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As Radio Hobbyists (DX'ers or Listeners) we are able to tune into Shortwave broadcasts from countries involved in the Iraqi conflict or neighbouring countries.

Whether you agree or disagree with what has occurred, we are fortunate to be able to listen to those differing viewpoints and make up our own minds.

You will find a list of English Broadcast frequencies from countries involved in the Iraqi conflict and its neighbours, compiled by Paul Ormandy on page 17, plus the normal 'Unofficial Radio' 'Under 9' & 'Over 9' Bandwatch columns and 'Shortwave Report'

Contribution deadline for next issue is Wed 7th May 2003 PO Box 3011, Auckland

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Some of the International Broadcasters also have thought provoking comments or editorials about the conflict such as the editorial by Andy Sennitt on the Radio Netherlands website at

<http://www.nrw.nl/realradio/features/html/editorial.html>

The Iraqi conflict has also shown that Shortwave Radio is still a powerful tool, for general news and discussion and also as a Propaganda outlet.

An interesting article as mentioned in the Unofficial Radio pages concerning Commando Solo missions by the U.S. Air Force EC-130E aircraft and other special forces broadcasts is on the dxing.info website at.

[http://www.dxing.info/profiles/clandestine\\_information\\_iraq.dx](http://www.dxing.info/profiles/clandestine_information_iraq.dx)





Please note that all frequencies should be in Kilohertz and, time in UTC (= GMT = UT), # indicates reception out of NZ, initials in **Bold** indicates report sent. For reasons of accuracy some positive ID from the station heard is desirable, otherwise the ID of the station heard should be shown as tentative. Similarly for languages - either IDed, Presumed or Unid. Also, would you please add the date of logging to your information.

<b>KHz</b>	<b>UTC</b>	<b>Country, Station, Programme, &amp; Reception Details</b>
3235	0820	PNG, R West New Britain fair/poor in Tok Pisin ethnic music and local pops ID 0828. Prgm sked included Super 12 match at Napier — KVB 1/3
3300	0425	GUATEMALA R Cultural with EE rilg talk with ID at 0430 then into Spanish ID and prgm - # RAD 10/3
3905	0935	INDONESIA, RRI Merauke good in Indobesian with talk by YL. Pop music interludes, ID 0937 — KVB 3/3
4750.2	1020	PERU, R San Francisco Solano with OA vocals with flutes, ID 1035 and Spanish talk and flute music poor - # RAD 14/3
4775	1015	PERU, R Tarma fair in Spanish/vernac with upbeat Andean music MA with big echo, OD 1030 — KVB 11/3
4789	0913	INDONESIA, RRI Fak Fak fair/poor in Indonesian with Koran, pop and ethnic music, _ KVB 26/3
4790	1032	PERU, R Atlantida with ID and Spanish talks, fair with music and talkj - # RAD 14/3
4845	0722	MAURITANIA, R Mauritanie good in Arabic with talk, 0731 stn announcements followed by Koran — KVB 26/3
4890	0850	PNG, Port Moresby good in EE with ID and talk about PNG economy — CC 26/3
	0903	PNG Port Moresby good in EE with comment on the use of plastics — KAB 23/3
4925	1135	INDONESIA, RRI Jambi fair in Indonesian with long talk, many refs to Jambi KAB 14/3
4950	1859	SAO TOME, VOA poor in EE with IS, ID 1900 then YL with news — KVB 24/3
4960	0915	ECUADOR, R Federacion good in ethnic?? — IC 24/3
4965	1000	PERU, R Santa Monica good with several IDs — AJS 18/3
	1013	PERU, R Santa Monica fair/good in Spanish with Andean music, upbeat MA, frequent IDs — KVB 16/3
	1025	PERU, R Santa Monica fair with nice clear ID through huaynos — DN 19/3
4975	0829	BRAZIL, R Mundial poor/fair in Portuguese with talk, ads, rooster, ID jingle, IDs 0835, 0857 — KVB 11/3
5010	1855	MADAGASCAR, RTV Malagasy poor/fair with Euro light music, Afro music, in presumed Portuguese. 1901 Anthem, IS, 1905 s/off — KVB 25/3
5020	1007	SOLOMON IS, SIBC fair in EE with news, ID at 1008, steady QRN — CC 20/3
5029	0856	COSTA RICA, Uni Network fair in EE with relig prgm, steady QRN — CC 26/3
5070	0900	USA, WWCR fair in EE with ID followed by Bible teaching, steady QRN — CC 26/3
	0909	USA, WWCR good in EE with gospel contry music — KAB 23/3
5780	2115	ITALY, IRRS with pops and Russian talk until EE ID at 2130 then off, poor/fair# RAD 22/2
5825	0912	USA, WEWN v good in EE with Catholic relig prgm — KAB 23/3
5915	1737	SLOVAKIA, R Slovakia Intl good in EE with talk about NATO // 6055 the same CC 17/3

5918.8 0414 USA, WBOH testing with address and request for reception reports, excellent # RAD 8/3  
5920 0600 USA, WBOH fair with test with repeated announcement giving postal address and asking for reception reports to : FBN, 520 Roberts Road, Newport, NC 28570, USA. — IC 12/3  
0600 USA, WBOH testing in EE and requesting reception reports — IC 9/3  
0847 USA, WBOH testing again with tone and messages — AJS 12/3  
5935 0910 USA, WWCR v good in EE with relig prgm on marriage — KAB 23/3  
5945 1809 AUSTRIA, ORF fair in German with some ute QRM, ID 1828 — KAB 14/3  
5965 0804 BELGIUM, RVI good in EE with station announcements, and radio news, ID 0805 followed by Flanders Today — KAB 17/3  
5975 0540 UK, R Japan fair in EE with MA/FA talking about Orient Express, scratchy // 6110 stronger — CC 30/3  
5975 0820 RUSSIA, Bible Voice fair with translated EE phrases — AJS 17/3  
5980 0915 USA, R Marti poor in Spanish with jamming — KAB 23/3  
5990 0908 BRAZIL, R Senado fair in Portuguese with male singer and refs to Brazil, some QRN — CC 26/3  
5995 0622 MOROCCO, VOA good/fair with sports news, moderate het QRM, ID 0628 KVB 11/3  
0917 AUSTRALIA, R Australia fair in EE with comment on Iraq conflict — KAB 23/3  
6005 0900 JAPAN, NHK Sapporo R One (tent) operating on standby Txer in Japanese, several mentions of NHK — AJS 25/2  
6020 0919 AUSTRALIA, R Australia good in Tok Pisin with ID and Asia/Pacific Network KAB 23/3  
6035 2100 SAO TOME, VOA new now ID with news and Jazz America on VOA Music Mix, good - # RAD 23/2  
6040 0845 BRAZIL, R Paranaense v good in Portuguese — IC 6/3  
6065 1930 SWEDEN, R Sweden good in EE with Sono after IS, ID — KAB 30/3  
6070 0925 CHILE, R Voz Cristiana good in Spanish with music and ID at 0930 — CC 26/3  
6085 0420 GERMANY, Bayerischer Rundfunk fair/good in German with talk, probable ID at 0432, 0501 — KVB 30/3  
6090 0835 ANGUILLA, Caib. Beacon fair in EE with ID and relig prgm, some QRM — CC 13/3  
6100 0445 GERMANY, R D Welle good in German but some QRM — IC 23/3  
6136 0259 ??? BFBS with news at 0300 in EE and Middle East Breakfast Show, good - # RAD 19/2  
6139.8 2304 COLOMBIA, R Melodia with ID and freq announcements in Spanish followed by ads, good with phone in and another big ID - # RAD 17/2  
6160 0911 ANTIGUA, D Welle good in EE with news, ID at 0913, slight QRM — CC 17/3  
6193 0917 PERU, R Cusco fair in Spanish — IC 23/3  
6193.5 0944 PERU, R Cusco peaking at 0944 with v good signal and numerous IDs — DN 24/3  
6289.9 2236 PIRATE, (Euro) R Spaceman v good with EE and Dutch announcements with address, e-mail address and ph. Number. At 2320 moved to 6305.9, still on at 2340. E-mail brought response from "Bertus Jansen" ([kompodeband@hotmail.com](mailto:kompodeband@hotmail.com)) - # JB 15/3  
6350 0356 ETHIOPIA, V of Tigray Revolution with IS and ID then opening with news in vernac, v good - # RAD 27/2  
6890 0658 USA, WWRB, Perfect Gift Ministries fair with male singer, ID at 0702, steady QRN — CC 30/3  
6940 1800 ETHIOPIA, R Fana fair with slight jamming heard at times // 6210 fair AJS 27/2

6985	0344	CLANDESTINE, Voice of New Sudan with regional vocals until 0400, chimes and gong started prgm with ID in Arabic then talks, fair with some QRM - # RAD 1/3
7180	0611	NORWAY, R Norway good in Norwegian with news, ID 0629 — KAB 17/3
7225	0436	PORTUGAL, D Welle good in German with FA/MA talking, scratchy // 9735 & 11805 stronger — CC 27/3
7240	2200	SRI LANKA, D Welle news after IS, ID freq announcements, in unid language, fair — KAB 26/3
7255	0602	NIGERIA, V of Nigeria poor in EE with news, ID 0614 — KVB 24/3
7265	0502	GERMANY, Sudwest Rundfunk (tent) good/fair in German with FA/MA cand EE pop music, slight co-channel QRM, 0600 T/S then news — KVB 30/3
7270	1515	INDIA, AIR Chennai good but with severe co-channel QRM , into EE news 1530, new freq. E-mail for this one is <a href="mailto:airavadi@vsnl.com">airavadi@vsnl.com</a> - IC 31/3
7290	2055	ITALY, RAI fair in Portuguese — IC °
7310	0400	NETHERLANDS, RN via Flevo fair in Dutch — IC 29/3
7380	2116	CLANDESTINE, Voice of Biafra Intl noted on new freq with anti Nigerian talk in EE and ID, fair with long political talks - # RAD 22/2
7445	1140	COSTA RICA, RFPI fair in EE with ID then music, some QRM — KAB 14/3
7455	1142	GUAM, KTWR v good in Chinese with long talk, ute QRM — KAB 14/3
7520	2042	CLANDESTINE, Voice of Ethiopia with Horn of Africa vocals, editorial at 2046, anti French, 2053 news 2058 end of news and off - # RAD 9/3
7571	2000	PAKISTAN, R Pakistan fair with noise and gone by 2020, with news and phone in discussion in Pushtu?? — IC 17/3
7571	2000	PAKISTAN, R Pakistan with Home Service prgm in Farsi?? — IC 17/3
7590	2030	CLANDESTINE, Saut al-Islah with endless Arabic talks, poor to fair with jamming - # RAD 17/2

### Logging of the month

is shared by **David Norrie, Kelvin Brayshaw and Andrew Sunde** for R Santa Monica, PERU, on 4965. My thanks to all the contributors, with a good variety of loggings.

73's, Ken Baird

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# bandwatch.over9@radiodx.com

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Hello from Brightwater, where the drought is now broken and mushrooms are sprouting in the paddocks across the road. Brightwater is where you wake to the sounds of gunfire throughout daylight hours. No it is not Baghdad just the grape growers scaring the hell out of the local birds.

Please note all times given are UTC.

<b>KHZ</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>COUNTRY STATION &amp; PGM DETAILS</b>	<b>INITIALS</b>
9400	2029	SWEDEN R Sweden Excellent in EE with Nx then item about Malta and EU Opera performance and Sport Skiing World Cup Not much about it in local media 10/3	<b>RFK</b>
9440	0113	SLOVAKIA R Slovakia Int. Good in EE with Id and competition details 24/3	CC
9470	1900	GERMANY Radio Santec. Strong in EE but severe co-channel QRM. 10/3	IC
9490	0530	GERMANY RTBF via Julich. IDs in EE and FF for African service then programme in FF. VG. 9/3	IC
9515	1845	GERMANY VORWS via Julich Good in GG // 9405 Id "Hier ist Moscow" Lots of classical Music 9405 excellent 8/3	RFK
9530	1410	THAILAND R Thailand V/good in EE with tourist pgm on Thai National Parks 22/3	AMQ
9535	1937	THAILAND R Thailand V/good in EE with News of cultural and financial items Id 1950 Into GG at 2002 25/3	KVB
9595	2045	GERMANY WYFR via Julich. VG in AA to close 2100. 8/3	IC
9605	0930	JAPAN BBCWS V/good in EE with Iraq War News 24/3	AMQ
9645	1608	SRI LANKA VOA Good in EE with News with QRM from Vatican Radio Latin Mass pgm 21/3	AMQ
9660	0827	AUSTRIA AWR In GG then EE at 0830 Good signal with Promises for Gods People pgm 6/3	<b>RFK</b>
9675	0846	BRAZIL R Cancoa Nova Good in PP with local upbeat Mx adverts and rooster l/sig and Id at 0855 16/3	KVB
9710	0500	GERMANY IBRA via Julich V/good in AA Good Id at S/on Limasol Cyprus Address Pgm with Dr Belsame and Mention of that 4 letter I word 20/3	<b>RKK</b>
9740	1445	SINGAPORE BBCWS Good in EE with Live broadcast from Military HQ in Doha 24/3	AMQ
9785	1900	GERMANY VOA via Julich Good in EE with News pgm 29/3	AMQ
9785	0927	NETH. ANTILLES. R Nederland Bonaire Excellent in EE on amended freq Full detailed Sign on then News and Newsline that I.. word and Tamil Tigers visit ANC in Sth Africa Sound fountain at 1000 6/3	<b>RFK</b>
	0930	VG in EE. New frequency. 12/3	IC
9795	1715	PHILIPPINES VOA Good in EE with Talk to America about post war reconstruction in Iraq 29/3	AMQ
9800	1800	GT BRITAIN BFBS 2 Good in EE with News coverage of guess where 5/4	AMQ
9865	2123	HOLLAND RCI relay via Flevo items on baby boomers and women's University education good at 2200 with CBC World at Six 11/3	<b>RFK</b>
9890	1645	UAE Dhabbaya AWR Good in EE with gospel pgm 22/3	AMQ
9895	1822	GT BRITAIN RTE Overseas Fair in EE with Iraq Nx with an Irish accent 26/3	CC

