

DX News

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National EAS Test: The first nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) will take place on Wednesday, November 9, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. According to the FCC, the purpose of the test is to assess the reliability and effectiveness of the EAS as a public alert mechanism. EAS participants currently participate in state-level monthly tests and local-level weekly tests, but no top-down review of the entire system has been undertaken before now.

IRCA Mexican Log: The 16th edition of the IRCA Mexican Log is out, available to NRC members at the IRCA member price. See page 13 for details.

Convention 2011: John Malicky, our annual convention chronicler, didn't make it to Omaha this year due to illness – but his post-convention logs are in DDXD this week, so we hope that means he's on the mend. But our intrepid host, Ernie Wesolowski, has written up the tale, which will be appearing in *DX News* shortly!

New Members: Let's have a warm NRC welcome for Eric Falkrenhan, Baltimore, MD; Robert La Morgese, M.D., New City, NY (rejoins); Ron Ross, Bloomington, IL (rejoins); Matthew Sittel, Bellevue, NE; Michael Strayer, Moraga, CA; David Eduardo, Todd Skaine, Woodburg MN; and Brett Saylor, State College, PA.

From the Publisher: Musings has been quite lately: we don't want Dave Schmidt to forget how to put a column together! So contact him at P.O. Box 126, New Freedom, PA 17349-0126 or <NRCMusings@aol.com>.

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No	In By	Date	No	In By	Date
7	Nov. 4	Nov. 14	19	Feb. 3	Feb. 13
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15	Jan. 6	Jan. 16	27	May 25	June 4
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17	Jan. 20	Jan. 30	29	Aug. 3	Aug. 13
18	Jan. 27	Feb. 6	30	Sept. 7	Sept. 17

THE DX TIME MACHINE

75 years ago: From the Nov. 10, 1936 *DX News*: A full list was published of around 300 stations that are required by the FCC to perform a monthly frequency check during the second week of the month; the death of F.C. Butler, longtime publisher of *Radex*, was announced.

50 years ago: From the Nov. 11, 1961 *DX News*: WDLR-1550 Delaware, Ohio was looking forward to a successful DX Test on November 20; the 500-watt daytime station is rarely heard and has received fewer than a dozen reports since it signed on the air in December 1960.

25 years ago: From the Nov. 10, 1986 *DX News*: Frank Merrill provided bandscans from Fairbanks-Nenana AK, which he pronounced a "DXers Paradise." From this location, Frank heard nearly 700 stations in only 21 DX sessions ... in August!

10 years ago: From the Nov. 12, 2001 *DX News*: Gerry Thomas reviewed the latest Radio Shack portables and proposed a procedure for tuning up the CCRadio.



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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

1280 WFBS PA Berwick **WBWX**
1370 WPAZ PA Pottstown **WBZH**

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS ON THE AIR

1190 WIXE NC Monroe – Is now on with U1 25000/85, increasing both power levels.
1280 KYRO MO Troy – Is now on here (ex: Potosi) with U1 660/45 at 89-13-03/90-59-47.
1380 WWMI FL St. Petersburg – Is now on the air with U2 9800/6500.

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

880 NEW AK Wasilla – CP granted for U1 210/210 at 61-36-13/149-26-46.
890 KJME CO Fountain – CP granted for U4 5000/580 from six towers (used day and night) at 38-31-07/104-36-03. Both patterns are figure-8 configured with a major lobe directed to the northeast with a smaller lobe headed to the southeast. In both cases, there is also a small 'blip' headed west.
1490 NEW AL Coker – Initially given a CP at Fayette, this new station applied for, and now has been granted a **City-of-License change to Coker with U1 1000/1000 at 33-15-10/87-39-53.**
1570 NEW TX Fritch – CP granted for U4 12000/1000 from three towers (2-day/3-night) at 35-37-26/101-37-38. The day pattern is a large circular lobe to the northwest while the night pattern is a plot similar in shape headed to the northeast. Fritch is the Texas Panhandle northeast of Amarillo.

ACTIONS

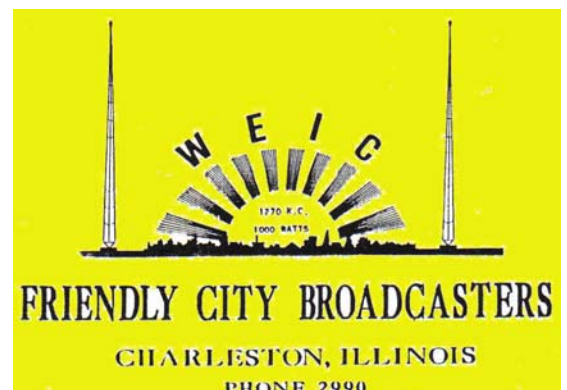
540 CBGA-1 NB **Grande Anse** – New CBC Premiere Chaine services will be coming to five communities in the Gaspé region of Quebec. Up until now CBGA-1 540 AM in Grande Anse, New Brunswick served the area from the south side of Chaleur Bay. When the new FM stations are launched, CBGA-1 will go silent. All stations will carry Premiere Chaine programming from CBGA 102.1 in Matane. The new stations will be located in the following Quebec communities: Chandler on 93.5, New Carlisle on 98.7, New Richmond on 104.3, Perce on 104.5 and Port Daniel on 92.5.

610 CKYL BC **Peace River** – Has been granted a relay on 93.3 MHz at Lillooet. CKYL's signal has been experiencing significant deterioration due to low ground conductivity and an increase in electrical transmission lines. It submitted that the proposed technical amendment would enable the station to adequately serve the population of Manning.

860 CBUL BC **Lillooet** – Has been granted a move to 92.7 MHz. The new FM station will continue to carry CBC Radio One via CBTK-FM in Kelowna.

1270 WEIC IL **Charleston** – Is now operating under a **Special Temporary Authorization with U4 1000/500** (normal), but with variances. One of the towers was struck by lightning and it blew out a number of components used to switch between the day and night patterns. They were expected to return to their licensed parameters by 1 November.

1550 NEW TX **Midland** – CP granted for U4 50000/300. At deadline, the pattern information was not available at the FCC website. But,



both day and night patterns use all six towers and are identical in shape.

APPLICATIONS

1450 KQTE CA Helendale – Applies for U1 250/1000.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS

- 590 WLVA VA Lynchburg – Licensed for U4 5000/1000, WLVA has a CP to move to 580 kHz with U1 250/15. This amendment requests U1 250/14.
- 1140 KYOK TX Conroe – Licensed for D3 5000/0, KYOK applied to move to Katy with D3 700/0. This amendment requests D4 800/800.
- 1270 WQKR TN Portland – Licensed for U1 1000/59, WQKR applied for U1 1000/43. This amendment requests U1 500/43.

AM on FM

- 560 WVOC SC Columbia – WXBT (100.1) West Columbia
- 570 WNAX SD Yankton – W259BW (99.7) Yankton
- 1450 KBFS SD Belle Fourche – KYDT (103.1) Sundance, Wyoming (0001-0600)
- 1670 WTDY WI Madison – WTDY-FM (106.7) Mount Horeb

DISMISSALS AND DELETIONS

- 900 WLSI KY Pikesville – Application for U1 350/125. WLSI remains U1 3500/125.
- 1050 KCAA CA Loma Linda – Application for U4 10000/35. KCAA remains U4 1400/35.
- 1230 KELY MN Ely – Application for U1 1000/1000. KELY remains U1 250/250.
- 1280 KWHI TX Brenham – Application amendment for U5 10000/72. KWHI remains U1 1000/72 with an application for U5 3800/72.

