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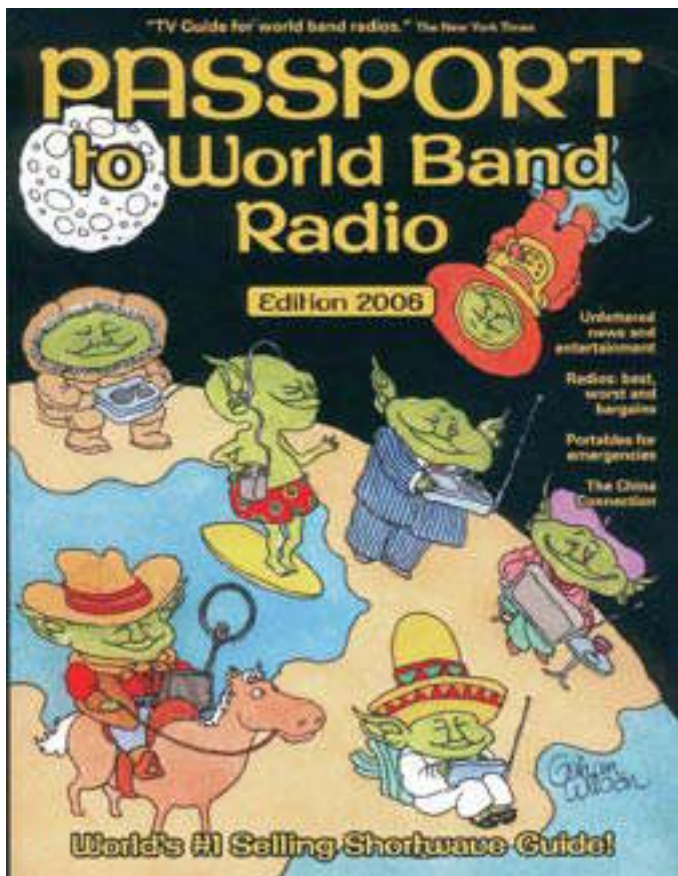
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## NOTE THE EARLIER CLOSING DATE

Usually the 1st Wednesday of the Month. However due to the 1st Wednesday in December being later than usual and to get the magazine completed and in the mail before the Christmas Closedown the closing date will be Wednesday 30th November

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**Passport to World Band Radio**  
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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
2310	1110	AUSTRALIA, ABC Alice Springs VL8A good with sports commentary — DD
2485	1116	AUSTRALIA, ABC Katherine, VL8K good with some noise — DD
3185	1100	USA, WWRB with the Overcomer, poor — DD
3240#	0310	SWAZILAND, Trans World Radio, lively African vocals. Talk by man in Shona taking phone call from listener. Studio talk by a man and woman. Series of IDs and closedown announcements plus address at 0327. Multiple IDs with change of languages at 0330. Good signal — RAD 8/10
3290#	0910	PNG. Presumed R. Central, here in PNG purgatory I was surprised to find what was apparently this one at 0910 Oct 7, a good Pacific morning; seemingly English talk, anmts at 0912, all //4890. QRMed from Guyana-3291.15, tho in the clear by 1030 check when had very exotic, native-sounding mx, no longer //4890 JB 7/10
3291.2#	0407	GUYANA, Voice of Guyana-GBC, BBC programming in English with BBC World Service ID at 0432. Poor. — RAD 24/9
3345#	0402	3345, SOUTH AFRICA, Channel Africa, man reading the news in English. ID at 0408 followed by a woman with news feature. Fair — RAD 26/9
3925#	1025	JAPAN. R. Nikkei, decent at 1025 Oct 7, talk by M&W with musical interludes; //6055 not as good. — JB 7/10
3935#	0917	NEW ZEALAND. Presumed ZLXA, talk but nothing more.- JB 7/10
3976	1037	INDONESIA, RRI Pontianak. Poor in Indonesian, eth & semiclass mx, brief Q'uran, MA, advert, "Pontianak" refs 8/10 KVB
4605	0915	INDONESIA, RRI Serui. Fair in Indonesian, phone-in, local/westn pop mx, drums, chants,, ID TC 1033 5/10 KVB
4605	1040	INDONESIA, RRI Serui fair with pop music but faded out by 1055 — DD
4716	1012	BOLIVIA, R.Yura (tent). Poor in Spanish/Quechua, occsnl ute QRM. Tentative ID 1017 8/10 KVB
4746.5	1026	PERU, R.Huanta.. Fair/poor in Spanish/Quechua, some ute QRM, usual MA but more lively announcements, Andean & other mx, adverts 8/10 KVB
4765	0810	BRAZIL, R.Emissora Rural Santarem (tent). Poor in Portuguese, anim MA, rooster, donkey, accdn mx, adverts, some ute QRM 8/10 KVB
4775#	0412	4775, SWAZILAND, Trans World Radio, man with long religious talk in German with some choir vocals mixed in. Singing ID and change to English preacher talking at 0430. Fair. - RAD 26/9
4775#	0434	SWAZILAND, Trans World Radio. First log of this station and country. OM in English with reminisces of his military service. Faint.- JW 12/10
4780#	2145	DJIBOUTI. RTD, strong, animated talk, HoA mx; upbeat intro theme to nx at 2201. JB 7/10