9975 1648 NTH KOREA V of Korea Strong in EE Choir singing Id at 1650 A little distortion 28/3 CC  
 11550 1645 TAIWAN RTE Good in EE with commentary of life in Taiwan 8/4 AMQ  
 1711 Good in EE with News and weather Id at 1715 18/3 CC  
 11570 1601 PAKISTAN R Pakistan Fair in EE with News Id at 1604 7/3 CC  
 11615 1647 FRANCE RFI Good in EE with African report 8/4 AMQ  
 11615 1739 AUSTRALIA VOICE INT Fair in EE with modern gospel songs 29/3 AMQ  
 11625 0429 VATICAN CITY Vatican radio Strong in FF with I/signal with QRM on // 9660 27/3 CC  
 11650 2130 SWEDEN Radio Sweden. Weak in EE. 1/4 IC  
 11655 0623 SAO TOME VOA Poor/Fair in French with talk pgm Id at 0627 24/3 KVB  
 11685 1700 AUSTRALIA. Voice Int. Fair in EE with News and Asian weather Id at 1702 28/3 CC  
 1730 Fair in EE. 19/3 IC  
 11690 2057 GUAM KTWR. Tuning signal to opening in Cantonese at 2100 with good ID. 30/3 IC  
 11710 0230 ARGENTINA RAE. VG in EE. 25/3 IC  
 11710 0628 GABON RFI relay Fair in EE with News Id and into FF at 0630 24/3 IC  
 11765 0808 ALASKA KNLS fair in EE with Id and religious message Distorted and steady  
 QRM 5/3 CC  
 11785 0138 INDONESIA V of Indonesia Fair in EE with orchestral Mx then Id A little  
 scratchy 24/3 CC  
 11785 0906 BRAZIL R Guaiba Good in PP with continuous Mx and ads Some co-channel  
 QRM from 0920 Id at 0916 16/3 KVB  
 11805 0416 RWANDA D/Welle Kigali Poor in GG with plenty about Bush Blair and Iraq  
 at good level by 0430 21/3 **RFK**  
 11815 0337 COSTA RICA REE Cariari Excellent in SS with lots of talk on Iraq "Radio Nacional  
 Id at 0359 and REE at S/off 0400 21/3 **RFK**  
 11830 0924 BRAZIL R Anhanquerra Poor in PP surging signal with "Programa Musicala"  
 at 0931 Id 0933 16/3 KVB  
 11885 0343 SEYCHELLES. FEBA, thought I would check this one out before it (literally)  
 fades out into the sunset (or sunrise) on Mar 29, and was surprised at the  
 good signal closing in scheduled Swahili with Tanzania address and into  
 slow-speed EE pgm, "Spotlight," about bananas. Closed 0400 after Swahili  
 Id with Nairobi, Kenya address and one "What A Friend We have In Jesus"  
 I/sig. This EE is scheduled Thu-Fri-Sun 0345-0400. This channel is listed as  
 75 kw Not as good at 0315 Mar 16 recheck, but not bad. 14/3 JB #  
 11905 1530 GERMANY. IBRA via Julich. Fair in EE. Heavy QRM. 11/3 IC  
 11910 1755 CHINA CRI Good in EE with pgm life in China 29/3 AMQ  
 11995 0950 NTH MARIANAS ISLANDS VOA relay Good in EE with Jazz America hosted  
 by Russ Davis Id 0957 9/3 KVB  
 12030 0959 JAPAN NHK/R Japan Fair in JJ and SS Id at 1000 9/3 KVB  
 12040 1750 GT BRITAIN BFBS Radio2 in EE with relay of BBC R4 with weather information  
 before S/off at 1800 12/3 AJS  
 12075 1535 TAJHIKISTAN R Nederland Good in EE with Good Life pgm on the affect of  
 logging in Native American Indian reserves. News at 1600 4/4 AMQ  
 12085 1013 MONGOLIA V of Mongolia Songs then chat pgm Id at 1028 20/3 CC  
 12095 1530 GT BRITAIN BBCWS Good in EE with World Briefing Iraq and Aussie win  
 world Cup 17/3 AMQ  
 12172 2210 USA. WWRB. VG in EE. 10/3 IC

13600 1640 SAO TOME VOA Good in Special EE with News some utility QRM 7/4 AMQ  
13605 1835 INDIA All India Radio V/good in EE with some slight breaks in transmission  
Pgm of Listeners Letters called "Faithfully Yours " They confirmed they are  
not currently sending out QSL cards 17/3 AMQ  
13645 1650 GT BRITAIN? BBCWS Good in EE with Education feature 7/4 AMQ  
13650 1845 GERMANY RVI relay Good in EE 17/3 AMQ  
13685 0907 AUSTRALIA Voice Int. Fair in EE with sports and weather Id at 0909 17/3 CC  
13700 2245 NETH ANTILLIES R Flanders Strong in EE with pgm acknowledging reception  
reports Id at 2248 9/3 CC  
13700 1640 HOLLAND R Nederland Flevo Good in EE with News // 9895 11655 as good 5/4 AMQ  
13710 1750 GT BRITAIN RVI relay V/good in EE with Flanders Today 5/4 AMQ  
13710 1900 THAILAND VOA Good in EE with Border Crossings pgm 17/3 AMQ  
13730 1310 AUSTRIA. ORF with Radio E: Remember this one, an EE "program" that used  
to be carried over the BBC in 1997? It had a Brussels address. I don't know  
if this is the same, but there is a Radio E pgm in GG over ORF, carrying  
segments prepared by other European b/cers. ORF sked shows it as Sunday  
0203, 1310 and 2205, and Monday 0303, all GG. 15/3 JB #  
13765 1747 VATICAN CITY Vatican Radio Strong in EE Talk about Sth Africa // 15570 17515  
weaker and poorer 17/3 CC  
13820 0932 GERMANY V of Croatia Good in EE until 0946 then SS Id 0938 9/3 KVB  
13820 1720 GERMANY R Africa Good in EE with News reports and African Mx 7/4 AMQ  
13840 2012 SWEDEN RCI via Horby V/good in FF 1015 "Huana Radio Canada and into  
AA and mentions of the I.. word Off at 2044 9/3 **RFK**  
13845 2000 USA WWCR V/good in EE before RCI on air and after clears 13840 University  
Network but WWCR Id's at 2000 and 2100 8/3 **RFK**  
13860 1725 GT BRITAIN BFBS 1 Good in EE with Robbie Williams song BFBS Radio One  
promo and then more of Stu Forsyth's modern pop Mx 6/4 AMQ  
13865 1918 GERMANY R Salama via Julich Good in African language then 1930 into EE  
with Music Ministry then duties of all Christians GB and Nigeria addresses 21/3 **RFK**  
15065 1605 PAKISTAN R Pakistan Fair in EE with News Sport Weather and commentary  
S/off 1615 // 11570 weaker and 15725 just there and no more 8/4 AMQ  
15150 1705 GT BRITAIN BFBS Good in EE with BBC News 8/4 AMQ  
15165 2200 AUSTRALIA Voice Int. Good in CC. 1/4 IC  
15205 1630 PHILLIPINES ? VOA Good in EE with News Now with Saudi Arabia in  
background 8/4 AMQ  
15205 0744 GUAM KTWR. Fair in EE. Co-channel QRM. 11/3 IC  
15235 1620 GUAM? AWR V/Good in EE talk about health problems 8/4 AMQ  
15255 1735 PHILIPPINES VOA Good in EE with repeat of phone in pgm Talk to America 7/4 AMQ  
15295 1330 PHILIPPINES FEBC, surprisingly good in local language "FEBC" Id at 1344,  
still good at 1500 re-check. Much pop-style vocal Mx.15/3 JB#  
15300 0118 THAILAND VOA Fair in EE with discussion on Oscars Id at 0125 24/3 CC  
15365 1420 ROMANIA RRI Strong in EE with discussion on life in Romania Id 1428 2/3 CC  
15435 0615 GERMANY R. Africa Int. Strong in FF. 1/4 IC  
15530 1500 GT BRITAIN BFBS Radio 2 Excellent with S/on and news 15/3 AJ5  
BFBS "50 second countdown" at 1459 opened at 1500 with sports coverage



and joking around by announcers. Strong, "Greenville quality" signal. 15/3 JB #  
 15640 2025 ISRAEL Kol Israel Fair in EE Id and music then off 93/ CC  
 15745 0330 SRI LANKA SLBC Fair in EE with usual Pop Mx Id 0333 16/3 KVB (Is this a new  
 freq for them?- Ed)  
 17505 1437 SWEDEN R Sweden Fair in EE with Id and station announcements 2/3 CC  
 17835 0350 EL SALVADOR Radio Imperial. Weak in SS. Severe QRM from co-channel NHK  
 until 0400 then in clear but weak till off at 0405. V/Good Id at 0403. 30/3 IC  
 17860 0100 PHILIPPINES Radio Veritas Asia. Opens in Urdu after good Id in EE. 1/4 IC  
 17890 1730 USA? VOA Good in EE with announced freqs 13600 & 17890 Special pgm  
 for Zimbabwe in EE, Shona and Ndele  
 21515 0750 GERMANY VORWS via Julich Good in EE with jazz show then Id at 0800  
 News then Science & Engineering Oceanologists study of Black Sea and  
 experiments in Space 12/3 **RFK**  
 21685 0939 FRENCH GUIANA RFI Good in FF with talk pgm Suffers splatter from 21690  
 // 21580 Id 0957 16/3 KVB  
 21790 2317 RUSSIA D/Welle Fair / good in EE with News of Iraq then at 2330 "Women  
 on the Move" 10/3 KVB  
 21840 0800 GERMANY. D/Welle. Fair in GG. 10/3 IC



Thanks very much to all contributors for this month. Stations reported are indicated by the contributors initials underlined in Bold eg:**AMQ** The use of the # symbol is to indicate station reported outside of New Zealand.

Now some sad news. **Dick Pollard** a stalwart League member who lived in Brightwater for many years passed on last month. I meet Dick a couple of times when I was previously living here and he was still a very active listener and knowledgeable about when to hear Africans, and shortwave in general.

### Logging Competition

The winning logging is **11655 kHz VOA Sao Tome** submitted by **Kelvin Brayshaw**

73's

Andy McQueen

### SHORTWAVE EXCHANGE

**AJS** Andrew Sunde Ohai Southland Sony ICF 2001 5 Mhz dipole with tuner **AMQ** Andy McQueen Brightwater Sony 7600 and 1 m telescopic whip / **CC** Cliff Couch Paraparaumu Sangean ATS 803A with 60m horizontal loop/ & 4 band dipole/ **IC** Ian Catermole Blenheim JRC NRD 535 T2FD and Alpha Delta antennae/ **JB** Jerry Berg Lexington MA USA Drake R8 and 130 ft longwire plus 19 & 90 m dipoles / **KVB** Kelvin Brayshaw Levin FRG-7 & Sony ICF 2001 60m & 40m horizontal loops / **RFK** Ron Killick Christchurch Sony 6800 & 40m long wire

## AUSTRIA:

### Radio Austria International to close in its current form

The Board of Trustees of Austrian public broadcaster ORF have approved the restructuring plan presented by ORF management that will see the elimination of Radio Austria International (ROI) in its present form. The restructuring of ROI is necessary because the Federal Government withdrew direct financial support for ROI two years ago. The service is now financed out of the main ORF budget. Under the plan agreed on Wednesday, ORF will replace Radio Austria international from 1 July 2003 by the new "Radio Austria 1 International", a modified version of the existing Oe1 domestic network that broadcasts information, culture, music, literature, education, science and religious programmes. Some journalists will be transferred from ROI to strengthen the current Oe1 team. Radio Austria 1 International will also have some programmes in English. With the reorganization of the foreign service on shortwave, ORF will save approximately four million euro a year. The savings will secure the future of the shortwave transmitter site at Moosbrunn, and improve the chances of the digitisation of the station. ( Radio Netherlands Media Network.)

