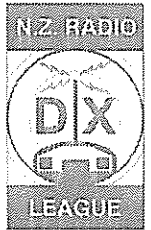




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## 13 METRES BOOMING !

Since the new international broadcast schedules commenced on 25 October a lot of new frequencies have been activated on the 21 MHz band, taking advantage of the increased sunspot count. First time users of this band include Spain and Iran.

**AUSTRALIA** 21740 Radio Australia Shepparton opens at 2100. Strong signals till closing at 0200 and then continues on alternate frequency 21725 until 0900 close.

**AUSTRIA** 21765 Radio Austria International 0800 Oct 25 new frequency opening in German. English for Australasia carried at 0830 and 0930. Signal improving to very good.

**COSTA RICA** 21460 Radio for Peace International heard with Glenn Hauser's 'Continent of Media' Saturdays at 0130.

**CHILE** 21550 Voz Cristiana now regular with Spanish gospel programming from 1800 fade in till closing at various times between 0030 and 0100.

**CYPRUS** 21470 BBC East Mediterranean Relay with 250kw here since Oct 25 from 0900 in Somali language. Opens with Big Ben chimes and closes abruptly 0914 UTC. Thanks to ILG and Hans van den Boogert of DSWCI for confirmation of site.

**CZECH REPUBLIC** 21745 Radio Prague, the External Service of Czech Radio new frequency opens 0930 in Czech Oct 25. 0959 multi-language identification followed at 1000 by English news. Strong signal.

**ECUADOR** 21455 USB HCJB Quito audible all local day, eg 1830 and after 0830.

Mainly English programming. 'DX Partyline' heard at 0110 Sunday. 21470 is also in use — noted with Andean music 1834.

**FINLAND** 21670 Radio Finland 0700 Oct 25 new frequency for Winter Schedule, opening in Finnish. English carried 0730 till abrupt closure 0753. Strong signal.

**FRANCE** 21580 Radio France International regular in French from 0830. Parallel 21620 opens at 0900.

**GERMANY** 21695 Deutsche Welle opens in English to Africa at 0600, good signal. Also heard on 21585. Both closed 0650. 21640 also opens 0600 in German. 21560 opens strongly in German at 0800 with 21640 in parallel.

**IRAN** 21770 Teheran signs on in French 0630 with "Ici Tehran..." // 15260. Quran from 0632. Also heard in German at 0825 recheck. Hrd Oct 31. 1<sup>st</sup> time on 13 metres?

**ITALY** 21520 RAI Rome here regularly in Italian from 0600 past 0900. Not as strong as other European signals.

**ISRAEL** 21620 Kol Israel opening in English 0500 with news and weather. Very good. Off abruptly 0515. New frequency, first noted Nov 1.

**JAPAN** 21670 NHK World Radio Japan opens in English 0100. From 0200 fre-

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# Editorial

with Andy Gardner in Masterton

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Well another month has passed, and we're slowly moving towards a fully electronically produced magazine. I apologise for the look of the Shortwave over 9 column this month. We're still getting around some difficulties. Due to the size of that column, we're having problems getting it ready by deadline time. As I am trying to get the magazine out within a reasonable time period (so half the information inside isn't out of date), I cannot hold the magazine up for just one column, even if it is the most popular! The SW+9 column that appears here is the October one, as the November one is still under construction. We are having teething problems getting it into a format where it is easy for me to shuffle around to fit our standard format. I had the choice this month of either doing a quick edit to make everything in that column fit, or cutting the last 1/2 page of contributions. The quick edit won.

More sub-editor shuffle-arounds are in the pipeline. Mark Nicholls has decided to take a break from the "Computers in DXing" page, so if you're in a position to put something together on that subject, please email me. Thanks for your help so far Mark, and I hope you'll return to the editorial team at a later date. As the information in that column is not generally time-dependent, it is usually the first one to be held-back when space becomes short (I am under instructions from Adcom to keep pages to a minimum to allow us to avoid future subscription hikes). So if you're keen, and like Mark, don't mind having the column held over a month or two, get in touch! On the sub-editor subject, we're looking for more people, so if you have a particular interest in doing one of the columns, and have access to email (this is a requirement, not an option!), then contact me.

After requests from a couple of members, the bandwatch/trail segments of this issue do not have lines between each item. Although in my electronic version the lines are a light grey hairline (which looks fine), the fancy(?) photocopier used for printing, changes the line to a heavier black one. This spoils the effect I am going for, so until I can sort out the problem, we'll leave them out.

Generally, feedback from members indicate that they are happy with the new format, especially those with eye sight that isn't 100%. Please keep your comments rolling in. Also, if you're thinking of sending in a contribution for the first time, why not to it for the next issue?

OK. That's enough from me for now. I'll leave the rest of this page for a special Christmas announcement for you all! Cheers, Andy.

How many of you out there have got bits and pieces of radio gear lying around that someone else could put to good use? Here's an incentive for you to find that gear a good home. **For the December issue only, Markersquare advertisements will be free.** You heard it right - FREE. So if you think some of your gear would make good Christmas presents for other members, send in an advert before next deadline. Remember - you might make enough spare cash out of getting rid of that junk to be able to afford that Christmas present you haven't been able to convince the better half to fork out for!

To save my bacon in case we get inundated by 400 free adverts, we reserve the right to edit, or not print, any quantity of adverts, to save the embarrassment of having to print an 80 page December issue. So, if you want to be assured a spot, get your advert(s) in early, as it's *first-in, first-served*. I'm off down to the garage to dig out that stuff I want to pass on...

quency changes to 21610 with Japanese. Frequency in use till 0400.

**NETHERLANDS ANTILLES** 21590 Radio Netherlands via Bonaire relay in Dutch opening at 1830. Good signal till closing 1920.

**PORTUGAL** 21655 RDP Lisbon 0834 Oct 31 very good in Portuguese, with spurs on 21675 (good strength) and 21635 (poor). 21655 is also audible here in our daytime period, noted 1805 Oct 31 past 0035 Nov 1, when only signals from the Americas and Australasia are usually audible on 13 metres. 21515 also noted in parallel 1800 — possibly weekends only.

**RUSSIA** 21790 Voice of Russia World Service opens strongly in English 0600. Frequency closes 0900.

**SAUDI ARABIA** 21495 BSKSA opening 0846 Oct 25 (0850 a few days later) with Holy Quran Service. At 0900 full Arabic ident with frequencies. Good signal past 1000. // frequency 17880 a better channel.

**SINGAPORE** 21715 BBC Far Eastern Relay, English by Radio Oct 25 using this new frequency 0300-0330 UTC. Fair signal. Mandarin and English from 0315. . 250kw. Thanks to ILG and Hans van den Boogert for confirmation of site.

**SLOVAKIA** 21705 Radio Slovakia International, Bratislava in English 0700 // 11990.

**SPAIN** 21570 Radio Exterior de Espana Oct 25, 0900 signing on in Spanish with strong signal, possibly first time REE has used 13 metres? // frequency of 21610 opens at 0930 UTC. Latter also noted closing in Arabic at 1856 UTC. 21700 another new frequency hrd Nov 1, with closing anncts in Spanish 1755, strong signals.

**THAILAND** 21560 VOA Tibetan Service noted Oct 25 on this new frequency be-

tween 0500 and 0600. Strong clear signals. 21660 BBC World Service Relay opens at 0300.

**TURKEY** 21715 Voice of Turkey since Oct 25 is using this frequency for English 0400-0450 UTC to East Asia & Australia. Also announces 6010 & 9655 to Europe & North America, 7240 to East Africa, but none of these // frequencies audible. At 0500, 21715 resumes in Turkish and is audible in NZL past 1000 UTC. New second 13m frequency 21500 is used by VOT between 0500 and 0750 UTC.

**UKRAINE** 21510 Radio Ukraine 0931 Oct 30 strong in Russian-type language, presumably Ukrainian. First time I've logged Radio Ukraine on 13 metres. Ident 1000. // frequency of 13590 weakly heard. Also audible Oct 31 signing on 0700 with interval signal and ident in Ukrainian. // 13590 good at this earlier time.

**UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** 21700 UAE Radio Dubai with Arabic & English identifications, then into English news. Gone at 0552 recheck. 21605 in Arabic noted from 0700 when // to 15395. 21735 and 21630 carry Voice of the UAE from Abu Dhabi in Arabic opening at 0200.

**UNITED KINGDOM** 21550 Merlin Network One testing here morning and evening. Regular promos as "the future of broadcasting". Heard in the clear at 0847 with rock music and also at 1756 when mixed with Voz Cristiana Chile.

**USA** 21485 VOA Portuguese Service via Greenville NC good with closing announcements at 1757 UTC. 21725 WYFR Family Radio strong in French 1759 with ident and gospel prgms. WYFR also audible at this time on 21525.

**VATICAN STATE** 21850 Vatican Radio 0957 Oct 26 signing on with powerhouse signal for Brazil in Portuguese.

Bryan Clark

**ATTEND THE NZRDXL'S 50th AGM  
Saturday 14 November - AUCKLAND**

# Shortwave Report

with Matt Francis in Canberra

Welcome to the new broadcasting season, now known as 'B98'. Plenty of news this month to keep us all busy!

**ALBANIA:** TWR via Cerrik, in English: Fri 0745-0935 9685; Sat 0745-0950 9685; Sun-Thu 0745-0920 9685. (TWR)

**AUSTRIA:** ORF schedule to Australasia: 17615 0800-1100, 21765 0800-1100 with English at 0930 (Francis/ORF)

**BELGIUM:** Radio Vlaanderen International, in English: 0830-0856 9925, 9940; 1130-1156 9925, 13745; 1730-1756 5910, 9925, 12080 (Julich); 1830-1856 13745; 2230-2256 13670 (Bonaire) Note that RVI has a new address - RVI, 1043 Brussels. (Francis/RVI)

**BULGARIA:** Radio Bulgaria schedule for English: 0000-1000 5865, 9415; 0300-0400 7375, 9485; 1200-1300 15700, 17500; 2000-2100 5850, 7535; 2200-2300 7535, 7545 (Station)

**CHINA:** Deutsche Welle, via Kunming: according to B98 schedule English 0900-0950 15105, 2300-2350 15360; Indonesian 2200-2250 9630. Haven't heard a peep on 15105 at 0900 and haven't checked other times (Francis)

**COSTA RICA:** Within the next few months, exact date not set, AWR will discontinue SW from Cahuita, and move all SWBC to the Dominican Republic. Will continue producing programs at Alajuela for their satellite network (Allen Graham, HCJB DX Partyline, Oct 11 after a visit to Costa Rica in late September, via Review of International Broadcasting, Glenn Hauser's Shortwave/DX Report 98-45)

**FRANCE:** Budget cuts and growth in use of other mediums such as satellite, local FM relays and internet have led RFI to cut its SW airtime by 30% from 25 October. Mostly affected are broadcasts in French, via Issoudun and French Guiana (Francis/RFI)

**GERMANY:** Radio Asia Canada [via Julich-ed.] has disappeared; this should be satisfying to our reporter Ernie Behr, who first exposed their connections to the the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Elam, considered a terrorist organisation in Sri Lanka. In UADX via BC-DX, Victor Goonetilleke, a Sinhalese, says "Finally the LTTE showed its head in their program. We were about to expose them to the German government." Harold Sellers, Toronto, hard-core-dx, also notes that their "frequencies empty, website not connecting, telephone number unanswered." Via hard-core-dx, Paul Ormandy, NZ, says RAC was last heard on 15245 around the end of September. (Glenn Hauser, World of Radio 961)

-Sunrise Radio via Julich using new 6110 from 0700-1859 (replacing 5850-ed.) (Deutsche Telekom, via BC-DX 387)

-Croatian Radio via Julich, for Australia/NZ: 0600-0800 13820 beamed to Wellington; 0800-1000 13820 beamed to Adelaide. (Francis/HRT)

-No sign of UN Radio via Julich per schedule in last month's column, although a new schedule has been published for B98. (Francis)

**GREECE:** Voice of Greece: 0600-0800 9775 (Delano); 0900-0950 9770 (Delano); 2100-2250 9420 (Kavalla), 11645 (Kavalla).