HEAR AND THAR

- ✱ **Fines:** KVOZ-890 Del Mar Hills, Texas has been fined \$21,000 for: failing to maintain a main studio in its city of license; public inspection file violations; and operating with 3 kW at night versus its licensed 1 kW. KBRZ-1460 Missouri City, Texas has been fined \$4000 for failing to operate within authorized power limits. In other words, they were on at night with day power.

✱ **Thanks to:** Shawn Axelrod, Tim Noonan, and Dale Park.

GRAVEYARD DX ACHIEVEMENTS – UPDATE

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

+ record held by a DXer in USA/Canada where a Canadian/USA record exceeds that mileage

1230 kHz

<u>Station</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>DXer</u>	<u>DX Location</u>	<u>Miles</u>
WMFR NC	High Point	Kraig Krist	Manassas, VA	+ 236

1240 kHz

<u>Station</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>DXer</u>	<u>DX Location</u>	<u>Miles</u>
WOON RI	Woonsocket	Kraig Krist	Manassas, VA	* 387

1450 kHz

<u>Station</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>DXer</u>	<u>DX Location</u>	<u>Miles</u>
WVAX VA	Charlottesville	Kraig Krist	Manassas, VA	+ 72



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

Nice crisp fall days, longer apple cider, darkness, and generally better propagation conditions. What's not to get excited about?

Welcome back to DDXD West (and the hobby) to Christos Rigas from Illinois.

Reporters

BD-WI	Bill Dvorak, Madison, WI Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop
CR-IL	Christos Rigas - Wood Dale, IL Drake R8, Sony ICF-2010, Jeep Cherokee car radio, Quantum QX Pro Loop
JB-CA	John Butler, Novato, CA. Sansui 221 Receiver
JDS-MN	Jeff Steffes, Watertown, MN Drake R8, Kenwood R-2000, Quantum QX Loop
JJR-WI	John J Rieger, South Milwaukee, WI Icom IC-R75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner, preamp
JW-CO	John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop
PLS-KS	Paul Swearingen, Topeka, KS R-1000, Sanserino loop/Schneider loop am
WH-CO	Wayne Heinen, Aurora, CO Drake R8B, E/W Flag, N/S Flag, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo and Mini DXP5

DX Tests

- 1590 WGBW WI Denmark – 10/23 0100-0200 – DX Test not heard (WH-CO) 10/23 0105 – Poor to fair with Morse call set, VID's, tones and various types of novelty music. A needed City of License change for me. Not a strong signal here (115 miles SW) considering the station was running daytime power of 10 KW for the test (I'm in the station's sharp SW null). (BD-WI)



DX Loggings (All Times ELT)

- 570 WNAX SD Yankton – 10/24 1935 – Public service announcement for drunk driving from the South Dakota Department of Public Safety, followed by commercial for Northside Automotive. Into "Bringing you the information you need the most, Five-Seventy WNAX." (JDS-MN)
- 590 KID ID Idaho Falls – 10/25 2234 – Weather, Nighttime temps in the twenties, back to talk. No sign of usual KUGN (JB-CA)
- 650 WSM TN Nashville – 10/24 2009 – Out of song "Funny Face" by Donna Fargo "WSM, we're the station that sets the stage for all the others, Six-Fifty WSM." (JDS-MN)
- 680 WMFS TN Memphis – 10/20 2300 – Poor with ESPN World Series coverage into station ID break; legal ID // WMFS-FM 92.9, with the FM ID given first. Needed call change, the fifth call set that I have logged for this station. No sign of WSCR 670 IBOC. (BD-WI)
- 760 KKZN CO Thornton – 10/27 1932 – Local commercials including American Finance with phone number 303-695-7000. Into slogan at 1934 "Colorado's Progressive Talk." (JDS-MN)
- 770 KKOB NM Albuquerque – 10/27 1939 – Commercials for The Sleep Number Bed, Kabota tractor, and Computer Corner with references to Albuquerque and New Mexico, followed by "Seven-Seventy KKOB." (JDS-MN)
- 860 KNUJ MN New Ulm – 10/27 2037 – "KNUJ and KNUJ.net". Apparently on its "Thursday volleyball authorization", with a match between Mustangs and Warriors. High-energy announcer, string of local ads. Also heard on Tuesday with football authorization. (PLS-KS) On behalf of all AM DXers, thank God for sports authorizations. (JDT-WA)
- 930 KSEI ID Pocatello – 10/25 22:44 – South East Idaho's Greatest Hits...into song "WAR-What Is It Good For, Absolutely Nothing." (JB-CA)

- 940 KPSZ IA **Des Moines** – 10/27 2042 – During religious sermon, announcer speaks over the top “Praise Nine-Forty KPSZ.” The question is: was this 2 REL stations overlapping, or a single station? (JDS-MN)
- 1060 WILB OH **Canton** – 10/26 1840 – Good with Catholic religious talk. Sign off at 1745. (CR-IL)
- 1220 KDDR ND **Oakes** – 10/23 0738 – College hockey scores; detailed “Dakota Country Radar weather,” then back to C&W at 0742; up and down (mostly down) with C&W music, gal announcer, CDT time checks. (JW-CO)
- 1230 KSTC CO **Sterling** – 10/24 0559 – Legal ID at Top of Hour in QRM. (JW-CO) 1230 KKPC CO Pueblo 10/26 0900. NPR news // 1490 (1230 was 8 seconds ahead of 1490). (JW-CO)
- 1230 KXLO MT **Lewistown** – 10/23 0659 – Soft instrumental guitar music to 0659:46 ID by male voice: “...and global broadcasting at kxlo-klcm.com and KXLO Country Radio 106.9 FM and AM 1230 Lewistown”; Fox news followed; soon faded. A new one here, Montana station #30. (JW-CO)
- 1230 KHAS NE **Hastings** – 10/24 0659 – ID just before Top of Hour: “News when it happens, where it happens, 1230 KHAS Hastings,” followed by CBS news. Fair in the pileup. (JW-CO)
- 1230 KFUN NM **Las Vegas** – 10/27 0744 – Man saying “...on Fun Country KFUN” and into C&W tunes. Fair but fadey with QRM. (JW-CO)
- 1230 KWSN SD **Sioux Falls** – 10/24 0359 – “We are FSN...Sports Radio 1230 KWSN Sioux Falls, a Backyard broadcasting station” to FSN sports. Fair at best in the zoo. (JW-CO)
- 1290 WIRL IL **Peoria** – 10/22 0628 – Out of country song by male artist “Playing everything from Waylon to Willie, and everything in-between. This is classic country Twelve-Ninety WIRL.” (JDS-MN)
- 1330 CJYM SK **Rosetown** – 10/22 0650 – Out of oldies song “Classic Hits CJYM.” Into song: “I Only Want to be With You,” The Bay City Rollers. (JDS-MN)
- 1340 KPOK ND **Bowman** – 10/7 0700 – Faded up with “We are Good Time Radio KPOK Bowman North Dakota” to CNN News last heard in the 1980's from Colorado Springs. KVOQ phased and this taped for my collection. (WH-CO)
- 1340 KTOQ SD **Rapid City** – 10/6 2300 – Out of network type spots KTOQ Rapid City ID to Fox news up briefly with KVOQ nulled. (WH-CO)
- 1350 WQOG406 IL **Park Ridge** – 10/26 0945 – Good; Heard on car radio driving on Rt. 53 near Schaumburg, IL. Main Township emergency information and frequent IDs. New Chicago area TIS. (CR-IL)
- 1360 KHNC CO **Johnstown** – 10/7 2300 – “The Lion, 1360 KHNC Johnstown” to IRN/USA Radio News. (WH-CO)
- 1360 KSCJ IA **Sioux City** – 10/7 2301 – Regional Football program “... presented by KSCJ...” fair mixing with KHNC. (WH-CO)
- 1390 KRRZ ND **Minot** – 10/22 0717 – Commercials including: “Powerball, pick up your North Dakota lottery ticket today” Followed by weather forecast with the current temperature 34 degrees. “Back to classic hits on Thirteen-Ninety KRRZ.” Fades out as song starts. (JDS-MN)
- 1450 KOKO MO **Warrensburg** – 10/25 2300 – Fair with unID music but mentions of oldies; legal ID into ABC news at Top of Hour. NEW graveyarder! 377 miles.(BD-WI)
- 1490 KQDS MN **Duluth** – 10/22 0759 – “Listen to the latest Packer news on Packers Preview Sunday mornings at eight on The Fan Fourteen-Ninety”...“KQDS, The Fan Fourteen-Ninety, Duluth-Superior.” Graveyard station 155 miles (JDS-MN)
- 1490 KTTR MO **Rolla** – 10/22 0800 – Poor w/LID for FM-AM, ABC news, local news after other messages. (JJR-WI)
- 1550 KAPE MO **Cape Girardeau** – 10/22 0755 – Poor with station promos, “Cape Radio 15-50 and 100.?? FM” (JJR-WI)
- 1550 KLFJ MO **Springfield** – 10//22 0746 – Poor; steady w/Bronson announcements, entertainment venues, etc. Searching for others. (JJR-WI)
- 1550 WHIT WI **Madison** – 10/22 0815 – Out of song: “Good Morning Starshine;” “Hits Radio WHIT.” Into song: “Just My Imagination.” (JDS-MN)
- 1560 KGOW TX **Bellaire** – 10/22 0819 – Out of “Hunting Report brought to you by Midway Deer Processing;” with phone number given: 281-391-3101. Followed by



