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HCJB End of an era approaching?  
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about the possible merger  
of the DX Times and ADXN  
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the Southland Branch.**

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Please note that all frequencies should be in Kilohertz and time in UTC (= GMT = UT), # indicates reception out of the Sth 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
3185	0630	USA, WWRB, Poor in English, Bro Stair "Overcomer" prgrm. ID 0659 4/9 KVB
3210#	0812	USA, WWCR good in English with C&W music – JS 2/9
3220	0817	PNG, R Morobe poor in English with music and comment on PNG news KAB 22/9
3235	1220	PNG, R West New Britain, fair – DD
3240#	0312	SWAZILAND, man talking in listed Shona language with some lively African vocals. ID at 0327 followed by Ndaу language program at 0330. Fair – RAD 3/9
3245	0820	PNG, R Gulf poor with Island Music, brief announcements in Tok Pisin KAB 22/9
3245	1245	PNG, R Gulf fair in English with music – DD
3249.7#0225		HONDURAS, Radio Luz y Vida Man with Spanish language religious talk, vocal, canned ID and location announcement at 0247. Program of vocals began hosted by a man announcer. Fair – RAD 25/8
3279#	0930	ECUADOR, La Voz del Napo good in Spanish with preaching – JS 2/9
3280	0940	ECUADOR?? LV del Napo (tent), Poor in Spanish/Quechua, animated talk, contemp rlg & Andean mx 13/9 KVB
3291#	0325	GUYANA, Voice of Guyana (p) Calypso type mx in English with OM anc in English. YL in English reading lists of obituaries with ments of several "Funeral Parlors," viewing hours and burial arrangements. Pips and BBC ancmts at TOH. Very heavy QRM from YL Spanish numbers station with Spanish number and English phonetic alphabets from 0357-0400. First log in a long time. Poor – JW 1/10
3305	1233	PNG, R Western fair in English with music – DD
3335	1210	PNG, R East Sepik, fair – DD
3345	0931	INDONESIA?? RRI Ternate (tent), Poor in Indonesian chanting, drums, MA, mx 19/9 KVB
3345#	0257	SOUTH AFRICA, Channel Africa, opening vocal selection with a man giving English ID and announcements at 0300. News read by a woman announcer. Poor to fair – RAD 4/9
3350	0555	COSTA RICA, REE, Poor in Spanish MA/FA, ballads, 0600 T/S I/S ID 5/9 KVB
3350#	0450	COSTA RICA, REE. Flamenco guitar mx with YL/OM ancns in Spanish. ID at TOH as "Buenas tardes from Radio Exterior de Espana." I thought it was an odd time for an ID mentioning "afternoon." – JW 17/9
3375	0825	PNG, R Western Highlands poor in Tok Pisin with comment, QRM – KAB 22/9
3385	1205	PNG, R East New Britain fair – DD
3385#	0958	PAPUA NEW GUINEA (New Britain Island), Radio East New Britain, island vocals to 1000 ID and news in English with a man announcer. Poor signal and beginning to fade – RAD 7/9

3905 0825 PNG, R New Ireland poor in Tok Pisin with music – KAB 22/9  
3905 0910 PNG, R.New Ireland, Poor in English, MA provincial nx, ID 0912 20/9 KVB  
3905 1205 PNG, R New Ireland, fair – DD  
3935 0700 NZ, Radio Reading Service, ZLXA, v good in English – DD  
3945 0931 VANUATU, R. Vanuatu, Good in Bislama, YL re physical exercise 21/9 KVB  
4780 1157 GUATEMALA, R.Cultural, Poor/Fair in Spanish, MA, ballads/contemp rlg  
mx, Ute QRM. 1227 weaker. ID 1200 19/9 KVB  
4810# 0254 MEXICO, Radio Transcontinental de America ? XERTA, Spanish talks by  
various announcers. Formal ID and frequency announcement at 0300.  
More talks, some music and frequent IDs. Fair in LSB but buried in crud i  
n upper – RAD 16/9  
4810# 0915 MEXICO, XERTA good with pop music, ID 0920 – JS 2/9  
4819# 0703 HONDURAS, La Voz Evangelica good in Spanish with music and  
preaching after ID at 0730 – JS 2/9  
4835# 0820 AUSTRALIA. VL8A, Alice Springs, live sports prgm with cmtry and  
conversation, poor but readable, and better than //4910-Tennant Creek  
which was also hrd. 4835 went off at 0829, 4910 followed a few secs.  
later.- JB 24/9  
4845# 0040 MAURITANIA, Radio Mauritanie. Continuous ME mx w/o ancmts. Hvy  
hum and RTTY QRM. Poor.- JW 1/10  
4885# 0054 BRAZIL, Radio Clube do Para Om ancr in Portuguese with mx from KC  
and the Sunshine Band and other selections of up tempo brass oriented  
pop mx in both English and Portuguese. Partial ID at 0055. Fair with  
static.- JW 1/10  
4890 0830 PNG, Port Moresby fair in English with light music, announcements, ID  
0830, 0630 local time – KAB 22/9  
4890 1200 PNG, Port Moresby v good with English news – DD  
4915# 0600 GHANA, Ghana BC Accra in English, fair with news of Ghana – JS 21/9  
4919# 0805 ECUADOR, Radio Quito, program of lively Latin rhythms and romantic  
songs hosted by a man with Spanish talk, announcements, IDs and  
some ads. Fair – RAD 29/8 & 2/9  
4960# 0500 DOM. REPUBLIC, R Cima Cien, Santa Domingo fair in Spanish – JS 21/9  
4976# 0310 UGANDA (presumed), Radio Uganda, noted in passing with a man  
speaking in unidentified local language but impossible to make out.  
Nice signal but weak modulation. – RAD 18/8  
5005# 2244 EQUATORIAL GUINEA (Bata), Radio Nacional, Spanish tunes with ID and  
sign off announcements by a man announcer at 2252. Long orchestra  
National Anthem at 2254. Fair with some fading. – RAD 26/8  
5010# 0257 MADAGASCAR, Radio Nationale Malagasy, choral anthem opening  
followed by a man with ID and opening announcements in  
Malagasy language. Segment of group singing before talk by a woman  
announcer. Vocals from 0305. Poor to fair with flutter – RAD 15/9  
5020# 1006 PERU, Radio Horizonte, non-stop OA vocals with ID, Spanish talk by a  
man announcer and ad string at 1021. Another ID and a TC at 1024  
followed by more OA vocals. Fair – RAD 12/9  
5025# 0100 CUBA, Radio Rebelde 3 OM in Spanish with live sporting event. Lots of

crowd noise and stadium ancr in background. G-VG.- JW 1/10

5050# 0103 USA, WWCR. (Music City) OM in English with tk of the Torah and Book of Deuteronomy. In my part of the South, the OM would be referred to as speaking with a "Mush Mouth." VG – JW 1/10

5070 0705 USA, WWCR fair in English with USA Radio Network News with ads KAB 7/9

5446# 0105 USA, AFN (Key West)on USB. Baseball game with 2 OM ancrs in English. The Red Sox of Boston were playing the Yankees of New York. The Red Sox were winning handily. ID at 0107. F-G.- JW 1/10

5755# 0114 USA, KAIJ (Frisco, TX). The late Dr. Scott with prayers and explanation of Biblical Greek. VG.- JW 1/10

5835 0450 USA, WHRI relaying WWL with Katrina disaster news, good – IC 18/9

5835 0800 USA , WHRI relay of WWL with WHRI ID, music, United Radio Broadcasters of New Orleans, WWL Katrina update. City coming back to life, 474 dead. – KAB 15/9

5835 0800 USA, WHRI excellent with relay of United Radio Broadcasters of New Orleans, taking calls from the public and providing info during Katrina aftermath – AJS 5/9

5850 0705 USA, WWCR good in English with Q & A Tuesday prgm – KAB 7/9

5850 0740 USA, WEWN v good in English – IC 12/9

5900# 0120 BULGARIA, Radio Bulgaria. OM in Bulgarian with skeds and freqs followed by thx to listeners in several languages. Good – JW 1/10

5910 0923 COLOMBIA, LV de Tu Consciencia, Fair in Spanish, nice middle-of-road LAm mx, TC, many IDs 'Marfil Estereo 88.8' from 0937. 1100 weaker 7/9 KVB

5920 0800 USA, WBOH excellent with relig prgm – AJS 28/9

5920 1630 SLOVAKIA, R Slovakia Intl fair in English with opening ID and news, noisy // 7345 weaker with QRM – CC 5/9

5945 0740 GERMANY, Bible Voice via DTK weak in English – IC 18/9

5950 0700 USA, R Taiwan Intl fair/good in English – DD

5950 0800 USA, WYFR fair after RTI off – DD

5954.6#0845 COSTA RICA. Faro del Caribe, semi-normal audio, a little low and sometimes swallowed up by the carrier, but better than usual. Hrd at 0845 with mostly talk, ID 0859, still there at 1015. – JB 30/9

5960 1950 ITALY, RAI poor in English with comment on events in Italy – KAB 21/9

5960# 0842 CHILE, Voz Cristiana v good in Spanish with relig preaching, ID 0850 – JS 2/9

5965 0655 COSTA RICA?? REE, Fair in Spanish, FA/MA, ezl Latin mx, ID 0700, T/S 0800 & off air 5/9 KVB

6000 0420 CUBA, R Havana Cuba fair in English – IC 2/10

6000 0626 CUBA, RHC, Fair in English, YL nx, mx, MA economic comment, //6060 fair, ID 0627 8/9 KVB

6005 0430 ASCENSION IS, BBC fair in English – IC 2/10

6005# 2359 GERMANY (Berlin), Deutscheland Radio, man in German with announcement and ID followed by three short and one long time pip at top of the hour and news. English rock/pop music program at 0005 hosted by a woman announcer. Poor to fair – RAD 17/8

6010 1300 ??? VOA v good in English with Africa Now prgm – DD

6015 1700 GERMANY, HCJB via DTK fair in unknown language – IC 12/9

6015	1800	GERMANY, Bible Voice with English ID then World of God prgm, into Russian at 1830, good, 1900 off – RFK 17/9
6020	0805	PERU, R.Victoria, Fair in Spanish, intense om over mx with rlg prgrm, // 9720 poor (QSA fair, but QRM). 0859 6020 swamped by RA. 20/9 KVB
6020	1100	AUSTRALIA, R Australia good in English – DD
6020#	1347	AUSTRALIA, R Australia fair in English with cultural prgm, correspondence, off at 1358 – JS 2/9
6055#	0952	JAPAN, R Nikkei 1 good in Japanese with Blues music ( Ex R Tampa) – JS 2/9
6060	0604	CUBA, RHC, Fair/good in English, FA re Cuban musician; variety of mx ID 0618 5/9 KVB
6065	0521	SWEDEN, R Sweden good in Swedish with comment //9490 the same CC 13/9
6080	1500	AUSTRALIA, R Australia v good with news in English – DD
6080#	1200	CANADA, RFI good in English with classical guitar music, news, ID 1345 JS 2/9
6090	0800	CHILE, R.Esperanza, Fair in Spanish, OM animated sermon, rlg songs. Slight QRM fm Carib Beacon. (Esperanza better QSA 24/9). ID 0824 1/10 KVB
6110	0758	CHILE, Voz Crista, Good in Portuguese, MA, many sound effects & IDs, 0803 talk. ID 0759 20/9 KVB
6120	1007	JAPAN, R.Japan, Good in English, nx & wx, ID 1010 10/9 KVB
6124	0843	ECUADOR, HCJB, Good in Quechua with Andean & rlg mx. ID 0900 10/9 KVB
6125	0524	COSTA RICA REE fair in Spanish with talk, scratchy // 12035, 11890 weaker – CC 13/9
6125#	0829	ECUADOR, HCJB in unid language with children singing, flute and Andean type music, A lot of talk about“Dios” – JS 2/9
6135	0902	BRAZIL, R.Aparecida, Fair in Portuguese, OM/YL, rlg, adverts, mx //9630 poor. 18/9 KVB
6140	0337	TURKEY, VOT, Fair in Pres Turkish, Arabic songs, weak MA. 0349 I/S & off air. 6/9 KVB
6140	0400	RUSSIA, V of Russia poor in English – DD
6150	0600	COSTA RICA, University Network fair but heavy QRM – AJS 2/10
6185	0727	MEXICO, R.Educacion (tent) Fair on clear channel in Spanish, cont mx, 0738 usual guitar mx & three brief canned announcements by MA. 10/9 KVB
6190	0500	CANADA, CRI good in English with news after IS, ID – KAB 21/9
6190#	0024	GERMANY (Berlin), Deutschelandfunk, classical piano music followed by brief announcement in German by a woman announcer in German at 0027. More classical music up to 0059 ID and announcements by the woman followed by three short and one long time pip and news. Poor to fair – RAD 18/8
6350	1639	HAWAII, AFN fair on USB in English with talk about environment, background hum and some distortion – CC 5/9
6845#	0117	USA, (Pirate), The Crystal Ship. Nicely produced prgm with several ments of “Blue States Republic.” Parody nx about Blue States vs. Red States. Audio clips from Civil Defense films, Richard Nixon, and others. Several ID’s. Gave POB 1, Belfast, NY 14711 USA as addy. Fair to good.- JW 21/9
6854#	2352	USA (pirate), The Crystal Ship. ID and mx by Pink Floyd, Blondie, and AC/DC. VG until 0017 and then faded in and out – JW 5/6 Oct
6925#	0033	PIRATE (No. Am.), Pirate Radio Boston, music by The Doors, frequent

IDs by a man announcer, more rock music, ID, postal (Stoneham, MA) and e-mail (pirateradioboston@yahoo.com) addresses for QSLs.  
 Good signal – RAD 27/8

6925# 2300 USA, (Pirate), WMPR with Techno mx. More vocals than usual. ID as "WMPR Dance Party." – JW 26/9

6925# 2342 USA, (Pirate) Unid. Date: 21/22 Sep 05. Time: 2342-0019\*. OM ancr with several unreadable ments of QSLs. Vox completely unreadable. Mx was 50's style mixed with blues. Partial ID as "Radio---" MX included: "Rock Me Baby," "Gloria," "Please Don't Go," and others. Poor – JW 21/22/9.

