## News

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haven't made your reservations now, do it now!

Hosts Ernie Wesolowski and Dale Hamm have been working hard on the program for the gathering; an updated summary and all your convention registration information can be found on page 7.

Taking Preorders for 37th Edition NRC Log -We are taking preorders for the 37th edition of the NRC AM Log. All orders to U.S. addresses will be shipped Priority Mail, with a cost of \$26.95 to members and \$30.95 to nonmembers. Canada (US\$36.25) and overseas (US\$41.75) rates remain the same as in the past. Contact Wayne at NRC Publications as on the back page for your preorder now. Shipping towards the end of August.

Madison-Milwaukee GTG: The 23rd annual Madison-Milwaukee Get-together for DXers and Radio Enthusiasts will be held on Saturday, August 20 from 1:00 to 9:30 PM CDT. This year's location is Madison WI and your hosts are Bill Dvorak and Mark Taylor. For only the third time in get-together history the venue is a park, this time beautiful and spacious Lake Farm County Park, 4330 Libby Road Madison WI 53711. For further information, please e-mail dxerak@gmail.com markokpik@gmail.com (please include "Madison DX Get-together" in the subject line)

To get a taste of last year's event held in Oak Creek WI, let us direct you to GTG attendee Dave Legler's Flickr photo album of it and see how many **NRC** members you recognize: https://www.flickr.com/photos/dave\_legler/sets/ 72157659027189280

Participation by NRC members is strong every year for this event and this year should be no exception. We hope you can join us! See you on August 20!

**<u>From the Publisher</u>**: The dog days of summer are here, with temperatures pushing 100 degrees today. I know that the summer can also be a DX season, especially when thunderstorms aren't near, but I need to get out and do some work on my antennas before I can

**2016 DXers Gathering**: The hotel reservation hear much of anything, and it's just too dang hot! deadline for the 2016 DXers Gathering September | Much more comfortable to sit here in the air 9-11 in Kansas City is <u>August 18</u>. So, if you conditioning and work on *DX News*. Hope you're all having an equally relaxed summer.

### From the Archives

75 Years Ago – From the July 19, 1941 issue of DX News: The annual convention was to be held in Buffalo, NY. Dinner will be either \$1 or \$1.25 depending on food cost! Al Bartholomew of Bradford, NY reported his 32nd TP verie, from 4YZ. 75 of his 80 reception reports have verified!

**50 Years Ago** – From the July 18, 1966 issue of DX News: David Pope (SC) reported from his Army post in Ethiopia logging Tunisia, Egypt, Sudan, Kenya, Greece, and "French Somaliland" on his transistor radio. In the ongoing discussion about what constitutes an acceptable report, WHOT's Jerry Starr suggested a minimum of 5 verifiable items, as opposed to any elongated timeframe.

25 Years Ago – From the July 29, 1991 issue of DX News: DDXD-E Editor William Hale's reply from his inquiry to Radio Shack about resurrecting the popular TRF radio- lack of sales & no Far East producer now. Punch line: most of the requests for the TRF came from DXers & those incarcerated in various prisons! (The only NRC con I knew was TN's Bill Prater, locked up for a union murder scheme! – Ron) CA's Mike Riordan logged Malaysia-1475, as had Tim Hall/Neil

**10 Years Ago** – From the July 17, 2006 issue of DX News: Watkinsville, GA's Ira New III gave detailed bandscans from a half dozen Outer Banks (NC) locales, a place similar to Cape Cod & parts of the Jersey Shore for great DXing. Richard Wood in Hawaii logged Indonesians 810, 1242 & 1287; Vietnam 1170 & 1242; Sri Lanka-1548! This year's convention is in Akron, Ohio.

(Thanks Ron Schiller for compiling!)

#### Volume 83 DX News Schedule

	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Publish</u>		<u>Deadline</u>	Publish
19	Aug. 19	Aug. 29	20	Sept. 9	Sept. 19

### AM Switch

Info to David Yocis, 9412 Ferry Landing Ct., Alexandria, VA 22309, <a href="mailto:NRCDXNews@gmail.com">NRCDXNews@gmail.com</a>
Canadian information from CRTC complied by Shawn Axelrod and Dan Sys

NRC AM Log updates from Wayne Heinen, <a href="mailto:amradiolog@nrcdxas.org">amradiolog@nrcdxas.org</a>

### Official Updates from the FCC and the CRTC

#### CALL CHANGES

**1000 WDXZ AL Robertsdale** – Call change to WJNZ (July 1).

**1230 KVAS OR Astoria** – Call change to KKOR (July 1).

In addition, the potential new owners of KWVE-660 Oildale CA have reserved KGSV.

### **STATIONS GOING DARK**

750 KHWG NV Fallon – License cancelled, has been silent since Jan. 1, 2015.

**1240 KBLL MT Helena** – License cancelled, has been silent since Nov. 4, 2014.

**1560** WZTQ AL Centre – License cancelled at licensee's request (May 10).

### **CONSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR EXISTING STATIONS**

#### CPs on the air:

**920** WGHQ NY Kingston – CP for U1 1000/35 is on the air.

**1080 WNWI IL Oak Lawn** – **CP** for U2 5000/2600 is on the air.

**1450 WASK IN Lafayette** – CP for a new tower is on the air.

### CPs built, nearing final licensing:

**540 WXYG MN Sauk Rapids** – Applies for license to cover CP for U4 850/250.

**1230 WMOU NH Berlin** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 1000/930.

**1310 WDTW MI Dearborn** – Granted program test authority to use CP for new towers.

**1470 WMGG FL Egypt Lake** – Applies for license to cover CP for U4 2800/800, moving from Dunedin FL.

### CPs granted:

**890 KMJE CA Oliverhurst** – Granted CP for U4 10000/270, consolidating at licensed day site.

950 WAKM TN Franklin – Granted CP for U1 5000/75.

**1560 KZIZ WA Pacific** – Granted CP for U7 10000/2500 (ch 2500).

#### Applications filed:

**570 KLIF TX Dallas** – Applies for U4 5000/2400, diplexing with KTCK-1310 at 32-56-40/96-56-23.

**780 WIIN** MS Ridgeland – Applies for D1 4400, triplexing with WSFZ-930 and WOAD-1300 at 32-23-12/90-04-07.

930 WSFZ MS Jackson – Applies for U1 3700/60.

**1300 WOAD MS Jackson** – Applies for U1 3600/730.

**1540 KBOA MO Kennett** – Applies for U1 1000/3 (ch 530), moving to a new tower at the studio site at 36-13-30/90-04-30.

**1580 WMTI PR Morovis** – Applies for U5 5000/1600, corrected coordinates 18-20-32/66-25-08.

### Auxiliary facilities:

**820 WCPT** IL **Willow Springs** – Granted CP for U5 2500/1500 auxiliary facilities at licensed night site.

### SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)

**760 KFMB CA San Diego** – Granted STA with U2 5000/10000; wishes to experiment with 10 kW rather than 50 kW night power as most of the pattern goes out to sea.

**790 WMC** TN Memphis – Granted STA with U1 5000/1250 from normally unused auxiliary tower at existing site to facilitate tower work.

WNIS VA Norfolk – Granted STA with parameters at variance; was operating U1 1250/1250 after electrical damage but is back to U3 5000/5000 now.

890 KDXU UT St. George – Granted STA of U1 10000/2500 while KHKR-1210 is diplexed.

**1250 KZDC TX San Antonio** – Applies for STA with U5 25000/250 from day site; problem discovered with one of the night site towers.