**HAWAII:** KWHR absent from 11565 in 0700-1600 period since October 29. Joe Brashier at LeSea tells me its due to a transmitter fault and parts had been ordered. As of 4 November still off. (Francis)

**HUNGARY:** Radio Budapest gets high! New schedule shows use of 25700 from 1100-1200 (to 1300 Sun) for Hungarian to Australia, also on 17670 and 21560. English at 0200-0230 6135, 9835; 0330-0400 9835, 11890; 2000-2030 3975, 6025; 2200-2230 3975, 7250 (Francis/station)

**IRAN:** Voice of Islamic Republic of Iran heard on new 17560 for English 1100-1230, as well as 11875, 11830, 13605. (Francis)

**JAPAN:** Changes to NHK World Radio Japan's schedule for English from 25 October: 0100-0200 17685 (x21610), 0100-0200 15590 (x17810), 0100-0200 15325 (x15590), 0300-0400 21610 (x17685), 0300-0400 17810 (x17855), 0500-0600 15590 (x17810), 0600-0700 15590 (x17810), 1000-1100 15590 (x11730), 1100-1200 15590 (x11730) (NHK)

**KUWAIT:** Radio Kuwait has added a morning transmission in English 0500-0800 on 15110 (Erik Koie, Denmark, BC-DX 388)

**LIBYA:** External services now ID as "Voice of Africa" with news in English and French on 15235, 15415, and 15435. Heard in Canberra since 17/10 at good levels in 2030-2100 period. At other times in AA. English has been absent from Libya for many years, and the "Voice of Africa" reflects a shift in diplomatic emphasis by Libya from the Middle East to Africa (Francis)

**LITHUANIA:** Radio Baltic Waves is a non-profit, non-government broadcasting initiative which ran a test transmission on 4 November on 6235. 10kw transmitter located in northern Lithuania. Plans weekly transmissions in Belorussian for half an hour at 1700, repeated at 1900 and 2100. Later plans to go daily. Motivation behind the station is the poor human rights and press freedom in Belarus. Stig Hartvig Nielsen in 'Hard-Core-DX' reported good reception in Denmark from around 0900. (Various reports)

**NETHERLANDS:** Radio Netherlands in English: 0430-0525 6165B; 0430-0525 9590B; 0930-1125 9820B, 12065I, 7260P; 1130-1325 6045J, 9855W; 1430-1625 12090M, 15585M, 13755T; 1730-2025 6020M, 9605M; 1830-2025 15315B, 9895F, 11655F; 2330-0125 6165B, 9845B. Sites: B Bonaire, F Flevo, M Madagascar, I Irkutsk, P Petropavlovsk, T Tashkent, W Wertachtal (RNW)

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA:** NBC Port Moresby reappeared mid October on 4890 and 9675 following absence for several weeks due to transmitter failure - but as I write this at 1030 on November 3rd, has mysteriously disappeared again (Francis). Whoops! 4890 back on again, heard with good signals at 1120 on 7/11. (Francis, via urgent email to Chief Editor)

**SAO TOME:** VOA relay for English to Africa at new time of 1100-1130 Mon-Fri on 13675, 15510, 21705 (Francis/IBB)

**SERBIA:** Radio Yugoslavia in English to Australia/New Zealand 1330-1400 on 11835 (replacing former 1900 transmission). But who's listening at 12.30 in eastern Australia or 2.30am in NZ? (Francis)

**SINGAPORE:** SRI via Kranji 9540 1100-1330, 9575 1400-1615 (SRI) Radio Netherlands via Kranji 1130-1325 11690 Indonesian, 2230-2325 6120 Indonesian, 2330-0025 9590 Dutch (RNW)

**SOUTH AFRICA:** Channel Africa is using new 15215 for English at 0500-0530 and 0600-0630, to West Africa. Also at 0300-0325 9525; 0400-0430 5955; 1300-1455 11900, 17895, 21530; 1500-1530 17870; 1600-1630 6000; 1700-1730 & 1800-1830 17870 (Francis/Sentech)

**SPAIN:** New schedule for REE in English: 0000-0200 6055, 0500-0556 6055, 1700-1900 15170 (Mon-Fri), 2000-2100 9595 (Mon-Fri), 2000-2100 9680 (Mon-Fri), 2200-2300 9595 (Sat/Sun) (REE)

**SWITZERLAND:** The SW transmitter site at Lenk closed on 24 October. Lenk was used

for SRI's omnidirectional coverage of Europe on 3985, 6165 and 9535. As a result of Lenk's closure, the transmitter sharing exchange with CRI will end. The China relay will be replaced with more use of the BBC relay at Kranji, Singapore. The only SW transmitter on Swiss soil is at Sottens. The Schwarzenburg site closed earlier this year. (Swisscom, via Paul Ormandy, BC-DX 387) However, SRI continues to use 6165 - via Julich - 0500-0730, 1630-1815 and 1830-2030. Other schedule news: 0830-1030 for Australasia 9885 (Montsinery), 13685 (Sottens); 1100-1330 for Far East/SE Asia 9540 (Kranji), 17815 (Sottens). (SRI)

**UNITED KINGDOM:** Merlin Network One has commenced 24-hour broadcasts on shortwave and satellite. Frequency usage: 3965 1700-1900, 3985 2300-0600, 6110 0600-0800, 6125 1800-2000, 6185 1600-1800, 7120 2200-2300, 7170 2200-0000, 9560 0000-0300, 9690 1900-2000, 9835 2200-0000, 9895 0300-0600, 9915 0700-1600, 11755 2000-2200, 11985 2000-2200, 13645 1200-1400, 13660 0800-1200, 13680 1400-1600, 13720 0600-0900, 17630 0700-1600, 21550 0700-1900 (MNO) Make sure you get your reception reports in before 27 November as MNO will not issue QSLs after that date until the first anniversary of their full time launch next year. (Francis)

**USA:** Radio Prague's daily half-hour in English will be relayed via WRMI at 0400 on 9955 on the new North American antenna beamed northwest (Jeff White, WRMI)

-Radio Free Iraq is the new surrogate service belonging to the RFE/RL stable. Commenced on 30 October and has following schedule: 0300-0330 5965 (Kavalla), 7110 (Kavalla), 7275 (Kavalla), 9740 (Lampertheim) and 1600-1630 6130 (Kavalla), 9540 Woofferton, 9850 (Lampertheim), 11915 (Woofferton). All in Arabic. See their web page at [www.rferl.org/bd/iq](http://www.rferl.org/bd/iq). Transmitter info from IBB (Francis)

-Voice of Greece via US relays: 9690 1200-1400 Greenville, 9770 0900-1000 Delano, 9775 0600-0800 Delano, 15485 1800-2000 Delano, 17705 1800-2200 Greenville (Francis/ERA and IBB) See also under Greece.

-WBCQ, Monticello on 7415 now heard until 1100 s/off with Brother Stair's 'Overcomer Ministry'. (Francis)

**VIETNAM:** Voice of Vietnam home service now on 9875, ex 100060, from 2300-1400. Switches to 9930 1400-1500 to jam RFA in Vietnamese, then back to 9875 for 1500-1600. (Hans van den Boogert, Taiwan, 'Hard-core-DX', 29/10)

## BRANCH NEWS

### AUCKLAND

The Auckland Branch members have been strangely quiet about last months meeting. No word received here. A special outing is planned for late November, details of which I moved to here from the Adcom page, which suited things well, as it reduced the size of the Adcom info, allowing it to fit on one page...

**SPECIAL AUCKLAND BRANCH OUTING.** League members in the Auckland area who are not otherwise occupied on a weekday afternoon, are invited to take part in a specially arranged tour of the Air New Zealand Engineering Workshops on Thursday 26 November. Meet outside the Ansett Domestic Terminal, Auckland International Airport, no later than 1.40pm. Thanks to Branch President **DANIEL BLOOMFIELD** for organisation. Local contact — **EVAN MURRAY**, telephone 483-9543.

## Shortwave Bandwatch - under 9Mhz

with Ken Baird in Christchurch



Please note that all frequencies should be in Kilohertz, time in UTC (=GMT = UT), initials underlined indicate reception report sent. For reasons of accuracy some positive ID from the station heard would be desirable, otherwise the ID of the station heard should be shown as tentative.

Stations heard by contributors during OCTOBER were as follows, but don't forget the frequency changes at the end of October may alter some of these loggings:

KHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
2390	1049	USA, WWCR with usual fire and brimstone - DN
3172.7	1000	UNID, fair with appalling audio in Spanish. References to Nacional, pantron, Argentina, a harmonic ?? - DN
3215	0200	USA, WWCR good in EE with comment on US govt - JSB
	1700	MADAGASCAR, AWR good with IS and multi IDs, in French - LM
3231.9	1212	INDONESIA, RRI Bukittingi, weak with music - DN
3250.8	1055	PERU, R Comas TV in Spanish with TC, ID and commercial on cosmetics and pan pipe music - LM
3270	2-30	NAMIBIA, NBC Windhoek with reg prgm in EE // 3290 - LM
3279.6	0855	ECUADOR, La Voz del Napo with news in Spanish and ID - DN
3300	0915	GUATEMALA, R Cultural good with Spanish relig prgm - LM
3340	1040	PERU, R Altura poor in Spanish with ID - LM
3350.08	0926	NTH KOREA, KCBS Pyongsong weak with typical dreary singing // 3959.75 & 2850 better - DN
3360	1153	GUATEMALA, La Voz de Nahaula (tent) with music and what seemed like prayer at 1200, but did not sound like relig stn - DN
3380	1137	GUATEMALA, R Chortis Jacotan good in Spanish with ballads and mariachi music and ID at 1141 - LM
3976	1127	INDONESIA, RRI Pontianak with ID, time pips and news in Indonesian - LM
4505.11	1046	PERU, R Horizonte with Spanish, fair with cw QRM - DN
4780	1044	ECUADOR, R Oriental fair in Spanish with salsa music and ID - LM
4790	1030	PERU, R Atlantida good in Spanish with ballads and pasillo music - LM
4795	0818	BRAZIL, R Nova Diffusora with relig prgm, very sombre. Tent ID at 0825 with very slow speech - DN
4799	1130	GUATEMALA, R Buenas Nuevas with T/C, ID and Spanish announcements, het with Xerta - LM
4815	2000	BURKINA FASO, R Burkina with ID then French prgm, good - LM
4824.44	1016	PERU, La Voz de la Selva fair to good in Spanish, normally blocked by Brazilian on 4825 which was absent 23 Oct - DN
4825	0940	PERU, L V de la Selva with Spanish messages, poor due to RTTY - LM
4835	1117	GUATEMALA, R Tezulutlan good in Spanish with music - LM
4860	1848	INDIA, AIR Delhi fair in unid language with music prgm - KVB
4865	0836	BRAZIL, Unid with loud signal but horrible modulation - DN
4874.42	0903	INDONESIA, RRI Sorong with call to prayer then firm ID, fair - DN

