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From the Publisher: Looks like the DX season is off to a slower start than usual ... some interesting logs in this issue but not very many of Don't forget we're on the "every two Dresher, PA. them! weeks" publication schedule now, so your editors will be looking for reports on a more frequent Tedford, Bothell, WA; and Stephen Wood, basis now that the fall is here.

Thanks to Bill Hale for working on the NRC logo that you see on this page ... hopefully this is a bit more aesthetically pleasing than what we've been using.

Help Wanted: We're always looking for help with various projects for DX News - in particular, if someone has some design experience or skills who can offer some suggestions for how to lay out DX News (fonts, headers, photos and logos, filler, etc.). A lot of what we are doing now is my trying to copy what the late Paul Swearingen did over 25 years of developing the desktop publishing format that DX News now uses – although I put DX News together in Microsoft Word, and not the fancier publishing programs Paul used.

If you have some experience in design and layout using Word and would like to take a look at our layout and make some suggestions about things we could try - please send a note to me at NRCDXNews@gmail.com. Thanks! David



Membership Report

New Members: Welcome to Arthur Samel,

Rejoining Members: Welcome back to James Harwich, MA.

Renewing Members: Thanks for the ongoing support of Frank Aden; David Aichelman; Steven Branch; Marc DeLorenzo; Pat Doak; Allan Dunn; Robert Eddy; Michael Gaston; Paul Hansen; David Hochfelder; Karl V. Jeter; Ted S. Liszewski; Paul R. Mount; Tom Mulvaney; Thomas Owens; Jon Pearkins; Dan K. Phillips; Stephen Ponder; Bob Schroeder; and Danny Taylor.

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<u>No</u>	<u>D'dline</u>	<u>Print</u>	12	Feb. 23	Mar. 3
3	Oct. 20	Oct. 29	13	Mar. 15	Mar. 24
4	Nov. 3	Nov. 12	14	Apr. 5	Apr. 14
5	Nov. 17	Nov. 26	15	Apr. 26	May 5
6	Dec. 1	Dec. 10	16	May 17	May 26
7	Dec. 15	Dec. 24	17	June 14	June 23
8	Dec. 29	Jan. 7	18	July 12	July 21
9	Jan. 12	Jan. 21	19	Aug. 16	Aug. 25
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FCC and CRTC Decisions and Applications

CALL CHANGES

790	WSVG	VA	Mount Jackson – Call change to WAMM (Sept. 30).
1080	WOCN	FL	Coral Gables – Call change to WQOS (Sept. 26).
1280	WRHA	ΤN	Dayton – Call change to WALI (Sept. 25).
1450			South Paris – Call change to WPNO (Sept. 26).
	WRXB		St. Pete Beach – Call change to WTPA (Sept. 26; station is silent).
2090			
			STATIONS GOING DARK
910	WREV		Valdosta – License cancelled by FCC; appears to have been silent for quite some
910	VVIXI [,] V	GA	
1010		та	time and did not respond to FCC requests for status information.
1010			De Ridder – License cancelled at licensee's request.
			Gate City – License cancelled Oct. 2; missed two deadlines to renew license.
1230	WAMM	VA	Woodstock – Changed calls to WSVG on Sept. 30 and immediately voluntarily
			surrendered the station license; unsure if WSVG was ever used on the air.
1480	WTOY	VA	Salem – License cancelled Oct. 2; missed two deadlines to renew license.
			CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPS) FOR EXISTING STATIONS
CP bu	ilt, awaiti	ng fii	nal licensing:
	WCVC		
			with WFRF-1070) 30-30-34/84-20-07 (being used on the air, see below).
1460	WPON	MI	Walled Lake – Applies for license to cover CP for U4 670/580, new site 42-32-
1400	WI OIN	1411	39/83-33-36.
			59/65-55-50.
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0	ranted:		
			Baltimore – Granted CP for D1 800, diplexed with WFSI-860, 39-18-42/76-29-29.
810	WRSO	FL	Orlovista – Granted CP for U5 2000/21, existing site but adjusted coordinates to
			28-34-12/81-26-00; supersedes prior CP for U5 2500/24 from a different site.
1490	WSVM	NC	Valdese – Granted CP for new tower/site, 35-44-45/81-35-39.
			SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)
STAs	granted:		
		SD	Yankton – Granted STA, U1 5000/1250, cannot switch to night pattern.
	WLBE	FL	Leesburg-Eustice – Granted STA, U1 5000/250, cannot switch to night pattern.
	KMRV		Waukon – Granted STA, D1 250, 430' LW antenna on KNEI-FM-103.5 tower.
	WPLN		Madison – Granted STA, U1 5000/250, lightning damage.
	WQOP		Jacksonville – Granted STA, U2 5000/5000, transmitter problems.
1400	WQUI	I. F	Jacksonvine – Granieu STA, Oz 5000/5000, transmitter problems.
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			received:
1170	WPFB	MA	Orleans – Applies for STA, D1 25, whip at slightly different location than
			existing STA, at 41-44-51/69-58-30.
			Galveston – Applies for STA, U1 1000/65, 2 towers have been taken down.
1560	KGOW	ΤX	Bellaire – Applies for STA, U3 15000/15000 from night site; flooding at day site.
Extens	sions grar	nted t	o existing STAs:
570	WSYR	NY	Syracuse – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
790			Allentown – Granted STA extension, U5 3600/375 and day parameters at
			variance.
930	KIUP	CO	Durango – Granted STA extension, reduced power (using U1 190/100).
	WHYL		Carlisle – Granted STA extension, U1 1300/22 from WCAT-FM-102.3 tower.
			Troy – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
	WICM		Sebring – Granted STA extension, reduced power (using U1 750/11)
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1050 WJCM FL Sebring – Granted STA extension, reduced power (using U1 750/11).



AM Switch

- Coral Gables Granted STA extension, U4 50000/20000 (Cuban QRM). 1080 WQOS FL
 - KY Louisville Granted STA extension, parameters at variance. WKIK
- **1150 WHUN PA Huntingdon** Granted STA extension, reduced day power (using U1 1000/36 as in CP).
- 1220 KLBB MN Stillwater – Granted STA extension, U1 20/20, 70' LW at 45-04-08/92-48-23.
- 1240 KJAA **AZ** Globe – Granted STA extension, minor parameters at variance.
- 1260 WSHU **CT** Westport – Granted STA extension, U1 250/2, LW at 41-07-42/73-23-26.
- 1300 WIBR **LA Baton Rouge** – Granted STA extension, U1 300/11, WXOK-1460 tower.
- **TX** Baytown Granted STA extension, parameters at variance. 1360 KWWJ
- NC Lillington Granted STA extension, day parameters at variance (using U4 1370 WLLN 1000/49).
- 1440 WGIG **GA Brunswick** – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
- LA Lake Charles Granted STA extension, reduced power (using U1 2500/500). 1470 KLCL
- 1520 WINW OH Canton – Granted STA extension, D1 250, LW at 40-48-32/81-22-35.
- 1550 WNTF FL Bithlo – Granted STA extension, D1 2500.
- 1590 WFTH VA Richmond – Granted STA extension, reduced tower height.
- MD Rockville Granted STA extension, U1 1000/125. 1600 WLXE
- 1700 WRCR NY Ramapo Granted STA ext., U1 2500/250, 175' LW, at 41-11-22/74-00-55.

Applications to extend existing STAs received:

- **790 WKRD KY Louisville** Applies to extend STA, night parameters at variance.
- 940 WIPR PR San Juan – Applies to extend STA, U1 2500/2500 from WKAQ-580 tower.
- 1070 WCSZ SC Sans Souci – Applies to extend STA, U1 2000/375.
- 1110 WVJP **PR** Caguas – Applies to extend STA, shorter tower (Hurricane Maria damage).
- 1130 KSDO CA San Diego – Applies to extend STA, U1 2500/2500, drop wire at KLSD-1360 site.
- 1190 WPSP **Royal Palm Beach** – Applies to extend STA, U4 2200/410 (Cuban QRM). FL
- **1230 WRBS** MD Baltimore – Applies to ext. STA, U1 400/400, WOLB-1010/WWIN-1400 tower.
- 1350 WEGA **PR** Vega Baja – Applies to extend STA, U1 625/625.
- 1360 WCHL **NC** Chapel Hill – Applies to extend STA, night parameters at variance.
- 1370 WGIV NC Pineville – Applies to ext. STA, U1 25/25, 110' vertical LW, 35-11-56/80-52-36.
- 1590 WPUL South Daytona – Applies to extend STA, U1 250/32, CP site. FL

SILENT STATIONS

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

- **790 WLBE** Leesburg-Eustis – Silent June 19; back on the air with STA Sept. 26 (see above). FL
- 1120 WBBF NY Buffalo – Silent July 16; back on the air Sept. 25.
- 1330 WCVC FL Tallahassee – Silent Nov. 28; back on the air with U1 3200/26 CP Sept. 20.

Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

- WY Rawlins Silent Sept. 25; weather damage to tower requires replacement. 1240 KRAL
- **1250** WYTH GA Madison Silent Sept. 6 for equipment upgrades pending sale.
- TN Benton Silent Sept. 19; lost transmitter site, station will be sold. 1540 WBIN
- **1560 KGOW TX Bellaire** Silent Sept. 18; flooding from Tropical Storm Imelda.

COORDINATE CORRECTION

567 KGUM GU Agaña – CP to correct coordinates to 13-23-28 N/144-45-42 E is on the air.

NRC AM Log Updates

- 540 WFLF **Pine Hills** – Slogan & Group to Grp= WFLA Orlando. FL
- TX San Antonio Slogan to "NewsTalk," "Stay Connected." 550 KTSA
- 600 WBOB FL Jacksonville – Group to Grp= AM 600 WBOB.
- 620 WGCV SC Cayce – Slogan to "Classic Inspiration & Information," adds // W242CR-96.3.
- 710 WYJV TN Smyrna – Slogan to "Portadora de Buenas Nuevas," drops networks.

760 WLCC FL **Brandon** – Format to REL (ex-SS:REL); slogan to "Relevant Radio," nets to IHR.

- 770 WAIS **OH Buchtel** – Adds // W280FZ-103.9 (FCC)
- **790 WLBE** Leesburg-Eustis – Format to OLD/NOS (ex-Silent); delete slogan. (DP) (TK) FL
- Orlovista Slogan "Accion 97.9," add // W250CE-97.9; delete Grp= Accion 97.9. 810 WRSO FL 820
 - Largo Format to TLK (ex-NWS/TLK); networks to WW1/RER. (TK) WWBA FL
 - WTNW TN Jasper License gone from AMQ 9/19/2019; delete from the Log.
- LA Norco Slogan & Group to Grp= Radio Tropical. 830 KGLA

4 860 KKOW KS Pittsburg – Adds // K248DR-97.5. (GH) 920 KVIN CA Ceres – Slogan & Group to Grp= The Vine. 930 WKY **OK** Oklahoma City – Format to SPT (ex-SS:SPT); networks to ESPN, Group to Grp= The Sports Animal **940 KCOE OR** Bend – License gone from AMQ 9/19/2019; delete from the *Log*. 960 KGWA OK Enid – Adds // K265FL-100.9. (FCC) 1030 WYCZ **TN** White Bluff – Slogan to "Young Country 96.7." (PS) 1040 KCBR CO Monument – Format to HipHop/Shopping (ex-HipHop); slogan & Group Grp= Radio Shopping Show. (WH) 1080 WQOS **Coral Gables** – Slogan & Group to Grp= Radio Luz Miami. FL MO Webb City – Adds // K221GQ-92.1. (FCC) 1100 KKLL NY Buffalo – Delete // W262CM-100.3. (FCC) **1120 WBBF** 1160 KMRV Waukon – Slogan to & Group to Grp= 99.1 the River. IA MD Gaithersburg – Adds // W276DT-103.1. (FCC0 WMET 1230 WRJX AL Jackson – License gone from AMQ 9/19/2019; delete from the Log. WHOP **KY** Hopkinsville – Slogan to "News Radio." KZTO **NV Reno** – Format to SPT (ex-HipHop); slogan to "The Game." 1240 KDEC IA Decorah – Format to AC/EZL (ex-OLD); drops networks; slogan & Group to Grp= 99.1 the River. KTIX **OR Pendleton** – Networks to FSR. **WGMN VA Roanoke** – Networks to Fox/CMP/JBo. 1260 KSFB CA San Francisco – Slogan & Group to Grp= Relevant Radio 1260. 1270 KSCB **KS** Liberal – Networks to SRN/Agt/Ok/Oa/USA/P/Ru/DR/FSR. WMPM NC Smithfield – Format to UC:GOS (ex-REL). 1280 KSOK **KS** Arkansas City – Networks to Fox. (GH) 1290 KPAY CA Chico – Format to SPT (ex-TLK); slogan to "Kpay Sports," networks to FSR, adds // K275CO-102.9, delete Group. 1310 KOKX Keokuk – Format to TLK/C&W (ex-C&W). IA 1320 WFHR WI Wisconsin Rapids – Networks to C/CS/Wi/WW1/DR. (WH) 1330 KXXJ AK Juneau – Slogan to "KXJ 1330 & 107.9," adds // K300AB-107.9. Tallahassee – Slogan & Group to Grp= Divine Word Radio (was Silent). WCVC FL **1340 WDSR FL Lake City** – Adds // W240DU-95.9. (FCC) MN Ortonville – Slogan to "Classic County 1350," networks to WW1/Mn. (WH) 1350 KDIO WHWH NJ Princeton – Delete // WTTM-1680. (BG) (RE) WBLT **VA** Bedford – Networks to Fox/CMP/JBo. Saint Petersburg - Format to REL (ex-BIZ); slogan to "Relevant Radio," 1380 WWMI FL networks to IHR. MN Long Prairie – Adds // K276GS-103.1. (FCC) 1400 KEYL MO Carrollton – Slogan to "The Grenade." 1430 KROL **CO** Wray – Networks to Fox/WW1. (WH) 1440 KRDZ FL Miami – Format to SS:REL (ex-SS); slogan & Group to Grp= Radio Luz Miami. 1450 WKAT WHRY WI Hurley – Slogan & Group to Grp= Oldies 102.9. (JJR) AL Phenix City – Slogan to "Mix 94.7." 1460 WGSY 1460 WQOP FL Jacksonville - Slogan to "Relevant Radio," networks to IHR; delete Grp= Queen of Peace Radio. 1480 WJTW AL Bridgeport – Adds // W239CO-95.7. (FCC) **WQTM NC Fair Bluff** – Format to UC:GOS (ex-Tourist); delete slogan. 1490 KVWC TX Vernon – Format to OLD (ex-C&W/OLD). SC Woodruff – Format to CLR (ex-C&W); slogan to "Cool Q Radio." 1510 WQUL 1520 WXYB FL Indian Rocks Beach – Adds // W280FD-103.9. (FCC) WTRI MD Brunswick – Format to ETH (This has been Reported Silent); adds // W269DH-101.7; delete Group Stereo 103.3. 1580 WCCF FL **Punta Gorda** – Adds // W265EA-100.9. (FCC) WBCP IL **Urbana** - Reported Silent (JJR)) VA Richmond – Group to Grp= Independent Music Radio (ex-Grp= Community 1590 WFTH Radio). 1600 WZNZ FL Atlantic Beach - Format to REL (ex-BIZ/TLK); slogan to "Relevant Radio," networks to IHR; delete // W262AG-100.3. 1680 WTTM NJ Lindenwold – Format to SS:MEX (ex-SS:SPT); delete slogan, networks; delete // WHWH-1350. (This did not go to TUDN Network as previously reported – Thanks to Barry Davies & Mauno Ritola for bring it to our attention confirmation by (BG) & (RE).)

