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FRONT COVER

Radio Hauraki Sticker from the late 1970's

See NZ AM @ a Glance compiled by David Ricquish on Pages 34- of this magazine.

Laurie Boyer

It is with sadness that we advise the death of Laurie Boyer.
See page 39 and 41

Shortwave Mailbag

Paul Ormandy has offered to do the Shortwave Mailbag temporarily.

If you are interested in doing the Shortwave Mailbag. Please contact me at
Editor, P.O. Box 3011, Auckland or by email editor@radiodx.com.

DX Times production

The DX Times has for many years been produced using Adobe Pagemaker Version 6.5 and then Version 7.

I have now changed to a newer more powerful publishing software programme Adobe InDesign Version 2.

Ultimately it will speed up some production tasks and enable fancier layout etc. But in the meantime while I learn the ins and outs please bear with me for any mistakes

CORRECTION

Last months magazine should have been May 2005 Volume 57 Number 7 (it was incorrectly shown as Number 6)



Please note that all frequencies should be in Kilohertz and time in UTC (= GMT = UT), # indicates reception out of the 5th Pacific area, initials in Bold indicates report sent. Also, would you please add the date of logging to your information.

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
3240#	0344	SWAZILAND, Trans World Radio, noted IS and ID a man in English in passing: "You are tuned to the international voice of Trans World Radio." Repeated several times while alternating with the IS before ending at 0348 RAD 13/5#
3290#	0858	PNG, Radio Central, with local jingles into national news. Excellent signal.-AM 31/5#
3345#	0334	SOUTH AFRICA, Channel Africa, woman interviewing a man in English followed by ID and female vocal selection. Nice ID at 0342 by a man announcer: "You are tuned to Channel Africa..." Fair — RAD 13/5#
3365#	0922	PNG, Radio Milne Bay, lots of ukulele mx, greeting to listeners and local functions and celebrations. Celebrating its return to shortwave. Very good signal and no QRM.-AM 31/5#
3975	1900	HUNGARY, R Budapest poor in English — IC 16/5
3975	1915	HUNGARY, R Budapest. Excellent in English. 21/4 SMF
3975	1925	HUNGARY, R Budapest. Fair in English with Inside Central Europe prgm. 23/4 SMF
3985	1930	IRAN, VoR. Excellent, opening in Russian. 21/4 SMF
4052.5	1045	GUATEMALA, R Verdad poor with classical music prgm past 1103 when reception faded out — JD 28/5
4800#	0220	GUATEMALA, Radio Buenas Nuevas (presumed), non-stop music programming; mainly soft vocals. Usually noted on 4799.8. Poor to fair signal.-RAD 12/5#
4835	0823	AUSTRALIA, ABC Alice Springs. Good with football match Freemantle/Caton. 23/4 SMF
4885#	0144	BRAZIL, Rádio Difusora Acreana, Brazilian pop vocal followed by a man with "Radio Difusora" ID, jingles, ad string and a discussion by two men in Portuguese. Fair — RAD 12/5#
4890	1940	PNG, Port Moresby good in English with Pacific Beat from R Australia — KAB 1/5
4905.1#	0235	BRAZIL, Nossa Radio, non-stop soft religious vocals. Man announcer at 0255 with Portuguese talk, ID and sign off announcements. Off without a national anthem. Weak — RAD 4/5#
4910	0500	ZAMBIA R Zambia, fair to good, "Its 7 hours and Mark.. reading the news..Zambian farmers union called for a special package..." DN, 13/3
4915#	2248	GHANA, Ghana Broadcasting Corporation, non-stop pop music program with brief English ID and announcement at 2300. Excellent level until Brazilian started fading in around 2300. — RAD 21/4#
4930	1856	BOTSWANA, VOA. Hip hop mx prgm in English. 23/4 SMF

4939.7# 0220 VENEZUELA, Radio Amazonas, man announcer with Spanish talk followed by a Latin vocal. ID, ad string and announcements in Spanish by a man at 0232 followed by a long talk. ID and sign off announcements followed by choral national anthem at 0301. Poor — RAD 11/5#

4940 1932 SAO TOME, VOA. Fair/ good in English, signal deteriorated. 21/4 SMF

4940 2010 SAO TOME VOA Pinheira in English to West Africa with news reports, poor but clear, fluttery propagation. Scheduled here 1900-2030 UTC. BCM 4/6

4950 0505 ANGOLA R Nacional, Angola, weak signal but distinct Portuguese language and news from Portugal, lovely to hear this properly, DN, 13/3

4950# 0800 USA???, EWTN good in English with news, IDed as World Catholic Network/EWTN, the parent of WEWN but not on a known WEWN freq., into Spanish later. Any ideas? — JS 17/5 #

4955# 0218 PERU, Radio Cultural Amauta, man preaching in Quechoa followed by seemingly close down announcements and ID by a man and woman an nouncer team in Spanish. Off without playing National Anthem. Poor in static RAD 14/5#

4960 0429 SAO TOME, VOA, "Cote D'Voire qualifying for soccer..Peter Highline VOA news" //4930 Botswana DN, 12/3

4995.6# 0237 PERU, Radio Andina, OA vocals followed by a man and woman with Spanish talk, ID, announcements and more lively vocals. Announcements at 0302 followed by a song and plug pulled. Poor with very noisy conditions RAD 20/4#

5005 1913 EQ.GUINEA, R Nacional. Fair/ poor with mx and talk in Spanish. 23/4 SMF

5005# 1433 NEPAL, R. Nepal, 5/20, Nepalese talks and trad. mx. Several clear IDs and the dead giveaway was the time pips at quarter past the hour. Nepal is GMT +5 ¾! Fair but clear using sync detection. Otherwise heavy QRM from dead carrier on 5006. — AM 20/5#

5010# 0316 MADAGASCAR, Radio Nationale Malagasy, local vocal selection followed by talk in Malagasy. More music with some flutes and whistling. Talk by a woman. Poor to fair but beginning a raid fade out — RAD 13/5#

5014.4# 1130 PERU,R.Altura,w/wsobertalksandcommentaryinSpanish.Otherdaysatthistime with regularl echo IDs and trad. mx. Weak but clear — AM 21/5#.

5050# 0901 AUSTRALIA, ARDS, Abo trad. Mx and talks/IDs in English. Excellent sig. I am amazed that 400 watts made it all the way here!- AM 29/5#

5070 0750 USA, WWCR good in English with Bro Stair — KAB 25/5

5446 0720 USA AFRTS Key West fair on sports news. Parallel 12134 was better signal, - 4/6. BCM

5765 0940 USA, WWCR good with relig prgm in English, QRM from AFN Guam — KAB 25/5

5765 1954 GUAM, AFN (USB). Good with pops prog. C/d at 2000. 21/4 SMF

5840 1930 SWEDEN, R Sweden good in Russian with comment on football semi-final after ID — KAB 4/5

5885 1935 VATICAN, Vatican Radio good in French with comment and ID 1930 then into English — KAB 4/5

5955 2300 SRI LANKA, DW via Trincomalee. V poor in English. 21/4 SMF

5960 2120 TURKEY, VOT good with Turkish music, typical VOT sound — KAB 21/5

5975 2035 GERMANY, R Taiwan Intl via DTK, Good in Spanish — IC 12/5

6030 0947 USA, R Marti fair in Spanish with talk, ID at 0949, a little noisy — CC 24/5
6040 2020 MOROCCO, VOA v good in English with English lesson in typical VOA style AB 5/5
6050 2030 ITALY, RAI v good in English with ID then into Newscast from Italy — KAB 5/5
6055 2105 UK, NHK/R Japan via Skelton with news then ID 2109, Good in English with singing — KAB 17/5
6060 0951 ARGENTINA, R Nacional fair in Spanish with man talking, ID at 0954, a little noisy — CC 24/5
6065 1837 SWEDEN, R Sweden fair with man speaking in unid language , ID at 1838 clear, a little scratchy. — CC 11/5
6065 1930 SWEDEN, R Sweden v good in English with Network Europe after IS, ID — KAB 15/5
6090 0438 CANADA China Radio International via Sackville relay, good Strength with illustrated feature on Chinese accordion makers, over annoying hash, presumed to be DRM transmission from Luxembourg 6095- BCM 4/6
6115# 1854 ALBANIA, R. Tirana, w/end of English pgm, start of French. Even after liberation, their pgm is b-o-r-i-n-g! Fair sigs with moderate QRM. — AM 25/5#
6120 0418 FINLAND, YLE good with male vocalist // 11995 less clear — CC 5/5
6125# 0920 ECUADOR, HCJB, with Quechua program including local artists. Very strong with little QRM. — AM 24/5#
6140 0345 TURKEY, VOT fair in English — IC 14/5
6145 1709 TAIWAN, CBS fair in Chinese with indig music, some QRM, //7130 clearer CC 17/5
6180 0655 MOROCCO, VOA good in English with VOA Special English, ID 0658 — KAB 4/5
6275 0612 UK, R Free London. Poor. Id at 0612. 23/4 ADM
6305 0450 NETHERLANDS, R.Orion. Fair but became excellent by 5.15. ID at 0515 informing listeners of 400w of power. 23/4 ADM
6855 0415 USA, WYFR poor in English with usual relig prgm, morse QRM — KAB 4/5
6890 0355 USA, WWRB good with the Overcomer in English, ID 0400, some distortion CC 15/5
6940 0355 ETHIOPIA, R Fana, weak in presumed Ahmaric, DN, 13th March
6940# 0315 ETHIOPIA, Radio Fana, man talking in Amharic followed by ID and Horn of Africa vocals at 0330. Flutes at 0334 followed by another ID and new program of talks with flute segments between items. Poor but //6209.9 was poor to fair — RAD 22/4#
6973# 2117 ISRAEL, Galei Tzahal, IDF station with pops and talk in Hebrew. Weak sig and much static.- AM 29/5#
7110# 0328 ETHIOPIA, Radio Ethiopia, instrumental music with ID and announcements in Amharic by a man at 0330 followed by the news. Nice signal and //9704.2 was also fair — RAD 4/5#
7115 2206 KAZHAKSTAN, DW via Alma Ata. Poor in English. 21/4 SMF
7120 0425 SOUTH AFRICA BBC World Service via Meyerton relay with sports news, latest cricket scores, news headlines at 0430. Fair, improving signal 4/6. BCM
7120 0640 PAPUA NEW GUINEA Wantok Radio Light with 'Adventures in Odyssey' childrens feature, indigenous & contemporary gospel songs, English and Tok Pisin anncts, ident 0702 and sponsorship annct. Initially fair but very good by 0800. Also heard at 2015 fair-good mixed CRI in Chinese. Clear

		from 2100 with Bible readings in Pidgin, 4/6. BCM
7120	0840	PNG, Wantok Radio Light fair in English with USA style gospel prgm. Local announcements with good ID at 0855utc. Official opening is June 11 th but has been heard since May 23 rd . Appears to be off some nights — IC 24/5
7120	1925	PNG, Wantok Radio Light with female relig singer in English followed by continuous light relig music in English, better USB, ID 1942 as "Wantok Radio Light with thanks to those supporting station", blocked by CRI 2000 utc. Also heard 28/5 at 0920, good, with preaching in English.— KAB 25/5
7120#	1012	PNG, R. Wantok Light, new rig station from PNG w/greetings to listeners reporting their SW broadcast, pgm on local constabulary. Joint venture of HCJB and another rig. group. Just what we needed. Excellent sigs and slight QRM. — AM 23/5#
7135	0340	FRANCE, RFI good in French with man and woman speaking// 9790 stronger CC 15/5
7155	1945	THAILAND, R Thailand good in English with sports news, weather, ID 1948 KAB 22/5
7160	1921	SOUTH AFRICA, RFI via Sentech. Fair with French football commentary. //162 kHz. 23/4 SMF
7170	0415	RWANDA, D Welle poor in English with severe QRM from 7175. Prgm on EU Constitution — KAB 4/5
7170	2030	TURKEY, VOT with IS, ID in English, v good with freq details, News, Review of Turkish Press, many IDs — KAB 10/5
7235	0455	ITALY, RAI good in English with female vocalist, ID at 0459 then off — CC 11/5
7250	2128	HUNGARY, R Budapest fair in Spanish — IC 13/5
7259.7	0315	VANUATU Radio Vanuatu good with island music, and Pidgin anncts, putting loud heterodyne whistle on 7260. Frequency measured as 7259.66, 4/6. BCM
7260	2055	VANUATU, R Vanuatu v good in French with French songs, ID 2100 then into news — KAB 13/5
7270	0330	TURKEY, VOT fair in English — IC 13/5
7270#	1112	MALAYSIA, RTM Sarawak, pgm in Biduyah with local pop and talk. Good sigs.-AM 31/5#
7285	2100	CHINA, CRI poor in English — IC 16/5
7305	0250	VATICAN, R Vatican good with IS, ID then English prgm // 9605 — KAB 4/5
7315	2158	FRANCE, RFI V good with IDs in Various languages — IC 16/5
7330#	1825	RUSSIA, R. Freundes-Dienst, relay of Swiss rig. Group in German. Fair sign but horrible QRM! Tuesdays/Sundays only. — AM 31/5#
7345	0320	CZECH REP, R Prague fair in English with discussion on immigration — KAB 4/5
7440	0335	UKRAINE, R Ukraine good in English with economic comments on Ukraine KAB 4/5
7570	0835	USA, WEWN good in English — IC 16/5
7590	2022	ICELAND, (??) AFN. Vg with nx and info prog. 21/4 SMF

Logging of the month

is awarded to Arthur DeMaine

for R Orion, Netherlands on 6305 at 0430utc with 400 watts.