4885 1858 KENYA, KBC, Nairobi in vern with IDs, fair - BML  
 2040 KENYA, KBC Nairobi with EE requests, 4934 off - LM  
 4886 1050 BOLIVIA, R Sararenda good in Spanish with ID at 1101 - IC  
 4886.5 1042 PERU, R Villa Rica fair with ID and local ann. in Quecha - LM  
 4890 0915 PNG, Port Moresby v good in EE on 21 Oct, off again on 23 Oct - DN  
 4914.4 0640 PERU, R Cora del Peru with ex signal with Spanish prgm, S9+ - HJS  
 0815 PERU, R Cora del Peru fair, first to fade in - LM  
 4919.3 0825 PERU, R Quito regular here in Spanish with Andean music - LM  
 4920 1712 INDIA, AIR (Chennai?) fair in EE w/ mx. ID & news at 1730 // 4755 poor - KVB  
 4935 0930 PERU, R Tropical with ID and Spanish music - LM  
 4950 2045 ANGOLA, R Nacional good with Afro pops then Portugese ID at 2100 - LM  
 4965 2000 ZAMBIA, Christian Voice with ID and EE news, good - LM  
 4970.1 1005 PERU, R Imagen poor in Spanish with ID and music - LM  
 4971 1024 PERU, R Imagem with s/on in Spanish at 1030, poor - BML  
 4975 0629 PERU, R del Pacifico Lima fair in SS with talk and music. ID at 0703 - KVB  
 4976 0845 PERU, R Del Pacifico good in Spanish with gospel songs - LM  
 4995 1042 PERU, R Andina in Spanish with T/C and ID and tourist info - LM  
 5005 1245 NEPAL, R Nepal good with commentary in Nepalese // 7165 - LM  
 5010 1840 CAMEROON, Cameroon RTV in FF with music and ID at 1843 , poor - KAB  
 5030 1300 BHUTAN, BBS Thimpu fair with news in EE and ID at 1315 - LM  
 5035 2015 CENTRAL AFRICAN REP, R Centrafrique with music in French - LM  
 5040 1730 INDIA, AIR Jeypore with AIR ID in EE followed by news - LM  
 5050 1835 TANZANIA, R Tanzania with Afro music in EE, poor with ID at 1840- KAB  
 5055 1125 COSTA RICA, Faro del Caribe good in SS with mx and greetings to Maria - LM  
 5067.09 1031 PERU, Ondas Del Sur Oriente ( tent) with latin music in Spanish but no ID,  
 eventually obliterated by WWCR on 5070 - DN  
 5070 0400 USA, WWCR good in EE with usual prgm - JSB  
 5460.58 1118 UNID, probable Peruvian with Andean type music, noisy - DN  
 5500 1555 ETHIOPIA, V of Tigray Revolution good to close at 1900 // 6315 - BML  
 5678 1050 PERU, R Ilucan with relig prgm in Spanish - LM  
 5850 1900 GERMANY, Sunrise Radio in EE , s/off 2000 - LM  
 5858 0700 GERMANY, Sunrise Radio good in EE - IC  
 5890 0900 USA, R Marti fair in Spanish to Cuba - IC  
 5930 1727 CZECH REP, R Prague in EE with ID followed by IS - CC  
 5935 0615 USA, WWCR in EE with ID and pop music , addresses etc, good - KAB  
 0900 USA, WWCR strong in EE with gospel prgm - IC  
 5950 0700 USA, R Taipei Intl via WYFR with ID then music, Tech problems so regular  
 prgm cancelled, fair - KAB  
 5955 0615 NETHERLANDS, RN in Dutch with commentary, v good - KAB  
 5973 1200 MYANMAR, Myawaddy Radio fair with political commentary, splash from R  
 Tashkent on 5975 - LM  
 5975 0615 ANTIGUA, BBC WS in EE with discussion on code breaking, good - KAB  
 5979.41 0956 MALAYSIA, R Malaysia Sabah with clear ID and good signal in BM - DN  
 5985 0620 KAZAKISTAN, R Almaty with ID at 0630 with comment and music in unid  
 language. Good with WYFR in background. Gchange to EE at 0630 with music - KAB  
 0620 USA, WYFR in EE with pop gospel songs. Co-channel QRM - KAB

5985 1900 TANZANIA, R tanzania fair with ID then news in vern. // 5050 - PWO  
 5995 2025 UK, RCI via Skelton with prgm on National Parks in EE, fair - KAB  
 2100 MALI, RTM Bamako good with French ann. - LM  
 6005 0640 ASCENSION IS, BBC WS in EE with prgm on drug useage, fair - KAB  
 0810 JAPAN, NHK Sapporo weak but clear relaying NHK home service in JJ - IC  
 6010 0750 MEXICO, R Mil with ID, T/C and Spanish ballads - LM  
 6015 0640 CANADA, ORF Austria in FF w/ commentary, v str sig with ID at 0647 - KAB  
 6020 0835 PERU, R Victoria with relig prgm in Spanish - LM  
 6025 0930 BOLIVIA, R Illimani in Spanish with ID and music - Lm  
 6030 0620 USA, R Marti with female in Spanish, fair with jamming - KAB  
 6035 0620 USA, VOA in EE with sports prgm, fair - KAB  
 6045 2030 ?? V of Russia in Russian with commentary , fair with QRM, ID at 2031 - KAB  
 6055 1730 SLOVAKIA, R Slovakia in EE with news, fair - GB  
 1831 SLOVAKIA, R Slovakia Intl in EE with station announcements & ID, good - CC  
 1945 RWANDA, R Rwanda Kigali in French with brief ID in EE at 2015 - LM  
 6060 0740 ARGENTINA, R Nacional fair in Spanish with tango music - LM  
 6065 1906 SWEDEN, R Sweden in Swedish with R Sweden in EE mentioned - CC  
 6070 0730 CANADA, CFRX Toronto good in EE with ID at 1010 - LM  
 6075 0650 ?? DW in German with comment on Pres. Clinton & ID at 0659, good - KAB  
 6085 0100 ??? DW good in EE with news, Newslink , Man & Enviroment - JSB  
 6090 0658 CHILE, R Esperanza fair/good in EE relig prgm, into SS at 0706 UTC - HJS  
 0910 CHILE, R Esperanza w/ ID, T/C in SS and ballads. Carrib. Beacon absent - LM  
 2030 ??? VOA in EE with world news good with regular IDs - KAB  
 6105.5 1025 BOLIVIA, R Panamericana good in Spanish with T/C, ID and music - LM  
 6110 0505 CANADA, R Japan via Sackville v good in EE to Nth America - PWO  
 0704 GERMANY, Sunrise Radio in EE with ID at 0705 - DN  
 0709 GERMANY, Sunrise Radio fair on new freq with usual pops and ads - PWO  
 6115 0800 PERU, R Union with Spanish prgm, fair - GB  
 6130 0607 CANADA, CHNX- CHNS with non stop pop songs, weak nith American ac-  
 cent between tunes , tent ID but no doubt about tunes - DN  
 1200 LAOS, Loa National Radio with fanfare chimes ID and news in Lao - Lm  
 6135 0929 BOLIVIA, R Santa Cruz good with ID in Spanish and salsa music - LM  
 6150 0945 GERMANY, DW in EE to Pacific, good - GB  
 1116 SINGAPORE, R Singapore Intl poor with local news and weather - PRP  
 6160 0750 BRAZIL, R Rio MAR fair in Portugese with relig prgm till 0800 then ID and  
 Morning Show - PWO  
 0900 ANTIGUA, DW in EE with news Talking Point , v good - KAB  
 6185 0700 MEXICO, R Educacion with Spanish prgm, good clear signal - GB  
 6203.8 1035 PERU, R Cusco good in Spanish with lively folk music - LM  
 6235 0600 CROATIA, Hrvatski Radio v good in Croatian, presumed home service as not  
 // with Intl prgm on 9925 - PWO  
 6265 1930 ZAMBIA, ZBC Radio Two with radio drama in vern. // 6165 fair in EE - Lm  
 6535.71 1121 PERU, R Diffusora?? Huancabamba with frequent mentions of district with-  
 out mention of radio stn, music and mention of amigos - DN  
 6618 1110 PERU, R Nueva Sensacion fair in Spanish with music - LM  
 6618.24 0952 PERU, R Nueva Sensation fair in Spanish - BML




- 6618.33 1102 PERU, R Super Huancabamba ??fair with mention of Snr Garcia, somas Peru. District mentioned. Could be R Nueva Sensacion ?? - DN
- 6694.46 1016 UNID, Asian station with singing - DN
- 6797.7 1030 PERU, R Ondas del Rio May good in Spanish with music and ID - LM
- 6975 0400 COSTA RICA, RFPI in EE with prgm on Mexican birds, Central American music, some fading - JSB
- 7125 0645 UK, BBC WS strong in Arabic news, off at 0714 - HJS
- 7155 1950 JORDAN, R Jordan fair in Arabic // 9830 - IC
- 7165 1630 ETHIOPIA, R Ethiopia Ext Service good in EE - BML  
1645 ETHIOPIA, R Ethiopia good in EE with ID at 1700 - LM
- 7173.16 1045 INDONESIA, RRI Serui with pop music followed by full ID in BL . Nothing on 4606 which is usually active at this time - DN
- 7185.6 1230 BANGLADESH, R Bangladesh good in EE with news with some hum // 9550 overmodulated - LM
- 7200 1400 JAPAN, R Japan/ NHK in EE with news and asia news followed by language lesson, good // 9505 - JSB
- 7210 1913 THAILAND, R Thailand in EE w/ 1k abt aban. dogs gd//11905 noisier - Cc
- 7230 1917 BOSNIA, R Yugoslavia in EE with talk about Serbia and ID, good - CC  
1945 NTH KOREA, R Pyongyang good in unid language with ID at 1950 - HJS
- 7245.2 0640 MAURITANIA, R Mauritanie fair in FF then into Arabic at 0700 with news - IC
- 7250 0230 RUSSIA, V Of Vietnam pr in EE w/ nx. Right in busiest part of 41m band - JSB
- 7295 1700 MALAYSIA, R Malaysia, Channel 4 good with EE news - BML
- 7300 0300 USA, relay of Radio Sport 690 in EE on baseball, poor - JSB
- 7305 2000 VATICAN, R Vaticana good in Spanish with full ID - HJS
- 7315 0300 USA, WHRI in EE good with some fading - JSB  
0910 USA, WHRI in EE with gospel prgm, fair - GB
- 7355 0625 USA, WYFR good with relig songs - TTS
- 7365 0540 BULGARIA, R Bulgaria good in Turkish, Off at 0600 - IC  
0810 ALASKA, KLNS fair in EE - IC  
1415 ALASKA, KLNS in EE with relig prgm and requests for listeners to contact them, good - DN
- 7405 0300 USA, R Marti in Spanish with news, bubble jammer working - JSB
- 7415 0300 USA, WBCQ in Ee with call in prgm presented by Clay Douglas, fair with some fading - JSB  
0400 USA, WBCQ good in EE with relig prgm - IC  
0538 USA, WBCQ fair with relig prgm, off at 0705 - HJS  
0540 USA, WBCQ with relig prgm in EE , good with slight QRM - KAB  
0605 USA, WBCQ in EE with relig chanting, good - CC  
0706 USA, WBCQ fair in EE with s/off and ID - KVB
- 7465 1945 ISRAEL, KOL Israel fair/good in relay of Hebrew Home Service - HJS
- 7485 1930 NORWAY, R Denmark good in Danish - IC
- 7490 0815 USA, WJCR good in EE - IC
- 7497.5 1945 ISRAEL, KOL Israel weak in // with 7465 - HJS
- 7520 0510 MOLDOVA, R Moldova Intl strong with loud hum in EE - PWO
- 7746 1125 PERU, R Cristal poor in Spanish with huayno music - LM

Thanks to all the contributors this month. Like every one else I tried for R St Helena,

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longest wire, 20dB RF amp followed by tuneable pre-selector with another 20 dB gain into the R5000 and all I heard was v v weak speech- worse than last year! Still, you have to keep trying. Does anyone have the address for WVBM on 7405 , USA station but not mentioned in WRTH or PWBR. Please let me know if you can help. 73's, Ken Baird.

