSCR (which still hasn't been heard on 1160) "For news and sports, it’s 11-60 WVNJ," into ad for Cadillac dealer in Totowa. (MB-ON)

1160 WPIE NY Trumansburg - 4/5 1905 - Poor under unID OLD station (possibly WJIS simulcasting their FM, WJMK) with ad for Erhart Propane gas in Trumansburg, ad for chiropractor in Trumansburg, into Finger Lakes weather. (MB-ON)

WCCS PA Homer City - 3/35 1800-1810 - ABC news, local news, time check, weather, mention of PA and Indiana County. (WM-MD)

1230 WFWA VA Fredricksburg - 4/3 1713 - Sports promo, weather, female announcer, Mercedes service spot, "AM 1236, WFWA." (IN-NC)

1240 WTON VA Staunton - 4/3 1700 - C&W hits, canned ID "1240 WTON, your station for news, sports, weather, and country's best music mix, with 12 in a row." Local WFJL phased. (IN-NC)
TID AND MISCELLANEOUS

1200 WPJP633 NY Niagara Falls - Sorry I forgot to mention this before, but around 1/13 this TID made its appearance on 1200 kHz. It runs the same information as the other one on 1620. Operated by the Chamber of Commerce, welcoming everyone to Niagara Falls, etc. On 1200 they tell you how to tune to WPJM and WBZJ, but we need those tourists!

1610 WPAN997 NY Buffalo area - 3/24 0504 - I believe I heard this with instructions on what to do if and when a tornado touches down, ID as "WPAM/997, on 1610 on your radio dial." Anybody have an address for this one?

1613 KMOZ MO Rolla - 3/9 1994 - Song by Jefferson Starship "We Built This City on Rock 'n' Roll," apparently a transmitter problem as they should be on 1590. A very steady signal here with some distortion. Next morning heard on 1616. Called station and spoke to man who said they were having technical problems, but seemed curious as to where I was calling from. Thanks Mark Burns for tip.

1630 "WDKW" MD Baltimore - 3/17 2100-2300 - Lots of AC/DC, Iron Maiden, and other heavy metal music, ID as "The Power Zone on AM 1630, the Claw," DJ Mike St. James. Thought it was a pirate but turns out to be a real station operated at Dundalk High School. Times and programs vary; heard on other days with students spinning disks and taking call-in requests.

1640 WQOT767 TX Dallas-Fort Worth Airport - 3/15 0140 - "This is WQOT767 16-40 AM," mention of DFW Airport and gave departure gate numbers for American Airlines. Also told to tune to 1600 for arrival information. Poor to good, considerable fading.

1680 WQA767 TX Dallas-Fort Worth Airport - 3/15 0145 - "This is WQA767 16-80 AM," just like 1640 but with arrival gate numbers, telling you to listen to 1640 for departures. Signal about the same as 1640. Heard nightly since with varying signal 60 watts, eh? (RKC-ON)

WQOT767 TX Dallas-Fort Worth Airport - 3/5 2306-2310 - Continuous tape read by woman announcer of incoming American Airlines flights. Call to local American Airlines office here gave address as Dallas-Fort Worth Int'l Airport, Dallas-Fort Worth TX 75201-9047. (DT-JAM)

REPORTERS

BMA-PA Brandon Artman West Chester PA - YB-400, Select-a-Tenna
PLB-MI Phil Boersma Spring Lake MI - Local news
DB-DH Dave Braum Wyoming DE - R-5000, 5000 LW, Quantum loop
MB-IN Mike Brooker Toronto ON - RF-2200, R8-45
MB-IN Mark Burns Terre Haute IN - R8, Kiwa loop, 80 LW

RKC-ON Robin Christoff Welland ON - R8A, Kiwa loop
BC-NH Bruce Conhi Nashua NH - R8A, WDWX-5, ICE 180A matching xfms, 100U
RJE-PA Russ Edmunds Blue Bell PA - Car radio
EF-MD Eric Falkenham Baltimore MD -
SF-TN Steve Francis Alcoa TN - TRF
DG-RI David Gardner Providence RI - Local news
HIH-PA Harry Hayes Wilkes-Barre PA - SR-2, SM-2
EK-CH Ed Kreney Strongsville OH
JRM-PA John Malicky Pittsburgh PA - Local news
WM-MD William McGuire Cheverly MD - DX-380
AM-VA Al Merriman Chintocotage VA - Local news
RM-CT Ron Musco Poquoson CT - R8, 2 splers NE & NW, phasor
JN-NC Jay Novello Wake Forest NC - R8A, phased 750 mini-beverages, 450 spler
DF-HI Dale Park Honolulu HI - Station news
RCP-IN Robert Pete Greenwood IN - R8A, Quantum loop, DX-392, Select-a-Tenna
TS-MI Tom Sanders Davison MI - Local news
MS-ON Morris Sorenson Scarborough ON - HQ150, SM-2, RF-B65
PT-NJ Paul Thomas Salem NJ - R8A, phased wires, remote active antenna, ferrite loop
DT-JAM Don Treiford St. Ann's Bay, Jamaica - R2000, LW NNW-5SE
RWT-MA Rick Turner North Dartmouth MA - YB-400
RWT-MA Taunton MA - Car radio
WW-MA William Wylie Franklin MA - DX-390, wire around the room
DY-NY David Yocis South Nyack NY - R71A, Kiwa loop