- **1330 KNSS KS Wichita** Granted STA for parameters at variance during installation of FM translator diplex.
- 1370 WXXI NY Rochester Granted STA for U1 5000/1250; phasor failure.
- **1430 WFHK AL Pell City** Granted STA for reduced power from temporary longwire after tower collapse.
- 1530 WYMM FL Jacksonville Granted STA for D3? 5000 during guy wire repairs.
- **1560 KGOW TX Bellaire** Granted STA for U3 15000/15000 from night site; day site severely damaged in recent Houston-area flooding.
- **1590 KVTA CA Ventura** Granted STA to operate at night with day pattern and (unspecified) reduced power.
- **1600 WHNP MA East Longmeadow** Granted STA with D1 250 during equipment repair.

Applications to extend existing STAs were <a href="received">received</a> from WTBN-570 Pinellas Park FL (U4 5000/10000); WKAQ-580 San Juan PR (U1 10000/4500); WARM-590 Scranton PA (U4? 1250/1250); KIDD-630 Monterey CA (U1 300/250 from KNRY-1240 tower); WQNO-690 New Orleans LA (U1 2500/1250 from temporary antenna); WLTP-910 Marietta OH (U4 5000/9 from day site); KSDN-930 Aberdeen SD (U1 1250/250); KTCT-1050 San Mateo CA (U4 50000/35000); KFAB-1110 Omaha NE (parameters at variance during FM translator duplexing); KSDO-1130 San Diego CA (U1 2500/2500 from temporary dropwire antenna); WOBM-1160 Lakewood Township NJ (parameters at variance); WVNJ-1160 Oakland NJ (minor parameters at variance); KRAL-1240 Rawlins WY (U1 20/20 from temporary longwire); WALO-1240 Humacao PR (U1 1000/5000 due to HICV QRM); KDEI-1250 Port Arthur TX (minor parameters at variance); KKDZ-1250 Seattle WA (U1 5000/1250, all from day site, day power 0300-LSS ELT); WJYE-1280 Gardiner ME (U1 5000/1250); WJMO-1300 Cleveland OH (U1 1250/1250); WADB-1310 Asbury Park NJ (U1, presumably 625/250); WHGM-1330 Havre de Grace MD (U1 5000/125); WTRN-1340 Tyrone PA (U1 900/900); KKZZ-1520 Port Hueneme CA (parameters at variance); KZNX-1530 Creedmoor TX (U3 220/220 from night site only); and WFBR-1590 Glen Burnie MD (operation without sample lines).

Applications to extend existing STAs were granted to WREC-600 Memphis TN (parameters at variance); WIIN-780 Ridgeland MS (D1 250); WAYY-790 Eau Claire WI (U1 5000/1250); WKVL-850 Knoxville TN (D1 1000 from temporary longwire antenna); KECR-910 El Cajon CA (U4 1250/5000, night pattern 24 hours); WDMC-920 Melbourne FL (U1 1250/500); WRFM-990 Muncie IN (U1 62/1 from temporary antenna); KXEN-1010 St. Louis MO (U5 50000/125); WHOO-1080 Kissimmee FL (U1 1500/11 from WAMT-1190 site); **WUFO-1080 Amherst NY** (D1 1000 from WECK-1230 tower); KLIB-1110 Roseville CA (U2 1250/500); WTMP-1150 Egypt Lake FL (parameters at variance); WPSP-1190 Royal Palm Beach FL (U4 2200/410); WBIG-1280 Aurora IL (parameters at variance); WOAD-1300 Jackson MS (U1 5000/950); KTCK-1310 Dallas TX (U4 20000/5000); WMOR-1330 Morehead KY (D1 50 from temporary antenna); WNVA-1350 Norton VA (U1 37/37 from emergency antenna); WSHY-1410 Lafayette IN (U1 250/60); KEZW-1430 Aurora CO (U1 10000/1250); WENE-1430 Endicott NY (U1 5000/1250); WLAY-1450 Muscle Shoals AL (U1 60/60 from emergency antenna); WBNS-1460 Columbus OH (parameters at variance); WMGG-1470 Dunedin FL (U1 750/400 from CP site); KAIR-1470 Atchison KS (U1 250/250); KYOS-1480 Merced CA (U1 5000/1250 from temporary site); KOKC-1520 Oklahoma City OK (U1 10000/10000); WYCL-1540 Niles OH (D1 125); and WVNA-1590 Tuscumbia AL (D1 2000 from temporary site).

### SILENT STATIONS

Formerly silent stations informing the FCC that they are back on the air:

- **710 WUFF GA Eastman** Silent Mar. 1, 2015; on the air Sept. 1, 2015 (just notified now).
- **1270** KVGH CA Thousand Palms Silent Jan. 13; on the air June 4.
- **1300** KLLS TX Lumberton Silent Apr. 8; on the air June 24.
- **1410 WYIS GA McRae** Silent Mar. 1, 2015; on the air Sept. 1, 2015 (just notified now).
- **1500 WMJL KY Marion** Silent July 1 (2015); on the air June 30.

### Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

- 560 WCKL NY Catskill Silent (again) June 8; transmitter problems.
- 910 WAVL PA Apollo Silent July 1 for technical repairs prior to station sale.
- **1310 KZYP AR Malvern** Silent July 7 after lightning strike to the tower.
- **1340** KCRN TX San Angelo Silent June 15, transmitter problems.
- **1410 WIQR AL Prattville** Silent June 3, truck damaged radial system.
- **1450 KPTR CA Palm Springs** Silent July 10 pending sale.
- 1480 KBXD TX Dallas Silent June 27, damage to one of the antenna tuning units.



1520 WLGC KY Greenup – Silent (again) July 2; ongoing tower problems.

Stations informing the FCC that they were briefly silent but now back on the air:

**1600 WHNP MA East Longmeadow** – Silent June 17; on the air July 8 with STA (as above).

Silent stations informing the FCC that they came back on the air but are now silent again:

**1480** WRCK NY Remsen – Silent Aug. 5, 2015; on the air July 4; silent again July 15.

**1550** WUSP NY Utica – Silent Aug. 5, 2015; on the air July 4; silent again July 15.

### **COORDINATE CORRECTION**

**1400 WSJM MI St. Joseph** – CP to correct coordinates to 42-05-03/86-26-38 is on the air.

**1520 WQCT OH Bryan** – Applies to correct coordinates to 41-28-40/84-34-42.

### **C**ANADA

**580 CKUA AB Edmonton** – Two applications for new station here (both U4? 10000/10000).

**730 CHMJ BC Vancouver** – On the air with low power (400-500 watts) from a temporary site; was off briefly in early July after a tower was lost to a wildfire.

830 CBVE1 QC La Tuque – Granted CP to move to 101.9 MHz FM.

**880 CKLQ MB Brandon** – Applies to move to 91.5 MHz FM, but would maintain the AM facility as a nested repeater.

**1340 CBEY ON Moosonee** – Granted CP to move to 99.9 MHz FM.

**1450 CKDR4 ON Ear Falls** – Has moved to FM; deleted.

No *NRC AM Log* updates this time as Wayne and the *Log* team are busily doing a complete review of the whole database leading up to next month's publication of the 37th Edition. In the meantime, however, Wayne passed on a few items of interest from Radio Insight:

*NBC News*. iHeartMedia announced that its 24/7 News Network, the world's largest radio-only news source, will provide its 1,000 affiliated radio stations and iHeartMedia's more than 850 radio stations with access to NBC News broadcast coverage, along with an hourly newscast provided to its network around the clock. In addition, iHeartRadio, iHeartMedia's all-in-one digital music and streaming radio service, will also feature "NBC News Radio" as a source for national and international news content.