## EGYPT:

### EGYPTIAN RADIO & TV UNION (ERTU)

0030-0430 11725 25 ARABIC. 0045-0200 11780 25 SPANISH..  
0045-0200 11755 25 SPANISH. 0200-0330 11780 25 ENGLISH .  
0200-0300 12050 25 GEN PROG N.AMERICA& EUROPE. ENGLISH.  
0300-0600 9855 31 V.O.T.ARABS. 0300-0030 15285 19 V.O.T.ARABS.  
0350-0700 9770 31 GEN PROG N.AFRICA , S.EUROPE  
0350-0700 9620 31 GEN PROG N.AFRICA , S.EUROPE  
0350-1200 9800 31 GEN PROG ARAB GULF  
0600-1400 11720 25 V.O.T.ARABS. 0700-1100 15115 19 GEN PROG W.AFRICA  
0700-1500 11785 25 GEN PROG N.AFRICA , S.EUROPE  
1015-1215 17775 16 ARABIC. 1100-0000 11540 25 GEN PROG N.AFRICA,S.EUROPE & ARAB GULF.  
1100-1130 17800 16 ARABIC 1115-1215 17665 16 THAI. 1215-1330 17775 16 ENGLISH S.ASIA.  
1215-1315 17665 16 MALAY S.E.ASIA  
1230-1330 15480 19 PERSIAN. 1300-1800 17675 16 GEN PROG N.AFRICA , S.EUROPE  
1320-1450 17665 16 INDONESIAN. 1330-1430 17775 16 BENGALI. 1330-1530 15480 19 PER-  
SIAN. 1300-1600 15220 19 ARABIC . 1430-1530 9780 31 AZERI. 1500-1600 15170 19 HINDI.  
1500-1600 15670 19 PASHTO. 1500-1600 7315 41 RUSSIAN W.RUSSIA  
1530-1630 11635 25 UZBEKI. 1530-1630 15155 19 AFAR. 1530-1730 17810 16 SWAHILI. 1600-  
1800 15170 19 URDU. 1600-1645 15620 19 ZULU. 1600-1800 6230 49 TURKISH . 1600-1800  
9950 31 ALBANIAN. 1630-1730 15155 19 SOMALI. 1630-1830 15255 19 ENGLISH C.& S.AFRICA.  
1645-1730 15620 19 SHONA. 1730-1815 15620 19 INDEBELE. 1730-1900 15155 19 AMHARIC.  
1800-0030 9700 31 V.O.T.ARABS N.AFRICA,S.EUROPE. 1800-1900 9988 31 ITALIAN. 1800-  
2100 9675 31 HAUSA  
1830-1915 9755 31 LINGALA. 1830-1930 15375 19 WOLOF . 1900-2000 9990 31 GERMAN.

1900-0030 11665 25 V.O.T.ARABS C.& E.AFRICA.  
1915-2030 15425 19 FULANI. 1930-2030 15375 19 BAMBARA. 2000-2200 11750 25 ARABIC.  
2000-2115 9990 31 FRENCH. 2030-2200 15375 19 ENGLISH. 2030-2230 15335 19 FRENCH.  
2100-2200 9675 31 YORUBA. 2115-2245 9990 31 ENGLISH. 2215-2330 11790 25  
PORTUGUESE. 2300-0030 11725 25 ENGLISH. 2330-0045 15590 19 ARABIC  
2330-0045 11755 25 ARABIC. (GRDXC) *Quite an extensive schedule (ED)*

### **GERMANY:**

Here are the English language northern summer frequencies for Radio Santec. All transmissions are Sunday UTC and are of 30 minutes duration.

100. 9435 for India. 1800. 15750 for Africa. 1900. 15565 for Israel. *These are usually heard in New Zealand **and Radio Santec issues QSL cards.*** (ScheduleRadio Santec)

### **INDIA:**

AIR is noted testing on a wide range of frequencies as follows lately with AIR FM II programs in Hindi & English:

6155 Delhi 0430-1100 UTC. 7170 Delhi. 7190 Guwahati 50 kw 1100  
7220 Mumbai 100 kw. 7270 Chennai 100 kw 0700-1730  
9425 Bangalore 500 kw 0130-1230. 9470 Aligarh 250 kw 0130-1230  
11620 ? 0430-1100. 13605 Bangalore 500 kw -1100

The Vividh Bharathi programs on 10330 is noted affected as those transmitters are being used for tests on 7190,7270 etc. (GRDX)

### **NETHERLANDS:**

#### **Extra RNW frequencies due to Iraq crisis**

Due to the Iraq crisis, Radio Netherlands has added the following frequencies in Dutch via Flevo as of today:

0330-0425 UTC 7310 kHz beamed towards Turkey and Israel, also audible in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iran and Iraq.

1330-1425 UTC 21735 kHz beamed towards Afghanistan and Pakistan.

The transmission time of BVN-TV via the Hotbird 3 satellite, which covers a large part of the Middle East, has been increased to 24 hours a day with immediate effect. (Radio Netherlands Media Network)

### **NETHERLANDS ANTILLES:**

Radio Netherlands as made a frequency change to Australasia via Bonaire. 9785 now replaces 9790 for English language service at 0930utc *and is well heard here in NZ. (ED)*

### **PAKISTAN:**

Here is the A03 schedule for Radio Pakistan. **They request reports from the various regions:**

**Far East** Chinese 11570. 15070. 1200 - 1230 .

**To : South East Asia** Urdu 15485. 17895. 0045 - 0215.

**To: South Asia** Assami 11650. 15625 .0045 - 0115. Bangla 11650. 15625. 0115 - 0200 .

Bangla 15625. 17635. 1200 - 1245. Hindi 9340. 11640. 0215 - 0300 . Hindi 11640. 15625. 1100 - 1145. Tamil 15625. 17540 0315 - 0345. Tamil 15625. 17495. 0945 - 1015. Sinhali 15625. 17495. 1015 - 1045. Nepali 15625. 17635. 1245 - 1315.

**To : Middle East,Iran,Turkey & N/West Africa**

Turkish 9385. 1550. 1630 - 1700. Irani 7550 . 9835.1715 - 1800.  
Arabic 9385. 1550 1815 - 1900 . Urdu 15100. 17835. 21460. 0500 - 0700 .- 0700 .  
Urdu 11570. 15065. 1330 - 1530. English 11570. 15065. 1600 - 1615.  
Urdu 7550. 7570. 1800 - 1900

**To :East/South East Africa**

Gujrati 15485. 17825. 0400-0430. English 15725. 17820. 1600 - 1615 .

**To: West Europe**

Urdu 17835. 21465. 0800 - 1104 . Urdu 9400. 11570. 1700 - 1900.

**To : CIS & Russia**

Turki 5860. 7375. 1330 - 1400. Dari 5860. 7375. 1515 - 1545. Russian 7375. 9385 1415 - 1500.

(Ifikhar Malik. Senior Broadcast Engineer, PBC Headquarters, Islamabad, Pakistan)

**SERBIA:**

Radio Yugoslavia boss appeals for continued funding:

The Director of Radio Yugoslavia, Milena Jokic, has appealed to the authorities in Serbia and Montenegro not to give up their "sovereignty" by failing to support a state news agency and an international broadcasting service. Speaking at a ceremony marking the 67th anniversary of the Belgrade-based international broadcaster, Jokic stated her intention to submit to the Serbian Government an amendment to the relevant Article 13 of the Public Information Law. ( Radio Netherlands Media Network.)

**SRI LANKA:**

SLBC has been heard in English on new frequency of 11905khz between 0120 and 0235utc **and are requesting reception reports.**

Freq's announced on air as foll : (For Eng)

Morning - 0030-0430 - 15445,6005, 11905 (Annncd as new freq)

Evevning - 1230-1630 - 15745,6005,11930. Hindi noted on 9770 @ 0235 UTC.

(GRDXC)

**SWEDEN:**

Radio Sweden in English from 30 March 2003

**Europe/Africa/Middle East**

13.30-14.00 on 17505 . 17.30-18.00 6065 Monday to Saturday

17.30-18.00 13580. 19.30-20.00 6065. 21.30-22.00 6065

**Asia and Pacific**

01.30-02.00 on 9435. 11.30-12.00 on 17505. 12.30-13.00 on 15750 & 17505

13.30-14.00 on 17505. 21.30-22.00 on 11650

**North America**

02.30-03.00 on 9495 via Sackville, Canada. 03.30-04.00 on 9495 via Sackville,Canada

11.30-12.00 on 17840. 12.30-13.00 on 17840. 13.30-14.00 on 17840

(Radio Sweden MediaScan)

**UNITED KINGDOM:  
BFBS on Shortwave:**

Here is the complete BFBS shortwave schedule effective as of 30 March  
0300-0400 on 7260 and 15795 kHz  
0400-0600 on 11975 and 15795 kHz  
0600-0700 on 15425 and 15795 kHz  
1400-1600 on 13860 and 17895 kHz  
1600-1700 on 13860 and 15245 kHz  
1700-1800 on 13860 and 15150 kHz  
1800-2000 on 6105 and 13760 kHz  
(Radio Netherlands Media Network.)

**USA:**

**WBOH:** FBN is in the midst of setting up the second shortwave station in Newport, N.C.. The goal is to reach Central and South America with programming in English, Spanish, and Brazilian. The call is WBOH (Worldwide Beacon Of Hope) and the frequency is 5920 kHz. WBOH started testing on 5920 kHz in September 2002. US DXer Ralph Brandi was the first to log the station on September 30, with the low test power of 30-40 watts. Final operation power is 50 kW.

**Address:** Grace Missionary Baptist Church, 520 Roberts Road, Newport, N.C. 28570, USA.

**Website:** [www.fbnradio.com](http://www.fbnradio.com) E-mail: [fbn@clis.com](mailto:fbn@clis.com) (HCDX)

*This one is currently being heard here in New Zealand around 0600-0800 with announcement every minute giving postal address and **a request for reception reports** to that address with no mention of e-mail address made. (ED)*

**USA:**

Radio Africa International A'03 (The United Methodist Church) Wef 30th March

English - 1700-1900 UTC on 13820 and 15715 kHz.-Daily to Africa

French - 0400-0600 UTC on 13810 kHz -Daily to Africa

French - 0600-0800 UTC on 15435 kHz.-Daily to Africa

Contact Adress : Radio Africa International, 475 Riverside Drive

Room 1374, New York, NY 10115, USA. E-mail [radio@gbgm-umc.org](mailto:radio@gbgm-umc.org) (GRDXC)

***This one does verify and all transmissions via Juelich (ED)***

**LATIN CORNER:**

**PERU:**

Puzzling Andean Station on 4890 kHz. Tropical Band DXers around the world are puzzled by a religious, Spanish speaking station on 4890 kHz.

**4890 mystery now solved**

(Re 4890 former Unid Peruvian heard by Bjorn Malm:

The name of the station is Radio Macedonia, Chris Gardner says to Jose Eilas Díaz who had the privilege to get an answer from Iglesia Bautista de la Fe. More information can be found in ConDigList and soon will be found also in DXLD ;-)/Henrik Klemetz in mail to SWB, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson HCDX)



## **GALAPAGOS:**

Galapagos Island on 5966.59 kHz ??

Bandscan SW 61 from Quito, by Bjorn Malm. March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

5966.59 Radio Marla, unknown QTH (Ecuador). March 12 0235 UTC. Was heard only this evening and the morning after with strong signal. "Marla" buys programme time from "La Voz del Napo", Tena on 3279.56 kHz. and obviously nothing happened with the planned purchase of the station.

Some years ago "La Voz del Upano" on 5965.00 kHz was heard for a short period where they emphasized that it was only local broadcasts from "Tena", and not from the listed "Macas". "Radio Marla" informed at this occasion that transmissions from "Galapagos" had started but they gave only a FM-frequency.

Keep your ears clean and watch out for "Radio Marla Ecuador" popping up on a new frequency or again can be heard on 5966.59 kHz. Who knows, it can very well be "Islas Galapagos"! Regards Bjorn Malm. (Translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for HCDX)

## **FEATURED FREQUENCY**

This month is 9605khz. How many of these are you able to hear and identify?

Time . Station Country. Days . Language. Power (kW). Site

0000-0030 Yugoslav Radio-Television Yugoslavia 1234567 Spanish 250 Beograd

0025-0100 Vatican Radio Vatican 1234567 PR 250 S. Maria di Galeria

0100-0145 Vatican Radio Vatican 1234567 SP 250 S. Maria di Galeria

0145-0230 Vatican Radio Vatican 1234567 SP 500 S. Maria di Galeria

0230-0330 Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting Iran (Islamic Rep. of) 1234567 PUSHTU 250 Ahwaz

0230-0400 Vatican Radio Vatican 1234567 FR/EN/SP 500 S. Maria di Galeria

0400-0500 VOA - Voice of America Germany 1234567 Unknown 250 Holzkirchen

0500-0600 Greece Radio International Greece 1234567 Unknown 250 Kavalla

0800-1000 Family Stations, Inc. United States 1234567 Unknown 100 Okeechobee, FL

0900-1530 BBC Worldservice United Kingdom 1234567 Unknown 300 Tokyo Yamata

1100-1245 Family Stations, Inc. United States 1234567 Unknown 100 Okeechobee, FL

1600-2100 China Radio International China 1234567 Unknown 150 Xian

1630-1700 BBC Worldservice United Kingdom 1234567 Unknown 250 Nakhon Sawan

1700-1800 BBC Worldservice United Kingdom 1234567 Unknown 100 Kranji (Merlin)

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## **AFGHANISTAN**

### **New Kandahar Radio Station to be Launched**

The Boston based N-G-O Afghans for Civil Society has annound that former BBC producer Akhtar Kohestani will serve as station manager for Afghan Independent Radio and A-I-R station to be launched this spring.

It will be the first independent radio station in the former Taliban stronghold of Kandahar. Plans to share programmes with BBC, Radio Free Europe and Liberty, VOA and Radio Afghanistan.