Commercials including: Carters Country, advertising rifle scopes, and Texas Outdoors Journal. Followed by "We're back with Texas Outdoor News." (JDS-MN)

- 1590 WRCY IN **Mount Vernon** – 10/23 0102 – Fair, heard while waiting for the WGBW test. Calls, weather forecast, promo for an Indiana high school football show heard Mondays at 5 PM, into C&W music; later at 0159 heard legal ID. NEW! (BD-WI)
- 1590 KVGB KS **Great Bend** – 10/6 0000 – Out of Jim Bohanon to local spots and "The Voice of the Golden Bells KVGB Great Bend, an employee owned radio station" to ABC News. (WH-CO)
- 1590 KDAV TX **Lubbock** – 10/6 0002 – Out of "Mama Tried" brief ID "KDAV Lubbock" and straight to more OLD rock... under KVGB's ABC News. (WH-CO)
- 1670 WTDY WI **Madison** – 10/22 0918 – Out of sporting goods commercials "Welcome back to Outdoor Horizons with Tony and Gary on Sixteen-Seventy." (JDS-MN)

UnID and Unknown

- 900 UNID 10/25 1846 – Poor in WLS slop interference. Mexican vocals, talk in Spanish. Too early for XEW. Domestic? Who? (CR-IL)

Nice variety of loggings. John Wilkins' report shows what you can reap by parking your receiver on a single channel over a period of time, and see what shakes out. A good DXing project for all of us.

See you next time.(JDT-WA)

Domestic DX

Digest – East

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

REPORTERS

- KK-VA **Kraig Krist, Manassas** – Winradio G33DDC, homemade 134 foot multiband antenna running NW to SE.
- TLK-FL **Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater** - JRC NRD-535, ICOM IC-R75, Hammarlund HQ-180A, Aqua Guide 705 Radio Direction Finder, Sangean PR-D5, Sony ICF-7600GR, GE SuperRadio III, RadioShack DX-399, roof dipole; in-room random wire.
- JM-PA **John Malicky, Pittsburgh** – Superadio III
- DY-WV **David Yocis, Harpers Ferry** – R8B, Quantum phaser, LWs
- MKB-ON **Mike Brooker, Toronto** – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)

DX TEST

- 1590 WGBW WI **Denmark** – 10/23 0105 – Over usual pest WAKR with code ID, several voice IDs: "This is WGBW, Denmark, Wisconsin, USA operating at 1590 kilohertz and testing during the experimental period...we're operating with 10000 watts", organ or accordion music and bugle call. Heard on a similar test about a year ago with city of license as Two Rivers. (MKB-ON)
- +++ 10/23 0155 – In WAKR/WKTP mix with sweep tones. 0200 "...WGBW..." ID and bugle "charge", 0205 very long tone and "WGBW Denmark..." ID. (KK-VA)

UNID

- 1200 UNID -- – 10/27 1917 – SS talk, ID as "La Raza" and mention of 98.3 (or 99.3?) FM, lively SS music, soon succumbed to evil IBOC splash from 1190/1210. No idea. (DY-WV)
- 1240 UNID -- – 10/19 1921 – Weak under mostly poor WFSX, Ft. Myers, FL (news/talk) with Beatles "Hello, Goodbye" segued into Sweet "Fox On the Run" and then another unidentified on fade, then gone, with WFSX dominating. (TLK-FL)

TIS/HAR

- 1650 WQEL336 VA **Fairfax City** – 9/29 1755 – In CINA mix with ID as "This is WCER owned by the City of Fairfax...AM frequency of 16-50..." Emergency preparedness talk. **(KK-VA)**
- 1660 "CKWH" VA **Chantilly** – 9/29 1755 – In WCNZ/WQLR/WBCN mix, Smithsonian TIS for visitors to the Udvar-Hazy Center in Chantilly, VA. Loop explaining cost, parking and features. Call ID sounded like "CKWH", very Canadian! **(KK-VA)**