### CONTRIBUTORS FOR THIS MONTH

<u>Initials</u>	<u>Contributor</u>	<u>Receiver/Antenna</u>
BML	Bill McLeod, Christchurch	R 5000, 60m wire, 15m vertical
CC	Cliff Couch, Paraparaumu	ATS 803A, 45 m wire
DN	David Norrie, Auckland	AR 7030, 30m wire with balun
GB	George Beardsmore, Mosgiel	FRG7, Split dipole N/S
HJS	Jack Searle, Haumoana	ICOM R71, 100m longwires, 19 & 60m dipoles
IC	Ian Cattermole, Blenheim	NRD 535, T2FD, Alpha Delta
JSB	Jon Standingbear, CA, USA	DX395 , DX350 , Siemans 98, 30m wire, vertical
KAB	Ken Baird, Christchurch	R5000, FRG 7, ATS 909 : 15m wire, 20m Windom, Eavesdropper antennas
KVB	Kevin Brayshaw, Levin	ICF 7600, whip with tuner
LM	Leigh Morris, Sth Australia	AR 7030, 3 very long wires on DX-pedition
PRP	Paul Peacock, Blenheim	Sony 6800, Supreme SW Listener
PWO	Paul Ormandy, Oamaru	SPR4, Numerous dipoles and long wires
TTS	Tristram Speedy, Auckland	Yaesu 7700, 55m N/S antenna

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# Shortwave Bandwatch - Above 9MHz

with Andy McQueen in Upper Hutt

Hello from Trentham the nicest part of Upper Hutt City ? The eqinox is over but the winds remain. Shortly the major stations will change most of their schedules so keep an ear open on the higher bands as these are now propogating well during daylight hours.

All Times used are UTC 13 hours behind NZ Daylight Saving Time

KHZ	TIME	COUNTRY	STATION & PGM DETAILS	INITIALS
9375	1900	GREECE	Greek Radio Id as "You have been listening TTS to Greek Radio"	
9400	0428	USA	WHRA Fair in EE with Gospel songs + readings AMQ	
9440	0116	SLOVAKIA	R Slovak Int Good in EE with report on CC European health care	
9460	2030	TURKEY	VOT Good in Turkish and // 9560 & 9540 IC	
9475	0228	EGYPT	R Cairo Fair in EE with YL talking about CC Egyptian history (Did she mention the lovers of Cleopatra?? - Ed)	
			Good in EE with Poor modulation Id at 0301 and off KVB at 0328	
9475	0329	SWEDEN	R Sweden Good in EE at S/on pgm 60Deg Nth KVB	
9505	1500	JAPAN	R Japan/NHK Fair in EE with World & Asian #JSB News also on // 7200	
9510	1815	OMAN	BBCWS relay Masirah Island Fair in EE but QRM AMQ from Roumania Better direct from GB on // 9410	
9510	2015	SPAIN	REE V/good in EE but appeared best on 9512 IC ?? also on // 11830	
9525	0500	SOUTH AFRICA	Channel Africa Fair signing on in EE AMQ with News but bad QRM from unknown stns	
9540	2030	UZBEKISTAN	R Tashkent Poor in EE with QRM IC	
9565	0130	BRAZIL	R Universo Poor in PP with Severe QRM IC	
9575	1400	SINGAPORE	SRI relay Good in EE with hour long pgm#JSB also at 1600 UTC	
9590	0515	USA	VOA Greenville Good in EE AMQ	
9615	2000	SRI LANKA	D/Welle Strong in English IC	
9655	2030	SRI LANKA	D/Welle Strong in German IC	
9660	0315	??	R Japan/NHK Good in JJ with pgm of Trad & Modern KVB songs // 21610 & 17810 Fair ( According to latest sked this is a relay via Montsinery French Guiana - Ed)	
9700	1130	NEW ZEALAND	RNZI Good with 50th Aniversary pgm	
9740	1300	SINGAPORE	BBCWS Good in EE with World News also #JSB on // 11695	
9765	2100	GERMANY	D/Welle Good in English IC	
9835	0900	USA	WSHB Opening in RR with QRM IC	
9845	2330	NETH	ANTILLIES R Nederland Bonaire Excellent in EE#JSB with Newsline & Research File (Probably a bit hard to hear in the Sth pacific at this time Jon - Ed)	
9845	0840	USA	WSHB V/good in English IC	
9855	0200	CANADA	? R Asia Canada opening in Tamil at good IC level ( I think this stn broadcasts from Julich Germany - Ed)	
9885	0119	SWITZERLAND	SRI Fair with Swiss News & air crash CC	
9885	1230	THAILAND	R Thailand Fair with News & Thai culture #JSB	
9890	1330	MADAGASCAR	R Nederland Good in EE With News #JSB Newsline & Media network	
9895	1845	HOLLAND	R Nederland Flevo Fair in EE with Newsline AMQ but co-channel QRM from unknown classical Mx station	

11470	1948	SOMEWHERE IN EUROPE ??	Europirate Shortwave Relay BDC Service Poor signal with SWRS Id's & Music Audible to past 2000 19/9	
11505	1500	RUSSIA	VORWS Fair in EE w/ Asia/Pacific Nx #JSB & on fridays Moscow Mailbag	
11600	2130	CZECH REPUBLIC	R Prague Poor opening in EE with Nx HJS	
11620	2016	CZECH REPUBLIC	R Prague Good in EE with Mailbag pgm CC	
11690	1532	JORDAN	R Jordan?? Fair in EE with pleasant orchestral CC music with YL announcer	
11690	2030	CANADA	RCI Good in EE with News HJS	
11710	0200	ARGENTINA	RAE Fair in EE with I/s Timepips and Id CC opening EE b'cast with freq details	
11720	2030	BULGARIA	R Bulgaria Good in FF Into EE at 2100 and IC also on // 9700	
11725	0209	BULGARIA	R Bulgaria Strong in EE with World & Local CC News and Id New frequency ??	
11725	2000	SWITZERLAND	SRI Good in English IC	
11740	1000	SINGAPORE	RTE relay V/good in English IC 1000 Half hour pgm in EE at good strength but co- HJS -channel QRM	
11760	2030	CUBA	RHC poor with Int /sig and mixed with several HJS others	
11765		JAPAN	BBCWS via Yamata relay Fair in EE with pgm on AMQ urbanisation in Japan	
11785	1800	GERMANY	Universal Life Radio open. in EE u/ IC NHK on Sundays Gd by 1820	
11825	0600	BULGARIA	R Bulgaria V/Good in FF IC	
11830	2030	SPAIN	REE Fair in EE with News Some QRM HJS	
11835	1049	SRI LANKA	SLBC Pr-Fr in EE with Nx and Modern mx KVB pgm Id 1054 Moderate QRM	
11835	2000	ASCENSION	IS BBC Good in English IC	
11905	2025	MOROCCO	VOA Breich Good in FF to Africa with Id & HJS music pgm	
11925	0130	BRAZIL	R Bandeirantes Fr-Gd in PP also // 9645 which KVB was Pr-Fr heard until 0730 when both freqs go under QRM	
11950	0441	USA	WINB Red Lion pa Fr-Gd with country gospel mx KVB requests with some QSB/distortion	
12065	0930	RUSSIA	R Nederland Petro etc relay Good with News#JSB Newsline and media Network	
12085	2024	SYRIA	R Damascus Fair in EE Music followed by Id and CC News bulletin QRM background	
13670	0805	SOUTH KOREA	RKI Good in EE with World news & Id CC	
13670	0216	CANADA	RCI Fair in EE with report on Midwives sharing CC their experiences // 9755 weaker	
13675	0340	UAE	R Dubai Fair in EE with discussion about jehad CC //15400 poorer 6/9	
13820	0700	CROATIA	HRT Good signal with Id as " This is the TTS News from Croatian Radio. Thank you for listening"	
15145	0425	TURKEY?	VOT? Strong in unknown language with CC indigenous music Time pips & news ? at 0430	
15145	1819	GREECE	VOA relay V/good in Farsi // 11835 & 9680 KVB	
15165	0105	USA	WYFR Fair in English IC	
15170	1830	MOROCCO	VOA relay Good at S/on with Nx in Croatian KVB	
15175	0434	PAKISTAN	? R Pakistan ? Monotonous chanting by OM CC	
15200	1900	INDIA	AIR GOS With news in EE // 15075,9950,7410 BDC	

15205 1900 SOUTH AFRICA Sentech with special b'cast for World BDC  
amateur day Weak at begining but improved till lost in local QRM at 1942

15210 1600 FRANCE RFI Fair in EE with World French & African#JSB News 90 minute pgm

15265 1900 BRAZIL R Bras  
1909 Fair in EE YL with News of Brazil Is at 1917 CC

15330 1030 GUAM KTWB Good in EE with Bread of Life pgm AMQ

15345 2010 ARGENTINA RAE Excellent in Spanish IC

15360 1430 GERMANY RTE Julich Special pgm with All Ireland HJS Hurling finals //15625  
Both good (Is that the game played with hockey sticks and soccer goals? -Ed)

15410 2100 Morocco VOA Breich relay Fr/gd in EE with World HJS news hour

15445 1925 Morocco VOA Breich relay Good in EE with Mx & CommentKVB

15490 0125 PAKISTAN R Pakistan V/good in Urdu IC

15590 1900 USA KTBN Good in EE with CBN News #JSB

15640 0730 NORWAY R Denmark V/good in Danish IC

17555 2029 HAWAII KWHR V/good in English HJS

17585 1100 BULAGARIA R Bulgaria Fair in English IC

17640 1012 ??? BBCWS Fair in EE with Newsdesk // 17705 good KVB

17715 1100 SWITZERLAND SRI With news in EE about Swissair #PRP crash anfd the Name  
game competion Paul says he is going to win it one day ( Good luck just like I am  
going to win 1st division in Lotto one day - Ed)

17755 2030 ASCENSION IS VOA relay Fair with Nightline Africa HJS

21455 0430 ECUADOR HCJB on USB Christ and Sexuality and more AV

21459.9 0000 COSTA RICA Good on USB in EE Good with Radio Nation AV  
pgm and Pacific News

21470 1900 ECUADOR HCJB Opening in FF with News & Music. Into AV GG at 1930

21525 2000 USA WYFR Family Radio Opens in EE with devotional AV music Fair

21540 0700 PHILIPPINES VOA Good signing on in Mandarin At 0825 AV  
EE/CC lessons // 21705 Fair