New Groups

Grp= 99.1 the River – KMRV-1160, K256CS-99.1, KDEC-1240, K235CT-94.9 Grp= AM 600 WBOB – WBOB-600, W262AG-100.3, W266CX-101.1 Grp= Divine Word Radio – WCVC-1330, W245AN-96.9, W245CB-96.9 Grp= Oldies 102.9 – WHRY-1450, W275CR-102.9, WVVE-95.3 (JJR) Grp= Radio Luz Miami – WKAT-1450, WOCN-1080, W270CV-101.9, W249DM-97.7 Grp= Radio Tropical – KGLA-830, K289AM-105.7, 234DH-94.7 Grp= Relevant Radio 1260 – KSFB-1260, K285FA-104.9, K269FB-101.7 Grp= The Vine – KVIN-920, K296HL-107.1, K222BX-92.3 Grp= WFLA Orlando – WFLF-540, W231CT-94.1, W226BT-93.1

Group Changes

Grp= Buffalo's Very Own adds W262CM-100.3 Buffalo (*xlator is silent*) Grp= Independent Music Radio adds WNRS-FM-89.9 Sweet Briar Grp= Radio Shopping Show adds KFVR-FM-104.9 Rye (WH) Grp= Talk Radio for Roanoke adds W258DN-99.5 Roanoke Grp= The Sports Animal adds WKY-930 Oklahoma City

Group Name Changes

Grp= Blazin' 98.5 becomes Grp= Radio Shopping Show (WH) Grp= Community Radio becomes Grp= Independent Music Radio

Deleted Groups

Grp= Accion 97.9 Grp= Classic Inspiration & Information Grp= K-Pay 1290 New Talk Grp= Queen of Peace Radio Grp= Stereo 103.3

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From the *DX* News archives

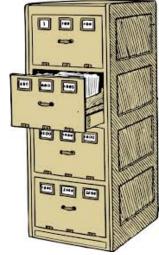
75 Years Ago – From the October 14, 1944 issue of *DX News*: A feature article on DXing for Trans-Atlantic stations by Joseph Lippincott noted that it is not quite as easy to hear TAs as it used to be: "It is not so simple these days with all niters to compete with." With the war (hopefully) coming to an end, it may be possible to verify TA stations once again soon. Ernie Cooper reported no new verifications, still at 1033 total so far.

50 Years Ago – From the October 11, 1969 issue of *DX* News: Russ Edmunds is very impressed with the new NRC FET altazimuth loop plans; "peaks and nulls are extremely sharp and deep." Jay Murley, who works at the ad agency that handles KFI's account, said their San Francisco office was getting questions about why "the Braves station next to KFI was so staticky," and upon learning the location of WSM a new DXer was made! TIQ, Limón, Costa Rica was being widely heard broadcasting in English on 1203.59 kHz, as measured by Gordon Nelson.

25 Years Ago – From the October 17, 1994 issue of *DX News*: Six Quebec radio stations, including CJMS-1280 Montreal, CKCH-970 Hull (Ottawa), and CJRP-1060 Quebe City, were taken silent as a result of the merger of Telemedia and Radiomutuel. Elliot Straus wrote a comparison of the Kiwa and Quantum loops. Tony Fitzherbert's station profile featured WTAQ-1300 LaGrange IL, in the Chicago market.

10 Years Ago – From the October 19, 2009 issue of *DX News*: The FCC adopted new rules allowing AM stations to broadcast on FM translators under certain conditions. Shawn Axelrod explained how Canadian broadcasting differs from that in the United States and offered tips for DXers identifying Canadian stations. Bruce Conti reported Japan-774/828 and South Korea-963/972 on a DXPedition to Priest Pond, Prince Edward Island.

All DX News editions from Volume 1 Issue 12 through Volume 82 are now available free to the public at the NRC web site: <u>http://nationalradioclub.org/DXNs/index.html</u>.





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Domestic DX Digest – East

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in the Eastern & Atlantic time zones All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT)

REPORTERS

- **HJH-PA** Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre Grundig S350, C Crane Skywave, ALA-1530 loop, Kiwa Pocket Loop.
- KK-VA Kraig Krist, Manassas Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium Loop
- PS-ON Paul Snider, London Elad FDM-S2, Pixel Pro 1B loop, MFJ-1020C tuner
- JW-PA Jim Weber, Oyster Point Grundig S350
- MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto Grundig YB-400PE, XHDATA D-808, Sony SRF-39FP, C Crane Skywave, Panasonic RF-2200

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DX TEST

1480 WRCK NY Remsen – 9/22 0000 – Morse code at 500 and 1000hz, ID at 0019: "This is an equipment test by WRCK AM...", heard same ID a few times, "We are WRCK..." at 0024. Fair occasionally to very poor with WDJO, WHBC and WZRC. **(PS-ON)**

<u>UnID</u>

1450 unID -- - 9/27 1943 – "You're listening to The Weed..." Album oriented rock music. Strong at times. **(HJH-PA)**

PIRATE/BOOTLEG

- **1630** ---- -- **Tater Patch Radio** 9/14 2315 Playing oldies like "Boogie Fever" by The Shivers, "Keeping The Faith" by Billy Joel, "Tater Patch Radio" ID at 2321, more music from Southern Culture on the Skids, Red Hot Chili Peppers. Good fading to very poor. Coming in much better than they were on 1710 before 2300. // to taterpatchradio.com. (**PS-ON**)
- **1710** ---- -- **Tater Patch Radio** 9/14 2258 Oldies music, played the theme song from Rawhide, multiple Tater Patch Radio IDs and off at 2300. Very poor. **(PS-ON)**

LOGGINGS

- **680 WCTT KY Corbin** 9/8 2220 American standards/oldies music including "Mrs. Robinson" by Simon & Garfunkel, "Great 68" slogan at 2223. Poor to very poor with CFTR, WPTF. First time heard at this location. **(PS-ON)**
- **690 WELD WV Fisher** 9/15 0002 "Sunglasses at Night" by Corey Hart, "...all the gold under one roof, 690 WELD" at 0005 into "Jet Airplane" by Steve Miller Band. Poor to very poor mostly under CKGM. (**PS-ON**)
 - **CBKF-1 SK** Gravelbourg 9/18 2345 French talk and lots of laughter by two female announcers, music in FF, more talk. Fair at times to very poor with CKGM and possibly WELD. // to Tune In stream. First time heard at this location. (PS-ON)
- 730 WZGV NC Cramerton 9/30 0600 Over usual CKAC and Zoomer-740 slop with "ESPN 730 the Game...in uptown Charlotte" into local sports talk (UNC, Panthers). (MKB-ON)
- **940** WKYK NC Burnsville 9/30 0536 Sloganeering as "Real Country" at this time. C&W songs confirmed with net-stream. Rising up once in a while. (JW-PA)
- **950 WAKM TN Franklin** 10/5 0408 In fairly well with local community bulletin board after the news. Continuing reception through 0600 with C&W music, IDs, and "Home Town Radio" slogan. (JW-PA)
- **970 WNYM NJ Hackensack** 10/5 0705 Over nulled Buffalo pest WDCZ with local weather, "Intelligent Conservative talk, 970 AM the Answer" slogan. (MKB-ON)
 - **WDAY** ND Fargo 9/19 0011 Various clear WDAY mentions, storm tracker app promo with another WDAY mention, WDAY Deal of the Week promoting local

restaurant, community calendar. Fair briefly to very poor in station mix. **(PS-ON)**