Through this collaboration, NBC News will now span all media platforms including the most widely consumed medium, Radio, which reaches 93 percent of Americans each week. Global content from NBC News' leading and award-winning television news broadcasts including primetime specials, political events and breaking news reports will be available to all of iHeartMedia's 24/7 News Network affiliates, owned stations and will stream online via a new "NBC News Radio" station on iHeartRadio.

Users can listen to "NBC News Radio" by visiting iHeartRadio.com/NBCNewsRadio.

Yahoo! Sports Radio. The Yahoo! Sports Radio Network has had many names since its formation in 1991 as Sports Entertainment Network. It was acquired in 1993 by closed circuit broadcaster One-One Sports and took its name until it was merged into The Sporting News and became Sporting

News Radio in 2000. After being acquired by Houston based Gow Communications a licensing and branding agreement was reached with Yahoo! Sports leading to its rebranding as Yahoo! Sports Radio on August 1, 2011. Now another rebranding appears imminent.

YAHOO!

SPORTS RADIO

With that five year deal with Yahoo reaching its end on August 1, it appears as though the next online property to associate itself with the radio network will be Vox Media's SBNation. Vox registered SBNationRadio.com, while Gow Communications registered SBNation1560.com and SBNationRadio1560.com for network flagship KGOW Houston.

### Membership Renewals

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### Domestic DX Digest – East

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers located in the Eastern and Atlantic Time Zones.

All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT).

#### **REPORTERS**

**BC-NH** Bruce Conti, Nashua – Excalibur SDR, MWDX-5, terminated 50 x 60-ft SuperLoop 60° northeast, variable termination 50 x 75-ft SuperLoop 180° south.

HJH-PA Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre – C. Crane Skywave, Q-Stick Plus ferrite rod

KK-VA Kraig Krist, Manassas – Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium Loop

TLK-FL Terry Krueger, Clearwater – NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop PS-ON Paul Snider, Welland – ICOM R75, Pixel RF Pro-1B loop, MFJ-1020C tuner

**MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto** – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, C Crane CC Skywave, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)

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#### **UNID**

**1070 unID** -- - 7/2 0638 – Spanish slow gospel vocal briefly fading up. (TLK-FL)

**1170 unID** -- 7/7 2108 – Someone with an EAS alert tones, popping through Trinchera Antiimperialista, Cuba and Caracol, Colombia co-channel, lasting for a little over a minute, male voice, mention of "National Weather Service" but no geographical references making it through. Doubt WWVA, as the only severe weather on radar this hour was in central MN, on the IL-IN Lake Michigan border, central MI, and eastern NC. (**TLK-FL**)

### TIS/HAR

MD Ocean City – 5/27 2058 – In CHHA/UNID other Spanish mix with male "...Maryland State Highway Administration highway advisory radio with traffic conditions... this station will provide you with...traffic information...

motorists with cellular phones... #77... happening directly to the Maryland State Police...thanks for your cooperation from station WPFJ882..." (KK-

VA 1620 unID -- 5/2

-- 5/27 1925 – Mixing with talk, more talk and R. Rebelde (Cuba), female with weather forecast for the Baltimore area. **(KK-VA)** 

### **CATCH THE DRIFT**

**1379.71 WFNW CT** Naugatuck – 7/9 0200 – Portuguese; off-frequency producing a loud het against WKDM and WABH. (BC-NH)

### **LOGGINGS**

**620 WHEN NY Syracuse** – 7/16 0159 – Good; "You're listening to Power 620, central New York's only R&B." **(BC-NH)** 

**720 WHYF PA Shiremanstown** – 7/10 2028\* – In WGN mix with sign-off announcement: "WHYF 7-20 AM is now at the end of our broadcast day..." **(KK-VA)** 

**840 WRYM CT New Britain** – 7/17 0040 – Spanish tropical style music, "ocho cuarenta" announcements between song sets, "WRYM" ID in Spanish @at 0103. Poor to very poor mostly under WHAS, but at times almost over it. **(PS-ON)** 

NM Roswell – 7/2 0611 – Spanish preacher with emphatic, sing-song delivery. Radio Visión Cristiana network, and indeed confirmed KCKN with a parallel and only about a half-second behind WWCL, Lehigh Acres, FL, another RVC affiliate. Slight Cuba co-channel and slight local 0610 splatter, but overall very good on peak until 0620. First NM for me from this location, I think. (TLK-FL)

**1070 KNX CA Los Angeles** – 7/2 0624 – Listening for Mexicans with the loop pointing west, with a little Cuba co-channel still present. Suddenly, male live, "... It's 3:25 on



10-70 News Radio KNX... traffic... on the Golden State Freeway... on the [Interstate] 405 and... on KNX." Back in at nearly local level briefly from 0638 with man, "Southern California's only 24-hour news station, KNX" into long local and national companies' commercials. First time here, and first CA log since KFI many years ago. Also noted 7/9 0616 with nice signal on local sunrise again, weather from "... CBS Meteorologist... 10-70 News Radio." Into male and female newscasters, items on California tourism, missing person in the Reservoir Fire, remote reporter end tagging with "KNX 10-70 News Radio" into national and local commercials. (TLK-FL)