- 4790 0903 INDONESIA, RRI Fak Fak. Fair in Indonesian, chants, drums, Q'uran, trad mx, ll/westn pops 8/10 KVB
- 4815 0812 BRAZIL, R.Dif Londrina (tent). Fair in Portuguese, ezl mx, rlg prgm svl "Igreja" refs, Poss adverts, "Rio de Janeiro" ref. 16/10 KVB
- 4865 0625 BRAZIL, R.Alvorada Londrina (tent). Fair/poor in Portuguese, MA, adverts, ballads, jingles, dial-tones, Catholic rlg svc 10/10 KVB
- 4885# 0427 BRAZIL, Radio Clube Do Para (Balem). Really nice dance club mx. Fair.- JW 12/10
- 4895 0855 PNG NBC Port Moresby fair in English with music, ads, and news at 0900, ID 0905, steady QRN, worse 25/10 — CC 13/10
- 4905 1635 TIBET, XPBS fair in English with indig singing then talk, very scratchy // 4920, 5240 the same — CC 29/10
- 4905# 1100 CHINA. Xizang PBS, Lhasa, surprisingly good with talk by M&W and background mx, 4905 slightly the better of the two. — JB 7/10
- 4910 0745 AUSTRALIA, ABC Territory Radio Tennant Creek, Fair in English, community youth work/solvent abuse //4835 Fair/Good 10/10 KVB
- 4930# 0421 BOTSWANA, VOA relay. OM in English with political cmtry. Stock market nx and ments of Nigerian LNG. ID at 0424. Fair — JW 12/10
- 4965 1600 RUSSIA, V of Russia with ID, then news in English, fair — PP 1/11
- 4965# 0358 ZAMBIA, The Voice Africa. First log of this station. YL in English with nx and TC as "South African Time." Several ments of Zambia. Following prgm sounded like an US morning "drive time" prgm with IDs as "The Voice" and "The very best of gospel music." Tk of Angola. Skeds and freqs. Faint. — JW 12/10
- 4965.8#1025 PERU. Presumed R. Santa Ana, the new one being hrd by Bjorn Malm; carrier on at 1025 Oct 18 (a good LA morning), but very weak and all I could make out was mx; nothing hrd on subsequent mornings.- JB 18/10
- 4985 0710 BRAZIL, R.Central Goiania. Fair in Portugues, upbeat format, mx, jingles, MA. ID 0717 6/10 KVB
- 5005# 2215 EQUATORIAL GUINEA (Bata), Radio Nacional, lively program of vocals until 2230 ID in Spanish by a man announcer and news. Many mentions of Malabo. Nice "Radio Nacional, Bata" ID at 2236 prior to returning to lively vocals. Closedown ID and sign off announcements at 2256 followed by long orchestra national anthem from 2257. Fair to good signal. — RAD 24/9
- 5014.5#1015 PERU. R. Altura, strident talking by a woman , anmt 1020, more talking, ID at 1030 and into rustic OA vocals — JB 18/10.
- 5019.9#0915 5019.87 SOLOMON IS. SIBS, better-than-usual signal, but blocked by strong carrier opening on 5019.94 at 0933. Carrier was probably Horizonte, but never had any prgmng and SIBS was back on top after 1000, still there at 1100.- JB 7/10
- 5020 0738 SOLOMON ISL, SIBC, Fair in English, pop mx, adverts, Solomon Airlines schedules, MA, national nx. ID TC 0800 31/10 KVB
- 5020 1030 SOLOMON IS, SIBC good in English and Tok Pisin with news — DD
- 5020 1325 SOLOMON IS, SIBC with relay of BBC News, excellent — PP 1/11
- 5020 1410 SOLOMON IS, SIBC relaying BBC in English, fair — KAB 6/10
- 5024.9#0953 UNID. Small carrier came on here, I thought maybe it would be

