

DX News

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DX Test Schedule (All Times ELT)

Sat 12 Feb	KHMO-1070	0200-0205 0300-0305
Sat 12 Feb	WLIQ-1530	0400-0500
Sat 19 Feb	WLRB-1510	0200-0300

DX Tests Yes, we have DX tests! Paul Walker reports three DX tests for February:

KHMO-1070 Hannibal MO – On Saturday, February 12, KHMO will test at precisely 0100 and 0200 CST (0200 and 0300 ELT) with Morse code, sweep tones, and voice announcements for 5 minutes at the top of the first hour with its 5000 watt/3 tower day pattern and 5 minutes at the top of the second hour at its 1000 kW/6 tower night pattern.

WLIQ-1530 Quincy IL – On Saturday, February 12, WLIQ will test at 0300-0400 CST (0400-0500 ELT) using Morse code, sweep tones, voice announcement, special music, sound bites, etc. for 20 minutes at its 1400 watt non-directional day power, then for 20 minutes at its 290 watt non-directional “critical hours” power, then for 20 minutes at its once-proposed 3 watt non-directional night power.

WLRB-1510 Macomb IL – On Saturday, February 19, WLRB will test at 0100-0200 CST (0200-0300 ELT) using Morse code, sweep tones, voice announcement, special music, sound bites, etc. for the first 30 minutes at its 1000 watt non-directional day power and for the final 30 minutes with much the same content at its 250 watt non-directional “critical hours” power.

For all three tests, snail-mail QSLs may be obtained by sending a correct report and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Chief Engineer: Gary Glaenzer c/o [station name], 325 East Douglas Avenue, Jacksonville, IL 62650. Tapes or CDs will be accepted, but MUST be cued up to the point where the best reception is. Please be patient, as Mr. Glaenzer is the CE for 16 radio stations in Missouri and Illinois. For E-QSLs, send an e-mail report to Mr. Glaenzer at <glaenzer@frontier.com> with both the call letters of the station and the words “DX Test” in the subject line. Please don’t call the station or the engineer during the test; no one will be at the stations during the test and everything will be done remotely by phone control.

From the Publisher: Ernie Wesolowski sends the sad news that former NRC member Marvin Robbins, 78, died in Ocala, Florida on December 18, after a short illness. Marvin hosted the 1959 NRC convention in Omaha and was involved in the formation of IRCA. He was the sole survivor of the tragic 1962 automobile accident that took the lives of three NRC members (Francis Nittler, Hal Wagner, and Carroll Seth) as they were traveling to that year’s Indianapolis convention. Our condolences to Marvin’s family.

A thin issue this week – presumably we’ve all been so busy DXing that we haven’t had time to send in our logs! Lots to hear these days, so make it your new year’s resolution to hit the dials and report your DX to *DX News*!

The DX Time Machine

75 years ago – From the January 8, 1936 *DX News* – “The short wave DX hound may be interested in trying for station YDB6 191 meters, or 1570 kc, which is located in Malang, Netherland India.”

50 years ago – From the January 7, 1961 *DX News* – Hank Tyndall wrote an editorial on the subject of obtaining Latin American verifications. His bottom line: “It was a tough battle back in the mid-twenties and remains so today.”

25 years ago – From the January 6, 1986 *DX News* – Don Erickson’s DDXA listed Robert Kramer, Chicago at the top with 2,164 domestic stations taped.

10 years ago – From the January 15, 2001 *DX News* – Bob Pote noted that WNOP-740 was dropping jazz after 40 years after being sold to Sacred Heart Radio; the announcement was followed by a sales pitch for “The Day the Music Died” T-shirts for \$18, with the promo “You’re going to miss the music; don’t miss the shirt.”

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	Deadline	Masthead		Deadline	Masthead
15	Jan. 7	Jan. 17	23	Mar. 4	Mar. 14
16	Jan. 14	Jan. 24	24	Mar. 18	Mar. 28
17	Jan. 21	Jan. 31	25	Apr. 1	Apr. 11
18	Jan. 28	Feb. 7	26	Apr. 22	May 2
19	Feb. 4	Feb. 14	27	May 27	June 6
20	Feb. 11	Feb. 21	28	July 1	July 11
21	Feb. 18	Feb. 28	29	Aug. 5	Aug. 15
22	Feb. 25	Mar. 7	30	Sept. 9	Sept. 19

AM Switch



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Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC, CRTC, and listeners

CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old Call
570 KACP UT Salt Lake City
1590 WKHZ MD Ocean City

New Call
KNRS
WMHZ

CPs ON THE AIR

1240 KGY WA Olympia - Is now on with U1 1000/1000 from a new 198' tower at 47-03-28/122-54-03.
1260 KBSZ AZ Apache Junction - CP for U1 3500/50 is on.

ACTIONS

1020 KOAN AK Eagle River - Coordinates correction to 61-29-07/149-45-50.
1230 KKPC CO Pueblo - Coordinates correction to 38-16-40/104-39-15.
1470 KIID CA Sacramento - Operating under an STA with U1 1250/250 since losing their two of their three towers in July 2009 due to a grass fire, KIID has been granted a CP to reconstruct the two towers and revert to the original U4 5000/1000 facilities. The new towers will be slightly shorter (and the third remaining tower will be shortened to match the new ones) to divest the painting and lighting requirement. Also, their coordinates are being corrected to 38-35-30/121-27-46.



CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AMENDMENTS

980 KRTX TX Rosenburg-Richmond - Licensed for U2 1000/4000, KRTX applied for, and received a CP for D3 5000/0 [Yup, they forgot to stipulate a night power in the application and were granted what they ask for]. Now they re-applied for U4 5000/4000. Be careful what you ask for . . .