(Jack Fox via WIA Queensland Qnews (Amateur Radio) broadcast Sunday 6th April 2003)



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**FREQUENCY SCHEDULE**

Frequency Schedule 30 March – 26 October 2003						
UTC	NZ Time	kHz	Metre Band	Primary Target	Azimuth h	Days
1650 – 1750	0450 – 0550	6095	49	NE Pacific, Fiji, Samoa, Cook Islands	35°	Monday to Friday [Later start Sat & Sun]
1751 – 1850	0551 – 0650	11725	25	NE Pacific, Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Cook Islands	35°	Monday to Friday [Later start Sat & Sun]
1851 – 2215	0651 – 1015	15160	19	All Pacific, also heard in Europe	0°	Daily
2216 – 0458	1016 – 1658	17675	16	All Pacific, also heard on the USA west coast	0°	Daily
0459 – 0705	1659 – 1905	11825	25	All Pacific, also heard Europe, and mid-west USA	0°	Daily
0706 – 1105	1906 – 2305	9885	31	All Pacific, also heard mid-west USA	0°	Daily
1106 – 1305	2306 – 0105	9885	31	NW Pacific, Bougainville, Timor, Asia	325°	Daily
1306-1650	0206 – 0550	6095	49	All Pacific	0°	Usual Closedown is 1305 UTC - this frequency is for occasional over-night broadcasts to the Pacific for Sports commentaries or Cyclone Warnings

# Reception of BBC World Service in New Zealand

Compiled by Ken Baird, Christchurch

As a result of the frequency changes at the end of March (A03), I have been monitoring the BBC to get a revised list of "good" frequencies to listen to their World Service. I hope the frequency list below, received on a Drake SW2 using a SW Eavesdropper Dipole, will help. You should remember that the BBC no longer broadcast directly to New Zealand and any reception is a result of receiving broadcasts targeted to other areas of the World.

**Bold** = Good reception

UTC

1800 **6195**, 9410, 12095  
1900 **6195**, 12095 LSB, 15400  
2000 **6195**, 12095 LSB, **15400**  
2100 6195, **9410**, 15400  
2200 **9740**, 11955, 15400  
2300 9740, **11955**  
0000 11955, 12095, **15310**, **17790**  
0100 11955, 12095, **15310 LSB**, **17790 LSB**  
0200 11760 LSB, **11835**, 11955, 15310L, **17790**  
0300 **9410**, 11760, 11835, **12095 LSB**, 17790, 21660  
0400 6195, 7160, **9410**, 11760, **11835**, **12095**, 21660, 21830  
0500 6195, 7160, **9410**, 11760, 12095, 15360, **15575**, **17640**, 21660  
0600 7160, 9410, **12095**, **15360**, 15575, 17640, 21660  
0700 11765, **12095**, 15360, **15400**, 15565,  
0800 11955, **12095**, **15360**, 15400, 15565, 17640, 17760, 21660  
0900 **9605**, 9740 LSB, 12095, 15310, **15360**, 15400, 15485, **15565**, 17640,  
1000 6195 USB, **9740**, 12095, 15310, 15485, **15565**, **17640**, 21660

Good listening

Ken Baird

2nd April 2003



# BROADCASTS FROM THE IRAQI AREA

Compiled by Paul Ormandy, Oamaru

Below are some English Broadcasts from Broadcaster in the Iraq area that may be of interest, collected from various sources, and not all verified

## EGYPT:

### Radio Cairo

0200-0330 11780  
1215-1330 17775  
1630-1830 15255  
2115-2245 9990  
2030-2200 15375  
2300-0030 11725

## IRAN:

### Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran

English  
0030 0230 6135 9590 9835 11920  
1030-1130 15450 15550 15600 21470 21730  
1530 1630 7245 9635 9720 11775  
1930 2030 9800 11670 11750 11860 13730  
2130 2230 9870 13665

## ISRAEL:

### Kol Israel

English  
0500-0515 6280, 9435, 17600  
1730-1745 11605 & 17545 kHz  
2000-2025 6280, 9435, 11605 kHz

## JORDAN:

### Radio Jordan

English 1400-1730 11690 kHz

## KUWAIT:

### Radio Kuwait

English 1800-2100 11990 kHz  
0500-0800 15110kHz

## OMAN:

### Radio Sultanate of Oman

1800-2000 15355 kHz  
1400-1500 15140kHz

## **PAKISTAN**

0045 - 0115 11650 15625  
1600 - 1615 11570 15065 15725 17820

## **SYRIA:**

### **Radio Damascus**

English 2005-2205 12085 & 13610 kHz

## **TURKEY:**

### **Voice of Turkey**

0300-0400 11655 9650 7270  
1230-1330 17830, 17595  
1830-1930 9785  
2030-2130 9525  
2100-2200 9830  
2200-2300 9830 11960

## **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES:**

### **UAE Radio Dubai**

English  
1030-1100 -13675,15395,17865,21605  
0330-0400 -12005,13675,15400,17890  
0530-0600 -13675,15435,17830,21700  
1330-1400 -13630,13675,15395,17865,21605  
1600-1635 -13630,13675,15395,17865,21605

## **UNITED KINGDOM:**

### **BBC World Service**

1800 6195 6195, 9410, 15400  
1900 6195 6195, 9410 9410, 9630, 12095 LSB, 15310 15310, 15400  
2000 9410 9410, 12095 LSB, 15400 15400, 17830  
2100 9410, 15400  
2200 11685 11685, 15400  
2300 11955 11955, 12095  
0000 15310 15310, 17790  
0100 15310, 17790  
0200 11760 LSB, 12095, 15310L, 17790  
0300 9410, 11760, 12095, 15310, 17790,  
0400 9410 9410, 11760, 12035 12035, 12095, 15310, 17760, 21830  
0500 6195, 9410 9410, 11760, 15360, 15575 15575, 17640 17640, 17760, 21660  
0600 7160, 9410, 11765, 12095 12095, 15360, 15565 15565, 17640, 17760



0700 11765, 12095 12095, 15360, 15400 15400, 15485 15485, 15565, 15575, 17640  
0800 11955, 12095 12095, 15360, 15400, 15485 15485, 15565, 17640, 17760, 21830  
0900 6195, 9605 9605, 12095, 15360, 15400, 15485 15485, 15565 15565, 17640,  
1000 6195 LSB, 9740 LSB LSB, 15360, 15485 15485, 15565, 17640 17640, 21660

### **BFBS**

0300-0400 7260 15795  
0400-0600 11975 15795  
0600-0700 15425 15795  
1400-1600 17895 13860  
1600-1700 15245 13860  
1700-1800 15150 13860  
1800-2000 13760 6105

## **UNITED NATIONS:**

### **United Nations Radio**

Mon-Fri 1730-1745 15495 & 17580 kHz

## **UNITED STATES:**

### **American Forces Network/AFRTS**

6350, 10320  
6458.5, 12689.5

### **Voice of America**

English to Far East Asia, South Asia, and Oceania

0000-0030 9890 11760 15185 15290 17740 17820  
0100-0300 9850 11705 11820 15250 15300 17740 17820  
0800-1000 11995 13605 15150  
1000-1100 5985 11720 15250 15455  
1100-1200 5985 6110 9645 9760 11705 11720 15250 15455  
1700-1800 6110 7125 9645 15395  
1700-1800 5990 6045 9525 9795 11955 12005 15255  
1900-2000 9525 11870 15180  
1900-2000 9840 11720 11970 15410  
2100-2200 9670 11870 15185 17735 17820  
2200-2400 11760 15185 15290 15305 17735 17820

## **YEMEN:**

### **Republic of Yemen Radio**

English

1800-1900 9780 kHz

# english in time order

Compiled by Yuri (George) Muzyka, Auckland



Time Order summary of Ken's Under 9MHz & Andy's Over 9MHz BandWatch columns. Please remember to include the date and signal strength with all your loggings, thanks. 73 - Yuri ("George") Muzyka, ZL1GYM <http://www.linradio.com/sources.htm>  
(yuri@win.co.nz \*\*\*SIGNAL STRENGTHS\*\*\* e = Excellent; g = Good; f = Fair; p = Poor.

Time (UTC)	Frequencies (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0113	9440g	R Slovakia Int	SLOVAKIA	24/3	CC
0118-0125	15300f	VOA	USA	24/3	CC
0138	11785f	V of Indonesia	INDONESIA	24/3	CC
0230	11710g	RAE	ARGENTINA	25/3	IC
0300	6136g	BFBS	GT BRITAIN	19/2	RAD
0330-0333	15745f	SLBC	SRI LANKA	16/3	KVB
0425-0430	3300	R Cultural	PERU	10/3	RAD
0540	5975f:6110g	R Japan	JAPAN	30/3	CC
0600	5920	WBOH	USA	9/3	IC
0602-0614	7255p	V of Nigeria	NIGERIA	24/3	KVB
0628-0630	11710f	RFI	FRANCE	24/3	IC
0744	15205f	KTWR	GUAM	11/3	IC
0750-0800	21515g	VORWS	RUSSIA	12/3	RFK
0804-0805	5965g	RVI	BELGIUM	17/3	KAB
0808	11765f	KNLS	ALASKA	5/3	CC
0830	9660g	AWR	USA	6/3	RFK
0835	6090f	Carribbean Beacon	ANGUILLA	13/3	CC
0850	4890g	Port Moresby	PNG	26/3	CC
0856	5029f	Uni Network	COSTA RICA	26/3	CC
0900	5070f	WWCR	USA	26/3	CC
0903	4890g	Port Moresby	PNG	23/3	KAB
0907-0909	13685f	Voice Int	AUSTRALIA	17/3	CC
0909	5070g	WWCR	USA	23/3	KAB
0910	5935g	WWCR	USA	23/3	KAB
0911-0913	6160g	D Welle	GERMANY	17/3	CC
0912	5825g	WEWN	USA	23/3	KAB
0917	5995f	R Australia	AUSTRALIA	23/3	KAB
0927-1000	9785e	R Nederland	NETHERLANDS	6/3	RFK
0930	9605g	BBCWS	UK	24/3	AMQ
0930	9785g	R Netherlands	NETHERLANDS	12/3	IC
0932-0946	13820g	V of Croatia	CROATIA	9/3	KVB
0950-0957	11995g	VOA	USA	9/3	KVB
1007-1008	5020f	SIBC	SOLOMON IS	20/3	CC
1140	7445f	RFPI	COSTA RICA	14/3	KAB
1310	13730	ORF	AUSTRIA	15/3	JB

1410	9530g	R Thailand	THAILAND	22/3	AMQ
1420-1428	15365e	RRI	ROMANIA	2/3	CC
1437	17505f	R Sweden	SWEDEN	2/3	CC
1445	9740g	BBCWS	UK	24/3	AMQ
1530	7270g	AIR	INDIA	31/3	IC
1530	11905f	IBRA	GERMANY?	11/3	IC
1530	12095g	BBCWS	UK	17/3	AMQ
1535-1600	12075g	R Nederland	NETHERLANDS	4/4	AMQ
1601-1604	11570f	R Pakistan	PAKISTAN	7/3	CC
1605-1615	11570p:15065f:15725p	R Pakistan	PAKISTAN	8/4	AMQ
1608	9645g	VOA	USA	21/3	AMQ
1620	15235g	AWR	GUAM?	8/4	AMQ
1630	15205g	VOA	USA	8/4	AMQ
1640	9895g:11655g:13700g	R Nederland	NETHERLANDS	5/4	AMQ
1640	13600g	VOA	USA	7/4	AMQ
1645	9890g	Dhabbaya AWR	UAE?	22/3	AMQ
1645	11550g	RTE	TAIWAN?	8/4	AMQ
1647	11615g	RFI	FRANCE	8/4	AMQ
1648-1650	9975e	?	NTH KOREA	28/3	CC
1650	13645g	BBCWS	UK	7/4	AMQ
1700-1702	11685f	Voice Int	AUSTRALIA	28/3	CC
1705	15150g	BFBS	GT BRITAIN	8/4	AMQ
1711-1715	11550g	RTE	TAIWAN?	18/3	CC
1715	9795g	VOA	USA	29/3	AMQ
1720	13820g	R Africa	EQUATORIAL GUINEA?7/4		AMQ
1725	13860g	BFBS	GT BRITAIN	6/4	AMQ
1730	11685f	Voice Int	AUSTRALIA	19/3	IC
1730	17890g	VOA	USA	-	?
1735	15255g	VOA	USA	7/4	AMQ
1737	5915g:6055g	R Slovakia Int	SLOVAKIA	17/3	CC
1739	11615f	Voice Int	AUSTRALIA	29/3	AMQ
1747	13765e:15570f:17515f	Vatican Radio	VATICAN CITY	17/3	CC
1750	13710g	RVI	BELGUIM	5/4	AMQ
1750-1800	12040	BFBS	GT BRITAIN	12/3	AJS
1755	11910g	CRI	CHINA	29/3	AMQ
1800	9800g	BFBS 2	GT BRITAIN	5/4	AMQ
1822	9895f	RTE	GT BRITAIN?	26/3	CC
1835	13605g	All India Radio	INDIA	17/3	AMQ
1845	13650g	RVI	BELGUIM	17/3	AMQ
1859-1900	4950p	VOA	USA	24/3	KVB
1900	9470e	Radio Santec	GERMANY	10/3	IC
1900	9785g	VOA	USA	29/3	AMQ
1900	13710g	VOA	USA	17/3	AMQ
1918-1930	13865g	R Salama	GERMANY?	21/3	RFK
1930	6065g	R Sweden	SWEDEN	30/3	KAB

1937-2002	9535g	R Thailand	THAILAND	25/3	KVB
2000-2100	13845g	WWCR	USA	8/3	RFK
2029	9400e	R Sweden	SWEDEN	10/3	RFK
2116	7380f	Voice of Biafra Int	CLANDESTINE	22/2	RAD
2123-2200	9865	RCI	CANADA	11/3	RFK
2130	11650p	Radio Sweden	SWEDEN	1/4	IC
2210	12172g	WWRB	USA	10/3	IC
2245-2248	13700e	R Flanders	NETH ANTILLIES?	9/3	CC
2317-2330	21790f	D/Welle	GERMANY	10/3	KVB

### **BFBS on FM in Iraq 31 March 2003**

Radio Netherlands' Ehard Goddijn reports: "I tuned to the British Forces Broadcasting Service (BFBS) on 11975 kHz at 0537 UTC this morning March 31st 2003 identifying itself as BFBS Middle East; sometimes also BFBS Radio One with weather forecast for Southern Iraq and announcing they have two FM-transmitters operating on 102.1 MHz in Southern Iraq.