My thanks to all the contributors with a good variety of loggings this month.

Ken Baird

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The Two Bobs from Swiss Radio

The Two Bobs from Swiss Radio have recorded two one hour fascinating programs that can be downloaded from <http://www.switzerlandinsound.com/index2>. The first includes memories about Swiss Radio and the two Bobs 24 year involvement and the second around radio technical issues generally, buying a receiver, propagation, aerials etc.

Full details copied from the website is attached.

Each MP3 file is 14 megs and around 60 minutes playing time. If any DX Times reader would like a copy of these fascinating talks on CD would they like to e-mail davidsearle@contactplus.co.nz or write to
P O Box 20-256,
Christchurch
and I'll pop a CD in the post plus some other software programs Short Wave listeners will find very useful.

It would take hours to download these from the internet.
David W Searle - ZL3DWS



- indicates a logging by an overseas member

KHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme & Reception Details
9330	2145	USA, WBCQ. Poor in EE. 1/5 IC
9330	2030	SYRIA, Radio Damascus. Weak in EE. N/F 16/5 IC
9390	2235	SWEDEN, RCI. Fair/ good with talk in FF. ID at 2259, s/off 2300. 25/5 CC
9440	0200	SLOVAKIA, Radio Slovakia Int. VG in FF. EE IDs at opening. 16/5 IC
9440	0000	CZECH REP., Radio Prague. Weak in EE. 16/5 IC
9445	0335	CZECH REP, Radio Prague. Good in EE. 14/5 IC
9480	0332	RUSSIA, R Rossi. Good with man talking in RR, repeated ids. 15/5 CC
9485	1730	GERMANY, IBRA via DTK. Good in Swahali. 18/5 IC
9535	0327	SPAIN, REE. Vg in SS and mx. //9620 and 15160 the same. 15/5 CC
9575#	2331	MOROCCO, Radio Medi Un. Fair in AA with ME mx. QRM from Radio Budapest on 9580. 14/5 JW
9600	2150	CHINA, CRI. Fair in EE. 16/5 IC
9675	2250	PAPUA NEW GUINEA, NBC. Weak in EE. 20/5 IC
9736.9#	0302	PARAGUAY, Radio Nacional del Paraguay. Man with nx in SS. ID at 0310; lively Latin vocs with a man. Fair sig but DW slop from 9735 . 21/4 RDA
9738#	2339	PARAGUAY, Radio Nacional (Asuncion). Fair. Man and woman in SS. Several ments of "Paraguay" and "Asuncion." Lively SA mx similar to Mariachi with guitars and accordions featured. Time pips and ID as "Radio Nacional del Paraguay" at 2359. Signal readable from 9735-9739. 14/5 JW
9738	0030	PARAGUAY, RN (Asuncion). Poor with talk in SS and mentions of Paraguay hrd. A lot of noise - propagation at this time of day not good in this part of the world. 15/5 SMF
9740#	2030	USA, WINB (Red Lion PA). Very good. S/o axmnts, address, and ID for "Good Friends Radio" followed by woman with religious comm.. 20/5 JW
9780	0454	ROMANIA, RRI. Fair but noisy with man in EE. Sports nx. ID 0456, IS and off. Not listed in Passport to World Band Radio, (but it is noted in the A05 list from EiBi - Ed.) 5/5 CC
9830	2200	TURKEY, VOT. Good in EE. 16/5 IC
9870	0100	HUNGARY, Radio Budapest. Weak in EE. 17/5 IC
9890	1703	RUSSIA, VoRWS. Fair/ gd in EE with nx & ids at 1706. //11985 wkr. 17/5 CC
11600	2130	CZECH REP, Radio Prague. Fair in EE. 15/5 IC
11650	1625	IRAN, VoRI. Fair/ good in EE with id and tx axmnts. A little scratchy, but // 9635 much stronger. 17/5 CC
11690	0400	SOUTH AFRICA, Radio Ndele Luca. VG in FF via Meyerton. 13/5 IC
11855	0245	USA, WYFR. Fair in EE. 16/5 IC
11865	2250	PORTUGAL, DW via Sines. Fair/ good with man speaking in GG. A little scratchy. // 9545 weaker. 5/5 CC

11875 0215 IRAN, IRIB. IDs as Voice of Justice. Fair in EE. 16/5 IC
 11895 2205 ITALY, RAI. Good in EE. 16/5 IC
 11895 2225 ITALY, RAI. Fair only with vocals in EE. ID and s/off at 2230. 25/5 CC
 11975 1100 GUAM, KSDA. Fair in Mandarin. 21/5 IC
 12005 1643 TUNISIA, RTV Tunisienne. Fair only with female voclaist in AA. A little scratchy, but heavy GRM on 9720. 17/5 CC
 12030 2255 HUNGARY, Radio Budapest. VG in Hungarian. //9850. 1/5 IC
 12070 2030 RUSSIA, VOR. Good in EE. // 15455. 13/5 IC
 12085 1004 MONGOLIA, VoM. Fair/ good in EE. Steady buzz in b/ground. 24/5 CC
 12105 2251 GREECE, FTH. Fair/ gd with 2 men in GR. //12110 not so clear. 25/5 CC
 13710 0755 CHINA, CRI. Good in EE. 13/5 IC
 13730# 1339 AUSTRIA, Radio Austria Intl (Moosbrun). Weak signal with static. Mx featuring operatic vocals and pipe organ. 14/5 JW
 15120 0215 PHILIPPINES, PBS. Fair in EE. 16/5 IC
 15140 0403 ROMANIA, RRI. Fair in EE with nx about Romania. //11820 poor 5/5 CC
 15160 2308 SPAIN, REE. Fair/ good in SS with man and woman speaking. // 9535 and 11640 not so clear. 5/5 CC
 15190# 1347 ANTIGUA, BBC relay. Vg with commentary on the integrity of the BBC news service. 14/5 JW
 15205# 2102 RWANDA, DW relay (Kigali). Good in EE with nx about Ethiopia and stem cell research. ID at 2104. 20/5 JW
 15230 0410 CUBA, R Habana. Fair/ good with SS talk. //11875 spoilt by QRM. 5/5 CC
 15350 0058 PHILIPPINES, Radio Veritas Asia. Fair in Urdu after EE IDs. 23/5 IC
 15410# 2108 MOROCCO, VOA relay (Briech). Country mx program in EE with female axer. Mx included "I'm no Quitter" by Shania Twain. Clear but faint. // 15445 much better. 21/5 JW
 15495 0356 KUWAIT, RK. Very good with man in AA and mx. //11675 weaker. 15/5 CC
 15590# 2115 USA, KTBN. Good. B/c of live religious rally held in Dallas. 20/5 JW
 21610 0318 JAPAN, RJ. Very good in EE with 'Mailbag' prgm. ID at 0321. 15/5 CC

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Logging of the Month

Stuart Forsyth

9738 Radio Nacional del Paraguay

FORECAST SHORTWAVE RECEPTION FOR JULY 2005

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The Shortwave Bands below have given good reception in NZ within the recent Solar Flux Index range of 77-126. Reception at 77 is vastly different to that obtained at 126, which is why I give an extended range of frequencies with an * currently applying to good reception only above an Index of 94. This must indicate reception far more precisely than forecasts showing one static position.

Times-Shortwave Bands:

UTC MHZ		UTC MHZ		UTC MHZ		UTC MHZ		UTC MHZ	
Europe		Africa		Russia		Australia		Cent America	
19	6-9- 13*	19	6-9 -13*	19	7- 9, 11*	19	4-11	19	17*
20	6-13,15*	20	6-11,13*	20	9* 11*	20	4-11	20	-
21	6-15	21	7*,9-15	21	9-11,13*	21	5-13,15*	21	-
22	11,13*	22	9*	22	11	22	7-21	22	-
23	9-15	23	-	23	-	23	7-21	23	-
00	11-15	00	-	00	11*	00	13-21	00	-
01	9-15	01	9*	01	11	01	13-17,21*	01	-
02	6-15	02	9	02	9-11	02	13-17,21*	02	-
03	6-15	03	9-11,13*	03	9-11,17	03	13-21	03	13*
04	6-11,13*	04	7-9 -15*	04	7*9	04	7-21	04	6-11
05	6-11,13*	05	6-9, 15	05	-	05	6-17	05	6,9
06	7, 9*	06	7-9, 11*	06	15*	06	5-17	06	6-9
07	9*	07	6*	07	17	07	5-15	07	6-9
08	-	08	-	08	7-15	08	5-9-13*	08	6-9
09	15*	09	-	09	9-13	09	5-11	09	6-9
10	-	10	-	10	9-15	10	4-9	10	6-9

Middle East		Asia		North Pacific		Nth America		Sth America	
19	6-9	19	7-9	19	9-13	19	6,11-15*	19	17*
20	6-9,11*	20	6-9,11*	20	9-13,15x	20	6,11-15*	20	-
21	7-9,11*	21	6-15	21	11,13,15x	21	9-15,17*	21	-
22	9,11*	22	9	22	13,15x17	22	15-17	22	-
23	-	23	11-15	23	15x17	23	13-15*	23	-
00	-	00	11,13*	00	17	00	13,15*	00	11
01	11*	01	11,13*	01	17	01	13,15	01	9-11
02	13*	02	11-17	02	17	02	9-15	02	-
03	9-15	03	17	03	17,21	03	7-9, 15	03	-
04	9-17	04	9	04	15-17,21*	04	6-11-15*	04	9-11
05	13*15*	05	15	05	9-21	05	6-11,13*	05	-
06	-	06	15*	06	9-17	06	5-9, 11*	06	-
07	-	07	15*	07	9-11,13*	07	5-9, 11*	07	6-9
08	-	08	9-15	08	9-11	08	5-7,9*	08	6-9
09	-	09	6-17	09	9-11	09	5-9	09	6-9
10	-	10	6-15,17*	10	9-11	10	5-7,9*	10	6-7*

Notes: 6-9-13*=6-9,11*13* x=not Hawaii.Solar Flux:try 10.0MHZ,0545z

english in time order

Compiled by Yuri (George) Muzyka, Auckland



Time Order summary of Ken's Under 9MHz & Stuart's Over 9MHz BandWatch columns. Please remember to include the date and signal strength with all your loggings and send them to the Under/Over 9MHz Bandwatch column editors, thanks.

The Solar Flux is aired daily over WWV/WWVH on 2.5, 5, 10, 15 and 20 MHz Shortwave at 18 & 45 minutes past every hour.

Overseas contributors now have "#"'s around their name initials (eg #ABC#).

SIGNAL STRENGTHS e = Excellent; g = Good; f = Fair; p = Poor.

73 - Yuri, ZL1GYM <http://www.linradio.com/sources.htm>

NEW ZEALAND CONTRIBUTIONS

Time (UTC)	Frequencies (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0000	9440p	Radio Prague	CZECH REP	16/5	IC
0100	9870p	Radio Budapest	HUNGARY	17/5	IC
0215	11875f	IRIB	IRAN	16/5	IC
0215	15120f	PBS	PHILIPPINES	16/5	IC
0245	11855f	WYFR	USA	16/5	IC
0250	7305g:9605	R Vatican	VATICAN	4/5	KAB
0318-0321	21610g	Radio Japan	JAPAN	15/5	CC
0320	7345f	R Prague	CZECH REP	4/5	KAB
0330	7270f	VOT	TURKEY	13/5	IC
0334-0342	3345f	Channel Africa	STH AFRICA	13/5	RAD
0335	7440g	R Ukraine	UKRAINE	4/5	KAB
0335	9445g	Radio Prague	CZECH REP	14/5	IC
0345	6140f	VOT	TURKEY	14/5	IC
0355-0400	6890g	WWRB	USA	15/5	CC
0403	11820:15140f	RRI	ROMANIA	5/5	CC
0415	6855p	WYFR	USA	4/5	KAB
0415	7170p	D Welle	GERMANY	4/5	KAB
0454-0456	9780f	RRI	ROMANIA	5/5	CC
0455-0459	7235g	RAI	ITALY	11/5	CC
0655-0658	6180g	VOA	USA	4/5	KAB
0720	5446f	AFRTS	USA	4/6	BCM
0750	5070g	WWCR	USA	25/5	KAB
0755	13710g	CRI	CHINA	13/5	IC
0835	7570g	WEWN	USA	16/5	IC
0840-0855	7120f	Wantok Radio Light	PNG	24/5	IC
0940	5765g	WWCR	USA	25/5	KAB
1004	12085g	VoM	MONGOLIA	24/5	CC
1625	9635e:11650g	VoIRI	IRAN	17/5	CC
1703-1706	9890g:11985f	VoRWS	RUSSIA	17/5	CC

1856	4930	VOA	USA	23/4	SMF
1900	3975p	R Budapest	HUNGARY	16/5	IC
1915	3975e	R Budapest	HUNGARY	21/4	SMF
1925	3975f	R Budapest	HUNGARY	23/4	SMF
1925-2000	7120g	Wantok Radio Light	PNG	25/5	KAB
1930	5885g	Vatican Radio	VATICAN CITY	4/5	KAB
1930	6065g	R Sweden	SWEDEN	15/5	KAB
1932	4940g	VOA	USA	21/4	SMF
1940	4890g	Port Moresby	PNG	1/5	KAB
1945-1948	7155g	R Thailand	THAILAND	22/5	KAB
1954-2000	5765(USB)g	AFN	USA	21/4	SMF
2010	4940p	VOA	USA	4/6	BCM
2020	6040g	VOA	USA	5/5	AB
2030	6050g	RAI	ITALY	5/5	KAB
2030	7170	VOT	TURKEY	10/5	KAB
2030	9330p	Radio Damascus	SYRIA	16/5	IC
2030	12070g:15455	VOR	RUSSIA	13/5	IC
2100	7285p	CRI	CHINA	16/5	IC
2105-2109	6055g	NHK/R Japan	JAPAN	17/5	KAB
2130	11600f	Radio Prague	CZECH REP	15/5	IC
2145	9330p	WBCQ	USA	1/5	IC
2150	9600f	CRI	CHINA	16/5	IC
2200	9830g	VOT	TURKEY	16/5	IC
2205	11895g	RAI	ITALY	16/5	IC
2206	7115p	DW	GERMANY	21/4	SMF
2250	9675p	NBC	PNG	20/5	IC
2300	5955p	DW	GERMANY	21/4	SMF

OVERSEAS CONTRIBUTIONS

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0800	4950g	EWTN	USA?	#17/5#	JS
0901	5050e	ARDS	AUSTRALIA	#29/5#	AM
1854	6115f	R Tirana	ALBANIA	#25/5#	AM
2030	9740g	WINB	USA	20/5	JW
2102-2104	15205g	DW	GERMANY	20/5	JW
2108	15410f:15445g	VOA	USA	21/5	JW
2115	15590g	KTBN	USA	20/5	JW

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7355 1700-1800 in Russian;

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Radio Tirana English language transmissions using new Chinese Continental transmitters;
1915-2000 on 6115 and 7210. 2230-2300 on 7120 to UK.
0245-0300 on 6115 and 7160. 0330-0400 on 6115 and 7160 to North America. (DWSCL)

AUSTRALIA:

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Frequency change for CVC Voz Christiana in Spanish to NoSoAm from May 9: 0800-1200
NF 5960 Santiago 100 kW / non-dir, ex 5995 (Observer Bul.)