APPLICATIONS

790 WNIS VA Norfolk - Applies for U4 5500/5000.
890 KQLX ND Lisbon - Applies for D1 2500/0 CH 2500.
930 KKXX CA Paradise - Operating U1 1000/37, KKXX lost most of the ground system to vandalism in October 2010. They are proposing to replace the ground system with 6-264' wires (spaced 60 degrees around the base of the tower) tapered approximately 30 degrees from ground level to posts 12-15 feet above ground.
1240 KCLV NM Clovis - Applies for U1 900/900 from a new, taller tower.
1420 WCED PA Du Bois - Applies for U1 4200/5, decreasing both day and night power levels, plus eliminating their night directional operation.



AM on FM

760 KGU HI Honolulu - KGU-FM (99.5) Honolulu
1450 KMRY IA Cedar Rapids - K227BL (93.3) Anamosa

DISMISSALS

810 WKVM PR San Juan - Application to move to a new site. Dismissed per applicant's request.
830 WFGM GA Sandy Springs - License for this unbuilt station cancelled.
1060 WCOK NC Sparta - Licensed for D1 800/0, WCOK first applied for D1 1100/0 then amended the application adding 1100 Watts Critical Hours. That addition to the application has been dismissed leaving WCOK with the initial application. [State correction from last issue]
1120 WZME ME Richmond - License for this unbuilt station cancelled.
1340 KACE CA Bishop - License for this unbuilt station cancelled.

LICENSE RENEWALS

1340 WBLB VA Pulaski

HEAR AND THAR

- ✿ **Returning to the airwaves: WOAM-1350 Peoria, Illinois** is back on the air with standards, at least temporarily; **WVHF-1140 Kentwood, Michigan** returns with Catholic programming: *Holy Family Radio*, and **WPAZ-1470 Pottstown, Pennsylvania** using a staff of volunteers.
- ✿ **Reported as Silent: WSHN-1550 Fremont, Michigan**
- ✿ **Fines: An \$8000 cumulative fine has been assessed** Zimmer Radio, licensee of **KZRG-1310 and KZYM-1230 Joplin, Missouri** (plus four FM stations) for violating the FCC's equal employment opportunity ("EEO") rules by failing to comply with the recruitment, self-assessment, and public file requirements; **A \$20,000 cumulative fine has been assessed** Opus Broadcasting Systems, Inc., licensee of **KRTA-610 and KEZX-730 Medford, Oregon** (plus two FM stations) for violating the FCC's equal employment opportunity ("EEO") rules by failing to comply with the recruitment, self-assessment, and public file requirements.
- ✿ **Thanks to Wayne Heinen, Tim Noonan and Dave Schmidt.**

GRAVEYARD DX ACHIEVEMENTS – UPDATE

* record held by DXer from North America (excluding Alaska)

<u>Station</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>DXer</u>	<u>DX Location</u>	<u>Miles</u>
KWES	NM Ruidoso	John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge, CO	447
KZZJ	ND Rugby	John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge, CO	* 645

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U.S./Canadian Loggings from Eastern/Atlantic Time Zones. All times ELT.

REPORTERS

JC-DE	John Cereghin, Smyrna – DT 200VX, DT400W, PL310
BC-NH	Bruce Conti, Nashua – WiNRADiO Excalibur, MWDX-5, variable termination Split SuperLoop east, SuperLoop south.
SC-IN	Steve Chappell, McCordsville – Chrysler car radio, K9AY loop antenna
PLG-FL	Paul L. Gray, Melbourne – Sangean ATS-818ACS
KK-VA	Kraig Krist, Manassas – NRD-545, Kiwa loop
JO-NL	Jerry Osborne, Elliott's Cove – Kenwood TS570S, Panasonic RF-B45, multi-band dipole.
POB-IN	Pat O'Brien, Pekin – Eton S350 DL, indoor loop
JJR-MI	John J. Rieger, L'Anse – CC Radio2
DY-WV	David Yocis, Shannondale – R8B, Quantum phaser, LWs
MKB-ON	Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)

Thank you to everyone who contributed loggings to DDXD-East in 2010!

UNIDs

1670 UNID -- 12/26 0533 – "Fox Sports 1670" played over and over, but no station ID after listening more than 30 minutes. Believe this may be a station in Warner Robins, GA. Poor signal, fades in and out rapidly. (PLG-FL)

LOGGINGS

570 WSYR NY Syracuse – 12/27 1750 – Ads, "Newsradio 570 WSYR" ID, into Sean Hannity show. (JC-DE)

610 WAGG AL Birmingham – 12/11 2130 – Dominant for most of the evening with black preacher going on for over an hour, weather with many Birmingham mentions, then black gospel. With



WIP, WTVN, KCSP, and maybe others. (DY-WV)

KCSP MO Kansas City – 12/11 2201 – Rising up as announcer said "Let's pause for station identification on the Jayhawks basketball network," and then faded down before call letters were heard. But station web site confirms KU postgame show was the programming at the time. (DY-WV)