6925# 2342 USA, (Pirate), WMPR with Techno mx. Lost signal w/o s/o ancmts. Fair signal with a little static. Thx to Bob Montgomery for the tip. - JW 27/9

6925# 2355 USA (Pirate), UNID. Very faint tks by 2 OM in English ments of QSLs at 0007 – JW 5/6 Oct

7155 1934 THAILAND, R Thailand poor in English with political comment, many mentions of Thailand – KAB 7/9

7170 0630 PORTUGAL, R D Welle via Sines v good in English – IC 29/9

7170 2035 TURKEY, VOT good in English with news, ID 2035 followed by Turkish Press – KAB 21/9

7175 0700 GERMANY, D Welle closed in English, fair – DD

7190 0517 TUNISIA, RTV Tunisienne good in Arabic with indigo singing// 7275 less clear with QRM – CC 13/9

7205 1955 IRAN, VOIRI poor in English better LSB, with news on Iran, nuclear issue, ID 1958 – KAB 21/9

7210 2015 BELARUS, R Minsk good in Russian with ethnic singing, discussion, ID 2032 then more singing – KAB 21/9

7235 0445 ITALY, RAI fair in English with news from Europe and Italy, ID 0458 – KAB 21/9

7240 0530 PORTUGAL, RDP Intl good in Portuguese with ID and music // 9840 weaker – CC 13/9

7250 0505 VATICAN, Vatican Radio v good in English with news and comment on shipping, ID 0529 – KAB 21/9

7255 1530 INDIA, AIR fair with news in English – DD

7260# 0159 EGYPT, Radio Cairo, Pips and ID at TOH followed by OM in English with "This is the English Service to North America," and a listing of what would be on the prgm. MX sounded like sound tracks from Desert Epics. F-G.- JW 21/9

7280 2040 VIETNAM, V of Vietnam poor in English with news followed by comment on local Vietnamese affairs – KAB 21/9

7310 1900 RUSSIA, V of Russia good in transfer from French into English with news then News & Views – RFK 7/9

7320 0820 RUSSIA, R Rossii fair in Russian with good IDs – IC 16/9

7330 2000 RUSSIA, V of Russia good in English with News and Moscow Mailbag (Where is Uncle Joe these days??), gone by 2050 – RFK 9/9

7335 0500 VATICAN, Vatican Radio poor – DD

7355 0710 USA, WYFR good in English with Bible Study – KAB 7/9

7390 0400 STH AFRICA, Channel Africa sign on in French poor but v good by sign off at 0459. Been trying to get this one for a very long time – RFK 6/9

7405 0710 USA, R Marti good in Spanish with comment – KAB 7/9  
 7420 2105 MADAGASCAR, R Sweden poor in Swedish with news followed by  
 comment and ID – KAB 21/9  
 7425 0710 USA, WEWN good in Spanish with relig prgm – KAB 7/9  
 7425# 0700 USA, WEWN v good in Spanish. "Radio Catolica Mundial" ID 0829 – JS 2/9  
 7520 0900 USA, WHRI excellent – AJS 16/9  
 7520 1113 USA, WHRI poor in English – DD  
 7570 0500 USA, WEWN fair in English – DD  
 7875 0940 AUSTRALIA, ABC Western Australia relayed via ADFR on USB, fair  
 reception – IC 25/9  
 7875# 1030 AUSTRALIA. Unid. xmtr carrying ABC W. Australia prg on USB, hrd both  
 mornings and evenings recently, arnd 1030, and also circa 2200,  
 when the signal is better. Generally ABC nx on the hr. Where is this lo  
 cated? (Located in Western Australia relayed by ADFR – Ed) – JB

### **Logging of the month**

**is awarded to Kelvin Brayshaw for R Cultural, GUATEMALA on 4780 at 1157utc.**

My thanks to all the contributors for this month.

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Welcome this month to Peter Beaufoy of Murupara. Thanks for your contribution, it's great to hear from you. It is farewell from me. I finish this month after a year in the job and hand over to Phil van der Pavard. Please keep sending your contributions in. If you send info by e-mail, keep sending it to bandwatch.over9@radiodx.com

# - indicates overseas member's contribution

KHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme & Reception Details
9405	2000	GERMANY. Pan American BC. Transmission to Africa. Fair in EE. 15 minutes only off at 2015.Sundays. 18/9 IC
9495	1003	USA, WHRI. Fair with nx followed by prayer. Some RTTY on some freq. 1/9 PFB
9525	0730	ASCENSION IS, Star Radio. Fair/ poor in EE - a lot of static. Talk on Nigeria and Liberia. 2/9 PFB
9525#	0724	ASCENSION ISLANDS, Star Radio. Fair. Interview with farmer about goats and sheep and later about the manufacturing of small farm tools. 29/8 RDA
9550	0512	CUBA, R Habana. Good in EE with world nx. Id at 0514. 13/9 CC
9560	0428	CANADA, CRI. Fair in EE with nx report prog. Id at 0430. 21/9 PFB
9590	0440	NETH ANTILLES, RN. Vg with 'Euroquest', Yello Spar (??) in Prague. 21/9 PFB
9590#	0433	NETHERLANDS ANTILLES, Radio Nederland. Vg in EE with talk about "earn and learn" schooling in Zimbabwe re children working and going to school. 3/9 JW
9620	0207	SPAIN, REE. Vg in SS with talk and mx. Id at 0210. // 9535 the same. 8/9 CC
9635	1542	IRAN, VOIRI. Good with Newsdesk & political nx. 22/9 PFB
9645	1206	THAILAND, VOA. Vg in EE with world nx followed by East Asia nx. 8/9 PFB
9660	0300	F. GUIANA. NHK. VG in JJ. 16/9 IC
9665	0220	MOLDOVA, VoR. Good in EE with talk on El Quayda attacks and at 0230 Russian by Radio. 2/9 PFB
9675#	0740	BRAZIL, Radio Cancão Nova. Poor to fair signal but suffering from deep fades making this poor overall. Series of religious vocals with a man giving ID and frequency announcement at 0754 in PP. Brief talks and more vocals. 29/8 RDA
9680	0905	INDONESIA. RRI Jakarta. VG in II. 25/9 IC
9680#	1000	INDONESIA. Kang Guru. Decent at 1002 with EE prgm over RRI. RRI went through ToH at 1000 with mx, so KG did not start till 1002 and ran to 1022. Fried eggs QRM made things difficult at times, but I could follow various EE segments. They played "That's What Friends Are For" at one point and gave P.O. Box 3095, Denpasar address at the end. This should improve with the DX season. 20 mins., Wed and Sun only. 21/9 JB
9686#	0530	RSA. Channel Africa. Poor/ fair in EE. 3/9 JW
9705	2245	INDIA. AIR. VG in EE. 23/9 IC

9715	0444	UNKOWN, WYFR. Good with Open Forum talkback prgm. 21/9 PFB
9736.89	0840	PARAGUAY. RN del Paraguay. Fair in SS. 22/9 IC
9750	0340	CYPRUS. BBC. Good in EE. 27/8 IC
9775	1900	GERMANY. CVC Int. Tests via DTK. Fair in EE. 16/9 IC
9779.5#	0257	YEMEN, Radio Yemen, Sana'a. Fair. Opening m/v to 0300 ID and freq. axmnt and nx in AA10/9 RDA
9790	1037	NETH. ANTILLES, RN. Good with an item on over 50s fair and caravans. 8/9 PFB
9790#	0410	FRANCE, RFI, via Issoudun. (Issoudun). Vg in FF. Ids as "Radio du Monde" and RFI. Nx and sports in FF with ments of Premier League and a Spanish Team. 1/10 JW
9830	1400	THAILAND. Radio Thailand. VG in EE. 26/9 IC
9840#	2250	USA, United Radio Broadcasters of New Orleans via WHRI. Coverage of Mayor's press conference followed by ID: "United Radio Broadcasters of New Orleans - The Big 870 WWL - Entercom Communications - Clear Channel". Excellent signal and interesting programme making this use of the shortwave spectrum feel right. 6/9 RDA
9865#	0401	MOROCCO, Radio Farda. Vg with woman in AA with skeds and internet add. Rap mx in EE including "Mambo #5." Several IDs. 1/10 JW
9885	0200	GREECE. VOA. Weak in EE. 27/9 IC
9990	2135	EGYPT. Radio Cairo. Weak in EE. 20/9 IC
9990.1#	2113	EGYPT, Radio Cairo. Fair to good signal in AA. instrumental mx with time pips and TC at 2115 by a woman who gave ID and program previews 3/9 RDA
10320	1709	HAWAII, AFRTS (USB). Fair/ good with ball game comm.. 10/9 CC
10321	0443	HAWAII, AFRTS (USB). Good with a talk on a great blizzard and trains freezing to their tracks (!!). 22/9 PFB
11620	2210	INDIA, AIR. Fair/ good in EE with nx. //11715 wkr & noisy. 16/9 CC
11650	1620	IRAN, VOIRI. Fair/ good in EE talking about Iraq war. 5/9 CC
11675	0440	KUWAIT, RK.Vg in AA - talk and mx. //15495 the same.17/9 CC
11710	0245	ARGENTINA, RAE. Fr/ pr - fading. DX Spcl prog EE. 22/9 PFB
11760	2053	CUBA, R Habana. Fair in EE with id and a female vocalist. A little scratchy. 16/9 CC
11775#	1922	ANGUILLA, Caribbean Beacon.Vg with the late Dr. Scott reading the Bible from Greek. He was having a tough time with his pronunciation. 16/9 JW
11780#	0115	BRAZIL, Radio Nac. Amazonia. Vg reception of this station in PP. ID at 0145 followed by a block of US CW inspired mx including several fiddle tunes. 16/9 JW
11800	1600	GERMANY. WRMI via DTK. Fair in Hindi. 18/9 IC
11840	1441	SRI LANKA, RJapan. Poor modulation in EE with NHK prog '44 minutes'. Tx on Tsunami Restructure. 20/9 PFB
11865	2226	PORTUGAL, DW. Good in GG with talk and reference to Deutschland. 16/9 CC
11870	2045	AUSTRIA. AWR via Moosbrunn. Good in FF. 22/9 IC
11870	1530	GUAM. KSDA. Fair in Hindi. after EE IDs. 17/9 IC
11885#	1947	ENGLAND, Salama Radio International. Poor in Hausa. At 1959 an EE

axmnt and religious singing switched over to EE. At 2009 an ID ("You are listening to Salama Radio International?" followed by a long religious talk. Closed with P. O. Box 6316, Jos, Plateau State, Nigeria postal address and salama\_niger@yahoo.com e-mail address. reception. 28/8 RDA