CHINA.

New range of QSL cards on offer from CRI.
China Radio International is offering QSL cards featuring Chinese endangered rare animals.
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CHINA.

IMPORTANT INFO

Radio Guangdong has just renovated their English programme website and the new website address is <http://e.radio-gd.com> (without "www"). (WRN Newsletter May 13 via DXLD)

CZECH REPUBLIC.

A05 English language schedule.

0000-0027. 7345, 9440 to North America.

0100-0127. 6200, 7345 to North America.

0300-0327. 7345, 9870 to North America.

0330-0357. 9445, 11600 to Middle East/SW Asia.

0700-0727. 9880, 11600 to NW Europe.

0900-0929. 21745. To S/Asia. W/Africa.

1030-1057. 9880, 11615 to Europe.

1300-1329. 13580, 21745 to N/Europe, E/Africa.

1600-1627. 5930, 17485 to NW/Europe, E/Africa.

1700-1727. 5930, 17485 to NW/Europe, C/Africa.

2000-2027. 5930, 11600 to SE/Asia, Australia.

2130-2157. 9880, 11600 to C/Africa, N/America.

2230-2257. 7345, 9415 to N.America. (Radio Prague)

GAMBIA (Non)

Save the Gambia Development Project launches weekly broadcasts

Following a series of successful test transmissions at the end of April, "Voices from the Diaspora," an opposition radio service to Gambia from the Save the Gambia Development Project, will begin a weekly half-hour programme on Saturday, 4 June 2005 at 2000-2030 UTC on 9405 kHz from a 100 kW transmitter in Juelich, Germany. (RN NEWS)

e-mail is STGDP@sunugambia.com (ED)

GERMANY.

New transmission for Bible Voice BC via DTK.

New transmission for Bible Voice via DTK T-Systems from May 2: 1600-1630 on 13800.

Mon-Fri to SoAs in Hindi.

GUAM:

New e-mail address for KTWR.

Warm greetings from KTWR.

We have had to change our email account to: ktwrfcd@guam.twr.org

Please discontinue correspondence to ktwrfreq and use this new email address.

George Ross . KTWR Frequency Coordination Department

MADAGASCAR:

Latest news on new Christian broadcaster

World Christian Broadcasting has begun a new project to build a broadcasting facility on the island of Madagascar. This new radio station will increase the potential audience from three to five billion people, to over two-thirds of the planet who will be able to listen to Christian broadcast signal. The second shortwave transmitter and antenna in Anchor Point, Alaska of the Short Wave Station KNLS, owned and operated by World Christian Broad-

casting doubled the daily transmission time from 10 to a total of 20 hours. The broadcasts in 4 languages of Mandarin, Chinese, Russian and English are made possible by churches, individual Christians, foundations and businesses using the facilities of Station KNLS, and the new structure is the result of "Double the Dream" - a successful fund-raising campaign. Andy Baker, Vice-President, directing the campaign said, "The success of the 'Double the Dream Campaign' is the result of the efforts of a dedicated staff of workers and a whole host of generous contributors." "Without them, we would have had only a faint hope of success, but thanks to God, we have realised our dream. Now, we can broadcast a full ten hours to the Chinese, without interruptions, a full six hours in Russian and four in English. That's twice what we have been doing since 1983!" Baker added.

President of World Christian Broadcasting, Charles Caudill explained about the hard work of staff in Anchor Point, "They had to work in some of the worst weather conditions you can imagine. The toughness and perseverance of Kevin Chambers, Dave Dvorak and Charlie Perry is an outstanding example of dedication and purpose. We are very grateful to them." In a response, the President of Madagascar, Marc Ravalomanana, offered enough land for the World Christian Broadcasting company to build a state-of-the-art, digital broadcasting facility, capable to reach all of Africa, Australia, Europe, the entire Middle East, European Russia, several Scandinavian countries and South-western China. Arabic programming will be added to the three languages used now. World Christian Broadcasting, a non-profit organisation whose purpose is to help make it possible to teach God's Word each day to people who are otherwise beyond missionary outreach, says that the land is secure and ground preparation has started. World Christian Broadcasting will now fully focus on building the facilities there. After completing the first preparations, digging the wells, stringing the power lines and installing the security fences, the combined stations will constitute one of the largest and most powerful digital broadcasters in the world. (CUMBRE)

MONROVIA:

Star radio to resume broadcasts on shortwave

STAR radio will resume broadcasting as from Wednesday 25 May 2005, at 16.00 local time. The independent news & information radio station will transmit on FM & Short Wave to Liberia & the Sub region from its studios located at Mamba Point, Monrovia, Liberia. STAR radio was established by the Hirondelle Foundation ~ Media for Peace & Human Dignity in 1997 and had established itself as a primary source of independent & unbiased information for Liberians. It was forcibly closed by the then President Charles Taylor in 2000 and could not be reopened as long as he was in office. Taylor left Liberia for exile in Nigeria in August 2003, and in November the same year, the ban on STAR radio was lifted by Gyude Bryant, the Chairman of the National Transitional Government which replaced the Taylor regime.

STAR's program schedule is designed to be relevant to post-war Liberia. The accent will be on news and current affairs. There will be bulletins on the hour every hour, and three one hour current affairs programs daily. But as Liberia moves towards elections in October there will be voter education programs and an opportunity to quiz the multitude of political aspirants. There will be programmes giving medical and other expert advice

on all sectors of society, and STAR radio will endeavour to reach a mass Liberian audience by broadcasting in all of Liberian languages. STAR radio will be on air daily from 5.00 AM to 10.00 PM on FM for Greater Monrovia, as well as 2 hours per day on Short Wave for Rural Liberia & the Subregion.

STAR radio is a non profit organisation run by Liberians in partnership with the Hironnelle Foundation. It is jointly funded by the European Commission, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Norway & the United Kingdom. (CUMBRE)

No frequencies given but they were to use 3400 and 5890khz in the past. (ED)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Latest news on new Wantok Radio Light.

I recently asked Joe Emert for another update on the planned Wantok Radio Light project (7120 kHz) in Papua New Guinea; they are evidently behind schedule as many new radio station operations are. The target date is now in the period from late May to early June (prior target was early March). Mr. Emert shared the following excerpt from the calendar of an HCJB engineer who is overseeing the installation:

"May 5-28 Shortwave team from Elkhart is here to install and commission the Shortwave.

May 29-June 10 I travel to Rabaul, Lae, Goroka, and Lalibu to install the first remote FM transmitters. This schedule is predicated on the understanding that two of these sites have multiplexers and we won't need to install antennas.

Jun 11 Celebration of the commencement of SW and the first FM stations. This will be held in the highlands. More details are pending but I wanted you to know so you can mark your calendars that this is the plan at this time."

(Guy Atkins-WA-USA)

While official opening is June 11th. they have been heard since May 23rd. I have received their e-mail verification for reception here from 0830utc. Programming was American gospel but with extensive local announcements at 0855utc. Address is: Wantok Radio Light. P.O. Box 1273, Port Moresby NCD, PNG. E-mail jemert@wmv.com (ED)

Report says new clandestine to Somaliland starts tests today

Clandestine Radio Watch reports:

A new clandestine broadcast, Clandestine Radio Watch (CRW) has learned, will test to Somaliland on Friday, May 27, 2005. The test will air on 15650 kHz between 1730 and 1800 GMT. The program will begin regular transmissions on June 1 and will follow the following schedule: 1730-1800 Sat-Thu 15650 kHz

Further details, including the name and sponsorship of the program cannot be confirmed at press time. (RN NEWS)

SYRIA.

Frequency change for Radio Damascus.

Radio Damascus, Syria, is using new 9330 ex-13610 // 12085 at 2005-2105 and 2110-2210. (Dave Kenny, via DXLD)

TAIWAN:

Radio Taiwan International English language broadcasts. A05.

02.00-03.00 on 15465 to Japan & Korea .

02.00-03.00 on 9680 to North America - Central

02.00-03.00 on 5950 to North America - Eastern

02.00-03.00 on 11875 to Philippines

03.00-04.00 on 5950 to North America - West

03.00-04.00 on 15215 to South America

03.00-04.00 on 15320 to South East Asia

07.00-08.00 on 5950 to North America - West

08.00-09.00 on 9610 to Australia, NZ. Philippines/Indo.

11.00-12.00 on 7445 to South East Asia

12.00-13.00 on 7130 to Japan & Korea

14.00-15.00 on 15265 to South East Asia

16.00-17.00 on 11815 to South China & India

18.00-19.00 on 3965 to Europe

22.00-23.00 on 15600 to Europe

15.00-16.00 on 9770 DRM to Europe every Friday

(RTI programme schedule)

TAIWAN:

New Gospel broadcaster on 11940khz.

11940. A religious radio station broadcasting in Mandarin called "TWBM - Trans World Broadcasting Ministry" has occupied this frequency between 1300 and 1400 every day since April. The station broadcasts a program named "Youth Left No Regret" (in Mandarin the program's name is "Qingchun Bu Liubai") during that hour.

It is interesting that the new station on shortwave also calls itself "Trans World Broadcasting", which makes us think of the famous TWR - Trans World Radio. As we know, KTWR via Guam i.e. KTWR uses a Mandarin radio ID "Huanqiu Guangbo Diantai". The new station's Mandarin ID is "Huanqiu Guangbo" which is equal to "Trans World Broadcasting". Now there is no proof that the two "Trans World Broadcastings" have direct relations. TWBM appears to have an HQ in California, USA and an office in Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

TWBM buys shortwave transmitting time from CBS and its schedule is: TWBM, 11940, 1300-1400, Mandarin, Taipei (via CBS facilities), 100 kW. See <http://www.twbm.com> . (Zhou, China, via dxing.info)

Note: Trans World Broadcasting Ministry (TWBM) was found in Taiwan in 1955 by a group of local ministers and brothers in Christ. TWBM is registered as a nonprofit organization, and is licensed for production of radio and television programs. As its ministry developed, TWBM established an office in California (USA) in November 1998, and is also registered as a California nonprofit religious corporation. (all via DWSC)

e-mail addresses are: youth@twbm.com and contact@twbm.com (ED)

UNITED NATIONS.

UN radio transmissions.

7150 1700-1715 .mtwtf. Meyerton Non-Specific
7150 1730-1745 .mtwtf. Meyerton Non-Specific
11735 1700-1715 .mtwtf. Meyerton Non-Specific
15105 1830-1845 .mtwtf. Skelton Non-Specific
15495 1730-1745 .mtwtf. Skelton Non-Specific
17560 1830-1845 .mtwtf. Rampisham Non-Specific
17720 1700-1715 .mtwtf. Skelton Non-Specific
17810 1730-1745 .mtwtf. Ascension Non-Specific (NASWA)

USA.

WWCR requesting reports.

WWCR would like some reception reports from Australia and New Zealand regarding which frequency works better in the 0700-1100 UTC period, 5070 or 5770? It wants to reserve some time especially for listeners there (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

VERIFICATIONS.

Here are two responses from broadcasters received this week as a result of recent reception reports.

First from Salaam Watander, Afghanistan comes this e-mail:

Ian, I'm afraid we're no longer responding to QSL requests: we just don't have the resources or time.

thanks for your interest and sorry, David Trilling.

And from AWR Asia-Pacific regional office in Singapore comes this letter:

Ian Cattermole.

Greetings from AWR Asia-Pacific.

Enclosed you will find QSL cards to verify the reception reports for March 23 and April 15, 2005. We really appreciate your timely reports and we would like to apologise at this time for the delayed reply due to the transition at the Listener Relations Office.

Your reception reports are very precious to us since this would somehow give us the feedback and for us to be able to improve on our programming on the air.

We truly appreciate your kind support. This is also to let you know that our e-QSL cards are also available upon request.