21550 0035 CHILE R Voz Cristiana Santiago Good in SS with News AV  
& Announcements Also on 21500 at 1800 with pop music

21600 0650 GERMANY D/Welle Fair in EE to Africa AV

21610 0138 JAPAN NHK/R Japan Strong with rpt on stage traning CC  
in Japan and // 21670 New frequency

21640 0700 SRI LANKA D/Welle relay V/good in GG to Australasia AV

21655 1930 FRANCE? RFI Fair in FF to Africa News & Afro Music AV

21655 2018 PORTUGAL R Portugal V/good in Portuguese IC  
2302 Good in PP with upbeat Latin Mx Id at 2302 & KVB 2329

21660 0500 SINGAPORE BBCWS Fr-Gd in EE with News AV

21680 0645 SRI LANKA? D/Welle relay Good in EE with pops & freq AV announcements

21680 0900 GERMANY D/Welle Fair in English IC

21715 0450 TURKEY VOT Turkish Pgms Good with nice music AV

21725 0400 AUSTRALIA R Australia Good in EE without spuries AV

21735 0440 UAE UAE Radio Good in Arabic // 21630 AV

21740 0100 AUSTRALIA R Australia Excellent in EE but with AV several in band spuries heard  
on all receivers / antennas here Strong in EE with an announcement about other  
freqs CC and off 12/9

## Shortwave Mailbag

with Barry Williams in Auckland

Firstly, our thanks to Jack Searle for the time and effort he has put into the editing of the SW Mailbag, one of the more popular sections of the DX Times . Over the ten years that Jack produced this section, he always endeavoured to instigate some comment or debate from members and contributors . I would like to see SW Mailbag continue in this vein so that it is not only just a list of QSLs but an opportunity for contributors to comment on their new reciever , antennas , reception conditions , or any other DX matter .

I was the SW Mailbag editor before handing the page over to Jack . I hope to be here only for an interim period as we are looking for a permanent editor for this section . This is probably one of the easier editorial jobs. All that is required is general knowledge of SW QSLing and access to a word processor . A computer just makes the job of compiling and editing so much eaasier than using the old typewriter .If anyone would like to consider this editorship please contact me or the chief editor.

In the meantime notes can be sent to me , by :-

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21790 0700 RUSSIA VORWS V/good in EE to Australasia with Jazz AV at 0800

25950 2351 USA KIRO Seattle WA the latest American b'caster BDC to be heard relayed on  
this freq Fair on peaks from tune in with spoken formats & commercials at 0000  
has CBS News then traffic & Wx reports Id's as "Newsradio 710 KIRO" pronounced  
like the Egyptian capital Also noted traces of of presumed WFLA Florida on 25870

28650 0000 CUBA RHC Audible on assumed 3rd harmonic of 9550 BDC I/sig and SS Id at  
0000 Also 2345 in possibly FF Weak but clear signal apart from CW beacon

My thanks to all contributors this month.I have been working 7 days a week recently but am  
looking forward to taking a break shortly and getting some reports away. Items marked  
with an # indicate a report was sent to the station.

You can send your contributions to me direct at 36A Brentwood Street Trentham Upper Hutt  
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BDC Bryan Clark Mission Bay Auckland Icom R70

CC Cliff Couch Paraparaumu Sangean ATS803A 45m long wire

HJS Jack Searle Haumoana Hawkes Bay Icom R71 with 100 longwires & 19m & 60m dipoles

IC Ian Catermole Blenheim NRD 535 & T2FD Alpha Delta Aerial

JSB John Standingbear Beaumont Ca USA Siemens 98

KVB Kelvin Brayshaw Levin Sony ICF7600 & 3m wire thru Home-brew tuner

PRP Paul Peacock Blenheim Sony 6800

TTS Tristram Speedy Manurewa Auckland



Now lets get into the first mail...

**JOHN MAINLAND** Wellington starts the page with four good veries. Christian Voice, Zambia 3330, Radio Maryja, Poland via Russia 7400, Merlin Network, England 11915, WBCQ 7415. *Great to see you in SW Mailbag, John . Your veries may instill more activity from me !*

**IAN CATTERMOLE**, Blenheim with his usual long list . Voice of Hope, Julich 15715, WSHB 9455, R.Denmark 15705, 15640, 7485, 15220, R.Taipeh Int. 11915, 7130, R.Vatican 13765, WHRA 11565, RTE Julich 21670, RTE Singapore 11740, 15360, AWR Slovakia 15620, R.Jordan 6105, 9830, R.Romania Int. 11830, 11790, CRI 3985, RFI Issoudun 11575 ( *lan comments, that this is one of the first RFI he has seen for some time* ) , RFP1 15049 , BBC Ascension 12095, RAI 6050, 9670, 9715, Polish R. 7285, R>Austria Int. 15455, AWR Costa Rica 7375, Universal Life R. 11785, R.Vlaandaren 15545 . *With the QSLs coming back like this your QSL total will continue to climb .*

**BARRY WILLIAMS** Auckland . with 4 QSLs back over the last 3 months just to prove the occ. report still goes out . R.Thailand 7210, V.of Greece 9755, V.of Turkey 7210 and FEBA 9820

**LEIGH MORRIS** , Adelaide SA has rejoined the NZRDL after several years absence. QSLs received during the last 18 months are ; Christian Voice Lusaka 3300 , 4965 , R.Quillabamba 5025 , La Voz de Yopal 5040 , R.Quito 4920 , R.Centro Ambato 3290 , R.Moldavia Int. 7520 , 11580 , R.Dniester Int. 11750 , VOBM Eritria 7380 , R.Esperanza 6090 , V.of Mongolia 12085 , , R.Thailand 981- , World Music Radio 3345 , R.Jordan 11690 , AWR Dushii 9310 , 12120 , ZNBC Lusaka 6165 , 6265 , Sunrise R. via Julich 5850 , R.Vanuatu 4960 , CHNX Halifax 6130 , Vatican R. 5880 , 4005 , R.Kurdirat via Meyerton , 6205 and finally R.Tblisi Georgia 11910 after 4 years - no follow-up .

*We welcome Leigh back to the League . As in the past Leigh has quality list. Some good veries there . CHNX would be an excellent catch from Adelaide Leigh; I presume the signal came across the Pacific . Would it be possible to hear it coming in from the west ? Keep us up todote with what you can hear from out of Africa .*

**DAVIV McGAUGHEY** of Papatotetoe , Auckland; sends in a very good list of QSLs :- WYFR 6065, Sunrise Radio 5850, R. Havana Cuba 13715 , KHBN 15725 , China R.International 15500 , R. Australia 21725 , Radio for Peace International 15050 , 21465 , WBCQ 7415 , VOA Ascension 11855 , R. Canada Int. Sackville 15325 , Kol Israel 15615 , DW Sines 9615 , DW Tricomalee 11965 , KFBS 15380 , R.Alvorada , Brazil 4865 ( *a nice one David* ) and TIFC 5055 . *A good selection of veries there David . What about bringing them along to the Auckland Branch meeting .*

**PAUL PEACOCK** , Blenheim . has three back. They being ; R.Habana Cuba 9820 and 9830 SSB plus some newspapers , RAI 11900 with tourist magazines and SRI on 17515 . *It is always interesting to get those little extras in with the QSLs .*

**JACK SEARLE** of Haumoana , advises that he has enough reports going out to keep a few QSLs coming back. VOA Ascension 17755, DW Wert. 11865 with full data card, VOA Kavala 11965, R.Ukraine Int. 13950, RAI 5925 and 7270. *Jack said he received a nice personal letter from RAI in appreciation of his monitoring efforts, along with notebook and badge.*

Editors choice for the Best of the Month goes to John Mainland with his Christian Voice , Zambia 3330 kHz . A very good verie in my books . Leigh Morris has several very choice QSLs also but here we have the difficulty of comparing reception from Adelaide to that in New Zealand . We know there is a distinct difference between Invercargill and Auckland , let alone between Adelaide and Wellington . Never the less I believe CHNX Nova Scotia would be an exceptional catch in Adelaide . Any comment ?? Regards *Barry*

## Utilities

*with Evan Murray in Auckland*

Noel Jones, in Auckland, sends in a press release from the Australian Four Wheel Drive Radio Network giving an extension of Alice Springs Base Voice schedule. This is a service for the benefit of motor vehicles transiting from the South to the Far North of Australia.. An increase in the extra traffic using the service has caused the organisers to add to the schedule which now reads as follows. Times in UTC.

0730-0800	8022	Alice Springs	0800-0830	8022	Adelaide
0800-0830	5455	Alice Springs	0830-0900	5455	Adelaide
0830-0900	8022	Alice Springs	0900-0930	8022	St Marys
0930-1000	5455	St Marys			

News from aviation circles mentions the eventual closure of the Aeronautical and Maritime Radio Station (LDOC) at Portishead, Somerset, England. This is a 24 hour service provided to all aircraft fitted with high frequency simplex equipment and can be heard on these frequencies: 4807 5610\* 6634\* 8170 8960\* 10291 11306\* 12133 14890 15964 16273 17335 18210 19510 2006 23142 kHz.

Those marked with an asterisk are restricted to aircraft operational control on the North Atlantic region. Communications not related to flight safety are prohibited. The remaining European LDOC stations are Berne, Stockholm and Speedbird London.

### Loggings this month

5535	0959	Unident/American 9456, FL 330, Fuel 37.5, Dallas-Ft Worth.NJ	
5598	0654	Shanwick/Cubana 886.	NJ
5687	0351	Air Force Auckland/Te Kaha. Will commence tests soon.	NJ
5696	1320	Rescue 6024/Camslant Chesapeake. 6024 is Heli HH 60.	NJ
6215	0825	Port Moresby/Vessel en route Madang.	NJ
6215	0905	Pacific Gas/3DP Suva. ETA tomorrow 0800.	NJ
6215	0915	Port Moresby/Unident. Just departed Daru, bound Pt Moresby	NJ
6637	1013	Houston/Cathay 311.	NJ
8861	0300	Dakar/Argentine 161 and Varig 757.	JC
8867	0933	Auckland/United 862. Call was for Oakland USA.	JC
8867	0504	Auckland/Air France(Concorde) FL 400 climbing FL 600.	JC
8867	0519	Auckland/Air France(Concorde) climbing FL 460 Est. Kakes 0537	JC
8867	0534	Brisbane/Air France 4605. Squawk 1101 contact Brisbane 128.6.	JC
8867	0539	Brisbane/Qantas 56. FL 350 Fuel 52.0 Temp - 20. LQBP.	NJ
8879	1430	Bombay/Air India Unident. Riyadh-Bombay. JLCD.	JC
8879	1431	Bombay/Air Lanka 201. Colombo-Doha. BFJL.	JC
8879	1822	Bombay/Speedbird 276. Posn	EM
8879	1914	Speedbird London/Speedbird 339 at Paris Orly.	JC
8921	1610	Speedbird Ops/Speedbird 141 complaining of delay in departure.	JC
8930	1958	Stockholm/AEW 230. SC check. Aerosweet airline Ukraine,	JC
8930	2007	Stockholm/Heavylift 629. 40N 49E. PP to Volga Ops.	JC
8930	1853	Stockholm/Air Hong Kong Unid. 100M W Teheran.PP to Zambia.	JC