- 11905# 0027 SRI LANKA, SLBC. Poor in Hindi. 26/8 RDA  
11975# 1943 SAO TOME, VOA. Fair with some static. Nx of Iran in EE followed by items on tax reform and Social Security. Ments of US Supreme Court. 16/9 JW  
13660 0154 PORTUGAL, RDP International. Good in PP. // 15295 the same. Id, pips and off at 0200. 8/9 CC  
13725 2312 N.MARIANAS. VOA. Good in CC. Into special EE at 2330. 17/9 IC  
15100# 1703 PAKISTAN, Radio Pakistan. Weak signal. Woman with news in Urdu followed by ID and Koran recitation at 1715. More talk in Urdu language with some group singing. 5/9 RDA  
15160 0245 SPAIN. REE. VG in SS. 16/9 IC  
15240 2225 TAIWAN. RA. Poor in EE. 23/9 IC  
15245# 1952 Unkn, AWR. Good. Instrumental version of "Wonderful Words" on harp. YL in FF with insp message. ID at 1959 in EE as "This is Adventist World Radio-The Voice of Hope." Good. 16/9 JW  
15345# 1940 MOROCCO, RTV Morocaine. Date: 16 Sep 05. Time: 1940. Fair in AA with ME mx. 16/9 JW  
15360 0814 SINGAPORE, BBCWS. Vg with Go Digital prog. Tx on internet govt. 20/9 PFB  
15405 0505 GERMANY, DW. Fair in EE. 22/9 PFB  
15430# 1401 GERMANY, Golos Rossii Radiokanal Sodruzhestvo via Juelich. Fair in RR. 10/9 RDA  
15430# 1400 RUSSIA, Golos Rossii, R. Kanal Sodruzhestvo (apparently via Jülich). Vg in RR. Per recent info in "Signal," I found them popping on at 1356 in the middle of a talk prgm; then romantic vocal to 1400 when fanfare and several IDs for Golos Rossii, R. Kanal Sodruzhestvo. Signal until it started declining after 1430. I believe Sodruzhestvo means "Commonwealth." 28/8 JB  
15720# 0420 NEW ZEALAND, RNZI. Vg - Excellent. Liz Barry with "Home Grown" mx prgm for young adults. Several IDs as "National Radio." Ments of NZ "fashion Week" and touring skeds of bands. No wx this time. 3/9 JW  
17510 0303 HAWAII, KWHR. Vg with nx on hurricane survivors. 6/9 PFB  
17655 0215 PHILIPPINES, RP. Fair with some fading. Various nx iutems. 2/9 PFB  
17655 0300 PHILIPPINES. Radio Pilipinas. Good in EE. Off 0330. 20/9 IC  
17730 0105 MONGOLIA. RFA via UB. Fair in Tibetan. 17/9 IC  
17790 0100 SINGAPORE. BBC. Fair in EE. 19/9 IC

## Our Contributors

IC	Ian Cattermole	Blenheim	JRC NRD535. Antenna. T2FD. Alph/Delt.
JB	Jerry Berg	Lexington, MA,	USA R8 receiver; 19, 41 & 90 mb dipoles
JW	Joe Wood	Greenback, TN	DX390 and 8m wire

CC Cliff Couch  
RDA Rich D'Angelo

Paraparaumu Sangean ATS 803A, 60m hor.loop  
Wyomissing, PA, USA Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R-8B, Lowe  
HF-150, Alpha Delta DX Sloper, RF Systems  
Mini-Windom, Datong FL3, JPS ANC-4  
Murupara Kenwood R-1000, 25m longwire

PFB Peter Beaufoy

## Loggings of the Month

Peter Beaufoy  
9525 Star Radio, Ascension Island



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## Recent Additions at Radio Heritage Foundation

<http://www.radioheritage.net/>

You'll find lots of new items at [www.radioheritage.net](http://www.radioheritage.net) these past few weeks, in particular a great introduction to antique and vintage radio collecting in Australia by Kevin Poulter. He took the fantastic color photos too! In: Collecting Classic Radios.

At the same time, we added a new Top 15 Vintage Radio Book list to the on-line store. This has a nice range from price guides to restoration projects, and there's plenty of good reading to stock up on for the coming Holiday Season. Prices are always sharp, and we get a little commission from each sale, so it's a win-win for all! In: The Emporium Radio Heritage Store...open 24/7, worldwide.

People write to us with all sorts of questions. One we've got coming on-line in a few days is from the daughter of a KZRM broadcasting pioneer. Robert Breslin Howell worked at the first Manila station in the 1930's and Mary has asked if anyone with stories or photos of her father could make contact with us. From our archives, we found a newsclipping from the New York Times announcing the opening of KZRM in 1927. In: From David's Desk, coming soon.

'Motam The Tartar & The Chinese Princess'. This one has defeated us. Apparently, it was a childrens story, and was broadcast over 1ZB Auckland [NZ] in the 1950's. Possibly in Australia too. Know anything about it? Please email us at: [info@radioheritage.net](mailto:info@radioheritage.net) so we can pass it on to our Australian inquirer.

'XONE 1480 kilocycles, your Armed Forces Radio station in Peking' Yes, really. One of the almost 'forgotten fifty' AFRS stations broadcasting from China, India and Burma during the 1944-1947 period. We've tracked down a list of them all, added some rare photos and comments, and they're on-line now. We really need a lot of help with these, so, if you know anything, have any ephemera etc, we really need to hear from you...please! Enjoy a taste today. In: AFRS China-Burma-India.

# FORECAST SHORTWAVE RECEPTION FOR NOVEMBER 2005

WITH MIKE BUTLER

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The Shortwave Bands below have given good reception in NZ within the recent Solar Flux Index range of 72-119. An \* = good reception only above Index of 94. By now, daytime reception has largely disappeared except for countries in/around the Pacific rim. On the other hand, evening signals from Europe have become firmly re-established.

## Times-Shortwave Bands:

UTC	MHZ	UTC	MHZ	UTC	MHZ	UTC	MHZ	UTC	MHZ
Europe		Africa		Russia		Australia		Cent America	
18	6-9-17*	18	7-15	18	6*,7,9*	18	6-9,11*	18	15*
19	7-9-15*	19	9-15	19	-	19	6-11	19	15
20	9-15*	20	9-17*	20	-	20	7-11,15*	20	15*
21	9, 15*	21	15	21	-	21	9-17,21*	21	-
22	15*	22	17	22	-	22	15-17,21*	22	-
23	15*	23	17	23	-	23	13-17,21*	23	-
0	-	0	-	0	-	0	13-17,21*	0	-
1	-	1	15*	1	-	1	13-17,21*	1	-
2	9	2	15*	2	-	2	13-17,21*	2	-
3	9	3	9*11*15*	3	-	3	11-17,21*	3	-
4	9,11-15*	4	7-9, 15*	4	7,11*	4	11-17,21*	4	6
5	6-9, 15*	5	6-11	5	9-11	5	9-17,21*	5	6-9
6	6-11-21*	6	6-11-15*	6	7,15 17	6	5-17,21*	6	6-11
7	6-17,21*	7	7- 9-15*	7	15-17	7	5-15-21*	7	6-11
8	6-17,21*	8	9-15*	8	15-17	8	5-17	8	6-11
9	9- 21	9	-	9	7-17	9	4-11-17*	9	6-9

Middle East		Asia		North Pacific		Nth America		Sth America	
18	9, 11 *	18	7- 15	18	13,15*	18	6-11-15*	18	15*
19	9, 11 *	19	7-13,15*	19	13	19	6-11-17*	19	15*17*
20	9- 15*	20	9-11,15*	20	13	20	9-11-17*	20	13*15*
21	13*15*	21	11-15*	21	15x	21	11,17	21	15*
22	13*	22	-	22	15x17	22	11,17	22	15*
23	-	23	11-13	23	13-15x17	23	17*	23	15*
0	-	0	11,13*	0	17, 21*	0	17*	0	-
1	-	1	15	1	15-17, 21*	1	17*	1	-
2	-	2	15-21	2	17- 21	2	15*	2	11-15*
3	9-11-15*	3	13-21	3	15-21	3	9*11*	3	9*11
4	11-15-21*	4	13-15	4	15-21	4	7-9-15*	4	9*11
5	7-21	5	15	5	9-21	5	6-9,11*	5	9*11-15*
6	11-15,17*	6	15,17*	6	5-21	6	6-9	6	6-11
7	15*	7	11-15-21*	7	5-17,21*	7	6-9	7	6-11-15*
8	15	8	9-15,21*	8	5-17	8	6-9	8	6-11-15*
9	15*	9	6- 21	9	5-15,17*	9	5-9	9	6-11

Notes: 6-9-17\* = 6-9,11\*-17\* x = not Hawaii. Try higher frequencies first.

# 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)	Freq (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0100	17790f	BBC	UK	19/9	IC
0200	9885p	VOA	USA	27/9	IC
0220-0230	9665g	VoR	RUSSIA	2/9	PFB
0245	11710f	RAE	ARGENTINA	22/9	PFB
0300-0330	17655g	Radio Pilipinas	PHILIPPINES	20/9	IC
0340	9750g	BBC	UK	27/8	IC
0400	6140p	V of Russia	RUSSIA	-	DD
0420	6000f	R Havana	CUBA	2/10	IC
0428-0430	9560f	CRI	CHINA	21/9	PFB
0430	6005f	BBC	UK	2/10	IC
0443	10321(USB)g	AFRTS	USA	22/9	PFB
0445-0458	7235f	RAI	ITALY	21/9	KAB
0500	6190g	CRI	CHINA	21/9	KAB
0500	7570f	WEWN	USA	-	DD
0505	15405f	DW	GERMANY	22/9	PFB
0505-0529	7250g	Vatican Radio	VATICAN CITY	21/9	KAB
0512-0514	9550g	R Habana	CUBA	13/9	CC
0604-0618	6060g	RHC	CUBA	5/9	KVB
0626-0627	6000f:6060f	RHC	CUBA	8/9	KVB
0630	7170g	R D Welle	GERMANY	29/9	IC
0630-0659	3185	WWRB	USA	4/9	KVB
0700	3935g	Radio Reading Service	NZ	-	DD
0700	5950g	R Taiwan Int	TAIWAN	-	DD
0700	7175f	D Welle	GERMANY	-	DD
0705	5070f	WWCR	USA	7/9	KAB
0705	5850g	WWCR	USA	7/9	KAB
0710	7355g	WYFR	USA	7/9	KAB
0730	9525f	Star Radio	LIBERIA?	2/9	PFB
0740	5850g	WEWN	USA	12/9	IC

0740	5945p	Bible Voice	AUSTRALIA	18/9	IC
0817	3220p	R Morobe	PNG?	22/9	KAB
0830	4890f	Port Moresby	PNG	22/9	KAB
0910-0912	3905p	R New Ireland	PNG	20/9	KVB
0940	7875(USB)f	ABC	AUSTRALIA	25/9	IC
1007-1010	6120g	R Japan	JAPAN	10/9	KVB
1100	6020g	R Australia	AUSTRALIA	–	DD
1113	7520p	WHRI	USA	–	DD
1200	4890g	Port Moresby	PNG	–	DD
1206	9645g	VOA	USA	8/9	PFB
1233	3305f	R Western	PNG	–	DD
1245	3245f	R Gulf	PNG	–	DD
1300	6010g	VOA	USA	–	DD
1400	9830g	Radio Thailand	THAILAND	26/9	IC
1441	11840	R Japan	JAPAN	20/9	PFB
1500	6080g	R Australia	AUSTRALIA	–	DD
1530	7255f	AIR	INDIA	–	DD
1620	11650g	VOIRI	IRAN	5/9	CC
1630	5920f:7345p	R Slovakia Int	SLOVAKIA	5/9	CC
1639	6350(USB)f	AFN	USA	5/9	CC
1709	10320(USB)g	AFRTS	USA	10/9	CC
1800-1830	6015g	Bible Voice	AUSTRALIA	17/9	RFK
1900	7310g	V of Russia	RUSSIA	7/9	RFK
1900	9775f	CVC Int	GERMANY?	16/9	IC
1934	7155p	R Thailand	THAILAND	7/9	KAB
1950	5960p	RAI	ITALY	21/9	KAB
1955-1958	7205p	VOIRI	IRAN	21/9	KAB
2000-2015	9405f	Pan American BC	GERMANY?	18/9	IC
2000-2050	7330g	V of Russia	RUSSIA	9/9	RFK
2035	7170g	VOT	TURKEY	21/9	KAB
2040	7280p	V of Vietnam	VIETNAM	21/9	KAB
2053	11760f	R Habana	CUBA	16/9	CC
2135	9990p	Radio Cairo	EGYPT	20/9	IC
2210	11620g:11715f	AIR	INDIA	16/9	CC
2225	15240p	RA	TAIWAN?	23/9	IC
2245	9705g	AIR	INDIA	23/9	IC
2330	13725g	VOA	USA	17/9	IC

### OVERSEAS CONTRIBUTIONS

Time (UTC)	Freq (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0103	5050g	WWCR	USA	1/10	JW
0105-0107	5446(USB)g	AFN	USA	1/10	JW
0114	5755g	KAIJ	USA	1/10	JW
0159	7260g	Radio Cairo	EGYPT	21/9	JW

0302	4910g	Zambia Nat. Bc. Corp.	ZAMBIA	18/8	RAD
0325	3291p	Voice of Guyana	GUYANA	1/10	JW
0420	15720e	RNZI	NZ	3/9	JW
0433	9590g	Radio Nederland	NETH. ANT.	3/9	JW
0530	9686f	Channel Africa	STH AFRICA	3/9	JW
0600	4915f	Ghana BC	GHANA	21/9	JS
0812	3210g	WWCR	USA	2/9	JS
0820-0829	4835:4910	VL8A	AUSTRALIA	24/9	JB
0958-1000	3385p	Radio East New Britain	PNG	7/9	RAD
1000-1022	9680	RRI	INDONESIA	21/9	JB
1200-1345	6080g	RFI	FRANCE	2/9	JS
1347-1358	6020f	R Australia	AUSTRALIA	2/9	JS
1943	11975f	VOA	USA	16/9	JW
1959-2009	11885	Salama Radio Int	ENGLAND?	28/8	RDA



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Greetings from the metropolis that is Darfield. It is a grey, cold and wet day as I begin this column, which reminds us that winter hasn't quite passed us by, yet. Thanks to **Paul** for handing this column over to me and I hope I can match the high standard he has set.