### **BFBS on Shortwave: 31 March 2003**

Here is the complete BFBS shortwave schedule effective as of 30 March 2003 (all times UTC):

0300-0400 on 7260 and 15795 kHz  
0400-0600 on 11975 and 15795 kHz  
0600-0700 on 15425 and 15795 kHz  
1400-1600 on 13860 and 17895 kHz  
1600-1700 on 13860 and 15245 kHz  
1700-1800 on 13860 and 15150 kHz  
1800-2000 on 6105 and 13760 kHz

Radio Netherlands Media Network.

(Hans Johnson /Cumbre DX via David Norrie)



Hi all. Guess that by the time you're reading this, the hostilities in Iraq will be all but over. Hopefully, you've managed to log a few of the special event stations like BFBS and can boast of the QSLs right here over the next few months. OK, let's see what's been cluttering up mailboxes.

**Ian Cattermole, Blenheim**, has been giving the e-mail (EM) a good work-out with replies from IBRA Juelich 11905. 9710. 15775. (EM) Radio Africa Int. 9815. 11735. (EM) Radio Slovakia Int. 13715. Radio Farda. Woff. 11705. (EM) Radio Santec. 9470. RAI. 7290. 5970. 9745. (EM) Radio Pakistan. 7570. (EM) VOA Tinian. 13605. TWR Meyerton. 9930. R.Chan Troi Moi (CTM) 15715. There it is for another month.

**Ray Crawford, Forestdale, Queensland** has also been using the electronic media (em) with rewards from R Okapi 9550 (very nice!), Vietnam 4796, Switzerland 21770, WTJC 9370, Denmark via Kvitsoy 12070, 15735, 9590, 13800, via Sveio 7180, Channel Africa 11710, AWR Meyerton 15225, Slovakia 13715, WBOH test 5920, Korea via Skelton 3955, Netherlands 7260, via Madagascar 12070, and Singapore 9665 em, WSHB 6095 em, Voice of Biafra International 7380 and 12125 em. What a great list! Boy! You're going to wear out a few pens at Tiwai methinks.

**Rich D'Angelo, Wyomissing, PA, USA** with a nice haul including a rash of piratitis **AUSTRALIA 11755, HCJB** Australia verified with a Word document in 14 days picturing the Diversion Dam at Kununurra and slogan "The Voice of the Great South Land" on the picture with full data information stating power used for test transmissions was 25 KW.

**CLANDESTINE 7590, Saut al-Islah** (the Movement for Islamic Reform in Arabia) verified an e-mail report with a simple "thank you very much for the report" e-mail reply from Dr. Saad Al-Fagih ([saad@islah.org](mailto:saad@islah.org)) in one day.

**COLOMBIA 6011, La Voz de tu Conciencia** verified with a nice no data Spanish/English World Map logo card in 97 days for US\$1.00. Although the card is nice, it would have been helpful if the person taking the time to send the card would have filled in the "For", "Date" and "Time" sections of the card. The pre-stamped signature area says my verie signer is Martin Stendal, Administrador.

**PIRATE (No. Am.) 6950, Mystery Science Radio** verified with a full data letter in 15 days from v/s Cherokee Jack who says the station has been broadcasting since 2000 and that he has done tributes to Andy Kaufman and Monty Python in the past. Also, lots of songs and references to Mystery Science Theater 3000.

**PIRATE (No. Am) 6925, WMFQ** sent a full data sheet with numerous DX'ers names on it (including my own so I assume maybe some of these names are for actual reports) with "Figliozi" after every name except John Figliozi's name which had "Zeller" after it from v/s Mr. Q. Esselle in 129 days. Interesting!

**PIRATE (Euro) 6295, ReflectionsEurope.com** verified with a full data "Radio FAX" card (I have two of these for Radio FAX transmissions in prior years) in 17 days for US\$1.00 return postage



from v/s Trevor Brook. Also, he sent a schedule and address summary of each program carried on the station.

**PIRATE (No. Am.) 6955, Undercover Radio** verified an e-mail report with a nice full data card and information sheet postal reply plus a CD of the program heard in just 7 days from Dr. Benway. Nice package!

**Jerry Berg, Lexington MA, USA** has had a very quiet month, QSL-wise: PIRATE (Euro). 15795, Sensation AM, nice computer-generated form ltr with color picture of their Rhode & Schwartz xmtr, also full details filled in by hand, V/S "Mike." Also sent postcard of Oldebroek. In 11 wks. for CD rpt of poor-very poor rcpn.

**Paul Ormandy, Oamaru,** a good month with veries in from R Waves Int 6275 25 watts! (pirate), R Santa Cruz 6135, R Sahara 11805 (after 28 years!), R Geronimo 6299 500 watts (pirate). Just need to get Cape Verde back from 1979 now

### BEST OF THE MONTH

**Under 9MHz:** Ian Cattermole with Radio Pakistan 7570kHz

**Over 9MHz:** Ray Crawford with Radio Okapi, Congo 9550kHz

**Clandestine:** Ian Cattermole with Chan Troi Moi 15715kHz ('cos he had to get up at 3am to hear it!)





British Airways plans to axe Concorde flights this year following several incidents involving both the French and British carrier. Structural problems and the subsequent reduction in sales have caused this action. (International Express 4 March 2003)

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|------|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4174 | 0712 | ZLM with Wx reports. MJ                                                                            |
| 4417 | 0730 | Bluff Fishermens Radio with fisherman Ritchie. EM                                                  |
| 4418 | 0727 | Marlborough Radio with boat positions, one Pelorus 2. TL                                           |
| 5473 | 0753 | Fishermen talking of battery packs to fit cordless drill. EM                                       |
| 5547 | 0933 | Singapore 29/San Francisco. SC ERAF (9V-SPA). MJ                                                   |
| 5628 | 0934 | Korean 017/San Francisco 42N 180W 521 D4 wind 290/80. MJ                                           |
| 5628 | 0935 | North West 12/San Francisco. Maintain normal speed. MJ                                             |
| 5643 | 0717 | Brisbane/Airvan 11. This primary. Secondary 8867. SC OK. MJ                                        |
| 5643 | 1016 | Auckland/New Zealand 144 TANEN at 1101 Wellington next. MJ                                         |
| 6556 | 1900 | Thai 994/Brisbane. Contact Bali on 128.3. MJ                                                       |
| 6578 | 0814 | Unid aircraft requesting Wx and landing info New York. TL                                          |
| 6586 | 0757 | Air Canada 991 Heavy/Gander. SC CQAM (C-FOCA). MJ                                                  |
| 6628 | 0627 | Reach 46Y/Santa Maria. Very weak but doing Mach .8. MJ                                             |
| 6628 | 0551 | Santa Maria/Springbok 203. After 31W climb and maintain 350 to be level 350 before passing 33W. MJ |



At Waitohi, near Pleasant Point, 31.3.03, where attempt was made to fly a replica of Richard Pearse's plane. Conditions were against the attempt. Rain was steady and there was a cross wind. Jack Melhopt, an experienced microlight pilot, said that he is sure under favourable conditions it would fly.



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Oamaru

6628 0536 World 9814. Posn EPRES 0535, SOPOP 0555, FL 340. MJ  
6628 0642 New York/Speedbird 204. Posn 30W. Maintain 370. EM  
6637 1059 Freedom 324 Wx report received. MJ  
6640 0958 Unknown station with SIGMET for Wyoming, Colorado, Northern New Mexico. MJ  
6676 0906 Brisbane Volmet. Wx around Sydney coast. TL  
7890 0656 Talk of tracks and DOC volunteers. MJ  
8177 1015 Townsville with Wx for Queensland coast. TL  
8765 0941 US Coastguard Camslant with Wx. TL  
8825 0846 Springbok 211/New York. Estimate 31N 60W, FL 340. MJ  
8825 0806 Springbok 201/Santa Maria. Posn 25N 35W, FL 360. MJ  
8825 0819 Santa Maria/Reach 425Y. Cleared 40N 20W, 44N 30W, 45N 40W, 45N 50W. Mach .77, FL 330. MJ  
8855 0532 Belem/Japan Air 47. FL 310, -331 D4, wind 160/10, SC EPHQ. MJ  
8855 0534 Maiquetia/United 872. Posn report. MJ  
8855 0634 Lima Control/American 909 advises San Jose 0631. JC  
8855 0642 Lima/American 948. SC check. Ready for take off for Lima. JC  
8861 0811 Air France 141/Canaries. FL 340, SAC EJAD. Squawk 6203. MJ  
8864 2020 Gander/American 96 with Gander asking for flight number. MJ  
8864 1039 United 923/Gander. Posn 57N 30W, FL 360. MJ  
8864 1047 Reach 410Y/Gander. Posn 51N 30W, FL 370. MJ  
8864 1051 North West 39/Gander. Say again weather and fuel. MJ  
8864 1055 Singapore 26/Gander. Standby on your request. MJ  
8864 1904 Gander/Reach 165Y. SC BLAJ. MJ  
8864 1045 Boxer 41/Gander. SC DSJP. MJ (Boxer listed as Redding Aero Enterprises, SC, USA ED



Consolidated PB4Y Catalina at Timaru during the Richard Pearse Centenary celebrations. Richard Pearse Airport Timaru, 30.3.03.  
Photo Credit. Basil Jamieson.Oamaru



8864 1046 Reach 3787Y/Gander. SC DHCE. MJ  
8867 2313 Auckland/Aussie 644. SASRO at 0008. MJ  
8867 0033 Aussie 372/Auckland. At LUNBI contact Auckland On 123.9 (Aussie Prime Minister's aircraft). MJ  
8867 2123 Auckland/New Zealand 71. Preflight check. MJ  
8891 1 832 Iceland/Shanwick discussing flights (Heavy ALE over top). Mj  
8894 0617 Algiers/Air France 0814. SC check GLCM. JC  
8894 0620 EBXIG calls Algiers but no reply. JC

8906 0607 Santa Maria/Speedbird ?. 43N 40W at 0606, 46N 30W at 0703, 48N 20W next. SC DGJP. MJ

8906 1916 Santa Maria/Navvy 45A. Level 350. MJ

8925 0831 Santa Maria/Reach 6628. At 45N 49W call Gander on 5616. MJ

8925 0832 Santa Maria/Air France 3353. SC EJAM. MJ

8942 1758 Manila/Japan Air 6621. FL 400. SC DGBC. MJ

8942 1926 Singapore/Korean 355. FL 360, -461 D4, wind 130/30. MJ

8942 1109 Singapore/Brunei 33. Posn. MJ

8942 1108 Singapore/Singapore 75. Log on to CPDLC as Singapore 75 not 075. SC QSFH. MJ

8947 0748 Air Force Auckland requesting Air Force Sydney to take guard. MJ

8951 0825 North West 8/Tokyo. Posn 37n 160E, Fl 340. Go to 6655 at FIR. MJ

8992 0814 McClellan AB with EAM. MJ

9032 0416 RAF Cyprus. Wx report for Larnaca. MJ

Concorde to be Retired by Air France on or before May 31st 2003 and British Airways by October 2003 due to increasing costs and lower patronage.



10024 0927 Puerto Montt/LAN Chile flight but not in English. JC

10024 0053 American 909 calls Asuncion Control but 909 did not reply. JC

10024 0954 Mexican flight calls Cenamer who replied but aircraft did not. JC

10024 0958 LAN Chile flight calls Pascua but Santiago replies. JC

10047 0624 San Francisco/Korean 215. 37N 140W at 0707. 39N 130W next. MJ

11175 0505 Lajes/9N035. Thanks for your help (A phone patch to VQ2?). MJ

11282 0450 Skytour 187/San Francisco. Climb to and maintain FL 390. MJ

11285 1956 Chennai/Luffhansa 8480. FL 410 estimate PPB (Port Blair) at 2020. SC MSKP. MJ

11300 0512 Khartoum/Air France 3866. FL 370. Next posn MRW (Merowe) at 1956. MJ

13200 1934 Andrews AFB with EAM. MJ

13254 1030 ?/Dune 21 Heavy requesting tanker schedule after low cabin pressure. Relayed by unidentified aircraft to Diego tower. MJ

13261 1911 San Francisco/Polar 81 is back on course. SC OK. MJ

13261 2255 Kingair 1882/Auckland. Preflight check on 13. MJ

13317 1036 Brisbane/Brunei 35. MJ

13317 1037 Brisbane/Malaysian 134. Tx are faint. Secondary 11396. MJ

13354 2036 Springbok 210/New York. Posn 17N 50W, 13N 45W next. MJ

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Hi all! Summer appears to be still with us. Let's get into this month's TV & FM news.