8930	1950	Stockholm/Viking 8869. Posn Rome. Est Athens 2100. ALG S.	JC
8930	1910	Stockholm/Air Europe. Request result Real Madrid game.	JC
8930	0620	Stockholm/Unident, Posn 56N 30W. Newcastle 0613	BJ
8930	0510	Stockholm/Tower 870. Posn Santiago. Tower Air Jamaica NY	BJ
8930	1929	Stockholm/Unident 6 Zulu. Radio check E of Paris. FLAJ.	JC
8930	1836	Stockholm/Lufthansa 261. Dep Mitilini Greece Est Dusseldorf	JC
8930	1951	Stockholm/Swissair 7036. Dep Istanbul 1915 ETA Bombay 0120	JC
8930	0318	Stockholm/DHL 017.SC check. DHL Cincinnati.	JC
8930	2012	Stockholm/Envoy 361. Dep Malaga ETA Manchester	JC
8930	2043	Stockholm/Alitalia 9163. Message to Atlas Air New York	JC
8930	1933	Stockholm/Dynasty 366. Est Abu Dhabi 2150. GLFM.	JC
8951	0600	Tokyo/United 9208. FL 330. AFLM.	NJ
8960	0645	Portishead/Unident. A/C u/s unable get fuel in pressure feed.	EM
8971	0849	Bluestar/Wrangler 06. Req make Sierra Lima. Anti smug Carib	NJ
8974	0333	RAAF Darwin/Stallion 026. To Air Movts refuel 17000	NJ
8974	0949	RAAF Darwin/Striker 310. Req WX for Edinburgh	NJ
8974	0944	RAAF Darwin/Trojan 119. PP to Mobile re late arrival	NJ
8992	0544	Mainsail/Ascot 5969. WX for Hickham	EM
8992	0904	San Francisco/Airevac 5230. 14 Pax need ambulance.	EM
10033	1706	Speedbird London/Speedbird 49. Possible cardiac emergency	EM
11175	0702	Thule/Reach 7554. Req PP to Elmendorf	BJ
11175	0811	Elmendorf/Reach 504. Req PP to Anderson Command Post	NJ
11175	1034	Hickham/Reach 9533. Req facilities inco customs, immigration	NJ
11235	0800	Air Force Perth/Striker 518. Orion 10 Sqn	NJ
11300	0452	Nairobi/TAW 501. Transway Air Services Liberia	JC
11300	0508	Asmara/Cairo. Flight info Air Maroc 257 Casablanca-Jeddah	JC
11300	0328	Nairobi/Kenya 451	EM
11300	0405	Tripoli/Air France 972	EM
13300	0518	San Francisco/Air Mike 918. BCDK. Call Guam 118.7	EM
13306	0937	Perth/VT-EAU Air India.	EM
21985	0521	San Francisco/Speedbird 21. Maintain 310	EM

Contributors: BJ Basil Jamieson, Oamaru, Drake R8 and random wire; JC John Charlton, Greymouth, Kenwood R 5000 and 30 m long wire; NJ Noel Jones, Auckland, Kenwood R 5000 and T2FD and NRD 535D and 35m long wire and Timewave 559DSP; EM Evan Murray, Auckland, Kenwood R 5000 and 30 m wire. Thank you for these and hope you all had a good Saturday of trick and treats.

**Marketsquare** For Sale: *Special offer to NZRDXL members till December NZDXTimes comes out. Available only on Compact Disc.* "A Fresh Pacific Wind - Radio Hauraki 1966 - 1970" has Radio Hauraki jingles, the Mayday during the shipwreck, interviews with staff onboard Tiri II and many more moments. (Read full review by Brian Withers in June NZDXTimes) Now available for NZ\$30, includes P&P anywhere in New Zealand, send your order to David Miller, P.O.Box 1212, Dunedin, New Zealand. Overseas members can e-mail me at dm.smr.nu@xtra.co.nz or write for exact postage costs to their part of the world.

## Broadcast News

with Bryan Clark in Auckland



### ASIA PACIFIC NEWS UPDATE

**NEW ZEALAND** 2 more stations on our crowded bands! Since 20 October, the Radio Sport network has a new outlet on **1071** from Timaru with 2.5kw, co-located at Radio Rhema's St Andrews site. Rhema also inaugurated a 'Southern Star' Network outlet from the site on 20 October, using **981**. (Paul Ormandy) Temporary reprieve for BBC World Service **1476** — see item in Adcom news elsewhere in this issue. (Bryan Clark) Auckland **603** is expected to reactivate in January 1999, with the transfer of Aotearoa Radio's assets to the Manukau Urban Maori Authority (thanks to anonymous contributor) QSL letter received from 2XM Wellington **1161** for a taped report. Verification signer Brian E. Hemmingsen, Manager News. Address: Te Upoko O Te Ika, 128 Featherston Street, Level 2, P.O. Box 2705, Wellington. (Pat Martin Oregon USA — his 101st NZ MW station QSLd! Ed)

**AUSTRALIA** Brisbane Radio **1701** noted off air again 9 October with transmitter trouble. The last time this happened, about a month ago, it coincided with an auroral opening into the US mid west of the USA and I obtained a logging of KGBB at very good level - near word perfect. However this time very little is there and only a slight amount of another Aussie on 1701 - a Western Australian I suspect going by it's strength. (Chris Martin email) A prepared card QSL signed by Peter Shultz, Engineer received from NBS Radio **1674** for test broadcasts in September/October from the Emu Plains Prison Farm, 400 watts, about 30km west of Sydney. Address: 24 Kurri Street, Loftus, NSW 2232. Station is currently off the air, return date not known. (Pat Martin OR & John Wright NSW via email) Radio Italia Brisbane **1629** // 1620 also 1593//1575//1539//801. Over 400 miles away but heard this over Newcastle Hospital Radio Network only 50 miles away at the time. (John Wright via Greyline DX email) 3CR Melbourne **855** 1kw sent verie letter signed by Gina Pilren, Volunteer Worker. Address: 21 Smith Street, Fitzroy, Victoria 3065, Australia. (Pat Martin) 2EA Newcastle **1413** verified by letter for taped report, in 16 days. Signed by Yuan Chan, Chief Engineer, SBS Corporation, Locked Bag 028, Crows Nest, NSW 2065, Australia. (Pat Martin via Greyline DX email)

**HAWAII** KISA Honolulu **1540** programming is now all Korean. No longer // to KWAI 1080. (Chuck Boehnke email via Greyline DX)

**JAPAN** Since 1 August 1998, JOXR 783 is now on **864**khz with 10kw. JOIP 819 moved to **639**, power still 5kw. JOAQ 981 moved to **819** still with 1kw. New Stations are JOCR, Kobe-Tajima on **1395** with 1kw and JOAR Nagoya-Gifu **639** w/ 500 watts. (Osamu Aikawa via Patrick Martin)

**PHILIPPINES** DYDD 10kw **1260**, Slogan : "Bantay Radyo" SIAM Corporation, Studio located at Bantay Radyo, Mactan Business Center, Airport Road, Lapulapu City, Metro Cebu. note ; Repeater stations are **864** DYHH 10kW, located at Bogo, Cebu. DYZZ 10kw **1458** located at Guihulungan, Negros Oriental. (Jun'ichi Nishikawa)

576 DZMQ 5kw, Philippine B. Service, R. ng Bayan-Dagupan City.

1188 DZXO Vanguard Radio Network Co., Inc., Studio located at 4/F Diego Building, Maharlika Highway, Cabanatuan City 3100. Phone +63 (44) 463-2112 Fax +63 (44) 463-2373 Sales office at 2/F J&T Building, R. Magsaysay Blvd., Santa Mesa, Metro Manila. <http://www.bigsound.com/>

## U.S. EXPANDED BAND REPORT (1610-1700kHz)

New stations galore popping up now, so get those logs before its too late! Ed

**1620 WJVA South Bend IN** came on air 5 November, the 18th X-Bander to commence operations is on-air. Format is Nostalgia/Music of your Life, and slogans as "Radio Hollywood". Dual "WHLY-WJVA" ids on the hour, so 1580 is WHLY while 1620 is WJVA. (John J. Rieger email via Pat Martin)

**1620 Open Carrier** tests noted here 9 November by Pat Martin OR & Pat Griffith CO. Possibly is the KSMH Auburn CA station due on early November. From a call to KIHM 1590 (KSMH sister station in Reno, they will be on in 'the first week of November, . Apparently will simulcast 1590 (Immaculate Heart Ministry, which is what KIHM's call letters mean). KSMH's call letters mean "Sacramento's Most Holy"... (Robert Wein email)

**1630 KCJJ Iowa City IA** heard 14 October giving frequent IDs and in 45 minutes of listening every ID heard was different. Music was a mix of old and new modern pop. (Pat Griffith via Greyline DX) Per Station Manager "Captain" Steve Bridges, KCJJ left its 1560 frequency same day. (Rick Dau via Pat Martin)

**1630 WBHD Ada MI** with rap music, IDs as "Radio Jab" and "This is going to be your number one radio station, 16-80 AM, Radio Jab". Signal poor to fair at 0530 EDT 15 October (Pat Martin OR) Call change to WJNZ reported. Ada is a suburb of Grand Rapids. Address is 2610 Horizon St. Suite F, Grand Rapids MI 49546. Tel: 616/956-6696. Music on the test was rap but the promos mentioned jazz & r&b. (Pete Taylor CA via Pat Martin email)

**1690 WMDM Lexington Park, MD.** Personal verification letter in 10 days for report with 60c mint stamp. V/s Stacy Reynolds, Program Director. QTH: P O Box 600, Lexington Park, MD 20653. (Paul Ormandy)

**1690 KAYK Englewood CO** received 2nd QSL letter, but this time from Radio Disney, but used Kingdom Radio letterhead. v/s: Julia Newton, Assistant to General Manager. Address: 730 West Hampden Avenue, Suite. 300, Englewood, CO 80110-2121. (Pat Martin OR) (PAT MARTIN's CURRENT US EXPANDED BAND LISTING 10/98)

All the listed stations are 24 hours except for: WKSH 1640 (1200-0500 UTC) and KKJY 1640 (1300 or 1400 -0600 UTC). KDIA 1640 and KYIZ-1620 carry Black Religion & Gospel on Sundays (local time).

## DX TESTS (Arranged by Bill Hale for the National Radio Club)

**Mondays 23 November & 30 November - KQTY-1490, Borger TX 0659-1100 UTC.** Code IDs will accompany their normal top-of-the-hour station ID at their allocated network ID breaks at 59:46 past the hour on both dates. KQTY is an SMN/Real Country affiliate. They will be using their normal 1000 watt non-directional signal. Borger is located 61 miles northeast of Amarillo in the Texas Panhandle. Reception reports should be sent to: KQTY DX Reception Mr. George Grover, Station Manager, PO Box 165, Borger, TX 79008-0165.

**Monday 30 November 1998 - KNZZ-1100, Grand Junction CO 0700-0915 UTC**  
Station will ID with voice and code IDs and use **50kw non-directional**. Reports can be sent to: Mr. Dwight Morgan, Chief Engineer, KNZZ-AM, 1360 E. Sherwood Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81501-7546.