I am as interested in your musings as I am your loggings and verifications, so please contribute as you wish.

First up this month is the King of the Shortwave Ladders **Ian Cattermole** from up in wine country, Blenheim with veries in from: Star Radio 11965, KNLS 9555, RCI (Horby) 9390, VOR 15555, Radio Budapest 9770, Radio Amanecer Int. 6025 (New Country- Dominican Republic), KSDA 9720, Channel Africa 7240, WWCR 5765, HCJB 6015, RN 9610, CVC Int. via DTK 9775, BBC Thailand 15510, CVC Int. Australia 11955, 17820, 15165, 15335, CVC Int. Tashkent 13685, 12070, Gospel for Asia, UAE 15215

Checking in next is **Rich D'Angelo** from Wyomissing, PA in the USA. Veries are in from Star Radio, via Ascension Islands 11965, with a full data card and form information letter in 15 days from v/s Mr. Darcy Christen, STAR Radio Program Officer at the Fondation Hirondelle in Switzerland. No tx site listed has added to Rich's frustrations. The form letter gave postal address in Liberia: Old CID Road, Mamba Point, Monrovia as well as e-mail address ([starradio\\_liberia@yahoo.com](mailto:starradio_liberia@yahoo.com)), R Japan via Bonaire 11935 (Japan Shortwave Club verified the special 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Radio Japan's Hello from Tokyo programme - Rich was a guest on it!), Radio Hoa-Mai, Vietnam (Clandestine) 11555, verified with a full data Map/Logo card, Russian International Radio via Julich ("Russkoye Mezhdunarodnoye Radio") 17705, verified with a full data English Voice of Russia "St. Petersburg is 300 Years Old" card.

He comments, 'I see DRM receivers were finally introduced at the recent Berlin gathering where a big deal was made out of the technology. I am a little ambivalent about DRM. There are some possibilities but it is not a long haul technology. Only time will tell how this plays out and whether it will "save" shortwave.' Well, Rich, all I can say is that when we were at Paul Ormandy's place in Oamaru and they were testing the DRM txer on MW in Wellington, it murdered the MW band. If that stuff comes in over here on MW, MW DX is a dead duck, and I suspect the same could be said for SW. But I guess the broadcasters and the DXers are coming at it from different angles, so we shall have to wait and see.

He also comments: 'Not much else happening around here at the moment. The summer has been hot and relatively dry. When it rains, it rains! However, it hasn't rained all that often so things are dry around here.' Well, we have had a pretty dry winter in Canterbury and without a lot of rainfall, things could get interesting in January. My farmer friends are moaning already, mind you, when do they not moan! A snow dump a week or so ago helped, but only a little.

**Des Davey**, Te Kuiti has a report away to NHK 7230, heard on his Yaesu FRG-100 and a QSL has arrived from WBCQ The Planet 7415. (Better one than none, hi!)

**Günter Jacob**, Passau, Germany sends in his QSLs for the month. R. Australia 9625 and 9785, AWR Guam 9590, 11680 and 11885, KTWR Guam 11610, DW Kazakhstan 7115, Family R. via Grigoriopol Moldova 7360, R. Romania 7265 and 9535, VOR via Dushanbe Tadjikistan 12115, R. Ukraine 15675, WYFR 15770. By e-mail - only one day after his report - a "Reception Report Verification QSL" from Zourab Shengelia, the author of the project "Informative-Musical Radio Programs in Abkhazian - Radio 'Hara'". This letter QSL for 4875 kHz was accompanied by an informative letter from "The Institute of Georgian-Abkhazian Relations", Tbilisi, Georgia, signed by Nino Berdznishvili. Radio Hara is on the air four times a week on 4875 kHz, on Mon. and Thu. at 2100-2130 (local time) and on Thu. and Fri. at 0900-0930 (local time). Several rubrics are broadcast: "World Today", "Criminal Chronicle", "News", "Cultural Chronicle", "Sports Chronicle", "Literary Page", "Gossip from Hollywood", "Horoscope", "Modern Music", etc. Radio Hara deals with nearly all the problems, but consciously avoids the theme of Georgian-Abkhazian conflict. (Alles gutes, Günter! Yes, Australia was great - Melbourne is a lovely city and the Aussies were bearable!)

**Terje Neilsen** from Christchurch reports in with veries received from Wantok Radio Light PNG 7120 kHz with a nice QSL-card and letter received in 36 days, VoR via Krasnodar, Irkutsk and Kishinov in 15 to 56 days with QSL-cards and emails from Elena in Moscow, a QSL-card from ABC, Shepparton 15515 kHz in 62 days and the big "?"-mark: a letter from Kenya with "verification" of Sudan Radio Service on 11665 kHz but without any info about date, time, freq. or tx site. (According to EiBi this is coming from Wooferton in the UK.)

**Jerry Berg** from Lexington, MA in the USA reports a verification of European Pirate Radio Orion 5714.9, with a very nice .pdf QSL with logo and cartoon, and .pdf info sheet, in one day for a two-sentence E-mail. Full-data, and says 150 watts. V/S "John," who says postal QSL will follow. Postal address: ORN, P.O. Box 9, 8096-ZG Oldebroek, Netherlands. (We heard that at Kingaroy and got the letter and then the QSL card back. It is certainly worth having.

We finish this month with **Ron Killick** from Christchurch. He reports verifications this month from DW Wertachtal 9735, RPrague-Lytomysl 9445, CRI-Havana 9790, Kang Guru Radio English-Cimanggis 9680, Ch.Africa-Meyerton 7390. This gives him 5800 veries on SW (congratulations). Ron told me about his first verie: Not sure on actual first QSL. Log books for that era lost in one of many moves around and about, 31 moves in 25 years in Air Force alone.

But first reported was VLA15 15200 9 Mar 55, a few days later VLB15, so probably one of these two. Current QSL book does not show accurate in dates for those early ones, as all had a big write from cards themselves.

Ho hum, the value we place on things now.....

That's it for this month. I look forward to hearing from you in November.

73s  
Stu

## AFGHANISTAN:

New SW transmitter in Yakatoot, Kabul.

"The 100-KW short-wave transmitter with seven antennas being installed by India at Yakatoot in Kabul is being completed this month. It will enable Kabul Radio programmes to be heard in South East Asia, South Asia, Africa and Europe. "The people in remote areas in Afghanistan who remain cut off during the harsh winter months will now be able to follow the happenings in Kabul and other areas of the country through the programmes beamed on this short-wave transmitter," Panjshiri added. (Alokesh Gupta. New Delhi. Via CUMBRE)

*Chance to once again log/verify Afghanistan as a country after so many years. (ED)*

## ALASKA:

KNLS Broadcast Schedule Starting October 30, 2005

0800-0900 9615 31 English.	0800-0900 9655 31 Mandarin .	0900-1000 9615 31 Russian
0900-1000 9655 31 Mandarin .	1000-1100 9615 31 English .	1000-1100 9655 31 Mandarin
1100-1200 7355 41 Mandarin .	1100-1200 9655 31 Russian.	1200-1300 7355 41 English
1200-1300 9615 31 English.	1300-1400 7355 41 Mandarin .	1300-1400 9655 31 Mandarin
1400-1500 7355 41 Mandarin .	1400-1500 9655 31 English .	1500-1600 7355 41 Mandarin
1500-1600 9655 31 Russian .	1600-1700 7355 41 Mandarin .	1600-1700 9655 31 Russian
1700-1800 7355 41 Russian .	1700-1800 9655 41 Mandarin	

(Alokesh Gupta via GRDXC)

## AUSTRALIA:

Northern Territory update.

My QSL letter response for VL8A included details of the local, high frequency and FM services.

Current HF operations are:

VL8A Alice Springs 4835 kHz daytime, 2310 kHz nighttime

VL8K Katherine 5025 kHz daytime, 2485 kHz nighttime

VL8T Tennant Creek 4910 kHz daytime, 2325 kHz nighttime

*VL8A gives very good reception at present. (Des Davey via Bryan Clark)*

## AUSTRALIA:

ABC Perth from Australia relayed on 7875 kHz shortwave

A shortwave relay of the ABC domestic service for Perth originates from an Australian Defence Force transmitter in Exmouth, North West Cape, Western Australia. The Department of Defence confirms to DXing.info that recent transmissions heard worldwide on 7875 kHz USB did indeed come from Exmouth. "Defence has been transmitting from this site on an irregular basis since 1994 and was transmitting on 7875 kHz at the time that it was detected," says Communications Adviser Michael

Weaver at the Department of Defence in the capital Canberra. "The purpose of the shortwave relay is to provide recreational news for Australian troops overseas. In this case, it was specifically for the Australian rules football grand final," Weaver adds. Programming on 7875 kHz originated from 6WF Perth (720 kHz), and ABC programming has recently been heard also around 15060 kHz. Steve Napier from the ABC technical staff in Perth says to DXing.info that he is unaware of the shortwave broadcasts. According to the Register of Radio communications Licences of the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA), 7875 kHz has been allocated to the Department of Defence since 1993. The transmitter in Exmouth has a power of 40 kW. David Hodgson in the United States was the first to report hearing ABC on 7875 kHz on September 18 in DXLD 5-165. Meanwhile, John Schache in Australia reports on DXing.info that he has heard ABC programming also on "approximately 15060" kHz shortwave. (DXing.info,)

*Been much speculation on this one recently and the above appears to answer all questions. (ED)*

## **BOTSWANA.**

VOA Verifications direct.

Thomas Powell, VOA transmitting plant manager in Botswana, replied to my emailed reception report. Here is what he writes: From: "Thomas Powell" tpowell@bot.ibb.gov Good Morning from Botswana, Mr. Mezin, Please let everyone know in your radio community that the e-mail address you have for me is correct. Here in Botswana we try very hard to answer every reception report received at this station. It is very nice for my technicians to know that the hard work they are doing is being received around the world. Please keep listening in. Best Regards from Botswana, Tom Powell (Dmitry Mezin, Kazan, Russia, Signal via DXLD) *Nice to see such comments (ED)*

## **GERMANY:**

CVC International testing via DTK.

Tests transmissions of CVC International via DTK T-Systems on September 12-17 via WER 500 kW / 180 deg to NoCeAf:

1500-1700 on 17545

1700-1900 on 13820

1900-2000 on 9775 (Observer BUL)

## **INDIA:**

Reception reports.

AIR is now accepting on line Reception Reports. For more details please visit:

<http://www.allindiaradio.org/recepfdk.html> (Jose Jacob, via DX India) National Institute of Amateur Radio

## **INDONESIA:**

KGRE heard on 9680KHZ.

A recent message received from Ron?

Ian.

Couple of my "customers" have reported KGRE on 9680 at 1000 in past few months.

I have done nothing about it until this week. So Wednesday night I found it. KGRE (as announced) Kang Guru Radio English has a 20 minute segment over RRI SW 9680kHz, Weds and Sun. They also have according to brochure Des Davey received 89 odd FM stations airing programme.

AusAID funds the station designed to provide English students language students with a high quality English language programme.

I see they are listed in Passport under Indonesia, but must admit to never having heard of them before - they may well be old hat to you, Des did not get a QSL as such but did get a letter. So will hit the email with what I have and see what eventuates. King regards. Ron  
*Have never heard this one but will try. I see their e-mail address listed as*  
kangguru@ialfbali.co.cd (ED)

## **NEPAL.**

Radio Nepal extends transmission hours.

