NRC Publications ... has now shifted to P.O. Box 473251 - Aurora CO - 80047-3251, as Ken Chatterton is dealing with some “slow-down” health problems which affect the speed with which he can transport items to the post office. Also, the 26th edition of the Log is sold out; Wayne will start accepting pre-orders in July, after prices are set, but the 27th edition will not be available until sometime around Labor Day ... coincidentally the same time as Akron ‘06 (see page 35 for complete details).

From the Publisher ... We invite you to read this month’s “From the BoD” column with an open mind. Your publisher penned it several months ago with the purpose of keeping the membership informed as to problems that we’ve dealt with and situations that we need help with, from you. I firmly believe in NOT taking the head-in-sand ostrich approach when it comes to keeping members informed, and I can tell you that not everyone agrees with me, but as long as I’m still publisher, what I know, you’ll know.

Common Mode Chokes ... Correction: last month’s tip came from Jerry Starr, not Fred Vobbe. (And a reminder to all to be sure that your full nne is included in the body of all e-mails to me, not just the header; I had a senior moment when I read the identifying ham call in the e-mail and transposed it across the state of Ohio.)

DXChange ... Richard E. Wood - Box 11087, HC 3 - Keeaum, HI 96749 is looking for a communications receiver more “upscale” from his current FRG-100, such as an ICOM IC-R75, JRC NRD-545, Palstar R30C, Ten-Tec RX-350D, Drake R8B, Hammarlund HQ series, and also loops and related equipment. Must be in working order; state asking price, please.

DX Time Machine
From the pages of DX News:
50 years ago ... from the June 16, 1956 DXN: A “Statement of Policy” from the NRC’s Board of Directors was published. Members who violated the following rules faced expulsion from the club: 1) Failure to enclose postage with verification requests; 2) Flagrant misuse of tentative reports; 3) Directing unsavory correspondence to any station.
25 years ago ... from the June 8, 1981 DXN: Kermit Geary, Walnutport, PA, advised against indiscriminate use of PP/c verie request cards, opining that the use of them discouraged stations from preparing their own unique veries.
10 years ago ... from the June 17, 1996 DXN: The staff of Radio Netherlands reviewed the AOR-7030 receiver, calling it a good value receiver in Europe but recommending the addition of a set of mechanical filters for 5 or 7 kHz to give better selectivity.
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**CALL LETTER CHANGES**

**THEY'RE BACK!**

1180 KYDZ NE Bellevue - Returned to the air on June 8th after going silent on February 28th when their X-Band sister station, KOZN-1620 turned five. They are simulcasting KOYL-1020 with Radio Disney. There has been a movement afoot by some of the X-Band owners to do away with the 5-year rule which they agreed to when they received their X-Band license. I thought the whole idea was to clear up some of the interference in the 540-1600 kHz band???

**CPs ON THE AIR**

600 WSNL MI Flint - License to Cover granted for U4 440/250 from their new 3-tower site (3-day/2-night) at N42-54-27 W83-50-07.

730 KQPN AR West Memphis - License to cover granted for U4 1000/1000 from a new 4-tower site (4 day and night) at N35-14-46 W90-08-49.

940 WYLD LA New Orleans - After being off, then returning on an STA following the devastation inflicted on their tower array by Hurricane Katrina, WYLD has now returned to their original U4 10000/500 after rebuilding the towers and doing extra work with some augmentations of their patterns.

950 WPEN PA Philadelphia - License to Cover granted for night auxiliary facilities of N3 0/3800 from their 3-tower day site at N39-58-28 W75-16-19.

980 WRNE FL Gulf Breeze - CP for U2 4000/1000 is on the air.

1180 KHCM HI Honolulu - Has a CP to move here from 1170 kHz with U1 1000/1000. After being silent for about two months, station was heard on 1180 playing C&W tunes with ID'ing between selections as “1180 on your dial, KHCM” and “1180 on your radio dial, AM Country KHCM”. As of my deadline, there is still no official blessing for the move in the FCC database, but obviously they are, at least, testing.

1190 WNWC WI Sun Prairie - License to Cover granted for D3 4800/0.

1270 KFLC TX Fort Worth - License to Cover issued for their daytime power upgrade to U4 50000/5000.

1310 WCCW MI Traverse City - License to Cover issued for U4 15000/7500 from 4 towers (3-day/4-night) at N44-40-38 W85-39-56.

1320 WAGF AL Dothan - License to Cover issued for U1 1000/92, reducing their nighttime power from 1000 Watts and going non-directional. Also, an adjustment in coordinates to N31-14-54 W85-23-20 is part of the new license.

1370 WGVNC NC Pineville - License to Cover issued for the move here (from Gastonia) with U1 3000/45 from a new tower at N35-12-45 W80-52-06.

1450 WVAX VA Charlottesville - License to Cover issued for U1 1000/1000 at N38-02-54 W78-28-12.

1470 WAZN MA Watertown - License to Cover issued for U4 1400/3400 along with a change in CoL (from Marlborough) from a new 3-tower (3 day and night) site at
N42-24-49  W71-12-40.

1530  WVBF  MA  Middleborough Center - License to Cover issued to increase daytime power and add Critical Hours (CH) operation as U1 2200/2  CH 940.

1540  WJTT  TN  Jellico - License to Cover issued to add night operation and adjust tower coordinates to N36-34-59  W84-08-10. New facilities are U1 1000/1  CH 500.

1570  KBCV  MO  Hollister - New station granted PTA for U4 5000/3000 from 4 towers (3-day/4-night) at N36-36-52  W93-12-49. Hollister is near Branson, close to the Arkansas border.

1570  WNCA  NC  Siler City - License to Operate granted for an increase in daytime power to become U1 5000/282.

1580  KTGR  MO  Columbia - License to Cover issued for a move to a slightly taller tower, necessitating a power decrease, day and night. The new facilities are U1 214/8 at N38-57-45  W92-18-14.

1630  KKGM  TX  Fort Worth - License to Cover issued to move to shorter tower at N32-48-36 W97-07-24. KKGM remains U1 10000/1000.

GRANTS ON HOLD

870  KFJZ  TX  Fort Worth - Licensed for D1 250/0, KFJZ was granted an upgrade to D1 1300/0 (see Issue 26). But, due to a petition filed by the owners of WWL (Entercom), the grant has been set aside and the application returned to pending status.

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

560  NEW  YT  Dawson - The CRTC has approved an application by the CBC for a new station here with U1 400/400 to replace CBDFN-FM Dawson. The new station will simulcast CFWH-570 Whitehorse. The CBC stated that it has been approached by a local communications society who has expressed interest in taking over the FM station, operating it as a community-owned station.

890  NEW  TX  Mabank - CP granted for U4 20000/250 from a three-tower transmitter site at N32-17-13  W95-58-39. By accepting this CP, the licensee agrees to surrender the license of co-owned KTXV-890 in nearby Frankston, Texas.


1330  NEW  NY  Ontario - CP granted for U4 1000/2000 from a 3-tower site (3 day and night) at N43-10-49  W77-18-15. Both patterns are directed due north.


GRANTS

550  WSVA  VA  Harrisonburg - CP granted to correct coordinates to N38-27-04 W78-54-29 and to increase the augmentation of its signal toward 220°.

590  WWLX  TN  Lawrenceburg - Coordinate correction to N35-12-12 W87-19-39.

610  KVNU  UT  Logan - CP granted to increase daytime power to become U2 10000/1000.

660  WPYT  PA  Wilkinsburg - CP granted for an increase in power to become D1 1400/0.

730  WLTQ  SC  Charleston - CP granted to consolidate their operations at the current nighttime site at N32-46-24 W80-00-56 and decrease their daytime power. When built, WLTQ will become U1 1100/103.

740  WRWB  TN  Harrogate - CP granted to move to a new transmitter site at N36-33-40 W83-39-21 and reduce their daytime power to become U1 900/7.

870  KRLA  CA  Glendale - CP granted for U4 50000/3000. KRLA still has a pending application for U4 20000/37000, which was contingent upon the granting of an application of co-channel KHNR Honolulu, Hawaii to move to 880. Since KHNR has been heard on 880, but still nothing in the FCC records indicating that request has been approved, we have to assume the FCC's formal OK has not yet been given.

890  WAMG  MA  Dedham - CP granted to increase their nighttime power to become U4 25000/6000 from the adjusted coordinates of N42-14-50 W71-25-31.

940  WHIT  MI  Hudsonville - CP granted to change their CoL (from South Haven) with D1 300/0 from a new 2-tower transmitter site at N42-47-37 W85-52-31.

980  WPGA  GA  Perry - CP granted for U1 2600/80. They had another CP for U1 1000/88.
1030  WUFL  MI  Sterling Heights - Coordinate correction to N42-36-19  W82-54-37.
1100  WISS  WI  Berlin - CP granted to move here (from 1090) and double their power to become D1  1000/0.
1100  KDRY  TX  Alamo Heights - Coordinate correction to N29-33-28  W98-22-32.
1180  WSQR  IL  Sycamore - CP granted to move here from 1560 with U1  900/1.
1190  KREB  AR  Bentonville-Bella Vista - CP granted to increase their power to become D1  5000/0 at the adjusted coordinates of N36-23-18  W94-11-34.
1260  WI2XSO  PR  Mayaguez - CP granted to increase the daytime power of this repeater for WISO to become U4  5000/1000.
1270  WNOG  FL  Naples - CP granted to increase their nighttime power to become U4  5000/5000 and make adjustments to the night pattern, changing the heading from 193 to 180 degrees. The application was submitted in 1989.
1270  WAIN  KY  Columbia - Coordinate correction to N37-06-26  W85-16-42.
1320  KSCR  OR  Eugene - CP granted for U1  600/40 relocating to an existing, taller tower at N44-04-55  W123-06-34, co-locating with KKNX-840 and KLZS-1450.
1330  WEBY  FL  Milton - CP granted for a times five daytime power increase. When operational, WEBY will become U5  25000/79.
1410  WRMN  IL  Elgin - CP granted to increase nighttime power to become U2  1000/1300. This CP supplants the one they had for U2  1000/1500.
1450  KFSD  CA  Escondido - Coordinate correction to N33-7-02  W117-07-09.
1450  WNBY  MI  Newberry - CP granted to construct a new, shorter, tower at the location of their former tower, which collapsed. When the tower is built and WNBY returns to the air, they will once again be U1  1000/1000.
1450  WWSC  NY  Glens Falls - CP granted to move to a new, relatively short, 85' tower at N43-18-46  W73-35-57 and reduce their nighttime power to become U1  1000/940.
1510  KYOL  CO  Littleton - CP granted for U4  9500/19000. KYOL still has two applications pending; one for U4  50000/25000; and one for U4  10000/25000.
1540  KGBC  TX  Galveston - CP granted for U4  2500/250 by adding two new towers to their site, and an adjustment to their coordinates N29-18-55  W94-48-19.
1550  KMAD  OK  Madill - CP granted to move to a new 145' tower at N34-06-52  W96-45-58. KMAD remains U1  250/9.
1570  WBGX  IL  Harvey - CP granted to increase their day power to become U4  1500/500.
1580  WSRF  FL  Fort Lauderdale - CP granted for U4  10000/1500 from the 4-tower site of co-owned WAVS-1170 at N26-04-39  W80-13-03.
1590  KMOZ  MO  Rolla - License issued to change from commercial to non-commercial status.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

540  WXNH  NH  Jaffrey - New station, not yet on the air, has a CP for U4  250/330 followed by an amendment for U4  250/280 from a new site. This amendment requests U4  220/300 from that new location.
900  WFIA  KY  Louisville - Licensed for U1  1000/164, WFIA has a CP to change their CoL to Indian Hills, Kentucky. This amendment requests U1  930/163 back in Louisville.
1420  WATB  GA  Decatur - Licensed for D3  1000/0, WATB has a CP to move to 1430 kHz with U5  50000/160 by adding a fourth tower to their array. This amendment requests U5  50000/174.
1530  WFYL  PA  Mc Connelsburg - Licensed for D1  1000/0, WFYL has a CP to: move to 1180 kHz; change their CoL to King of Prussia, Pennsylvania; and decrease their power to become D1  510/0 from a new tower at N40-04-47  W75-19-50. This amendment requests D1  420/0, still with the CoL change on 1180, but from a new transmitter site, which happens to be 5 strokes west of the old tower.
1580  WVKO  OH  Columbus - Licensed for U4  1000/250, WVKO has been granted a CP for U4  2500/290 from two new transmitter sites, with the 2-day tower site at N39-56-48  W39-56-48 and the 3-tower night site at W40-03-20  W82-58-15. This amendment requests U4  3200/290 from two entirely new transmitter sites.
The FCC database indicates this station is silent. [Update from info in Issue 24]

**APPLICATIONS**

590 KSUB UT Cedar City - Coordinate correction to N37-41-49 W113-10-58.
612 KUAM GU Agana - Applies to change frequencies to 630 kHz with U1 10000/10000.
648 WVUV AS Leone - Applies for Special Temporary Authority to be silent as they construct a replacement for their long wire antenna. The station has a pending application to move to 720 kHz with U1 5000/5000.
900 WGOK AL Mobile - Coordinate correction to N30-42-31 W88-03-53.
950 WPEN PA Philadelphia - Applies for auxiliary nighttime facilities of N3 0/3800 from their 3-tower daytime site at N39-58-28 W75-16-19.
1080 KGVY AZ Green Valley - Applies to change their CoL to Tucson, Arizona with D1 1700/0.
1200 WRTO IL Chicago - Applies for auxiliary facilities of U1 161/90.
1410 KRWB MN Stanton - Coordinate correction to N48-50-43 W95-43-34.
1470 WBFC KY Leona - Applies to increase their daytime power to become U1 2500/82, consolidating their day and night sites at the current day site.
1570 WOKC FL Okeechobee - Applies to increase their day power and reduce their night power while moving to a new skirt-fed 195' tower. If approved and built, WOKC will become U1 800/12 at N27-12-57 W80-48-42.

**AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS**

630 WNEG GA Toccoa - Licensed for U1 500/44, WNEG applied for U2 5000/220 by adding a second tower at their site. This amendment requests U1 5000/44, deleting that second tower from the application.
740 NEW WA Redmond - Original application was for U4 50000/4500. This amendment requests U4 10000/10000 from a new 6-tower site.
970 WAMD MD Aberdeen - Licensed for U4 500/500, WAMD applied for U4 490/500 from a new 3-tower site. This amendment requests U4 300/500 from that new site, making adjustments to give further protection to the proposed upgrade of WWDJ (see below).
970 WWDJ NJ Hackensack - Licensed for U4 5000/5000, WWDJ has an application on file for U4 10000/3800. This amendment requests U4 50000/5000, contingent upon the granting of the WAMD application (see above).
1060 NEW NV Sparks - Original application was for U7 15000/500 CH 15000, amended to U7 15000/370 CH 15000. This amendment deletes the CH portion of the application. Bottom line: the application is now for U4 15000/370.
1130 NEW OR Mount Angel - The applicant has had several amendments to its initial Auction 84 application for U4 3000/250. This latest amendment requests U4 25000/490.
1340 NEW CO Steamboat Springs - Initial Auction 84 application was for U1 175/175. This amendment requests U1 1000/1000.
1370 NEW RI Charlestown - Initial Auction 84 application was for U4 2000/500. This amendment requests U4 2500/500.
1420 NEW CA Crescent City - Initial Auction 84 application was for U1 250/250 CH 250. This amendment requests U2 1000/250 on 1430 kHz.
1450 NEW TX Comstock - Initial Auction 84 application was for U1 250/250 CH 250. This amendment requests U2 1000/1000.
1450 NEW TX Iola - Initial Auction 84 application was for U1 250/250. This amendment requests U1 250/1000.
1590 KEAS TX Eastland - Licensed for D1 500/0, KEAS applied to change their CoL to Carlsbad, Texas with D1 1000/0 from a newly-built tower. This amendment requests the city move and power increase, but to an existing tower in San Angelo, Texas.

**PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION**

770 WKFB PA Jeannette - Licensed for D1 750/0, WKFB applied to make a CoL change to North Huntington, Pennsylvania but it was dismissed by the FCC. They have asked for reconsideration.
960 WFIR VA Roanoke - Licensed for U2 5000/5000, WFIR submitted an application to
change to U2 10000/4650 and to relocate to the WVBE-610 tower site, but was dismissed. They have resubmitted the application addressing the FCC’s concerns about interference to two South American superpowers on the frequency.

1490 WSGB WV Sutton - Licensed for U1 1000/1000, WSGB applied to increase the height of their tower from 150 to 195 feet utilizing a folded unipole antenna system with U1 900/900, which was dismissed. WSGB has asked for reconsideration, addressing the concerns cited the FCC.

APPLICATIONS DISMISSED

710 WPMI AL Mobile - Application to increase their power to become U2 6000/2100. WPMI remains U2 1000/1000.

740 WMSP AL Montgomery - Licensed for U4 10000/173 from two transmitter sites, WMSP applied to combine their facilities at the day site and increase their nighttime Wattage to 233 Watts. The FCC has dismissed the request.

770 KAAM TX Garland - Application to increase nighttime power has been dismissed. KAAM remains U4 10000/1000.

1490 KRSN NM Los Alamos - Application dismissed to change CoL to Santa Fe and relocate to a new transmitter site.

1560 WTOD OH Toledo - Application to change their CoL to Northwood with D3 2000/0 from a new two-tower site has been dismissed at the applicant’s request. WTOD still has a pending application for D3 2500/0 from a new, two-tower site to be co-located with co-owned WLQR-1470 Walbridge, Ohio which also has a pending application to move to this site. In the meantime, WTOD remains D3 5000/0.

1050 NEW AK Chugiak - Application was for U1 1000/1000.

LICENSE CANCELLATIONS/CALL LETTERS DELETED

920 WBAA IN West Lafayette
1010 WRJR VA Portsmouth - As WHKT-1650’s five year anniversary on the X-band is celebrated.

920 WSEN NY Baldwinsville
920 WBZ NY Saranac Lake
920 WKZ NY Schenectady
920 WATN NY Watertown
920 WBNN NY Beacon
920 WNSS NY Syracuse
920 WHTL NY Niagara Falls
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920 WWLF NY Auburn
920 WGRV NY Gloversville
920 WKNJ NY Jamestown
920 WLVL NY Lockport
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920 WXXI NY Rochester
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LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

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FROM THE VAST WESTLAND

- If I may be allowed a personal note: The period since the last edition of DDXD-West has been one of personal crisis and deep sadness in my life. My mother’s health recently deteriorated, she was hospitalized for 18 days, and on Wednesday 5/31 she passed away. She was 90 years old. She is survived by my dad, to whom she was married for over 71 years. Mom was absolutely devoted to her family, and she had a way of encouraging and developing the best in all of us. As I write this, it has been less than a handful of days since the funeral. Despite events, I choose to edit this column in part because that is the way she would have wanted it. Mom, this column is dedicated to you. 73 Bill (And our sincerest condolences to you and your family, Bill -pls.)

- Reporters
  - BW-OK Bruce Winkelman AA5CO, Tulsa. R8, Quantum phaser, two 50-foot wires.
  - DP-HI Dale Park, Honolulu. Station news.
  - DP-CA2 Dale Park, DXing in Mid-Peninsula. Ford car radio.
  - GH-IL Greg Harris, Park Forest. Icom R75/Quantum Loop or General Electric portable model P1864A (circa 1970) with internal ferrite loop antenna.
  - JW-KY John F. Vervoort, Madisonville. Sony ICF-SW 7600GR or Grundig YB400PE.
  - JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge. Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
  - RA-CA1 René Auvray, DXing in Corona. 2001 Ford Crown Victoria car radio.
  - RA-CA2 René Auvray, DXing in Halloran Springs. 2006 Ford Taurus car radio.
  - REW-HI Richard E. Wood, Keaau. Yaesu FRG-100, 350’ longwire to NE, 175’ longwire to NNE.
  - SS-KS Steve Sprague, Coffeyville. DX-375, Select-a-Tenna.
  - WH-CO Wayne Heinen, Aurora. Drake R8B Modified 4’ NRC Altazimuth loop, N/S Flag, E/W Flag, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo w/2 BUF-F amplifiers, Mini-DXP5, DX Engineering RPA-1.

- Ed.-WI Your editor, Madison.

Station News

- 690 KORL HI Honolulu. Per Honolulu Star-Bulletin, just a few weeks after Salem Communications’ KHCM moved to 1180 from 1170 (see DDXD-W 73-26 Ed.-WI), Salem announced it would be swapping KHCM’s facilities for KORL’s sometime this summer. The move would put KHCM’s country format back on a 10 kW transmitter (Salem sold KHCM’s old channel of 940 in 2004 to Cox Radio), while the coverage area of 1180 would better serve KORL’s audience (despite running only 800 watts). KORL recently reduced its Japanese output while adding more Filipino and Spanish programming. (DP-HI)

- 720 KUAI HI Ele’ele. Now carrying CBS news at TOH daytimes, but different from the CBS news airing at the same time on sister stations KQNG 570 and KAOI 1110; perhaps tape-delayed? (DP-HI)

- 860 KTRB CA Modesto. Further to my report printed in DDXD-W #73-26, a letter from sta-
tion management confirms that KTRB does run Vietnamese programming nightly from 7 to 11 PM Pacific. The program had previously been on KLIB 1110 Roseville CA, but when that station went off the air it moved to KTRB. (REW-HI)

1180 KHCM HI Honolulu. 5/4 0110. Heard here for the first time, ex-1170, with regular sound-ing programming, C&W music and Classic Country songs. IDs between each selection are “AM 11-80 KHCM,” “11-80 on your dial, KHCM” or “11-80 on your radio dial, AM Country KHCM.” Poor signal, over/under KERI CA, KOFI MT, and possibly WHAM NY. Must be testing; heard only irregularly, not daily, since, including 5/17 at 0548. The move from 1170 to 1180 seems pointless to me, as it brings KHCM closer to KZOO 1210, leaving a separation of 30 kHz when all other Honoluluians are at least 40 kHz apart. Also, KSSK 590 produces a 2nd harmonic on 1180 which is troublesome in some parts of Oahu (KNDI 1270 is heard on 2540 and/or other mixing products here). (REW-HI)

1340 KBBR OR North Bend. 6/5. Adds Air America Radio per “Al Franken Show” today. Station website http://1340kbbr.com/talk1340.html also mentions it airs Stephanie Miller and Ed Schultz. (DP-HI)

1420 KKEA HI Honolulu. 5/31. Station has re-branded itself today, switching from the slogan “Sportsradio 14-20” to “ESPN 14-20.” Station also dropped Jim Rome recently and replaced TOH CNN radio newscasts with ESPN Radio SportsCenter. (DP-HI)

1540 KZMP TX University Park. Further to Bill Hale’s and Bill Dvorak’s reports in DDXD-W #73-26, the four sub-continental languages on Radio Salaam Namaste are very probably Urdu (used by Pakistanis and by Indian Muslims, who say “Salaam”), Hindi, Punjabi and Bengali (who say “Namaste” but also “Salaam”). Punjabi (used by Sikhs among others) is heard on more North American AM stations than any of the other three, while Hindi, Urdu and Bengali (Bangla) are far ahead on shortwave (and on VOA Thailand 1575, often heard on the North American West Coast broadcasting in Bangla). That’s because the “Big Three’ are the leading languages of nation-states, while Punjabi is not. (REW-HI)

Off-Frequency

1550 KYCY CA San Francisco. 5/12 1920. Oakland A’s baseball at New York Yankees. Signal spread from 1460 to 1640 with breaks only at 1510 and 1530 kHz. Observed in Millbrae. (DP-CA2)

Presumed, Tentative, UnID

910 XEAO BCN Mexicali. Is RA-NV’s unID in DDXD-W #73-26. Gets out very well for its listed 250 watts (many other XE 250 watters are heard here, e.g. XESPN 800) or may be using daytime 1 kw. (REW-HI)

1350 UNID 5/7 0328. Religious music mixing with oldies station WGAD. (JV-KY)

1530 KCLRp TX Ralls. 5/30 0700. Presumed. Long string of La Cadena Cristiana station in static. No 1530 calls heard. (WH-CO)

Regular DX Loggings (times in ELT)

610 WTVN OH Columbus. 5/6 2230. “On Newsradio 610 WTVN” by a male announcer. Good signal, no static. (GH-IL)

610 WAGG AL Birmingham. 5/23 0523. “610 WAGG Community Bulletin Board” read by a man. Weak, with WIP QRM. New. (GH-IL)

650 KSTE CA Rancho Cordova. 5/17 2005. Noted in passing with Michael Savage, seven seconds ahead of show’s flagship station KNEW 910. Station now mentions the “E” in its slogan “Talk 6-50 KSTE” (old slogan was “KST”). (DP-CA1)


690 WIST LA New Orleans. 5/6 2251. “WIST, the Voice of the Zephyrs” and “WIST” by a deep voiced male announcer. Fair signal, with deep fades. Ex-WTIX. No FF Canadian signals. New!! (GH-IL)

690 KSTL MO Saint Louis. 5/22 1929. “…Right here on KSTL” by a woman. Medium signal. New. (GH-IL)
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780 KAZM AZ Sedona. 5/3 0305. Weak with call sign ID in WBBM null. (WH-CO)

840 KXNT NV North Las Vegas. 5/16 0304. CBS news (different from KCBS 740), net ads for Days Inn and StressTabs, promo for “Rush Replay,” announcement “and now back to ‘Coast to Coast AM’ on the Talk Station, KXNT 8-40,” back to C2CAM five seconds ahead of another C2CAM station underneath (who?); KXNT itself was five seconds behind KSFO 560 and KNCO 830. Fair to good. (DP-CA1)

850 KHLO HI Hilo. 5/18 0200. Noted totally off, with //790 KKON still on over/under KABC with sports. Only KOA noted on 850; no sign of KICY, but Alaska is unlikely in May. Back on later that day. (REW-HI)

860 WMRI IN Marion. 5/13 1807. “Mondays thru Fridays on AM 860 WMRI.” Also “Music of your Life, AM 860 WMRI” and ads for Marion businesses. New calls for me, previously logged as WGOM. (GH-IL)

870 KJMP CO Pierce. 5/23 0702. “KJAC Timnath, Fort Collins, Boulder, Denver... 105.5 Jack FM.” No hint of AM ID for KJMP. (WH-CO)


900 WBCK MI Battle Creek. 5/8 0051. “High 72 degrees on WBCK “ by a male announcer. Weak under WAUR. New. (GH-IL)

910 KTWO WY Casper. 5/14 2320. Woman airing Country and Country oldies, IDing as “KTWO” and “K-Two Radio.” Fair to good. Heard in Belmont. (DP-CA2)


930 KPRZ CA San Diego. 5/20 2327. ID by a man “KPRZ San Diego” (no mention of San Marcos). Promo for events in San Diego, tickets at sportscast.com. ID by a man, “Radio the whole family can listen to, KPRZ,” then at 2328 ad for “homebusiness3stepplan.com.” Very good, clear. (REW-HI)

940 KDIS CA Pasadena. 5/16 0315. Noted in passing with Radio Disney programming seven seconds behind KMKY 1310 and KIID 1470. Poor, with QRM from KFAX 1100. (DP-CA1)

950 KERV TX Kerrville. 5/5 0500. “KERV Kerrville, KMRL Junction” (KMRL is on 1450), followed immediately by KFWM call letter ID. New; 1230 #18. (BW-OK)

960 KZYM MO Joplin. 5/16 0800. “ESPN Radio 1230 KZYM Joplin” by a very deep voiced announcer— almost a growl. Ex-KWAS. (BW-OK)

970 KIOT CA San Francisco. 5/18 0036. ID “KJOT San Francisco,” ad for re-mastered old radio shows, back to Stan Freberg’s “When Radio Was” “The Adventures of
1260 CFRN AB Edmonton. 5/29 0318. Ad for 3A Denture Clinic in downtown Edmonton and Edmonton Sunrooms. “Most sunroom equipment is imported from Florida. But the equipment at Edmonton Sunrooms is made in Northern Alberta. Now that’s Canadian!” Booming signal. (REW-HI)

1270 WKBF IL Rock Island. 5/28 2350. “…saves lives in the Quad Cities…. Progressive Talk 1270” by male. Briefly surfaced out of bad QRM. New! (GH-IL)

1290 WHKY NC Hickory. 5/5 0159. “WHKY Hickory; and now the news.” Are they still on 50Kw day power?! Signal not nearly as strong as last reported. (JV-KY)

1290 WIRL IL Peoria. 5/27 0215. “Country you grew up with, Classic Country WIRL.” Mixing with another music station. (JV-KY)

1300 KCMY NV Carson City. 4/30 1000. Call ID into news (immigration headlines). Fair with QRM. First time in Henderson. Thank you to our editor for KCMY research. (RA-NV) (You are welcome, René; “thankyous” to the editor are never discouraged. See DDXD-W #73-22 for the KCMY info that René is referring to. Ed.-WI)

1300 KAZN CA Pasadena. 4/30 2306. Noted announcement in Chinese, with another station (possibly KCMY) trying to take over. (RA-CA2)

1310 KDLS IA Perry. 5/14 2300. Fair to good signal. New. (GH-IL)

1330 KWLO IA Waterloo. 5/13 2259. “You’re listening to (missed) on 1330 KWLO.” Weak amid much QRM. (GH-IL)

1340 KOMY CA La Selva Beach. 5/29 0200. ID by a man, “You are listening to radio station KOMY Watsonville-La Selva Beach,” into network news. Mostly good, over/under an unID SS (both Mexico and Ecuador logged later that night). (REW-HI)

1350 WGAD AL Gadsden. 5/5 0203. “Oldies Radio WGAD” singing ID. Fair signal. (JV-KY)


1360 WKMI MI Kalamazoo. 5/7 0330. Promo for the Neal Boortz Show and wkmi.com mention. Fair to good signal. NEW. 1360 kHz #5, MI #8, new log #296. (JV-KY)

1370 KDTH IA Dubuque. 5/30 0555. “…on AM 1370 KDTH “ by a male announcer, during local weather. Medium strength, much QRM. New. (GH-IL)

1420 WVJS KY Owensboro. 5/8 0625. “AM 1230 WTCJ/AM 1420 WVJS” by a woman announcer, and several other similar IDs. Good signal, much QRM. New. (GH-IL)

1420 KOTK NE Omaha. 5/19 0359. Briefly with “KOTK Omaha” in KULY null. New and Taped. (WH-CO)

1430 WIL MO Saint Louis. 5/7 0036. “Country Legends 1430, Saint Louis’ only home (missed),” by a male announcer. Weak signal, briefly peaked S6 and faded into noise. Much QRM on frequency. (GH-IL)


1450 KVEN CA Ventura. 5/22 0113. Ad for Arrowhead bottled water, then at 0115 ID by a man “KVEN Ventura-Oxnard, the Boomer.” Very good. (REW-HI)

1450 CHUC ON Cobourg. 5/20 2341. “Rock and Roll 1450 CHUC” by a male announcer. Weak, with WVON QRM. New. (GH-IL)

1450 KQYX MO Joplin 6/3 0259. Legal ID by a man at 0259:50 “You’re listening to NewsTalk 1450 KQYX Joplin….“ Rough copy barely readable through QRM. Heard the same ID at 0559:50 with an even poorer signal. Last heard here as WMBH in the previous century. (JW-CO)

1450 KEYY UT Provo. 6/3 0700. Ending of program notes, ID “KEYY AM 1450 Provo,” and covered by KBBS. New and Taped. (WH-CO)

1450 KBBS WY Buffalo. 6/4 0159. Quick “KBBS Buffalo” ID at 0159:55. Fair with the loop
1460 KABL CA Salinas. 5/16 0320. Light jazz vocal; ad for “The Insider” on KION-TV 46, slogan “AM 14-60 The Paesano,” more modern big band vocals. Fair, QRM from KEST 1450. (DP-CA1)

1500 KSJX CA San Jose. 5/22 0150. Vietnamese man and woman talking seriously. Very good over XEDF with La Hora Nacional; KUMU totally off. At 0159 KUMU abruptly returned, but at 0200 KSJX still heard with an ID by a man, “This is KSJX San Jose, the International Station.” (REW-HI)

1510 KPIG CA Piedmont. 5/16 0025. George Harrison oldie; man back-announcing records (Monty Python’s “Pet Shop,” etc.), announcement. “You’re listening to KPIG, The Mighty Pig,” into oldie “The House of Bamboo.” Also noted at 0320. Now 24 hrs. (DP-CA)

1540 KMPC CA Los Angeles. 5/19 0045. Promo “Log on to L.A.’s Sportstalk. Log on now to 1540 the Ticket.com.” Excellent, no KREA. (REW-HI)

1540 KMPC CA Los Angeles. 5/29 0700. End of station program notes “on KMPC Los Angeles and 1540kmpc.com.” Sports programming. (WH-CO)

1540 KEDA TX San Antonio. 5/29 0802. End of weather read by a female announcer, “...brought to you by Jalapeño Radio KEDA.” (WH-CO)

1550 CBE ON Windsor. 5/20 2329. “Here on CBC Radio 1” by a male announcer. Brief good signal, then into noise. New. (GH-IL)

1560 KZQQ TX Abilene. 5/16 0300. “AM 1560 KZQQ Abilene” to local spots. (WH-CO)


TIS, HAR, Etc.