Quillabamba but I never hrd any prgmng. Cuba absent this day at this time, though there at 1100 re-check — JB 7/10

5030 1020 COSTA RICA, University Network, weak and very noisy — DD  
5030# 2338 BURKINA FASO, Radiodiffusion TV Burkina, information program hosted by two men in French with short musical segments. Program close with postal mailing address for Radio Burkina at 2358(. After that a man announcer gave brief announcements with instrumental music at closedown. Fair to good.- RAD 14/10

5035 0505 BRAZIL, R.Aparecida (fent) Poor in Portuguese, MA/FA, occsnl mx, rlg svc/mx, discussn 11/10 KVB

5035# 0021 BRAZIL, Radio Aparecida, man and woman talking in Portuguese, soft vocal selections, ID at 0030. Poor to fair and //9630 which was poor.- RAD 15/10

5054.6#0051 COSTA RICA, Faro del Caribe, man with long Spanish talk followed by light instrumental music at 0057, more talk and a vocal to 0100 ID. Next program was mainly vocals hosted by a man and woman. Poor to fair. — RAD 28/9

5110 0615 USA, WBCQ fair in English — IC 25/10

5765 1000 USA, The Overcomer in English, poor mixed with another stn — DD

5765 1340 GUAM, AFN on USB with various topics in English, excellent — PP 1/11

5810 0430 USA, WYFR fair in English, noisy — DD

5835 0435 USA, WHRI fair in English with relig prgm, off at 0500 — DD

5850 0930 USA, WEWN v good in English — DD

5885 1350 NETHERLANDS, RN with sports results followed by weather, good in Dutch, off at 1355 with Natl Anthem — PP 1/11

5920 1840 SLOVAKIA, R Slovakia Intl fair in English with comment on European Integration, ID 1845 with latest news from Slovakia — KAB 19/10

5975# 0200 FRENCH GUIANA, BBC WS good in English with news — JS 27/10

5985 0950 SPAIN, REE poor in Spanish — DD

5995 0930 AUSTRALIA, R Australia to PNG in English, weak — DD

6010# 0757 MEXICO. R. Mil,with ID in the midst of upbeat mx prgm; included power, E-mail address, etc. Het and QRM, but dominant — JB 21/10

6015 1850 GERMANY, Bible Voice fair in English with relig prgm — KAB 9/10

6025 1900 HUNGARY, R Budapest with ID, s/on in English with prgm summary then news — KAB 11/10

6030# 0414 CANADA, CFVP-presumed, country music vocals hosted by a man with brief English words between songs. Apparent ad string at 0420 and a PSA. Not able to ID the poor signal with very deep fades and disappearing by tune out.- RAD 26/9

6040 1912 MOROCCO, VOA with Special English good with Q&A and Daily Dialogue — KAB 11/10

6040 1940 GREECE, VOA special English with major news of the hour, ID 1940 followed by Education Report — KAB 6/10

6045 0430 FRANCE, RFI fair in French — DD

6055 0400 SPAIN, REE poor in Spanish with news — DD

6055 1850 SLOVAKIA, R Slovakia Intl fair in English with comment on learning other languages, ID 1850, IS, ID 1858 — KAB 10/10