LOGGINGS

- 540 WWCS PA **Canonsburg** – 10/24 1755 – In WYNN/WFLF mix with Spanish programming, bilingual ToH ID: "This is WWCS 540 AM Canonsburg.". **(KK-VA)**
- 740 WNOP KY **Newport** – 10/20 1924 – Fair and audible over/under CFZM with ID & "Sacred Heart Catholic Radio", ad for Tri-State Connections, & promo for the Brian Patrick "Son Rise Morning Show". Visited this station before Lima 2000 NRC convention, when they were all jazz. **(JM-PA)**
- 820 WWLZ NY **Horseheads** – 10/27 1900 – Sean Hannity, national ads, then ID as "AM 820 WWLZ Horseheads-Elmira," into ABC news, mixing with CHAM. **(DY-WV)**
- 830 WKTX OH **Cortland** – 10/27 1820 – Presumed the one with talk by man in Hungarian, under WEEU's sports talk. Unneeded. **(DY-WV)**
- 960 WERC AL **Birmingham** – 10/18 1922 – Ad break, then male canned, "...News Radio 105.5, WERC...This is News Radio..." ID into talk. **(TLK-FL)**
- WLPR AL **Prichard** – 10/18 1922 – Really nice oldie/backwoods gospel vocals back-to-back, rapidly overtaking WERC on post-sunset, then seemingly live male, "The Solid Gospel 960 AM" slogan and back to oldie gospel vocals. This one is right on the Alabama/Mississippi coastal border, Mobile market. **(TLK-FL)**
- WELI CT **New Haven** – 10/26 2049 – Promo for high school coach's show, ID, mentions of southern Connecticut, ads, Fox News update, mostly under WFIR. **(DY-WV)**
- WKVX OH **Wooster** – 10/26 1907 – Over usual pest WFIR with local weather, "WKVX" jingle, station promo "Wooster's all-oldies radio is 960 WKVX" into "Taking Care of Business" by Bachman-Turner Overdrive. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1040 WLCR KY **Mt. Washington** – 10/19 1900* – Weak though audible with part of sign-off announcement and calls, programs for Louisville. **(JM-PA)**
- 1110 KVTX TX **Mineral Wells** – 10/17 1952 – Presumed with tune-in to Hindi Bollywood vocals past 2000, off or lost at 2003. WBT co-channel and improving, and Radio Angulo also in the mix after 0003, along with unidentified Christian modern vocals, possibly WTIS-Tampa, from 2003. KTEK, Alvin, TX is listed as Biz News network, but there's a bit dated non-station web site or two showing Bollywood programming here, with the NRC AM Log showing as 2500 watts DA only. Grayline enhancement matches eastern TX at this time. But my post on the Houston-Galveston board of radio-info.com brought this response from Chuck Tiller, Operations Manager, Newstalk 1070 KNTH, Business 1110 KTEK & 100.7 The Word KKHT, Houston: "Most likely you heard KVTX in Mineral Wells, Texas. Salem owns and operates KTEK as "Business 11-10." It DOES have some ethnic brokered programming on the weekend only. That time was close to sunset and KVTX's 50 KW signal does pose interference problems for KTEK during that period." And from the same board, Meadiafrog+: "KVTX's signal has a strong lobe to the ESE, so it would be aimed right at Clearwater, Florida." But yet, nobody has stated what the format of KVTX is at this hour block. Recheck 10/17 1947 with rather unusual (Hindi?) vocals with no instruments supporting -- as if religious script poetry not unlike Islam/Qur'an -- blasting in way atop WBT briefly, but already dropping down by 1954. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1130 KWKH LA **Shreveport** – 10/19 2055 – Old-school C&W songs, male with canned "AM 11-30, KWKH" ID at 2057. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1160 WCFO GA **East Point** – 10/18 1858 – Big on the channel with mention of "America's Radio News" twice, then into local ads, ID, CBS Radio News. **(TLK-FL)**
- KVCE TX **Highland Park** – 10/17 1929 – Man with canned "1160 KVCE, Dallas-Ft. Worth" ID into ads for business-related products such as Salesgenie, back into



"The Market Wrap with Moe Ansari" and quick "KVCE" ID dropped in at 1933. (TLK-FL)

- 1170 WDEK SC **Lexington** – 10/19 2002 – Excellent with "This is the Deck, WDEK Lexington" ID into very pleasingly obscure 50's/60's Blues-ish and pre-R&R vocals. (TLK-FL)
- 1190 KFXR TX **Dallas** – 10/27 1931 – Pre-game coverage with lots of promos for the Texas Tech's (Lubbock) Red Raiders basketball, Big 12, Texas Tech etc., ad for Texas Farm Bureau, ID. Nearly local level till 2000 (50 kW DA, night at 5 kW), when abruptly WOWO appeared. (TLK-FL)
- 1310 WAUC FL **Wauchula** – 10/21 1920 – Mostly poor with "Radio Mexicana" slogan, not listed in the 2011 NRC AM Log. Confirmed after the log on the station website. (TLK-FL)
- 1340 WRAW PA **Reading** – 10/24 0159 – In multi-station (religious, talk, C&W) mix with oldies, station promo "...great songs...classic... WRAW." (KK-VA)
- 1420 WIMS IN **Michigan City** – 10/19 1941 – Broke through WHK with high school football coverage on "1370 AM...& 1420 AM WIMS." Calls stand for "Indiana Michigan Shore". (JM-PA)
- 1430 WXNT IN **Indianapolis** – 10/26 2133 – Promo for Dennis Miller "at 3 on AM 1430 WXNT," into a goldbug talk show ("Free Talk Live," according to the web site). Good and atop, somewhat surprised that this one wasn't already in my logbook, so new. (DY-WV)
- 1440 WZYX TN **Cowan** – 10/26 2125 – With Journey's "Don't Stop Believin'," ID for "Franklin County's news leader," calls, fair-good in mix. Another one I thought that I had heard before. (DY-WV)
- 1450 WKIP NY **Poughkeepsie** – 10/24 0259 – In graveyard mix with Coast to Coast AM, man with "WKIP...Poughkeepsie" ToH ID into news. (KK-VA)
- 1460 WDDY NY **Albany** – 10/25 1758 – Over CJOY groundwave with usual Radio Disney programming, "WDDY and WDDY HD-1 Albany" near-ToH legal ID by teenage girl. (MKB-ON)
- WRKB NC **Kannapolis** – 10/27 2210 – ID for WRNA-1140 and this, to southern gospel music, fair in mix. (DY-WV)
- 1470 WMMW CT **Meriden** – 10/24 0300 – In mix with Dr. Joy Browne show talking about watching too much TV, "WDRG AM WDRG FM HD3 Hartford, WSWG Torrington, WWCO Waterbury and WMMW Meriden" ToH ID into AP news. (KK-VA)
- 1490 WVGB SC **Beaufort** – 10/24 0220 – In mix with station promo "... all new party station... favorite songs...South Carolina's...we give you more non-stop party music all night... set your dial to the all new 94 5 'The Gar...". Has WVGB changed format? (KK-VA)
- 1500 WFIF CT **Milford** – 10/24 1800 – Over WFED/WLQV combo with station promo: "be sure to tell a friend about great Christian radio...Life Changing Radio WFIF Milford" into SRN news. (MKB-ON)
- 1510 WLKR OH **Norwalk** – 10/27 1830 – "Kool Gold AM 1510 WLKR" ID, oldies, mostly under Rosary on presumed WPGR. (DY-WV)
- 1520 WDSL NC **Mocksville** – 9/29 1859 – Getting hammered by WWKB and mixing with others (oldies, religious, C&W, ESPN), "this is Katie Johnson. You're listening to WDSL 1520 Mocksville" ToH ID pulled out of mix. (KK-VA)
- 1540 WYNC NC **Yanceyville** – 9/29 1914 – In CHIN/KXEL mix with gospel songs, station promo "...WYNC fall jubilee...at the WYNC studios...free food...", sign-off announcement at 1932. (KK-VA)
- 1550 WDLR OH **Delaware** – 9/29 1959 – In mix with WMRE, Cuba and others with SS programming, man with Spanish/English "WDLR" ID. (KK-VA)
- WITK PA **Pittston** – 10/28 1800 – Over nothing in particular with end of gospel program, triple-header ToH ID: "you're listening to WITK Pittston, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre" into USA Radio news. (MKB-ON)
- WIGN TN **Bristol** – 10/22 0710 – Over Spanish station (presumably WDLR) with program promo "...weekday mornings at 11 on 1550 WIGN" into gospel song. (MKB-ON)
- 1560 WSBV VA **South Boston** – 9/29 1900 – In WQEW mix with gospel programming, "you're listening to the voice of hope and praise, AM 1560 WSBV South Boston Virginia" ToH ID. 1930 sign-off announcement. (KK-VA)