- 630 KJSL MO St. Louis – 12/29 0800 – Very poor with ToH legal ID way under station which never ID'ed. Rare here because of CFCO. (JJR-MI)
- 790 KXXX KS Colby – 12/29 1747 – Poor with slogan "790 K-triple X" way over WDAY, old C&W songs. (JJR-MI)
- WPIC PA Sharon – 12/27 0800 – Over WAEB/WLSV mix with Five Hour Energy drink ad, ToH ID: "breaking news, great talk, News Talk 790 WPIC Sharon" into Fox news. (MKB-ON)
- 810 KBHB SD Sturgis – 12/29 1749 – Poor to fade-out with "Belle Fourche" ad, local Chevy ad, finally heard call letter ID after 3 C&W songs. (JJR-MI)
- 830 WCRN MA Worcester – 12/27 1659 – Dominating frequency, no sign of WCCO or WEEU, with tail-end of bank ad, "...equal housing lender, member FDIC," CBS news brings you the world on news and talk radio 830 WCRN" ToH ID into CBS news. (MKB-ON)
- 860 KNUJ MN New Ulm – 12/30 1945 – Very poor with possible high school basketball game. "KNUJ" during breaks. (SC-IN)
- WTZX TN Sparta – 12/30 1956 – "Country Gold 860" slogan and an occasional "WTZX." (SC-IN)
- 910 KATH TX Frisco – 12/4 0000 – Very poor signal, ToH ID as "KATH 910 AM Dallas Ft. Worth...Catholic Radio." (SC-IN)
- 920 CFRY MB Portage la Prairie – 12/23 2019 – Dominating frequency with easy-listening Christmas music. ID "CFRY Country Radio" into the "Five Day Forecast." Local temperature minus 10 C. (JO-NL)
- CKNX ON Wingham – 12/28 2101 – Good; "This is Raptors basketball, on Toronto's sports radio, The Fan 590." (BC-NH)
- 940 KVSH NE Valentine – 12/29 1800 – Fair with commodities report, ToH legal ID, ABC news before nightly "GX94" showing! (JJR-MI)
- CJGX SK Yorkton – 12/23 2228 – Very good signal with "GX-94" slogan and ads for used campers, Integer (?) Tire, Yorkton Market Place. "Precision (weather) Forecast" and ad for Giant Tiger. (JO-NL)
- 960 CFAC AB Calgary – 12/13 1846 – Slogan "AM 960...Rogers Communications" with local Calgary announcements. (SC-IN)
- 1070 WFNI IN Indianapolis – 12/29 1744 – ESPN sports talk in mix with CHOK and other talk station. PSA for fixing Indiana schools, ad for Meridian Mortgage with phone number having 317 area code (this is Indiana). Slogan "Sports Center 10-70 'The Fan.'" (KK-VA)
- CHOK ON Sarnia – 12/29 1744 – C&W songs in mix with WFNI, local ad mentioning "...season of savings at your Ontario...." (KK-VA)
- 1110 WUPE MA Pittsfield – 12/28 1619 – Creaming WBT with "Whoopie 101.1" slogan, station promos for www.wupe.com website and Facebook page into "Let's Live for Today" by the Grass Roots. (MKB-ON)
- 1140 KHTK CA Sacramento – 12/17 0645 – Extremely poor signal with station promo, "log on to sports1140.com." This goes to sacramento.cbslocal.com and displays "KHTK" on home page. (SC-IN)
- WRLV KY Salyersville – 12/13 0626 – Fair, "WRLV 106.5" FM // ID with C&W music. NEW! (SC-IN)
- WVHF MI Kentwood – 12/27 0811 – Fair with mentions of EWTN, Ave Maria Radio, Rosary said, asked for donations for studio and transmitter work. Was silent, but now back on air. (JJR-MI)
- KYOK TX Conroe – 12/28 1900* – Fair, "This is KYOK ending broadcast day" and sign off message. (SC-IN)
- WXLZ VA St. Paul – 12/11 1500 – Very poor with station ID, "AM 1140 WXLZ...Saint Paul" into C&W music. NEW! (SC-IN)