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The local news reported a major solar event yesterday APR 9, and tonight APR 10 there were reports of Northern Lights. WWV reported A index of 8, K index of 7. I was expecting a field day, but there was not much to be heard from.

Welcome to Jay Novello, from North Carolina!

**TRANS-ATLANTIC DX**

558 unID, MAR 29 0014 - Woman in Arabic and Koran recitations well over Spain. [Conti-NH]

864 FRANCE Paris, MAR 30 0045 - Fair with religious music, perhaps an Easter Monday service.

1357 FRANCE Nice, MAR 31 0104. Fair at 1557 & 1357. [Dangerfield-PA]

1035 ITALY synch., APR 2 0405 - Fair with man in IT. [Dangerfield-PA]

1116 ITALY synth., APR 2 0405 - Good, man in IT (News). [Dangerfield-PA]

1206 FRANCE Bordeaux, APR 2 0453 - Good, man singing ballads before actual sign on, then a fem singer. [Dangerfield-PA]

1332 ITALY Rome, APR 2 0420 - Good with man and woman in Italian. commenting. Radio Uno // 1575. [Dangerfield-PA]

1359 SPAIN Arganda, APR 2 0432 - Strong with men talking. Has not been heard with any regularity this season. [Dangerfield-PA]

1557 FRANCE Nice, MAR 31 0045 - Very good signal on Easter Monday, and // to 864 and probably others, seemed to be a church service, so a special program. However, this station is heard almost nightly after 0400 with soft pop music, unannounced, & some vocals. [Dangerfield-PA]

1566 UNIDENTIFIED (EUROPE), MAR 29 0325-0335 - Big carrier, virtually no audio. Presume Switzerland. Note logs of R. Eviva, Sarnen of late. Can someone educate me (Mark Connelly?) as to what this is vs. the old govt station entry (I can't find an entry for this Swiss frequency in the WRTH-97). [Krueger-FL].

1577 UNIDENTIFIED (EUROPE), MAR 29 0335-0345 - another big carrier, no audio here. [Krueger-FL]

1611 VATICAN Radio Vaticana, MAR 1 0520-0550 - Noted interval signal into (I think) Slavic talk. About 0540 interval signal again, stronger here. Weak at first. First time logged on AM. I notice that Mark Connelly heard this the same time I did. [Wylie-MA]. APR 2 0423 - Super signal, probably a sign on, with choir music followed by a man in Italian. The previous night all stations were good at 0406 sign on, including 1035, 1116, 1332 and 1575. Both nights both have brought in strong signals from French stations prior to their 0500 sign on, the best being 1557 and 1206. And on Sunday night [MAR 31] Nice-1557 and Paris-864 were early at 0345 with religious music. Also in with super signals this week were Switzerland-1566, Vatican-1530 and Spain [mixed] on 1602. On the other hand, the low end of the band has been so-so, and the LW poor with a constant buzz.

Bruce speaks: "TA MW DX has really slacked off over the past couple of weeks. In addition to the detailed logs, just the usual stuff is being heard from home-base; Algeria-549, 891, Spain-684, 855, 1044, England-693, 909, 1053, 1089, 1215, Slovakia-1098, Croatia-1134, etc. In another couple of weeks it should be dry and warm enough for a Maine camping DXpedition. Rich McVicar, formerly of the HCJB DX Partyline, was a guest at the March meeting of the Boston Area DXers (BADX). Rich will soon be working for a broadcast network in the Syracuse, NY area. A full report will be featured in the May edition of the DXAS. Good luck to both Rich and Lisa McVicar, and thank you for initiating the Ecuador-690 DX tests for us MW DXers!"
It's been quite a few years since I was there, but at the time, I visited R. Cayman and Radio ICCI (college FMer). The 1205 antenna was a simple dipole above the studio building in downtown George Town, at least then. What I still often wonder is why the 1555 transmitter on East End wasn't immediately farmed out for revenue (and—for that matter—what the status of the equipment is). Certainly Gene Scott, the BBC and/or DW could have had a ready-made source many years before infiltrating other transmitter sites. I would like to think that the 99.9 MHz 'Z-99' entry might make it here on a summer E-skip, at 5 kW.