**Hindi radio on Sky** Apna FM has started on Sky Digital channel 109. It is New Zealand's only 24-hour Hindi radio. ([www.skytv.co.nz](http://www.skytv.co.nz))



**Wellington Micro FMs** Munt FM 107.8 MHz, is operated by students of Massey University, and is located in the old Dominion Museum building, Mount Cook, Wellington. Petone FM 88.1 MHz, located in the Hutt Valley, came on-air early in March. This channel has been un-occupied in the Hutt Valley, since KC FM moved to 88.2 MHz in February. There appears to be some co-operation between Petone FM and Harbour FM (107.3 MHz), with each station mentioning the existence of the other. Another similarity is that neither station carries advertising. However, their presentation styles and programming are quite different. The on-again, off-again, Hutt Valley station on 107.5 MHz, mentioned last month, appears to be a coverage testing station. It has changed frequency and signal strength (probably due to change of location) several times. It has appeared on almost every "low power" (25 milliwatt) channel between 107.4 MHz and 107.9 MHz, at some time during the month. (*Doug Ingham, Lower Hutt*)

**Radio Australia now 24 hours on FM in Fiji** Radio Australia launched a new 24-hour FM service to Fiji on 5 April. Broadcasting on 92.6 MHz, the service is operated in partnership with the Fiji Broadcasting Corporation. (Radio Australia News 4 April via Radio Netherlands Media Network) (*Bryan Clark*)

**New Zealand Radio Awards** The winners will be announced on May 10. Here are the finalists for station of the year for the 2003 NZ Radio Awards: (*Median Strip March 21*)

### **Metropolitan**

Lite FM, RadioWorks Christchurch

Newstalk ZB Network

More FM, CanWest Auckland

### **Regional**



92.2XS FM, RadioWorks Manawatu  
KCC FM, RadioWorks Northland  
4XO, RadioWorks Otago

### **Provincial**

Star FM, RadioWorks Wanganui  
Classic Hits ZGFM, Radio Network Gisborne  
Hitz 89FM, RadioWorks Masterton  
Fifeshire FM, RadioWorks Nelson

**Show Radio begins in Sydney on 95.3** The 2003 Commercial Radio Broadcasting students at The Australian Film Television and Radio School have begun broadcasting Show Radio 95.3 FM at the 2003 Sydney Royal Easter Show.

Show Radio 93.5 FM will focus on the Sydney Royal Easter Show information, attractions, entertainment, rides, events and public transport. The music will be predominantly country. As a part of the Commercial Radio Broadcasting course curriculum, the students will construct the studio, and broadcast on, Show Radio in the Sydney Showgrounds in Homebush. (*radioinfo.com.au April 10*)

**Western Visitor Radio** launches country station. Western Visitor Radio, the largest tourist radio network in Australia, has launched its new narrowcast radio venture - The Country Mix 87.6. The Dubbo Country Mix station officially started broadcasting on March 1st and since then, "the narrowcast recipe of purely country music has been proven to be a winner with country music radio enthusiasts in Dubbo." Managing Director of Western Visitor Radio Ian Munro explains: "The tourist radio network, or as listeners know it as Aussie FM has been a great success. We are the largest and most successful tourist radio network in Australia (all operating on FM 88) with a further planned expansion. We are now planning a country music network on FM 87.6. Our new Country Mix network, designed to compliment existing tourist radio stations is destined to be equally as successful." (*radioinfo.com.au April 10*)

**Vision FM launches high power station in Victoria** Christian broadcaster Vision FM's first High Powered Open Narrowcast licence, 105.3 Vision FM Portland went on-air last week-end in Victoria. Portland joins 116 other communities around Australia, which already have a Vision FM station through an existing Low Powered Open Narrowcast network. (*radioinfo.com.au March 20*)



The Vision FM network is Australia's only national Christian network, delivering a mix of Adult Contemporary Christian music with a slight Country Inspirational feel, together with some of the world's best teaching programmes. The ratio of music to talk is approximately 65:35. Vision FM owns over 200 low powered FM licences, with approximately 100 broadcasting, and more stations going to air every month. The Vision FM program is delivered across the entire nation 24 hours a day, seven days a week via satellite from small, but "high-tech", studios in Brisbane, to cost-effective low powered relay stations in many isolated Australian country towns and cities. The signal is also enthusiastically received in rural settlements across Australia through satellite subscription services. (*UCB Website*)

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If you hear the BBC World Service at 0545 on 1620 you're listening to WDHP, Frederiksted, US Virgin Islands. and listen at 5.59 for the grand ID ! Takes BBCWS until 0900.



### DIAL-UP

- 558 R.Fiji 1 Suva 09.30 Good with Fijian mx. MNSF
- 650 KHNR Hawaii 10.00 Heard with ads, but suffered badly from splash- v hard to copy. MNSF
- 640 USA KFI Los Angeles CA, 0751 fair w/caller on Iraq making comparisons with North Korea. POW
- 666 FR3 Noumea 10.05 Good in FF, mixed with Aussie. MNSF
- 690 KQMQ Honolulu 10.08 ID given at 10.08 as 'Honolulu, AM Radio Disney'. Good sig. Mixed at times - possibly CBU MNSF
- 750 ECUADOR R Caravana, Guayaquil, 0634 fr w/promo for "Caravana Satelite" giving phone number for callers. PO
- 780 PERU Radio Victoria, Lima, 0557 fr w/male preacher and presumably recording of live rally. POW
- 830 KHVH Honolulu 1030 Gd ID and talk about Saddam Hussein SF
- 840 PANAMA Radio Nacional, up briefly with id 0720 mxd dom. Yanks. PO
- 880 PERU Radio Union, Lima, 0550 fair w/lively string of ads. POW
- 920 USA KARN Little Rock AR fair 0630 w/id 0805 "News-radio 9-20 KARN".
- 940 USA KWRU Radio Unica, Fresno CA, id 0630 as "9-40 Fresno" then SS progs. POW. 1040 fr in SS taking phone calls MNSF
- 1050 USA KTCT, San Francisco, Ca 0950 Fair at best, bad splash and fading. Sports talk. SMF
- 1070 USA KNX, Hollywood, Ca Fair with ads and ID on the hour 'All you need to know, 1070 KNX News Radio' 07.00 SMF 18/3
- 1070 USA KNX Los Angeles CA, fr sig 0748 w/ads from California Department of Health, then traffic report for suburbs. POW
- 1090 USA KYCW Seattle WA, fair on peaks 0828 w/jingle id, uses slogans "Classic country" and "the greatest country hits of all time". POW
- 1110 USA KFAB Omaha, NeFair with talk and ads 08.30 SMF 13/3
- 1110 USA KDIS LA, Ca Fair, but fading, Mixed KFAB. Mix of mx & talk.09.20 SMF
- 1120 USA KPNW Eugene, OR. Gd with ID ' Northwest Radio News Network'09.30
- 1140 MEXICO XEMR Monterrey, fair-good 0740 with 2 female preachers and "testimonios" from callers. Id'd 0759.

- 1180 USA Radio Marti, Marathon Key, FL.0616 Now that the Wanaka station has left AM, 1180 is relatively clear down here as Ruia Mai isn't that strong. This leaves Marti and others here at reasonable clarity. Marti is off Mondays 0400-1000 so the Cuban powers in. PWO
- 1200 USA WOAI San Antonio TX, exc sig 0802 w/"the weather channel". POW
- 1250 USA WHNZ Tampa Bay FL, 0654 poor-fair with "When Radio Was" and id at 0659 just prior to CBS news. POW
- 1270 CUBA CMJG Camaguey, fair 0628with Radio Reloj Morse ids as "R, R" ( di-dah-dit, di-dah-dit). POW
- 1310.2 ARGENTINA R Nacional, Guayleaguaychu, fair on peaks with spoken prog including calls from listeners. Clear id at 0656. Freq varied between 1310.22 and 1310.35 in a short period. POW
- 1320 USA KCTC Sacramento CA, gd on peaks w/id 0832 "On KCTC, AM 13-20" then oldies. POW
- 1350 ARGENTINA LSI R Buenos Aires, 0643 pr-fr w/id, t/c and ranchera-style mx. POW
- 1360 USA WKAT Miami FL, pres the one here with classical mx and few (if any!) ann. 0730 PWO
- 1370 COLOMBIA HJKX R Mundial, Bogota, fair 0637 w/relig prog. PO
- 1420 USA WBRD Palmetto FL, fair w/id "right here on AM 14-20 WBRD", 0719 then gospel prog. PWO
- 1470 PERU CPN Radio, Lima, dominant 0657 w/mostly talk and reg ids. PWO
- 1480 USA KYOS Merced CA dominant over EZL station 0754 the latter WVOI Marco Is FL. PWO
- 1485 AUST. 2RN Wilcannia 10.00 ID heard as This is ABC Broken Hill (!). - this is only ABC stn on freq. Mixed with 2EA in CC. (N.B. Wilcannia is in Upper Western NSW - BH is in Lower Western, but right on the Upper border - so possible it carries BH radio.) MNSF
- 1540 BAHAMAS R Bahamas, Nassau, 0712 good, steady signal with talk (usually non-stop music) about using the skills of migrant Haitian farmers to improve Bahamian farming methods. They were taking feedback from listeners via e-mail and fax. Amazingly good signal from home with just a modest antenna (2 x 25 m dipoles). PWO
- 1570 XERF Mexico 09.05 Good at best, but up and down. MNSF
- 1580 KMIK Tempe, AZ 08.13 Good with pop/rock music (What's the difference?) and lots of Radio Disney ids. MNSF
- 1620 WDHP Frederiksted, US VI 05.58 Good signal and id heard at :59 "This is De Ray Harj, a Virgin Islander who lives in Maryland and when I'm in Maryland I listen to WDHP 1620 AM the Caribbean powerhouse on the internet at [www.wrra.vi](http://www.wrra.vi). You are listening to WDHP 1620 AM simulcasting with WAXJ 103.5 FM in the United States Virgin Islands. Our transmitters are in Frederiksted and our studios at 79A Castle Cokely. We are in St Croix. WDHP 1620 AM and WAXJ 103.5 FM" Followed by jingle "Radio gets Results..that's Radio." Relays BBCWS until 0900 and heard from fade in 0515 to past 0700. Good to very good and peaks around 6.00. MN TK SF PO
- 1670 USA KHPY Moreno Valley, Ca 07.30 Sermon in SS. 'How Great Thou Art' sung in SS by MV at 08.58 and again at 11.12. On beyond published s/off on

occasions it seems. Fair/ good, mixed KRNO and possibly WRNC. MNSF  
 1670 USA KHPY Moreno CA, fair-good 0724 w/"Radio Catolica" ids, SS relig. This  
 station is permitted to run 9kW nights. Heard to sign off abruptly 0800z. PW  
 1680 USA WTTM Princeton, NJ 08.10 Fair only with Hindi vocals. MNSF  
 1680 USA WTIR Winter Garden, FL 10.00 Fair with id heard at 10.00 MNSF  
 1680 USA WTIR Orlando FL, 0930 gd w/ "the WTIR weather center" forecast. POW  
 1700 WEUV Huntsville, AL 07.54 (Tentative) - Black Gospel music, with song lyrics such  
 as 'Praise The Lord, Come On'. Possible id at 08.00 with mention of Capital  
 City! Fair, but bad splash from Aussie on 1701. MNSF  
 1700 USA KQXX Brownsville TX, 0600 fair w/id as "Oldies Radio 1700 AM" mx'd KTBK  
 carrying sports. POW

Thanks to Paul Ormandy Wainakarua, PO home, MN Mark Nicholls, TK himself, Stu Forsyth.

## **DX NEWS**

### **Hawaii:**

**KJPN 1370** has changed to KMDR in JJ with relay of JOQR 1134.(MWDX)

**KHBC 1060 AM Stereo** are now 24/7

KHBC P.O. Box 515, Hilo, HI 96721

The legal call is still KAHU and is given at Top of the Hour.

GM and Owner is Buddy Gordon.

Format is everything from Adult Standards, Old and new Pop and Rock, Hawaiian, Country to Jazz and everything in between! Haven't heard any classical music yet but it wouldn't surprise me if some showed up eventually.

Saturdays and Sundays (Hawaiian time) "Thor" does his Jazz/Rock show 6:PM to Midnight HST and he does answer the request line.

(Chuck Boehnke ,Hawaii)

*(According to FCC Database callsign KHBC is now the registered callsign for 1060 kHz. Chief Ed)*

### **Australia:**

1620 2KM has been sold to World Media for \$2.1m Will be Arabic programming. (DXLD MWOZ)

### **Saint Pierre & Miquelon:**

RFO 1375 will close shortly in favour of FM transmissions. (Crankshaw, Scotland/MWC/DXLD)

### **USA:**

**1670 Radio Catolica** now comes under the banner of KHPY and when we hear them are in this SS mode. Daytime is reported to be oldies and sports.