For AWR Asia-Pacific, Rhon Catolica, Listener Relations/Asst. Programme director

ZIMBABWE:

SW Radio Africa lists seven shortwave frequencies

SW Radio Africa, the independent radio station broadcasting to Zimbabwe which is currently being jammed by the Zimbabwe government, is now listing seven shortwave frequencies for its broadcast at 1600-1900 UTC. However, it's possible that not all of them are in use at the same time. The frequencies now listed are:

In the 19 metre band: 15145kHz

In the 25 metre band: 12145kHz & 11770kHz

In the 60 metre band: 4825kHz & 4880kHz

In the 90 metre band: 3300kHz & 3365kHz

The morning broadcast at 0300-0500 UTC is now listed only on mediumwave 1197 kHz.
(RN NEWS)

LATIN CORNER:

BRAZIL

Radio Guaruja Paulista now on 3385 (ex-3400).

Reception reports to: Radio Guaruja Paulista, a/c Orivaldo Rampazo, Director R. Jos Vaz
Porto 175
11431-190 Guaruj-SP Brasil. Or via email: radioguarujaam@radioguarujaam.com.br

Problems with the shortwave transmitter of Radio Inconfidencia (Belo Horizonte).
Jaime Soares informs that the equipment is burnt. Then, no signal (off the air) from
Inconfidencia 6010 kHz, at this moment. (NASWA)

BOLIVIA:

Radio Yura and Mallku.

4716.78, Radio Yura, 0952-1000 Noted local music followed by comments from a man.
Signal was fair.

4796.43, Radio Mallku, 1000-1005 Noted a woman in local language comments. Signal is
very good at this point.

(Chuck Bolland via HCDX) *Both heard here (ED)*

FEATURED FREQUENCIES

this month are 9840 and 9845KHZ. How many of these are you able to hear and identify?

9840KHZ.

Time.	Station.	Country.	Days.	Language.	Power .	Site
0300-0400	VOA - Voice of America	Morocco	1234567	Unknown	250	Morocco
0400-0430	BBC Worldservice	United Kingdom	1234567	Unknown	500	Meyerton
0500-0755	Radiodifusao Portuguesa, SA	Portugal	23456	PORTUGUESE	100	Lisbon-Sao Gabriel
0700-1300	Radiodifusao Portuguesa, SA	Portugal	17	PORTUGUESE	100	Lisbon-Sao Gabriel
1030-1130	Turkish Radio-TV Corp	Turkey	1234567	Greek	500	Emirler
1830-1900	VOA - Voice of America	United Kingdom	1234567	Unknown	300	Woofferton
2000-2100	Radio Vlaanderen International (Belgium)	United Kingdom	1234567	Unknown	250	Skelton
2100-2300	Radio Exterior de Espana	Spain	1234567	FRENCH	350	Noblejas
2230-0335	Radio Televisione Italiana	Italy	1234567	various	100	Roma

9845KHZ.

Time	Station	Country	Days	Language	Power (kW)	Site
0030-0200	For new organization	United Kingdom	1234567	Unknown	500	Rampisham
0059-0157	Radio Nederland Wereldomroep	Netherlands	1234567	English	250	Bonaire
0100-1130	China Radio International	China	1234567	Unknown	100	Dongfang

0700-0800 Herald Broadcasting Syndicate, Inc. United States 1234567 Unknown 500 Furman, SC
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1130-1730 China Radio International China 1234567 Unknown 100 Beijing
1200-1300 VOA - Voice of America United States 1234567 Unknown 250 Tinian Islands
1300-1600 VOA - Voice of America Philippines 1234567 Unknown 250 Tinang I
1605-1625 Radio Televisione Italiana Italy 1234567 Russian 100 Roma
1630-2100 Radio Russia Russia 1234567 Unknown 250 Riazan
2000-0100 China Radio International China 1234567 Unknown 100 Beijing
2359-0057 Radio Nederland Wereldomroep Netherlands 1234567 English 250 Bonaire

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BOLIVIA

Radio San Miguel, Riberalta. 4900kHz. 0121 14 May. Local music and comments. SINPO 24222.(*)

Radio Panamericana. 6105kHz 0109 12 May. Football cmt. ID "Radio Panamericana" SINPO 24322 (*)

BRAZIL

Radiodifusora do Amazonas. Manaus. 4805kHz. 0930 13 May. SINPO 24322(*)

Radio Cultura, Ondas Tropicais, Manaus. 4845kHz. 0124 12 May. Football Cmt. SINPO 24322(*)

Radio Alvorada. Londrina 4865kHz 0950-1001 29 May. PP Catholic Prg made by Radio Inmaculada Concepcão!!!

SINPO 34443. (Arnaldo Slaen Argentina via HCDX Vol29 issue31)

COLOMBIA

Marfil Estereo. 5910kHz. 0123 11 May. Songs and comments about mothers day in Puerto Rico. SINPO 45444(*)

[Seems to inactive a lot of days in the recent time]

La Voz de tu Conciencia. 6010kHz 0850 12 May. ID "Transmite Alcaraban Radio AM 1530kHz y en la banda

Internacional de onda corta 49 metros, 6010kHz. Porque la mejor radio se hace en equipo. Alcaraban Radio, La Voz

de tu Conciencia." SINPO 34333(*)

Radio Lider. 6140kHz. 0800 10 May. ID "Desde Bogot?, Colombia, transmite Radio Lider, el canal preferencial

HJCU, Radio Lider, AM estereo 730 kHz, esta es la hora oficial, son las 3." SINPO 44444(*)

La Voz del Guaviare. 6035kHz. 1006 10 May. Colombian songs. SINPO 24322(*)

[no other stations seem to be active in the SW bands at the present time in Colombia(*)]

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Radio Amanecer Internacional.6025kHz.1920 12May. ID "Buenas tardes, Radio Amanecer, La Voz de la Esperanza."

Religious comments and songs.SINPO 34333.(*)

[Radio Amanecer is the only active SW station in the Dominican Rep.No trace of Radio Cristal on 5010kHz or Radio Villa-Cima on 4960kHz.(*)]

GUATEMALA

Radio Cultural Coatan.4780kHz 1055 10May.Religious songs.SINPO 24322(*)

Radio Buenas Nuevas.4799.9kHz. 0856 14May.Religious Mx and songs.SINPO 24322(*)

Radio Cultural. 5954.967kHz active this morning [02June]at 1050.Same DJ as always and religious Mx.(Bjorn Malm. Ecuador via HCDX Vol30 issue3)

MEXICO

Radio Mil 6010kHz. 1037 13May. ID "Radio Mil 1000AM, onda corta banda internacional de 49metros." SINPO 34333(*)

Radio Educacion 6185kHz. 1031 10May. Mexican songs,romantic Mx. SINPO 45444(*)

PERU

Radio Madre de Dios,Puerto Maldonado 4950kHz.0033 14 May. ID "Transmitimos para toda la regi?n de Madre de Dios." SINPO 24322 (*)

Radio Macedonia.4890kHz. 1016 10May. (presumed probable) songs in SS Poor signal.(*)

Radio Oriente 6188kHz. 1055 14May. Comments and Mx. Poor signals with interference from Radio Educacion 6185 and BBC World Service on 6195.(*)

Radio Altura.Cerro de Pasco.5014kHz 1006 29May SS ID "Radio Altura, con la calidad de siempre"(Arnaldo Slaen Argentina via HCDX Vol29 issue31)

VENEZUELA

Radio Amazonas 4939.5kHz. 0905 12May. National Anthem open transmission at this time. SINPO 34333(*)

Radio Amazonas seems to be the only active SW station from Venezuela at this time.(*)

(*) = Manuel M?ndez Lugo Spain.Via hard-core-DX Vol 29 issue29. Logs made in Hotel bedroom Punta Cana Dominican Republic using a Grundig YB 400,5m wire antenna with 5m antenna cable.



Hi all It is always sad when we lose a DXer of Laurie's standing I had the pleasure of meeting Laurie many times and he stayed at Waianakarua for a couple of nights once Laurie had an excellent memory, easily recalling details of stations heard years earlier and we would chat for some length on subjects dear to his heart, Dxing and rugby He had a real passion for rugby and had told us how he had followed the All Blacks on tour to South Africa many years before We'll miss you Laurie

Ian Cattermole, Blenheim, checks in with the goodies from Christiene Wissenschaft 13750 Pan American BC 11615 WRM1 12015 Radio Prague 9800 9445 9440 Evangelische Missions Gemeinden 11610 CRI 17540 CRI-Albania 11855 7285 RDP 9820 12000 Radio Budapest 9525 6025 12030 9850 Radio Sweden 7420 Channel Africa 7390 9685 IRRS 15725 TWR 6235 VOT 15195 Radio Taiwan Int 5975 IBRA 9485 KSDA 6045 6195 12015 KBS World Radio 15575 9570 9640 Wantok Radio Light 7120. Phew! That was quick work with Wantok! Listening to them as I type this...

Ron Killick, Christchurch, produces a healthy list, RAustralia-Shepparton 15515. VoRusia-Moscow 7380, 11630. Channel Africa-Meyerton 9685. Family R-Julich 9605, -Grigoriopol 7360. Overcomer N/W-Julich 9430. CRI-Cerrick 17505. European Music R-Ulbroka 9290 Galei-Zahel 6973. RJoystick-Ulbroka 9290 (Feb 5th report !!!). RAItaly 11880. DW-Nauen 9545, Al Dhabayya 17800.

Jerry Berg, Lexington MA 4780, Rdfsn-TV de Djibouti, nice QSL rcvd; computer-produced QSL sheet, date-time veri statement, logo, signature and stn stamp on top, sked and picture of (apparently) their HQ on bottom. Also sent an RTVD sticker. No postal address shown on ltr or envelope, but gives E-mail address as rtdtech@intnet.dj, URL as <<http://www.rtd.dj>> In 9 wks. for EG rpt, \$1 and CD recording. I also sent them a copy of my 1973 QSL from them, and the veri statement and the layout of the sked on the new one is exactly the same as on the old. Sked is shown as 1539 MW at 0300-2000 weekdays, 0500-2000 on Sat & Holidays, and 4780 SW at 0300-2000. Nx in Somali at 0330, 1200 & 1700; Afar at 0430, 1000 & 1830, AR at 0600 & 1400. Also shows 1116 MW, but no hrs. All xmtrs listed as 50 kw. -- I sent the same rpt to two places: (1) Radiodiffusion Télévision de Djibouti, 1, Avenue Saint Laurent de Var - B.P. 97, Djibouti, Rep. of Djibouti; and (2) Ministère de la Communication et de la Culture, Charge des Postes et de Telecommunications, 1, Rue de Moscou - B.P. 32, Djibouti, Rep. of Djibouti. I assume the reply came from the former, as the RTVD logo is prominent on the ltr, and it was an RTVD sticker. But I can't be absolutely sure, as there is no return address on the envelope. (Berg-MA) Great info there for other QSL-seekers Jerry. They have a very good signal here in the mornings.

Best of the Month

Under 9MHz: Ian Cattermole with Wantok Radio Light, 7120kHz awarded for sheer speed if nothing else!

Over 9MHz: Ian Cattermole, IRRS Italy 15725kHz.



Radio Reshuffle in BOP

With initial technical problems now dealt with, Radio Trackside in the Bay Of Plenty has had a change of frequency.

In Tauranga the dual Trackside/Pacific station has moved to the AM band, on 873AM as first planned, leaving 96.1FM in Tauranga free for the newly launched Radio Live.

The new AM signal is not yet at full power, however, meaning limited coverage in the region over the next 4 to 6 weeks.

In Whakatane, Trackside can now be heard on 94.5FM, with Radio Live on 92.1FM.

(Median Strip May 22 2005)

LPFM Update

[1] Primetime Radio 1ZZ - currently on air: 88.1 Waimate North, 88.1 Ohaeawai, 107.7 Kerikeri.

[2] The Jade - new LPFM planned for Greymouth, 'Greatest Memories, Latest Hits' format. Email: thejade@xtra.co.nz

[3] Fresh FM - dropping 88.4 Blenheim because of severe interference from another LPFM, and has secured regular full power FM frequency in area instead and due on air shortly.

(David Ricquish, Wellington)

New station takes to the air on the West Coast

GREAT new radio station went to air in Greymouth. <http://www.thejade.co.nz> (Bryan Clark)

Marlborough LPFM

Recent visit up 18th down 20th revealed the ever changing scene on Marlborough LPFM.

Blenheim notes:

88.1	18 May 05	Station announcing as "The Shed".
88.4	17 May 04	Station noted with no talk.
	15 Feb 05	Relay of NMIT station "Fresh FM".
	18 May 05	Relay of Nelson "Mainland FM".
88.7	18 May 05	Station announcing as "Sunshine Radio 88.7 FM".
107.1	18 May 05	Station announcing as "SK or Escay 107 FM".
107.7	18 May 05	Relay of Nelson "Mainland FM" (announcement about local TV soon, no area given).

Picton

88.2 18-20 May 05 Endeavour FM, not noted on air.

Kaikoura

Did not stop, but sign on road still advises Tourist Radio 88.2, no sign of it but check showed no trace and Out of the Blue active on 88.3, **(Ron Killick, Christchurch)**

Brian Palamountain, Nelson

Logs - Classic Hits 90FM Taranaki 90.8, More FM Taranaki 92.4, Radio Pacific Palmerston North 93.8, Niu FM Waikato 103.4 and 103.8 Auckland. Live FM Nelson on 96.2 came on air 11 April.

Life FM is now on air in Nelson on 93.8. He is now unable to receive Radio Pacific 93.8 Palmerston North.

Brian's FM DX is heard on a Sony 2001 and its telescopic aerial.