- WATH OH Athens 9/22 0056 "Sherry" by the Four Seasons, "Hocus Pocus" by Focus, ToH ID "...AM 970, 97.1 WATH...", CBS news. Poor in station mix including WGTK. // to Tune In stream. (PS-ON)
- **990 WNTY CT Southington** 9/27 0404 Frequent "Kool Radio" slogans amid the classic oldies. (JW-PA)
 - WEEB NC Southern Pines 9/27 0459 Callsign ID and mention of both FM outlets before going into news on the hour. Ads for the Hoagy Carmichael Stardust Road production at the Temple Theater in Sanford, NC at 0503 and 0533. Peeping in a bit during this period. (JW-PA)
 - WNML TN Knoxville 9/11 2351 Ferrall On the Bench, national ads, ToH ID "...WNML Knoxville...Cumulus stations...", sports news. Fair occasionally to very poor in station mix including CBW. First time heard at this location. (PS-ON)
- **1000 WIOO PA Carlisle** 9/20 0722 In multi-station mix with male "Country gold WIOO" ID. (KK-VA)
 - WGVY VA Altavista 9/20 0732 In multi-station mix (WMVP, WRTG, WIOO, R. Granma from Cuba and UNID talker) with "...funky Friday...here on 102 'The Groove''' station promo. New station for me. (KK-VA)
- **1010 WUKZ VA Marion** 9/20 0715 In multi-station mix (WINS CFRB, WHIN and UNID religious talk) with gospel singing, "KZ 101" slogan. New station for me. **(KK-VA)**
 - WPCN WI Stevens Point 9/19 0033 "Saturday in the Park" by Chicago, "True Oldies Channel" slogan at 0037, "Duke of Earl" by Gene Chandler, FM-only ID at 0044 "True Oldies Channel 92.1 WPCN". Fair at times to very poor with CFRB mostly nulled. // to Tune In stream. (PS-ON)
- **1030 WONQ FL Oviedo** 9/20 0636 In multi-station mix (WBZ, WWGB, WDRU and UNID religious talk) with Spanish singing, male with something in SS then "Viva FM" slogan. New station for me. **(KK-VA)**
 - WDRU NC Creedmoor 9/20 *0702 In multi-station mix with teen sounding female announcing WDRU apparent sign-on, but is actually the sign-off message! Includes FCC requirement to sign-off, how to listen 24/7, etc. Someone is apparently asleep at the control board. (KK-VA)
- **1040 WPBS GA Conyers** 9/20 0600 In multi-station mix (WURN, WHO, WYSL, two UNIDs and SS, probably Cuba) with Vietnamese programming, "WPBS Conyers AM 10-40" ToH ID in EE into Radio Free Asia intro music. **(KK-VA)**
 - CKST BC Vancouver 9/15 0020 Noted an interview under WHO with mentions of the Whitecaps (Vancouver soccer team), turns out it is the post game show Whitecaps v. Houston Dynamo, clearly mentioned "Whitecaps 2-1 victory..." at 0034. Checked CKST Tune In stream and it was //. Very poor, eventually drowned out by WHO and WSGH. First time heard at this location. (PS-ON)
- **1050** WFAM GA Augusta 9/27 0529 Mixing with WVXX, WBQH and UNID sports talk, ID as "Marching with the Christian church in the CSRA. WFAM Augusta." (KK-VA)
 - WVXX VA Norfolk 9/8 2250 Spanish language "pop" sounding music, "...103.3...Selecta" slogan by female at 2256, more music, couldn't catch TOH ID unfortunately. Fair briefly, poor at best to very poor with CHUM. // to Tune In stream. (PS-ON)
- **1060** WCOK NC Sparta 9/27 0714 Mixing with KYW, R. Viente Seis and UNIDs (rock, gospel), station promo: "Supporting the local church...this is GBI radio WCOK 1060 AM and 107.3 FM...and also you can find us on the internet at gbiradio.org". New station for me. Probably good thing this is a Gospel station otherwise I can just imagine the slogans. (KK-VA)
- **1070 WPLB** NY Plattsburgh 9/23 1901 Over Blue Jays game on CHOK with "Mid-Century Radio WPLB Plattsburgh, Burlington, Montreal" ID into 1950s do-wop song. (MKB-ON)
- **1080 WHOO FL** Winter Park 9/27 0530 Presumed in multi-station mix (WTIC, WWNL, UNID Spanish singing, more religious talk and another UNID gospel station) with male "This is relevant radio" slogan. Is this WHOO? Not finding another "Relevant Radio" on 1080 kHz. (KK-VA)
- **1090 WAQE WI Rice Lake** 9/15 2238 On after sunset // to 1240 WJMC playing oldies by Ace, Michael MacDonald, ID at 2242 "...AM 1240 WJMC", promo with 715 area code, more oldies. Good fading to very poor with WBAL. **(PS-ON)**

1470 WRGA GA Rome – 9/30 1943 – Clearly heard ID among other weak signals. "98.7 FM and 1470 WRGA" **(HJH-PA)**

1640 WTNI MS Biloxi – 9/22 0130 – Now playing classic country (formerly ESPN), IDing as "Classic Country 103.5 The Possum". Poor under WSJP. // to Tune In stream. (PS-ON)

DX Toolbox

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Greetings once again from the Heart of the Continent and welcome to the DX Tool Box Column number 120.

This is a picture of the CBC studio in what is called the Diefenbunker. It was named after Prime Minister John Diefenbaker and was built in 1959 as part of a huge underground complex and emergency shelter outside of Ottawa Ontario Canada. It was never used but was built to keep the government and a lot of gold bars safe in case of nuclear war. The CBC had a studio built to broadcast to Canadians to help keep them informed of the situation should war break out.



You can read more at: https://diefenbunker.ca/about-the-diefenbunker/

As well there is an Amateur radio club operating out of the facility. VE3CWM (Cold War Museum) operates the DARC or Diefenbunker Amateur Radio Club who have wonderful web site. The site has some pictures of the old equipment including "a collection of AR-88 (Canadian GR-17), Hammarlund SP-600, Racal RA-17, Collins 2050 and other receivers representing the equipment that provided the mainstay of the bunker's listening capability over its operational lifetime. " It is worth a look just for the equipment as not many places have racks (yes plural) of such vintage equipment.

Bits and Bites from the NRC listserv

From: Mark Durenberger Re: World War II Radio Stations I wonder how many of these stations were heard by DXers? <u>http://www.durenberger.com/documents/MOSQUITONETWORK.pdf</u> (Editor: Not me; I wasn't born until 1953, but that is a great article.)

From: Les Rayburn les@highnoonfilm.com

Re: Low RF Noise LED Lights

Budget is very tight here. A couple of years ago, my wife and I converted all the lights in the house from CFB to LED lights and the savings on our monthly bill have been significant, \$22 dollars a month on average. The downside is that the LED bulbs put out a lot of noise on LF, MW, and HF. A few months ago, I saw a thread about some LED bulbs that were ham-radio friendly, putting out considerably less EMI than other bulbs. Alas, the link was broken. Has anyone found an LED light bulb that is radio-friendly? If you have links to directly purchase them, even better. Thanks in advance.

73 for this time, Shawn. Remember On A Clear Day You Can Hear Forever



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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in the Central, Mountain, Pacific, Alaska, and Hawaii-Aleutian time zones – All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT)

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Frequency of the week: 1560!

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- JJR-MI John J Rieger L'Anse, Michigan Grundig Satellit 750 -Terk AM1000 loop, Sangean ATS-909X stock (Terk loop can/does phase the Grundig antenna)
- **JJR-WI** John J Rieger South Milwaukee, Wisconsin Icom IC-R75, MFJ-959B tuner/preamp, Kiwa loop, Sangean ATS-909X stock
- JW-CO John Wilkins Wheat Ridge, Colorado Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop

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DX TESTS

- **1480 WRCK** NY Remsen 9/22 0000 Heard the DX test here with code and tones about 30 seconds into the test. Then again around 0008 and 0011. FIRST NEW one of the season! You have to love well-produced DX tests. (SMA-MB) (Comments: After listening to my recordings, I confirmed what I thought I had heard along with the DX test. So, two new ones for the price of one. I was using the RSPduo for the test and played back the recording. Amazing what you can do with this little box!)
- **1480 WRCK** NY Remsen 9/22 0000 Poor, but code cut through, and back a few minutes later. Logged as WADR in 1982. Unneeded. (JJR-WI)

<u>UNID</u>

1710 UNID - 9/26 0706 – Likely something pirate; carrier only; peaking about 60/240 degrees. On, or very nearly on, frequency; seems to be here most local mornings before sunrise. No trace of the Louisiana Spanish Christian pirate for a long time. (TK-FL)

TIS/OTHER

1650 WQYZ315 FL Mossy Head Florida DoT (HAR) I-10 Exit 70 – 9/30 1703 – Poor, but the same compu-woman with the usual generic loop which includes lots of call signs, the same loop used on the FDoT HAR at mile marker 45 near Holt. Certainly this one though, far closer but still about 15 miles NNE of here. (TK-FL)

DX LOGGINGS

⁵⁶⁰ KMON MT Great Falls – 9/27 0750 – Poor, with "... the Voice of the ..., 560 KMON. Shenandoah, live in Great Falls". This, thru WEBC. No WIND to be found. (JJR-MI)