LATVIA: Recent station news indicated Latvia now operating on 954, and this got me thinking. While up in Newfoundland we heard a station on this frequency which we couldn't identify. I'm not sure if it was this same station that I had heard from Latvian watch. (Dangerfield-PA)

NETHERLANDS: Radio Bloemendaal 1116 has expanded transmission time from JAN 5 and is now on for 1300-1500 UTC. Conditions were adequate (though not truly ideal) for DXing and astronomy. There were signals from WTAM-1100, but signals from the Moroccan peninsula were too weak. Even though we had the desired DX run into deep Africa, the outing was still enjoyable. Setting up a null on a station like WTAM-1100 gave a decent broadband west null cardiod all the way from 1000 to 1200 kHz. That's the beauty of delay-line phasing of wire antennas (rather than tuned sources such as loops). Minor resetting of knobs melted away QRM from WWV-1170, WHAM-1180, and numerous other pests from the west.

CHRONOLOGICAL LOG REPORT (Rowley, MA)

* 8 APR: 2300-2359 UTC * UK-1089, Morocco-1044, Spain-999, UK-1035 (o/Morocco/Spain), Spain-1030, Croatia-Spain-1134, Burma-1160, Morocco-1235, Libya-1251, Spain-1256 (Koufonisia), Spain-1250, Holland-1395, Tunisia-1390, Algeria-1544, Kuwait-1546, Spain-1602, Ceuta-1584, Spain-1584, Spain-1575, France-1397

* 9 APR: 0000-0059 UTC * Norway-1314, Spain-1287, Germany-1422, France-1242, Spain-1224, UK-1215, Spain-1109, Spain-1096, Spain-1071, UK-1095, France-1126, UK o/unID-909, Nepal-895, Algeria-891, UK / Spain-Canaries - 882, Spain-873, Egypt (o/unID, others) - 864, Spain-SS-595 (99+401), Italy-846, Switzerland-765, Spain-774, Germany-756, Spain-Canaries o/-Netherlands-747, Spain-738, Western Sahara-711, Spain-Canaries - 837, Spain-684, Netherlands-675, Portugal-666, Azores-693, Azores-837

* 9 APR: 1000-1042 UTC * Spain-657, St. Lucia-660, Spain-659, Spain-648, Canaries-Spain - 621, Spain-603, Spain o/Morocco-612, Spain-585 (huge), Spain-576, Spain-558, Algeria-549, Ireland-252, Luxembourg-234, Poland(o-225, unID (France?) u/ CJL-216, Germany o/Morocco-207, UK-198, Turkey(t)-180, (182 off), France-162, unID mess-153, Spain-531, Grenada-535, Ireland o/ Spain-567, Spain-729, mess-783, Spain-792, Spain-936, Spain-972, Spain o/ Germany-1017, Spain-1044, Spain-1143, Spain-1152, Spain-1179, jumble -tone - 1188

MEXICO "The Third National Meeting of Mexican DXers will take place in Veracruz, on Mexico's Gulf Coast, August 1 and 2, 1997. All four Mexican DX clubs are hosting the event jointly, and there are inviting guests from "over the border" to come on down and join the fun. Two years ago, the Mexican DX clubs got together for the first time and held a national DX meeting in Tepic, in the state of Nayarit. Last year, the meeting site was the city of Miguel Azaa in Zacatecas State. Shortwave listeners from various parts of Mexico attended, and for the first time representatives of two Mexican shortwave stations (Radio Mexico International and Radio Edén) were there. "This year, the meeting is in Mexico's main port city, Veracruz, east of Mexico City on the country's Gulf Coast. Again, the Mexican shortwave stations are expected to take part, as well as some international shortwave stations, including Radio Miami International. And the organizers hope that a number of their DXers neighbors from the United States (and other countries as well) will come too. Depending on the turnout, sessions in English and bilingual sessions may be arranged. (Of course it's helpful if you understand a few words of Spanish!)

'Veracruz is about six hours by car from Mexico City (or a short 50-minute flight). It is also a scenic 15-hour drive from Brownsville, Texas. The organizers are hoping that DXers from the United States and elsewhere will come to Veracruz and make a vacation of their trip as well. Good airfares are available to Mexico City or direct to Veracruz from several cities throughout North America.