- CHRB AB **High River** – 12/27 0832 – Poor with slogan "High River's community station, AM 1140", oldie C&W songs. (JJR-MI)
- 1150 WMRD CT **Middletown** – 12/30 1715 – In mix with CKOC and other stations, station promo "11-50 WMRD in the morning. We've got personality," local "WMRD news break." (KK-VA)
- CKOC ON **Hamilton** – 12/30 1715 – In WMRD mix with oldies, ad for WSP Super Store in Hamilton, slogan "Oldies 11-50 CKOC", station promo mentioning "...CBSC (Canadian Broadcast Standards Council)...highest standards of broadcasting... email oldies 1150 dot com...." (KK-VA)
- 1160 WOBN NJ **Lakewood Township** – 12/29 1740 – In mix with oldies, slogan "Good time oldies WOBN AM 11-60 and 13-10" into news. (KK-VA)
- KSL UT **Salt Lake City** – 12/23 2128 – Brigham Young University basketball game, ads at half-time for Macy's Grocery Store and Subway. 2150 "KSL Sports Scoreboard." Occasional interference from WYLL with REL program. (JO-NL)
- 1200 WXKS MA **Newton** – 12/29 1731 – In mix with Ottawa sports talker, "... Saturday at noon on the new Rush radio 12 hundred" and "Rush radio 12 hundred" station promos. (KK-VA) *This station apparently makes quite a big deal about being greater Boston's Rush Limbaugh affiliate. Mike.*
- 1230 WMOU NH **Berlin** – 12/27 2300 – Poor; "...W294AZ 106.1 FM, Berlin's new Kiss FM. Today's music, Kiss 106.1." (BC-NH)
- 1240 WEZR ME **Lewiston** – 12/27 2300 – Fair; 1240 WEZR jingle, "1240 AM WEZR Lewiston-Auburn... stay tuned now for world and national news," and another jingle. (BC-NH)
- WSKI VT **Montpelier** – 12/28 1700 – Fair; "WSKI Montpelier... ESPN 1240, Washington County's station for the Champlain Valley Sports Network." (BC-NH)
- 1250 CHSM MB **Steinbach** – 12/27 0837 – Poor over KBRF with local weather, call letter ID, ad mentioning "Boxing week deals." (JJR-MI)
- 1260 KROX MN **Crookston** – 12/27 0840 – Poor with promos for University of Minnesota game and girls high school volleyball "on KROX", ads, local weather. (JJR-MI)
- WWVT VA **Christiansburg** – 12/24 1700 – PRI program, "IQ Radio" IDs, long list of stations with WWVT near the end, good in mix. (DY-WV)
- 1280 WYAL NC **Scotland Neck** – 12/11 1703* – Black gospel, sign-off announcement, IDs, good. (DY-WV)
- WJAY SC **Mullins** – 12/11 1718 – Black gospel, female announcer with Bible verse of the day, dedications mostly to people in Mullins, back to more black gospel music. ID later at 1730. (DY-WV)
- 1290 WHKY NC **Hickory** – 12/21 1650 – "AM 1290 WHKY Hickory" ID, Sean Hannity show. (JC-DE)
- WHIO OH **Dayton** – 12/24 2315 – Talk show, taking calls from listeners on subject of rental homes. (POB-IN)
- 1300 WKCY VA **Harrisonburg** – 12/20 1650 – "News Talk 1300 WKCY" ID in quick fade-up. (JC-DE)
- 1310 WSLW WV **White Sulphur Springs** – 12/11 1752 – Presumed with Fox Sports, ID as "The Red Zone, the Valley's sports station," good and atop. Heard decades ago from CT, but never before from this location. (DY-WV)
- 1320 WKAN IL **Kankakee** – 12/28 1753 – Poor with clear call letter ID. Nothing else for a while. No usual WILS. (JJR-MI)
- 1330 WVHI IN **Evansville** – 12/30 1700 – Over usual WFNN with ToH ID: "AM 1330 is WVHI Evansville, Voice of Heavenly Inspiration" into gospel talk by woman, then lost to Erie, PA pest. (MKB-ON)
- 1340 WMDR ME **Augusta** – 12/27 2101 – Fair; end of Crown Financial Ministries program, "Encouraging talk radio... WMDR Augusta-Waterville." (BC-NH)
- KIJV SD **Huron** – 12/29 1728 – Poor in mess with clear "KIJV" ID into Supermes, Doors oldies. (JJR-MI)
- 1350 CKAD NS **Middleton** – 12/28 1659 – Good, over WNLK; promo for Country Top 40 on AVR. (BC-NH)
- 1360 WKMI MI **Kalamazoo** – 12/27 0850 – Poor over others with call letter ID into "AM in the Morning" show. (JJR-MI)



- KKBJ MN **Bemidji** – 12/27 0850 – Poor with end of local weather into talk show, "Radio AM1360 KKBJ" ID. **(JJR-MI)**
- WNJC NJ **Washington Township** – 12/29 0812 – Presumed over ESPN sports talker with Lehigh Valley and Philadelphia-area traffic report from "69 News Traffic Center" into sports, leading off with the Flyers game in Vancouver. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1380 WNRI RI **Woonsocket** – 12/23 1702 – "WNRI Woonsocket" ID, local weather, ad for Woonsocket Health Center, "...from the quiet city of Woonsocket..." **(JC-DE)**
- CKPC ON **Brantford** – 12/27 1901 – Good; "This is 1380 CKPC AM Brantford, an Evanov Radio Group station, the information you need and the country music you love." **(BC-NH)**
- 1390 WEGP ME **Presque Isle** – 12/28 2058 – Good; string of promos, "...on the Talk of the County, 1390 WEGP," ID into Fox news. **(BC-NH)**
- WTJS TN **Jackson** – 12/25 1930 – Dennis Miller Show, talking about the accidental billionaire. **(POB-IN)**
- 1400 WWNZ ME **Veazie** – 12/28 1700 – Fair with "WWNZ Veazie and W231CH," 94.1 jingle, "Bangor," and IRN/USA news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1420 WRSA VT **St. Albans** – 12/27 1900 – Fair; "1420 WRSA St. Albans... the Champlain Valley Sports Network" into ESPN Radio. **(BC-NH)**
- 1440 WJJL NY **Niagara Falls** – 12/28 2334 – Poor under nulled WNFL with call letter ID, oldies. Only using 55 watt nighttime power? Not likely. **(JJR-MI)**
- WZYX TN **Cowan** – 12/9 1907 – ID while playing Christmas music, "You're listening to WZYX." **(SC-IN)**
- 1450 WKTQ ME **South Paris** - 12/28 1700 - Poor; promo/ID, "The home of Laura Ingraham, Dave Ramsey... on AM 780 WTME Rumford-Lewiston... AM 1450 WKTQ South Paris." **(BC-NH)**
- WKIP NY **Poughkeepsie** – 12/29 1726 – Out of graveyard jumble with "WKIP" jingle into traffic report, then lost. **(MKB-ON)**
- WMVA VA **Martinsville** – 12/24 1805 – In graveyard mix with weather, local news. **(POB-IN)**
- 1460 WQOP FL **Jacksonville** – 12/29 1758 – Very poor in strong mix with local Jacksonville/St. Augustine Catholic announcements and events. Email given checks out for upcoming event in St. Augustine. NEW! **(SC-IN)**
- 1470 WRGA GA **Rome** – 12/16 1729 – Station promo for "Sean Hannity 3 hours a day on 1470 WRGA." NEW! **(SC-IN)**
- 1480 WZRC NY **New York** – 12/31 1700 – Over usual WHBC with ToH EE legal ID "WXRC 1480 AM New York", brief techno-disco music interlude into news in Chinese by woman. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1490 KQDS MN **Duluth** – 12/28 0853 – Poor over others with call letter ID, slogan "The Fan 1490" into sports talk. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1500 WFED DC **Washington** – 12/29 0154 – "Ask the CIO" program with host Jason Miller, interview with Adrian Gardner, Chief Information Officer for NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center. Very good signal with only a few fade-outs here and there. "This is Federal News Radio, WFED 1500 Washington." **(PLG-FL)**
- 1540 WBRY TN **Woodbury** – 12/5 2238 – Fair under KXEL with "AM 1540 WBRY" ID. NEW! **(SC-IN)**
- 1560 KGOW TX **Bellaire** – 12/28 1727 – Fair, wiping out WQEW until power cut at 1729 with local sports chatter, phone number ending in -1560, traffic report mentioning "288 South Freeway." **(JJR-MI)**
- +++ 12/29 0104 – Good signal alternating with a UNID Radio Disney station. College and NBA basketball scores to ToH, then long station ID, "You want it, we got it. The only locally-owned sports radio station in Houston, KGOW 1560 AM Bellaire." Some fading but otherwise good, clear signal. (Radio-locator shows this station has 6 towers daytime, 9 towers nighttime, at two sites both outside of Houston!) **(PLG-FL)**
- WSBV VA **South Boston** – 12/25 1634 – Preaching, ad for a computer store in South Boston, fair in mix. **(DY-WV)**
- 1570 WNDA IN **New Albany** – 12/28 1645 – Heard a "Kool 1570..." liner in the mush. Google search (and NRC Log) revealed this as the only "Kool 1570" here. **(JC-DE)**
- WNCA NC **Siler City** – 12/28 1700 – ToH ID: "...With another hour of service to our community, we are WNCA, Siler City..." into what sounded like an online swap-shop program. **(JC-DE)**