## USA:

**1690 KFSG** has replaced the call for KSXX temporarily. The Church of the Foursquare Gospel (F S G) has secured the call and "concerned another station may pick up the call letters and not give them back" (what a system ???) asked KSXX to "establish" them. When the owners of KFSG obtain a frequency KSXX will be back on 1690. Odd. (Pat Martin OR , MWDX)

## OUT OF THE BAG

**Stuart Forsyth, Wellington** reports a veri in from WTAW 1620 after 2 months and \$1. Letter and QSL card from Den Downs, GM. Email address is [radio@bryanbroadcasting.com](mailto:radio@bryanbroadcasting.com). Ben commented that he had received four other reports from NZ !

and a quick email QSL from KTCT 1050 (36 hours) issued by Lee Hammer at [lhammer@ticket1050.com](mailto:lhammer@ticket1050.com). Also a verie from KCTC 1320 logged at Greytown from John Geary at [jgeary@entercom.com](mailto:jgeary@entercom.com). QSL also in from 2EA 1413.

Reports out to 3ZW 1287, 1XK 1440, 4XC 1359, 1017 Radio Canterbury relaying Hauraki from AKL.

**Paul Ormandy, Oamaru** reports a night at Wainakarua brought logs of Radio Nacional, Guaylegauychu, Argentina 1310.2, WHNZ 1250, and KYCW 1090, WBT 1110, and Radio Maria Panama 1310, and from home KHPY 1670. A lone QSL in from WHNZ Tampa Bay 1250.

**Chris Martin, Queensland** has a report out to Radio Agricultura 1590, Peru heard 1050 thru 1106 which Chris describes as his "lowest powered Latin logging from the East Coast of Australia"



# The KAHU - KHBC 1060kHz Saga

with thanks to Chuck Boehnke , Hawaii

The KHBC story is incredibly complicated but here are the basic details.

The original construction permit in 1936 was for KWFB on 1210 kHz in Hilo. It actually signed on, after modification, as KHBC on 1370 kHz with 100 watts on May 1, 1936. Down through the years it changed ownership and frequencies and finally became KPUA on 970 kHz which is now on 670 kHz and is owned by New West Broadcasting. Not really the original station any more.

The KHBC call stood for Hilo Broadcasting Company .

KHBC is now the call of TV channel 2 in Hilo which is but a relay for KHNL TV in Honolulu. When Buddy Gordon bought KAHU he got permission from KHNL to use the call KHBC simply as a "moniker" for KAHU 1060 but the legal call is still now KAHU.

FCC rules allow a station to call itself anything it wants to as long as a "real" legal ID is done reasonably close to the TOH. So the ID is done like this, "KAHU Hilo is now KHBC, Hilo's original Radio Station" along with a portion of the song written especially for KHBC back in 1936, the "KHBC Hula".

And, Buddy Gordon calls himself the Hilo Broadcasting Company. He doesn't exactly claim to be the original station but claims they act like the original one what with all the different format structures and music and being strictly live and local which they certainly are. It is one neat and unique station! Really pulling in the listeners with it's new 5 kw transmitter.

There has been a bit of a local flap over the call and Buddy's usage of it.

New West Broadcasting is making noises but that is too bad. Once Buddy works out the details with KHNL Television he will apply to the FCC for the KHBC call sign and make it official!

Now, is that all perfectly clear?

Buddy Gordon's roots in Hilo radio go way back to the original KIPA "Rainbow Radio" run by his father. And of course Alan Roycroft was "silent partner" as he owed much of the equipment and did right up to his untimely passing. In recent years Buddy made the mistake of bringing in partners (Peris Corporation) in order to finance expansion plans and they became "Big Island Radio" and as time went by Buddy lost control and was pushed out. And being a radio man he went to work and got KAHU and the rest will be history for sure!

That's the story as best I can relate it in the space and time available.



## U.S. X-BAND AT A GLANCE

11 April 2003 Compiled by Tony King, Greytown, New Zealand

1610	CJWI	Montreal QUE	FF Caribbean music.
1620	WPHG	Atmore AL	Rel/Gos. (but silent) possible resurrection as WPNS
	WDND	South Bend IN	ESPN Radio 1620
	KOZN	Bellevue NE	ESPN Sport ."The Zone"
	WTAW	College Station TX	'Newstalk 16-20 WTAW' CBS Nx
	KBLI	Blackfoot ID	SS "Radio Fiesta"
	KYIZ	Renton WA	Urban/Contemporary Soul
	KSMH	West Sacramento, CA	Rel. "Catholic Radio KSMH"
	WDHP	Frederiksted, US VI	Variety. Has BBC WS until 0900.
1630	KCJJ	Iowa City IA	Hot AC /Classic Rock
	KKWY	Fox Farm WY	C&W AP nx " K-W-Y"
	KNAX	Ft Worth/Dallas TX	SS. Radio Vida/ Radio Dos Mil Dos. EE ID :58
	WTEL	Augusta GA	'Newstalk 1630 WTEL' x WRDW
1640	WKSH	Sussex WI	Disney
	KDZR	Lake Oswego OR	Disney
	KDIA	Vallejo CA	Talk/religious/life issues
	KBJA	Sandy UT	SS/Radio Unica EE ID on hour
1650	WHKT	Portsmouth VA	"AM1650 WHKT Portsmouth, Radio Disney"
	KDNZ	Cedar Falls IA	Talk/ Sport "The Talk Station"//KCNZ
	KWHN	Fort Smith AR	'Newstalk 1650 KWHN'
	KBJD	Denver CO	Talk. "KNUS-2"
	KFOX	Torrance CA	Korean/ EE ID on hour
1660	KTIQ	Merced CA	Sporting News Network 'The Ticket'
	WWRU	Elizabeth NJ	PP & SS Radio Unica/R. Portugal
	WCNZ	Marco Is FL	'Newsradio 1660' AP nx.
	WQSN	Kalamazoo MI	Sports/talk ESPN
	KRZX	Waco TX	"Newstalk KRZX" (off 0600 UTC)
	KQWB	West Fargo ND	Standards "Star 1660 is KQWB AM' CNN news
	KXOL	Brigham City UT	'Oldies Radio' (60's rock)
	KXTR	Kansas City KS	'Classical 1660'
	WGIT	Canovanas PRico	SS oldies "El Gigante"
1670	WRNC	Warner Robins GA	Urban Gospel "1670 The Light"
	WTDY	Madison WI	Sports/Talk. "The Big one is 1670 WTDY" "The Team"
	KHPY	Moreno Valley, CA	Radio Catolica SS s/off 0800 but heard later.EE s/off
	KNRO	Redding CA	"Redding's ESPN Radio 1670 KNRO'
1680	WTTM	Princeton NJ	Ethnic - Hindi
	WTIR	Winter Garden FL	"Traveler Information Radio"
	WJNZ	Ada MI	Urban/AC
	KAVT	Fresno CA	Disney/SS
	KTFH	Seattle WA	CC VV JJ RR 1kw "The Bridge"
	KRJO	Monroe LA	Gospel. "Gospel 1680"
1690	KDDZ	Arvada CO	Disney
	KFSG	Roseville CA	SS rel. /Radio Tricolour/ & Asian. x KSXX. EE ID on hr
	WPTX	Lexington Park	"Newstalk 1690 WPTX" CNN News
1700	WJCC	Miami Springs FL	SS/Rel/"Radio Luz"
	WEUV	Huntsville AL	Black Gospel. "Music of your Life.//1600 WEUC 1kw
	KTBK	Sherman TX	Sporting News Radio "Sports Radio 1310 KTCK."
	KBGG	Des Moines IA	'The new AM 1700 KBGS'. CNN
	KQXX	Brownsville TX	'Oldies radio 1700 AM'





**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER JOHN FREUND** 40 West Central 3608, Wichita Kansas 67203-4167, USA. Welcome John. We hope you will enjoy reading about what other members are hearing on the radio, and that you'll be able to share your perspectives on the DX and SWL hobby with us some time.

**FAREWELL DICK POLLARD** It is with considerable regret that we have learnt of the Dick's passing last month in Nelson. When I joined the DX League in 1962, Dick was one of the DX aces that I looked up to. From his Golden Downs location near Nelson, Dick specialised in DXing African stations on shortwave. I had the privilege of meeting him at my first DX convention in 1964 at Leithfield near Christchurch. Expressions of sympathy have been sent to Dick's daughter and we are hopeful that some of Dick's DXing memorabilia can be retained for archival reference. Do you have a personal memory of Dick Pollard? Why not let us know so we can publish other memories.

**NORMAN GUSSCOTT** We have been advised that longtime member Norman Gusscott of Lower Hutt died on 10 March. His daughter has written to say that Norman enjoyed his associations with ham radio and DX, and made many friends around New Zealand and the world through his lifelong interest. Condolences have been sent to Norman's family.

**TRAVELLING OVERSEAS?** The DX League keeps in touch with similar clubs around the world and with news of DX and SWL gatherings. One such event coming up this year is the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and annual convention of the National Radio Club, the world's largest and most active medium wave DX club. The dates are Friday 29 August to Sunday 31 August 2003, and the venue is Dallas Texas. The 37<sup>th</sup> Conference of the European DX Council is being held near Frankfurt in Germany from Friday 15 August to Sunday 17 August 2003. The EDXC Conference is a unique opportunity to meet DX and SWL enthusiasts from all over Europe. The Conference will focus on the future of the hobby as well as SW, Tropical Bands, FM DX and Free Radio. If you'd like more details of these events, or would like the Administration Committee to put you in touch with radio listening hobbyists in other countries, drop us a line at Box 3011 in Auckland.

**WORLD RADIO TV HANDBOOK UPDATE** WRTH, the hobbyist's companion for over 55 years, has just released a 7-page update to the 2003 Handbook, with details of station, frequency and schedule changes for 24 countries or broadcasters. If you want a copy, send a 224 x 112mm stamped addressed envelope to Box 3011, Auckland. Or, download from the WRTH website at [www.wrth.com/WRTHUPDATES.pdf](http://www.wrth.com/WRTHUPDATES.pdf)

**ADCOM MEETINGS** As well as regularly communicating by telephone and email, members of the DX League Administration Committee meet formally on a quarterly basis to discuss the running of the DX League. The next such meeting is on 16 May — any member

with concerns, or ideas on advancing our hobby, is welcome at any time to write to National Secretary

**EVAN MURRAY.** See back page of this magazine for contact details.

**TAKE A BOW JILL!** A sort through my personal archive has uncovered the 'interesting' fact that the DX League had 14 lady members 30 years ago. Just one of them, **JILL GRENFELL** of Oamaru, wife of life member Peter, is still associated with the League today. Today we have 5 female subscribers.

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### **AUCKLAND BRANCH:**

The 23 March meeting had 17 present at the Clubrooms, chaired by Barry Williams and introduced Roy Milam ZL1WI from WSRC (NZART Branch 03) and Bill Smith W5USM from Texas were welcomed visitors.

Another enjoyable Waipu Cove DXpedition had just concluded (21-23 March) and there was word of excellent U.S. medium wave DX heard there. Phil van de Pavverd was at the site and read out his MW DX loggings.

Bill Smith gave an interesting talk... A Hallicrafter S38 his grandmother gave him and he became an expert on it.

During the Geophysical Year [presumably 1957/1958] he operated contacts on 6 metres (not many people were capable of 6m at the time, Bill adds!).



Bill Smith W5USM beginning his interesting talk on DXing in both the shortwave and amateur radio operating hobbies, as well as lots of radio engineering topics and some endeavours he partook in. Photo Credit. Yuri Muzyka, Auckland

Bill worked on the ARRL management staff for a few years. He wrote about the world above 50 MHz (or Megacycles as it was back then) as a journalist in his training. Bill was a news reporter for about 11 years then went into cable TV with now NZ resident ham Bob Cooper. They got into the international market in the late 1980s; first tried Latin America then got serious in Asia (various countries). Bill Smith has worked 347 countries over 50 years of DXing on the ham bands. For shortwave he got into vintage radios (some Hallicrafters; some Collins - 390, 51J4, 71A4, 75A4). Bill also has a Viking Valliant AM transmitter.

He got into meteor scatter. Yuri asked the question: What are some simple methods

of detecting meteor scatter using radio? Bill answered: rapid speed CW mode; timed transmissions; station on western or northern end transmit from 0015 UTC till a given time (a fixed schedule). Heard a lot of pings; in a good burst you'd hear a complete morse letter. Exchange calls and a signal report is typical. You either hear something or nothing at all; nothing in between. You normally make schedules (eg 0 - 15 minutes past the hour); most times an hour long schedule. Troppo ducting from Hawaii to California is often a good one.

The April 2003 meeting will be at the Clubrooms, 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, just past Whau Creek, on the 27th at 2 PM. Bruce McDonald ZLITMB will be giving an interesting slide show talk on the history of Radio Astronomy (well researched!). WSRC Branch 03 members are also invited.

The May 2003 meeting is tentatively at the Clubrooms on the 25th at 2 PM. Meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month except December.



Everyone waiting for the Sunday 23 March NZRDXL Auckland Branch meeting to start (at the Western Suburbs Radio Club's clubrooms in New Lynn). Guest speaker Bill Smith W5USM is seated centre in the front row. Photo Credit. Yuri Muzyka, Auckland

## **NORTH OTAGO BRANCH:**

### **March:**

Six members attended the meeting held at Paul Ormandy's DX site at Waianakarua.. Medium Wave conditions were good and the X Band was active. Our members appreciate the opportunity to make use of the various aerials at Waianakarua.

Our Branch received an invitation from the NZDXRA to attend at Shag Valley for their AGM which celebrates the 70th Anniversary of their Club.

### **April:**

This meeting was at Paul Ormandy's home attended by eight members.