**Monday 30 November - KEYZ-660, Williston, ND** in intervals from 0605-1100 UTC.  
Monday, November 30, 1998 - KEYZ-660, Williston, ND will conduct tests at various intervals from 0605 to 0630 UTC and prior to the news at :00 from 0700 and 1100 UTC. The

test will consist of 1000 Hz tones of about 30 seconds duration along with Morse Code IDs during the 0605 to 0630 UTC period, commencing after ABC Network News and local news, and the code ID at the top of the hour preceding ABC News from 0700 to 1100 UTC. Their format is C&W music. KEYZ will be on their nighttime directional pattern sending 27kw ERP toward 018 degrees True. Reception reports may be sent to: Mr. Earl R. Gross, WDOAPE, Chief Engineer, KEYZ-AM, 410 6th Street East, Williston, ND 58801-5552. At some time during the test, the daytime pattern may be activated for about 5 minutes. This will shoot about 26kw ERP at 198 degrees for those of us in the South Seas who need North Dakota, hi. (*Worth a special try guys!*)

**Monday 14 December - WEGB-1390, Presque Isle, Maine** at 0700 UTC.

WEGB will broadcast a Morse Code ID, along with their regular on-the-hour ID at 0700 UTC. WEGB will be utilizing their regular 5000 watt nighttime signal, a kidney-shaped pattern directed primarily to the north and southeast. Reports may be sent to: Mr. Wally Babbidge, WEGB-AM, 3 State Street Place, Presque Isle, ME 04769-2323

*The latest test info from NRC received via IRCA's AM DX NewsFlash 29/10/98*

## CANADIAN UPDATE

Reports of the demise of some of CBC's major AM outlets are premature. October 20 was supposed to have been the last day for CBL **740**, but it's still up and running. According to CBC Audience Relations in Toronto, the shutdown of 740 has been delayed for at least a few months because they're still not reaching everyone they're supposed to be on FM. Apparently, the signal from CBLA 99.1 Toronto isn't quite as potent as expected, and only one of the two satellite stations originally planned, CBLA-FM-2 89.1 Paris ON, has been built. The other, CBLA-FM-1 90.5 Crystal Beach ON (along Lake Erie just west of Buffalo), was heard testing briefly in August but has not been heard since. (Fybush via email) As at 26 October, CBM Montreal **940** is still on the air. Likewise with CBF Montreal **690**. One rumour has CIQC 600 moving to 940 with English local talk, with 600 becoming an all-news station in both English and French operated by sister stations CIQC and French-language CKVL 850. The 88.5 FM replacement for 940 is indeed terrible; many areas along the south shore, east of Montreal, and the West Island (where many Anglophones are concentrated) can barely hear the thing. (Bill Harms via IRCA AM DX NewsFlash email 29/10/98)

## BRANCH NEWS SOUTHLAND

The October meeting was held at the residents of Norm Austin's with 12 members present. The usual business was attended to and a vote put forward about the proposed remit about loggings. In general Lindsay asked if any branch stationary was required by members. Paul received a phone call from comelco about the Tiwai listening post. Members reported very poor reception of St Helena. Eddie and Lindsay report that the listening conditions at Tiwai were reasonable at the weekend they were there. The Christmas meeting is to be on the 12th of December at Steven Greenyers. A gift voucher was presented to Arthur Williams as a wedding gift >from the branch. Competitions.....BC/ Eddie and Lindsay equal this month .....O9/ L Robinson Radio for Peace international Costa Rica 15.050Khz 3Kw 97Pts. ....U9/ P Aronson TWR Swaziland 3.200Khz 25Kw 140Pts. Next meeting at Eric McIntosh's and meeting closed at 9pm.

# Broadcast DX

with Paul Ormandy in Oamaru

Paul Ormandy (paulorm@es.co.nz) joined the League (as a cheeky young lad) in 1974 and is an avid MW DXer.

Hi everyone, well, conditions are certainly picking up as far as reception of North Americans are concerned... And if you think there is too much interference around, then I would suggest obtaining a MFJ-1025 or 1026 phasing unit. Both Steven Greenyer and myself are having a ball with these machines! Reviews to appear later...

## Highlights

❖ **More X-banders...** check out the trail items...

## Lowlights

❖ **More NZers...** and locals for me too! Radio Sport 1071 and Southern Star 981 both from St. Andrews (not in Scotland unfortunately!) and serving South Canterbury.

❖ **Tauranga 1521** is still on with continuous Golden Oldies format, no announcements (thanks to John Durham for the good oil on this one), and BBC WS Auckland 1476 is also still on... just when I was hoping for another gap or two in the band!

**Chris Martin, Ormeau Qld.** "Conditions for North American reception have greatly improved here this past month with some good openings. I have logged stations not heard for a long time at good level like KLAC, WHAS & WSM. 11/10 was a good Mexican night. 21/10 North American's on every 10 kHz channel! On 23/10 Marli was a powerhouse on 1180 whereas it had been somewhat under KERI all month. I continue to log call changes although I'm finding the 1300 channel very interesting as WFFG is no longer dominant there. Have heard WOOD and KAZN at times and the latter seems to be a regular now. My antenna here at Ormeau is now 800 meters at 82deg mag but has quite a dogs leg in it as a neighbours house is in the way - how inconsiderate. Logs are Vietnam 1242, KAZN 1300 & KWIZ 1480. QSLs are WNML 1670 and VOA Sao Tome 1530 for MW country # 167. CU on the band." *Wouldn't mind hearing either of those 1300kHz stations!*

**Jack Searle, Haumoana,** "As far as DXing goes I have been fairly quiet but have had a listen to the top end on Medium waves during the last week and was very surprised at the level of KXOL 1660, a bit like MW DX of the 1940s. In those days on a good night the 250 waters sounded like that, memories, memories! A report has gone off and I hope that one of the addresses in the Times will get it delivered. A few others evident that I must give some attention to soon" *Jack, could 7405 be WEWN??? Happy Retirement!*

**Laurie Boyer, Invercargill,** has a QSL from the Emu Plains station on 1674... who are currently off the air! *At least they QSL Laurie!*

**Bill Woller, Opunake,** "Greetings from wet and windy Opunake. I lost my 80 metre aerial from my 60 ft CB pole last night. You can imagine 50 feet of open-wire feeders plus a set of lights hitting the iron roof at 5 a.m.! Ah well, back to the drawing board!! Also rebuilding the loop which looked like and was, a complete wreck after riding home from Matata in the back of the van with the four boys. (*I'd tell them to get out and walk next time!*). Reports have gone out to KXOL 1660, KKTR 1650, KHTK 1140, KCTC 1320, KMKY 1310, KXTA 1150, WNML 1670 and KDIA 1640, all from the Matata trip. Boy, those Bay of Plenty members have certainly got it all on their doorstep. Another slogan I picked up off the tape for KCTC 1320 "Your memory station". *Bill, a nice assortment of loggings... KHTK address is Mr. Matt Greer, Asst. Chief Eng. KHTK-AM 5244 Madison Avenue Sacramento, CA 95841-3004 1436 Auburn Blvd, Sacramento CA 95815.*

**Marlin Greer, Launceston, Tasmania,** provides us with some loggings for the trail and is managing to convince a few Yanks to visit the Tasmanian ether...

**Robin Chambers, Opunake,** Has reports out to CKMW 1570 and CKXM 1200 with a lone QSL from 2PB 630. Robin has resent the trail items which I lost last month, to quote "...bits and pieces still manage to pop through the fence ticks!", in reference to all the electric fences in his area! And they are certainly worth the effort as Robin has provided a lot of great stuff for us to go for. *Latest address I have for CKMX is 3795 Carey Rd, 1st Floor, Victoria BC V8Z 6T8. And 1413 is 2EA /1107 & 1485.*

**John Wright, Carlingbah, NSW,** "The station on 1674 playing opera is currently off the air after tests. No idea of re-commencement date. R Italia is now on in Brisbane on 1629, in parallel with 1593, 1620, 1575, 1539 & 801. Heard this from 40 miles away at good strength in Italian of course, over Newcastle Hospital Radio Network only 50 miles away!" *Thanks for the news John, 1620 and 1629 are now pretty congested!*

**Arthur de Malne, Plimmerton,** too late for last month though has received a good QSL in WNML Warner-Robins, Georgia 1670. *Nice one... guess a few more trips to Quartz Hill are likely as the weather warms up...*

**Paul Ormandy, Oamaru,** a trip to Waianakarua over Labour Weekend produced logs of two new US X-banders in KCJJ 1630 and WJNZ 1680, also WBAH 1660 (ex-WJDM), as well as a bunch of Aussies, 2ME Newcastle 1620, 3SH 1332, 3EE 693, 4KQ 693, (the last three all logged using the MFJ to squash the NZers!) also logged Radio Sport 1071. QSLs are a little on the scarce side... just 3RPH 1179.

## Merv Branks Trophy

Laurie Boyer 16, Paul Ormandy 12, Paul Peacock 5, Lindsay Robinson 4, Robin Chambers 1

## Best of the Month

Arthur de Maine with WNML Warner Robins, GA 1670kHz 1kW

## MW Trail (no room for a proper heading sorry)

RC — Robin Chambers, Opunake. MG — Martin Greer, Launceston, Tasmania. BJ — Basil Jamieson, Kakanui. PWO — Paul Ormandy, Waianakarua.

630 2335 AUSTRALIA 2PB Sydney, good sig, completely dominant over phased Napier 2335-0020. Ann 0015 "You are listening to our broadcast of Zeddings (*huh?*) from the South, here in Parliament House here in Canberra on Friday 26th of June and our programme coming to you from around Australia from the Parliamentary and News Network". RC

640 — USA KFI Los Angeles, CA all tk, vgd all evening. RC

640 0819 USA KFI Los Angeles - IDs frequent - Talk Radio. BJ

650 0725 COLOMBIA pres. HJKH Bogotá, gd peaks 0725-0830 2/9. Ann 0800 w/mentions of Colombia. RC

650 0800 HAWAII KHNR Honolulu HI, gd w/id & nx. RC

660 0845 USA WFAN New York - No sign of KTNN that night. BJ

670 0735 USA WMAQ Chicago IL, gd copy, id & wx incl "thunderstorms & tornados..." RC

760 0747 PERU Radiomar, Lima, tent. up w/vocals on moderate peaks. RC

860 0730 USA KTRB Modesto News Time "The Valley's Only All News Radio". Steady sig. BJ

880 0800 PERU R Union, Lima, gd w/vocals thru the hour, into sports nx 1038. RC

880 0831 USA KRVN Lexington NE, vgd w/ "Cowboys Trucking Network..." , kite flying contest, "Riverdance" promo and wx. RC