- 1590 WALG GA Albany – 12/29 0035 – Weak signal competing with a classic-rock station. Ad for a company looking for investors, then "WALG" heard clearly. Bumper music that sounded like the Eurythmics into "Coast to Coast AM" in progress. (PLG-FL)
- WHGT MD Maugensville – 12/29 0900 – Creaming usual WAKR with ToH ID: "you are listening to Christian radio 1590 WHGT Hagerstown, Maugensville, Maryland...Where Hearts Get Transformed...this is listener supported radio...", promo for www.whgtchristianradio.org website into IRN-USA news. (MKB-ON)
- WKTP TN Jonesborough – 12/28 1710 – Station promo "...Super Hits for the Tri-Cities, we are WKTP...", into oldies. (JC-DE)
- 1600 WKWF FL Key West – 12/29 0023 – Very difficult to filter out of the mix, but did hear a promo for a chili cook-off, then "WKWF 1600," followed by a sports call-in program in progress. Very weak signal, fading rapidly into and out of the sound floor. (PLG-FL)
- 1620 WTAW TX College Station – 12/24 2330 – Local weather and news sponsored by Carpet World. (POB-IN)
- 1630 WRDW GA Augusta – 12/26 1802 – "Around the NFL" program reporting football scores and news around the country, then local commercials and PSA's. Station ID at ToH, "News, talk, sports, 1630 WRDW Augusta," then into ABC news headlines. Poor to fair signal, slow fade-out, then back in several times over 20 minutes. (PLG-FL)
- 1660 WCNZ FL Marco Island – 12/26 0609 – No call letter IDs, but frequent slogan "The Avenue 1410 and 1660." Music is an eclectic mix of adult contemporary, nostalgia and smooth jazz. Fair signal with some fading, alternates with another UNID; signal gradually increased in strength as the morning progressed. (PLG-FL)
- WQLR MI Kalamazoo – 12/28 1715 – Ads for Meijer and Michigan and Michigan State sports, "The Fan" slogan and Fox Sports Radio promos. (JC-DE)
- 1690 WMLB GA Avondale Estates – 12/26 0453 – Took a while to ID this one; heard lots of "The voice of the arts." Very eclectic; programming varied between reading of religious and secular texts, and music consisting of old-school blues, gospel and country. Poor to fair signal with lots of picket-fencing, requiring me to switch to SSB and zero beat the frequency to hear it! Finally got a station ID: "1690, The Voice of the Arts, WMLB. (PLG-FL)
- 1700 WJCC FL Miami Springs – 12/26 1700 – Began at ToH with a disclaimer message containing station's call letters, then into a tri-lingual religious program in EE, SS and FF. Fair signal, moderate fading. Logged during their daytime schedule at 10kW. (PLG-FL)
- KVNS TX Brownsville – 12/26 0355 – Barely readable, extremely rapid flutter. Heard the song "Here comes that rainy day feeling," followed by "Classic Hits KVNS." Signal mostly drowned out by a possibly-Canadian running a program in FF; also a brief ID from a Miami station, but did not get the call letters. (PLG-FL)
No Canadians on 1700. FF might have been from one of the Boston-area Haitian pirate stations or WJCC. Mike.

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U.S./Canadian Loggings from Pacific/Mtn/Central Time Zones. All times ELT.

Happy New Year to everyone. I hope amongst your New Year's resolutions is one to report to DDxD-West every week. Easier (and more fun) to stick to than exercising or eating salads every day. Trust me on this.

New NRC member Larry Callicutt in Idaho is interested in hearing from Pacific Northwest AM DXers, to compare notes. His email address is <larev@cableone.net>.

Welcome to new reporter Jerry Ertvine from Mission, Texas.

Reporters

JE-TX Jerry Ertvine KC5YRE, Mission, TX Sony ICF-2010.
 JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
 RS-ID Ron Schiller, Coeur d'Alene, ID Palstar R30, Quantum Loop and Grundig 350, Kia Soul car radio.