From NZRDXL member Jerry Berg, 38 Eastern Avenue, Lexington, MA 02421, USA

NEW HISTORY MATERIAL AT <http://www.ontheshortwaves.com>

Under "SW History on the Net," some new links. Under STATIONS -- (1) The Unofficial Guide to the BBC <http://www.vaxxine.com/master-control/BBC/Bbc_menu.eht> This Canadian site is the product of a college thesis about the BBC. While it is principally a guide for people who might not know anything about the BBC, it contains much valuable information on interesting topics, including the history of the BBC. Look in particular under "History" and "World Service." (2) BBC Woofferton <<http://www.southgatearc.org/articles/bbc/woofferton.htm>> Starting in 1943, and for much of its early life, the BBC Woofferton shortwave site was operated by the BBC but carried exclusively VOA programming. Here are some notes about the station written by Richard Buckby, who worked there starting in 1963, along with some historical photos. (Be sure to click on the "more photos" link at the bottom of the page.) (3) Station Recordings <<http://www.filatelia.fi/dx/>> These aren't real old, and they are rather brief, but it is fun to click around this site and hear recordings of many interesting shortwave and medium wave stations of the 1960s and 1970s, including a good variety of latin American stations. There are some QSLs here too. And under VERIFICATIONS -- Vintage Reception Reports <<http://www.jln.pp.fi/lahtisw/lahti.html>> At this site is some interesting (if brief) history of the Finnish shortwave broadcasting site at Lahti, Finland which was in use in the 1930s and 1940s. More interesting, perhaps, are copies of two reception reports received by the station in 1939, one (from Japan) being almost unbelievable in its detail, the other (from New Jersey) being just the opposite.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri," some excerpts from the June 1940 edition of the monthly schedule of NHK-Japan. This issue commemorated their fifth anniversary of overseas broadcasting. Included is a brief summary of their first five years, their schedule, some letters from listeners, and a map showing the number of listener letters received during the five year period.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Recordings," from my own collection, some memories of the 1982 Falklands war in which 736 Argentines and 255 British were killed and over 2,000 wounded. While the British were on their way to the scene, they created Radio Atlantico del Sur, transmitted via Ascension on 9710 kHz. The Argentines had "Liberty" (or "Argentine Annie" as she was called) on 17740. Both stations could be heard easily in the United States, and QSLs were forthcoming from both. After the war, the Falkland Islands Broadcasting Station returned to the air on or near 3958 kHz., where it had been heard fairly regularly before the conflict. This recording was made on March 23, 1983, circa 1000 UTC (listen for the IDs at :11 and 1:35). For several years, the British Forces Broadcasting Service used 3958 kHz. on a time-shared basis before going all FM, and reports sent to BFBS in London and in the Falklands brought friendly replies from both in 1987.



Last month's experimental MW transmissions of DRM on 657 kHz seemed to get the report card of "could be better" but I do wonder if it's "too wonderful too late" DRM has shown it has potential on shortwave, but who will switch back to AM (broadcast band) after more than a decade of saturation from the clarity of FM. Is there a market for it? Today's radio listeners under the age of 40 are converts to FM, and receiver manufacturers are unlikely to rush into producing DRM sets when the market is satisfied with FM quality and receivers are priced as low as \$2. Let's wait and see.

MAILBAG

CRAIG EDWARDS, Adelaide, South Australia leads off this month.

I'm working at Murray Bridge in their health service, on the down side, I have to drive 90km each way between there and our home in Mawson Lakes (Adelaide) – that's starting to lose it's novelty. The up side is that Murray Bridge is only 70km away from the start of the Coorong – the Mecca of Mediumwave for SA DXers. So on a couple of the Friday afternoons after work I've stayed overnight at a caravan park cabin in Meningie. I've set up a very very basic EWE without coax or a balun as they are all packed away. Electrically the caravan park is very noisy, despite this on both mornings there were some very promising catches, particularly Djibouti 1539. This park wasn't used as a potential DX site but was rather a nice comfortable cabin with an ensuite to use as a home base. On both Saturdays I went exploring around the Coorong for possible overnight and more isolated DXpedition sites. My wife has given approval for me to stay at the Coorong on some Friday nights so on Saturday mornings I could go for Europe and then drive home and be back to my wife and regular society by lunchtime. Oh well, better go and start typing up those NT DXpedition logs.

QSLs from: 4GC 765; 6WH 1017; 6PR 882; Vision Radio, Kalgoorlie 1431; CRI China 963; CRI China 1521; JOHW 1269; JOTL 1494; JOSF 1332; JOHK 891; RTI Taiwan 1503; VOA via Russia 648; CHR8 1140; KDZR 1640; KCTC 1320; KSTP 1500; WKSH 1640; KVRI 1600; KECR 910; KNEW 910; KUIK 1360; VOR via Kaliningrad 1386.

DAVID NORRIE, Auckland reports "I ventured north for a couple of days and struck lucky with the weather, 21C. However I'm rapidly coming to the conclusions that to find a spot nearish to the coast that is sufficiently removed from power lines with room to put down even a 100m wire is a difficult task. However Ocean Beach has great potential even if its only Dxing from the surf club car park!! Logs below made from Ocean Beach, Whangarei Heads, Northland. AOR 7030 and 60m wire on the ground.

820, 06.25, WBAP, Forth Worth Texas, with phone- in on seat belt use, "the midnight truckin radio network with Don Lacey and Don Hancock..WBAP", fair to good, 13th May, DN

1140, 05.37 UNId, powerhouse SS signal, no English announcement at 06.00 ,

13th May, DN
 1180, 05.34, R Marti fighting it out with R Rebelde //5025, tks to Paul O for tip, 13th May, DN
 1540, 05.15, ZNSI, Bahamas, initially being hammered by 2ZE, but improved to give Caribbean accented phone-in on "insurance corruption, perpetuated by chicken farmers", fair to good at times, 13th May, DN
 1690, 06.01, KDDZ, Co, Radio Disney Id with co channel religious music below, 13th May, DN
 1690 05.57 KFSG, Ca, "Instrumental what a friend we have in Jesus", fair signal, 13th May, DN

DENE LYNNEBERG has been prancing around in the Norwegian woods and reports from Europe.

Left New Zealand on 15 May and arrived in England via Kuala Lumpur and Amsterdam on Monday 16. Stayed the first week in the village of

Pangbourne west of Reading. Sat 21 May went to a wedding in the village of Denton just out of Northampton. Stayed in Denton till Friday 27 May when we (my wife and I) went back to London and fly from Heathrow to Oslo, Norway via Amsterdam. Can't keep away from the Dutch as KLM keeps flying via Amsterdam.

DXing in Pangbourne and Denton was excellent on both Longwave and mediumwave and FM. Here in the Scandic Sjolyst Hotel in Oslo its all noise, whistle, hum and hets on both LW and AM. FM is okay though. SW is reasonable. The best signal earlier this evening was YLE Finland on 6120 at 1730 UTC or 1930 Oslo Time.

Whilst in Pangbourne and Denton I've managed to recorded and log the following stations. Receiver used is my Philips D2935 using either 1 metre whip or ferrite rod.

Longwave:

177 Deutschelandradio, Berlin, Oranienburg
 198 BBC Radio 4, Droitwich
 234 Danmarks Radio P1, Kalundborg
 243 RTL Beidweller, Luxembourg
 252 RTE Radio1, Clarkestown, Ireland

Mediumwave:

540 VRT Radio 2, Waver-Overijse, Belgium
 567 RTE Radio 1, Tullamore, Ireland
 603 Capital Gold, Littlebourne
 675 Arrow Rock Radio, Lopik, Netherlands
 729 BBC Essex, Manningtree
 729 Classic Gold, Kempston
 774 Classic Gold, Little Shundington (Cheltenham)
 828 Classic Gold, Lewsey Farm (Luton)
 972 Asia Club, Glade Lane, London
 1026 BBC Cambridgeshire, Chester Fen
 1260 Sabras Radio, Freeman's Common (Leicester)
 1287 Junction11, Reading 10 watts Student radio station
 1368 Man Radio, Douglas, Isle of Man

1431 Classic Gold, manor Farm (Reading)

1458 Sunrise Radio, Brookmans Park

1485 Classic Gold, Washwater (Newbury)

1512 RVI Wolvertem, Belgium

1566 County Sound, Peasmarsh, Guilford

1557 Classic Gold, Kingsneath, Northampton

Well I guess that show keep me going for a while. I may type 1 or 2 of them out while away if I get a chance, but most will have to wait until I get home again at the end of June.

The only mediumwave verification of late has been one from Adam Claydon for The Voice on 1170 kHz. Received an excellent verification from Adam for this one.

STU FORSYTH, Darfield reports

A few replies have dribbled back. I have only just finished writing my reports, and have still got a few to send. I'll knock those off over Queen's Birthday weekend.

Veries in from: KDWN 720, a letter and fact sheet v/s Buzz Jones (kdwn@kdwn.com); Hills AM 1575, QSL card, letter, sticker and brochure of info (tremendous reply) from Rosslyn Rice, Manager (hillsam@earthlight.co.nz); WBGR 860. My report of Jan 2004 was found in a drawer by Su (sic) Wood. She tells me that the station closed on 29 April this year and that somebody else has bought the frequency. I am not sure if the call is the same; Vision R (Rhema) Sydney 1701. The v/s was Phil Edwards, B/c Ops Manager (pedwards@ucb.com.au); More FM Nelson 990 v/s is Steve Denton, Commercial Production Operator and part time Technician, (SDenton@radioworks.co.nz); 1XTR - The Bay's Good Time Classics 1521, v/s Kendall Forbes, PD.; KOKC 1520, with an unsigned QSL card; 3YB 882, v/s Jon Vertigan, Program Manager (jonv@aceradio.com.au)

Des Davey, Te Kuiti has a report away to Good Times Radio Tauranga 1521, and has received a QSL letter and stickers from 1XX 1242.

DX NEWS

US BROADCASTING UPDATE

From International Radio Club of America – May 2005

- 590 KOMJ Omaha, NE has change of call to KXSP and format to sports with slogan 'Big Sports 590'.
- 610 KFRC San Francisco, CA format is now religious teaching (Family Radio).
- 620 KIPA Hilo, HI reactivated with ABC Stardust adult standards format.
- 660 KGDP Orcutt, CA has applied to increase night power to 2.5kw.
- 820 WCSN Chicago, IL callsign changed to WAIT
- 840 KSWB Seaside, OR format is now Westwood 1 Oldies.
- 910 KOTK Vancouver, WA has changed call to KKSJ, slogan 'Kissin' 910' with oldies.
- 1050 KMAP Frazier Park/Bakersfield CA call has changed to KJPG
- 1060 CKMX Calgary AB v/s Ken Pasolli, Technical Manager. Address: P O Box 2750, Station M, Calgary AB T2P 4P8.

- 1130 KSDO San Diego CA verie from Phil Guthrie, P; 2310 Ponderosa Dr, Suite 28, Camarillo CA 93010.
- 1140 KHTK Sacramento, CA is sports format, slogan Fox Sports Radio.
- 1160 WYLL Chicago IL now operates 50kw nights. (Art Blair)
- 1190 KFXR-TX Dallas TX fomart changed from Fox sports to All-Beatles as of 31 March, per Fort Worth Star-Telegram (via Dale Park)
- 1360 KBKB Fort Madison IA flips from news/talk to Fox sports "1360 the Ticket."
- 1380 KZFX Salinas CA verified by Chief Engineer Mike Blankenbecler, 903 North Main St, Salinas CA 93906 in 208 days after followup.
- 1390 KSLM Salem, OR is oldies format//KOTK 'Kissin' 910"
- 1410 KMYR Wichita, KS has changed call to KGSO. Format is now sports.
- 1410 WIQR Prattville, AL has reactivated with Sporting News Radio.
- 1420 KUJ Walla Walla, WA granted 5kw days, 900 watts nights, non-directional.
- 1450 XECU Mochis verie letter from Ing. Gamaliel Robles C, address - OIR Mochis, Hidalgo #755 PTE, C P 81200, Los Mochis, Sinaloa, Mexico.
- 1570 KUAU Haiku HI granted 50kw day, 20kw nights.
- 1600 KEED Eugene OR changes call to KOPT, format Progressive Talk.
- 1620 WNRP Gulf Breeze, FL identifies as "1620 AM Classic Country."
- 1630 KKWY Fox Farm, WY has callsign change to KRND and format is now regional Mexican "La Grande".
- 1640 KFXY Enid OK new call ex KFNy with "KFXY Fox Sports Radio."
- 1650 KCNZ Cedar Falls IA verie letter from Janelle Rench, Office Manager; Box 248, Cedar Falls IA 50613.
- 1680 KTFH Seattle, WA has changed format from regional Mexican to ethnic.
- 1690 KSFG Sacramento CA QSL by email from Len Harris, Engineering Mgr; 3463 Ramona Ave, Suite 15, Sacramento CA 95826.
- 1700 KKLf Dallas TX QSL card from Hue Beavers, Technical Dept. Address - 3500 Maple Ave, #1310, Dallas TX 75219.

MORE AMERICAN NEWS
via National Radio Club's "DX News" April/May 2005

- 620 WDAE St Petersburg FL granted increase in night power to 5.5kw U2
- 690 WOKV Jacksonville FL requests increased night power to 25kw U2.
- 690 CBU Vancouver BC responded with CBC Radio card in 16 days, signed by Dave Newberry. (Griffiths)
- 850 WFTL West Palm Beach FL authorised to test with U4 50kw/28kw.
- 1160 KBIS Highland Park TX is now U4 with daytime power increased to 35kw.
- 1190 KFXR Dallas TX format is now oldies.
- 1260 WSUA Miami FL granted extra towers to increase power to U4 50/20kw.
- 1290 KRNP Santa Barbara CA (ex KZBN) has change of call to KZSB.
- 1310 KXTN San Antonio TX has new call KAHL and talk/standards format.
- 1450 New Station application lodged for Hilo, Hawaii 500w day & night U1.
- 1520.12 KOKC Oklahoma City OK noted off frequency early April (Wilkins)
- 1610 CHSL Toronto ON call sign is now CHHA.