The costs for the Third National Meeting of Mexican DXers will be very modest. Hotels in Veracruz are quite reasonable and international standards, and many of the meeting itself will be nominal and payable at the door. Of course, you'll also have the opportunity to sample some of the regional Mexican cuisine at very reasonable prices. The meeting itself will take place Friday and Saturday, August 1 and 2. Many of the participants will be staying on Sunday, August 3 for a "social day" of informal meetings and sightseeing.

If you'd like more information about the Third National Meeting of Mexican DXers, including a registration form and hotel information, write to Jeff White, coordinator of international visitors, at Radio Miami International, P.O. Box 528652, Miami, Florida 33152, USA Or fax us in Miami at (305) 267-9253 Or send an e-mail message to: wrmi@compuserve.com We will send you complete details as soon as they are available."

(From DXing with Cumbe 131)
Anahiem Angels 710 KTZN-CA 0 Bob Starr, Pete Impemba
Atlanta Braves 750 WSB-CA 200 Skip Caray, Pete Van Wieren, Don Sutton, Joe Simpson
Baltimore Orioles 1090 WBAL-MD 25 Fred Manfra, Chuck Thompson, Jim Hunter
Boston Red Sox 850 WEEI-MA 60 Joe Castiglione, Jerry Trupiano
Chicago Cubs 720 WGN-IL 45 Pat Hughes, Ron Santo, Harry Caray
Chicago White Sox 1000 WMVP-IL 27 John Rooney, Ed Farmer, Bill Melton
Colorado Rockies 97.9 WLUP-IL - (when conflict with Bulls)
Cincinnati Reds 760 WIND-IL SS 0 Dave Wills, Hector Molina
Cleveland Indians 1220 WKRN-OH 40 Herb Score, Tom Hamilton
Cincinnati Reds 850 KOA-CO SS ? Wayne Hagin, Jeff Kinger
Cincinnati Reds 1150 KCUV-CO SS ? Francisco Gomez, Antonio Guevara
Detroit Tigers 760 WRJ-MI 30 Frank Beckman, Lary Sorensen
Florida Marlins 560 WQAM-FL 14 Dave O'Brien, Joe Angel
Houston Astros 1210 WCMQ-FL SS 7 Felo Ramirez, Manolo Alvarez
Kansas City Royals 610 KILT-TX 50 Milo Hamilton, Jim Deshaies, Vince Cotlono
Los Angeles Dodgers 1230 KXYZ-TX SS 20 Francisco Ernesto Ruiz, Alex Trevino
Milwaukee Brewers 580 WIBW-KS 80 Denny Mathews, Fred White, John Wathan
Minnesota Twins 700 WLW-OH 60 Marty Brennaman, Joe Nushall
Montreal Expos 1330 KWWK-CA SS ? Jaime Jarrin, Rene Cardinas
New York Mets 600 CJOC-PQ EE 7 Dave Van Horne, Joe Cannon, Elliott Price
New York Yankees 660 WFAN-NY 4 Bob Murphy, Gary Cohen, Tony Grieve
Oakland Athletics 770 WABC-NY 0 John Sterling, Michael Kay
Philadelphia Phillies 610 KFRC-CA 12 Bill King, Ken Korach, Ray Fosse
Pittsburgh Pirates 1210 WPHT-PA 18 Harry Kalas, Rich Ashburn, Andy Musser, Chris Wheeler
San Diego Padres 760 1350 KFMB-CA 0 Jerry Coleman, Ted Leitner, Bob Chandler
San Francisco Giants 680 KNBR-CA SS 11 Jon Miller, Tom Tolinson, Mike Krukow, Duane Kuiper
Seattle Mariners 1430 KTNA-CA SS 34 Dave Niehaus, Ron Fairly, Rick Rizzles
Texas Rangers 1080 KRDL-TX 50 Eric Naidel, Brad Sham
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There is no mention of the Padres', Giants', nor Rangers' Spanish Flagship stations. The KTNA for the Giants' Spanish Network comes from the World Wide Web (WWW) URLs that may be of interest for this column, please send me the URLs. There is also no mention of the Expo's Spanish flagship station.

The Braves' International Network has 44 stations in Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama, Venezuela, Colombia, Netherlands Antilles (do they speak Spanish there?), and the United States. I do not know the U.S. flagship station.

When the World Series draws near, there is always talk of the "ex-Cub" factor - the team with the most ex-Cubs loses. I know the announcers do not play the game, but there are six former Cubs that may play in the game. I am not sure if the Cubs have or will have a triple conflict (it will happen three times in April), then the Blackhawks will be on WGN, the Expos' French flagship station.
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