- 1570 **WNDA** **IN** **New Albany** – 10/27 1835 – ID as “News Talk 1570 WNDA,” programming from “America’s Radio Network” with news program from Washington. Format and slogan change from “Kool Oldies.” **(DY-WV)**
- WNST** **MD** **Towson** – 9/29 1756 – Sports talk in mix with WFLR and others (talk, gospel, oldies), station promo "Coming up on WNST..." **(KK-VA)**
- WFLR** **NY** **Dundee** – 9/29 1906 – In WNST mix with C&W songs, station promo "We're talking on country 7 days a week. Count on us...101.9, 96.9...1570 Finger Lakes country WFLR." **(KK-VA)**
- 1580 **WCCF** **FL** **Punta Gorda** – 10/27 0733 – Two guys bantering about someone who sells "mini-pigs" in North Port (nearby town) and schedule change for local high school football games, then mention of "WKII-AM" which upon looking up is also a Clear Channel, Solana (Ft. Myers) cluster station, Adult Standards format for WKII. Fair, briefly, trading with WSRF, Ft. Lauderdale in Krèyol. WCCF is 1250 watts DA/110 watts nights. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1590 **WFBR** **MD** **Glen Burnie** – 10/23 0119 – Pulled “oh yeah...1590 WFBR” ID and black gospel songs out of nulled WAKR while monitoring WGBW test. **(MKB-ON)**
- WCSL** **NC** **Cherryville** – 9/29 2100 – In WHGT/WAKR mix with gospel songs, station promo "...getting even hotter...1390... and 1570 WCSL Cherryville...". **(KK-VA)**
- WKTP** **TN** **Jonesborough** – 10/24 0205 – In WAKR/WGBW mix with oldies, difficult to distinguish from WAKR’s oldies. "Now back to more music from the super hits of the tri-cities WKPT". WKPT-1400 is // WKTP. **(KK-VA)**
- 1600 **WAOS** **GA** **Austell** – 10/27 2201 – SS music way atop, lots of non-IDs as “La Mejor” and “La Mejor de Atlanta,” legal ID for “WAOS Austell-Atlanta, WXEM Buford, and WLBA Gainesville,” probably on day power. New. **(DY-WV)**
- WPDC** **PA** **Elizabethtown** – 9/29 1903 – In WWRL/WLXE/WZZW mix with station promo "...right here on sports radio 1600 WPDC" into sports talk. **(KK-VA)**
- WZZW** **WV** **Milton** – 9/29 1933 – In multi-station mix with local weather, "...that's the weather forecast from news talk 800 WVHU". WVHU-800 is // WZZW-1600. **(KK-VA)**
- 1630 **KCJJ** **IA** **Iowa City** – 10/27 0728 – O'Reilly Auto Parts ad, canned "KCJJ, Iowa City" ID by man at 0730, into morning show bantering by two guys. WRDW, Augusta, GA (the way dominant here) faded up big by 0731. Definitely a third one on the channel and in English, so presume KKGm, Ft. Worth, rather than sought-after Mexi-Spanish format KRND, Fox Farm, WY, which just could make it post-sunrise here in a perfect world. **(TLK-FL)**
- KRND** **WY** **Fox Farm** – 10/22 0050 – With ranchera music, ID “AM 16-30, La Jota Mexicana,” another ID 0054, good on peaks with WRDW, KCJJ. As first noted by Earl Higgins, dominant at times on USB, and completely missing on LSB. State #35 from here. **(DY-WV)**
- 1660 **WCNZ** **FL** **Marco Island** – 9/29 2047 – In mix (Smithsonian TIS, WQLR, WBCN and others) with oldies including "True Love Ways" (not the Buddy Holly version), station promo "...the avenue at 1410, 1480 and 1660 AM...and it's for you. Welcome to the avenue...on the radio...and anytime... avenuefla.com." **(KK-VA)**
- 1680 **WOKB** **FL** **Winter Garden** – 9/29 1929 – In WTTM/WPRR mix, preaching by woman with Caribbean accent, station promo "...right here on WOKB 1680 Orlando...1570 AM... connect with us won't you?" **(KK-VA)**

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD

// - Parallel to. :00 – On the hour. **AC** – Adult contemporary. **AP** – Associated Press. **BBD** – Big band. **C&W** – Country and western. **CCR** – Contemporary Christian radio. **CHR** – Contemporary hit radio. **CID** – Code ID. **CL** – Call letters. **COL** – City of license. **EE** – English. **EZL** – Easy listening. **FF** – French. **GOS** – Gospel. **Hi** – A joke; the ham radio equivalent of :-). **LID** – Legal ID (i.e., CL and COL near the ToH). **LSR** – Local sunrise. **LSS** – Local sunset. **NBA** – National Basketball Association. **NFL** – National Football League. **NHL** – National Hockey League. **NPR** – National Public Radio. **OC** – Open carrier. **OLD** – Oldies. **PSRA** – Pre-sunrise authority. **PSSA** – Post-sunset authority. **QRM** – Man-made interference (power lines, other stations, etc.). **QRN** – Natural interference (lightning, etc.). **QTH** – Location. **REL** – Religious. **ROK** – Rock’n’roll. **RS** – Regular schedule. **\$** - Stereo. **SID** – Singing ID/jingle. **SRS** – Sunrise skip. **SS** – Spanish. **SSB** – “The Star-Spangled Banner.” **SSS** – Sunset skip. **TC** – Time check. **ToH** – Top of the hour. **TT** – Test tones. **UC** – Urban contemporary. **VID** – Voice ID. **WW1** – Westwood One.

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Loggings of stations outside the Lower 48 and Canada. All times UTC.