6060 0920 ARGENTINA, R Nacional fair in Spanish with ID and talk, some QRN — CC 25/10  
6075 0400 GERMANY, D Welle poor with news in German — DD  
6080 1835 AUSTRALIA, R Australia poor in English with comment about child pornography — KAB 17/10  
6080# 1059 SINGAPORE, Radio Singapore International, open carrier to musical opening at 1059 followed by a man with ID and opening announcements in English at 1100. The news was next ending at 1109 with a woman mentioning "News and views from Radio Singapore International." Poor. - RAD  
6105.1# 2255 BRAZIL. R. Cultura Filadelfia, Foz do Iguazu, not great but better than usual, with usual het from 6105 absent, and best in USB. Appeared to be a religious prgm, preaching, fanfare, chorus, talkover by man, more singing to 2302 when a good ID: "Aqui Cultura Filadelfia . . . en Foz do Iguazu, Parana." Must be SW only--at least gave only SW fqy and mb, also call ltrs and address. Prgmng then stopped, and carrier stayed on until 2307. A new one for me; I have been tracking it for a while but this is the first time I have found it relatively in the clear. Hrd tnx to recent Ralph Brandi rpt.- JB 24/10  
6110 1405 USA, VOA with talk about Asian Bird Flu and other topics, good in English — PP 1/11  
6115 1850 ALBANIA, R Tirana good in English with news, German Tour Operators to invest in Albania, ID 1851 — KAB 17/11  
6139.8#0735 COLOMBIA, Radio Lider, program of romantic Latin vocals hosted by a man announcer with Spanish announcements, IDs between musical selections. Fair. — RAD 16/10  
6150# 0813 BRAZIL. R. Record, poor with light Portuguese mx, jingles, ID 0816, talk, muddy audio, no sign of Gene Scott; //9504.82 (better).- JB 29/10  
6155 0415 AUSTRIA, ORF good in German with Classical music prgm — DD  
6165# 2100 NETH ANTILLES, RN good in English with news of fire at Schiphol Airport- JS 27/10  
6175 1915 FRANCE, RFI v good in French with comment — KAB 11/10  
6180 0515 MOROCCO?, VOA relay with jazz music , ID 0525, v strong, still there 0630 — CRC 9/10  
6180# 0820 BRAZIL. R. Nacl. Amazonia, call-in prgm, powerful signal. R. Educacion also strong on 6184.96.- JB 29/10  
6185 0745 MEXICO, R Educacion v good in Spanish, always here — IC 10/10  
6195 0420 ??? BBC fair in English with World Business Report — DD  
6205 1400 RUSSIA, V of Russia good in English — IC 21/10  
6205 1840 IRAN, VOIRI fair in Russian with comment about Islam — KAB 17/10  
6220# 0244 PIRATE (Euro), Mystery Radio, continuous rock music with jingle IDs every 10 minutes or so. Fair signal. — RAD 2/10  
6248 1840 NTH KOREA, Pongyang BC Station with martial music, after comment in assumed Korean — KAB 17/11  
6925# 0025 USA (Pirate), Radio Free Whatever on USB Several IDs as "The only thing worth listening to-Radio Free Whatever. Coing to you from the Right Coast.6-9-2-5 upper sideband." Mx in the genre of Radio Head, Wheezer, etc. VG vox, fair mx. — JW 10/10  
6925# 2311 USA (pirate), WHYP. Replay of 2002 Halloween bx. ID by James

Brownyard. Guided tour of noted pirate Dxr's homes. Lost signal at 2323 w/o s/o ancmts. Fair with fades.- JW 26/10

6925# 2326 USA (Pirate), Old Vampire Radio on USB. Halloween is starting early. Halloween pirate with a Southern twist. IDs as "Old Vampire Radio." Comedy routines and tks of Ouija Boards. Audio clip from "Mad Max" on the John Boy and Billy show. Mx included something about hillbillies and a haunted house from Tennessee, a parody of "Nights in White Satin" and others. Fair to good reception.- JW 9/10

7120 9745 PNG, Wantok Light v good in English, excellent IDs at 0746 — IC 24/10

7129.9# 1000 TAIWAN. Apparently Family Radio via Taiwan, all talk by a lady, couldn't get lang., fair level. Mx at 1057 incl. WYFR signature tune. Contd. in CH-sounding lang. after 1100. — JB 7/10

7130 1925 SPAIN, REE v good in Spanish with many mentions of Spain, local news? — KAB 11/10

7155 1915 THAILAND, R Thailand v good in English with ID 1919 — KAB 11/10

7170 2030 TURKEY, V of Turkey good in English — IC 27/10

7170 2118 TURKEY, V of Turkey good with ethnic music, ID 2119 in English, off at 2120 — KAB 7/10