620 WPFK505 CA Corona. 4/19 1035-1037. Highway Advisory Radio operated by California DOT. Message repeating with 8-second intervals, mentioning construction and detours and noting Routes 71, 74 and the 91. Interstate 15 also included. First time heard. (RA-CA1)

1610 HI B Street, Kaloi Point, Hawaiian Park, Puna District, Big Island. 5/27 0000. Talking house. Tape loop, female voice “Aloha. Welcome to another house brought to you by Diana Schommer of Palcoa Realty. This house offers four levels of gracious living with covered lanai. This custom-built home contains over 2000 square feet. You can walk to the coastline in 10 minutes…” (etc.). Good, new, distance two miles. (REW-HI)

**DDXD-East**

Not a lot to report this month, but our faithful reporter Bert New has sent us a bandscan from his visit to Jekyll Island, GA. Thanks, Bert!

My sincerest apologies to anyone who has sent me snail-mail loggings in the past several weeks. We’ve had some serious problems with mail delivery here, and I’ve recently found out there are several things I did not receive. Sorry! Email seems to be the most reliable way to send mail, so get yourselves on line! J

**REPORTERS**

| BC-NH | Bruce Conti, Nashua – R8B, MWDX-5, 50x75-ft Ewe south, 50x75-ft corner-fed loop east. |
| IEN+GA | Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - Drake R8B, 135’ N/S Wire. |

**STATION LOGGINGS**

760 WETR TN Knoxville - 06/05/06 0706 - News and ID. Good signal when the ID played but it quickly faded under Gospel Music. “WETR, Talkradio 760". (IEN+GA)

921.8 WKVA PA Lewistown - 6/2 2115 - Good; oldies with “920 Gold WKVA” and other callsign IDs between songs. Off frequency, approximately 921.8 kHz, producing a loud het against nominal 920 kHz. (BC-NH)

930 WJBY AL Rainbow City - 6/5 0731 - Gospel Music and an ad for Bob’s Tires. Decent
signal with fades. “...on WJBY”. (IEN+GA)

1310 WISE NC Asheville - 6/5 0800 - TOH ID and ESPN Sports. Decent signal in the mix. “WISE, Asheville” and “ESPN Radio, 1310”. (IEN+GA)

1350 WNNG GA Warner Robins - 6/5 0640 - Oldies. Steady signal all but buried in the morning static. “Oldies 1350, WNNG”. (IEN+GA)

1400 WFTG KY London - 5/6 0559 - “1400, WFTG London.” Male announcer with ID before network news. AM Log says they only run 690 watts. (RJ-NC)

1410 WLAQ GA Rome - 6/5 0811 - Local news and weather. Weak signal mixed with WKKP in McDonough, GA. “...on 1410, WLAQ in Rome”. (IEN+GA)

1440 WGVL SC Greenville - 5/17 1801 - TOH ID and Spanish music. Decent signal in the evening static. “La Radio de Todos... WGVL from Greenville, South Carolina”. (IEN*GA)

1450 WMVA VA Martinsville - 4/21 0659 - “AM 1450, WMVA Martinsville, Virginia” ID and then into ABC radio news. (RJ-NC)

1550 WIGN TN Bristol - 5/14 1805 - SRN News, ad for a church in Bristol and gospel music. Good signal (S9) with fades. “1550, WIGN”. (IEN*GA)

1590 WXRS GA Swainsboro - 5/3 2200 - Female announcer reading weather report followed by several ID’s for “NewsTalk AM 1590, WXRS - Swainsboro”. (RJ-NC)

BERT NEW’S BANDSCAN FROM JEKYLL ISLAND, GA

MAY 5, 2006, 1710 – 1745

550 WAYRp FL Orange Park - Religious programming. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

600 WBWLp FL Jacksonville - Radio Disney. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

630 WBMQp GA Savannah - Sean Hannity show. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

690 WOKVp FL Jacksonville - Sean Hannity show. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

730 WLTQp SC Charleston - Oldies/Nostalgia.Good signal. (IEN-GA)

790 WSFNp GA Brunswick - Sports news and information. Very Good signal. (IEN-GA)

900 WJLGp GA Savannah - UC Gospel. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

930 WXJp FL Jacksonville - Sports news and information. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1050 WROSp FL Jacksonville - Religious programming. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1100 WCGAp GA Woodbine - Oldies. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1130 WFXH SC Hilton Head Island - ESPN Sports. Good signal. “ESPN, AM 1130”. (IEN-GA)

1150 WNDB FL Daytona Beach - Local traffic and weather. Good signal. “Newstalk 1150, WNDB”. (IEN-GA)

1190 WWIOp GA St. Mary’s - National Public Radio. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1250 WTMAp SC Charleston - Talk show discussing immigration. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1290 WTKSp GA Savannah - Neal Boortz show. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1320 WJGRp FL Jacksonville - Talk show discussing astronomy. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1340 WORDp FL Daytona Beach - The Music of Your Life. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1360 WCGLp FL Jacksonville - UC Gospel. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1400 WZAzp FL Jacksonville - UC Gospel. Decent signal. (IEN-GA)

1460 WZNZ FL Jacksonville - ESPN Sports and BOH ID. Good signal. “ESPN 1460, WZNZ, Jacksonville”. (IEN-GA)

1490 WMOGp GA Brunswick - Oldies. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1570 WVOIp FL Fernandina Beach - Spanish music. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

1600 WQQOp FL Atlantic Beach - Religious programming. Good signal. (IEN-GA)

(Publisher’s comment: Please note that we are not publishing bandscans from normal home locations of DX’ers -pls.)

NON-ARCANE ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD

No way!? It appears that the long anticipated closure of 1314 Norway will become a reality! As a beacon for DX conditions from northern latitudes, and a source of interesting listening, Kvitsøy will be missed.

Transatlantic DX

585 SPAIN RNE1 Madrid (40°28'N 03°52'W) MAY 3 2345 - Poor to fair with Spanish talk. [Connelly-MA]
612 MOROCCO RTM A, Sebaä-Aiou (33°54’N 05°23’W) MAY 3 2345 - Arabic male vocal and strings; good. [Connelly-MA]
639 SPAIN RNE1 La Coruña et al. MAY 3 2348 - Woman in Spanish; to fair peak over CBN het, slop. [Connelly-MA]
657 SPAIN RNE5 Madrid (40°28’N 03°52’W) MAY 3 2349 - Parallel 585, 639 with talk by woman; poor. [Connelly-MA]
684 SPAIN RNE Sevilla (37°12’N 05°55’W) MAY 3 2343 - Parallel 1098 with woman in Spanish; fair over WRKO slop. [Connelly-MA]
747 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE5 synchros MAY 3 2351 - Spanish; fair. [Connelly-MA]
774 SPAIN RNE1 synchros MAY 3 2342 - Man and woman in Spanish; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
801 SPAIN RNE1 synchros MAY 3 2352 - Parallel 585 with Spanish talk; fair. [Connelly-MA]
819 EGYPT ERTU Batra (31°09’N 31°27’E) MAY 3 2352 - Vocal, Arabic talk, not parallel Moroccans. [Connelly-MA]
837 AZORES Centro Regional da RDP, Pico da Barrosa MAY 3 2340 - Portuguese talk; briefly over France and Spain-Canaries. [Connelly-MA]
837 FRANCE France Info, Nancy (48°53’N 06°14’E) MAY 3 2341 - Parallel 1206 with classical music; under Azores, Canaries-Spain. [Connelly-MA]
855 ROMANIA România Actualitata, Bucuresti (44°28’N 26°06’E) MAY 4 0025 - Parallel 1179, 1332 with female dance-club vocal, Romanian talk; over Spain! [Connelly-MA]
855 SPAIN RNE1 synchros MAY 3 2353 - Woman in Spanish, then mood music; very good. [Connelly-MA]
864 FRANCE France Bleu, Villebon-sur-Yvette (48°41’N 02°14’E) MAY 3 2339 - Woman in French, then “Just Like a Woman” by Bob Dylan; good, over Egypt. [Connelly-MA]
882 UNITED KINGDOM BBC R.Wales, Washford (51°10’N 03°21’W) MAY 3 2354 - Opera; over COPE Canaries-Spain. [Connelly-MA]
890.98 ALGERIA Chatine 1, Algiers (36°40’N 03°09’E) MAY 3 2248 - Arabic talk at light audio level. [Connelly-MA]
909 UNITED KINGDOM BBC R.5 Live synchros MAY 3 2355 - Quite a dissertation about some calendar clocks in UK soon to read “01 02 03 04 05 06” (3 seconds past 1:02 a.m. local time (UTC+1), 4 MAY 2006); good signal. [Connelly-MA]
918 SPAIN R.Intercontinental, Madrid MAY 3 2359 - Spanish talk; in CJCH slop. [Connelly-MA]
945 FRANCE France Info, Toulouse (43°21’N 01°20’E) MAY 3 2357 - Parallel 1206 with nostalgic female vocal “A Fine Romance”; excellent! [Connelly-MA] JUN 1 0040 - Orchestral music; the only TA barely readable through intense lightning noise tonight. [Conti-NH]
954 SPAIN Onda Cero, Madrid MAY 4 0001 - Sports talk mentioning Valencia; good. [Connelly-MA]
981 ALGERIA RTVA Chatine 2, Algiers (36°40’N 03°09’E) MAY 3 2223 - Already a fat het on WCAP more than an hour before sunset. 2243 group chant and orchestra. 2336 end of vocal, then Arabic talk by man; loud. [Connelly-MA]
981 PORTUGAL R.Renascença synchros MAY 4 0002 - News in Portuguese; briefly over Algeria. [Connelly-MA]
999 MOROCCO RTM A, Tanger MAY 3 2334 - Arabic chanting; over Spain. [Connelly-MA]
999 SPAIN COPE Madrid (40°28’N 03°52’W) MAY 3 2335 - Parallel 1296 with fast talk; now slightly over Morocco. MAY 4 0003 - Spanish news; local-like. [Connelly-MA]
1008 NETHERLANDS Radio 10 Gold, Flevoland (52°23’N 05°25’E) MAY 4 0005 - Continuous “goldies” including “Superfreak” by Rick James, then “Horse With No Name” by America; to good peak over jumble. [Connelly-MA]
1017 SPAIN RNE5 synchros MAY 4 0006 - Radio Nacional de España ID, then into a program
featuring the music of Latin America; good. [Connelly-MA]

TURKEY TRT Radyo 1, Mundanya (40°21'N 28°41'E) MAY 3 2322 - Middle Eastern female vocal; over Spain and Germany. [Connelly-MA]

MOROCCO Sebaa-Aïoun (33°54’N 05°23’W) MAY 3 2331 - North African music with shouting vocals, flutes; good. 2346 festive Berber music, lots of drumming; loud. [Connelly-MA]

UNITED KINGDOM TalkSport synchs MAY 3 2330 - TalkSport ID; atop a big pile-up of others. [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao MAY 3 2329 - Spanish talk; in CBA slop. [Connelly-MA]

MOROCCO Sebaa-Aïoun (33°54’N 05°23’W) MAY 3 2331 - North African music with shouting vocals, flutes; good. 2346 festive Berber music, lots of drumming; loud. [Connelly-MA]

UNITED KINGDOM TalkSport synchs MAY 3 2330 - Talk about a newspaper article; fair. MAY 4 0008 - Discussion about life imprisonment for Zacarias Moussaoui; local-like signal, shredding WBAL. [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao MAY 3 2329 - Spanish talk; in CBA slop. [Connelly-MA]

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SPAIN Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao MAY 3 2329 - Spanish talk; in CBA slop. [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN RNE5 synchs MAY 3 2325 - Parallel 1305 with very echoey Spanish talk by man and woman; strong. [Connelly-MA]

EGYPT Batrah (31°09’N 31°27’E) MAY 3 2324 - Bits of flute music and a nasty low growl against Spain (which was a bit weaker). [Connelly-MA]

SERBIA & MONTENEGRO R. Beograd 1, Novi Sad (45°45’N 19°22’E) MAY 4 0012 - Tentative; likely this with Balkan folk music; over Spain briefly. [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN RNE5 synchs MAY 3 2322 - Parallel 1305 with Spanish talk; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]

CROATIA HR Glas Hrvatske, Deanovec (45°42’N 16°29’E) MAY 4 0014 - Parallel 1134, 1143 with nightclub jazz style Slavic vocal; mixed with Spain, others. [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN RNE5 synchs MAY 3 2322 - Parallel 1305 with Spanish talk; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]

CROATIA HR Glas Hrvatske, Zadar (44°06’N 15°15’E) MAY 3 2321 - Slavic talk; at equal strength to co-channel Spain. MAY 4 0014 - Cabaret jazz style male vocal; huge. [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN RNE5 synchs MAY 3 2322 - Parallel 1305 with woman in Spanish; good. [Connelly-MA]

CROATIA HR Glas Hrvatske, Osijek (45°38’N 18°41’E) MAY 4 0014 - Parallel 1134 with Slavic vocal; over Spain. [Connelly-MA]

ROMANIA România Actualitata, Cluj (46°42’N 23°34’E) MAY 4 0025 - Parallel 1332 with dance music, Romanian talk; slightly over Spain. [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN RNE5 synchs MAY 3 2320 - Parallel 1305 with woman in Spanish; good. [Connelly-MA]

CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN SER synchs MAY 3 2320 - Parallel 1116 with Spanish; a bit under a station with Mideast music. [Connelly-MA]

ROMANIA România Actualitata, Vascau and Galbeni-Bacau MAY 4 0025 - Parallel 1332 with dance club vocal; mixed with SER Canaries-Spain. [Connelly-MA]

unID (Egypt or Iran?) MAY 3 2320 - Middle Eastern music; slightly over Canaries-Spain. [Connelly-MA]

FRANCE France Info, Bordeaux (44°57’N 00°11’W) MAY 3 2237 - Woman in French talking about birthdays; good. [Connelly-MA]

FRANCE France Info, Marseille (43°16’N 05°18’E) MAY 4 0016 - Parallel 1206 with mellow French male vocal; over WBUR slop. [Connelly-MA]

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SPAIN COPE synchs MAY 3 2317 - Parallel 1296 with sports-related Spanish talk. [Connelly-MA]