- 1620 WNRP Gulf Breeze FL verified prepared card, v/s Bob Nieman (Myers)
- 1620 KOZN Bellevue NE on 3rd attempt, prepared card QSL recd from Chef Engineer Darwin Stinton. (Wilkins)
- 1630 KKGW Dallas TX v/signer Jack Davis, Program/Music Director.(Griffith)
- 1650 KBIV El Paso TX format changed to Modern Rock and call KHRO with slogan "Hero Rock 1650 AM" (Dvorak)
- 1690 WRLL Berwyn IL sent "1690 Real Oldies" card signed by Overnight DJ Len O'Kelly (KB9ZCX). (Wilkins)
- 1700 KTBK Sherman TX call has changed to KKLF, Talk running // to KLIF 570.

With thanks to Bryan Clark/NRC/IRCA

MARIANA ISLANDS Application lodged for new station at Garapah-Saipan with 3kw days and 500 watts nights U1 on 1440 kiloHertz AM. (NRC)

GUAM Application lodged for Agana, 1170 AM, U1 250 watts day & night. (NRC)BRAZIL The 3rd edition of the Brazilian Medium Wave List, compiled by the DXCB (Dx Clube do Brasil), is online. You may download freely as a PDF document at:
<http://www.ondascurtas.com/listasemissorasmw.asp> (via IRCA)

CUBA Here is a listing of Radio Reloj outlets, which can penetrate the ether and co-channel stations with their "RR" identification in CW every minute:

Location	kHz	kw
Villa Clara	570	30
Trinidad	610	1
Caney de las Mercedes, Granma	760	10
Ciudad de La Habana (Emergente*)	760	1 *Emergency (stand-by, probably)
Pinar del Río	790	30
Isla de la Juventud	850	1
Baracoa, Guantánamo	860	1
Sancti Spíritus	870	1
Bolondrón, Matanzas	910	5
Moa, Holguín	920	1
Ciego de Ávila	930	10
La Jaiba, Matanzas	930	1
Santiago de Cuba	930	1
Central España, Matanzas	940	10
Holguín	940	10
Ciudad de La Habana de Cuba	950	10
	950	1
Cienfuegos	960	1
Guantánamo	960	10
Bayamo, Granma	980	1
Las Tunas	1010	5
Camagüey	1270	10

Bryan Clark Via Mike Hardester IRCA DX Monitor, May 2005

South American Splits

Here's a listing of off-frequency stations recently reported to the "MW Offsets" Yahoo Newsgroup by Bjorn Malm in Quito, Ecuador

1080.13	HCKD2 Sistema 2, Guayaquil (Ecuador)
1240.14	Radio Sechura, Sechura (Perú)
1249.94	HJFV R. Viva, Pasto (Colombia)
1299.73	Radio Cenit, Guayaquil (Ecuador)
1399.94	"Radio Z-Uno" Guayaquil (Ecuador)
1500.11	HJ__ Radio Reloj, Moniquirá (Colombia) Listed on 1500 is HJSH Ecos del Ricaurte, Moniquirá so "Radio Reloj" must be a new name.
1542.42	Radio Bendita Trinidad y Espirito Santo, El Alto, Depto. La Paz (Bolivia)
1570.25	Radio Julcán, Julcán /La Libertad (Perú)

Thanks to Bryan Clark

South Australia Trail Craig Edwards, Adelaide

Dxing from a caravan park cabin in Meningie (150km south of Adelaide).

Using Icom R75 (off 12V DC), pre-amp and EWE facing Asia/Europe on April 16th and April 30th

630	2116	RRI Makassar, Sulawesi. Poor under 4QN as the band was just about dead after sunrise, noted with male talks in Indo // 4750 (CE)
666	2045	DZRH Metro Manila, Philippines. Fair over the mush with Tagalog news & weather then canned DZRH IDs (CE)
765	2035	CNR Fujian, China. Fair for only a couple of minutes with typical CNR musical show, noted during a period of dead air after the news on 5CC
774	2030	RRI Fak Fak, Irian Jaya. Nice signal here with ID and then into music program, easy catch despite big 50kW 3LO powerhouse also on 774
909	1141	RRI Sorong, Irian Jaya. Good here in the clear with fairly subdued Indo talks and easy listening music show (CE)
909	2017	VOA, Sebele Pikwe, Botswana. Poor with VOA Africa pgm in EE with surprising no sign of RRI Sorong (CE)
954	1132	DZEM Bulacan, Philippines. Fair at times but only noticed during talkback bits on 2UE, usual Tagalog religious program (CE)
1035	2003	CNR1, China. Fair and in the clear with Chinese musical // 6030 (CE)
1169	1933	IRIB Sarasary, Iran. This one still here off-channel with male talks in presumed Farsi (CE)
1170	2013	DXMR Zamboanga, Philippines. Good here with news items and dramatic music between each piece (CE)

1215	1110	DYRF Cebu City, Philippines. Poor here with religious programming in Tagalog under 4HI (CE)
1233	1948	TWR Cape Greco, Cyprus. Nice signal here in Arabic well over 2NC. Noted at 2125 with possible Radio Canada International ID (but didn't have tape running) in Arabic then into male commentary (CE)
1260	1100	DZEL Lucena City, Philippines. Poor under 3SR with Eagle Broadcasting Corporation ID & DZEL canned IDs (CE)
1260	2043	DXRF Davao City, Philippines. Fair here on a nice peak over mush of 3SR, 6KA and Sawa. News items and DZRH canned IDs so obviously relaying DZRH 666 overnight (CE)
1260	2001	Radio Sawa, Dodecanese Islands. Good strength but big interference from 3SR, noted with news service in Arabic (CE)
1287	2040	DXRC Zamboanga City, Philippines. Fair with series of Super Radyo IDs
1296	1040	DXAB Davao City, Philippines. Good heard with program from the Vatican about Pope John Paul II in Tagalog (CE)
1323	1858	BBC Zyyi, Cyprus. Poor here with interval signal & BBC World Service news, heard under SEN Adelaide. Fortunately SEN was a wobbly signal and wouldn't surprise me if they are operating well under 2kW. (CE)
1359	1033	Family Radio, Taiwan. Good hear in Indo with sermon over 4WK (CE)
1359	2050	CNR, China. Fair in Chinese // 1035 mixing with Family Radio Taiwan in English (CE).
1386	1358	NHK2 Network, Japan. Fair here over another unid Asian, maybe HLAM. English language lessons then into NHK ID and English news (CE)
1413	2005	BBC Masirah Island, Oman. Poor here with BBC World Service news noted in a slight delay to 2EA also covering BBC WS. (CE)
1449	1924	IRIB Bandar-e-Torkamen, Iran. Poor signal with presumed Farsi chants under 2MG (CE)
1512	2055	DYAB Cebu City, Philippines. Good signal with IDs every few seconds, more IDs than program content – wish more stations did this!!! (CE)
1530	1911	VOA, Pinheira, Sao Tome & Principe. Poor in French here mixing with 2VM (CE)
1539	1845	Radiodiffusion Vision Djibouti, Djibouti. Great surprise to hear this in presumed Afar language with sensational exotic music. Took a wild guess and checked 4780 to find this in // but 1539 was stronger – amazing!!! Heard well throughout the morning, including commentaries at 1915, thank goodness 5TAB 1539 is not 24 hours yet
1566	2112	AIR Nagpur, India. Good here with typical Indian music show // 9425
1575	1830	Radio Farda, Al-Dhabbaya, United Arab Emirates. Nice signal in presumed Farsi with IDs and then into funky music well over 2RF. (CE)
1593	1957	CNR1 China. Big signal here with interval signal then into ID & male talks in Chinese (CE)



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Updates in bold

1610	CHHA	Toronto ON	x CHSL Rel SS.
1620	WHLY	South Bend IN	Oldies ? "WHLY AM 1620"
	KOZN	Bellevue NE	"ESPN 1620 Omaha's The Zone"
	WTAW	College Station TX	'Newstalk 16-20 WTAW' Takes 'USA Radio News' & C-to-C AM
	KBLI	Blackfoot ID	SS sports ESPN Radio
	KYIZ	Renton WA	Urban AC/ Black Oldies " //KRIZ " Z Twins"
	KSMH	West Sacramento, CA	Rel. ETWN Catholic. "KSMH West Sacramento"
	WNRP	Gulf Breeze FL	C & W ' Classic Country AM 1620 Gulf Breeze '
	WDHP	St Croix, US Virgins	BBC WS to after 0600 UTC. Full ID at :59
1630	KCJJ	Iowa City IA	Talk/Sport "16-30 KCJJ"
	KRND	Fox Farm WY	SS ID "La Grande"
	KKGM	Ft Worth/Dallas TX	Rel. Some SS. + college football.
	WRDW	Augusta GA	Talk/Sport 'Newstalk 1630'
1640	WKSH	Sussex WI	Disney " AM 1640 WKSH Sussex-Milwaukee "
	KDZR	Lake Oswego OR	Disney 'KDZR Radio Disney Portland' "AM 1640 KDZR"
	KDIA	Vallejo CA	Talk/religious/life issues
	WTNI	Biloxi MS	"Talk Radio 1640 WTNI Biloxi" Takes Coast to Coast.
	KFXV	Enid OK	x KFNV "Fox Sports radio 1640 KFXV Enid-Oklahoma"
	KBJA	Sandy UT	SS/Radio Unica/Radio Latina .EE ID on hour
1650	WHKT	Portsmouth VA	Disney. "AM1650 WHKT Portsmouth, Radio Disney"
	KHRO	El Paso TX	Modern Rock "Hero Rock 1650"
	KCNZ	Cedar Falls IA	"The new 16-50 The Fan KCNZ Cedar Falls-Waterloo" CBS nx
	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	Now "Radio Visa" SS talk. EE ID "KTIQ Merced"
	WFNA	Charlotte NC	Sporting News " 1660 AM WFNA"
	WWRU	Jersey City NJ	Korean
	WCNZ	Marco Is FL	'Newsradio 1660' AP nx.
	WQSN	Kalamazoo MI	Sports/talk ESPN
	KRZI	Waco TX	ESPN + local sport. Nx on hr/local ads .05
	KQWB	West Fargo ND	Talk. Talk Radio 16-70 WTDY Madison"
	KXOL	Brigham City UT	"Oldies Radio Network"
	KXTR	Kansas City KS	'Classical 1660'
	WGIT	Canovanas Puerto Rico	SS oldies "El Gigante"
1670	WMWR	Dry Branch, GA	News/Talk "Talk Radio 1670 WMWR "
	WTDY	Madison WI	Sports/Talk. "Talk Radio 1670" (Sporting News Network)
	KHPY	Moreno Valley, CA	Radio Catolica SS EE on the hour.
	KNRO	Redding CA	"Redding's ESPN Radio 1670 KNRO"
1680	WTTM	Princeton NJ	Ethnic - Asian "EBC Radio"
	WLAA	Winter Garden FL	SS
	WDSS	Ada MI	"R.Disney 'AM1680 WDSS Ada-Grand Rapids"
	KAVT	Fresno CA	Disney/SS
	KTFH	Seattle WA	Ethnic./SS Rel/"The Bridge. AM 16-80 KTFH Seattle."
	KRJO	Monroe LA	Urban Gospel. "Rejoice AM 1680"
1690	KDDZ	Arvada CO	"R.Disney AM 16-90 KDDZ Arvada Denver"
	KFSG	Roseville CA	SS rel. and Asian. EE ID on hr "KFSG Sacramento"
	WRLL	Berwyn/Chicago IL	"Real Oldies 16-90"
	WWAA	Adel GA	News/Talk CNN. "1690 Air Atlanta"
	WPTX	Lexington Park MD	"Newstalk 1690 WPTX" CNN headline News
1700	WJCC	Miami Springs FL	SS/Rel/"Radio Luz" FF/Ethnic.
	WEUV	Huntsville AL	Talk
	KKLF	Sherman TX	x KTBK Talk// KLIF 570 "Talk Radio KKLF"
	KBGG	Des Moines IA	Slogan " La Ley " Des Moines Iowa"
	KVNS	Brownsville TX	"Newstalk 1700 KVNS The Valley's Talk"
	XEPE	Tijuana, BCN MX	Sport in EE from XEPRS "The Mighty 690" no XEPE ID on hr.



NEW ZEALAND AM @ A GLANCE

JUNE 2005

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This list is prepared to give readers a summary of the current AM radio dial in New Zealand. It contains information on station brands (or call signs), the radio market served and the format. The New Zealand DX Times will publish changes to this list as they occur. An updated list is available at all times from the Radio Heritage Foundation web-site at www.radioheritage.net as well as from an updated version of the Pacific Asia List (PAL) edited by Bruce Portzer at the same web-site. For convenience, details of currently silent frequencies are included at the end of this list.