910 0624 USA KNEW Oakland CA, has dropped C&W now relaying FMer w/id as "K-101"

and oldie pops like Rod Stewart and Phil Collins. PWO  
 940 0804 USA KFRE Fresno - Mutual News - This is KFRE K - F - R - E'. BJ  
 960 0834 PERU R Panamericana, Lima, vgd sig, id & t/c 1009. RC  
 1040 1230 UNID stn noted here briefly w/pops incl Elvis. MG (*pres. it would be CIOF Vancouver...ed*)  
 1060 0854 CANADA CKMX Calgary AB, fr w/pop oldies. RC  
 1107 0810 NZ Waihi Community R, up & down w/jazz prog till s/off with "Now is the Hour" and "God Save the Queen". RC  
 1110 0733 MEXICO XERED México City, gd call-letters & freq. RC  
 1110 0808 USA KFAB Omaha (presumed) - 'Welcome to KFBK, 1530 on the dial. Check it out. Welcome to the network'. BJ  
 1120 1251 USA KPNW Eugene OR, noted here w/id, poor due to QRM from 7LA 1098. MG  
 1130 0830 CANADA CKWX Vancouver BC, id as "CKWX News-radio" w/Vancouver stations romping in all night. RC  
 1130 1045 USA Unid w/financial nx, hrd past 1115 w/poor sig. MG (*might be KSDO San Diego*)  
 1140 0640 USA KHTK Sacramento CA vgd w/adverts, wx & sports. RC  
 1150 0658 USA KXTA Los Angeles, exc w/.id, phone-callers, ESPN radio prog, then ad for breakfast eggs. Sports format. RC  
 1160 0812 USA KSL Salt Lake City UT, thru hvy QRM w/comedy show. RC  
 1200 0751 CANADA CKXM Victoria BC, great signal though with rapid flutter till 0825. C&W mx, wx and ads. RC  
 1400 0744 COLOMBIA pres. here w/World Cup promo, many mentions of Colombia. RC  
 1410 1100 CANADA CFUN Vancouver BC, here w/plenty of ids prior to the Top of the Hour, some QRM from Aussie on 1413. MG  
 1420 0715 COLOMBIA tent. here with gd peaks till 0734. Only reas. Latin sig on band. RC  
 1470 0622 CANADA CJBV Vancouver BC, vgd sig MA & FA in CC. RC  
 1500 0757 USA KSTP St. Paul MN, songs, oldies exc. RC  
 1510 0859 USA KGA Spokane - Morning News - Difficult to sort out from hash. BJ  
 1520 0755 USA KOMA Oklahoma City, vgd w.id. RC  
 1560 0617 USA WQEW New York NY, fr w/promo then standards 40's & 50's mx. PWO  
 1560 0957 USA KNZR Bakersfield CA (tent.) talk-back show w/mention of Bakersfield, sig gd at times but sinking into mud by 1010. MG  
 1570 0804 CANADA CKMW Winkler MB, gd, dominant till 0832. Nx, sports brief, wx update, then country mx, id "This is Country 15-70, your place, don't go away" and promo for CFN Sports Radio Network. 15/9. RC  
 1590 0736 USA Unid. station relaying KRIO McAllen TX on 910kHz in SS — Californian? PWO  
 1600 1045 USA KATZ St Louis MO, pres the one w/Black gospel mx. RC  
 1600 0730 USA KMNY Pomona CA pres the one here w/CC prog. RC  
 1630 0655 USA KCJJ Iowa City IA, gd sig on peaks w/report from University of Iowa campus, ads, rock'n'roll mx and listeners calls incl. One from Patrick Martin and Dr. Adrian Peterson (of AWR fame). Ids "You're listening to Eastern Iowa's most powerful radio station" and "The all-new 16-30 KCJJ". PWO  
 1640 0741 USA KDIA Vallejo - 'Solid Gold Soul All Saturday'. BJ  
 1660 0713 USA WBAH Elizabeth NJ, very good sig w/plenty of promos for "Radio Unica" incl "...la cadena por las noticias y deportes..." PWO  
 1660 0955 USA 'KXOL 1660' Brigham-Most regular X-bander here. - 'Welcome to the million

## News from AdCom

compiled by Bryan Clark in Auckland



**WELCOME TO NEW & REJOINING MEMBERS :** EDWARD GOSLING, P.O. Box 166, Kumeu 1250; BOON SUM GAN, 6, Jalan Terkis, Taman P.Ramlee, Setapak, 53000 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Edward is rejoining the League after a break of 9 years, while Boon Sum is another former member of 'DXers Calling' referred by HARRY WEATHERLEY. Good to have you on board gentlemen — please let our section editors know what you have been hearing.

**ALASKAN GOODIES** We have been notified of a number of opportunities available to DXers from International Radio Station KNLS. On free offer are station pennants, a limited number of copies of CARL MANN's DX booklets "DX Tips for Beginners" and "Radio Propagation for Beginners", and audio cassette copies of a KNLS interview with the director of Alaska's HAARP programme. KNLS also operates a stamp and postcard exchange. They will exchange a maximum of 10 stamps and/or 5 postcards per mailing. Why not tune in today, mail off a reception report, and ask for some of these items. KNLS currently broadcasts in English on 7365kHz at 0800 and 1300 UTC. Their mailing address is simply KNLS, Anchor Point, Alaska 99556, USA.

**DANISH CUT** In a recent letter to Blenheim member IAN CATTERMOLE, Radio Denmark's Technical Letterbox presenter ERIK KOIE explained why their transmissions always end abruptly. All Danish shortwave programming is relayed by transmitters in Norway, and the technicians in Oslo always cut the programme feed from Copenhagen at exactly 55 minutes past the hour.

**LOCAL BBC RELAY REPRIEVED** Listeners to Auckland's 1476 AM relay of BBC World Service have won a 1 month reprieve, following a personal appeal from a listener to the owners of the frequency and transmitter, Akl International Airport Ltd. The unnamed man sought the extension to broadcasts for a month "to see if he could put some plans together".

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Radio Romainia International, which celebrated its 60th Anniversary on 1 November 1998. And to our own Radio Rhema which began broadcasting 20 years ago in 11 November 1978, the first licenced Christian radio station in the British Commonwealth. Today the Rhema Broadcasting Group has 33 Radio Rhema, 7 Southern Star Network, and 3 Life fm stations covering New Zealand. Also to RISTO VAHAKAINU who has been reconfirmed as Secretary General of the European DX Council through till the year 2000. Risto was a popular participant in the League's 50th Anniversary DX Convention in Oamaru last February.

**NOVEL IDEA FIZZES...** Some time ago we publicised an initiative by former Radio Canada International personality IAN MCFARLAND. 3 years ago, Ian had the idea that both international broadcasters and the SWL community would benefit from his setting up a mailing service to provide selections of SW programme schedules to listeners virtually cost free. Unfortunately the scheme has now closed down because of dwindling interest from broadcasters and a reluctance amongst the 2500 shortwave listening enthusiasts signed up to paying a small subscription fee to cover printing costs for additional schedules.

dollar weekend'. BJ

1680 0736 USA WJNZ Ada MI, on test playing same rap-song over and over with three different canned annc interspersed. Has been reported as 200 watts! PWO



## with John Durham

BOLIVIA

3310 The Sudan Interior Mission was granted a licence by the Bolivian Government on Sept. 26. This station is currently under construction in Cochabamba and plans to start broadcasting in March 99. Broadcasts will be in the Quechua language, 10kw power using a lazy H antenna. 09.00-13.00 & 21.00-01.00.

(Hans Johnson via CDX)

COSTA RICA

6071.3 R 88 Estereo. Perez Zeledon. "Amanecer ranchero" 10.40.

(Dateline Bogota via PDX)

ECUADOR

4950.4 Radio Bahia. 10.40 (Dateline Bogota via PDX)

5980 Radio Federacion here. ex 4785. (Dateline Bogota via PDX)

MEXICO

6010 Radio Mil. Utilisation of this freq with own prgs with special services to foreign listeners. Rpts to Dr Julian Santiago Diez De Bonilla at Apartado Postal 21-1000, Mex-04021 Mexico, DF. 1IRC or \$1 US is required. (Dr Julian Santiago via PDX)

Has financial problems which may cause a temporary closure of this SW outlet. (CDX 31/10)

6105 XEQM Panteras FM. The new Director General of this station Snr. Bernardo Laris would very much like to receive reception reports of this stations broadcasts. Correct reports will receive a QSL card. Rpts to. Bernardo Laris Radriquez. Director General. Gurpo Rasa Merida. Apartado Postal 217, 970011 Merida. (CDX 31/10)

6180 Radio Educacion. Bilingual service will start soon (Spanish/English). New Tx in use 10kw CCA Electr. DX Program "Comunicacion 6185" Wednesday 02.00 Thursday 06.00; Friday 08.00; Saturday 10.00; all times are UTC. (Dayanira Morales Garduno via PDX)

9600 ? Radio Universidad De Guadalajara. Station will reactivate its frequency in 31metres with a power of 500watts. (Sr Eric Abarca Gonzales via PDX)

PERU

3172.7 Radio Municipal. First noted by Moore and later by Klemetz and Mohrman. New station is Radio Municipal from Distrito de Panao. Nom freq. 3173 kHz & 95.5MHz. This station is the brainchild of Panao Mayor, Sr. Oriol Atino Perez. Address is: Jr. Bolognasi No 175, Distrito de Panao, Provincial de Pachitea, Departamento de Huanuco, Peru.

(Rodriguez PDX)

6403 Radio Huarmaca. 23.20. Time chacks and Mx. (Rodriguez PDX)

6479.7 Radio Altura. Huarmaca. Folk Mx. Ids and birthday calls.

Ecuadorian folk Mx very popular in this area, was formerly part of Ecuador till a border dispute in 1940. (DXPL)

6617.8 Radio Super Sensacion. Huancabamba. Folk Mx Prq. (DXPL)

6670.6 Radio Dif. Paraton de Huarmaca. 23.00 (Penaud PDX)

7040.6 Radio San Ignacio. Ids and S/off. -00.05. (Schnitzer PDX)

LIBERIA

Star Radio has had its SW outlets closed down plus the immediate cessation of all broadcast and newspaper postings on the internet. Still remains on FM 104. (Hans Johnson via CDX)

MONGOLIA

4850 Radio Blue Sky. 01.07- 01.45 Non stop western rock and pop mx carrying advertising at 01.40-01.45 followed by a jingle and Ident. in Mongolian and EE as Blue sky. Scheduled 22.00-15.00. Seems that Blue sky has just returned to SW as this freq. was formerly carrying the home service of Radio Ulan Bataar. (Wavescan)

Did you log AFRTS Key West ? 6548.5/12689.5. Where do i send my report ! try these AFRTS. Broadcast Center, Affiliate Relations Service. 1363 Z Street, Building 2730, March ARB, CA 92518-2017 USA. or US Naval Communications. Station Mars, Key West Naval Base. Key West. FL. 33040. USA. (B Wharms USA via SWB Sweden & F. Magrone Italy via PDX).

CREDITS

PDX = PLAY DX. CDX = CUMBRE DX.  
DXPL = DX Party Line.

## Welcome to logs and News for November

From Brian Palmamountain of Nelson heard the following stations in September. 90FM RahoTu 90.8, Energy FM RahoTu 92.4, Energy FM New Plymouth 93.2, R Nayland College Stoke Nelson 94.6 (on the air school holiday only), The Rock New Plymouth 95.6, FM Nelson 97MHz (Test transmission with music only & no id's), Easy FM 98 New Plymouth (now Solid Gold FM). All heard on Sony ICF 2001 with inbuilt whip aerial. Brian FM country has been off the air for over an year now in Hamilton on 94.6. I think it would have been Life FM.

## STATION NEWS.

Kings High School South Dunedin on 100.2 from Middle of May until October 98 sign off calling itself Kings FM. From David Milier of Dunedin.

Mandeville FM 100.2 Stewarts Gully (near Christchurch).

Rivertown changed name to Northgate Radio Kaiapoi on 100.8.

Rangiora on 100. ? ? (near Christchurch)

Little River FM frequency not known yet on the air (near Christchurch)

88 Country 88.6 "The Heart of Canterbury" Christchurch.

All Christchurch information given by Simon Hill.

Solid Gold FM started on 29/10/98 using 94.6 in Palmerston North.

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