UNITED KINGDOM Virgin R. synchs MAY 3 2358 - DJ talking about “01 02 03 04 05 06” soon to appear on calendar clocks (as discussed a few minutes earlier on 909). [Connelly-MA]

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IRAN  *R.Tehran*, Tehran  MAY 4 0022 - Likely this with Koranic chanting; under Romania.  [Connelly-MA]

ROMANIA  *România Actualitata*, Galati (45°25'N 27°54'E) MAY 4 0022 - Parallel 855, 1152, 1179 with dance club music, Romanian talk; very good, better than adjacent WRCA.  [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN  *RNE* Arganda del Rey  MAY 3 2313 - Spanish jazz vocal; fair.  [Connelly-MA]

FRANCE  *France Info*, Lille (50°31'N 02°59'E) MAY 4 0027 - Parallel 1206 with '50s style rock 'n' roll; through WMXF slop.  [Connelly-MA]

FRANCE  *France Info* synchrons MAY 4 0027 - Parallel 1206 with oldies, poor.  [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN  *RNE5* synchrons MAY 3 2311 - Parallel 1503 with news talk; fair over WMSX slop.  [Connelly-MA]

GERMANY  *Deutschlandfunk*, Heusweiler (49°21'N 06°55'E) MAY 4 0028 - Classical violin music; excellent.  [Connelly-MA]

DJIBOUTI  *R.Sawa*, Arta (11°31'N 42°50'E) MAY 3 2307 - Rhythmic Arabic dance music with female vocal and drums, then talk with Sawa ID; fair.  [Connelly-MA]

FRANCE  *TWR* Roumoulles (43°47'N 06°09'E) MAY 3 2208 - Soaring orchestral music, religious choral vocal; fair through WLAM slop.  [Connelly-MA]

MELILLA / SPAIN  *SER* synchrons MAY 4 0029 - Woman in Spanish; through 1490 WBAE slop.  [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN  *RNE5 Piñeira* and La Línea de la Concepción MAY 3 2234 - Man and woman in Spanish; fair.  [Connelly-MA]

SAUDI ARABIA  *BSKSA* Duba (27°20'N 35°45'E) MAY 3 2159 - Parallel 9555 and 9870 with two men in Arabic, echoey acoustics of a large empty room; fading up, loud by 2207 UTC, more than 90 minutes before sunset. 2232 female Arabic vocal, strings; huge. 2300 energetic vocal, pips, news; blasting in.  [Connelly-MA]

KUWAIT  *R.Sawa*, Kabd-Kuwait City (29°10'N 47°32'E) MAY 4 0032 - Arabic male vocal came up and clobbered BBC.  [Connelly-MA]

UNITED KINGDOM  *BBC* R.Bristol, Mangotsfield (51°30'N 02°28'W) MAY 4 0031 - BBC talk show with woman; briefly dominant over Kuwait.  [Connelly-MA]

FRANCE  *France Info*, Fontbonne (43°46'N 07°25'E) MAY 3 2203 - News by man in French; fair on pre-sunset fade-up.  [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN  *SER* synchrons MAY 3 2255 - Fast Spanish talk; slightly over UAE.  [Connelly-MA]

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES  *R.Farda*, Al Dhahiya (24°11'N 54°14'E) MAY 3 2255 - Middle East dance music; mixing with *SER* Spain.  [Connelly-MA]

CEUTA  *RadiOlé*, Ceuta (35°53'N 05°17'W) MAY 3 2230 - Romantic Spanish vocal; fair, dominant.  [Connelly-MA]

SPAIN  *R.Vitoria*, Vitoria (42°51'N 02°39'W) MAY 3 2254 - Non-SER Spanish talk; to good peak over others and WUNR slop.  [Connelly-MA]

Pan-American DX

CUBA  *R.Reloj*, Santa Clara (22°24'N 79°56'W) MAY 26 0155 - Clock, minute marker, code ID, under WMCA and WSYR.  [Conti-NH]

CUBA  *CMKV R.Rebelde*, Urbano Noris (20°35'N 76°08'W) MAY 26 0205 - Rebelde attention signal, Santiago de Cuba vs. Industriales beisbol serie final parallel 670 kHz, over “The Big One, WICC 600.”  [Conti-NH]

CUBA  *R.Progreso*, multiple sites MAY 26 0225 - Fair in heavy lightning noise; salsa parallel 890 kHz.  [Conti-NH]

CUBA  *R.Rebelde*, Arroyo Arenas (23°00'N 82°30'W) JUN 9 0140 - Good; talk about Copa Mundial opening game between Alemania and Costa Rica.  [Conti-NH]

CUBA  *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites MAY 28 0555 - Tropical music, 0559 political slogan favoring “Raúl” (Raúl Castro, Fidel’s brother and chosen successor), 0600 call for people’s solidarity, ID, and news parallel 5025; good.  [Wood-HI]

BRAZIL  unID MAY 15 0455 - Possible Bahia state; Portuguese preacher, hymn, straight through top of the hour without ID. Third time I’ve heard this pesky unID. Can anyone help?  [Wood-HI]

CUBA  *CMHV R.Progreso*, Trinidad (21°48'N 79°59'W) MAY 26 0245 - Good, over WSB in lightning noise; nostalgic vocal parallel 890 kHz.  [Conti-NH]

MEXICO  *XESPN* Tijuana (32°31’N 117°01’W) MAY 14 0515 - LA Angels game on ESPN network. Alone on the channel, good for listed 250 watts. New, but heard as XEMMM in the 1980s.  [Wood-HI]

CUBA  *R.Reloj*, unknown site MAY 26 0255 - Minute marker and code ID through WNYC and WXTR.  [Conti-NH]

CUBA  *CMHW Doblevé*, Santa Clara (22°24’N 79°56’W) MAY 26 0258 - Briefly strong over
presumed WRYM, 837 Canary Islands het, and lightning noise, no sign of WHAS; Doblevé ID and headlines, then a romantic vocal. [Conti-NH]

1000 BRAZIL ZYK522 R.Record, São Paulo (23°33’S 46°38’W) MAY 29 0628 - Portuguese preacher of “as palavras do Senhor,” 0700 ID; good, new. Other ZYs heard then were 730, 1220, and 1280 kHz. [Wood-HI]


1010 MEXICO XEDX Ensenada BCN (31°52’N 116°40’W) MAY 16 0429 - Promo, “La Copa Mundial en XEDX 1010 AM Ensenada,” and tropical music. Quite good, alone on the channel, new, nice for 500 watts. [Wood-HI]


1180 CHILE CB118 R.Portales, Santiago (33°21’S 70°40’W) JUN 4 0618 - Man: “2 de la mañana 18 minutos. En la sala de control, Nicolás...” Religious talk between religious musical selections, frequent “amén... espíritu santo.” 0635, “Tenemos una visita especial a Chile desde Colombia.” Very good, at times booming, some KOFI and possible KHCM. Parallel 1380 also good. Last heard in 1980s. [Wood-HI]

1230 MEXICO unID MAY 15 and 16 0500 - Choral Mexican national anthem. Easily recognizable anthem stood out in the gumbo but way too weak to hear any possible ID. I suspect this is XETVH as they are either 10 or 20 kW depending on the source, the rest of the 1230 XEs are listed at 250 W or 1 kW. Has anyone else ID’d or logged a Mexican on 1230 kHz? [Winkelman-OH]

1250 MEXICO XESJ Saltillo, Coah (25°28’N 101°00’W) MAY 24 0601 - Upbeat Spanish music and call ID, mixed with KKHK. [Heinen-CO]

1250 MEXICO XEAX R.Capital, Tijuana, BCN (32°32’N 117°03’W) MAY 9 0430 - ID by a man, “XEAX 1270 AM Tijuana, Baja California, México: Radio Capital 1270,” into serious program, talk of education. Note that Tijuana is not the capital of BCN, Mexicali is. Good. [Wood-HI]

1280 BRAZIL ZYJ455 Súper Rádio Tupi, Rio de Janeiro (22°55’S 43°13’W) MAY 8 0601 - Man, “Rádio Tupi informando” news. Good. MAY 17 0438 - Shouts of “Tupi! Tupi!” 0528 still good, DJ show. [Wood-HI]

1290 BRAZIL unID MAY 10 0505 - Evangelical preacher, “A palavra de Deus... o meu coração... Cristo...” At 0507 a hymn, “ Jesús chamado.” Good atop two stations, one in Spanish and one in English. I now have three unID Brazilians with evangelical programming; 730, 1160, and 1230 kHz. [Wood-HI]


1320 MEXICO XEUH Tuxtepec, Oax (18°06’N 96°08’W) MAY 17 0435 - XEUH ID by a man,
tropical music, 0510 PSA for an event “en la capital de Oaxaca, la Feria Nacional del Libro.”

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HCVTP2 Teleradio AM, Guayaquil (02 12’S 79 54’W) MAY 29 0507 - Man with economic news, all prices in dólares (the sucre was abolished a decade ago, the dollar is now the only currency), “la importación al Ecuador...” 0510, “es nuestro derecho de ganar... el Ecuador,” ID by a man, “Teleradio AM,” then a woman, “las compras por el Ecuador... millones de dólares...” Good, over/under KSRO. Still good at 0600. Other HCs that night: 1440 probable, 820, 1450 and 1490 kHz possible. [Wood-HI]

**BRAZIL**

ZYJ464 R.Bandeirantes, Rio de Janeiro (22 55’S 43 13’W) JUN 4 0600 - News, then ZYJ464 callsign ID by a man at 0604 into vocals, 0618 excited man. Good, fairly clear, some KFIV and KLSD noted later, Rio 1220 and 1280 also booming in. New, 4th Brazilian IDed this year, plus three unIDs. [Wood-HI]

**CHILE**

CB138 R.Corporación, Santiago (33 22’S 70 39’W) MAY 29 0640 - Tenor song, “Cuan grande es” (Spanish version of “How Great Thou Art”), more religious songs, 0702 man gave lengthy list of affiliates by region: “La Cadena Portales. En la primera región Radio Portales 1380 AM... en la segunda región Radio Portales de Valparaíso 840 AM en la tercera región Radio Portales de... en la cuarta región Radio Corporación 96.1 FM en la octava región Radio Corporación de Lota 1530 AM... Cadena de Emisoras Portales ¡Por Chile!” 0703 back to religious melodies, 0715 “la palabra del Señor...” Very good, occasional KTKZ. First Chile heard since 1980s. [Wood-HI]

**MEXICO**

XECO Romántica 1380, Iztacalco DF (19 24’N 99 07’W) JUN 3 0458 - Sign-off by man, “Romántica 1380 XECO,” choral national anthem, 0500 off, carrier cut. Good, clear, new. [Wood-HI]

**MEXICO**

XECF La Mexicana, Los Mochis, Sin (25 50’N 109 04’W) MAY 17 0553 - ID by a man, “XECF Los Mochis, 1410 AM, La Mexicana,” into ballad. Atop CFUN and possible Brazilian. [Wood-HI]

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XEUT Iztacalco MAY 30 0500 - Out of national anthem, XEUT callsign and mentions of Radio Mexicana, mixed with static and KFBK on north/south Flag. New and taped. [Heinen-CO]

**MEXICO**

XEPE Cash 1700, Tijuana (32 32’N 116 59’W) MAY 8 0600 - La Hora Nacional. 0700 back to English business news. Note that XEPE does not carry La Hora Nacional at the same time as 1090 XEPRS although both are in the same time zone. [Wood-HI]

**Transpacific DX**

**NEW CALEDONIA**

RFO / R.Nouvelle Calédonie, Touho APR 22 1139 - Man in French with network programming, then woman, sounds like news/talk format. Poor to fair, het de 730 kHz. [Park-HI] This was tentatively reported last month. I completely spaced it, but Glenn Hauser of DX Listening Digest remembered this new station. See IDXD 73-01 and DXLD 5-199.

**QSL Information**

**NETHERLANDS**

Arrow Classic Rock, Lopik - Full data letter with two stickers received in 14 months after two follow-ups. Signer’s name illegible and no title given. Also, the date is given incorrectly as 2006 rather than 2005. Address: Arrow Media Group BV, Postbus 116, 2501 CC Den Haag, Netherlands. [Renfrew-NY]

**Contributors**

Mark Connelly, Rockport MA (42 40’N 70 37’W); Drake R8A, cardiod array on roof of car = Vertical: 3-m whip (MFJ-1954) to 81:1 transformer to DX Engineering RPA-1 amp + Loop: broadband, in vertical plane, square, 2-m per side, to 1:1 transformer to DX Engineering RPA-1 amp, peak east-west, null north-south, DXP-6 phasing unit, Pogo Radio YourWay LX MP3 recorder.
Bruce Conti, Nashua NH (42°43’N 71°31’W); R8B, MWDX-5, 15x23-m Ewe south, 15x23-m corner-fed loop east.

Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO (39°39’N 104°46’W); Drake R8B, modified 4-ft NRC Altazimuth loop, north/south Flag, east/west Flag, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo with two BUF-F amplifiers, Mini-DXP5, DX Engineering RPA-1.

Dale Park, San Mateo CA; Sangean ATS-818CS, Terk AM1000 loop.

Dale Park, Honolulu HI (21°18’N 157°44’E); Sangean ATS-818CS, Terk AM1000 loop.

Jim Renfrew, Byron NY (43°05’N 78°04’W).

International News

AFGHANISTAN: Coalition forces and local authorities held a ceremony April 20 to celebrate the opening of a new radio station in Qalat. The station, 936 AM, sponsored by the U.S. Commander’s Emergency Relief Program, cost approximately $200,000 and took six months to complete. Radio segments will include talk radio, broadcasting music, a message board and many others. At the ceremony, 200 handheld radios were given to those in attendance and children were taught how to tune to 936 AM to hear the shows. [Press release by U.S. Army Capt. Lawrence Sekajipo 2nd Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiments, US Department of Defense, via MWC, Jim Renfrew]

ARGENTINA: Nueva x-band en el Gran Buenos Aires; 1640 R.Bethel, Villa Caraza, Partido de Lanus, Provincia de Buenos Aires, es una nueva emisora que transmite en la x-band local. Pertenece a la Iglesia “Asamblea de Dios” y por lo escuchado, está en los primeros días de transmisión. Anuncia el teléfono 4276-2423 para comunicarse con la estación. No llega Radio Bolivia, que operaba hasta hace unos días en la frecuencia. ¿Podría haber un cambio de QTH y orientación de la emisora que dirigía sus programas a la comunidad boliviana? [Arnaldo Slaen, Conexión GRA]

BRAZIL: 1020 ZYK513 Canção Nova radio broadcasts its DX program Alem Fronteiras in Spanish, Portuguese and English. Francisco Candia, Douglas Mello and Antonio Oliveira give information to DXers. They read radios reports from listeners and inform about local events of Canção Nova. The program has a chat channel where listeners have great participation through www.cancaonova.com/portal/canais/chat/index.php. They confirm radio reports on the air and 100% QSL back. Program: Além Fronteiras every Saturday, 2200 to 2300, 1020 kHz and SW 4825, 6105, 9675 kHz. [Eduardo De Moura, DXing.info via ARC LA News Desk]

BURKINA FASO: The transmitter at the Radio Burkina Broadcasting Centre in Gounghin has gone into operation... The 100 kW transmitter was installed in Sector 9, Gounghin Ouagadougou, having a range of 150 km, broadcasting on 747 kHz. Source: Sidwaya website, Ouagadougou, in French. [BBCM via DX Listening Digest]

FINLAND: YLE will focus in future on serving Finns abroad through satellite, mobile and Internet distribution. The company will therefore be discontinuing mediumwave and shortwave broadcasts from Pori in 2007. However, mediumwave broadcasts will still continue on the Santahamina (Helsinki) transmitters in the Baltic Sea area. [Media Network, via Paul Graveline, BADX]

NORWAY: According to a feature program on NRK P2, 1314 kHz will go silent from July 1st. As many will know, the transmission on 1314, named Europakanalen (something similar to The European Channel) was a mix of NRK P1 and P2 programs primarily aimed at Norwegian listeners in Northern Europe and at sea. To supply the fishing fleet with updated weather reports, NRK will launch a 24-hour satellite weather channel. [Bjarne Mjelde, Coastal Roundtable]

PORTUGAL: R.Comercial/R.Club Português 783 kHz 100 kW new site at Avanca (municipality of Estarreja), ex-Canidelo 10 kW, expected to be on the air by the summer, if the already delayed installation process runs as expected. According to the station owner, the group doesn’t intend to reactivate the other assigned frequencies, at least in the near future: 9 sites using 558 (1), 828 (5) and 1170 kHz (3). [Carlos Gonçalves, DX Listening Digest] As of 15 May and up ‘til 10 July, R.Club Português via R.Comercial on 783 kHz 10 kW Canidelo and 1035 kHz 100 kW Belmonte identifies on the air as “Rádio Portugal,” the main station slogan being “A Rádio da Seleção.” This temporary project is timed to last during the football championships, airing reports of all the matches broadcast by TVI-Televisão Indepêndente, owned by the group Média Capital Rádio. During this period, RCP will be available on VHF-FM only. [Carlos Gonçalves, MWC via Jim Renfrew]
Newfoundland DXpedition 16
April 11 - 19, 2006
Round Cove, Cappahayden (46°53’N 52°57’W)
Logs by Jean Burnell and Bruce Conti

Receivers: Drake R8A (with RCA Lyra mp3 recorder), Drake R8B (with MWDX-5 phasing unit, Pogo Radio Your Way LX mp3 recorder), Icom R71A (with Radio Shack cassette recorder).