10 570 WIDS KY Russell Springs – 9/22 2029 – Poor, with calls said twice, GOS music. Only second time heard. Alone. (JJR-WI) Cedar Rapids – 9/26 0730 – ID as "News Radio 600 WMT Cedar Rapids, an 600 WMT IA iHeart Radio Station"; one minute of Fox News was followed by area news on "The WMT Morning Show". Fair signal, in QRM. (JW-CO) ND Jamestown – 9/27 0705 – C&W music followed by several local ads at 0710; back 600 KSJB to music at 0713 after an ID which also mentioned 100.1 FM. Fair/good signal in the mix. (JW-CO) 610 WAGG AL Birmingham – 9/22 2026 – Poor, with Urban GOSpel music, "Heaven 610" sweeper. Alone! Been a while! (JJR-WI) **CKOM SK Saskatoon – 10/3 0746 –** Poor, with Saskatchewan temperatures, ". . . here in 650 Saskatoon . . . " and "CKOM Newstime 5:46". No WSM. (JJR-WI) 670 KLTT CO Commerce City – 9/26 2114 – Fair-to-good, over/under WSCR, with "Through the Bible" program, gone at 2115 pattern change. Commerce City is in the Denver area, running 50 kW days directional with a null toward the north but powers down to 1400 Watts night protecting WSCR. Most of their signal beams south. New! (JEL-MO) 690 CKBF-1 SK Gravelbourg – 10/3 0645 – Poor. FF "Chaine" noted while chasing others. Lackluster session. (JJR-WI) 710 WTPR TN Paris – 10/2 0654 – Poor -- "You're Only Lonely" by J D Souther, chatter, "WTPR.com". Alone. (JJR-WI) ND Fargo - 9/27 0718 - Poor, with "740 the Fan & 107.3 FM". No CFZM at all. 740 KNFL (JJR-MI) **790 WLBE** FL Leesburg-Eustis – 10/3 0718 – Silent since June, back on with Perry Como, Jennifer Warnes, Olivia Newton-John. IDed the next day at 0701: "... AM 790, WLBE ..." into "Funny Face" by Donna Fargo. Thanks David Potter near Gainesville, FL for a day check on 10/3, confirming they're back on with OLD/NOS format, ex-C&W. And Wayne Heinen for confirming off the silent list since 9/26. (TK-FL) 790 KFYO TX Lubbock – 9/28 0742 – Poor, with 'Noxotril' ad, "This is News-Talk 95.1 & 790 KFYO" into talk. Alone. (JJR-MI) 810 WSJC **MS** Magee – 9/29 0756 – Conclusion of Ministry Of Amazing Facts, male canned: "You are listening to WSJC . . ." and into another brokered gospel show. Quickly destroyed by WCKA day power up. (TK-FL) KY Louisville – 9/27 0720 – Typical wake-up fare (news, sports, weather, traffic, 840 WHAS ads, etc.) on "Kentuckiana's Morning News"; ID's as "News Radio 840 WHAS". Fair signal, approaching sunrise fadeout. (JW-CO) 860 WAEC GA Atlanta – 9/28 0741 – Christian block preacher programming, one with 678 Area Code. Commercial or something with 770 Area Code. Male: "WAEC . . . home of Atlanta's . . . " and back to preaching. **(TK-FL)** Muscatine – 9/29 0708 – Poor, with ". . . weather from KW. . ." (lost)... then 860 KWPC IA "KWPC" and C&W. CJBC nulled. (JJR-MI) 860 WLBG SC Laurens – 9/28 0804 – Ending of Fox News, local weatherman opening tagged as "From the WLBG weather center . . .". Very poor, in weak WAEC co-channel. Surprised it was at all there this late and at 1000 Watts day power. (TK-FL) **910** WZMG AL Pepperell – 9/30 0756 – Spot for emergency care "... for Opelika and Auburn". ID with calls for WZMG and WPCH, West Point (GA) then "Fox Sports 910 AM and 1310 AM, The Game" into Fox News. (TK-FL) **930 WLBL** WI Auburndale – 9/24 0733 – Area weather, followed by a nice ID: "AM 930, FM 99.1 and 100.9 WLBL Auburndale-Stevens Point, the Ideas network;" mentions of Wisconsin Public Radio and wpr.org, with pleas for support. Fair, in QRM. Not often heard here. (JW-CO) **960 KLTF** MN Thief River Falls – 10/2 0706 – Poor, with local news, mentions. No usual WSBT. (JJR-WI) 970 WVOP GA Vidalia – 10/1 0659 – "News Talk 105.3 and 970 AM, WVOP . . ." into ABC News, then mention of southeastgeorgiatoday.com. Local news bottom of hour. Strong XERFR co-channel. (TK-FL) 1040 CKST BC Vancouver – 10/3 0733 – Very poor, but steady, with WHO nulled as much as possible. ESPN. Their only affiliate. (JJR-WI) 1050 KLOH MN Pipestone – 9/27 0705 – Poor. 'Weatherolgy' forecast, "Blazin' Country KLOH". Alone. (JJR-MI)

1050 WJOK WI Kaukauna – 9/26 2105 – Poor, with "Dickeyville BLAZIN' COUNTRY 1050 AM Grotto.com", LinkedLiving... area code 920. Alone. (JJR-MI)

1070	KNX	CA Los Angeles – 9/27 0636 – pieced together: "Fair! Beach Blvd, Water Magula(?), 405 CHP officer in accident Orange 22 West East LA interchange, 10, 60, 101. Next report at 4:45. Rain, partly cloudy 70s today. KNX 1070
		NewsRadio". Traffic sounded horrendous for 4:45 AM! No WTSO. Dominating!
1090	KEXS	(JJR-MI) MO Excelsior Springs – 10/3 2200 – Fair, but over KAAY, with EWTN feed. Daytimer on late. Only EWTN affiliate on 1190. (JJR-WI)
1210	WJNL	MI Kingsley – 9/26 2055 – Poor, but no WPHT. "US 31 North, in Traverse City".
	,	Detroit Red Wings broadcast from (nearby) Calumet. Calumet, MI is the birthplace of hockey. (JJR-MI)
1220	WLPO	IL LaSalle – 10/2 0724 – Poor, with weather: "75 now, 52 tonight". Time check & calls. Alone. (JJR-WI)
1240	WSBC	IL Chicago – 9/29 0730 – Poor, with "AM 1240 WSBC Chicago" as I tuned to the frequency! In a mess! (JJR-MI)
1240	WHFA	WI Poynette – 9/25 0710 – Very poor, with Bible readings on Relevant Radio feed, then lost. Only affiliate on the frequency. (JJR-MI)
1260	KSGF	MO Springfield – 10/1 0746 – Poor, though not clear, with warbly sounding "KSGF" through a few others. (JJR-WI)
1260	WCCR	
1260	KWYR	SD Winner – 9/28 0731 – Poor, with "Real Country for South Dakota and Northern
1270	wwwi	Nebraska, Country 1260 ". Weather with a high of 63. Alone. (JJR-MI) MN Baxter – 9/27 0733 – Poor " from the 3-W-I weather center ". 1270 is a
1300	WRDZ	crap-shoot here. (JJR-MI) IL La Grange – 9/29 0700 – Poor LID for network of stations. Lost to WOOD
1300	WCKI	and KGLO. (JJR-MI) SC Greer – 9/26 0635 – Local break with "Greenville, South Carolina", spot for
		private school, back to EWTN programming. (TK-FL)
1550		Fair peaks, but fadey. (JW-CO)
1350	WZGM	NC Black Mountain – 10/2 0704 – "WZGM from the Asheville weather center" and into business talk show. Some WNDB co-channel. (TK-FL)
1360	WMOB	AL Mobile – 10/4 0645 – Poor, though no WTAQ. Joyce Meyer, Adrian Rogers 30 minutess later. LID @ :00. (JJR-WI)
1360	KSCJ	IA Sioux City – 10/4 0700 – Poor, with LID for '1360 & 94.9' translator. With WMOB; no WTAQ at all. (JJR-WI)
1380	KQKD	SD Redfield – 9/29 0725 – Poor – 'Take on Me' by A-Ha (1985), clear "KQKD" and
1430	WION	lost. Rare! (JJR-MI) MI Ionia – 9/22 0739 – Poor, with Barry Manilow song," WION-get the app" promo
1450	WNBY	into Billy Joel. (JJR-WI)
1450	WINDI	MI Newberry – 9/25 0800 – Poor, with C&W music into LID and ABC News with several others. Not common, despite closeness. I hear KZJJ-ND more often than this!
		(JJR-MI)
1450	WHRY	WI Hurley – 9/25 0808 – Poor, with "I'm ???, WUPY-WHRY News", phone patch cut through mess; with several others. (JJR-MI) [So, in addition to being heard on W275CR Hurley, WHRY's Oldies format is also heard on WUPY 101.1 Ontonagon,
1450	WDLB	Michigan and WVVE 95.3 Grand Marais, Minnesota! -Ed.] WI Marshfield – 10/1 0744 – Poor, but out of nowhere, "WDLB Newstime" and
		gone! Nice hearing! (JJR-WI)
1460	WKAM	IN Goshen – 10/4 0735 – Poor, with KXNO. Chatter, ads mentioning South Bend. Semi-local WJTI off all week (+), though their 97.9 translator is on. (JJR-WI)
1460	KDWA	MN Hastings – 9/29 0822 – Poor, with no sign of KXNO. "Tri-County Sports on KDWA". 'KDWA.com'. (JJR-MI)
1460	WBOG	WI Tomah – 9/27 0757 – Poor, no KXNO. 60s/70s OLDies. "Kool Gold 101.3 and AM 1460". (JJR-MI)
1480	KQAM	KS Wichita – 9/23 0017 – Poor signals, but clear ID as "1480 and 102.5 FM, The Big Talker". NEW! (JJR-WI)
1480	WGVU	MI Kentwood – 9/23 0004 – Heard with oldies and full ID as "WGVU and WGVS
		Real Oldies". (SMA-MB) [That's not a 'full ID', per se. According to the FCC: "Official station identification includes the station's call latters followed by the
		"Official station identification includes the station's call letters, followed by the community specified in its license as the station's location. Between the call letters
		and its community, the station may insert the name of the licensee, the station's