- WNCT NC Greenville 7/16 0602 "Build Me Up Buttercup" by The Foundations, into "Rock Steady" by The Whispers, // <a href="beachboogieandblues.com">beachboogieandblues.com</a>. My previously unID oldies station. Radio Guamá co-channel, a little KNX by 0644 however this one was gone by then. (TLK-FL)
- **1090 WBAF GA Barnesville** 7/3 0505 Local newscast with story on meth bust "in Madison County... just north of Athens..." and weather (20% rain, high of 90), then male live, "America's Country, AM 10-90 in Barnesville" into "God Bless the USA" by The Nelsons, same slogan, into "I Was There" by The Bowling Family. D1 with no pre-sunrise authority, at 1000 watts, so apparently breaking the law. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1110 WJML MI Petoskey** 6/28 2232 News with WJML mention, ID at 2233 "Northern Michigan's News-Talk Giant, 1110 WJML..." into Free Talk Live. Good to poor mostly over WBT. **(PS-ON)**
- **1140** WRLV KY Salyersville 7/11 0500 Heard through WRVA, "Pure Country 106.5 WRLV." New log. (BC-NH)
- **1150 WDEL DE Wilmington** 7/10 0200 Under WMRD; "Good morning, it's 2 o'clock," into canned ID, "101.7 FM, 1150 AM..." **(BC-NH)**
- **1170 WSOS FL St. Augustine** 7/9 0635 "Woman Woman" by Gary Puckett, ELP "Still... You Turn Me On" parallel streaming at <u>staugustineradio.com</u>. (**TLK-FL**)
- **1240 WZCC** FL Cross City 7/10 1129 Threshold, though someone else even weaker with talk under. Lionel Richie destruction era Commodores "Easy," parallel somewhat better 940 WLQH, Chiefland. (TLK-FL)
  - WEZR ME Lewiston 7/9 0501 Over/under WWCO; FM simulcast, Z105-5 promo/ID mentioned music variety and online. (BC-NH)
  - WRTA PA Altoona 6/27 2358 Alan Colmes Show, ads, "Central Pennsylvania's only newsroom...1240 WRTA, Altoona, Pennsylvania" ToH, ABC news, more ads, weather on "Newstalk 1240 WRTA." Very poor in multi-station mix including CJCS Stratford, ON. (PS-ON)
- 1250 CJYE ON Oakville 7/11 0500 Over/under local WGAM; promo/ID, "...on CJMR 1320 dot ca." (BC-NH)
- **1270 WQTT OH Marysville** 7/11 0501 Fair; "WQTT Marysville, news, sports, weather, and great oldies all day long, lock it on True Oldies QT 1270," into ABC news. **(BC-NH)**
- **1290 WJCV** NC Jacksonville 7/10 0544 Country-ish gospel vocals, local florist ad, "This is Trooper... North Carolina... on WJCV 98.3 and 1290" (safe driving PSA). Slight WJNO co-channel. (TLK-FL)
- 1340 WNDR NY Auburn 7/16 2316 "Baby, I Love Your Way" by Peter Frampton, "Rescue Me" by Aretha Franklin, FM non-ID at 2324 "94.1, 95.3, 103.9, The Dinosaur," Prehistoric Saturday Night show, promo for waterparks in New York, local ads (Senior Homecare Solutions, lawyer office), Central NY weather, "American Pie" by Don McLean. Very poor, mostly under in-state rival WLVL. (PS-ON)
- 1350 WNLK CT Norwalk 7/10 0059 Over WOYK; promo, "The fastest growing media network in Connecticut, that's WNLK 1350 AM..." and ID, "1350 WNLK Norwalk-Bridgeport-Stamford," into R&B/gospel music. (BC-NH)
- **1380 WELE FL Ormond Beach** 7/10 0620 Yahoo Sports Radio feed, when pointing WNW with my local WWMI briefly off the air. **(TLK-FL)** 
  - **KRCM TX** Shenandoah 7/10 0620 With my local WWMI briefly off, this one in good when pointing ENE with Spanish preacher, Houston PO Box for sending him bling, other local church mentions, Spanish gospel vocals from 0630. (TLK-FL)
- **1390 WROA MS Gulfport** 7/10 0635 Nostalgia format, "Don't Be That Way" by the Spitfire Band. (TLK-FL)
- **1400 WSTC** CT Stamford 7/10 \*0500 Fair; instrumental national anthem and sign-on announcement, "You're listening to WSTC Stamford, Connecticut. WSTC is owned by the WSHU Public Radio Group..." (BC-NH)

WZHR FL Zephyrhills – 7/10 1101 – Extremely weak, about 15-seconds behind WTAN 1340, with Southern Gospel vocals on a Sunday. (TLK-FL)

1440 WNPV PA Lansdale – 7/10 2200 – Ending local nostalgia music program, ID then into Fox news. Fair signal. (HJH-PA)

+++ - 7/11 0500 – Good; "Celebrating 50 years of broadcast excellence, this is WNPV Lansdale, WNPV 1440 dot com, powered by Sitecats web development," into Fox news. (BC-NH)

**1450 WQWK PA State College** – 7/21 0500 – Fair; "Your home for Pittsburgh baseball is WQWK State College, ESPN Radio 1450." **(BC-NH)** 

**WQNT** SC Charleston – 7/9 2353 – Lots of Fox Sports promos, Sports talk show, ads (Angry Orchard, Geico, boosterseat.gov etc), Fox Sports Sunday Promo, ToH ID "This is 1450 WQNT Charleston...." Very poor in multi-station mix including a Fox News station (WENI?). **(PS-ON)** 

**1460 WVOX NY New Rochelle** – 7/18 2214 – Oldies music, ID at 2236 "The Best of The 60's...WVOX," "Just Walking in the Rain" by Johnnie Ray, "Good Morning Starshine" by Oliver. Poor to very poor, mixing with WKDV, CJOY and WHIC. **(PS-ON)** 

WHIC NY Rochester – 7/18 2255 – Religious talk, ID at 2258 "...coming up on WHIC." Very poor, mixing with WVOX, CJOY and WKDV. (PS-ON)

**WBUC WV Buckhannon** – 7/18 2302 – Fox news, weather "on 1460 WBUC," then lost to CJOY and WKDV. Very poor. **(PS-ON)** 

**1480 WLEA NY Hornell** – 7/5 0620 – Over usual WHBC-Canton with local news, "national and local news seven days a week on AM 1480 WLEA" station promo. **(MKB-ON)** 

**1490 WESB PA Bradford** – 7/4 2232 – Heard clear "WESB" ID at 2234, into music and then lost. Very poor mixing with possibly WNTJ or WMGW and unknown Fox Sports station (WDLF?). **(PS-ON)** 

**1600 WKKX WV Wheeling** – 7/14 0024 – Game Night (in Las Vegas), lots of Yahoo Sports mentions and promos, national ads (LLC.com, Angry Orchards, Mini C Pap, Parkview Credit, GNC etc), ToH ID "The Watchdog, WKKX Wheeling ...." Poor to very poor, mostly under Spanish station (WHOL?) and lots of static from approaching thunderstorm. **(PS-ON)** 

### 2016 DXers Gathering

DXers in AM, FM, and TV, including the NRC, IRCA, WTFDA, and DecaloMania will gather on September 9-11, 2016 in Kansas City, MO. Plan to arrive on Thursday for 3 nights, and we end Sunday at noon.

The Gathering will be held at the Hyatt Place Kansas City Airport, 7600 NW 97th Terrace. To reserve your hotel room, call 1-816-891-0871 x3 and ask for the Group Rate for the National Radio



INFO-RADIO

Club, group code G-NRCC. The deadline for hotel reservations is August 18. Rates are \$99.00 per night for 1 to 3 persons per room, plus taxes and fees. Free airport transfers and breakfast each morning.

Registration: \$55 per person which includes a free Friday evening pizza party and Saturday evening banquet. Checks made payable to "National Radio Club" and sent to Ernest J. Wesolowski, 13312 Westwood Lane, 7Omaha, NE 68144-3543. Please mention which club(s) you belong to for club treasury info. Dale Hamm W5LN and Ernie are your hosts.

On Friday, we'll start with free breakfast in the hotel lobby, then off to tours at 9 a.m., starting with WDAF-TV-4, KMBZ-980, KCSP-620, and possibly KCMO-710. The afternoons will include a tour of the Truman Presidential Library, and there will be a pizza party in the evening.

Saturday morning we'll have some "tech talks" – Mark Durenberger "Square Kilometer Array," Randy Schulze "Nebraska FCC Monitoring Station Grand Island," Nick Hall-Patch "Antenna Alternatives," Dave Fischer/Skip Dabelstein "Beverages & NEBe," and Mike Lantz "Miami Radio" are scheduled at the moment. A group of radio music survey collectors will be joining us to make a presentation in the meeting room on Saturday afternoons.

Saturday night will be the banquet – the menu includes Italian roast beef, chicken marsala, classic twice-baked potatoes, green beans Ceasar, peach cobbler, dinner rolls, garden salad, and bottled waters & sodas. The guest speaker will be local newsman Dan Verbeck (KFEQ, KCUR-FM, KMBZ). This will be followed by the NRC business meeting and the usual auction. On Sunday morning we have the Gathering Quiz, and the Gathering ends at noon.

### Domestic DX Digest - West

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers located in the Central, Mountain, and Pacific Time Zones. All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT).