Radio Nepal will extend its transmission time to 18 hours a day starting Aug 21. Transmissions will run continuously 2315-1715 daily. The additional hours (Su-Fr 0515-0800! Ed) will include news bulletins and a variety of lively, entertaining, informative and educative programmes especially aimed at young listeners. The transmission hours were extended to compete with the commercial FM stations, which were recently given the green light by the Nepali Supreme Court to continue broadcasting news bulletins despite government attempts to ban them from carrying news. The executive director of Radio Nepal, Tapa Nath Shukla, said he believed Radio Nepal would emerge as a popular radio station among the youths after the additional transmission service. Currently, informational and educational programmes constitute 42 per cent of Radio Nepal's total programming while entertainment, including commercials, make up the remaining 58 per cent. (Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union website, via BBCM via DXLD)

## **OMAN:**

R Sultanate of Oman in Arabic again on SW. Monitored schedule (SEB = Seeb, THU = Thumrait) :

0400-0600 on 9515 SEB 100 kW / 320 deg to ME,  
0600-1400 on 13640 SEB 100 kW / 320 deg to ME  
2000-2200 on 13640 THU 100 kW / 315 deg to WeEu  
2200-2400 on 13640 THU 100 kW / 315 deg to WeEu,  
1400-1500 on 15140 THU 100 kW / 315 deg to WeEu in English  
1500-1800 on 15140 THU 100 kW / 315 deg to WeEu,  
1800-2000 on 15140 THU 100 kW / 315 deg to WeEu,  
1400-1800 on 15375 SEB 100 kW / 240 deg to EaAf  
(Datzinov and Ivanov in R Bulgaria Observer, via BC-DX Sep 02)

## **PORTUGAL:**

Freq change for RDP Radio.Portugal in Portuguese to Western Europe from Sep.15:  
1400-2000 Sat/Sun And 1600-1900 Mon-Fri NF 13595. ex 13590 to avoid BVBN. (Observer BUL)

## **SERBIA & MONTENEGRO:**

New limited schedule for International Radio of Serbia & Montenegro:

1745-1758 Daily.	6100 BEO 250 kW / non-dir Arabic to WeEu	
1800-1828 Daily.	6100 BEO 250 kW / 040 deg Russian to RUS	
1830-1858 Daily.	6100 BEO 250 kW / 310 deg English to WeEu	
1900-1928 Daily.	7200*BEO 250 kW / 250 deg Spanish to SoEu	
1930-1958 Sun-Fri.	6100 BEO 250 kW / 310 deg Serbian to WeEu	
1930-2028 Sat .	6100#BEO 250 kW / 310 deg Serbian to WeEu	
2000-2028 Sun-Fri.	6100#BEO 250 kW / 310 deg German to WeEu	
2030-2058 Daily.	6100#BEO 250 kW / 310 deg French to WeEu	(Observer BUL)

## **TATARSTAN. RUSSIA.**

Here are the current details of getting QSLs from Tatarstan Wave.

Send your reports (written in English, German, or Russian) to: QSL Manager, c/o Ildus Ibatullin P.O.Box 134 Kazan 420136 Russia.

The station doesn't have funds for QSLing, therefore please enclose return postage: 2 IRCs, or \$1, or 1 Euro. Taped reports are accepted, but I'm afraid the cassettes are not returned.

Reports sent during this summer/autumn will be confirmed with special QSL cards devoted to the 1000th anniversary of Kazan. There are several card designs, so send your reports in a batch if you wish to have various cards!

Broadcast schedule (posted to the forum by Bob Padula, slightly amended by me - Ed.) is the following:

0410-0500 15140 250 kW 60 deg (to the Far East)

0610-0700 9690 250 kW 60 deg (to Central Asia)

0810-0900 11925 100 kW 310 deg (to Europe)

Please keep in mind that broadcasts start at xx10, not at xx00! That's because the last broadcast is relayed locally in Kazan and the whole Tatarstan in LW/VHF, and it must not overlap the regular Radio Rossii news (not relayed in SW), which take the initial 10 minutes of the hour on local radio nets (info from Ildus Ibatullin, Kazan, Russia, via Dmitri Mezin, Signal via DXLD)

## **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.**

TWR via VT Coms.

Freq change for TWR Africa in Amharic via VT Communications:

1800-1830 Mon-Fri. 1800-1845 Sat/Sun NF 12035 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg, ex 11810.

(Observer BUL)

## **USA:**

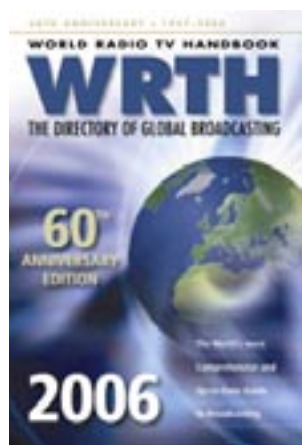
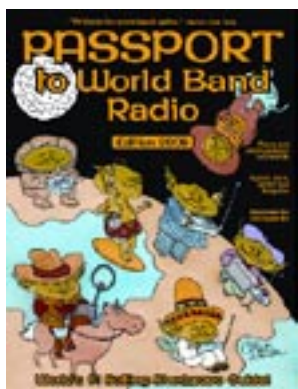
WBCQ to change 60 metre band frequency.

Mentioned on Al Weiner World Wide that effective October 3, WBCQ will switch frequencies from 5105 to 5110 khz. Weiner mentioned that this move was due to complaints by FEMA .

(Ulis Fleming. CUMBRE)

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## **VANUATU:**

This info comes from an engineering source in Vanuatu.

Only one out of three Radio Vanuatu's shortwave transmitters is working at the moment. It was off for couple of days since 16 September due to fault in the exciter power supply, but should be on the air by now. Transmitter is rated 10kW but runs around 8kW.

The schedule is: (times UTC) 3945 1900-2100, 0500-1100. 7260 2100-0500

The switch-over times from one frequency to another are "about" as there is no remote control system functioning and the station's technician has to go to the transmitter site (10km from the town) and manually change frequency and antenna system.

Audio might be a bit undermodulated due to audiofeed link problems.

(Jari Savolainen via CUMBRE)

## **ZAMBIA**

The current confirmed/monitored schedule of ZNBC is:

Radio 1:

4910 \*0245-0515\* and \*1555-2205\*.

5915 \*0515-1555\*.

Radio 2:

6165 \*0245-2205\*.

And the current/monitored schedule of Christian Voice is:

4965 \*1600-0605\* and 9865 \*0605-1600\*.

The 0400-0700 transmission on 6065 has been dropped. (Korinek, via DSWCI)

## **ZIMBABWE.**

ZBC current schedule:

ZBC: Currently on 3306 \*1630-0530v\* and on 6045 \*0530v-1630\*.

"R Zimbabwe" is relayed 24 hours a day as far as I can tell. The signal strength has definitely come down lately, obviously some transmitter problem. The widely reported harmonic on 6612 can be explained by its signal sometimes being stronger than the fundamental frequency, but in the past few days 6612 has been barely audible here.

(Korinek, via DSWCI)

## **LATIN CORNER:**

### **BRAZIL**

Radio Oito de Setembro reactivated.

2490, R Oito de Setembro, Descalvado. The reactivated station uses a new one KW SW transmitter and has this e-mail address: rscapin@gmail.com . (Scapin via Romais, Sep 04 via DSWCI)

Radio Jornal A Critica 5055KHZ.

Radio Jornal A Critica, Manaus is operating on 5055KHZ and on air at 1200-1600 and 1800-0200utc. SW is handled by Getulio Cetraro. Address: Radio Jornal A Critica, Av. Andre Araujo, 1924A, Aleixo, CEP:69060-001, Manaus AM. E-mail> getulio@acritica.com.br (Romais in @tividade DX via DXLD)

## COLOMBIA:

Radio Lider on 6139.8.

6139.8, R Lider, Bogota, noted again after an absence of some months, program of Spanish ballads with IDs between just about every song, usual Melodia ascending chimes, then ID: "Desde Bogota, Colombia, Radio Lider, en canal preferencial, HJCU, Radio Lider, AM estereo, 730 kc., otra potente emisora de la Cadena Melodia de Colombia." Ascending chimes again, then: "En Radio Lider, 730 kc., AM estereo, esta es la hora oficial--son las 4. Ahora Radio Lider, llega los diferentes paises del mundo. Escuchenos en la frecuencia 730 kc. onda larga, y 6140 kc. onda corta, banda de 49 metros. Escribanos a nuestro correo electronico, radiolid er@cadenamelodia.com , o al Apartado Aereo 19823, Bogota, Colombia. Indicanos la hora, la ciudad del escucha a Radio Lider, y a vuelta de correo, reciba un fabuloso premio. Radio Lider, siempre lider en el mundo." I think this is the same announcement they used when they first came on the air. Did anyone ever receive anything from them? Nice signal. Not back on a regular basis, as I have not heard them again, as of Sep 04. (Berg and Howard via DSWCI) No response as yet to my report of March 21<sup>st</sup>. 05. (ED)

## FEATURED FREQUENCY:

This month are 9880khz and 9885khz. How many of these are you able to hear and identify?

### 9880KHZ.

Time.	Station.	Country,	Days	. Language	Power.	Site
0000-0500	Voice of Russia	Russia	1234567	Unknown	500	Armavir
0700-0730	Radio Prague	Czech Republic	1234567	Unknown	100	Litomysl
0730-0800	Radio Prague	Czech Republic	1234567	Unknown	100	Litomysl
1000-1030	Radio Prague	Czech Republic	1234567	Unknown	100	Litomysl
1030-1100	Radio Prague	Czech Republic	1234567	Unknown	100	Litomysl
1130-1200	China Radio International	China	1234567	Unknown	100	Kunming
1300-1400	China Radio International	China	1234567	Unknown	100	Kunming
1730-2130	Ministry of Information - State of Kuwait	Kuwait	1234567	ARABIC	500	KABD
2000-2300	Radiodifusao Portuguesa, SA Portugal	Portugal	1234567	PORTUGUESE	300	Lisbon-Sao Gabriel

### 9885KHZ.

Time.	. Station.	Country,	Days	. Language	Power.	Site
0100-0200	Greece Radio International	Greece	1234567	Unknown	250	Kavalla
0100-0200	VOA - Voice of America	United States	1234567	Unknown	250	Greenville, NC (Site B)
0200-0300	Greece Radio International	Greece	23456	Unknown	250	Kavalla
0300-0430	VOA - Voice of America	Botswana	1234567	Unknown	100	Moepeng Hill
0430-0500	VOA - Voice of America	Botswana	1234567	Unknown	100	Moepeng Hill
0500-0530	VOA - Voice of America	Botswana	1234567	Unknown	100	Moepeng Hill
0530-0600	BBC Worldservice	United Kingdom	1234567	Unknown	300	Limassol
0530-0630	VOA - Voice of America	Botswana	23456	Unknown	100	Moepeng Hill
0630-0700	Deutsche Welle	Portugal	1234567	HAUSA	250	Sines
1600-1800	China Radio International	China	1234567	Unknown	150	Beijing
1630-1700	FEBA Radio	United Kingdom	1234567	Unknown	250	Dhabayya
1700-1800	FEBA Radio	United Kingdom	1234567	Unknown	250	Kigali
1800-1959	Deutsche Welle	Sri Lanka	1234567	RUSSIAN	250	Trincomalee (Perkara)

# dxissimo

Compiled by John Durham, Tauranga



Welcome to another DXissimo, its more like winter here in Tauranga today as i type this, rain showers lash the windows tattered shredded leaves on the Bananas wave in the wind,time for another coffee! I havent had a great deal of time over the last few weeks for DX but did note the following Indonesian regional stations. 3325 Palangkaraya. 3976 Pontianak. 4605 Serui. 4790 Fak Fak. 4925 Jambi.

## **BAHRAIN (INTERNATIONAL WATERS) INFORMATION RADIO.**

Tonight [23/09/05] Coalition Maritime Forces on 6125USB is stronger than usual.It was audible at 0009 and now at 0125.Heard here in Denmark with 34333 reception.Middle East songs and messages in various local languages.(Anker Petersen. Denmark. via HCDX Vol33 Is23)

I listened to the station on 9133USB for three hours Sept27 1830-2130.The entire program was Middle Eastern MX, A woman gave occasional annts in AA and a man did the same in Farsi,No other Langs. were heard.The woman in AA mentioned the stations freq and gave the identification as Coalition Maritime Radio.There was the usual annt of the Rewards for Justice program.Some of the annts were repeated over time as there was only about four different ones,(Hans Johnson-USA.Cumbre via WDXC Contact Oct. via Top News)

## **BOLIVIA**

RADIO MUNICIPAL (presumed) 4845.6. 1020-1040 Noted a man in SS giving TCs "5 en manana y 30 minutos"as well as IDs which i missed during comments.Periodically a musical selection is presented. Signal was fair.Dont know if this is a regular feature,but on Sunday there seems to be none of the usual QRM from the Brazilian station on this freq. or the Utility that blocks out Municipal. (Chuck Bolland.Florida.via HCDX Vol33 Is19)

## **CUBA**

RADIO HABANA CUBA.5055 SS 0017+ Sept 18 News and IDs in // 6000. Fair with hum.Nice of RHC to pick this frequency weeks after Faro del Caribe reactivated it.(Scott Barbour NH USA via Ron Howard tip Via HCDX Vol33 Is19)

## **GUYANA**

VOICE OF GUYANA. Georgetown 3291.1 heard at 0445 with a relay of BBC World service.(Michael Schnitzer.Hassfurt.Germany via HCDX Vol33 Is.23)

## **MEXICO**

RADIO TRANSCONTINENTAL 4809v 0843-0904 Sept 17 SS/EE Talks with SS/EE ballads.YL in SS eith ID at 0835 Fair.Tuned down to avoid ute on 4810.(Scott Barbour NH USA Via HCDX Vol33 Is19)

## KYRGYZSTAN

RADIO MARANATHA 6030 1505+ [tentative] I havnt managed to hear a definte ID from this.The sign on is usually 1455 but sometimes 1505 as today Sept 18.(Ritola. Fin. Via HCDX Vol33 Is19)

## PERU

RADIO PUACARTAMBO. 6520.4 1010-1014 Sept 16. Quecha,huaynos.local advs by MA in Quecha "....Hotel Colonial..."(Arnaldo Slaen. Argentina. Via HCDX Vol33 Is18)

RADIO CUSCO 6192.86. 1022-1030.Sept16 SS Very nice huaynos selection,ann by MA.23432.(Arnaldo Slaen. Argentina. Via HCDX 33 Is18)Vol

## SURINAME

RADIO APINTE (presumed) 4990 at 0425 Sept 22 with soft pop music.(Michael Schnitzer,H assfurt.Germany via HCDX Vol33 Is23

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### RADIO FREE ASIA RELEASES ITS EIGHTH QSL CARD SEPTEMBER 2005

RFA's Technical Operations Division is proud to announce the release of the company's eighth QSL card. The card is scheduled for distribution from September 1 to December 31, 2005. This QSL Card commemorates the ninth anniversary of RFA's first broadcast which took place on September 29, 1996; this broadcast was in Mandarin Chinese. Since the, RFA has grown to 9 Asian languages broadcasting a total of 36 hours of radio programming daily; primarily on shortwave frequencies. For more information about RFA's automated reception report system and its QSL cards, visit [www.techweb.rfa.org](http://www.techweb.rfa.org).