Trans-Atlantic DX

- 162 **FRANCE** *France-Inter*, Allouis SEP 13 2331 – French talk, then Mideast type music. [Connelly-MA] OCT 20 2213-2216 – Strong with man in French discussing a female singer followed by an English version of Sinead O'Connor's "Nothing Compares 2 U." This version did not compare to Sinead O'Connor! [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 693 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros OCT 28 2307 – Fair; woman in Spanish parallel 855 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 747 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 28 2318 – Fading up to excellent level; discussion in Spanish. [Conti-NH]
- 756 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Braunschweig & Ravensburg OCT 17 2200 – Classical music, electronic fanfare, *Deutschlandfunk* ID, 3+1 pips, news by man in German. [Connelly-MA] OCT 22 2400 – Good; electronic fanfare with *Deutschlandfunk* ID, time marker, and news. [Conti-NH]
- 774 **EGYPT** *Middle East Radio*, Abis OCT 17 2154 – Man in Arabic; dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- 783 **MAURITANIA** *R.Mauritanie*, Nouakchott OCT 17 2153 – Arabic string music. [Connelly-MA]
- 819 **EGYPT** *ERTU* Santah OCT 17 2154 – Woman in Arabic; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 855 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros OCT 17 2200 – Pips, "Radio Nacional de España, informativos" ID. [Connelly-MA] OCT 28 2115 – Good, the best TA at this early hour; discussion in Spanish, parallel 774 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 864 **FRANCE** *France Bleu*, Villebon-sur-Yvette OCT 17 2100 – Woman in French, fanfare music, man in French. 2200 *France Bleu* ID by man, news by woman; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 882 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC R.Wales*, Washford OCT 17 2159 – Pop-rock vocal, man in English; over others. [Connelly-MA]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5* synchros OCT 17 2101 – BBC news by man. 2153 two men in interview mentioning parenting, discipline. [Connelly-MA]
- 927 **BELGIUM** *VRT Radio Een*, Wolvertem OCT 17 2153 – Likely this with pop music. [Connelly-MA]
- 936 **IRAN** *IRIB Sarasary*, Urumiyeh OCT 22 2320 – Poor/fair; Middle Eastern vocals, parallel stream at <http://live.irib.ir/index2.htm>. [Conti-NH] OCT 23 0158 – Religious intonation. Could not find a Global Tuners or Delicast match. [Renfrew-NY]
- 945 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Toulouse OCT 17 2230 – Parallel 1206 with French business talk by man mentioning "dollars," *France Info* fanfare/theme music, talk by woman; fair. [Connelly-MA] OCT 22 2350 – Fair; nostalgic vocal followed by discussion. [Conti-NH]
- 963 unID OCT 22 2335 – Fair; sounded like preaching, then Koranic or similar religious vocals. [Conti-NH]
- 972 **GERMANY** *NDR Info*, Hamburg OCT 17 2154 – Man in German; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA] OCT 23 0207 - American pop music parallel Delicast audio. [Renfrew-NY]
- 981 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 2*, Algiers OCT 17 2201 – Woman in French; over others. [Connelly-MA] OCT 26 2312 – Carrier, fairly decent, but no audio making it to west coast Florida. Presume this is the most likely of all those on 981, at 600 kW of brute force. [Krueger-FL]
- 999 **MOLDOVA** *Voice of Russia*, Maiac OCT 17 2153 – Woman in Russian; dominant. 2201 news by woman in Russian. [Connelly-MA] OCT 22 2220 – Over/under presumed Saudi; woman in Russian, ethnic music. [Conti-NH]
- 999 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA R.Quran*, Tabuk OCT 17 2213 – Koranic vocal; evenly mixed with Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 999 **SPAIN** *COPE* Madrid OCT 17 2213 – Fast Spanish talk by man; mixed with Saudi Arabia. [Connelly-MA]



- 1035 **PORTUGAL** *R.Clube*, Belmonte OCT 23 0330 – Most likely *R.Clube* with music. Audio feed is off-line, so hard to be sure. I suppose Italy might be a possibility, but much lower power. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1053 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros OCT 17 2152 – Advert with "exclusive offer"; over mess. [Connelly-MA] OCT 22 2214 – Fair; talk parallel 1089 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1071 unID OCT 17 2153 – Reverberated Koranic male vocal; good, dominant. Iran? [Connelly-MA]
- 1080 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros OCT 17 2213 – Parallel 1116 with men in telephone interview; under WTIC. [Connelly-MA]
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros OCT 17 2101 – Advert "We want your car." 2153 Rugby World Cup promo, *TalkSport* ID; loud. [Connelly-MA] OCT 20 2352 – Big het here, but of course no audio. UK *TalkSport* 2 x 400 kW transmitters listed in the WRTH, as well as many other lower powered Euro's. [Krueger-FL] OCT 22 2158 – Good; host talking about what's coming up in the next hour into ad/promo string, "...on *TalkSport*." [Conti-NH]
- 1098 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 17 2201 – Parallel 1107 with news by man and woman in Spanish. [Connelly-MA]
- 1098 unID OCT 22 2300 – Koran through the hour. [Conti-NH]
- 1107 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 17 2201 – Parallel 1098 with news by man and woman in Spanish. [Connelly-MA] OCT 23 0322 – Talk parallel Delicast. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1116 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros OCT 17 2200 – Parallel 1485 with male folk vocal and guitar. Talk followed. Noisy with static crashes. [Connelly-MA] OCT 23 0324 – Talk and music parallel Delicast. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1125 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 17 2201 – Parallel 1107 with news by man and woman in Spanish. [Connelly-MA]
- 1134 **CROATIA** *Hrvatske Radio*, Zadar OCT 17 2100 – Pips (2 + 1 longer), Hrvatski Radio ID. 2200 anthem music, 2+1 pips, Hrvatski Radio ID; good. [Connelly-MA] OCT 22 2138 – Good; pop/rock vocals, choral vocal leading up to the hour and signature 'slow' time marker. 2204 noted parallel 3985 and 7375 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1134 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros OCT 23 0212 – Man and woman, parallel Delicast. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1143 **KALININGRAD** *R.Mayak*, Bolshakovo OCT 17 2214 – Woman in Russian; slightly over Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 1152 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 17 2201 – Parallel 1107 with news by man and woman in Spanish. [Connelly-MA]
- 1206 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Bordeaux OCT 17 2153 – Man in French; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros OCT 17 2058 – Advert "You'll be amazed at what we do." 2154 Simple Minds "Sanctify Yourself," then man in English; good over others. 2159 woman with advert for getdigitalradio.com ; loud. 2213 "Mulder and Scully" by Catatonia, *Absolute Radio* ID; huge. [Connelly-MA] OCT 22 2233 – Fair; DJ mention of absoluteradio.co.uk into Blondie hit "Dreaming." [Conti-NH]
- 1242 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Marseille OCT 17 2202 – Parallel 1206 with woman in French; fair in null of WBUR. [Connelly-MA]
- 1251 **LIBYA** *Libyan Jamahiriya*, Tripoli OCT 17 2153 – Interview with three men in Arabic; loud. [Connelly-MA]
- 1269 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Neumunster OCT 17 2201 – News by man in German; poor-fair in CJC B slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1287 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros OCT 17 2159 – Spanish teletalk; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1296 **SUDAN** *SNBC* Reiba OCT 17 2154 – Arabic vocal music, drumming; fair over others. [Connelly-MA]
- 1314 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** *R.Farda*, Al Dhabbaya OCT 17 2153 – Female pop Mideast vocal, orchestra. 2200 dance club music, *R.Farda* ID; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1323 **GERMANY** *VOR* Wachenbrunn OCT 17 2153 – Woman in Russian; good peaks. 2200 Russian talk, pips, then off-air. [Connelly-MA]
- 1341 **NORTHERN IRELAND** *BBC R.Ulster*, Lisnagarvey OCT 17 2200 – BBC ID and mention of AM and FM frequencies; to fair peak over slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Lille OCT 17 2101 – News by man in French; gaining strength. [Connelly-MA] OCT 23 0215 – Very strong, pinning the S-meter. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1386 **SPAIN** *Euskadi Irratia*, Bilbao OCT 17 2213 – Spanish folksong; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1404 **FRANCE** *France Info* synchros OCT 17 2212 – Parallel 1206 with woman in French; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1413 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 17 2201 – Man and woman in Spanish; slight echo. [Connelly-MA]