### **REPORTERS**

GH-OK Glenn Hauser, Enid, OK. Mostly DX-398 with internal antenna only; NRD-545 with ALA-330S E-W inside or N-S random wire; IC-R75 with E-W longwire; also available, PL-880 with internal or random wire; FRG-7 with NW/SE short wire; Nissan stock car radio when specified. Glenn's complete reports, with extensive commentary, are originally published in DX Listening Digest. http://www.worldofradio.com/dxldmid.html

**JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO**. Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.

MR-UT Mike Riordan, Salt Lake City, UT. Realistic DX-440, stock antenna

NJ-WY Nancy Johnson, in Jackson WY. 2015 Subaru Forester car radio.

**RD-IA** Rick Dau, at a Quality Inn in Davenport, IA. (233 total domestics here). Sony ICF-2010, Quantum QX Pro loop

### **DX Logs**

570 KWML NM Las Cruces – 7/7 0645 – Fox Sports Radio, hype, hype, hype. Loops NE/SW, and easily heard with KLIF DFW nulled, not very strong itself. ID 0659 after local weather. So is it on day power? 7/21 0145 – Fox Sports Radio is good dominating frequency from WSW. As previously IDed, must be KWML, and on 5 kW ND day power instead of legal 155 Watts night. (GH-OK)

740 KTRH TX Houston – 7/7 0652 – With headlines, IDs in passing, over KRMG Tulsa and making a 64/minute = 1.07 Hz SAH; also heavy QRM from the off-frequency Mexican. KTRH is 50/50 kW U4, and both day and night patterns are supposed to throw virtually nothing toward Oklahoma. But I can only get some KRMG by nulling KTRH. By 0707, KRMG is atop, but KTRH and its SAH still audible. Official FCC July sunrises are: Tulsa 0715; Houston 0730. (GH-OK)

780 KSPI OK Stillwater – 7/21 0705 – Open carrier is already on from KSPI Stillwater, 250 watt daytimer, which could start programming in July at 0715 but normally does not until 0800. A Mexican is under, probably XESFT, and nothing from WBBM already. BTW, looking thru their History Cards at FCC AM Query, in 1953y KSPI had a CP to change to fulltime on 1490 kHz, but relinquished it. Original CP in 1946y was for 840 kHz, but soon changed to 780. A 70-year-old station which never wanted to be more than a 250-watt daytimer (except they did add a significant FM on 93.9/93.7). (GH-OK)

**880 KHAC NN Tse Bonito** – 6/30 2200 – As reported by other DXers, still running day power at night. (**MR-UT**)

950 KWOS MO Jefferson City – 7/11 2124 – Good with "KWOS" heard in promo for St. Louis Cardinals tickets giveaway. (RD-IA)

**1000 KTOK OK Oklahoma City** – 7/11 2134 – Fair under WMVP with "...online at ktok.com." noted in liner. **(RD-IA)** 

**1080 KSLL UT Price** – 6/30 2335 – Running day power at night; canned music; running with no announcements for a long period of time. **(MR-UT)** 

**1240 KFMO MO Park Hills** – 7/12 2258 – Atop with mention of "the Parkland" in promo for Kansas City Chiefs football coverage, coming this fall to KFMO. (**RD-IA**)

**1270 KTFI ID Twin Falls** – 7/18 0658 – Ad for St. Nicholas Catholic School in Rupert; legal ID at 0700:15: "You're listening to Salt and Light Radio 1270 KTFI Twin Falls, listener-supported Catholic radio for the Magic Valley"; EWTN news followed. Fair signal, mixing with others. **(JW-CO)** 

**1290** WHIO OH Dayton – 7/11 2107 – Fair with "...the Miami Valley's..." and "Newstalk 1290 and 95.7, WHIO" in liner. (**RD-IA**)

**1290 WZTI WI Greenfield** – 7/11 2104 – Fair with "Milwaukee's..." and "...1290 WZTI" heard in ID. **(RD-IA)** 

- **1290 WKLJ WI Sparta** 7/11 2103 "WKLJ, Sparta" heard in quick string ID during ESPN Radio's coverage of the 2016 MLB Home Run Derby. **(RD-IA)**
- **1320 WFHR WI Wisconsin Rapids** 7/11 2119 In briefly with "AM 1320 WFHR" ID, then back to a local baseball game. **(RD-IA)**
- 1330 KWKW CA Los Angeles 7/16 0753 ESPN sports in Spanish; legal ID at 0759:40: "KWKW Trece Treinta Los Angeles," followed by more ESPN Deportes. Fair signal. (JW-CO)
- **1340 WSOY** IL **Decatur** 7/12 2205 Fair with weather forecast, then "WSOY" and "Neuhoff Media" heard in disclaimer. **(RD-IA)**
- **1340 KSGT WY Jackson** 7/20 1343 On with talk programming, mention of EIB network at 1424. **(NJ-WY)**
- **1360 KBKB IA Fort Madison** 7/12 1502 Fair in KMJM null with "Fox Sports 1360" slogan heard after Fox Sports Radio update. Unneeded WLBK in DeKalb, IL noted underneath at 1505 with local weather before going into *The Dave Ramsey Show*. **(RD-IA)**
- 1360 WKMI MI Kalamazoo 7/11 2058 Brief ID as "Kalamazoo's Talk Radio, 1360 WKMI." (RD-IA)
- **1360 KDJW TX Amarillo** 7/3 0759 Legal ID at 0759:45 for three stations: KDJW and 2 FM'ers, whose calls I could not copy; EWTN programming followed. Fair in QRM with nearby KHNC apparently off. **(JW-CO)**
- **1360 WTAQ WI Green Bay** 7/11 2052 Atop briefly with CLs. **(RD-IA)**
- **1360 WVRQ WI Viroqua** 7/11 2004 Fair with the Moody Blues' "Tuesday Afternoon," then ID: "WVRQ, Viroqua, with the most news..." **(RD-IA)**
- **1370 KWRT MO Boonville** 7/11 2046 Fair with brief "KWRT, Boonville" ID, then modern country song "Rock On" by Tucker Beathard. **(RD-IA)**
- **1390 KENN NM Farmington** 7/12 0805 Out of Fox news with Glenn Beck program note, weather forecast, and this ID: "Northwest New Mexico's talk leader 1390 AM and 92.1 FM KENN Farmington"; into America's Morning News at 0806. Fair/good in null of local KGNU open carrier. (**JW-CO**)
- **1390 KLGN UT Logan** 7/12 0843 PSA from the Smithfield Police Dept.; ID as "103.3 Lite FM," followed by songs by Paul Anka and Neil Diamond; also noted this slogan: "Our specialty, continued lite favorites, Lite FM." Fair with local KGNU off the air. **(JW-CO)**
- **1400 WDWS IL** Champaign 7/12 2359 Fair with ad for Ashley Furniture Home Stores at 602 West Anthony Drive in Champaign, then legal ID. (**RD-IA**)
- **1450** KJCV WY Jackson 7/20 1342 Running religious programming. (NJ-WY)
- **1460 KBZO TX Lubbock** 7/7 2232 Spanish looping NE/SW talk sounds like sports. The only good fit is: KBZO with ESPN Deportes. Atop at first, it soon fades. **(GH-OK)**
- **1490 KJNT WY Jackson** 7/20 1340 Noted off the air. **(NJ-WY)**
- **1520 KKZZ CA Port Hueneme** 7/1 2240 Running day power at night constantly since 7/1. Playing a wide playlist of oldies and classic rock. Enjoyable listening, but is it a format change? **(MR-UT)**
- 1560 WGLB WI Elm Grove 7/12 2316 Very good with black gospel music //webstream. Local mentions at 2328, including phone numbers in the 414 area code. Something is definitely amiss with their towers, as they should not be getting into Davenport on either their 185 watt day pattern or their 250 watt night pattern, both directional and both pointing away from the Quad Cities. (RD-IA)
- 1580 KOKB OK Blackwell 7/10 2053 Strong dominant signal with DJ in long introduction of Tony Bennett, loops NE/SW, so surely semi-local KOKB Blackwell --- but it's part of Triple-Play Sports Radio, and not // the sports talk on 1020 KOKP Perry, AutoZone ad. 1580 finally plays "Rags to Riches" and I immediately find it's // and synchro with the third station of the group, 105.1, KOSB, 6 kW in Perry, where I continue listening. 2056 outro as "The Stillwater Jukebox with Tom Dorado --- hits of the 50s and 60s for Ponca City, Blackwell and Enid." Recheck 1580 at 2058, and now it's gone although the sun is still shining and official FCC sunset in July is not until 2145, when it has to cut from 1000 to 49 watts. For me it might as well be daytime-only. The DJ show keeps playing overtime on 105.1, so Tom can squeeze in, "just under the wire" one last request for Jack in Enid, "Peppermint Twist"; 2102 closing till next Sunday at 6:00 (1900), and inviting phone requests on the sports line in the meantime. 105.1 then gradually fades up sports talk in progress re- becoming // 1020. The three stations most of the