Antennas: 350 m towards northern Europe, 350 m towards eastern Brazil.

Transatlantic DX

549 ALGERIA Alger Chaîne 1, Les Tremsles (35°17’N 00°34’W) APR 13 2158 - Arabic pop music, pips, ID, and news headlines at 2200; SINPO 54454, with just a little interference from Loran spurs, about the same as VOMC St. John’s on 590 kHz! [2794mi, 4496km]

630 TUNISIA RTT Tunis (36°50’N 09°50’E) APR 13 2207 - Woman reading news in Arabic; SINPO 33443. APR 17 2340 - Presumed this with Koranic vocals. [3224mi, 5188km]

648 GAMBIA Gambia Radio, Banjul APR 17 2145 - Glimpses of African talk, fades, news at 2200, definite English at 2204, news ended at 2222, then African music with few (or no) breaks between songs, ID as the “Gambia Radio and Television Service in Banjul” at 2230; initially very weak but up to SINPO 44433 at 2230. APR 17 2220 - End of African news in English, then African steel drum vocals, at 2230 ID, “You’ve been listening to the Gambia Radio and Television...”

657 SOUTH AFRICA R.Pulpit, Meyerton APR 17 2120 - Faded up nice over RNE5 Spain; melllow music and man in Afrikaans.

666 ALGERIA Chaîne 1, Tindouf (27°38’N 08°07’W) APR 17 2128 - Over/under Portugal; North African vocal parallel 891 kHz. [2756mi, 4435km]

675 LIBYA R.Jamahiriyah, Benghazi (32°54’N 20°04’E) APR 17 2130 - Good; man in Arabic parallel 828 kHz. [3854mi, 6203km]

693 AZORES Centro Regional da RDP, Terceira (38°43’N 27°19’W) APR 17 2140 - Good; technomusic parallel 837 kHz. [1411mi, 2271km]

702 ALGERIA Chaîne 1, Djelfa APR 15 2116 - Music by Vivaldi, which confused me initially until I noticed parallel 531, 549, 891 with a program explaining baroque music (702 was about 3 seconds behind 891); SINPO 24332. APR 17 2050 - North African music parallel 891 kHz.

711 LIBYA Voice of Africa, Sebbha (27°04’N 14°25’E) APR 18 0052 - Man in Arabic parallel 1251 kHz, under strong open carrier hum presumed from Western Sahara. [3842mi, 6182km]

720 CANARY ISLANDS RNE5 Finca España APR 17 2141 - Good; teletalk parallel 657 kHz.

738 SPAIN RNE1 Barcelona (41°23’N 02°12’E) APR 17 2143 - Good; in-studio discussion parallel 855 kHz. [2711mi, 4364km]

801 SPAIN RNE1 synchros APR 17 2333 - Good; loud synchro echo, parallel 855 kHz.

810 SPAIN SER Madrid APR 17 2330 - Good; “En la cadena Ser...” promo.

819 MOROCCO RTM A, Rabat-Temara (33°54’N 06°55’W) APR 17 2208 - Good; string vocal parallel 612 kHz. [2546mi, 4098km]

828 AZORES RDP Mte das Cruzes-Flores (39°27’N 31°08’W) APR 18 0214 - Good; nostalgic vocal parallel 693 and 837 kHz. [1211mi, 1948km]

828 LIBYA R.Jamahiriyah, Sebbha (27°04’N 14°25’E) APR 17 2130 - Good; man in Arabic delayed slightly behind parallel 675 kHz. [3842mi, 6182km]

828 MOROCCO RTM Oudja (34°40’N 01°51’W) APR 11 2259 - Arab music, ID at 2300; SINPO 33333. [2756mi, 4364km]

828 IRELAND R.North, Redcastle APR 18 0155 - Good; continuous country oldies, no ID through top of the hour, through strong unID open carrier (perhaps Kenya signing on).

846.04 SOUTH AFRICA Unihlobowenene FM, Komga APR 13 2233 - African music, African language but very little chat; SINPO 33232.

855 ROMANIA România Actualitata, Bucuresti (44°28’N 26°06’E) APR 18 0150 - Good, over RNE1 Spain; nostalgic vocal parallel 1179 kHz. [3661mi, 5893km]

873 GERMANY AFN Mannheim APR 18 0000 - ID and news; SINPO 33443.

891 NETHERLANDS Radio 538, Hulsberg (50°53’N 05°51’E) APR 11 2257 - Telephone chat, faded under Algeria before 2300; briefly SINPO 33332. [2622mi, 4220km]

919 PORTUGAL R.Renascença, Villa Moura (37°04’N 08°08’W) APR 18 0048 - Under Algeria; Portuguese blues vocal parallel 576 (fair), 594 (excellent), and 963 (fair). [2370mi, 3814km]

910 IRAN IRIB Tehran APR 17 2325 - Good; string vocal parallel 1503 kHz (excellent). APR 17 2327 - Middle Eastern music, parallel 1503; SINPO 22432-1.

936 BOTSWANA VOA Sebeli-Phikwe (22°01’S 27°30’E) APR 14 2059 - Program ending “brought to you by the VOA” faded away, but faint “Yankee Doodle” at 2100; SINPO 22332-1. APR 17 2058 - Good; African pops, mentioned request number and VOA. [6881mi, 11073km]

999 NIGERIA R.Nigeria, Abuja APR 14 2100 - Pips, “This is the local service of Radio Nigeria,” then news in English; SINPO 34343.
BELGIUM  VRT Wolvertem (50°59′N 04°18′E) APR 17 0412 - Good; disco music parallel 1512 kHz. [2556mi, 4113km]

MOROCO  RTM Agadir (30°20′N 09°31′W) APR 14 2109 - Local music, talk in possible Berber (not Arabic), parallel 1044; SINPO 43443. [2571mi, 4138km]

SPAIN  RNE5 synchronos APR 17 0409 - Excellent; two women with news, R.Nacional network ID, parallel 855 kHz.

FRANCE  France Info, Toulouse (43°21′N 01°20′E) APR 12 0000 - ID, news; SINPO 44444. APR 18 2315 - France Info ID and news from Radio Canada. [2612mi, 4204km]

SPAIN  Onda Cero. Madrid APR 17 0104 - News and ID; SINPO 33332.

GERMANY  NDR Info, Hamburg (53°31′N 10°07′E) APR 18 2242 - Program of alternative music, “I Love You Mr. Disposable Razor” by The Witness; SINPO 44444. [2741mi, 4412km]

LIBYA  R.Jamahiriyah, Sirte APR 17 2130 - Fair; man in Arabic parallel 675 kHz.

unID  APR 18 2230 - Huge open carrier over RNE1 Spain.

GREECE  ERA Athens (37°57′N 23°41′E) APR 17 0136 - Greek music, parallel 7475; SINPO 43333. [3810mi, 6132km]

Spain  SER Bilbao and Cádiz APR 18 2258 - Good over CBY.

UNITED KINGDOM  Magic 999, Longton APR 17 0324 - In COPE Spain null; “This is Magic Nine-Nine-Nine,” and pop music.

MOZAMBIQUE  EP de Manica, Chimoio (19°07′S 33°28′E) APR 18 2125 - Tentative; subcontinental Indian male/female vocal, 2151 possible ID with emissor mention before lost to Nigeria. [7004mi, 11272km]

NIGERIA  Jigawa Radio, Dutse (11°47′N 09°25′E) APR 18 2129 - In a mix of three stations, ID in English as “Radio Dutse” at 2129, African talk at 2151 mentioned “Abeocuta” a couple of times, African music at 2158 to 2200, then likely religious talk (mentioning “Allah” a number of times) to 2203, then ID in English “Jigawa Radio in Dutse,” and may have gone off at that moment; SINPO 22432. Other stations on the channel were Spain and a station in Portuguese that peaked around 2132. This latter station was likely Mozambique. [4330mi, 6969km]

SPAIN  SER synchrons APR 18 2227 - One apparently off frequency causing a rumble in the synchro echo.

ENGLAND  Kismat Radio, Crystal Palace APR 17 2300 - ID and news, jingle at 2303, ads in Hindi and English, music from 2305; SINPO 24332.

GRECE  ERA Macedonia 1, Thessaloniki (40°34′N 22°57′E) APR 14 0159 - Greek music, pips, ID, and news at 0200; SINPO 54444. [3675mi, 5914km]

LIBYA  Libyan Jamahiriya Broadcasting, Tripoli (32°50′N 13°00′E) APR 17 2136 - Talk under Spain, parallel 675 and 828; SINPO 32432. APR 18 2204 - Good; talk parallel 1449 kHz. [3529mi, 5679km]

SPAIN  COPE Zaragoza, Zaragoza APR 15 2242 - Local ad then “COPE Zaragoza” ID; SINPO 32442 with interference from presumed Morocco.

ITALY  Rai Radio 1 synchrons APR 12 0037 - Pop music, Italian chat; SINPO 24432.

NIGERIA  Anambra Broadcasting Service, Onitsha (06°08′N 06°48′E) APR 18 2059 - Very weak talk, fuzzy ID as “Radio Adamawa” at 2100; SINPO 154X1. APR 18 2155 - Good; urban contemporary vocal, 2200 ID, “This is Anambra Broadcasting Service...” into news in English. [4500mi, 7242km]

BOTSWANA  R.Botswana, Jwaneng APR 16 2203 - Music, parallel 1350; SINPO 23332-1. APR 17 2104 - Under Spain; R&B vocal parallel 1350 kHz.

SPAIN  Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao APR 18 0040 - Good; rock vocal parallel 1197 kHz.

ALGERIA  R.Algérienne, Adrar (27°28′E) APR 18 2057 - Arabic music, ID at 2100; SINPO 22432. [3113mi, 5010km]

CHANNEL ISLANDS  BBC R.Guernsey, Rohais (49°28′W 02°34′W) APR 19 0058 - Interviews, 0100 “5-Live” ID; SINPO 23332. [2291mi, 3688km]

SPAIN  COPE jerez, Jerez (36°49′N 06°07′W) APR 14 2244 - Special Holy Week program, sponsored by Tio Pepe, many “COPE jerez” ID’s; SINPO 33343. [2474mi, 3982km]

SCOTLAND  Clyde 2, Glasgow (55°48′N 04°12′W) APR 19 0009 - Oldies, DJ wanted to know how to make a budgie shut up, ID “Clyde 1 and Clyde 2” at 0015; SINPO 43443. [2149mi, 3459km]

SCOTLAND  R.Tay, Dundee (56°27′N 02°56′W) APR 19 0032 - “Radio Tay Entertainment Guide”; SINPO 23432. [2195mi, 3532km]

SPAIN  Euskadi Irratia, San Sebastián APR 18 0040 - Good; rock vocal parallel 1197 kHz.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES  R.Sawa, Al Dhabiya (24°11′N 54°14′E) APR 14 2253 - Mellow pops, canned ID and Web address; SINPO 34233-2. [5773mi, 9291km]

ROMANIA  România Actualitata, Vascau and Galbent-Bacau APR 18 0150 - Good; nostalgic vocal parallel 855 kHz.

MOROCCO  RTM Casablanca (33°36′N 07°40′W) APR 17 2255 - Fair over unID Mid East
music; vocal with strings and flute, parallel 1044 kHz. [2523mi, 4060km]

LESTOBO "Family Radio, Lancer's Gap APR 14 2050 - US-accented religion; SINPO 24333. APR 16 2059 - "Thanks for listening to Family Radio" then perhaps off; SINPO 25232-2.

SPAIN Euskadi Irratia, Vitoria APR 17 0359 - Music, pigs, ID, and news at 0400; SINPO 33343. APR 18 0030 - Good; ID and rock vocals, over unID bottom of the hour time pips.

BOTSWANA R.Botswana, Mahalapye (23°06'S 26°50'E) APR 16 2123 - Music, parallel 1350; SINPO 22321. [6906mi, 11141km]

BULGARIA R.Bulgaria, Vidin (43°39'N 22°40'E) APR 17 2100 - Sounded like two interval signals each repeated twice, the second was definitely R.Bulgaria, but I think both came from the same station. Do different language services have different interval signals? SINPO 24232-1, way behind Spain. [3547mi, 5708km]

SPAIN COPE Huelva, Huelva (37°16'N 06°57'W) APR 18 2157 - Local ID but then immediately to net programming; SINPO 33443. [2319mi, 3859km]

BELGIUM Pure FM, Rocourt (50°40'N 05°34'E) APR 12 2356 - Unusual spacey music, quick "Pure FM" jingle at 0000; SINPO 34333. APR 17 2215 - Good; "Ecoutez Pure FM" ID and pop/rock music. [2615mi, 4080km]

ISRAEL Galai Zahal, Tel Aviv (31°50'N 34°50'N) APR 14 0006 - Pop and rap music, parallel 6973; SINPO 32422. [4567mi, 7350km]

SPAIN COPE Valencia APR 15 2206 - Local IDs, PSAs, and ads, seemed to be full network from 2210; SINPO 34444.

BELGIUM Pure FM, Marche (50°12'N 05°17'E) APR 17 2217 - Under RNE5 Spain; pop music parallel 1233 kHz. APR 17 2239 - Rap and pop music, parallel 1233; SINPO 23332. [2613mi, 4050km]

ROMANIA România Actualităța, Galati (45°25'N 27°54'E) APR 12 2354 - Pop music, ID and Web address at 2356; SINPO 33443. APR 13 0100 - ID, news; SINPO 33443. [3700mi, 5955km]

HUNGARY R.Katólikus, Szolnok & Balatonszabadi APR 13 2300 - “Radio Katolikus Budapest” ID during lull in Northern Ireland; SINPO 34444 briefly.

BOTSWANA R.Botswana, Tshabong (26°01'S 22°24'E) APR 16 2102 - Man in African language, choral music then US soul music, parallel 972, 1215; SINPO 24333. APR 17 2104 - Good; R&B vocal parallel 1071 kHz. [6864mi, 11046km]

FRANCE R.Orient, Nice APR 12 2051 - Mainly talk, two IDs around 2100; SINPO 2332.

LATVIA R.Tatras International, Kuldiga APR 13 2244 - Pop music, canned “RTI” IDs between songs, SINPO 34443.

ENGLAND Classic Gold Breeze, Chelmsford APR 12 2254 - Pop music, jingle and ads at 2257, ID and news at 2300; SINPO 33443.