frequency. It may also include any additional community or communities, as long as it first names the community to which it is licensed by the FCC." Canadian regulations are much "looser" – Ed.]

- **1480 WLMV WI Madison 9/23 0030 –** Fading in and out of the DX test, but finally caught an ID as "La Movida" and Spanish talk and music. **(SMA-MB)**
- **1490 WLFN WI LaCrosse 9/22 2049** Poor, in fade up, with ". . . on Today's Talk 1490, in La Crosse . . ." & lost! (JJR-WI)
- **1510 KCKK CO Littleton 9/22 0728 –** Poor. "It Never Rains in Southern California" by Albert Hammond. "93-7 the Rock", in until WRRD's sign-on. (JJR-WI)
- **1530 KGBT TX Harlingen 9/26 1847 –** Spanish sports talk, "Tu DN" network slogan, Spanish ads. **(TK-FL)**
- **1540 KZMP TX University Park 9/19 0801 –** Ranchera music; four chimes and legal ID at 0803: "KZZA 106.7 Muenster-Dallas-Fort Worth, KZMP 1540 AM University Park-Dallas," followed by this sung slogan: "La Ranchera me gusta mas"; more music followed, along with phone chats. New format and slogan, ex-ESPD sports. Fair/good signal. (JW-CO)
- 1560 KLNG IA Council Bluffs 10/3 1959 Top-of -the-hour ID after Religious programming. ID included K268DI 101.5 FM. Another new one on 1560 with KKDA off the air. (SMA-MB) [You must have caught them cheating either on their day 10 kW day, or 2.1 kW CH power levels . . . or their computer wasn't programmed for the 1930 ELT October shut-down time. Good catch – Ed.]
- **1560** WKDO KY Liberty 9/26 0724 Faded up in a jumble, with lady reading the news then IDing as "... the WKDO Newsroom, I am ...?". This was a big surprise but a good one. NEW! (SMA-MB)
- **1560** WSLA LA Slidell 10/1 1637 'Dr. Daliah Show' with quack medical advice, break with a local spot. Parallel station stream. D1 station. (TK-FL)
- **1560 WTOU MI Portage 9/26 0720** Faded up in a jumble, with 'Michigan Lotteries' ad and then into R&B music. "The Touch" slogan. NEW! (SMA-MB)
- **1560 WFME** NY New York 9/25 2040 Weak signals, fighting with WGLB, with 'Family Radio' religious talk // their web feed. NEW! (SMA-MB)
- **1560 WCNW OH Fairfield 10/4 0732 –** Very poor, with woman: "AM 1560 WCNW Fairfield-Cincinnati" into REL. Semi-local WGLB running the popular open carrier program, hi. (JJR-WI)
- **1560 KGOW TX Bellaire** 9/25 0740 Fair, signals fading up and down, with Vietnamese talk that was // their web feed. No sign of KKAA, which is supposed to be off air leaving this frequency much more DX-able. NEW! (SMA-MB) [According to an STA filed on October 3, KGOW west silent on October 3 due to the recent storms in the Houston area and subsequent flooding at their transmitter site. So you are fortunate to have logged them when you did Ed.]
- **WI** Elm Grove 9/25 1940 Fair-to-good signals, with Gospel music. Rare here . . . they are booming in here dominating the frequency. Gone from 'rare' to 'pest' in a day . . . LOL. For 250 Watts they come in strong or someone forgot to cut the power. They do ID as "WGLB 1560 and 96.1". The slogan seems to be "Incredible Gospel Music". 1560: My new favourite frequency with four new ones in two days. (SMA-MB) [Both WGLB's day pattern (2.5 kW) and their night pattern (250 Watts), throw approximately 1 kW ERP right at you in Winterpeg ED.]
 - WSCO WI Appleton 9/25 0602 Poor, with LID after a few national ads I was not paying attention to. (JJR-MI)

1590 WPVL WI Platteville – 10/1 0738 – Poor, with ESPN fare over a few others. Not in much here. Assumed. (JJR-WI)

1630 KRND WY Fox Farm – 9/26 0648 – Presumed the one, with Mexi-tunes, male: "La Jota . . ." slogan (should be 'La Jota Mexicana'). Overtaken by KCJJ, but back for about a minute just after top of hour. (TK-FL)

1660 KWOD KS Kansas City – 9/26 1925 – CBS Sports Radio feed, presumed the one based on being the only CBSSR affiliate on the channel. Presumed KRZI, WCNZ and an unidentified Fox Sports Radio co-channel. (TK-FL)

1660 KRZI TX Waco – 9/27 1906 – MLB wildcard talk, several ESPN promos. Co-channel unidentified Fox Sports Radio (three possibilities), and WCNZ Marco Island Catholic stuff. Presumed the one, the only ESPN affiliate on the channel. **(TK-FL)**

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For loggings of stations outside the U.S. and Canada All times are <u>Universal Coordinated Time</u> (UTC)

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- ALGERIA *Jil FM*, Sidi Hamadouche SEP 29 0459 Poor; choral marching band national 549 anthem. [Conti-NH]
- **EGYPT** *ERTU* Santah SEP 28 2250 Good; Koran. [Conti-NH] 864
- **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati,* Cluj OCT 5 0159 Fair; choral national anthem parallel 1152 1179 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- UNITED KINGDOM Absolute Radio synchros SEP 28 2230 Fair; "Through the Decades on 1215 Absolute Radio" with "half past 11" time check into "Spirit in the Sky" by Norman Greenbaum, at 2300 ad string including Harlem Globetrotters Pushing the Limits tour coming to venues across the nation in February and March. [Conti-NH]
- SPAIN RNE5 synchros SEP 28 2245 Fair; talk parallel 684, 747, and 855 kHz. [Conti-NH] 1305
- SAUDI ARABIA SBC R.Riyadh, Duba OCT 5 2230 Loud het against 1520 WWKB; carrier 1521 off 2231 UTC. OCT 6 2215 – Good; talk hosted by a woman, parallel 9555 and 9870 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- GREECE Voreios Ihos (North Sound), Thessaloniki OCT 5 2220 Greek music, including 1539 "Evga Sto Katofli" by Dimitris Mitropanos, continued through the hour bottom without announcements before fading out. Thank you Franck Baste, Graham Bell, Chris Kadlec, and Mauno Ritola for feedback in the RealDX group. OCT 6 2218 – Poor to fair; Greek music. [Conti-NH]
- 1548 **KUWAIT** R.Sawa, Kuwait City OCT 5 2240 – Good; talk program parallel delayed webstream. [Conti-NH]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

HONDURAS HRVC *La Voz Evangélica*, La Ceiba SEP 29 1115 – This one suddenly popped 810 up loud atop XERI, seemingly signing on (a local Sunday morning, caveat). Alternating man and young woman with news exclusively on Nicaragua, Guatemala, and Honduras with frequent slogan ID's between items. Faded and lost by 1140 UTC. This one was once a strong signal on 4820 kHz in the day. One of several listed frequencies across Honduras with 1390 kHz being the primary, this one listed as 6 kW in the WRTH. [Krueger-FL]