time are simulcast, but are capable of splitting if there are two or three different ballgames to broadcast.(GH-OK)

**1600 WAOS GA Austell** – 7/12 2351 – Good signal on obvious day power with regional Mexican music and "La Mejor" IDs. Second Georgia logging at this QTH. **(RD-IA)** 

**MS Biloxi** – 6/23 2150 – As the sun is setting, it's time to check the X-band, to find that local KZLS Enid-Hennessey-OKC is OFF; instead some silly sports talk about NBA draft, obviously WTNI, which I cannot believe is not always running 10 kW ND day power, as I can hear it even when KZLS is on, underneath, and generally better than the other 1 kW X-banders at night. KZLS is sibling station to KCRC 1390 which was off the air night before. **(GH-OK)** 

**1640 KZLS OK Enid** – 6/29 1513 – Finally back on the air with usual talk programming. Had been missing at least since June 24 at 0150 UT and daily checks since. **(GH-OK)** 

**1680 KRJO LA Monroe** – 7/19 2217 – "More variety, more music, 99.7 MY-FM" which is the new source and slogan for 1680 KRJO Monroe LA. The WTFDA FM Database reveals that 99.7 is a mere 250-watt translator, K259CU, but still gives an old slogan "Classic Country 1680." Tail wagging the dog. Seems like the 10/1 kW signal is not as good as it used to be; faded up, and then down as a talk station overtook, presumably WPRR. **(GH-OK)** 

#### <u>UNID</u>

1020 UNID 6/26 2137 (UT 6/27 at 0137). KOKP Perry OK seems off, but I do have an open carrier not strong enough for this semi-local, slightly on the low side; then two different Spanish music stations on N/S and E/W antennas, perhaps Nebraska and New Mexico or Cuba. (GH-OK)

### **OTHER**

Very cursory check for live coverage of the Republican National Unconvention, July 19 circa 2219. This was just after a speech by Adam Trump. 1520 KOKC had it from CBS. 88.1 KWOU had it from NPR (but not KOSU --- gotta stick with that Crazy Spy after 7 pm). On down MW, 1200 WOAI had it; 1120 KMOX, but not // KOKC; 1110 KFAB from Fox News Radio; 560 KWTO was about it, during the Jim Bohannon Show. Many other major stations stuck with stupid ballgames or regular talk shows. Of course, if they were breaking for commercial when I went by, would have missed it. (GH-OK)

Thanks to everyone. See you next time. (JDT-WA)

### Unreported Domestic Stations

We have one report of a station in this issue – KSGT-1340 – that had not been reported to DDXD since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000). Also, unreported WZTQ-1560 is now defunct. So we now have only 439 active stations in the United States and Canada on the unreported list. The most recent full list was printed in Issue 82-20.



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### International DX Digest

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### **TRANS-ATLANTIC DX**

- 549 **ALGERIA** *Jil FM*, Les Trembles JUL 9 0300 Fair through lightning noise; contemporary music, time marker with canned ID. [Conti-NH]
- 595 **MOROCCO** *SNRT* Oujda JUL 9 0400 Solid signal but weakly modulated. [Conti-NH]
- **SAUDI ARABIA** *SBC R.Riyadh*, Duba JUL 8 0227 Still at 0236, 1 kHz het is audible on high side of Herman Cain on 1520 KOKC, which I always confidently assume is the 2-megawatter in Duba, which operates only at the night and serves as a transatlantic beacon as far as deep North America; so a new DX season is underway, hi hi. [Hauser-OK]
- SPAIN SER Manresa JUL 4 0900 Weak signal observed while working on 1540.5 Peru. Measured 1538.994 kHz which matches mwoffsets listing for Manresa. (Not 1538.997 Radio TAB nor 1539.006 Niche Radio, Australia, both offsets verified by Tim Tromp.) Receiver site dawn reception, but well past transmitter site dawn. Manresa sunrise 0424, Nashua sunrise 0913 UTC. [Conti-NH]

#### PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 550 **PUERTO RICO** WPAB Ponce JUN 28 0100, 0130 Presumed; talk by a male announcer in Spanish with many mentions of Puerto Rico. [Saylor-NC]
- PUERTO RICO WKAQ San Juan JUN 28 0100 Well over *R.Rebelde*; spirited discussion between several men, with "WKAQ 580 San Juan, WUKQ 1420 Ponce y WYEL 600 Mayagüez" identification and descending orchestra notes tune. [Saylor-NC]
- 600 **PUERTO RICO** WYEL Mayagüez JUN 28 0100 Under *R.Rebelde*; WKAQ ID audible, parallel 580 WKAQ. [Saylor-NC]
- MEXICO XEGS Guasave, Sin. JUL 21 1108 Mentions Grupo Chávez, which means it's XEGS, interference from KCSP; and shortly a mention of Sabinas, which means that's XEBX in Coahuila. [Hauser-OK]
- 630 **PUERTO RICO** WUNO San Juan JUN 28 0100 Talk by man, mentions of sister stations in Ponce and Mayagüez, "Noti Uno" singing ID's. [Saylor-NC]
- MEXICO XETNT Los Mochis, Sin. JUL 7 1106 Sinaloa ads, including mariscos frescos at Mariscos del Navigante. I'm finally up early enough in the summer for XE sunrise skip: Enid LSR today is 1121 UTC, inching later since earliest 1113 UTC a month ago. Besides 5 other XE logs within a few minutes of this time, some other familiar signals were passed across, such as 550, 710. Not much storm noise now, but there is lightning as close as southwest Missouri into southeast Kansas. I consult this lighting-locator site with a map of Texas also covering all of Oklahoma and parts of other adjacent states: http://en.blitzortung.org/live\_lightning\_maps.php. [Hauser-OK]
- 660 **MEXICO** XEEY Aguascalientes, Aguas. JUL 21 1110 Song about besos, 1112 ID as "La Kaliente 102.9" which means it's the negligible 50/10 kW AM progenitor XEEY. [Hauser-OK]
- PUERTO RICO WAPA San Juan JUN 28 0100 Talk by a female announcer, ID by man, "Esta es La Poderosa... WAPA San Juan 680, WISO Ponce 1260, WI2XSO Mayagüez 1260, WI3XSO Aguadilla 1260, WA2XPA Arecibo 680, WGYA Guayama 1590... la señal más Poderosa, con lo maxima noticias..." into news. [Saylor-NC]
- 760 **PUERTO RICO** WORA Mayagüez JUN 28 0058 Under *RCN* Colombia's fútbol; talk by two men, mentions of Puerto Rico, "Noti Uno" singing ID's parallel 630 WUNO. [Saylor-NC]
- 780 **MEXICO** XESFT San Fernando, Tamps. JUL 7 1102 After choral national anthem, ID or sign-on from San Fernando, Tamaulipas, on FM 102.7. I guess they really said 103.7, as listed for XESFT. No KSPI Oklahoma carrier yet. [Hauser-OK]
- 830 **MEXICO** XELN Linares, NL JUL 7 1109 105.7 ID from *La Caliente*, which leads to XELN. WRTH and IRCA show 5/0.25 kW; Cantú 3/0.25 kW. [Hauser-OK]
- 900 **MEXICO** XEOK Monterrey, NL JUL 7 1055 Choral national anthem, 1057 XEOK ID mentioning Guadalupe, Nuevo León, near Monterrey station. It's usually this, not XEW in further DF we hear any more. [Hauser-OK]
- 940 **MEXICO** XEQ *Ke Buena*, México, DF JUL 7 1101 Ad for Laboratorios Mayo sales event coming up in Pachuca, Hidalgo; 1102 choral national anthem; 1104 ID, "24 horas, desde