7175 0630 ??? D Welle v good in English — DD

7180 0300 RUSSIA, V of Russia v good in English — DD

7210 1500 RUSSIA, RFA via Irkutsk v good in Korean after English IDs — IC 10/10

7230 0600 UK, R Japan fair in English with Lets Learn Japanese — DD

7230# 0107 SLOVAKIA, Radio Slovakia International OM/YL in English with . A very interesting program on All Saint's Day. Some language lessons with English and Slovak translations. Several IDs. Armchair quality sound. VG-Ex.- JW 3/11

7235 0435 ITALY, RAI good in English - DD

7240 1400 AUSTRALIA, R Australia excellent in English with news and weather — DD

7240 1840 AUSTRALIA, R Australia good in English with comment on UN — KAB 10/10

7250 0645 VATICAN, Vatican Radio good with Mass in Latin, no ID heard — CRC 9/10

7255# 0600 NIGERIA, V of Nigeria good in English — JS 1/11

7260# 0300 GREECE, R Liberty poor in Kazakh?? With ethnic music — JS 29/10

7275 1940 SPAIN, REE good in Spanish with comment — KAB 6/10

7285 2150 ALBANIA, CRI fair in English — IC 11/10

7310 2000 RUSSIA, V of Russia fair in English — IC 24/10

7315 0700 USA, WHRI fair in English with relig prgm — DD

7345 0315 CZECH REP, R Prague fair in English with YL speaking, many refs to Czech Rep., scratchy // 9870 QRM — CC 16/10

7380 1935 RUSSIA, V of Russia fair in English with reading from Russian novel — KAB 6/10

7390 0413 SOUTH AFRICA, Chan Africa, Fair/Poor in French to Central Africa, MA/FA i'views/comments, occsnl brief ute QRM, 54 drums/mx, FA, mx; off air 11/10 KVB

7390 1443 RUSSIA, V of Russia good in English with talk on Intl Terrorism — CC 9/10

7400 1927 BULGARIA, R Bulgaria v good with pleasant singing followed by comment in presumed Bulgarian, ID 1931 — KAB 11/10

7410 1840 INDIA, AIR Delhi v good with ID and address as well as freq sked,

e-mail address in English, then Faithfully Yours, ID Film Songs and Moods — KAB 10/10

7425 0500 USA, WEWN v good in Spanish — DD  
7465 0740 USA, WWCR with the Overcomer in English, good — DD  
7505 0800 USA, KTBN good in English with relig prgm — DD  
7520 0800 USA, WHRI good in English with relig prgm — DD  
7570 0800 USA, WEWN fair in English with relig prgm — DD

### **Logging of the month**

is awarded to **Kelvin Brayshaw for R Huanta PERU on 4746.5** at 1026utc, 8/10.

My thanks to all the contributors for this month.

Ken Baird

### **CONTRIBUTORS FOR THIS MONTH**

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## **NOTE**

As you will see in this issue there have been some changes to the sub-editors of the various columns. Phil van de Paverd is now doing the Shortwave Over 9, Stu Forsyth is doing the Shortwave Mailbag and the Broadcast Mailbag along with the Broadcast News.

We are attempting to create a new email address for the combined 'Mailbag' and also redirect the email from the previous sub-editors but are encountering a minor technical glitch. Please continue to use the radiodx.com email addresses for the various columns or any alternative contact the various sub-editors advise.

Mark Nicholls - Chief Editor





Hi everyone. From now on I will be your new editor and I will do my best to match the high standards set by Stu. Please send your contributions to bandwatch.over9@radiodx.com or to paverdp@xtra.com. For those who want to send their loggings by mail, either to NZRDXL, PO Box 3011, Auckland, NZ or direct to P.van de Paverd, 62 O'Halloran Road, Howick, Auckland, NZ.