810 XERI R.Rey, Reynosa, Tamps. SEP 29 1105 - First heard as unidentified the MEXICO previous day, with highly truncated small orchestral anthem starting at 1105 (nothing Mexican heard while on channel until then). Same time for the anthem up today, immediately into "Sala" by Playa Limbo, then male canned "Radio Rey, 810 AM..." then more non Mexi-tunes (Spanish pop instead) vocals. Supposedly 24h, but the IRCA Mexi TER Log 22nd Edition matches the apparent 6:05 a.m. local time down to the orchestral anthem on the sign-on, notes. [Krueger-FL]

- MEXICO XEUN Radio UNAM, México, DF SEP 28 1121 Peaking near local level 1128-860 1145, with piano concierto solo nonstop until fade close to 1200 UTC. Another one that used to be a regular on shortwave, 9600 kHz. [Krueger-FL]
- MEXICO XERFR Grupo Fórmula 970, México, DF OCT 1 1058 Choral anthem from 1058, 970 faded, then back strong with alternating man and woman telco audio quality news, 1128 "XERFR, 970 AM... Estamos... Colonia del Valle... 50 mil wats de potencia... Grupo Fórmula..." then back to news. [Krueger-FL]
- 1000 MEXICO XEFV Cd. Juárez, Chih. OCT 2 0611 – Mexican music with slow SAH against KTOK nulled, 0614 "La Rancherita" ID over music. IRCA log says: License expired but AM is still active 7/19. The SAH is about the same as I get from KKIM Albuquerque but no sign of it now, and there was no sign of XEFV when I last heard KKIM. So I wonder if XEFV be erratic? Although 24h, IRCA leaves blank its night power. [Hauser-OK]
- ECUADOR HCIO2 R.Naval, Guayaquil SEP 28 0458 Clear time signal heard through 1500 1510 WFED and 1520 WWKB splatter with co-channel WLAC and WRNJ subdued by geomagnetic disturbance. [Conti-NH]



TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 702 unID SEP 29 0900 Weak signal observed during breaks in 700 WLW interference; offset measured at 701.999 kHz indicating 6KP Australia or *Magic* New Zealand. Weak signals also observed at 756 and 864 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1512 **AUSTRALIA** 2RN Newcastle SEP 29 1000 Weak signal barely above noise floor, amid heavy interference from 1520 WWKB; presumed based on offset measured at 1512.002 kHz. [Conti-NH]

Transpacific carrier search: SEP 23 1213-1223 – On the DX-398, spanning LSR of 1220 UTC, from northwest 594, 657, 693, 747, 774, 828, 837, 972, 1566 kHz, and from west/southwest 567, 702, 882, 1035 kHz. SEP 24 1214-1225 – Around local sunrise, from northwest 594, 666, 693, 747, 774, 828, 972, 1566 kHz, from west/southwest 702, 882, 1503 kHz, and from west 1098 kHz. OCT 2 1224-1228 – Around local sunrise with K-index of 2, nothing looping northwest from East Asia, Japan/Korea, but from west/southwest Australia/New Zealand, u.o.s., 612, 702, 882, 1548 kHz, and from west 1098 kHz. [Hauser-OK]

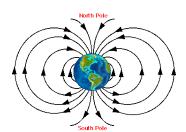
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73 and Good DX!



Geomagnetic Indices

Geomagnetic Summary September 2019

Via Phil Bytheway – Tabulated from online status daily (K = 0000 UTC) <u>ftp://ftp.swpc.noaa.gov/pub/forecasts/wwv/</u>

Date	Flux	A K	S	pace Weather	Date	Flux	A K	S	pace Weather
9/1	67	45	5	moderate, G2	9/16	69	11	2	no storms
2	69	21	3	minor, G1	17	68	9	4	no storms
3	69	10	2	no storms	18	66	9	2	no storms
4	69	12	2	no storms	19	67	4	1	no storms
5	68	14	2	no storms	20	67	3	1	no storms
6	69	8	1	no storms	21	68	7	1	no storms
7	74	7	2	no storms	22	68	4	1	no storms
8	68	10	3	no storms	23	66	3	1	no storms
9	69	14	3	no storms	24	67	13	1	no storms
10	70	4	0	no storms	25	68	4	1	no storms
11	68	5	1	no storms	26	67	4	1	no storms
12	69	7	1	no storms	27	66	21	5	minor, G1
13	68	8	1	no storms	28	67	27	4	minor. G1
14	69	6	3	no storms	29	67	13	4	no storms
15	68	8	3	no storms	9/30	68	14	2	no storms

Sx – Solar Radiation Storm Level / Gx – Geomagnetic Storm Level / Rx – Radio Blackouts Level.

Anreported Domestic Stations

One station – WUKZ-1010 – was reported to DDXD this issue for the first time since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000). And another 1010 unreported station, KDLA-1010, has gone permanently silent, so can't be a target for us DXers any more. WCKW-LA is now the only unreported station left on 1010. Overall, we are now down to 338 full-service (100 watts and up) AM stations in the United States and Canada that have not been reported to DDXD during this time. The last full list was printed in Volume 86 Issue 19. Can you report one next time?

GRAVEYARD DX ACHIEVEMENTS

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> Total Stations Heard Updated as of September 21, 2019

Norm Maguire (SK) - East Hartford, CT/ Albuquerque, NM146 169 174 168 192 157 10	<u>otal</u> 1006 607
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	133
	129
0	123
Gary Atkins (SK) - Louisville, KY 21 8 29 21 18 26 1	123
	115
	113
Dave Braun - Various Locations 18 24 14 20 14 22 1	112
Marc DeLorenzo - Hyannis, MA 20 19 13 16 23 20 1	111
Rick Dau - South Omaha, NE 21 17 14 17 26 13 1	108
Harry Hayes - Gouldsboro, PA 15 21 17 13 21 19 1	106
John Malicky - Pittsburgh, PA 7 15 16 14 24 27 1	103
Forest Osborn - Hooker, OK 14 15 14 21 14 11	89
Nancy Johnson - Aberdeen, WA 16 20 13 11 13 14	87
Bill Hale - WI, IL, ID, FL, TX, NY, CA, NM 15 14 12 11 13 15	80
Joe Kureth (SK) - Southern Pines, NC 13 12 13 13 17 12	80
Mike Hardester - Various Locations131011101313	70
Fred Nordquist - Clay, NY 13 15 6 9 15 11	69
Wayne Heinen - Colorado Springs, CO85211748	63
Don Trelford (SK) - Scarborough, ON71089179	60
Larry Van Horn - Brasstown, NC 12 9 11 8 10 10	60