- México, XEQ AM, 50 mil wats, La Ke Buena," and into "El Morning Show de la Ke Buena." Yes, the title in English. No audible het so using on-frequency transmitter, and big dominant signal, unlike other major DF stations. [Hauser-OK]
- 990 **MEXICO** XET *La T Grande*, Monterrey, NL JUL 21 1104 Opening news block 'Enlace 99' until 10 a.m. (1500 UTC). [Hauser-OK]
- MEXICO XEYC Cd. Juárez, Chih. JUL 21 1117 6:17 time check, "tiempo del centro de México," during newscast, loops west/southwest, vs. KCTA gospel huxter south in English. Therefore I think this is still XEYC Juárez, not having moved to 1420 contrary to some reports, with Milenio Radio originating in the DF, but courteously specifying the timezone of checks which is not applicable in Chihuahua; just like Central Americans have to put up with Eastern zone references whether specified or not, as if that were the default USA standard. [Hauser-OK]
- PUERTO RICO WNVI Moca JUN 28 0103 Talk by man under several other stations, could make out the ID's of their sister stations including mentions of AM and FM's in San Juan, Moca, and Mayagüez. [Saylor-NC]
- 1060.02 unID JUL 16 0900 Het against 1060.000 KYW; measured 1060.021 kHz. Not XERDO which had been measured with a higher offset at 1060.076 kHz. 1060.021 received here previously, logged as far back as 2014 but never identified. [Conti-NH]
- 1070 **CUBA** *R.Guantánamo*, Guantánamo-Burene JUL 8 0105 Poor, occasionally surfacing through *R.Guamá*, parallel better 1170 kHz, with long Gilberto Santa Rosa music block. [Krueger-FL]
- 1090 **MEXICO** XEAU *Milenio Radio*, Monterrey, NL JUL 7 1113 Dramatized history with music about Oaxaca, loops south/southwest. Both strongly suggest it's XEAU. [Hauser-OK]
- PUERTO RICO WMSW Hatillo JUN 28 0100 Romantic male vocal song, ID by man "...en Puerto Rico, esta es WMSW 1120 AM Hatillo, Puerto Rico, Radio Once 1120 AM," then a sign off announcement including station owner and studio location in Hatillo, then carrier off; on top of frequency. [Saylor-NC]
- 1140 **CUBA** *R.Cadena Agramonte,* Camagüey-Isábel Hortensia JUL 10 0859 Under *R.Surco*; ascending notes of hourly time marker a minute early, parallel 910 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1140 **CUBA** *R.Surco*, Morón JUL 21 0901 Over *R.Cadena Agramonte* and WRVA; canned ID, "Transmite CMIP Radio Surco…" JUL 22 0901 Over WRVA; canned ID, the dominant signal on this Cuban graveyard channel. [Conti-NH]
- CUBA *R.Guantánamo*, Maisí JUL 8 0057 Fair-good, with occasional *Caracol*, Cartagena cochannel. Cuban-accented female DJ, into "Conciencia" by Puerto Rican singer Gilberto Santa Rosa from 0059, segued to "Me Cambiaron Las Preguntas" also by Santa Rosa, and continued with more songs, including "Se Puede" all by the same artist until nearly the bottom of hour tune-out. No ID, but pulled a parallel to 1070 kHz from 0105 onward. Website radioguantanamo.icrt.cu still logo brands this as "Radio Guantánamo Trinchera Antiimperialista" though I've never heard such an ID. Wonder if it may be local daytime as *R.Guantánamo*, and Trinchera evenings (or v. vs.). [Kruger-FL]
- 1210 **CUBA** *R.Sancti Spíritus*, Sancti Spíritus JUL 16 0900 Under WPHT; tropical guitar, "Radio Sancti Spíritus" by a man and announcement by a woman. [Conti-NH]
- 1260 **PUERTO RICO** WISO Ponce//WI2XSO Mayagüez//WI3XSO Aguadilla JUN 28 0100 One of the three stations on this frequency with multi-station ID parallel 680 WAPA. [Saylor-NC]
- PUERTO RICO WCMN Arecibo JUN 28 0100 Parallel 630 with *NotiUno* ID and station ID's for WUNO San Juan, WPRP Ponce, WORA Mayagüez, WCMN Arecibo and WNEL Caguas, into time check and talk. [Saylor-NC]
- 1480 **PUERTO RICO** WMDD Fajardo JUN 28 0100 Romantic Spanish music, ID including "WMDD Fajardo, Puerto Rico..." then web address. [Saylor-NC]
- 1540.5 **PERU** OCU2X *R.Turbomix*, Cajamarca JUL 4 0859 Het of variable strength against 1540 WDCD open carrier and KXEL. [Conti-NH]
- CUBA R.Rebelde, La Habana//Amancio//El Coco//Guantánamo-Antiguo JUN 24 0152 Spanish music, but not parallel 5025 R.Rebelde, which is sports talk, maybe during a silly baseball game. That causes the 1620 outlet to switch feed to the FM network, confirmed at 0155 ID as "La FM Rebelde cadena grande," pop "música viva." Other Rebeldes on MW, 670 and 1180 remain parallel 5025 kHz. [Hauser-OK]
- PUERTO RICO WGIT Canovanas JUN 28 0100 Religious talk with many "aleluyas" and "amens," mention of Puerto Rico and Faro de Santidad and web address, list of stations in chain including WEGA Vega Baja and a station in Mayagüez. [Saylor-NC]

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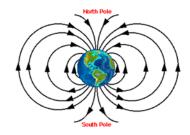
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### **INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**FINLAND**: "A new AM radio station started on July 16, 2016, *Pispalan Radio*, at 729 kHz, not a pirate but a legal and licensed community station parallel 99.5 FM. Power is now 80 watts. Hopes for power increase. On the air 24/7 with music from 1920-60's plus short local community inserts." [Jorma Mantyla, *mwdx*]

73 and Good DX!