DX Loggings (All Times ELT)

- 790 KFYO TX Lubbock – 12/17 1835 – Spot for Commercial State Bank ("branches throughout west Texas"); plug for "VIP Rewards program" (go to kfyo.com), then back to local talk on program "Pratt on Texas." Generally fair. (JW-CO)
- 930 KLUP TX Terrell Hills – 12/19 0411-0422 – Men w/dialogue fade, music with base lead and lady singing. 0500 man with KLUP ID then man in English talking about "privatizing our country." Then lady mentioning business tax rebate. QRM in various languages; Mexican QRM took over by 0702. (JE-TX)
- 1020 KCKN NM Roswell – 12/15 0130 – Farm news, John Deere tractors for sale. 0140 Marketwork sponsored by Plains Cotton Growers and Roswell Feed. 0148 FDA report, "KCKN" ID, weather, music, "Singing The Blues" QRM Mexican music. (JE-TX)
- 1040 WHO IA Des Moines – 12/15 0333 – Hawkeye basketball with post-game comments. (JE-TX)
- 1170 KFAQ OK Tulsa – 12/15 2342 – Males discussing pitching staff for Phillies. One announcer predicted Phillies/Red Sox in World Series. *(The NRC is going to hold him to that (JDT-WA))* Wall Street Report-stocks. Commercial for Vanguard.com. ID at 2352, Journal update. Sears Auto Center ad. Headlines and national. weather. ABC News at 0000; QRM Mexican music, frequent fades. (JE-TX)
- 1290 KCUB AZ Tucson – 12/23 0501 – Legal ID: "...home of the Cardinals and Wildcats, All Sports 1290 KCUB Tucson," then back to sports talk. Rough in QRM, especially KKAR. (JW-CO)
- KOUU ID Pocatello – 12/23 1843 – C&W hits, call letter ID's by male announcer; lost around 1857, presumably power cut. Good signal prior to that, while on 50 kW. (JW-CO)
- KMMM KS Pratt – 12/23 1935 – Christmas music; "K-Triple M" ID's. Fair/poor in the group. (JW-CO)
- KKAR NE Omaha – 12/23 1924 – Traffic report; ad for Nebraska Lottery; ID as "NewsTalk 1290 K-car." Generally fair. (JW-CO)
- KUMA OR Pendleton – 12/23 2059 – Legal ID punching through the pileup: "...your 24-hour news source, NewsTalk 1290 KUMA Pendleton"; ABC news followed. (JW-CO)
- KOWB WY Laramie – 12/27 1645 – Local talk, call ID. Fair signal. (JW-CO)
- CFRW MB Winnipeg – 12/26 1759 – Out of NFL news on ESPN with nice ID for the tape collection at 1759:50: "Sports Radio 1290 CFRW Winnipeg, all sports all the time," then back to ESPN and NFL scores. Surprisingly good signal, best ever here, for about 90 seconds, then faded into the pack. (JW-CO)
- 1340 KLOO OR Corvallis – 12/30 1330 – Rush Limbaugh, then advertisement for a dealer on Highway 34 (near Corvallis)- ad heard previously on occasion. 373 mile skip almost alone atop the frequency-two nearer stations also carry Rush. And it was almost 2 1/2 hours after sunup. (RS-ID)
- 1390 KLGN UT Logan – 12/26 1843 – Nostalgia music; ID at 1845 by man: "1390 AM and 103.3 FM KLGN," then back to nostalgia. Fair at best in the pile. (JW-CO)
- 1520 KOKC OK Oklahoma City – 12/15 0020 – Report from Capitol Hill re. tax bill, health care bill. News and talk. Subway commercial. Oklahoma. news and scores, Lady Bears defeat Lady Vols. Bon Jovi appointment. Sears Auto Center commercial; weather at 0044. Oklahoma Thunder to host Houston Rockets tonight. KOKC News Headlines. (JE-TX)



Bit of a light turnout this time thanks to an early deadline by me – leaving town for New Years. Going to party like it's 2009! Don't ask. Any logs received after December 30 will appear in issue #78-15. See you next time. (JDT-WA)