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*RFA's new QSL card for September-December 2005*



KHz	UTC	Details
5616	0544	Gander working United 056. JS
5696	0544	Camslant Chesapeake working unit CG Mention of plans for evacuation. JS
5696	0631	Commsta Kodiak calling 1711 Hercules out of Kodiak. JS
5696	0729	CG 1705 Hercules out of Clearwater working Camslant Chesapeake. JS
6604	0627	Gander Volmet. JS
6739	1858	Architect Volmet. JS
8734	1905	Olympia Marine Radio Athens with phone patch traffic. JS
8827	0910	Tokyo Volmet then Hong Kong Volmet. JC
8867	0810	San Francisco working NZ 10 and Air Canada 34. JS
8867	2006	Brisbane/Air Van 20 ATA Port Vila 1955 ETA Brisbane 2240 SC HQJP. JC
8867	0103	Brisbane/Reach 5E1 Howe 0125 FL 360. RW
8867	2236	Auckland/Kiwi 946 Posn report FL 260 Request leave controlled airspace 2245 SC check OK. RW
8867	2242	Kiwi 047/Auckland Cleared to vacate controlled airspace to operate in military area 4 No reported IFR traffic
8867	0318	Auckland/Reach 5E1 Posn report FL 340. RW
8867	0102	Aussie 704/Auckland Do you have contact with Faliola tower yet NO Relay posn through me. RW
8867	0759	San Francisco/Reach 3117 FL 350 Posn report SC CQDH. RW
8867	0332	Brisbane/Aussie 704 Over Lord Howe 0331 At 200 miles contact Sydney tower. RW
8867	0211	Qantas 370/Auckland en route to Christchurch FL 360. EM
8867	0319	Auckland/Freedom 61 Posn report Palmerston North next. EM
8867	0352	Auckland.NZ 103 Posn report Confirm FL 370. EM
8867	0421	Auckland/Malaysian 762 Roger. EM
8867	0421	Auckland/NZ 142 Wellington next. EM
8867	0422	Auckland/Qantas 37 Maintaining FL 370. EM
8867	0130	Auckland/Qantas 119 LUSTI 0210 Contact Auckland 123.9. E M
8867	0407	Auckland/Tangoi 3 Alpha Tango India re destination. DM
8894	0526	Algiers/Unid gives position Nairobi. JC
8894	0526	VNBNS calls N'Djamena but no reply. JC
8930	1830	Unid flight 359 out of Turkey working Istanbul Dispatch via phone patch from Stockholm. JC
8930	1830	Stockholm/Giant 8706 ATD Kuwait International 1820/42 ETA Dubai 1955. JC
8930	1819	Air France unid with phone patch through Stockholm radion. JS
9032	2034	McMurdo/Ice 06 with SC FL 960. DM
11300	0430	Khartoum, Addis, Nairobi, Mogadisahu, Cairo active. JC
11300	0440	Air Malawi flight working Mogadishu with position. JC

11300 0440 Kenya 201/Mogadishu Posn report. JC  
11300 0440 Seychelles 1/Mogadishu. JC  
11300 0440 DSR 6147 calls Khartoum. JC  
13170 0612 Olympia Marine Radio with YL channel marker. JS

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## Northland FM Update

The following just to hand from Phil van de Paverd:

I have been up to Mangonui in Northland for a few days and discovered a new FM station. It is called DBFR (Doubtless Bay Family Radio) and transmits on 100.00 FM. At the moment they are still transmitting on a trial basis at reduced strength but will start 7AM Monday 26th with a 24 x 7 transmission. Strength will be 300 watt and the studio is at Coopers Beach. Coverage area will be to North Cape and Kaitaia in the West and Kaeo to the South. Address is PO Box 30 Mangonui and the phone is (09)406-0644, contact Robin Burton. The manager is Bob Cooper, a Yank who started a TV station up there a few years ago.

Another one you might not have is:

KCR (Kaitaia Country Radio) on 97.6 to the North and 107.1 FM to the East.

Address and studio is at 8 North Road Kaitaia and phone is (09)408-3888 They play most of their music directly from their computer from downloads from the internet. Don't know the power but will find out (Bryan Clark)

## Wintec station hits the right frequency

Hamilton students are taking student radio to the max with the launch of Wintec's new student radio station Max - FM.

Station manager Belynda Meehan said an FM radio station "The Revolution" was established by Wintec students last year, but lost its frequency over Christmas.

"We discovered the frequencies were not guaranteed and had to approach the Economic Development Ministry to find another," she said.

Now a new transmitter high above Wintec's central city campus has boosted the station's range into Hamilton's suburbs.

"Our programmes are created by students for students and the wider community. A new



dedicated FM aerial means listeners can pick us up in Chartwell and Hillcrest and further a field."

The station aims to keep students entertained and informed with music shows and information services designed to help students do anything from find a flat to sell a car.

Wintec chief executive Mark Flowers said Max - FM would provide real - time experience for students studying journalism, public relations, communication, music, media studies and advertising.

Max - FM can be found at 107.1FM. (Waikato Times 14 September)

### **CanWest gets radio spectrum**

The Commerce Commission has cleared CanWest Radio Works Limited (Radio Works) to acquire six new radio FM spectrum licences allocated by the Ministry of Economic Development. CanWest's Radio Works is a wholly-owned subsidiary of CanWest Media Works (NZ) Limited which is 70 per cent owned by Canadian media company CanWest Global Communications. The remaining 30 per cent of Media Works shares are in public ownership following a float of the company on the New Zealand Stock Exchange in July 2004. The company will use the spectrum to launch two new radio stations, Radio Live in the Mid North and The Rock in the Mid North, Far North and Whangarei.

Commission Chair Paula Rebstock said that, after the acquisition, Radio Works would continue to face competition in the provision of radio advertising services in the Northland region, mainly from The Radio Network, as well as some countervailing power from advertisers. Therefore, the Commission was satisfied that the proposed acquisition would not have, or would not be likely to have, the effect of substantially lessening competition.

(National Business Review 1 September)

### **Contact FM moves to the other end of the FM dial**

To comply with MED regulations, Contact FM, Hamilton changed frequencies from 106FM to 88.1FM on Monday 11 July. Contact details: Contact 88.1FM, PO Box 4456, Hamilton East, Hamilton City. Email: [contact@contactfm.co.nz](mailto:contact@contactfm.co.nz), Studio Phone: 07 858 5050

### **Magic Music FM – Whangarei**

In the January 2005 DX Times, I supplied a list of Whangarei FMers while visiting there just before Christmas. One had no ID – 88.5. Some information has since come to hand: 88.5 Magic Music FM went to air October 2004, broadcasts from 152 Bank Street, Whangarei, as a non-profit community station. The contact is: Robin Lilley, phone 09 430 1687, email: [hollybank@clear.net.nz](mailto:hollybank@clear.net.nz)

Robin Lilley was connected with the former Radio Northland 1026AM some 25 years ago when this was the only commercial station there, on Rust Ave, Whangarei.

(Gordon Mathieson, Paeroa)

### **The Highway 107.4FM**

Paeroa's first LPFmer began transmission with a temporary transmitter in May 2005, and then acquired a permanent one in July. The Highway plays mostly pop and oldies with a wide variety of all sorts.

There is a web site: [www.thehighway.co.nz](http://www.thehighway.co.nz), and is operated by Nigel King, from his home

at 20 Cullen Street, Paeroa. Can be heard on my car audio system from at least 10km radius of Paeroa, but more so to the north through west. On SH2 from Auckland first signals appear about Ngatea, 24km NW of Paeroa, and can be heard on the Puriri Hill 20km north, on the Paeroa-Thames road SH26, plus to Karangahake 8km SE and on the Tirohia-Tahunua road to about 15km SW of Paeroa. Email: thehighway@orcon.net.nz  
(Gordon Mathieson, Paeroa)

### **Gordon Mathieson, Paeroa logs for September**

Classic Hits Northland – Kaikohe 97.2

National FM – Kaikohe 101.6

Mai FM – Whangarei 97.8

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National FM – Rotorua 101.5

QSL – National FM – Kaikohe 101.6

FM Trail from Karangahake Gorge Walkways car park (beside SH2) – 3 September 2005  
Surprising there was so much heard from such a location (8km SE from Paeroa) – with a northwesterly facing aspect. Aucklanders were excellent but Hamilton FMers were noticeably absent (except for those using Mt Te Aroha). The following were heard on my Winston car audio system with whip antenna:

- 88.6 Mai FM (Auckland)
- 89.0 Coromandel FM (Paeroa)
- 89.4 Newstalk ZB (Auckland) – excellent – no sign of The Rhythm Waihi Beach
- 89.8 ZM (Hamilton – fair only)
- 89.9 Times FM (Waiwera TX – very good signal)
- 90.2 The Rock (Auckland)
- 90.5 1XX (Whakatane – barely audible)
- 90.6 ? (no ID – Chinese language – fair)
- 90.8 Waihi Community Radio (Waihi – good mono signal)
- 91.0 ZM (Auckland)
- 91.4 Concert FM (Mt Te Aroha)
- 91.8 More FM (Auckland)
- 92.2 Nga Iwi (Paeroa – Maramarua TX – excellent)
- 92.6 Concert FM (Auckland)
- 92.8 Tautoko FM? (not sure, but was a Maori station – not Nga Iwi)
- 93.4 Solid Gold (Auckland)
- 93.8 Kiwi (Auckland – ex Channel Z – no sign of Solid Gold Hamilton)
- 94.2 The Edge (Auckland)
- 94.6 Life FM (Mt Te Aroha)
- 95.0 BFM (Auckland)

- 95.4 Tainui FM
- 95.8 Real Good Life (Chinese language – Auckland)
- 96.2 Coromandel FM
- 96.6 Times FM (Moirs Hill TX near Warkworth – very good)
- 96.8 George FM (Auckland – fair signal, but 96.6 Times FM over shadows)
- 97.0 Newstalk ZB (Hamilton – poor signal)
- 97.2 Classic Hits Northland (Kaikohe – surprise here – excellent signal) **(2)**
- 97.4 Classic Hits 97.4 (Auckland – powerhouse as always but 97.2 as good as)
- 97.5 Coromandel FM (Waihi – fair, overshadowed by 97.4)
- 97.8 Mai FM (Whangarei – another big surprise here – excellent – no sign of The Edge Hamilton) **(3)**
- 98.2 Viva (Auckland)
- 98.4 Concert FM (Kaikohe – only possible location for this one – very good)
- 98.6 Classic Hits ZHFM (Mt Te Aroha)
- 99.0 Radio Hauraki (Auckland)
- 99.3 The Breeze (Hamilton – barely audible)
- 99.8 Life FM (Auckland)
- 100.0 The Edge (another surprise) (1)
- 100.6 Radio Live (Auckland)
- 101.0 National (Mt Te Aroha)
- 101.4 National (Auckland)
- 101.6 National (Kaikohe)
- 103.4 Niu FM (Mt Te Aroha)
- 103.8 Niu FM (Auckland)
- 104.6 Planet FM (Auckland)
- 105.4 Coast FM (Auckland)
- 107.4 The Highway (Paeroa)

**(1)** Frequent IDs as “100-91.5 The Edge, Northland’s Best Music”. Whangarei’s Edge frequency 91.5 not audible at all due to 91.4 Concert and 91.8 More FM. So is the 100 frequency from the Kaikohe or Bay of Islands area?