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**Geomagnetic Summary June 2016** 

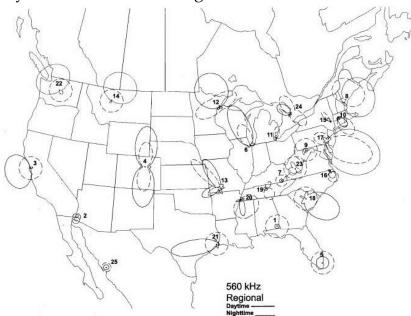
Via Phil Bytheway – Tabulated from email status daily (K = 0000 UTC).

Date	Flux	A	K	Space Weather	Date	Flux	A	K	Space Weather
6/ 1	86	6	2	no storms	16	88	6	2	no storms
2	85	4	1	no storms	17	87	8	1	no storms
3	83	3	1	no storms	18	84	8	2	no storms
4	80	4	2	no storms	19	85	5	1	no storms
5	79	29	5	minor, G1	20	84	4	1	no storms
6	79	26	2	moderate, G2	21	80	4	1	no storms
7	79	9	3	no storms	22	78	14	4	minor, G1
8	80	6	1	no storms	23	78	12	4	no storms
9	85	4	1	no storms	24	76	12	3	no storms
10	85	9	3	no storms	25	77	7	2	no storms
11	88	10	4	no storms	26	77	11	4	no storms
12	94	10	2	no storms	27	75	10	2	no storms
13	91	9	1	no storms	28	73	6	1	no storms
14	88	21	4	moderate, G2	29	74	4	1	no storms
15	87	14	1	minor, G1	6/30	73	6	3	no storms

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### DX Toolbox

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### Bits and Bites from the NRC listserv:

From: Allan Dunn

Re: FCC Advisors Tackle Noise Floor Issues

About time IMO.

http://www.radioworld.com/article/fcc-adviors-tackle-noise-floor-issues/279077

An article on possible FCC action on whether is a problem and its scope and if there should be a study on the issue.

From: Bill Whitacre, Alexandria VA

Re: Spring DX'Peditions to Maine and Virginia

A month ago I traveled to Lubec, Maine for a birding festival and DXpedition:

http://realmonitor.com/am logs qh7.php

and the following week spent a few days in Fleeton, Virginia, on the Chesapeake Bay:

http://realmonitor.com/am logs WE3.php

I'm still digging through wav files but so far highlights include Bolivia, Ecuador and over a dozen Brazilians from Maine and Uruguay, Argentina and Brazil from Fleeton [Waters Edge]. Rather than a written log I do the web pages above with sound samples in place of written details. That way you can hear what I heard ... or at least parts of what I heard.

From:Paul B. Walker, Jr.

Re: A Unique DX'ing Location

This is my spot by the banks of the Yukon River, taken at 3:15AM Saturday morning. Click this link for the image: <a href="http://www.onairdj.com/paulsdxspot1.jpg">http://www.onairdj.com/paulsdxspot1.jpg</a>

I am in Galena, Alaska which is a village of 500 people. We are 300 miles west of Fairbanks, 300 miles east of Nome. The AM band is absolutely 150 percent empty here during the day as I am 250 miles from the nearest operating AM station. I DX with a Tecsun PL880, 225 foot longwire with an EmTech ZM2 Tuner, and a Wellbrook ALA1530LNP. I will be going about 10 miles south of Galena this summer sometime for a night of camping out at an old AM radio tower. KIYU-AM, Walt. Fuel at \$7-\$8 a gallon was too expensive to keep powering it. The nearest power line is 4-5 miles away and is very RF/electrically quiet out there. I just stay inside if I spot moose real close by (and I have)!

From: Patrick Martin

Re: A Unique DX'ing Location

Living in Alaska, encounters with moose are common. I used to walk by one most mornings on the way to school. A person just keeps their distance. He never bothered me. I did come face to face with a black bear on Marathon Mountain (Seward), and he went one way and I went the other.

From: Steve Ponder, N5WBI Houston, TX

Re: Web Resource(s) Used and/or Found

Here is a really good and informative web page that I found ... again ... while I was DX'ing. I used the descriptor "again" because I had bookmarked the link years ago, but lost it when my old PC crashed. Ugh ... <a href="http://gov.texas.gov/music/">http://gov.texas.gov/music/</a>

I don't know of any other state that puts out a page of information like this! Bookmark it now!! (Click on the Radio/Press link at the top)

### This and That

I am looking for input for what you might like to see here. I am open to all ideas so long as they do not involve technical articles because I am very unequipped for that aspect of the hobby. Being the summer and the "off season" for AM band DX'ing this will be a short column. As the season swings around again I am hoping to have more material for you.

Depending on when this is published I will either hopefully be seeing you at the convention in Kansas City or I saw you there and we had a great time. This will be my first NRC convention and I know I will be having a great time.

73 for this time Shawn

Remember On A Clear Day You Can Hear Forever

### Musings of the Members

### Dave Schmidt, Editor

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Thought I would give old Dave Schmidt some summer work with a rather generic report. I first joined the NRC back in 1962 or 63, I guess, as a "very young kid," so I have seen our hobby change over the years. But, the one thing that has not changed is the tremendous commitment of our editors and folks who keep pumping out this wonderful publication. Let me take a minute to thank all of your who labor for nothing but the love of our hobby. I am in awe of how hard all of you work for little in return except the production of a fine *DX News* month after month. From the bottom of my heart, a big thank you.

The recent "season" for me was one of the best in years with over 46 new stations. A combination of taking an early out from my full time day job at the State Department reverting to a contractor status gave me more time to listen, but I think the bigger reason was the addition of a Wellbrook ALA 1530 LN magnetic loop. I got it from Wellbrook in the UK and it arrived safe and sound and is a really fantastic pairing to my Drake R8B. It is a bit pricey, but when I compared it with my Kiwa Loop, there was no comparison. My tried and true Kiwa has lost some of its oomph I guess. The ALA is so quiet, that I know for sure it was why I got some great reception that I would not have gotten from my Kiwa. If you have not checked it out, you should. Andrew Ikin, the Wellbrook guy is very helpful and answers queries very quickly. Their website is also very informative; <a href="https://www.wellbrook.uk.com">www.wellbrook.uk.com</a>.

I was listening to Sirius/XM "Willie's Roadhouse the other day and heard this CW song that I had forgotten. It was done probably 20 years ago by a then up and coming CW singer, Lionel Cartwright. The song is called "I Watched It All On My Radio." Even if CW is not your cup of tea, the song transcends any musical genre and hits us DXers right where it counts, in the radio! <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fUyKAJGyfKY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fUyKAJGyfKY</a> I don't know who wrote the song, but give a listen to the video....I have to think that the guy who wrote it must have been a DXer! How many of us could have written this song, I know I could have! I used to hide my first RCA 8 transistor under my pillow on nights with my earphone listening from my northern NJ home to WOWO's Don Chevillet, or WKBW's Tommy Shannon and if lucky, and the winds were right, Dick Biondi of WLS. (And he is STILL on the air at WLS-FM weekend mornings, said he wants to be the first DJ to die with his headphones on! He's now in his 80's and still kicking!-DWS)

That's it from Northern VA. I hope you all have a great summer

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