ISLE OF MAN Manx Radio, Foxdale APR 17 2325 - Oldies pops, ID; SINPO 32432.

TANZANIA R.Free Africa, Mwanza (02°30'S 32°56'E) APR 12 2103 - Deep-voiced man in Arabic-influenced African language, ID at 2107; SINPO 24232, under France. [6150mi, 9898km]

KENYA BBC Maralal (01°06'N 36°42'E) APR 17 0300 - Good; “This is KBC Radio” into march/anthem, and “Topping the news...” [6148mi, 9894km]

ALBANIA TWR Flakë (40°57'N 19°40'E) APR 18 2030 - Fair; ID, seemed to sign off at 2100. [3516mi, 5659km]

ENGLAND BBC R.Gloucestershire, Berkeley Heath & Stow APR 17 0044 - Interview, parallel 5 Live on 909; SINPO 23432.

DJIBOUTI R.Sawa, Arta (11°31'N 42°50'E) APR 15 2224 - Country music, slogan with internet address for "I-Tech" (sounded like an ad), then Arabic pops; SINPO 44444. [5914mi, 9518km]

LUXEMBOURG Marnach (50°16'N 42°56'E) APR 12 2100 - Good; CRI news in English parallel 7190 and 9600 kHz. [2650mi, 4246km]

LIBYA R.Jamahiriyah, Misurata (32°46'N 15°05'E) APR 17 2130 - Good; man in Arabic delayed behind parallel 675 kHz. [3629mi, 5840km]

SCOTLAND BBC Radio 4, Redmoss (57°07'N 02°05'W) APR 19 0159 - BBC World Service programming; SINPO 32342. [2224mi, 3579km]

GIBRALTAR R.Gibraltar, Wellington Fort (36°08'N 05°21'W) APR 14 2200 - BBC World Service programming; SINPO 34343. APR 18 2120 - BBC World Briefing parallel 3915 kHz. [2536mi, 4081km]

IRAN IRIB Isfahan APR 18 0104 - Weak but alone on the frequency; talk parallel 1503 kHz. [3516mi, 5659km]

ANGOLA EP do Kwanza-Sul, Sumbe APR 13 2109 - Accordion music, talk in African language, faded away but back at 2115 with talk in Portuguese; SINPO 2332.

CORSICA France Bleu, Bastia (42°47'N 09°24'E) APR 17 2347 - Good, over France Info; Rolling Stones “Angie” parallel 864 kHz. [2995mi, 4820km]

JORDAN R.Jordan, Al Kanarah APR 13 2305 - Presumed; Arabic news; SINPO 32422, battling France and Greece.

AZORES AFN Lajes (38°43'N 27°09'W) APR 15 2153 - Local announcements, “This is the
American Forces Network” at 2200; SINPO 22332. APR 19 0715 - Good; “Car Talk” program. [1419mi, 2884km]

1512 GREECE/CRETE ERA Chania (35°29’N 24°03’E) APR 17 0149 - Glimpses of Greek music, parallel 7475; SINPO 24332-1. [3928mi, 6321km]

1520 ROMANIA România Actualitata, Mhainen (47°54’N 26°12’E) APR 17 0210 - Local music, telephone report at 0212 ended with “Radio Romania,” parallel 1152; SINPO 44444. [3541mi, 5899km]

1530 SAO TOME E PRINCIPE VOA Pinheira (00°18’N 06°46’E) APR 17 0329 - Excellent; “Africa and the Voice of America” and African News Tonight promo. [4806mi, 7735km]

1540 ENGLAND BBC R.Devon, Mangotsfield (51°30’N 02°28’W) APR 17 0304 - Music, “5-Live” ID; SINPO 33433. [2262mi, 3641km]

1550 MOLDOVA Voice of Russia, Grigoriopol (47°14’N 29°24’E) APR 17 0300 - Clear interval signal, but voice too weak; SINPO 23431. [3693mi, 5944km]

1560 UNITED KINGDOM Country Sound, Guildford APR 19 0202 - News, at 0203 “This is the County Sound Late Show,” then Aretha Franklin song; SINPO 24342.

1560 UNITED KINGDOM BBC Bristol / Somerset Sound, Taunton (51°01’N 03°05’W) APR 17 0340 - Radio 5 parallel 693 and 909, over presumed County Sound. [2243mi, 3611km]

1584 IRAN IRIB Radio 5 Vitoria (42°51’N 02°39’W) APR 18 0029 - Good, over SER; “En Radio Vitoria...” [2443mi, 3932km]

Pan-American DX

580 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIFAR R.Monticristi, Monticristi APR 16 0832 - “Super Semana Santa” news, ballads from 0834; SINPO 44343.

600 BRAZIL ZYH920 R.Mirante AM, São Luís MA, APR 19 0109 - Rock music, ID at 0112; SINPO 24342.

600 VENEZUELA YVQB R.Sucre, Cumaná (10°23’N 64°13’W) APR 19 0115 - Latin song, ID and time check at 0122; SINPO 32342. [2600mi, 4184km]

630 VENEZUELA YVKA R.Nacional de Venezuela, Caracas (10°27’N 66°57’W) APR 19 0140 - Talks, interviewed an Englishman; SINPO 34343. [2641mi, 4250km]

660 VENEZUELA YVNA Ondas de los Médanos, Coro (11°25’N 70°30’W) APR 19 0154 - Fair; merengue music, “Más exitos en Popular 660.” [2650mi, 4264km]

680 COLOMBIA HJZO R.Nacional de Colombia, Sabanagrande APR 19 0005 - Good; jazz and contemporary music, “la radio nacional de Colombia” IDs, HJZO Sabanagrande per Ministerio de Comunicaciones listing at www.mincomunicaciones.gov.co. APR 19 0047 - Jazz program, ID at 0049, Barranquilla site and power 50 kW according to Conexión Digital No 362, reporting BBC Monitoring via Glenn Hauser; SINPO 33333 with interference from Puerto Rico.

680 VENEZUELA YVQR R.Continente, Cumaná APR 18 0605 - Good; salsa music, Continente IDs.

690 BRAZIL ZYH587 R.Dragão do Mar, Fortaleza (03°45’S 38°33’W) APR 19 0001 - Good; R.Dragão do Mar ID, many Brazil and Fortaleza mentions. [3594mi, 5785km]

690 ECUADOR HCJB1 Voz de los Andes, Piña (00°14’S 78°20’W) APR 18 0806 - Andean flute music, no announcement until 0819 but too low to comprehend, better at 0836 with talk in indigenous language, parallel 3220 at 0836 (SW not audible earlier); SINPO 33433 at 0836. [3589mi, 5776km]

700 BRAZIL ZYK686 R.Eldorado, São Paulo (23°32’S 46°37’W) APR 18 0332 - Good, over unID Spanish; “Radio Eldorado AM” ID. APR 18 0759 - ID, briefly over Spanish station; SINPO 34423. [4862mi, 7824km]

700 BRAZIL ZYH588 R.Lirrapuru, Fortaleza (03°45’S 38°31’W) APR 18 0700 - Good with full ID. [3595mi, 5786km]

700 COLOMBIA HJAJ RCN Barranquilla (10°53’N 74°49’W) APR 18 0842 - RCN promo; SINPO 34343. [2791mi, 4491km]

700 CUBA CMAQ R.Reloj, Pinar del Río (22°25’N 83°43’W) APR 18 0642 - Good; man and woman with news, clock, code IDs... [2404mi, 3868km]

830 BRAZIL ZYH905 R.Mirante AM, Imperatriz MA (05°33’S 47°28’W) APR 16 2347 - ID, faded away quickly; briefly SINPO 34342. [3625mi, 5833km]

830 VENEZUELA YVLT R.Sensación, Caracas (10°24’N 66°56’W) APR 12 0124 - Ad string, pro
gram promo; SINPO 44333. APR 18 0230 - Good; “Sensación 830 AM” into pop music. [2644mi, 4254km]

840 PUERTO RICO WXEW La Reina del Caribe, Yabucoa (18°03’N 65°52’W) APR 18 0840 - Good; UTC-4 time check and La Reina slogan. [2119mi, 3410km]

850 CUBA R.Reloj, Nueva Gerona (21°53’N 82°48’W) APR 18 0639 - Under WEEI and unID Latin American. [2397mi, 3858km]

855 URUGUAY CX16 R.Carve, Montevideo (34°52’S 56°21’W) APR 19 0211 - Football play-by-play, ID at 0217 “Esta es la nueva Carve, la más potente del Uruguay”; SINPO 33433. [5630mi, 9060km]

860 VENEZUELA YVVC Y.R.Fé y Alegría, Maracaibo APR 18 0902 - Zulia state anthem, ID at 0904; SINPO 33443.

865 BRAZIL ZYJ459 CBN Rio de Janeiro (22°55’S 43°13’W) APR 18 0710 - Good, over R.Reloj Cuba; woman in Portuguese with news items. [4841mi, 7791km]

865 CUBA CMDB R.Reloj, Baracoa (20°21’N 74°29’W) APR 18 0638 - Under CJJC; clock, minute marker and code ID. [2194mi, 3532km]

870 BRAZIL ZYL275 R.Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte (19°55’S 43°55’W) APR 18 0715 - Good, over WCBS; man in Portuguese, Inconfidencia ID, accordion music. [4631mi, 7453km]

875 VENEZUELA YVYM R.Venezuela, Puerto Ordaz (08°15’N 62°42’W) APR 16 2356 - Talk, seemed to be a network program as the ID was for the Ciudad Bolivar station; SINPO 33343. [2722mi, 4381km]

880 CUBA CMDZ R.Progreso, Chambas (22°11’N 78°54’W) APR 14 0744 - Romantic Latin tunes, ID at 0756, news at 0803; SINPO 33433. APR 18 0723 - Good; Deportivo RP report. [2235mi, 3597km]

885 VENEZUELA YVMD Ritmo 900, Maracaibo (10°39’S 71°44’W) APR 18 0730 - Good; “Venezuela Mara Ritmo 900” and “la primer radio de Zulia.” [2728mi, 4390km]

890 VENEZUELA YVRQ Caracas (10°32’N 66°55’W) APR 18 0737 - Good; time check, “en RQ 910 AM Center,” and romantic nostalgia. [2634mi, 4240km]

895 CUBA CMHI R.Reloj, Sancti Spíritus APR 18 0833 - News, ID with Morse ID; SINPO 22442.

900 VENEZUELA R.Venezuela, Acarigua (09°33’S 69°11’W) APR 18 0859 - ID and location as Estado Portuguesa; SINPO 24443, but wiped out by CHNS shortly after. [2743mi, 4415km]

905 US VIRGIN ISLANDS WSTX Christiansted (17°45’N 64°42’W) APR 12 0159 - Tentative; US-accented English behind the Venezuelan, short piece of Caribbean music, ID, but just the first two letters (“W-S-”) copied clearly; SINPO 22432-1. APR 18 0719 - Religious songs, US-accented English behind the Venezuelan, short piece of Caribbean music, ID, but just the first two letters (“W-S-”) copied clearly; SINPO 22432-1. APR 18 0742 - Religious reggae music, then a phone caller saying good morning to lots of people, and more Christian music, until 0750; [2117mi, 3406km]

910 ARGENTINA LS10 R.del Plata, Buenos Aires (34°38’S 58°28’W) APR 14 0734 - Interesting coincidence: talk about Newfoundland, in conjunction with the anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic; SINPO 44333. APR 16 0151 - Ad string, promo for “Canal 13” then ID; SINPO 44444. APR 19 0230 - Excellent; “Radio Noticias del Plata.” [5620mi, 9045km]

915 BRAZIL ZYJ777 R.Olinda, Olinda PE (08°02’S 34°52’W) APR 18 2301 - Globo slogans, then football play-by-play, seemed that many stations were carrying the game as lots of stations were mentioned, ID at 2324. [3940mi, 6341km]

920 URUGUAY CX26 SODRE Montevideo (34°49’S 56°22’W) APR 19 0233 - Good; classical music, ID “...desde Montevideo, Uruguay,” and “Radio teatro de Sodre.” [5627mi, 9055km]

925 BRAZIL ZYJ597 R.Tapuyu, Mosorró RN (05°12’S 37°20’W) APR 15 0733 - Ad mentioning Mosorró, jingle; SINPO 33322. [3710mi, 5971km]

930 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIAJ R.Amanecer, San Francisco de Macorís (18°29’N 69°17’W) APR 15 0732 - ID, accordion music, then religious tunes; SINPO 23322. [2166mi, 3486km]

935 MEXICO XEEP R.Educación, México (19°22’N 99°02’W) APR 2352 - Promo for Mexican music programming; SINPO 33422. [3209mi, 5165km]

940 BRAZIL ZYJ461 R.Nacional, Rio de Janeiro (22°55’S 43°13’W) APR 19 0302 - Good; R.Nacional ID and jingle. [4841mi, 7791km]

945 ARGENTINA LR9 R.América, Buenos Aires (34°38’S 58°28’W) APR 15 0000 - “Radio América
Informa” news; SINPO 33333. APR 19 0315 - Good; “Radio América punto com” promo. [5620mi, 9045km]

1190 PUERTO RICO WBMJ La Roca, San Juan (18°21'N 66°07'W) APR 15 0000 - “Esta es La Roca, WBMJ” then mellow music; SINPO 22332 with interference from Argentina. [2104mi, 3886km]

1229.97 PUERTO RICO WNIK R.Unica, Arecibo (18°27'N 66°44’W) APR 16 0111 - Basketball play-by-play, Arecibo vs. someone; SINPO 33333. [2110mi, 3966km]

1249.78 USA WKBR Manchester NH APR 16 0700 - Legal ID, still off-frequency putting a horrible het on 1250; SINPO 23432.

1250 ARGENTINA R.Estirpe Nacional, San Justo APR 14 0755 - Classical music, “AM 1250” slogan at 0756, caught ID at 0817 “AM 1250 Radio Estirpe”; SINPO 23332-1. [5638mi, 9073km]

1270 ARGENTINA LS11 R.Provincia de Buenos Aires, La Plata (34°55'S 57°57'W) APR 14 0825 - Mainly religious talk and gave Web site, “Ave Maria” played; SINPO 33443. [5638mi, 9073km]

1280 VENEZUELA YVLF R.Puerto Cabello, Puerto Cabello (10°29’N 68°06’W) APR 18 0905 - Good; announcing a series of numbers, “Caracas en la tarde... Caracas en la noche...” and “primer lugar de sintonia” promo. [2662mi, 4285km]

1300 USA WMWR Dry Branch GA APR 16 0705 - Mexican music, slogans: “Más exitos” and “Viva 1670”; SINPO 35343.

1310 USA KVNS Brownsville TX APR 16 0805 - Fox news, promo for Jim Bohannon show, ID “KVNS, the Valley, the place to talk,” then Art Bell program resumed; SINPO 34343.

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**Doug Beard reports that the Saint Louis Cardinals flagship station is 550 KTRS-MO. Below are two Major League Baseball network lists. The mlb.com web site still has the 2005 lists for the Arizona Diamondbacks and the Houston Astros, and I have not located lists for the New York Mets and the San Diego Padres.**

**Philadelphia Phillies 2006 (EE)** Harry Kalas, Chris Wheeler, Scott Graham, Larry Andersen, Scott Franzke

**Philadelphia Phillies 2006 (SS)** Danny Martinez

The philadelphia.phillies.mlb.com web site still has the 2005 list, per Steve Kennedy. This list is from "Philadelphia Daily News” April 03, 2006 (per Steve Kennedy).
Pittsburgh Pirates 2006 Lanny Frattare, Greg Brown, Steve Blass
Gayle Yeager told me that the 2006 was now online.