- 1422 **ALGERIA** *R.Algérienne*, Algiers OCT 17 2101 – Arabic music; good. 2201 French news by woman; over Germany. [Connelly-MA]
- 1422 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Heusweiler OCT 22 2239 – Fair; documentary or dramatic reading in German, parallel 6190 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1431 **DJIBOUTI** *R.Sawa*, Arta OCT 17 2159 – Mideast pop vocal with heavy drumming. [Connelly-MA]
- 1440 **LUXEMBOURG** *RTL Marnach* OCT 17 2200 – English announcer on CRI relay, promo for lessons to learn Chinese, website cri.com.cn; over WRED and WVEI. [Connelly-MA]
- 1449 **LIBYA** *Voice of Great Homeland*, Misurata OCT 17 2100 – Man in Arabic, then string music. 2201 emphasis music, man in Arabic, then choral music with strings; loud. [Connelly-MA]
- 1457.8 **ALBANIA** *Fllakë* OCT 17 2100 – Talk, not good enough to determine language; 200 Hz low as usual. [Connelly-MA]
- 1467 **FRANCE** *TWR Roumoules* OCT 17 2200 – TWR musical-box interval signal, carrier dropped momentarily, then stronger signal came back with announcement, "Good evening and welcome to TransWorld Radio UK broadcasting on 1467 kHz medium wave. Our programme this evening is Rendezvous with Dick Saunders." Excellent, local-like! [Connelly-MA]
- 1485 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros OCT 17 2200 – Parallel 1116 with male folk vocal and guitar, then talk; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1494 **FRANCE** *France Info* synchros OCT 17 2101 – Parallel 1377 with man in French. [Connelly-MA]
- 1503 **IRAN** *IRIB Sarasary*, Bushehr OCT 17 2101 – Woman in Farsi. [Connelly-MA] OCT 23 0230 – an talking over and in-between single violin-like music, three chimes interval signal at 0230 and ID, "Radio Iran." New. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1512 **GREECE** *ERA Chania* OCT 23 0235 – "Cosmos" music program with "Hard to Handle," "Brazil," and an eclectic mix of world pop. Seemed to ID as "Cosmos," though the ID was clearer on the Delicast "ERA Cosmos" audio feed. New country #75. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA Duba* OCT 17 2100 – 5+1 pips, a few words by man, fanfare music, news by man in Arabic; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1548 **MOLDOVA** *Voice of Russia*, Grigoriopol OCT 17 2159 – Woman in Russian; fair over Kuwait. [Connelly-MA]
- 1550 **ALGERIA** *RASD Rabouni* OCT 17 2101 – Woman then man in Arabic, Saharai mention, emphasis music; atop domestics. [Connelly-MA]
- 1557 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Fontbonne OCT 17 2101 – Parallel 1377 with French news by man. [Connelly-MA]
- 1575 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** *R.Farda*, Al Dhabiya OCT 17 2200 – Parallel 1314 with dance club music, *R.Farda* ID; over other. [Connelly-MA] OCT 26 0054 – Fairly decent carrier with traces of presumed Farsi cloned Bollywood-style vocals, also at 800 kW of brute force. [Krueger-FL]
- 1575 unID OCT 17 2200 – Repeated trumpet blasts; under UAE. [Connelly-MA]

Pan-American DX

- 530 **CUBA** *R.Enciclopedia*, Villa María OCT 4 0000 – *R.Enciclopedia* ID by woman; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 555 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** *ZIZ Basseterre* OCT 17 2327 – Very poor/threshold with Caribe-accented man. [Krueger-FL]
- 800 **NETHERLANDS ANTILLES** *PJB TransWorld Radio*, Bonaire OCT 19 0030 – Tune-in to beginning of low-key Spanish male gospel talker, different canned Spanish program after 0100. Jumble on the channel, but this one was holding forth until 0048 when bubbling under. Anyone in Florida and the Caribbean reading this recall the days when Radio Netherlands relays could actually be heard early evenings, back when they were much higher-powered? And, a super-low high-side het present, which I doubt I'll ever know the likely Central American/Caribe source of. [Krueger-FL]
- 980 **CUBA** *R.Reloy*, unID location OCT 26 2312 – Weak with time sounders, and as seemingly forever, 3-4 seconds slow. Listed as Bayamo in the 2011 WRTH; Moa, Holguín in Mauricio Molano's list; and not on my admittedly stale Paul V. Zecchino list. [Krueger-FL]
- 1060 **CUBA** *Radio 26*, Jovellanos OCT 20 2356 – Odd "Run Like Hell" Pink Floyd cover (female vocal in English, with Irish band back-up – original song from "The Wall" album). Male canned, "Radio Vientiseis, desde..." into English and Spanish rap vocals. Very good. [Krueger-FL]
- 1110 **CUBA** *R.Angulo*, Holguín OCT 18 0003 – Dominating at times over WBT and others with "Rain Over Me" by Pitbull feat. Marc Anthony, super-hyped male Spanish DJ mentioning

- Rihanna, ID, then into (of all things, talk about a train wreck) "Rock & Roll" by Led Zeppelin (a never-before-heard remix/edit), DJ mentioning Robert Plant, into another though non-remixed Led Zep song unabridged, and back to techno-dance songs. Parallel weaker 1100 from Mayarí, Holguín. [Krueger-FL]
- 1140 **CUBA** *R.Musical Nacional*, unknown western Cuba site OCT 21 1125 – Classical piano solo, female ID 1130. Fair, parallel much better 590 kHz. This occasionally pops up here midday, so probably just patched audio from one of the existing western-ish 1140 stations. [Krueger-FL]
- 1140 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown site OCT 26 – Not listed in the 2011 WRTH or Paul V. Zecchino's list; Morón, Ciego de Ávila (25 kW) and Aguada, Cienfuegos (1 kW) in the Molano list. But from extensive monitoring, it is also likely any of the western Cuba (other) stations on 1140. Those of which spastically alternate networks, to complicate matters. Fair-to-poor in the pileup of other Cubans on the channel. [Krueger-FL]
- 1210.5 unID OCT 21 2302 – Carrier, presume Latin American. [Krueger-FL]
- 1230 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, unidentified site OCT 21 2304 – Tropical vocals, female, "la onda alegría" slogan was the tip-off on paralleling to 640 kHz. One requested undisclosed source lists as Guaimaro while another has it as Santiago, ex-*R.Mambí*. [Krueger-FL]
- 1309.62 unID OCT 21 2318 – Fairly decent carrier only. Presume Latin American. [Krueger-FL]
- 1610 **ANGUILLA** *Caribbean Beacon*, The Valley OCT 27 0330 – First time solidly heard in a long time (A-index of 25 helped!). Dr. Gene Scott posthumously preaching, parallel 6090 shortwave. Often buried in noise tonight during long fades, but occasionally up to fair peaks. Are they directional at night? [Stewart-MO]

Jim speaks: Global Tuners is a great resource for paralleling DX signals with what receivers in Europe are hearing. Of the receivers listed it seems that there are fewer than last year. Most seem dedicated to high frequency reception, as indicated by the antennas in use. Delicast is a great resource, too, and maybe more useful now. The Flag antenna is picking up a lot of noise below 700 kHz - I hope that clears up as it may be due to too many guests in the house, which means more lights on.