A welcome was extended to Arthur de Maine who is now a permanent resident of Kakanui. Arthur was DX Times editor for a number of years and we look forward to his contribution to our Branch.

A letter of condolence was sent to Ted Sutton following the death of his wife. Ted was member of the local Branch, a League Member and for several years was Stationery Secretary.

A letter was sent to the NZDXRA congratulating them on their 70th Anniversary,

**Frequency Competition:**

**March:-** Andrew Sunde, James Smyth and Arthur Finch achieved the same score.

**April:-** Ray Davey and Andrew Sunde were first equal.

Radio Australia is at present conducting a survey asking for views on the future of Short Wave. They are offering a prize for the best contribution.

Basil Jamieson.

**SOUTHLAND BRANCH:**

Not a great deal to report this month apart from the fact that some of us have been down to Tiwai for a bit of housework and also the March meeting.

Now that Daylight saving has finished, reception on the Broadcast band is in sooner and some good stations have been heard on the X band, hearing them is one thing, writting them is another ! It is hoped that conditions will be good for the Easter weekend. Good DX to all from the Southland Members.

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or email [DavidSearle@contactplus.co.nz](mailto:DavidSearle@contactplus.co.nz)



**Holiday Competition  
1 July-31 August 2003**

Organised by Frank Parisot [parisotfr@wanadoo.fr](mailto:parisotfr@wanadoo.fr)  
Competition dates: 1 July - 31 August 2003

Frank Parisot has advised me of a website with more details on the competition, including sponsors and prizes at <http://site.voila.fr/SWLCONTEST/>



Hi all. The war in Iraq has certainly increased broadcasts to/from the area and this month we look at the Voice of Iraqi Liberation and some updates on Information Radio.

Tarek Zeidan, an Egyptian Dxer, provides the following information about the Voice of Iraqi Liberation, along with translations. We often hear these clandestine stations in languages we don't understand so Tarek's work and description give us some idea of the typical program output from clandestines.

The station signed on around 1825 UT with classical patriotic music, around 1830. ID mentions "we transmit twice daily on 9.30 A.M and P.M Baghdad Time on two frequencies, 1206 kHz mediumwave and 4025 kHz shortwave." After the ID they started the program with a Call to the Iraqi soldiers, "Oh! sons of the armed forces of Iraq, the decisions of Sadaam led to civil terrorism and losing the wars you participated in as the leader of the armed forces though he never served in the Army. Furthermore he got all his relatives to the high ranks of the army, with his decision to to assassinate the leaders of the the anti war civilians and soldiers, or pushing them to jail, the only language that dictator knows is the language of terror and killing.

Now it's time to crash that dictator and kicking him off IRAQ, don't shoot your brothers or those who came to help to liberate you, join the collation forces to get rid of the dictator, your main mission now is to to free Iraq and building a new democratic nation to get Iraq back to its natural position in the international arena".

Followed by an Iraqi song, then another call to the national guards, same stuff. Then a report about Iraq after the war, talking about dividing Iraq to THREE areas South, Central, and North. North and south areas will be ruled by an American general and the central area will be ruled by Iraqi ruler. Another song, then a report from the Daily Express, the British news paper, and CIA spokesman stating that the war will be around the 17th of March!!! Another call to the armed forces soldiers, followed by a report about women and human rights in Iraq. ID, followed by a report from the UN about the UK+USA+Spain new UN resolution against Iraq and stating again that the 17th of March will be the end of diplomacy and the arms will begin to talk!!!

Song, another message to the Iraqi soldiers "Don't listen to the orders of the dictator, don't shoot those who came to liberate you, you went through so many wars according to his orders, used chemical weapons in Kurdistan and killed the rebels in north and south of Iraq after what happened in Kuwait. Look forward to a bright and happy future of Iraq, Iraq with no wars, mass distraction weapons, tears, homeless, POWs, gather all your forces to kick Saddam out, end dictatorship and replace it with democracy." A report from Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Jordan about the moves of the US soldiers all over North Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. Another call "my dear soldier brother, you have a great future in Iraq after Saddam, don't let your hands be covered with Iraqi blood ... liberate from dictatorship."



And by 2023, here we come to the end of our transmission and we will meet again at 0930 hours on our next transmission HUNA sout tahrir al Iraq. Signed off around 2025 UTC. Well, I was really hoping they would give out any contact details. Or web site ... but nothing at all. All the credit goes to Mr. Mika from [www.dxing.info](http://www.dxing.info) as he's the one who told me about that station. (TAREK ZEIDAN-EGY, SUITZ, via BC-DX March 8) Credit to Mika Makelainen-FIN, who noted the station first in <http://www.DXing.info>

Some background to this station follows: Voice of Iraqi Liberation, "Sawt al-Tahrir al-Iraq", seems to be the latest newcomer conquering the airwaves of Iraq. Apart from the fact that the station uses the transmitters (located in Sulaymaniyah in northern Iraq) of the Voice of the People of Kurdistan, the mouthpiece of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK), I haven't been able to find out anything about the organization behind this station. The Voice of Iraqi Liberation has not announced any contact information or given any direct indication of its political affiliation. The Arabic-language programming is targeted at the military, especially the elite troops of the Iraqi Republican Guard. Programming consists of appeals to the military to abandon the regime of Saddam Hussein and to join the coalition forces in rebuilding a democratic Iraq. The station broadcasts twice daily, at 0630- and 1830-2030 UTC on 1206 and 4025 kHz. I first came across the evening transmission on March 6, signing off at 2031 UTC. A recording of the station identification is available in the DXing.info audio archive, and some more info in the News section.

And it seems that not all Information Radio broadcasts come from the Hercules C130. Some transmissions have come from ships in the Gulf and others from specially configured Humvees.. There is an excellent article about Information Radio at far too long to reproduce here, though if you have internet access, this is well worth a read. [http://www.dxing.info/profiles/clandestine\\_information\\_iraq.dx](http://www.dxing.info/profiles/clandestine_information_iraq.dx)

And Information Radio has also been noted on 4500kHz. Specualtion is that this transmitter may be from a second Hercules C-130 or that it's based at Central Command in Qatar.

You'll see references above to Dxing.info, again if you have internet access, check out [www.dxing.info](http://www.dxing.info) and I strongly recommend joining the forums. There is a wealth of articles here, easily searched and sorted by various categories so you only need to read the postings that interest you.

A good source of information on the internet at the station schedule postings from the Bulgarian "OBSERVER" Newsletter. OBSERVER is compiled by Ivo Ivanov & Angel Datzinov. Items here may be reproduced if it is mentioned "OBSERVER-BUL". All times in UTC.

Here are some clandestine schedule changes since late March.

### **KASHMIR(non):**

**Radio Sadoye Kashmir:** Summer sked 0230-0330 NF 6100 (34433), ex 6135, re-ex 9890; 0730-0830 on 9890 no signal in BUL ; 1430-1530 NF 6100 (54554), ex 6135. OBSERVER-BUL



## MOLDOVA:

Summer A-03 schedule for **Denge Mezopotamya** in Kurdish: 0400-1200 NF 11530\* KCH 500 kW /116 deg, ex 15675 TAC 200 kW / 256 deg 1200-1600 on 11530 KCH 500 kW /116 deg \* co-ch WYFR English/Arabic/French/English till 0800. OBSERVER-BUL

RUSSIA: Some stations via SAM 250 kW / 188 deg: **Voice of Homeland in Arabic**: 1500-1530 Daily NF 12120 (55555), ex 12115 \ \ 12085 (55555) **RTV Mezopotamiya** in Kurdish: 1700-1800 Tue/Wed/Fri on 7560 (55555) **Sagalee Oromiya** in Oromo: 1730-1800 Mon/Thu NF 12120 (55555), ex 12115. **Dejen Radio** in Tigrina: 1700-1800 Sat NF 12120 (55555), OBSERVER-BUL

## TIBET(non):

**Voice of Tibet** in Tibetan and Mandarin Chinese from March 30: 1212-1300 on 15660 (44544) via A-A 200 kW / 132 deg plus Chinese mx jammer. 21560 (54554) via TAC 100 kW / 131 deg plus Chinese mx jammer 1430-1517 on 12100 (54554) via TAC 100 kW / 131 deg plus Chinese mx jammer. OBSERVER-BUL

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From NZRDXL member Jerry Berg, 38 Eastern Avenue, Lexington, MA 02421, USA  
NEW HISTORY MATERIAL AT <http://www.ontheshortwaves.com>

Under "CPRV," "CPRV Gallery," 10 new medium wave QSLs. These are real oldies, from the period 1927-1931, some with unusually nice graphics.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Potpourri," a 1954-55 Boy Scouts of America reprint of some SWL articles that appeared in Boy's Life magazine at that time. This 16-page pamphlet will bring back memories for American SWLs who may have been starting out in shortwave around then. The pamphlet includes a long article by Ken Boord about SWLing and the stations you could hear, including such long ago targets as Radio Brazzaville, 4VEH, Radio Noumea, Radio Jamaica, the Portuguese Azores, Radio Trinidad and the British Far East Broadcasting Station. Also shown is a two-tube kit receiver that could be obtained through the Boy Scouts, and information about ham radio.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Vintage Advertisements," some advertisements from the war years. These are from Radio News, 1943, and show the contribution that the Hammarlund Super Pro was making to the war effort.

And finally, under "Book Reviews," "Journals and Other Publications," a review by yours truly of "The Secret Wireless War," a videotape produced by David and Debra Rixon (2002). The video comprises two separate one-hour programs, "Beyond Bletchley Park," covering British interception of German wireless signals during the war, and "Black Propaganda," covering the development of the World War II British black clandestine broadcasts. I knew I was going to like it from the early scene showing wartime Voluntary Interceptor (VI) Bob King tuning a modern transceiver in his reconstructed World War II radio shack and recalling the words of an unknown CW poet:

*I must go back to the set again, to the superhet and the phones,  
And switch off the broadcast music, the announcer's measured tones,  
And search again on the short waves, with loud calls blending,  
For the dim sounds of the Morse code, that a far foe's sending.  
I must go back to the set again, for the time has come to seek,  
In the QRM and the QRN, for my allotted squeak,  
And all I ask is a steady note, through the ether speeding,  
At a fair strength, in a quiet spot, at a nice speed for reading.*

# Ladders

Compiled by  
Stuart Forsyth  
Wellington

<b>MEDIUMWAVE</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>APR</b>	<b>INC</b>	<b>CNTS</b>	<b>SHORTWAVE</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>APR</b>	<b>INC</b>	<b>CNTS</b>
<b>OPEN (Over 500)</b>					<b>OPEN (Over 500)</b>				
Laurie Boyer	4006			137	Ian Cattermole	4439	4531	92	200
Ray Crawford	2281	2281	0	188	Barry Williams	2703			243
Paul Ormandy	1549	1552	3	144	Günter Jacob	2587	2664	77	161
Sutton Burtenshaw	1011	1011	0	102	Ray Crawford	2511	2560	49	228
David Ricquish	786	788	2	66	John Durham	2225			264
Bryan Clark	676	676	0	120	Laurie Boyer	1750			183
Barry Williams	648			83	John Campbell	1670	1671	1	261
Mark Nicholls	643	643	0	67	Paul Ormandy	1628	1639	9	245
John Campbell	642			129	Lindsay Robinson	1442			171
Stuart Forsyth	537	547	10	43	Robert Park	1516	1558	42	97
Paul Aronsen	529	529	0		Bryan Clark	1355	1355	0	236
Lindsay Robinson	524			56	Paul Aronsen	792	794	2	125
<b>SENIOR (301 - 500)</b>					Peter Grenfell	671			133
Peter Grenfell	443			37	<b>SENIOR (301 - 500)</b>				
<b>INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)</b>					Andy McQueen	379	386	7	103
Andy McQueen	298			21	Stuart Forsyth	358	364	6	105
Robert Krijger	228			13	<b>INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)</b>				
Günter Jacob	212	218	6	45	Arthur de Maine	265			91
<b>JUNIOR (5 - 150)</b>					<b>JUNIOR (5 - 150)</b>				
Robert Park	86	86	0	2	Mark Nicholls	121	121	0	55
Andrew Sunde	21	21	0	2	Andrew Sunde	26	36	10	26
<b>FM-TELEVISION</b>					<b>UTILITIES</b>				
Robert Krijger	678			6	Ron Killick	61754			133
Bryan Clark	148			5	Robert Park	78	78	0	5
Paul Ormandy	110			5	<b>Stuart Forsyth</b>				
Mark Nicholls	42	42	0	2	c/- NZRDXL, P.O.Box 3011, Auckland				
Andy McQueen	29			2	or direct to 46 Akaroa Drive, Maupuia,				
Robert Park	19	19	1	1	Wellington 6003				
					E-mail: smforyth@xtra.co.nz				

Another two months has flown by. Thanks to those who answered my e-mail plea for totals! There has been some confusion over the totals I have here. I have found one or two of you are reporting fewer QSLs this time than you had last, and some interesting country increases too. Could you check your totals against what I have and advise if there has been a mix up.

It was good to hear from John Campbell. He has no time for DX and a dodgy e-mail connection! The Chief Editor has a Broadcast report out - so fingers are crossed. An increase from him would force John Allchin back in - at least, according to our agreement. Bryan Clark has packed everything up prior to moving and David Ricquish is still waiting for that Cuban to come back.

With a Tiwai DXpedition coming up, not doubt we will see some increases in totals before long. Until June, 73s, Stu

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