590 WMBS-PA 1200 WKST-PA 1370 WWCB-PA 1460 WMBA-PA
600 WFRM-PA 1230 WBVP-PA 1400 WBZV-PA 1470 WLOA-PA
630 WJAW-WV 1240 WTBW-OH 1430 WVAM-PA 1490 WESB-PA
800 WCHA-PA 1270 WCBC-MD 1440 WAJR-WV WTCS-WV
940 WGRP-PA 1310 WNAP-PA 1450 WFRA-PA
990 WNTW-PA 1340 WYTL-PA
1020 KDKA-PA * WTRN-PA WJPA-PA 95.7 WEEL-WV
1160 WCCS-PA WXKX-WV WMAJ-PA 104.1 WPXZ-PA
1200 WCED-PA

Here is Women’s National Basketball Association (WNBA) radio information from http://www.womensbasketballonline.com/wnba/ (last updated April 29, 2006) with updates from google searches and the official wnba.com web site. I have no idea if there are any networks.

Charlotte Sting 106.1 WNMX-NC
Chicago Sky TBA
Connecticut Sun 102.3 WXLM-CT
Detroit Shock 1310 WDTW-MI
Houston Comets 610 KILT-TX
Indiana Fever 1070 WIBC-IN
Los Angeles Sparks TBA
Minnesota Lynx 106.1 KLCA-MN (referred to as “BOB”)
New York Liberty TBA
Phoenix Mercury 860 KMVP-AZ
Sacramento Monarchs 1140 KHTK-CA
San Antonio Silver Stars 810 KJL-TX
Seattle Storm 950 KJRW-WA
Washington Mystics 1260 WWRC-DW

From the BoD

News from the NRC Board of Directors

State of the National Radio Club
By Paul Swearingen, DXN Publisher

(Note: this analysis was approved by the NRC Board of Directors)

As the NRC passes its halfway point in its 73rd year of existence, and as I approach 18 years as publisher of DX News, I find it pertinent to present a series of articles, penned by myself and members of the NRC Board of Directors, for various reasons: to keep members abreast of what’s happening; to combat rumors; to rebuff persistent attacks upon our organization, officials, and members, and to ask for volunteers to help us out with various responsibilities.

A perspective: When I first started keeping membership records with Volume 57, #1 (September 24, 1990), I noted that we mailed out 624 DXN’s, 563 to USA addresses, 34 to Canada, and 27 to other overseas addresses. At the highest point of our membership, October 14, 1996, I mailed 743 DXN’s to USA addresses, 47 to Canadian address, and 30 to other addresses overseas, for a total of 820.

The April 17, 2006 issue went out to 532 USA, 16 Canadian, and 12 overseas addresses, for a total of 575. That’s a decline of over 250 members in about nine years. e-DXN subscribers, as of April 26, total 171, with some subscribing to a combination of DXAS, DX News, and e-DXN, some subscribing only to e-DXN.
In the past few years, several radio clubs have gone completely under, and even ANARC, the umbrella organization of North American radio clubs, has disappeared. I don’t have access to membership records of other clubs, of course, but I believe that all radio clubs have suffered membership losses, some dramatic, over the past ten years. In other words, we’re not alone.

So … how has the NRC managed to survive? Simple: we provide goods and services that our members, and others, need and want. As reported by NRC Treasurer Dick Truax, for example, sales of the NRC AM Log brought in $7,993.87 (over half of the Logs sold went to non-NRC members); sales of all NRC-produced printed items totaled $11663.93. And we are all volunteers: each and every copy of the Log, the various books, and each sheet of reprints were handled by Ken Chatterton, Wayne and Joan Heinen, and Bill and Brenda Swiger, and probably other family members I don’t know about.

A wake-up call: For the past 15 years or so, we’ve operated just one person away from shutdown and disaster in most areas. Oh, we have contingency plans, but if Fred Vobbe and I suddenly became incapacitated, DX Audio Service and DX News would not go out for several weeks or even months. If Wayne stopped functioning, the delivery of our various publications would be severely curtailed, PayPal orders would go unfulfilled, no new publications would be developed, and the listserv, NRC/ DXAS web site and e-DXN could not be maintained.

Ah, e-DXN. I predicted that it would quickly siphon members away from DXN (I also predicted that a 16-month calendar complete with sunrise/sunset maps would sell like hotcakes; I should have noted how many DX’ers sat in rapt attention at one convention when Tony Fitzherbert showed slides of transmission towers, hi); I was wrong, although paid e-DXN registrations have been strong and do reflect some members who are now receiving their DX information from the NRC via all-electronic delivery. I thought e-DXN was the wave of the future, and I was almost wrong; it may well be the wave of the future, but in the present, it’s not much more than a ripple.

In order for e-DXN to succeed, the NRC BoD felt it necessary to shut down [NRC-AM], the free listserv which had been started by Fred Vobbe, but which had become so problematic that he abandoned it to the custody of the NRC earlier this year. Problematic? I’m talking flames, personal attacks, gripes, spam, endless discussions about radio-related but non-DX topics (IBOC, for example), and posts ranging from gentle suggestions to outright profane flame attacks on the NRC and individuals (ironically, moderator Blaine Thompson and I were responsible for petitioning for the removal of a rule prohibiting discussion of NRC government only a month or so before the flame wars began in June) … in other words, in spite of the majority of listserv users who continued to post about DX-related topics, the original purpose of the listserv, there was a concentrated cadre of about a half-dozen individuals who continued to use the listserv for their personal agenda. As one former moderator said, “The Internet was invented so that the dysfunctional in our society could have access to the normal world” … change “Internet” to “[NRC-AM]” in that opinion, and in the case of those who tried to dominate and bully others on the listserv, nary a truer word was spoken.

Ironically, most of the trouble-makers were not even NRC members; they were using a listserv free of any charge or obligation and biting the hand that fed them. More ironically, after flaming everyone who tried to counter their attacks on the listserv, they jumped to other listservs and continued their non-DX diatribes, unfortunately alienating others. Eventually, some were banned, to the relief of other listserv users who wanted only to be able to post about DX, but not before driving away a significant number of other, less political and polemic, DX’ers.

Also ironically, our attempt to install on e-DXN a program which would have e-mailed posts to recipients and which we hoped would allow us to shut down [NRC-AM] failed and even corrupted the e-DXN software so badly that e-DXN had to be replaced via backup files. [NRC-AM] continued in the meantime, and it will continue for the foreseeable future, sans those who have tried to use it for their own personal purposes and to attack others utilizing it. As in most cases, the passage of time solved most problems with the [NRC-AM] listserv, and it has returned to its original purpose, that of providing a venue for those who wish to discuss DX in real time. The BoD has decided to “grandfather” in all current listserv members, including some non-NRC members, and to allow any NRC (including e-DXN and DXAS, of course) member to join it in the future, contingent with enough volunteers to moderate the listserv. Furthermore, I’m happy to report that the listserv has been quiet and useful for months, and we don’t miss the bullies at all.

One of the most persistent non-DX discussions and demands we’ve heard is that DX News be provided in .pdf (Portable Document File) form. After persistent demands from a handful of members, I checked with our printer to find that, without informing me (after I’d asked a number of times about sending DXN in electronic form to the printer rather than as a printout), they had been accepting .pdf’s for a couple of months. After working out a few bugs, most notably cleaning up submissions to DXN which came as e-mails (don’t do it!), DXN was not only printed from .pdf form (and the appearance of graphics improved noticeably) but was posted on e-DXN for download. And yet, only a handful of NRC members download and read it instead of the paper DXN, which continues with strong support...
from its subscribers. (A side note: we have a fiduciary responsibility to continue to provide the printed DXN to those who subscribed to receive it, not an electronic version. We will continue to provide the three versions – printed, pdf, and via individual e-DXN forums – until the last person requesting that version dies off.)

Another is that the BoD and editors are arrogant and non-responsive, a rather serious charge, obviously. I cannot speak for other NRC officials, but if I offended certain individuals, I meant to, and so far I believe I’ve offended about a half-dozen, (yes, THOSE half-dozen) bullies who have departed the club, and I’ll continue to deal with directly those who persist in attacking the club, its officials and members and myself, and even stealing information gathered by members and editors. And if you’re reading this now in DX News or e-DXN and felt or feel offended, calm down, as I’m not talking about you 575 or so other NRC members at all.

Another demand for change is NOT going to happen. We’ve been called paranoid (and a few unprintable names) for not releasing the NRC AM Log to anyone who wants it, for free (and there have been a number who have used a number of excuses to try to obtain access to it, for free). Let me quote BoD chairman Wayne Heinen here, who crunched a few numbers to show how much of a deficit DXN subscriptions alone leave: “Add the postage and printing from the last annual statement [December 12, 2005, Number 11, page 11], then subtract the dues; the answer is $1,633.90. Throw in the reimburse-ment that is received for actual expenses incurred for the club and those who make it function, and we are in the hole. We can continue to sell publications at a modest profit, and keep dues where they are, or we can increase the dues and give the publications away …”

As BoD chairman Wayne Heinen says, “[The sale of] publications helps us pay for the things that the dues just don’t cover. Publications also helps us to spread the research and advancement of many fine experimenters who have graced the pages of DX News: Mark Connelly, John Bryant, Russ Edmunds, and the late Gordon Nelson are only a few names I can think of readily whose work has been distrib-uted in 100’s of copies of reprints and manuals over the years. We make available a plethora of information at very reasonable prices in an easy-to-find place and in a form that many still enjoy. We’ve heard that the Internet is the thing and electronic files are the wave of the future, but our public librar-ies still have books, and there is still a demand for the references and technical articles that we publish in the printed form.

“Both of the original Antenna Manuals (ARM 1 and ARM 2) were revised this year, with digital drawings and great new photos of Gordon Nelson’s NRC FET-Altizimuth loop. The upgrades required dozens of donated hours to make the new digital drawings, correct some grammar, and get new pho-tos. Those involved received the same remuneration that the original authors received … Zilch! Nada! Zero! … only the satisfaction of knowing that their labors will help disseminate the information and keep the NRC financially sound and able to serve the membership with the best possible services at the lowest cost we can.”

Let me re-translate into individual numbers what Wayne said above. Printing and postage of DX News last year was $18,117.90 including the use of student help at $40 a mailing session (they apply tape and labels; takes them about 90 minutes; takes me 9 hours and 4 movies when I have to do it by myself sometimes in the summer). Last year’s average membership was about 600, so the average cost per member figures to be $32.20 (remember, I’m including non-USA members who have to pay as much as $52 per year because of postage). That’s a yearly per-member deficit of $4.20, or (@600) $2520, which is amortized by the sale of publications.

So … don’t bother to demand that the Log be made available to all for free, as several who had known ties to outside businesses did recently. And it goes further; I’ll quote Bill Hale’s statement in the November 21 “AM Switch” without further comment and leave you to draw your own conclusions: “I guess I should be flattered when DX sites on the Internet use material gleaned from this column. But I’m not. How do I know the item(s) came from “AM Switch”? Having suspected this might be happen-ing, I “planted” an innocuous, false piece of info in a column an issue or two back … Lo and behold, this item appeared on the Internet on one of the DX information web sites … It’s now obvious to me that some people lack any credibility when posting information on their sites …”

Enough about the scalawags … but now you know why we may come off a little grouchy or don’t say “yes” to everything that you propose; we know that your proposal may not be in the best interests of the club … or if you figured out by now, we may like your idea, but it may have to go into a priority to-do list until we can get someone to attend to it.

In other words, if you have a great idea, you may also need to provide the man hours to bring it to fruition.

The bottom line is that change in any 73-year-old institution does not come easy. Each call for change in the last six months has been carefully evaluated, believe it or not, in light of not just the individual making it but its possible impact on the entire NRC membership. Call for volunteers. One of the bottlenecks of the electronic delivery of information is that much of the...
delivery system (that’s NRC/DXAS, e-DXN, [NRC-AM]) must be maintained on site, keystroke-by-keystroke. Think of a newspaper, if you will, every letter and word of which must be typed up on one computer; every page must be laid out on the same computer; and only one person had access to that computer. That’s a pretty close analogy to what we’re dealing with now, and the one person, a non-club member named John Maxwell, is providing the club the server space and bandwidth and even the maintenance services at no charge to the club (okay, we gave him free access to e-DXN and NRC/DXAS, hi). So every change in the delivery system must go through that one, on-site person, and patience should be the guiding term for anyone who has asked for changes in the site (and I’m guilty of asking for more changes than anyone else, probably).

Now, there are other tasks that can be handled by other volunteers to help the club out, and recently we asked several times for club members to help out with specific tasks. The response was … well … underwhelming, although I’m grateful to Greg Harris who volunteered to revive “For Beginners” and James Niven who has been posting IDXD and DDXD contributions on e-DXN in database form, not to mention scanning back copies of DXN, along with Wayne Heinen, with the purpose of making volumes of DXN available in electronic form. And I’m very grateful to our other volunteers, from our five BoD members (all of whom are serving the club in multiple capacities) to each column/forum editor to DX’ers who contribute loggings and Musings and time in rounding up potential DX test candidates, as our cross-club test coordinator, Les Rayburn, called for recently, to those who have responded to polls we’ve set up to provide feedback, as for example John Bowker has done several times in reference to planning for conventions, to those who are engaged in ongoing, necessary volunteer tasks, like Ernie Wesolowski who sends out the NRC membership certificates and oversees the preparation of plaques given out at NRC conventions.

But there still exists a need for volunteers to help us out and relieve current work loads (and I’m not talking about things we don’t need at all, like posting the Log online, or suggestions that the annual convention isn’t held at a convenient time or place, instead of the submission of a valid bid for a future convention, or as one former member did recently, call for the resignation of the entire BoD, publisher, etc. A joke now to lighten the tension and annoy the unsatisfied; I have had a cartoon posted on my bulletin board since my days in retail management: A woman stands glaring over the counter at a frustrated employee, who says, “Suppose we refund your money, send you another one without charge, close the store, and shoot the manager. Would that be satisfactory?” That’s exactly how we feel sometimes.

Anyway, here’s what we really need in the way of volunteers, with those currently doing the job in (parentheses):

• A person who is versed in html and web design to maintain the NRCDXAS web site (Wayne Heinen)
• A person who is familiar with phpBB software, php and html programming to maintain the e-DXN site (Wayne Heinen)
• One or more persons who can moderate e-DXN (this would involve reviewing all new posts to ensure that they are in line with the rules and regs of the site that all new members agreed to and removing or editing posts which are not in line with policy) (Paul Swearingen)
• One or more persons to moderate [NRC-AM] (similar to e-DXN, but would also involve posting reminders for listserv users to stay on topic and removing obvious offenders (Wayne Heinen, Paul Swearingen, Blaine Thompson)
• One or more persons to edit current and future books published by the NRC (Wayne Heinen)
• Several people who could scan or retype reprints currently in print (James Niven and Wayne Heinen are coordinating efforts to scan entire DXN’s to convert them into electronic form.)
• Several people who could scan verie letters to be placed on the NRCDXAS web site (?)
• One coordinating editor and others to research and prepare a book in commemoration of the NRC’s 75th anniversary (Ken Chatterton has volunteered to coordinate this effort)
• A “DX’er’s Notebook” editor, who would glean postings from the listserv, e-DXN, and other online sites and prepare them in column form for DXN subscribers (no one)
• An editor of a new column, tentatively entitled “DX Targets”, which would include lists of current and past DX targets for various parts of the country and would depend heavily upon membership input; it could also include bandscans of challenging stations heard in particular areas, but not the entire spectrum of everything that is heard (no one)
• A DXpert who could revive the Answerman column, which would involve questions posed by members and research to answer them or reposting the questions for members’ answers (no one)
• An editor who would write a column reviewing industry trends affecting DX such as IBOC, new products causing QRM, technical topics, new receivers, antennas, phasers, filters, etc., and perhaps even old products which might be useful to today’s DX’ers (no one)
• A volunteer or two to index all the DXAS tapes and copy them to MP3 files. Fred Vobbe really would like to find someone who will listen, and index the tapes with dates, times, content, names, com-
ments, etc. The deal is, they index them, or pay $28.00 for them. He’s had five attempts from DXAS people to index them, and four kept the tapes and never provided anything, and one gave him a list which is unusable. So to work with someone, he has to have some guarantee of performance. (no one)

- Eventually Fred also would like a list made so someone could look up 580 and find out when John Bowker did the 580 Travellog, or look up WDGY, and find out when it was mentioned on a tape. Then he would like to offer (if our new webmaster can set it up), the ability to buy a back issue, or a CD of a 5-year segment of DXAS. (no one)

- A QSL coordinator who would coordinate and manage the efforts of individuals who would offer their services to radio stations in their vicinity in reviewing reception reports and issuing verification letters; this probably should be a joint NRC/IRCA/WTFDA effort. A statement of practices and standards would have to be drawn up to guide the efforts of the volunteers, who would work closely with current Broadcast Test coordinator Les Rayburn (no one)

- A joint NRC/IRCA/WTFDA/DecalcoMania member who could investigate the possibility of a three- (or more!) club convention in the future (no one)

- Volunteers to replace any current BoD member, publisher, editor in the next 1 to 20 years. (I don’t know about the rest of you, but I’m not getting any younger.)