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690	KFXN	Minneapolis, MN	ETH	1340	WROD	Daytona Beach, FL	OLD
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730	KLOE	Goodland, KS	NOS/TLK	1340	WHAT	Philadelphia, PA	SS
770	KJCB	Lafayette, LA	UC:GOS	1350	WPDR	Portage, WI	OLD
790	WMC	Memphis, TN	SPT	1350	WRWR	Warner Robins, GA	NWS/SPT
800	KQAD	Luverne, MN	NWS/TLK	1350	WGAD	Gadsden, AL	TLK
830	KOTC	Kennett, MO	TLK/OLD	1360	WMNY	McKeesport, PA	TLK
920	KDHL	Faribault, MN	C&W	1360	WWOW	Conneaut, OH	OLD
930	WGIN	Rochester, NH	SPT	1440	KEYS	Corpus Christi, TX	SPT
930	WJBY	Rainbow City, AL	GOS	1450	KBFS	Belle Fourche, SD	NWS/TLKd/SPTn
940	WFAW	Ft. Atkinson, WI	NWS/TLK/SPT	1450	WVAX	Charlottesville, VA	SPT
950	KMHR	Boise, ID	SS:MEX	1450	WBSR	Pensacola, FL	SPT
970	WJFN	Brandon, MS	C&W	1460	WIXN	Dixon, IL	NOS/SPT
980	WDVH	Gainesville, FL	TLK	1470	WMGG	Dunedin, FL	TLK
1010	CBR	Calgary, AB	NWS/TLK	1480	WPFJ	Franklin, NC	REL
1010	WGUN	Atlanta, GA	UC:OLD	1480	KAUS	Austin, MN	NWS/TLK/SPT
1020	WSBX	Ochlocknee, GA	SS:NOS	1490	KYZS	Tyler, TX	SS:SPT
1040	WZNA	Moca, PR	SS:REL	1490	WBSS	Pleasantville, NJ	SPT
1150	WTMP	Egypt Lake, FL	SS:Tropical	1490	KYNR	Toppenish, WA	Yakama Nation Lang
1160	KFXE	Waukon, IA	SPT	1520	KKXA	Snohomish, WA	C&W
1170	WFDL	Waupun, WI	TLK/NOS	1530	WOBX	Wanchese, NC	GOS
1180	WCRI	Hope Valley, RI	CLA	1530	WMBE	New Holstein, WI	C&W
1230	WODI	Brookneal, VA	C&W	1550	KZDG	San Francisco, CA	ETH/Indian
1240	KCVV	Sacramento, CA	SS:REL	1570	WNDA	New Albany, IN	NWS/TLK
1270	KIHK	Waynesville, MO	SPT	1590	KTCH	Wayne, NE	C&W/TLK
1270	WXYT	Detroit, MI	TLK	1590	WZRZ	Jackson, MS	SPT
1280	WJWK	Seaford, DE	AC	1600	WTSZ	Eminence, KY	NWS/TLK
1280	WIBB	Macon, GA	UC:GOS	1600	WRSL	Corbin, KY	GOS
1290	WRNI	Providence, RI	SS:NWS/TLK	1620	WDND	South Bend, IN	Rock
1310	KKNS	Corrales, NM	SS:REL	1670	WTDY	Madison, WI	NWS/TLK
1310	WLOB	Portland, ME	SPT	1680	KGED	Fresno, CA	REL/TLK
1330	WMLT	Dublin, GA	UC:AC				

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Contest Update (from Wayne)

Not too many contesters as I write, hopefully as the season gets underway more members will join the Sprints. I do want to clarify a few questions that were brought up by some contestants.

Q: Can we reuse frequencies from month to month?

A: Yes you can use a frequency more than once, however see the next question and answer.

Q: Can we reuse stations from month to month?

A: You may only log a station once during the entire contest season.

Q: Are expanded band frequencies considered regional or clear?

A: X band stations are considered Clear channels for the contest.

Your October Logs are due in my snail mail or email box no later than November 15, 2011! Lets see some support for this year's contest!

XL Overseas: County's Oldest Radio Station Reaches Listener in Sweden

Manchester Enterprise, Manchester KY, Sept. 15, 2011 – via Wheeler Conover

It's no secret that the days of tuning into an AM radio station for your listening pleasure has become scarce.

But for the first time reported, Clay County's oldest radio station has now reached at least one faithful listener in Sweden.

Bo Olofsson, 58, of Byske, Sweden, tuned into AM station 1450 WWXL and was quite surprised to hear the voices of those in southeastern Kentucky.

"I have the pleasure of reporting reception of WWXL 1450 AM over here in northern Sweden this fall," said Olofsson in an email sent to XL radio. "I have never heard your station before, although I've been active scanning the AM band for over 40 years now with the best of equipment, so this was a nice surprise!"

Olofsson stated with an antenna featuring 3,000 feet of wire pointing to the northwest in Parkalompolo, Sweden, he was able to receive transmissions from XL radio.

Olofsson's reception date came in October of 2010, and was one of the last days with fine North American radio reception that winter season.

"After this, the solar activity has been higher and higher, making reception more and more sporadic," said Olofsson. "There weren't many good days in 2011."

The 58 year old has been actively scanning the radio waves for over 40 years, where from mid-September until the beginning of April, he puts a lot of spare time into listening for North American AM signals from across the Atlantic.

Olofsson says he writes each station that he comes across, letting them know that their station made it across the sea or the North Pole.

Each night when normal people are asleep, Olofsson is scanning the airwaves.

"Catching a new station means listening to noise for weeks at first," said Olofsson. "Since signals only travel in darkness, most of my listening is made when people are at sleep, except in midwinter, when it's dark in the daytime."

Olofsson works for InfoCare Service as an on-site service engineer, which takes him into a lot of car travel, as it's a large district to cover.

InfoCare Service is the largest independent third party field service organization in Scandinavia in electronics and computer service representing.

Bo lives in a small house on the coast of the Baltic Sea, where summer is a very short season (Olofsson states that during June and July it is daylight 24 hours a day) where the focus is on outdoor activities.

During the winter months, many focus on indoor activities, especially since snow is usually at least one meter deep around the month of March.

Furuogrund, the place where Olofsson lives, is 5 km east of Byske and boasts about 3,000 inhabitants in the winter and more than twice as many in the summer.

Olofsson says most people don't even know what AM radio is.

"Sweden used to have a radio monopoly, but now we have a couple of commercial FM stations in every city too. They were meant to be local, but just like in American, the networks have taken over with a more 'American' style format," said Olofsson.

The American style radio format meaning mostly music, contests, etc.

"All broadcasting on FM is in stereo, and it has been like that so long that most people don't even know what AM radio is!" said Olofsson.

According to Olofsson, the very last AM transmitter in Sweden was used exclusively for external services and Swedish fishermen at sea, and closed down in 2010.

Olofsson included an MP3 cd confirming his reception of 1450 WWXL, where he stated he received the reception at approximately 4:00 AM, October 20, 2010.

1450 WWXL radio is mainly a talk-radio station, featuring many national talk shows, including Jim Rome and Dan Patrick and covers each Cincinnati Reds baseball game, and the Major League Baseball playoffs.

XL radio is locally supported and also features such shows as "The Coaches Show" with Manchester Enterprise Sports Editor Dylan Sizemore.

And although many throughout the nation are turning off their hometown radio stations in light of iPods and satellite radio, there's still at least one man all the way across the globe that supports the AM radio format.

(Publisher's Note: Wheeler observes that Mr. Olofsson also logged local WKLB-1290, but WWXL is owned by relatives of the owner of the newspaper – so that's the one covered in the story. WWXL is just 354 miles from Harpers Ferry, but remains unheard here.)

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