Frequency	Brand	Market	Format
531	531PI	Auckland	Pacific languages
	MORE FM	Alexandra	Contemporary Hits
540	NZ's Rhema	Tauranga	Contemporary Christian
	NZ's Rhema	New Plymouth	Contemporary Christian
549	NZ's Rhema	Kaitaia	Contemporary Christian
	Radio Trackside [ST]	Napier-Hastings	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Napier-Hastings	Companion Talk
	Radio Sport	Nelson	Sports
558	Radio Sport	Invercargill	Sports
567	National Radio	Wellington-Kapiti	[non-commercial] Variety
576	Southern Star	Hamilton	Easy Listening Christian
585	Radio Ngati Porou	Ruatoria	Maori language
594	NZ's Rhema	Wanganui	Contemporary Christian
	NZ's Rhema	Timaru-Oamaru	Contemporary Christian
603	Radio Waatea	Auckland	Maori language
612	NZ's Rhema	Christchurch	Contemporary Christian
621	NZ's Rhema	Whangarei	Contemporary Christian
	NZ's Rhema	Dunedin	Contemporary Christian
630	National Radio	Napier-Hastings	[non-commercial] Variety
639	National Radio	Alexandra	[non-commercial] Variety
648	NZ's Rhema	Gisborne	Contemporary Christian
657	Parliament Service [ST]	Wellington-Kapiti	[non-commercial] Parliament
	Southern Star [ST]	Wellington-Kapiti	Easy Listening Christian
675	National Radio	Christchurch	[non-commercial] Variety
693	Radio Sport	Dunedin	Sports
702	Radio Live	Auckland	Contemporary News/Information
	Newstalk ZB	Rotorua	News/Talk
711	Radio Trackside [ST]	Wellington	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Wellington	Companion Talk
720	National Radio	Invercargill	[non-commercial] Variety
729	Radio Sport	Whangarei	Sports
	National Radio	Tokoroa	[non-commercial] Variety
	Classic Gold	Ranfurly	Classic Hits
738	Radio Live	Christchurch	Contemporary News/Information
756	National Radio	Auckland	[non-commercial] Variety
	Radio Puketapu	Palmerston	Variety
765	Radio Kahungunu	Napier-Hastings	Maori language

774	Radio Sport	New Plymouth	Sports
783	Wellington Access		
784	Radio [ST]	Wellington	Community Access
	Samoan Capital		
	Radio [ST]	Wellington	Samoan language
792	Radio Sport	Hamilton	Sports
801	NZ's Rhema	Nelson	Contemporary Christian
810	BBC World Service	Auckland	[commercial] Variety
	National Radio	Dunedin	[non-commercial] Variety
819	National Radio	Tauranga	[non-commercial] Variety
828	Radio Trackside [ST]	Palmerston North	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Palmerston North	Companion Talk
837	National Radio	Kaitia	[non-commercial] Variety
	National Radio	Whangarei	[non-commercial] Variety
846	Newstalk ZB	Masterton	News/Talk
855	NZ's Rhema	Hamilton	Contemporary Christian
864	Newstalk ZB	Invercargill	News/Talk
873	Newstalk ZB	Ashburton	News/Talk
882	Parliament Service [ST]	Auckland	[non-commercial] Parliament
	Southern Star [ST]	Auckland	Easy Listening Christian
891	The Breeze	Wellington	Easy Listening
900	Parliament Service [ST]	Dunedin	[non-commercial] Parliament
	Southern Star [ST]	Dunedin	Easy Listening Christian
909	Parliament Service [ST]	Napier-Hastings	[non-commercial] Parliament
	Southern Star [ST]	Napier-Hastings	Easy Listening Christian
918	National Radio	Timaru-Oamaru	[non-commercial] Variety
927	Newstalk ZB	Palmerston North	News/Talk
936	New Supremo	Auckland	Chinese languages
945	Newstalk ZB	Gisborne	News/Talk
954	Radio Trackside [ST]	Hamilton	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Hamilton	Companion Talk
	Coast	Dunedin	Easy Listening
963	Parliament Service [ST]	Christchurch	[non-commercial] Parliament
	Southern Star [ST]	Christchurch	Easy Listening Christian
972	NZ's Rhema	Wellington	Contemporary Christian
981	National Radio	Kaikohe	[non-commercial] Variety
	Southern Star	Timaru-Oamaru	Easy Listening Christian
990	AM990	Auckland	Chinese languages
	MORE FM	Nelson	Contemporary Hits
999	SounzAM	Palmerston North	Community Access
1008	Newstalk ZB	Tauranga	News/Talk
1017	Radio Hauraki	Christchurch	Classic Rock
1026	Newstalk ZB	Kaitia	News/Talk
	Newstalk ZB	Whangarei	News/Talk
	Southern Star	Invercargill	Easy Listening Christian
1035	Newstalk ZB	Wellington	News/Talk

1044	Newstalk ZB	Dunedin	News/Talk
1053	Newstalk ZB	New Plymouth	News/Talk
1062	Radio Sport	Wanganui	Sports
1071	National Radio	Masterton	[non-commercial] Variety
	Radio Tracksideside [ST]	Ashburton	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Ashburton	Companion Talk
1080	Newstalk ZB	Auckland	News/Talk
1089	Radio Sport	Palmerston North	Sports
1098	Newstalk ZB	Christchurch	News/Talk
1116	National Radio	Nelson	[non-commercial] Variety
1125	Radio Sport	Napier-Hastings	Sports
	Radio Hauraki	Dunedin	Classic Rock
1134	National Radio	Queenstown	[non-commercial] Variety
1143	National Radio	Hamilton	[non-commercial] Variety
1152	Newstalk ZB	Timaru	News/Talk
1161	Te Reo Irirangi o te Upoko o te Ika	Wellington	Maori language
1170	Radio Waitomo	Te Kuiti	Community Access
1188	National Radio	Rotorua	[non-commercial] Variety
1197	Newstalk ZB	Wanganui	News/Talk
1206	Access Radio	Hamilton	Community Access
	Radio Tracksideside [ST]	Dunedin	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Dunedin	Companion Talk
1215	Classic Hits	Kaikohe	Classic Hits
1224	MORE FM	Invercargill	Contemporary Hits
1233	Solid Gold FM	Wellington	Classic Hits
1242	1XXX-FM	Tauranga	Contemporary Hits
	1XXX-FM	Murupara	Contemporary Hits
	Radio Tracksideside [ST]	Timaru-Oamaru	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Timaru-Oamaru	Companion Talk
1251`	NZ's Rhema	Auckland	Contemporary Christian
1260	Radio Tracksideside [ST]	Christchurch	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Christchurch	Companion Talk
1269	Classic Hits	Takaka	Classic Hits
1278	Newstalk ZB	Napier-Hastings	News/Talk
1287	Radio Sport	Westport	Sports
1296	Newstalk ZB	Hamilton	News/Talk
1305	Radio Dunedin	Dunedin	Easy Listening/Nostalgia
1314	National Radio	Gisborne	[non-commercial] Variety
1332	Radio Sport	Auckland	Sports
1341	Newstalk ZB	Nelson	News/Talk
1350	Radio Sport	Rotorua	Sports
1359	MORE FM	Queenstown	Contemporary Hits

1368	Village Radio 1XT	Tauranga	[limited commercial] Nostalgia/Variety
1377	Radio Sport	Kapiti	Sports
1386	Radio Tarana	Auckland	Hindi language
1395	Newstalk ZB	Oamaru	News/Talk
1404	NZ's Rhema	Invercargill	Contemporary Christian
1413	Classic Hits	Tokoroa	Classic Hits
	Radio Ferrymead 3XP	Christchurch	[limited commercial] Nostalgia/Variety
1431	Radio Kidnappers	Napier-Hastings	Community Access
1440	Moana AM	Tauranga	Maori language
	Goldfields Radio	Lawrence	Contemporary Hits
1449	National Radio	Palmerston North	[non-commercial] Variety
1458	National Radio	Westport	[non-commercial] Variety
1476	Radio Trackside [ST]	Auckland	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Auckland	Companion Talk
1485	Radio Trackside [ST]	Gisborne	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Gisborne	Companion Talk
1494	Radio Sport	Timaru	Sports
1503	Radio Sport	Wellington	Sports
	Radio Sport	Christchurch	Sports
1512	Classic Hits	Taumarunui	Classic Hits
1521	Classic Gold	Tauranga	Classic Hits
1530	National Radio	New Plymouth	[non-commercial] Variety
	Coast	Napier-Hastings	Easy Listening
1539	Radio Sport	Blenheim	Sports
1548	Radio Trackside [ST]	Rotorua	Horse Racing
	Radio Pacific [ST]	Rotorua	Companion Talk
1557	Newstalk ZB	Hawera	News/Talk
1575	Hills AM	Dunedin	Community Access
1584	Radio Marlborough	Picton	Contemporary Hits
1593	Radio Samoa	Auckland	Samoan language
	Coast	Christchurch	Easy Listening
1602	Radio Reading Service	Kapiti	[non-commercial] Print Handicapped

The following frequencies remain silent as at April 10 2005

531	Wellington	[micro-power]
540	Christchurch	Rhema
585	Blenheim	Rhema
612	New Plymouth	Rhema
	Te Anau	Rhema
648	Greymouth-Hokitika	Rhema
657	Tauranga	Radio NZ
666	Non-assigned	
684	Non-assigned	
747	Greymouth-Hokitika	TRN

855	Christchurch	TRN
864	Kapiti	RadioWorks
873	Tauranga	RadioWorks
900	Whangarei	TRN
918	Greymouth-Hokitika	Radio NZ
1107	Waihi	[local]
1170	Invercargill	TRN
1179	Auckland	Mai FM
	Wanaka	RadioWorks
1251	Taupo	TRN
	Queenstown	Rhema
1269	Tauranga	1XXX-FM
1314	Invercargill	Radio NZ
1323	Non-assigned	
1359	New Plymouth	TRN
1368	Napier-Hastings	[local]
	Greymouth-Hokitika	Rhema
1377	Dunedin	Rhema
1467	Non-assigned	
1485	Twizel	TRN
1494	Hamilton	Radio NZ
	Taupo	Radio NZ
1521	Reefton	TRN
1548	Palmerston North	[local]
	Queenstown	TRN
1566	Non-assigned	
1575	Hamilton	TRN

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LAURIE BOYER longtime DXer and latterly editor of our 'Shortwave Mailbag' column died on Tuesday 7 June after a long period of illness. The funeral was held in Invercargill on 11 June. On behalf of all members a floral tribute and message of sympathy has been sent to Laurie's widow Marylou. Former Southlander RAY CRAWFORD recalls knowing Laurie for some 45 years. He writes "I first met him when Bill Marsh Junior and I went to the DX League convention at Long Beach, Dunedin in 1961 and stopped by at Laurie's crib. I have many wonderful memories of the many hours spent DXing with him on his Eddystone at his home at 50 Millar Street after he moved to Invercargill from Dunedin. One of the highlights was one October evening when we were to go to the Branch meeting at Eric McIntosh's. Bill and I called to pick Laurie up on the way to the meeting. But the Yanks were everywhere on the dial and I logged 20 stations that night. Needless to say we didn't make the meeting!"

CALLING THE PACIFIC RIM Radio NZ International is looking for DX listeners in any of the Pacific Islands right out to the Pacific rim to monitor and report on RNZI transmissions. They are especially interested in finding listeners in Samoa, Cook Islands, Tahiti areas who will assist with reporting on the new digital technology [DRM] transmissions beginning later this year. In exchange for this service a DRM receiver will be supplied at no cost. If you know of someone or want further information please contact: Adrian Sainsbury, Technical Manager, Radio New Zealand International, PO Box 123, Wellington, New Zealand or email asainsbury@radionz.co.nz

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY ARDXC This month marks the 40th anniversary of the Australian Radio DX Club and we send congratulations and greetings to our DX and SWL friends across the Tasman. Hobby links between NZ and Australia date back more than 40 years when the NZ DX Radio Association had branches in some Australian states, and I think ARDXC was actually formed out of NZDXRA's Victorian branch. Today the interaction between NZRDXL and ARDXC is probably the best it's ever been, thanks in large part to the efforts of ARDXC's current leadership team. With our traditional hobby under growing threat from new technologies and the interference they cause, as well as ageing memberships, it's more important than ever that we collaborate on keeping shortwave listening and DXing "alive". We remind League members with an email address that you can request to receive a copy of ARDXC's newsy monthly bulletin in electronic form, as part of your League membership benefits.

PRIZEWINNER Member and regular contributor DES DAVEY of Te Kuiti had a big surprise recently when a package arrived from China Radio International containing a

very attractive silk-like table cloth plus a certificate indicating that Des had won 4th prize in CRI's 2005 New China Knowledge Contest. Well done Des! We always like hearing from members of the rewards of the radio listening hobby – whether it's a QSL verification card or something more unique. What has arrived in your mailbox lately?

THANKS Last a member of the League back in the 1980's, PETER BEAUFOY writes to thank all those members who responded to his recent Marketsquare advertisement with advice on purchasing a shortwave receiver. His interest in the hobby has revived and he looks forward to rejoining the League soon, now that he is the proud owner of a Kenwood R1000 receiver.

FAIR WIND OR...? We've had enquiries as to the possible impact of Meridian Energy's proposal to establish a major power generating wind-farm at Quartz Hill west of Wellington. Quartz Hill was the site of Radio New Zealand's Receiving Station in the days before undersea cables and satellite links when overseas news and special event commentaries were received via shortwave. Some of us were privileged to listen at Quartz Hill back in the 1960s and 70s, and latterly, with permission from the site's current owners Meridian Energy, the antennas and former receiving station facilities have been utilised by an enthusiastic radio amateur group, the Quartz Hill Users Group. Recently, ham station ZL6QH has featured highly in ham DX contests, and some low frequency two-way contact records have been achieved at Quartz Hill. The DX fraternity now awaits the implications of Meridian's plans, and we wish the QHUG well. The Quartz Hill User group have a website at <http://www.zl6qh.com/>

FLANDERS TODAY, the English language service from Brussels closed at the end of March this year. With it, well-known members of the broadcast team LIZ SANDERSON and FRANS VOSENS retired. Radio Vlanderen International now carries 4 short English language news bulletins Monday through Friday at 0656, 1056, 1756 and 2156 hours UTC, but these are only available on 1512 AM, plus satellite and via the internet on www.flandersnew.be. Meantime, remaining members of the Flanders Today team are involved in an expanded internet news service in English, French and German, also accessible at the above link. Their aim is to provide reliable information about Flanders and Belgium in an up-to-date format, and as quickly as possible. As well as all the main news stories, there's background information as well. COLIN CLAPSON of Flanders Today invites League members to visit the website and provide feedback via the contact option.