**(2)** Classic Hits Northland 97.2, new on FM ex 1215AM, Kaikohe TX, excellent stereo signal, especially so close to Auckland’s Classic Hits 97.4. Paradoxically, no sign whatever of Whangarei’s Classic Hits 96.0 – possibly due to local Coromandel FM 96.2, but nothing powerful below 96.0 to interference.

**(3)** 97.8 Mai FM, many IDs as “Northland’s Hottest Music – Mai FM 97.8”

Apart from (3), a lot of activity from Kaikohe area. No signs of the following Whangarei frequencies, from the Parahaki TX site on vacant frequencies: 93.1 ZM, 96.0 Classic Hits Northland, 100.3 Niu FM.

So, given the above comments, it appears that “skip” conditions were in existence for the Kaikohe area FMers, as I haven’t heard this area before. Times FM is not unusual around the elevated parts of Paeroa, and some years ago (pre 1991) Whangarei’s 92.4 KCC-FM put a good signal into this area, with elevation before 92.2 Nga Iwi and 92.6 Concert FM Auckland came on air, so one doesn’t know what’s around the proverbial corner.

(Gordon Mathieson, Paeroa)



## MAILBAG

**RAY CRAWFORD, Forestdale, Queensland** says he has no reports out this month and very little listening being done. At least it is good to get a few nice veries.

Veries are in from 4CH 603, KRZI 1660, Kenya 1386, La Amistad Chile 1480, LS1 R de la Ciudad Argentina 1110, R.Festival Chile 1270, Family Radio Taiwan 1359, CX44 AM Libre Uruguay 1410, R Tiempo Venezuela 1200 and R Murialdo Argentina 1290. Radio Murialdo Argentina 1290 email from ecattaneo@gmail.com

AM Libre Uruguay 1410 email from Pietro Spinetti the announcer from delagro@1410amlibre.com . Radio Festival, Chile email from Patricia Ubilla S, Secretaria-Gerencia at schiesa@festival.cl ; LS1 Radio de la Ciudad, Argentina 1110 with personal letter from Lis. Claudio Vivori, Director General Ajunto; Kenya 1386 with a email and registered personal letter from Isaac Muchomba M'maeria for the Managing Director. mdkbc@swiftkenya.com .

KRZI Waco TX 1660 with email from Tom Barfield at tom@1660espn.com

La Amistad, Chile 1480 email with several photos of station equipment and staff from Jose Ramon Cuevas, Director Radio La Amistad de Tome radio@laamistad.tie.cl

**GORDON MATHIESON, Paeroa** has logged 1XG Rhema Auckland 1251 and BBC World Service Auckland 810. QSL from 1XG Rhema 1251

**DES DAVEY Te Kuiti** has reports away to Radio Dunedin 1305, Solid Gold AM Wellington 1233 and 4QS Toowomba 747. Has logged RRS Levin 1602, Kidnappers 1431, Newstalk ZB 1413, ABC national 1375, Pacific 954, National radio 729, 531 PI, Samoan capital 783, Rhema 972, WEUV 1700 Gospel (1530 UTC) KSTP St Paul MN (at 1540).

**STU FORSYTH , Darfield** has veries in from: 4KZ 531, v/s Al Kirton (al@4kz.com.au); KKEA 1420, v/s Randal Ikeda (randali@sportsradio1420.com); 4GC 828, v/s Tania Harrison Account Manager/Office Administrator, (tania.harrison@mrworks.com.au); 4HI 945 & 1215 by letter, v/s Gary Sands, Breakfast announcer - a nice friendly letter; 2EL 1089, v/s Tony Healey, Station Manager, (easy1089@amiradio.com.au); 2TM 1287, v/s Phil Henry, Station Engineer (phil@nowires.com.au) He tells me that in 2yrs at the station he has never had a reception report. He obviously never received my earlier report!! Still, nice chap that he is he will send me some stickers by post; CFUN 1410, e-mail from Stu Ferguson, Programme Manager (ferguson@cfun.com) via their website

Reports are out to: 3XX 1611, 3GG 531, 7BU 558, 3CR 855, 3BO 945 & 3BT 1314 (both 3UZ repeaters), 3EL 1071, 3CS 1134, 3GV 1242, 3AK 1116, 3CW 1341, 3KND 1503, 3XY 1422, 7AD 900 - all logged on a recent trip to Melbourne, when I woke at 5am each day! They were all logged using a Sony Walkman radio (a little larger than a matchbox). It overloads horribly, but if it is away from local stations, it is fine. Locals are heard 18-27 kHz either side of their

frequency.

While in Aussie I picked up the third John Smith EWE. This one will be pointed towards Sth America - hopefully. I will try to get it up this weekend.

## TRAILS

### **MANGAWHAI (NORTHLAND) ELECTION NIGHT MINI TRAIL**

BCM = Bryan Clark and AOR7030+ running mobile with 185 metre BOG to northeast.

740	USA	0728	KTRH Houston TX breaking out from "Coast to Coast AM" talk network for news at 0730, ident as "Radio 7-40 KTRH" 17/9.
750	USA	0730	KXL Portland OR with local news, weather, ident as "Newstalk 7-50 KXL" 17/9. BCM
850	USA	0744	KOA Denver CO mixing SS (possibly religious format). Ident as "You've got the best of Phil Hendry on Newstalk 8-50 KOA" 17/9. BCM
880	USA	0805	KRVN Lexington NE with weather forecast for Wyoming over SS vocals, fair 17/9. BCM
1180	CUBA	0822	Radio Rebelde and Radio Marti, Marathon FL slogging it out in SS. Easily confirmed via SW parallels 5025 & 6030 respectively, 17/9. BCM
1320	MEXICO	0448	XED Mexico DF in SS with ident and national anthem at 0500 17/9 mixed with KCTC. BCM
1320	USA	0605	KCTC Sacramento CA with "Music of Your Life" format promo and local ident 17/9, good. BCM
1530	USA (non)	0735	KGBT Harlingen TX usually dominant, ominously absent – perhaps a hurricane victim? 17/9 BCM
1670	USA	0812	KHPY Moreno Valley CA "Radio Catolica" in SS, vgd over KNRO sports, 17/9 despite high static levels tonight. BCM
1690	USA	0832	KDDZ Arvada CO with "Radio Disney" ident, all alone, parallel to Disney programming on 1680 most likely KAVT due conditions favouring West Coasters at this time 17/9. Gospel format earlier may have been KFSG. BCM

### **Craig Edwards DXing at the Coorong in South Australia Icom R75 off 12V , pre-amp and EWE to Africa**

Hi guys, enjoyed a couple of productive weekends at the Coorong with some new African logs for me, 90 metre band Africans were HUGE in strength but I didn't really bother with them, too busy on the AM band, complete story at <http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/> and check out the Coorong.

612	1728	AIR Babgladore, India. Extremely surprised to come across English news from AIR mixing with the Aussies noted // SW. Aug 5 (CE)
621	1755	Voice of the Arabs, Batrah, Egypt. Upbeat Arabic music program then interval signal on hour. Aug 11 (CE)
711	2110	Radio Sana'a, Ta'izz, Yemen. Poor signal compared to 760 here with

			non-stop talks in Arabic. Aug 5 (CE)
760	2050		Radio Sana'a, Alshahr, Yemen. Nice signal from this regular Middle Eastern split frequency, wish there were more of them. Aug 5 (CE)
819	1747		Batrah, Egypt. Good Arabic music programming. Aug 6 (CE)
839.4	1831		Radiodiffusion Nationale Tchadienne, N'djamena, Chad. Assume the one here, poor after only a het the previous morning. Noted with Arabic like talk and exotic North African tunes a bit like the selection easily heard on Djibouti Radio. Aug 5,6 (CE)
854.1	1703		Rivers State Broadcasting Corp., Port Harcourt, Nigeria. Poor after only a strong het during the long July trip, great hi-life music but at times noted on the hour with male in Nigerian dialect. Aug 5,6 (CE)
909	1845		Voice of America, Botswana. Good in English // 4930. Aug 6 (CE)
990	1855		Radio Sawa, Cape Greco, Cyprus. Good mixing in with the Aussies with usual Arabic pop songs noted // 1260 & 1170. Aug 11 (CE)
1169	1650		IRIB Sarasary, Iran. Massive mess caused by this on 1170, strong all weekend with male talks in Farsi. Aug 5 (CE)
1242	1640		Voice of Vietnam, Vietnam. Good over 5AU and 3TR with General overseas English service. Aug 6 (CE)
1260	2040		Radio Sawa, Rhodes, Dodecanese Islands. Sensational Arabic pop songs and noted // 990. July 20 (CE)
1296	2022		SNBC Reba, Sudan. Noted with usual North African music and male talks in Arabic. Aug 11 (CE)
1323	1951		BBC Zyyi, Cyprus. Fair with BBC WS in English, rare catch in the Coorong due to cochannel 5DN. Aug 11 (CE)
1386	1602		KBC Maralal, Kenya. Noted this fading in around this time with English news items and program on water sanitation, then into their usual ragic 80's pop music selection. Aug 5 (CE)
1539	1545		Radiodiffusion Vision Djibouti, Djibouti. First of the Africans as usual // 4780. Aug 6 (CE)
1557	2140		Radio Asia, Ras Al Khaimah, United Arab Emirates. Poor in presumed Malayalam Middle Eastern language with male talks and upbeat music show. Aug 11 (CE)
1575	1830		Radio Farda, Al-Dhabbaya, United Arab Emirates. Good mixing with popular music with Farsi vocals and plenty of IDs. Aug 5 (CE)

### TOP END TRAIL

1570	MEX	0700	XERF Ciudad Acuna, Syndicated SS. Notably women ann. TK
1580	USA	0700	KMIK Tempe AZ Disney mxd with KBJA Los Angeles SS TK
1620	USA	0550	WDHP US Virgins. First in on X band. Jazz a gd level TK
1640	USA	0700	KDZR Arvada CA Disney, mixed with KDIA TK
1650	USA	0710	KWHN Fort Smith AR carries C to C. Good ID and Wx :06.
1660	USA	0805	KTIQ Merced CA frequent ID's "Radio Visa" SS and dominates the freq in SS. TK
1660	USA	0810	KXOL Brigham City UT 60's oldies in the mix. TK
1660	USA	0700	KXTR Westwood KS Classical snaps but buried TK

1670	USA	0725	KHPY Moreno Valley SS Full ID on hr TK
1670	USA	0730	KNRO Redding CA ESPN sport TK
1680	USA	0815	KTFH Seattle WA Ethnic at good level TK
1690	USA	0730	WWAA Adel GA " ID's as Air Atlanta 1690" at gd level with plenty of local ads. Mixed with KFSG. TK
1690	USA	0726	WRLL Berwyn-Chicago. "Real Oldies" "Fools Rush In" "You gotta be a Beautiful Baby" TK
1700	USA	0730	XEPE Rosarito BCN "Cash 1700" syndicated financial talk TK
1700	USA	0730	KVNS Brownsville TX always on top. Promoting itself as the station to tune to in emergencies. TK



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## Recent Additions at Radio Heritage Foundation

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### Long Lost Australian Radio Stars Shine Again Third Series Released

The Radio Heritage Foundation [[www.radioheritage.net](http://www.radioheritage.net)] has released the third in its popular series of Long Lost Australian Radio Stars.

Personalities from the mid-1940's are featured from long gone 2HR Hunter River, 3CV Central Victoria, and 4WK Warwick.

Originally located in Singleton, 2HR moved to Maitland in 1939 and changed call-sign to 2NX in 1954. Included amongst the stars from 2HR, are Ken Weedon [Sporting Editor], John Herr [Industrial Interlude' workers program], and Clarrie Wood [Fling with Swing] as well as 'Ranch Boss' Maurice Bernard.

From 3CV Central Victoria [studios in Bendigo, Maryborough, Carisbrook and Melbourne], personalities include the well known Ken Parker [Choice of the People], Bill Donohue [3CV Digger Session], Colin Burke [Hospital Session' and mornings] and 'Lady Rita' [Rita Dodds] who ran the '3CV Women's Radio Club' with over 11,000 members throughout central and northern Victoria.

The Voice of the Darling Downs' 4WK Warwick features Don Marshall [station manager], Miss S Porter [who 'obtained A.Mus.A. for the piano and reached Grade 1 standard in elocution], and D H Ross [served as a pilot overseas with the RAF]. A rather small roster, but at the time 4WK broadcast for only 12 hours each day and had a daily closedown between 2pm-5.30pm. A long afternoon tea break!

2HR Hunter River began operations in August 1937, 3CV traces its pedigree back to 3MB Birchip in October 1935, and 4WK celebrated its 70th anniversary in May 2005, having commenced broadcasting in 1935.