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TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 531 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, El Ain Beida DEC 27 0400 – Good; 5+1 time marker, announcement, and military national anthem parallel 549 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 549 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Les Trembles DEC 27 0200 – Excellent; 5+1 time marker, announcement, and fanfare into news. [Conti-NH]
- 567 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros DEC 27 0200 – Good; time marker, "Radio Nacional de España, Informativos," parallel 585 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 603 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros DEC 27 0400 – Good; time marker, fanfare, "Radio Nacional de España, Informativos." [Conti-NH]
- 693 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5*, Droitwich et al. DEC 27 0500 – Excellent with synchro echo; "On digital and online, this is BBC Radio, Five Live," into news, "BBC News on Five Live, it's 5 o'clock..." [Conti-NH]
- 720 **PORTUGAL** *RDP Antena 1* synchros DEC 27 0345 – Through unID in WGN null; light vocal parallel 666 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 765 **SWITZERLAND** *RSR Option Musique*, Sottens DEC 26 2200 – Fair; still broadcasting a repeating message with piano background music. [Conti-NH]
- 837 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Nancy DEC 27 0158 – Good; instrumental leading up to the hour, parallel 945 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 917 **NIGERIA** *R.Gotel*, Yola DEC 28 2255 – Loud het against unID 918 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 936 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros DEC 27 0200 – Good; time marker, fanfare, "Radio Nacional de España, Informativos." [Conti-NH]
- 945 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Toulouse DEC 27 0159 – Good; contemporary instrumental, fanfare, "France Info..." into news parallel 1206 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 963 **FINLAND** *Radio 86*, Pori DEC 27 0442 – Good; instrumental Christmas music, 0445 *R.Kitaya* ID. [Conti-NH]
- 972 **LIBYA** *Libyan Jamahiriya*, Sirte DEC 28 2145 – Good; talk parallel 1053 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 999 **SPAIN** *COPE* Madrid DEC 27 0158 – Good; over unID talk; Mediterranean vocal, time marker, "Son las dos..." and fanfare into news. [Conti-NH]
- 1062 **DENMARK** *Danmarks Radio*, Kalundborg DEC 27 0440 – Excellent s9; two cycles of interval signal and announcement. [Conti-NH]
- 1089 **RUSSIA** *VOR Tbilisskaya* DEC 27 2200 – Presumed with music and time marker under *TalkSport*. [Conti-NH]
- 1116 **IRAN** *IRIB Sarasary*, Bandar Lengeh DEC 29 0055 – Under *SER* Spain; distinctive wailing Koranic vocal, haunting instrumental through the hour, clearly parallel 1503 kHz and *IRIB Sarasary* streaming audio. New log. [Conti-NH]
- 1116 **SPAIN** *SER R.Pontevedra*, Pontevedra DEC 28 0157 – Fair, over unID; telephone talk, quick "Radio Pontevedra" ID into break, 0200 time marker, fanfare, "Cadena Ser, servicios informativos." [Conti-NH]
- 1134 **CROATIA** *Glas Hrvatske*, Zadar DEC 27 2129 – Good; alternating man and woman in Croatian, *Hrvatske Radio* ID into a contemporary vocal. [Conti-NH]
- 1134 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros DEC 27 0134 – Good; telephone talk parallel 1143 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1215 **KALININGRAD** *VOR* Bolshakovo DEC 27 2258 – Under *Absolute Radio*; instrumental music, "english.ruvr.ru" web and "world@ruvr.ru" email addresses in English, then interval signal, "You're tuned to the world service of the Voice of Russia," into headlines in English. [Conti-NH]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros DEC 27 2135 – Good, over presumed Kaliningrad; music documentary, "This is radio, Absolute Radio" into ad/promo string. [Conti-NH]
- 1323 **GERMANY** *VOR* Wachenbrunn DEC 27 2247 – Fair; "Golos Rossii" ID in news/talk. [Conti-NH]
- 1394.85 **ALBANIA** *TWR* Fllakë DEC 27 2100 – Good; piano instrumental, one cycle of *TWR* interval signal. [Conti-NH]

- 1413 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros DEC 29 0100 – Good; time marker, fanfare, "Radio Nacional de España, Informativos." [Conti-NH]
- 1467 **FRANCE** TWR Roumoules DEC 28 2300 – Weak with TWR interval signal, then antenna pattern change and strong signal with choral music. [Conti-NH]
- 1503 **IRAN** IRIB *Sarasary*, Bushehr DEC 28 0200 – Good; alternating between speaker and Koranic recitation. DEC 29 0054 – Good; distinctive wailing Koranic vocal unequivocally parallel 1116 kHz and IRIB *Sarasary* streaming audio. [Conti-NH]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 550 **PUERTO RICO** WPAB Ponce DEC 30 0100 – Fair, over unIDs; Puerto Rico jingle and announcements. [Conti-MA]
- 555 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** ZIZ Basseterre DEC 27 0358 – Good; soca music through the hour. [Conti-NH] DEC 30 0100 – Excellent; soca vocal, "You Make Mama Cry." [Conti-MA]
- 560 **CUBA** R.Rebelde, Moa DEC 30 0100 – Fair; jazz vocal, ID accompanied by organ, "Rebelde la habana, emisora de la revolución," parallel 600, 610, 620, and 670 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 570 **CUBA** CMDC R.Reloj, Santa Clara DEC 30 0058 – Good; syncopated clock, minute marker, RR code ID, etc. [Conti-MA]
- 580 **PUERTO RICO** WKAQ San Juan DEC 30 0059 – Good; promo, "...por WKAQ" and ID, "...WKAQ 580 AM San Juan, WUKQ 1420 AM Ponce, WYEL 600 AM Mayaguez." [Conti-MA]
- 600 **CUBA** CMKV R.Rebelde, Urbano Noris DEC 30 0101 – Good; ID, "Deportivamente" program parallel 670 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 610 **CUBA** CMAN R.Rebelde, Bahía Honda DEC 30 0100 – Under *Newsradio 610* WIOD; Rebelde ID into *Deportivamente* program. [Conti-MA]
- 620 **CUBA** R.Rebelde, multiple sites DEC 30 0100 – Over unID salsa music; parallel 600 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 630 **CUBA** R.Progreso, Pinar del Río DEC 30 0058 – Under WPRO; salsa music parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 650 **COLOMBIA** HJKH RCN *Antena Dos*, Bogotá DEC 30 0100 – Good, over R.Progreso Cuba; time marker, "...deportiva mejor, Antena Dos." [Conti-MA]
- 660 **CUBA** CMHG R.Progreso, Santa Clara DEC 30 0058 – Under WFAN; salsa parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 670 **CUBA** CMQ R.Rebelde, Arroyo Arenas DEC 29 2300 – Good; Rebelde sounder and news with distinctive attention signal between items. [Conti-MA]
- 680 **PUERTO RICO** WAPA San Juan DEC 30 0101 – Fading up and over WRKO; ID with "Felicidades" and jingle, "Noticias más importantes... Wapa Radio..." [Conti-MA]
- 690 **COLOMBIA** HJ CZ R.Recuernos, Bogotá DEC 29 2300 – Choral national anthem, R.Recuernos jingle, under R.Progreso Cuba. [Conti-MA]
- 690 **CUBA** R.Progreso, Jovellanos DEC 30 0058 – Good; salsa music parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 730 **CUBA** CMBB R.Progreso, Nueva Gerona, Isla de la Juventud DEC 30 0100 – Under CKAC; salsa parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 750 **CUBA** CMHV R.Progreso, Trinidad DEC 30 0100 – Over/under WSB and YVKS; salsa parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 750 **VENEZUELA** YVKS RCR Caracas DEC 29 2358 – Good, over R.Progreso Cuba; "RCR... una producción nacional..." [Conti-MA]
- 760 **COLOMBIA** HJAJ RCN Barranquilla DEC 29 2300 – Good; choral national anthem, "RCN Noticias." [Conti-MA]
- 770 **COLOMBIA** HJXX RCN Bogotá DEC 29 2300 – Choral national anthem under WABC. [Conti-MA]
- 780 **BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS** ZBVI Roadtown, Tortola DEC 29 2358 – Excellent; Madonna "Vogue" into time marker, ID, "The big Zed... Zed-BVI 780 on your AM dial and at www.zbviradio.com" and reggae music. [Conti-MA]
- 790 **CUBA** CMAQ R.Reloj, Pinar del Río DEC 30 0058 – Under WPRV; syncopated clock, minute marker, RR code. [Conti-MA]
- 800 **NETHERLANDS ANTILLES** PJB *TransWorld Radio*, Bonaire DEC 30 0058 – Fair; Spanish contemporary Christian vocal. [Conti-MA]
- 810 **BAHAMAS** ZNS3 Freeport DEC 30 0100 – Good, over WGY; "Your inspirational voice, Zed-NS 810 AM." [Conti-MA]
- 811 **CUBA** R.Progreso, Guantánamo DEC 30 0100 – Good, loud het against 810; salsa parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 820 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** TBN/R.Paradise, Charlestown DEC 30 0100 – Excellent, over R.Reloj Cuba; "Happy New Year, from the Trinity Broadcasting Network." [Conti-MA]