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Tim Hall - West Glacier, MT	13	7	6	9	14	10	59
Pete Taylor - Worldwide	12	8	8	19	6	5	58
Tim Hall - Teasdale, UT	10	10	8	10	8	11	57
Tim Hall - Tombstone, AZ	12	10	9	10	7	9	57
Tim Hall - Yellowstone Lake Village, WY	11	9	9	9	9	9	56
Tim Hall - Mammoth Lakes, CA	12	10	9	8	7	9	55
Morris Sorensen (SK) - Winnipeg, MB	4	6	8	10	14	8	50
Wayne Heinen - Orchard Park, NY	14	10	8	2	8	5	47
Russ Edmunds - Syracuse, NY	12	8	7	5	6	8	46
Tim Hall - Jasper, AB	10	7	8	7	8	5	45
Dave Yocis - South Nyack, NY	1	6	11	5	11	10	44
Tim Hall - Ajo, AZ	9	8	9	6	6	6	44
Ron Schiller (SK) - Couer d'Alene, ID	5	6	13	4	4	11	43
Morris Sorensen (SK) - Scarborough, ON	2	12	3	10	6	9	42
Paul Mount - Teaneck, NJ	5	8	8	8	8	5	42
Denis Picard - Trois-Rivières-Ouest, QC	7	11	6	6	5	6	41
Tim Hall - Benton Hot Springs, CA	6	5	9	9	6	6	41
Tim Hall - Bandon, OR	7	4	6	9	5	9	40
Tim Hall - Monterey/Carmel, CA	10	6	8	5	6	4	39
Don Trelford (SK) - Runaway Bay, Jamaica	4	6	6	5	10	7	38
Tim Hall - Bovina, NY	5	8	6	5	7	7	38
Tim Hall - Chester, CA	5	8	6	5	7	7	38
Tim Hall - The Sea Ranch, CA	11	6	6	3	6	6	38
Stephen Ponder - Bossier City, LA	6	5	6	6	7	7	37
Tim Hall - Crater Lake Rim Village, OR	10 1	7 7	4	6	5	5	37
Rick Dau - Davenport, IA			8	9	12	9 5	46 25
Tim Hall - Flagstaff, AZ	10 3	6 7	4 5	6 2	4 8	5 8	35
Tim Hall - Fort Davis, TX Tim Hall - Long Ping, CA				_		_	33
Tim Hall - Lone Pine, CA	8 5	7	4 5	5 7	4	5 7	33
Tim Hall - Ouray, CO	5 7	5	5 7		4		33 33
Tim Hall - Radium Hot Springs, BC	5	4 5	6	6 3	4 6	5 7	33 32
Tim Hall - Chisos Mountain Lodge, TX Tim Hall - Crescent City, CA	3 4	1	6	9	6	6	32
•		6	5	9 7	4	4	31
Morris Sorensen (SK) - Leaf Rapids & God's Narrows, MB Neil Kazaross - Barrington, IL	9	6	3	4	4	5	31
Tim Hall - Moab, UT	5	4	5	т 6	5	6	31
Tim Hall - Burney, CA	4	5	4	6	6	5	30
Tim Hall - Houston, TX	1	2	8	5	6	8	30
Tim Hall - Lakeville, PA	6	5	4	4	5	6	30
Tim Hall - Springdale, UT	8	5	5	4	4	4	30
Tim Hall - Yellowstone Grant Village, WY	5	5	5	3	5	7	30
Morris Sorensen (SK) - Milton, ON	5	3	3	7	3	7	28
Morris Sorensen (SK) - Port Carling, ON	2	5	5	6	4	6	28
Russ Edmunds - Jonesport, ME	4	5	1	6	5	5	26
Paul Mount - Nelsonville, OH	4	4	2	3	3	5	21
Paul Swearingen (SK) - Moran, KS	5	3	2			5	19
Morris Sorensen (SK) - Kemptville, ON	2	4	2	2 2	2 5	3	18
David B. Jones (SK) - Springfield, TN	3	5	3	2	2	2	17
John Tudenham - Joplin, MO	7	2	2	4	1	1	17
Morris Sorensen (SK) - Amaranth, MB	3	5	3	1	1	2	15
Pete Taylor - Tacoma, WA	2	1	1	4	3	4	15
Bruce Conti - Nashua, NH	3	0	6	1	3	1	14
Doug Smith - Madison, WI	2	1	3	2	2	0	10
Perry Crabill (SK) - Winchester, VA	2	2	1	1	2	2	10
Neil Kazaross - Grafton, WI	1	0	0	1	1	2	5
Ron Schiller (SK) - St. George, UT	2	0	1	0	0	1	4
Neil Kazaross - Pawtucket, RI	0	1	2	0	0	0	3
Neil Kazaross - Poipu Beach, HI	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
John J. Rieger - L'Anse, MI	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Neil Kazaross - Narragansett, RI	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Neil Kazaross - Ogunquit, ME	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Neil Kazaross - Poway, CA	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

Neil Kazaross - Schenectady, NY Steve Kamp - San Jose, CA

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This year's Border Inn DX pedition is rapidly approaching. Curious how much of a pest new KZEZ-1490 will be. 73 Tim

FCC Silent Station List

As of October 7, 2019 – Often less than fully accurate

84 stations listed as silent

OT Sta	nons instea as sheri	-					
560	KVOK-AK		KOBB-MT		KQV-PA	1520	WTHE-NY
620	KWAL-ID		WODI-VA	1440	KHLY-ID	1530	WCKG-IL
710	WFNR-VA	1240	WPTR-NY	1450	WZGX-AL		WJDM-NJ
780	KCEG-CO		KRAL-WY		WCOX-AL	1540	WJZI-IN
840	WCEO-SC	1250	WYTH-GA		WLAY-AL		WYCL-OH
880	WAMI-AL	1270	WHGS-SC		KFSD-CA		WNWR-PA
890	KJME-CO	1280	KXEG-AZ		KSKE-CO		WBIN-TN
910	KMPS-CA	1290	WRPA-RI		WROX-MS	1550	WKTF-GA
1000	WJBW-FL	1300	WFFG-FL		WMVA-VA		KMAD-OK
1030	WEBS-GA		KHTW-TX	1460	WBMS-MA		KNSH-TX
1080	KCNM-MP	1310	KEIN-MT		WXRQ-TN	1560	KKAA-SD
1090	KBOZ-MT	1350	WNLK-CT	1480	WKGC-FL		KNDF-TX
	KEMR-NM		WCBA-NY		WYZE-GA	1570	KPRO-CA
1120	WXJO-GA		KCOX-TX		WRCK-NY	1580	WGYM-NJ
1170	WQHC-AL	1360	KELE-MO	1490	WTKE-FL		WDAB-SC
	WFPB-MA	1390	WEGP-ME		KPCQ-ID		KTLU-TX
1180	WLTT-NC	1400	KWNA-NV	1500	WKIZ-FL	1590	WVNA-AL
1220	WQUN-CT		KEBE-TX		WQMS-MS		KLIV-CA
1230	KLXR-CA		KSRR-UT	1510	WQQW-IL		WTPA-FL
	WMAF-FL		WIDA-PR		WMEX-MA	1630	WRDW-GA
	WEZO-GA	1410	WIHM-IL		WBSG-PR	1690	WMLB-GA

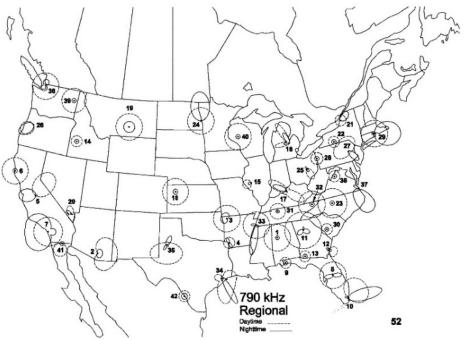
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Station loggings and tips should be sent to <u>Domestic DX Digest</u> (for stations in the United States and Canada) or <u>International DX Digest</u> (for all other stations). DDXD in turn is divided into East and West columns, with the line between the Eastern and Central Time Zones as the boundary. By longstanding custom, DDXD uses Eastern Local Time (meaning EST or EDT, depending on the season) and IDXD uses Universal Time (UTC). These columns run in every issue of *DX News*.

By and large, loggings should be current (usually not more than one month old) and should give some details of the logging. The goal is to provide a tip that fellow DXers would find helpful in hearing the station themselves. Loggings should be of unusual or rare stations for you. For DDXD, loggings of 50 kW "clear channel" stations within 600 miles or so, or stations you hear on a regular basis, should not be submitted. The rule of thumb is to report a domestic station not more than once a year. However, station news such as changes in format, call sign, patterns of reception, etc., can justify exceptions to these rules of thumb.

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Stations that still "verify" receptions with written or electronic responses to DXer reports are reported to <u>Confirmed DXer</u> (published every two months).

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Fifty years ago, most of *DX News* was devoted to <u>Musings of the Members</u>, edited for many years by the late Ernie Cooper, with narratives from each member about recent loggings and other activities. Today, Musings is rarely used to report loggings, but we still encourage members to write in about their DX activities and comment on the hobby and the club. Active debate and discussion is good, but please keep it DX-related. Virtually every political and personal viewpoint can be found in the NRC, but we have many other places to debate those things. Here, we share the hobby of DXing, and even if we differ on other matters, we can be brought together by radio.

We also run a number of achievement columns. <u>Graveyard DX Achievements</u> has mileage records for the stations on the local or "graveyard" channels of 1230, 1240, 1340, 1400, 1450, and 1490 kHz. These are maintained online (at <u>www.nrcdxas.org</u>) and updated in *DX News*. <u>Domestic DX</u> <u>Achievements</u> and <u>International DX Achievements</u> report total stations heard and/or verified by members. The publisher maintains these totals and runs them in *DX News* as space is available.

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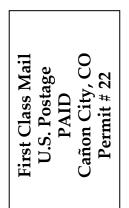
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