All these now on-line at [www.radioheritage.net](http://www.radioheritage.net), as well as personalities from the first and second series, and a detailed guide to Early Australian Radio Pioneers from 1920-1929.

The Radio Heritage Foundation, helping Long Lost Australian Radio Stars to 'Shine Again', and sharing the stories of Pacific radio.



# U.S. X-BAND AT A GLANCE - OCTOBER 2005



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Updates in bold>

1610	CHHA	Toronto ON Rel SS.
1620	WHLY	South Bend IN "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 Virgin Islands Carries BBC WS until after 0700.
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. ABC nx.
	KFXV	Enid OK "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' Takes C to C
	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 " New 1660 AM WFNA Charlotte"
	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 Nostalgia "Star 1660 is KQWB AM" CNN News
	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 Talk. Talk Radio 16-70 WTDY Madison")
	KHPY	Moreno Valley, CA Radio Catolica SS Sung ID on hr. "KHPY Moreno Valley 1670"
	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 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" C to C.
	XEPE	Rosarito BCN MX In EE. Slogan 'Cash 1700" investment pgmg.. Mex. anthem 0700.



# HCJB

## End of an era Approaching

Compiled by  
Bill Smith (USA)

Many of us will recall our early days exploring shortwave with such stations as HCJB. Now that station where the cubical quad was made famous is in jeopardy of permanent closure.

Fifteen years I visited the HCJB Quito studios and the Pifo transmitter and antenna site.



HCJB transmitters at Pifo  
from the HCJB web site  
<http://www.hcjb.org>

The Quito studios and equipment were cast in the 50s; reel-to-reel tape decks, et al, but the Pifo site was quite something to behold; the Sterba Curtain array, the cubical quad and other antennas and then to literally walk into the 500,000 watt transmitter. The RF and modulator sections were on the left of the isle facing towards the control room, the power supply on the right immediately above a large swimming pool. The pool water was heated for the Pifo transmitter staff and family use by circulating it through the transmitter.

There were four other smaller transmitters in the same building, a 100 watter, a 1 kW, a 50 kW and a 250 kW.

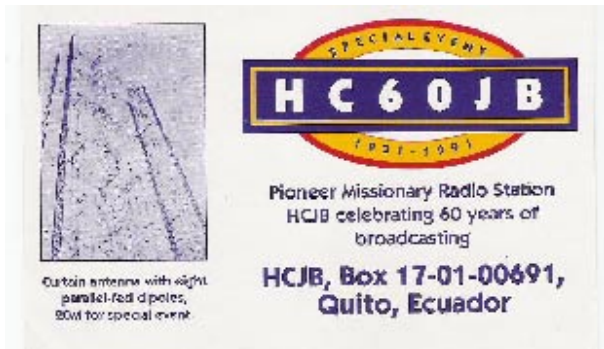
Switching antennas from one transmitter to another, or changing directions, was literally done by hand-throwing huge knife-type switches in the building attic. One needed to be very careful in the attic where OSHA would have never ventured.

The entrance door foyer to the building has two glass cases showing "mistakes" in engineering; melted tubes, melted and charred insulators, transmission line, those things that happen in a high RF environment.

This which follows is from a September 25 edition of the SW DXing hobbyist news-letter DXpress.

**ECUADOR. HCJB:** With a recently signed agreement HCJB has to dismantle the Pifo facilities within two years. No decision has been made yet if a new station elsewhere in Ecuador will be built. In the end this will depend on the financial situation of the mission. Back in May a studio guest of Kim Elliot explained that earlier hopes to continue at Pifo after dismantling the tallest towers have been crushed. Now it appears to be questionable if any substantial replacement for Pifo will be ever built. (Ludwig-Germany, BCDX)

Yes, this would be the ending of an era from "high in the Andes." Bill Smith. NZ DX League Member USA)



QSL from a special event ham station heard by Barry Williams in 1991, celebrating the occasion of HCJB's 60th Anniversary. From Barry Williams QSL Collection.





**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING THIS MONTH** The League's 57<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting will be held in Auckland on Sunday 30 October, starting at 2pm. As in past years, the venue will be the Western Suburbs Radio Club's clubrooms at 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, Auckland. Members from outside of Auckland who intend being present should contact National Secretary/Treasurer **PHIL VAN DE PAVERD** to confirm arrangements and directions to the venue. Contact Phil at P.O. Box 3011, Auckland or by email to paverdp@xtra.co.nz

**AGM REMIT** The following remit has been received from Southland Branch for consideration at the DX League's AGM on 30 October: "That with the declining memberships in the NZ Radio DX League and the Australian Radio DX Club, it seems an ideal time to consider the idea of a combined Magazine between the two Clubs. The Southland Branch would like to see this matter discussed at the AGM of the NZRDXL". This remit was moved by **Eric McIntosh**, Life Member NZRDXL, Seconded by **Paul Aronsen**. The remit has already been circulated to branches for comment. Individual members with feedback should contact Secretary Phil (see details above) no later than 27 October.

**A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU** to Auckland member **OLLIE BARTON** who recently donated his Kenwood R-5000 communications receiver to one of the League's youngest members.

**THANK YOU** to **PETER GRENFELL** and **MARTIN HADLOW** for their recent donations to League funds.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the Norwegian DX-Listeners Club which is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a meeting at Lista on the south-western coast of Norway on the weekend of 3-6 November. This news from League and DX-LC member TERRY NIELSEN.

**INTERNATIONAL REPLY COUPONS** In the September 2005 issue of Radcom there is a report stating that New Zealand Post will no longer accept old style IRCs. They will only accept the larger variety with bar code on the reverse. The new IRCs, for the first time, include an expiry date of 31 December 2006. In the United Kingdom it appears that the Royal Mail is taking the view that all IRCs in circulation, including earlier issues will expire at the end of 2006. Apparently there is no news yet from the Universal Postal Union as to when the next series of IRCs will be issued. (Medium Wave Circle via Dave Onley in mw-oz)

**DO YOU LISTEN TO SHORTWAVE?** In all probability, if you are reading this, you do enjoy tuning the radio spectrum between 1700 and 30,000 kiloHertz, and listening

to exotic and informative programming from around the world. In the DX Times, the Bandwatch has always been one of the most popular columns amongst readers, and the Administration Committee wants to encourage greater levels of contribution. NZ-based members who contribute and have loggings published in the Bandwatch Under 9 and Over 9 columns during October, November and December, will receive a special incentive, thanks to member JIM REED. Jim subscribes to a number of US and UK-based commercial magazines and has passed these on to us to share with members. So, why not send in details of the better catches in your logbook over the next few months so that Bandwatch reflects the variety of broadcasters being heard by members. The incentive magazines will be mailed out to contributors in time for Christmas! Our section editors will be pleasantly surprised when you do contribute - please ensure your items follow the format in the Bandwatch columns.

**THE TIMES THEY ARE A'CHANGING?** The International Earth Rotation and Reference Systems Service, located at the Paris Observatory, France, has decided that this year will be one second longer than last year. A leap second will be added at the end of 31 December 2005. However, there is now a proposal to abolish leap seconds from December 2007. This proposal will be discussed by the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) at a meeting in Geneva in November 2005. Leap seconds are small adjustments to UTC, which keep ordinary clock time synchronised with the rotation of Earth and thus with the location of the Sun in the sky. They were introduced in 1972 as a reasonable compromise to serve both needs. There have been 21 leap seconds since 1972. (via Peter Bond, Royal Astronomical Society)

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

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

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Humor": Some of today's DXers may have heard of Charlie Loudenboomer, whose attempts at hobby humor appeared in the NASWA bulletin, "FRIENDX," from January 1966 to January 1977. But how many have actually read them? Here are some early examples taken from "The Best of Loudenboomer, the Collected Works of Charlie Loudenboomer, Vol. 1," published circa 1973.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri": The American Shortwave Listeners Club is most often associated with Stew MacKenzie who became its Publisher in 1966 and Executive Editor in 1967. However, the club was founded in 1959 by Ken MacNeillage and Maxey Irwin. Here are two early copies of the club bulletin, "SWL," one from January 1960 (the second issue of the bulletin [p. 4 is missing]) and the other from March 1960. Thanks to Bob LaRose for these.



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## Auckland Branch

The September meeting was held at the clubrooms with 8 present. Malcolm Holmes gave a report on the Dxpedition to Waipu Cove that happened on the weekend of Friday 16 – Sunday 18 September. Bryan Marsh reminisced on his motor home which he took everywhere over New Zealand, and has now sold it. There followed a discussion on components, Radiospares Ltd in Great South Road, Southdown, Waddy Loop and the JRC NRD515.

The October meeting will be at the Clubrooms, 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, just past Whau Creek, on **Sunday, October 30th at 2 PM.**

The November meeting will tentatively be at the Clubrooms on Sunday, **November 27th at 2 PM.** Meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month except December.

## Christchurch/Canterbury Area Get-together

An invitation is extended to all greater Canterbury NZRDXL members to attend a get together at Stu Forsyth's home, 27 Mathias St, Darfield, on **Sunday November 20th at 2pm.** Bring your radios, QSLs, whatever: all welcome. Either e-mail Stu at darfielddx@gmail.com or call him 03 318 7902 for directions.

## Southland Branch

The September meeting was held at Tiwai. The Dxers headed for Tiwai about 0330 on a fine and warm day. Five of us were crammed in Paul's old Commodore Wagon.

After repairs to the water tank the meeting followed and this was quickly followed by a bite to eat and a short listening time. X band yanks were in early with good strong signals that stayed and stayed. Eric had a bundle of some of his old Qsl,s at the meeting, one was very interesting as it was from Athlone in Ireland on 566 k/hz. Eric explained that he heard a weather forecast and a gale warning from the radio station, (about 7-00 am NZ time ). Along with the QSL was a moment by moment program schedule that the station broadcast that day.

The October Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 25th October** at Arthur Williams 26 Centre Street Invercargill starting as 7-30pm. Don,t forget to bring all your radio stories and tell us about your listening habits since the last meeting .

## Wellington Area Branch

Next Wellington Area gathering will be at the home of NZDXT Chief Editor, Mark Nicholls on **Sunday, October 30, at 1.45pm.** Address: 4 Parera Grove, Heretaunga, Upper Hutt. A video of an Arctic Dxpedition, radio stations in the news etc will be screened.

Phone 04 972 2606 or email editor@radiodx.com if you require directions.

All members in Wellington, Kapiti, Horowhenua and Wairarapa regions very welcome. Gatherings are purely social, so come along!

## Wanted to Buy

NRD 525 communications receiver.  
Can pay cash and for delivery to Chch.  
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Terje Nielsen <paula.terry@xtra.co.nz>



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Yaesu FRG7700 Communications Receiver  
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Please contact Des Davey, 16 View Road, Te Kuiti  
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## Wanted for Restoration

BC-348 Receiver, J, N or Q model.  
Unmodified front panel preferred.



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MEDIUMWAVE	JUN	AUG	INC	CNTS	SHORTWAVE	JUN	AUG	INC	CNTS
OPEN (Over 500)					OPEN (Over 500)				
Ray Crawford	2329	2351	22	189	Ian Cattermole	5167	5246	79	201
Paul Ormandy	1569			145	Günter Jacob	3218	3322	104	172
Sutton Burtenshaw	1048	1050	2	104	Barry Williams	2703			243
David Ricquish	867	867	0	67	Ray Crawford	2637	2647	10	233
Craig Edwards	685	685	0	87	John Durham	2264			265
Bryan Clark	677			120	Robert Park	1829			104
Barry Williams	664			83	John Campbell	1675			261
Stuart Forsyth	658	689	31	51	Paul Ormandy	1649			245
Mark Nicholls	643	643	0	67	Bryan Clark	1560			240
John Campbell	642			129	Paul Aronsen	806			125
Paul Aronsen	531			50	Peter Grenfell	673			133
SENIOR (301 - 500)					SENIOR (301 - 500)				
Peter Grenfell	443			37	Craig Edwards	409	409	0	168
Gordon Mathieson	418	419	1	18	Stuart Forsyth	399	401	2	108
Frank Glen	305			22	Andy McQueen	386			104
INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)					INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)				
Andy McQueen	298			21	Arthur de Maine	275	276	1	94
Günter Jacob	271	288	17	52	JUNIOR (5 - 150)				
JUNIOR (5 - 150)					Mark Nicholls	121			55
Robert Park	86			2	Frank Glen	73			51
Arthur De Maine	58	59	1	11	Andrew Sunde	55			36
Andrew Sunde	24			3					
					UTILITIES				
FM-TELEVISION					Ron Killick	61875			133
Robert Krijger	678			6	Robert Park	78			5
Bryan Clark	148			5	Günter Jacob	14	14	0	12
Paul Ormandy	110			5					
Mark Nicholls	43			2	Stuart Forsyth				
Gordon Mathieson	40	43	3						
Andy McQueen	29			2					
Robert Park	19			1					

73s, Stu

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