- 840 **HAITI** *Radio 4VEH*, Cap Haitien DEC 30 0100 – Good, over *Newsradio 84 WHAS*; "...ici Radio 4VEH." [Conti-MA]
- 850 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Nueva Gerona DEC 30 0059 – Minute marker and RR code way under WEEI. [Conti-MA]
- 860 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** *Voice of Nevis*, Bath Village DEC 30 0058 - Good, over *R.Reloj* Cuba and unID Latin American; speech regarding government in Caribbean-accented English through the hour. [Conti-MA]
- 870 **CUBA** *CMDT R.Reloj*, Sancti Spiritus DEC 30 0058 – Good; over unID Latin Americans; news, syncopated clock, etc. [Conti-MA]
- 890 unIDs DEC 30 0100 – - This frequency a mess of sub-audible hets with at least two Latin American signals in the mix with WLS. [Conti-MA]
- 900 **CUBA** *CMKP R.Progreso*, Cacocum-San Germán DEC 30 0100 – Good; salsa parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 930 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, La Jaiba and Santiago de Cuba DEC 30 0058 – Echo from delay between stations, also heard wobbler, then one became dominant. [Conti-MA]
- 940 **PUERTO RICO** *WIPR* San Juan DEC 29 2300 – Good; "Esta es WIPR AM..." and nostalgic salsa music. [Conti-MA]
- 950 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, La Habana DEC 30 0058 – Good, over WPEN; syncopated clock, etc. [Conti-MA]
- 960 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, multiple sites DEC 30 0100 – Good, over domestic/Latin American jumble; "Radio Reloj," minute marker, "Ocho en punto." [Conti-MA]
- 1000 **COLOMBIA** *HJAQ RCN* Cartagena DEC 30 0101 – Fair, over unID Latin American; sports commentary with *RCN* mention. [Conti-MA]
- 1020 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Jobabo DEC 30 0058 – Fair, over/under *KDKA*; syncopated clock, etc. [Conti-MA]
- 1039.61 **VENEZUELA** *YVLB La Voz de Carabobo*, Valencia DEC 30 0058 – Presumed with tropical music and messy het against 1040 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 1140 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown location DEC 29 2300 – Rebelde sounder into news with digital attention signal between items, parallel 1180 kHz; through 1141 het and 1130 *WBBR* splatter. [Conti-MA]
- 1141 unID DEC 29 2300 – Loud het against 1140 kHz; discussion in Spanish between a man and woman. [Conti-MA]
- 1150 **CUBA** *R.Bayamo*, Entronque Bueycito DEC 30 0100 – Fair; "Esta es *CMKX*, Radio Bayamo..." and chimes. [Conti-MA]
- 1160 **BERMUDA** *VSB3* Hamilton DEC 29 2359 – Fair; *BBC Five Live* promo, promo for *bbcworldservice.com*. [Conti-MA]
- 1170 **COLOMBIA** *HJNW CARACOL* Cartagena DEC 30 0100 – Over/under *Qué Buena* 1170 *WCXN*; "Caracol" IDs into news. [Conti-MA]
- 1180 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Villa María DEC 30 0100 – Good; ID and *Deportivamente* program parallel 670 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 1200 **VENEZUELA** *YVOZ R.Tiempo*, Caracas DEC 30 0000 – Fair, through *WXKS*; promos, "Radio Tiempo 1200 AM." [Conti-MA]
- 1280 **BERMUDA** *VSB2* Hamilton DEC 30 0000 – Good, over *WADO* and *WCMN*; "This is *BBN*, on *WYFQ* FM Wadeboro-Charlotte" and *SRN* news. [Conti-MA]
- 1280 **PUERTO RICO** *WCMN* *Arecibo* DEC 30 0100 – Under/over *WADO*; multiple station ID, "En todo Puerto Rico... Ponce, *WCMN* 1280 *Arecibo*, y *WNEL* 1430 *Caguas*..." and *NotiUno* slogan. [Conti-MA]

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