Any takers?

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**NRC Contest**

An annual DX contest which encourages DX’ing and offers prizes

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**NRC 73 DX Contest: Going the Distance**

It’s time to announce the winner of a one-year NRC membership. First, congratulations to all who dared to enter what was a challenging contest. Hopefully your outstanding efforts paid off with some new entries in your logbooks. It was nice to see mid-contest longest distance winners from the west - Dale Park, the midwest - John Wilkins, and east - Mark Connelly, all winners of the 2006 WRTH. And now the winners for accumulating the most overall air miles - Wayne Heinen and Russell Curry! Both DXers dedicated mucho hours at the dials, keeping me busy compiling copious logs. However, as NRC Chairman, Wayne has graciously declined to accept any prizes. So the grand prize is awarded to Russell Curry!

**North American Supremacy - Total Accumulated Air Miles**

Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO (39°39’N 104°46’W) ..................................... 178726 miles
Russell Curry, Springfield OR (44°04’N 122°55’W) .......................... 137157 miles
Dale Park, Honolulu HI (21°18’N 157°44’W) ................................. 47632 miles
Nancy Johnson, Billings MT (45°46’N 108°37’W) ......................... 34438 miles

**Pan American Supremacy - Total Accumulated Air Miles**

Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO (39°39’N 104°46’W) .......................... 43667 miles
Nancy Johnson, Billings MT (45°46’N 108°37’W) ......................... 2017 miles

**Transoceanic Supremacy - Total Accumulated Air Miles**

Dale Park, Honolulu HI (21°18’N 157°44’W) ................................. 11564 miles

Thank you to all participants. Stay tuned for details on the **DX News 74 contest, “The State of the Art.”** 73 and Good DX!

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**Confirmed DX'er**

**Harry Helms**

**Your successes in obtaining QSL's and other station items**

(Publisher’s note: Harry has resigned from the editorship of this column, effective immediately, for health reasons. Please hold your contributions to this column until a new column editor is announced -pls.)
Musings of the Members

Thoughts from NRC members ... the opinions expressed in this column are those of the individual writer and do not necessarily reflect those of the editors, publishers, or the National Radio Club, Inc.

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Note: Dave is back in action again; send all Musings to him at the above addresses -pls.

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I am writing in response to the AM Switch section on Bill Hale’s 1300 KAZN, “Amendments to Construction Permits”. First, Mr. Hale’s article on KAZN (March 6, 2006) was well-written about changing transmitter locations, plus the three AM stations in Hawaii applying for applications. Second, I would like to share information about KAZN and a radio show in the morning. KAZN was started by Dwight Case in 1988. Its target audience are Chinese (China, Taiwan, Singapore). Their format is music and talk. In recent years, KAZN has simulcasted with KAHY-1600 AM Pomona, CA. (KAHY is the former KWOW-1600 Pomona CA, a Top-40 station, with an excellent format: signal strength fair.) In evening time, KAZN, KAHY also simulcasts with WAZN-1470 AM Watertown, MA. In certain areas, KAZN and KAHZ reception can vary, so I have to trade off between the two. Having traveled in the Far East and hearing the Chinese music aired, the memories of that era came back; it is very nice and appreciated to start the day here in the Los Angeles area where I stay. I hope that the questions that KAZN will resolve concerning their transmitter (plus the parties in Hawaii) be answered and resolved promptly.

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Aloha from the beautiful Big Island of Hawaii! A quick reintroduction: I am 65, a native of Dundee, Scotland, but began DXing in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, northeast England, in 1957. I have been an ardent MW DX'er almost all that time. I lived in Germany, Saudi Arabia (where I was active in MW DX, including hearing a graveyarder from Brazil and several unusual African countries such as Bophutatswana, then a ? of South Africa, Mozambique, and Tanzania), the U. S. mainland (where I was also a keen FM DXer and WTFDA editor) and since 1983 here in the Hilo area. I was an NRC member in the 1980's and again briefly around 2000. In the 1990's and early 2000's I was largely inactive except for some SWLing, mainly because I was forced to earn a living in Kailua-Kona, an expensive resort area which is one of the poorest parts of HI for DXing. I did some FM DXing in 2004 and heard 16 XE's, and 2 from CA, average distances 2500 miles, so E-skip was double-hop. I am a retired professor of European languages and linguistics and a former commercial translator, mainly from foreign languages into English. Now I own a business selling 100% Kona coffee, the world's best, by mail order: www.Richardsfruitstand.com, and also operate a lawn care service. In November 2005 I became very active in MW DXing again and rejoined the NRC in April 2006. Since late last fall, here are my results...
in Western Hemisphere station heard: total U. S., 293 stations, as follows: AK 4, AZ 2, CA 153, CO 3, GA 2, HI 33, IA 2, ID 3, IL 3, KY 1, LA 2, MI 1, MN 2, MO 1, NE 2, NV 3, NY 3, ND 1, OH 3, OK 4, OR 18, PA 3, TN 1, TX 11, UT 3, WA 22, WY 1, for a total of 29 states. Compared with the 1980’s here, I am 8 states behind, though thanks to the X-band’s WRDW-1630 I now have 2 GA whereas until this year I only had one. A terrible contrast is FL: In the 1980’s 15, including 2 from Key West, this year nothing. But summer here, the best season for reception of the subtropics, may change that. Note the strength of TX and also OR and the weakness of states in the tier just east of the West Coast states, e. g. AZ, ID, MT and NM, even NV. Total from Canada a puny 22, thus, AB 9, BC 10, MB 1, ON 1, SK 1, Of course I was not active last early fall, when AK and Canada are often good here. Andy my recent one-time reception of CFRB-1010 is promising. Mexico is outstanding here and my total is 44 and growing faster than any other country or state. In the short time since I reactivated, I have exceeded my totals from the 1980’s in every way: absolute numbers (now 44), states (now 11 including DF), and numbers within states: BCN 17, CHIH 2, CHIS 1, COAH 2, DF 7, JAL 5, MICH 1, NL 3, OAX 1, SIN 4 TAMS 1. Note the comparative weakness of DF and the remarkable strength of BDN and SIN. BCN and SIN are closer to me but well north of me. Southwest Mexico is closer, hence the good performance of JAL. To round off the Americas, Brazil 3 (plus 5 pesky unID’s, 3 of them heard many times) Cuba 5, Turks & Caicos 1, USVI 1 (WDHP-1620 is heard every night here, often at local-like strength). 73

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Happy New Year four months late. A legal notice appeared in my local paper recently that ha a few of us radio folks puzzled. A public notice was published in Mid March that stated NWB Real Estate, Inc. is proposing to construct a new FCC-licensed of 6 AM broadcasting radio towers to be co-located with an existing 468-foot community tower located about 2000 feet NE of U. S. Rte. 6 and Briggs St. about two miles north of my QTH. Any comments on this can be sent to Maxim Tetra Tech, Wausau, WI. I’ve called around to see what broadcaster would want to put these towers here and no one (Ray Nemec, broadcaster Steve Brandy of WJOL) has a clue. And I’ve seen nothing in AM switch to justify this. What gives? Retired Chicago broadcaster Mike Rapchack died in March at 85 in Hammond, IN. He played Big-Band and jazz music at 950 WAAF, 820 WAIT, 1000 WCFL, and 94.7 WLS. Then in the late ’70-’s eh returned to WCFL when the toned the music down, and then finished up doing overnights at 720 WGN, weekends only. I used to enjoy his work a lot. Since WCFL carried White Sox baseball then, strange that the Chicago papers had a good write-up on him but the Northwest Indiana papers ignored him. I still haven’t found out if 1000WMVP is running 12.5 kW from the WLS site in Tinley Park, IL or is back up to 50 kW, different pattern nights in Downers Grove.

Interesting Antenna Discovery

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On the afternoon of 3 MAY 2006 during my mini-DX’pedition to Granite Pier (Rockport, MA), I did a bit of research on the phasing unit settings needed to create a cardioid pattern with a null aimed (roughly) west. I wanted to see how uniform the control settings were over the medium-wave frequency range (530 to 1710 kHz).

The car-top cardioid antenna array used consists of the items below:

Vertical: 3 m whip (MFJ-1954) to 81:1 transformer to DX Engineering RPA-1 amp and Loop: broadband, in vertical plane, square, 2 m per side, to 1:1 transformer to DX Engineering RPA-1 amp, peak east-west, null north-south. The DXP-6 phasing unit was used for amplitude balancing and 180 degree delta-phase between the “pest station” contributions of the two antennas.

References provided at the end of this message provide more detail about the system components for anyone wishing to put together something similar.

A pleasant discovery was that from the bottom end of the MW band (530 kHz) to the top (1710 kHz), only minor changes to the settings of two potentiometers on the phasing unit were necessary to establish nulls to the west, plus or minus 30 degrees bearing. The vertical whip / 81:1 transformer / RPA-1 amp combo was connected as the Line 1 input. The 2 m per side single-turn broadband loop / 1:1 transformer / RPA-1 amp went to the Line 2 input.

The controls that needed to be adjusted were the Line 1 Level pot (R1) and the phase shift control (R3). The Line 2 pot (R2) was left at maximum level (pointer at 5 o’clock) since the loop / 1:1 transformer / RPA-1 had somewhat less signal level than the whip / 81:1 transformer / RPA-1.

Midband settings of the R1 pointer to 2 o’clock held up pretty well over a wide frequency range. At the bottom of the dial, the R1 setting for equal signal level was more like 1 o’clock and towards the top of the MW band, roughly 3 o’clock. This tells me that the whip actually has a slightly greater amount of gain (relative to that of the loop) at the bottom of the dial than at the top. This may have something to do with the interaction of each antenna with its respective matching transformer.

If a station was more than 30 degrees off due west, such as WPRO-630 (slightly west of due south),
the loop, with its figure-of-8 east-west pattern, got even less pick-up than from an on-axis (east or west) signal. R1 had to be set closer to 12 o’clock to knock down the signal from the whip a bit more. Indeed this still worked fine, as I completely nulled WPRO to reveal good-strength groundwave from CFCY, 8 times more distant. In a case such as this, you’re developing two nulls offset from the main null axis by about the same amount: e.g. a simultaneous null northwest and null southwest with a minor lobe west instead of a single null west. When you get to the point that the loop’s own nulls (north, south) eliminate a given station, nothing has to be added from the whip; therefore, the loop’s own figure-of-8 pattern is what you have.

You may ask, “So the setting of R1 for amplitude balance doesn’t change that much across the MW dial, but what about phase shift?” It turned out that the input switch setting of Null-b and a roughly 2 o’clock setting of phase-shift pot R3 got pretty close to a good null over the whole band. Strangely similar to the setting for amplitude balance, 1 o’clock settings of R3 did better down around 530 kHz and an approximate 3 o’clock setting did well up around 1700.

The bearing to stations to be nulled doesn’t have much effect on the R3 phase-shift pot setting. Nulls of WDDZ-550 (slightly west of due south), WMCA-570 and WEZE-590 (southwest), and WTAG-580 (west-southwest) all set up with R3 at roughly 1 o’clock. The R1 Line 1 level to achieve the amplitude balance to null WDDZ was a bit different (12 o’clock) versus 1 o’clock for the other three stations because the loop reduced it more, requiring less added-in signal from the whip. Phase shift (R3) was nearly the same for all of these low-band stations.

This discovery shows that the set up of “ballpark nulls” on this car DX’pedition gear is relatively simple. Actually a midband setting (R1 and R3 at two o’clock) gives a degree of cardioid pattern performance across the MW band. This is very useful for parallel checking with reduced bad-direction QRM across the band, as can be done with a Beverage, BOG, Ewe, Flag, Kaz, or Pennant.

It was helpful that I got out to the site early enough that much of the propagation was still groundwave.

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DXP-6 phasing unit construction info
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AKRON NRC CONVENTION
September 1 – 3, 2006

We’ve had some great National Conventions in the past, and this year we aim to top them all! If you have never attended one, THIS is the year to join in the fun. Here’s why:

**Friday, September 1:** You arrive at the Best Western Executive Inn. After checking in, find the meeting room to be greeted by our Receptionist and to pick up your ID badge. Our receptionist has been handling these duties for the club for a decade so she can introduce you around and get you started.

**Friday evening:** The “History of the Radio Networks” with pictures and sound. There’s no telling how the evening will end – because if the weather is good, you’ll find places outside the lovely hotel to sit (by the pool?) for dxing your heart out. There is a huge, open parking lot, well away from wires and noise.

**Saturday, September 2:** How does this sound: For those who wish to tour around the city, there is the National Inventors Hall of Fame, the National Football Hall of Fame, and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame! Some may prefer to visit the Stan Hywet Hall and Gardens, or the Kent State University Museum, known for fashions, decorative arts, etc. We’ll help, but members will organize those trips on their own.

At the hotel, we have scheduled a number of 15-30 minute events for the meeting room during the day.

- You will learn what it’s like to work in a radio station and receive requests for dx verifications!
- You’ll learn from a weather man how all those smaller stations can afford to have him when he only works a minute an hour (or so)
- We’ll hear all about how a TV station is converting to digital transmission, and
- The famous WNRC will be on premises.
- A repeat performance of last year’s “AM Radio in Tampa Bay” is planned for those who couldn’t be with us in Kulpville, and there will be all day to compare stories with other dxers outside by the pool.
- In fact, we are still scheduling more short stories about radio broadcasting you’ll hear nowhere else.
- Annual banquet on Saturday evening right in the hotel for ease of arrangements.

**Sunday, September 3:**

- Wake-Up Candy Quiz. If you know ANYthing about radio stations, you’ll come away a winner.
- Later in the morning will come the annual “NRC Examination” – an impossible series of questions, mostly about recent matters affecting the nighttime AM radio dial. The winner receives a free one-year membership in the National Radio Club.

Here’s what you should do now (Deadline for registering is August 7, 2006)

1. Call the hotel to make sure you will get into the block of rooms we have reserved for the low room rate of $59 plus tax rate. Call: 1-330-794-1050 and tell them you are with the National Radio Club.

2. Send your Convention Reservation money as soon as you can. If you send a check, it will not be cashed it until August 11th so if something comes up you’ll be able to cancel. Here are the costs:
   i. Convention Registration: $45.00 - Includes meeting room, beverages and snacks, banquet.
   ii. Spouses’ Registration: $25.00 - Includes everything above (They always eat less J)
   iii. Send your Convention Reservation to: John Bowker - PO Box 5192 - Sun City Center, FL 33571

You can send any questions to John there too.

3. Send auction items to: Mr. George Greene, 1527 Sunset Ave, Akron, OH 44301.

4. If you will be flying into the Akron-Canton airport, let John know. He plans to reserve a van to make that 25-minute run to the airport from the hotel to pick up attendees on Friday noon, and on Sunday early afternoon to take folks back. He will need to know how many people to expect so he can rent the right vehicle. It will probably be a lot cheaper than taking a cab or limousine.