LISTENING TO HOME Reporting in from Australia's Gold Coast, member DOUG MILLIGAN asks "I wonder if Radio NZ International puts out a programme schedule? I like to listen to Hayden Shirley's "In a Mellow Tone" which has been carried on Wednesday nights at 11pm NZ Time on 9885kHz. But lately it has been replaced by news items from around the Pacific, so I have had to turn my Ultimate 6 valve radio on, and with my 3 foot medium wave loop tune into 2YA Wellington. They used to have the programme at 2am Sunday morning NZT but I haven't heard that lately either. I have a Sangean 505 and a smaller MW loop in the lounge and I can hear 2ZB Wellington and listen to Mary Adams on talkback."

How I Started DXing

by Laurie Boyer

My earliest memories of radio dx, although I didn't know it as DX at the time, was when my father (who was working shift work on the Railways) used to listen to XEW on 900 kilocycles (as it was called in those days). He also used to listen around the dial on shortwave a lot. Before, during and immediately after World War Two, a radio was the household's pride and joy. Then it was a status symbol. Almost every house had an outdoor antenna of around 30 or 40 feet or occasionally longer, usually out to a tall pole or hooked to a handy tree. Most people realised they could hear many different stations in the evening and this was quite often a topic of conversation between neighbours over the garden fence.

Shops selling radios were plentiful and folders listing the most commonly heard AM and shortwave stations were given away freely. These were often compiled with the help of the NZRDXL and the NZDXRA as well as several DXers. Shops like "McCracken and Walls" and "The Columbus Radio Centre" seemed to be the gathering place for radio enthusiasts and musicians in Dunedin.

After doing my three months military training in 1950, I spent my Army pay on a portable radio of my own, mainly to listen to the wrestling broadcasts which were on radio most nights, in Australia as well as New Zealand. At that time wrestling was next in popularity to rugby and racing and a lot different to today's freaks. It was also fought over eight rounds of eight minutes. This meant over an hours broadcast each bout.

I was at this time an apprentice printer working with Jim Martin who was quick to get me to tell him what I could hear. Jack Fox, Jim Martin and I used to travel into work each day by train so we naturally ended up sitting together for the journey and, of course, the subject of conversation was DX.

I became hooked on DX when after about the second night's listening for yanks I heard a very rare one - KRAM 500 in Las Vegas - and I haven't heard it since.

At this time all DXers were very keen to recruit new members and I then joined the League...

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JRC NRD-535D HF Communications Receiver with Operating and Service Manual, plus numerous items of information relating to this receiver.

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All in excellent condition and little used.

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Please contact Phil Barton, telephone 04-384-5561 evenings, or write to P.O. Box 10-179, Wellington.

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AUCKLAND BRANCH

The May meeting had 9 present. Mike Butler talked about his recent trip to Australia and read out his latest English station loggings, followed by a long general discussion on long wire/ aerials and home DX sites.

The June meeting will be at the Clubrooms, 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, just past Whau Creek, on **Sunday, June 26th at 2 PM**. The July meeting will tentatively be at the Clubrooms on **Sunday, July 31st at 2 PM**. Meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month except December.

NORTH OTAGO BRANCH

Our next meeting is at Waianakarua on **Saturday 25th June**. It will commence at mid-day. Bring your receivers, headphones, food etc. Contact Peter Grenfell email petedx@es.co.nz

SOUTHLAND BRANCH

Our May Meeting was held at Arthur & Veronca Williams. There were more Radio's present than members, they were just everywhere and all sizes and shapes. The major item discussed for the night was the renewal of an "Exclusive Use Lease" from DOC for the Tiwai house. Even though our membership is small we decided to renew the lease. The Members of the Tiwai User's Group around the Country, have expressed their desires for us to do so for further DX weekends etc. The House is available to any DX Member in NZ or Australia, nightly charges apply to cover annual rent etc We have just heard of the passing of Laurie Boyer, see elsewhere in the DX Times for information, To Laurie's Wife Marylou, we of the Southland Branch would like to extend our sympathies to you and your Family.

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Wanted

Any Information on Kenwood R-5000 Memory Back-Up Lithium Battery - it's life, location, problems with replacement. Please contact Bryan Marsh, 20 Rimu Road, Mangere Bridge, Auckland 1701. Telephone (09) 636-7712.

INTERESTING QSL'S

What is the most unusual QSL you have ever received? And what is the most unusual thing that a station has sent you with your QSL?

Maybe a T-Shirt, a cap, a coffee mug or the more common station stickers and pennants. Please write in and let us know.

In the meantime this is a very unusual QSL as noted by Don Moore. (Reprinted with Don's permission) <http://donmoore.tripod.com/index.html> An excellent website which I highly recommend - Mark Nicholls/Chief Editor)

COSTA RICA

In 1990, Don Moore wrote an article on TI4NRH, the first Latin American SWBC station (and 5th in the world)

<http://donmoore.tripod.com/central/costarica/ti4nrh.html>

It included the following lines about Charles Schroeder, the first North American to receive and QSL a Latin American SWBC station:

" ... TI4NRH wasn't noticed in the U.S. until the October, 1928 issue of Radio News, when Charles Schroeder of Philadelphia mentioned hearing but not being able to identify a Costa Rican station. By this time, Don Amando had changed frequency from 39 meters to 30 meters. North American DXers began looking for the station, and by December, 1928, he was flooded with reports. Schroeder had soon identified the station and sent the first reception report from the United States. In appreciation, Don Amando had a chair of Costa Rican tropical woods made for him. The chair was made of disassembled pieces for easy shipping with written instructions for their assembly, a rare practice in those days. Shipped by sea mail, the chair arrived in just 12 days according to Schroeder! ..."



So, the first US SWBC QSL from Latin America didn't come with a pennant, it came with a chair. And, it turns out that this chair still exists. Charles Schroeder passed away rather young in 1956. However, the family has kept the chair and I recently heard from his daughter, who came across my article.

She sent me some photos, which can be seen at the Costa Rican graphics section of my website - <http://donmoore.tripod.com/index.html>

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COMPUTER TRANSLATORS

compiled by
Stuart Forsyth



Communicating in another language is never easy — there are so many idioms we do not know about. However, writing in Spanish etc. is vital if you want to get those Latins and Africans back. In this modern computerised age, translation programmes are readily available to help us. Two recent events have prompted me to write this article. Firstly I received a very welcome verification from Rádio Nacional de Angola. The letter was in English and says:

'We accused the reception of your letter from 31 August 2004 as well your preoccupation in a captation of our broadcasting sign of Radio National of Angola..... Sonly (sic) we hope your point of view about our broadcasting station.' (!)

What has happened here is that the Portugese details that appear on the very nice QSL card have been put into a translator and turned into interesting English. Fortunately, I know what was intended, otherwise it was pretty incomprehensible.

The second event occurred over Easter when I sat down to go through my old loggings and send follow up reports. I logged onto the RCN Colombia website and then pondered how to phrase what I wanted to say in Spanish. I used the 'Sherlock' translator on my iBook and managed to produce something that looked pretty authentic, given my limited knowledge of Spanish.

HOWEVER — there is a proviso and this is the point. In my job as a French teacher, I know the pitfalls and perils of giving my students a dictionary to use. They need to be trained how to use them, and the same applies to a computer translator. Grammar, syntax and the use of synonyms are very important. English is a lazy language and we often leave out key little words such as 'that' and 'which', which are very important in other languages and are never omitted.

What I do to overcome these difficulties is: I put in my English sentence and translate it into French. If it does not appear to be correct, I alter the English, retaining the sense of the sentence, until it is. When the French is right, I then select the language I want and press the button. Spanish and Portugese are Romance languages (coming from Latin) and have many similarities to French in structure. While my letter may not be perfect, it will be more correct than had I not bothered at all.

It is possible to get those Latins back, and those who have been successful in verifying a lot of them (e.g. Paul Ormandy, Ray Crawford, Bryan Clark, Steven Greenyer), have written in Spanish or Portugese. They mostly did so without the aid of a computer translator. This is a wonderful tool to aid the DXer, but like all tools you need to know how to use it

properly. If you enter your English and just push the button you will often end up with the unintelligible nonsense that appears above.

Few of you have the benefit of being able to speak reasonably fluent French, Spanish or Portuguese. There are ways around it. The NRC put out form letters in Portuguese and Spanish with glossaries of terms. These are relatively straightforward to use and I have been successful with them. You may know Spanish or Portuguese people and they can be very helpful. Alternately you can contact one of those mentioned above for help — their e-mail addresses, and mine, are readily available elsewhere in this magazine. Make the effort, it is worth it; use a computer translator, but DXer beware!

COMBING FOR THE DX

compiled by
Tony King

I made my first MW loop in 1964 inspired by the ones I'd seen with DXers in the UK. For New Zealanders they were novel for after all we had acres of space in which to put up longwires.

I've always found the most fiddly part of making a loop is the spreaders and maintaining tension after the loop is completed.

I have found an answer at the \$2 shop.

Large hair combs, Afro hair combs, and the ones I settled on have 2mm spaces between the teeth. I sawed the comb down to provide just 8 spaces, clipped the teeth to 2 cm long (Don't saw them - they'll all snap off !) and firmly screwed the "handle" with two minute screws to the end of the loop arms. Wire it up, then with your \$2 hot melt glue gun fix the wires to the comb spreader by laying a stripe or two of glue along the spreader against the wires.

The best looking and performing loop I've ever made. The spacing of wires and number of turns has some effect on the tuning range of the loop and a table appeared in the DXT some time ago. If you don't like the spacing provided by the comb you can narrow it or widen it by simply using alternate teeth spacing. Tony King; tonyz1@ihug.co.nz



**RADIO FREE ASIA RELEASES ITS FIFTH QSL CARD
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RFA's Technical Operations Division is proud to announce the release of the company's sixth QSL card. Scheduled for distribution between May 1 to June 30, 2005 this QSL Card commemorates the European DX Council's 2005 Conference held in Prague, Czech Republic and RFA's participation in the event. On Friday, April 29th, the second day of the conference was hosted in the Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty facility and the next day the conference moved to the studios of Radio Prague. The EDXC is an association of DX clubs, i.e. radio listeners club. EDXC promotes co-operation between European DX listeners and organizations, establishes and fosters close contact with other DX organizations throughout the world and improves contacts between DX listeners, radio stations and other organizations in the field of radio and telecommunications. For more information about EDXC 2005, visit www.edxc.org.



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MEDIUMWAVE DEC FEB INC CNTS OPEN (Over 500)

Laurie Boyer	4016	4016	0	137
Ray Crawford	2328	2329	1	189
Paul Ormandy	1568	1569	1	145
Sutton Burtenshaw	1048	1048	0	104
David Ricquish	867	867	0	67
Bryan Clark	677	677	0	120
Barry Williams	664	664	0	83
Craig Edwards	-	685		87
Mark Nicholls	643	643	0	67
John Campbell	642	642	0	129
Stuart Forsyth	638	658	20	50
Paul Aronsen	530	531	1	50

SENIOR (301 - 500)

Peter Grenfell	443	443	0	37
Gordon Mathieson	417	418	1	18
Frank Glen	305	305	0	22

INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)

Andy McQueen	298			21
Günter Jacob	265	271	6	47

JUNIOR (5 - 150)

Robert Park	86			2
Arthur De Maine	58			11
Andrew Sunde	24	24	0	3

FM-TELEVISION

Robert Krijger	678			6
Bryan Clark	148			5
Paul Ormandy	110			5
Mark Nicholls	42	43	1	2
Gordon Mathieson	33	40	7	
Andy McQueen	29			2
Robert Park	19			1

SHORTWAVE DEC FEB INC CNTS OPEN (Over 500)

Ian Cattermole	5012	5167	155	200
Günter Jacob	3105	3218	113	169
Barry Williams	2703	2703	0	243
Ray Crawford	2637	2637	0	233
John Durham	2264			265
Laurie Boyer	1940	2047	107	192
Robert Park	1829			104
John Campbell	1674	1675	1	261
Paul Ormandy	1649	1649	0	245
Bryan Clark	1559	1560	1	240
Paul Aronsen	800	806	6	125
Peter Grenfell	673	676	3	133

SENIOR (301 - 500)

Craig Edwards		409		168
Stuart Forsyth	394	399	5	108
Andy McQueen	386			104

INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)

Arthur de Maine	272	275	3	93
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JUNIOR (5 - 150)

Mark Nicholls	121	121	0	55
Frank Glen	73			51
Andrew Sunde	55	55	0	36

UTILITIES

Ron Killick	61754	61875	121	133
Robert Park	78			5
Günter Jacob	14	14	0	12

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Congratulations to our winners: Stu Forsyth, Günter Jacob, Gordon Mathieson, Ian Cattermole and Ron Killick. Remember you have to have an increase of 5 in the 6 months to qualify.

As of August, we will be noting Ladders as above, and another section with all reports sent and countries logged, including those verified. A lot of us have countries and stations that never come back, much to our frustration!

73s, Stu

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