# - indicates a logging by an overseas member

KHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
9345#	0300	ISRAEL, KOL (Tel Aviv). Really nice show featuring big band and "Scat" vocal mx. Artists included Nat King Cole and Louis Armstrong. Songs included: "Unforgettable," Birds Do It," and "When Somebody Love You." G-VG. 16/10 JW
9345	1430	NETHERLANDS. R.N. Hilversum with various topics. Good in EE. 1/11.PP
9405#	2014	GERMANY, Save the Gambia Project (presumed) via Juelich, man talking in English mentioning Gambia numerous times and talking about suffering and the future of the people of Gambia. Switch to UNID language at 2022 and off suddenly at 2030. Poor to fair.1/1
9410#	0213	CYPRUS, BBC relay. EE bx about Ramadan traditions and keeping them in the UK. Fair. 16/10 JW.
9420#	0313	GREECE, Voice of Greece. (Athens) Folk mx and ballads in Greek. Good. 16/10 JW.
9430	0610	GERMANY. CVC Int. via DTK. Good in EE. 14/10.IC
9440	1300	SLOVAKIA, Rad.Slovakia Int. Fair in Slovak/EE. ID at 1300. DD
9460#	0319	TURKEY, Voice of Turkey (Ankara). Turkish mx with ID by YL in TT. Good.16/10 JW.
9480	0310	RUSSIA. Radio Rossii. Good in RR. Great IDs. 15/10.IC
9530#	2000	USA. Voice of Joy Music Hour (via Sackville), address, into prgm of mx by Sacred Harp Singers in Alabama, gave URL < <a href="http://www.fasola.org">www.fasola.org</a> > Interview 2017, more mx 2034, to 2959*. ID: "This is the Voice of Joy Music Hour b/cing from Sackville, New Brunswick, Canada on 9530 kHz. Our address is Box 610411, Dallas, TX 75261. Our E-mail address is <a href="mailto:voiceofjoy@comcast.net">voiceofjoy@comcast.net</a> ." Strong, very slight defect in the audio throughout. Hrd per GH item in DXLD. Apparently Sat only. 22/10. JB.
9535	0330	SPAIN, REE. Very good in SS. DD.
9545	0100	GERMANY, DW. Nx. Good in GG. DD
9570	0100	ALBANIA. CRI. Weak in EE. 7/10.IC
9605#	0325	VATICAN CITY, Vatican Radio. Tk in SS about Ramadan and Christianity by Father Pedro?. ID at 0330. Clear but faint. 16/10 JW.
9605	2200	SEYCHELLES. BBC. Fair in EE with Africa service. 10/10.IC
9625	0700	BONAIRE. RNI to Austr. & NZ in DD. V/Good. DD
9645	0355	BRAZIL, R.Bandeirantes. PP. Male vocalist. Surging. //11925. strong QRM. 16/10. CC

9645	1300	USA, VOA to S & E Asia. Nx. V.Good in EE. DD
9665	0630	ROMANIA. RRI. Good in EE. 5/10.IC
9685	0530	SOUTH AFRICA. Channel Africa. Fair in EE. 5/10.IC
9690#	0335	SPAIN, China Radio Intl. relay. YL with Nx in EE at 0316. (Noblejas). Poetry readings from listeners' submissions and listeners' letters read by OM/ YL in EE. ID's at 0321 and 0337. "Who, What, When, Where, Why" prgm at 0340. Good. 16/10 JW, 24/10. CC.
9690	1611	ROMANIA, RRI. Romanian, OM and YL speaking. Good. //11960 weaker. 20/10. CC
9725#	0341	COSTA RICA, University Network.The late Dr.Scott with very informative and interesting cmtry in EE on St. Paul,Ephesians and the terrors by night.VG.16/10 JW.
9730	1801	VIETNAM, V.o.V. YL with Nx. Several refs to Vietnam. Heavy QRM.Fair in EE. 19/10. CC
9740	1330	SINGAPORE, BBC with Nx in EE. V.Good. DD
9755	1130	USA, WYFR. Poor in EE. DD
9760	1330	PHILIPPINES, VOA with Nx in EE. Poor. DD
9765	2000	GERMANY. CVC Int. via DTK. Good in EE. 12/10.IC
9785	1550	CHINA. CRI to Asia, Excel.in EE, close 1555. 1/11.PP
9810	1340	CHINA, Centr.People's BS. Excellent in CC. DD
9840	0303	ITALY, RAI. Male vocalist. Little scratchy. Fair in IT. //11800 weaker. 24/10. CC
9860#	0345	VATICAN CITY, Voice of Russia relay. Waltzes followed by nx of Iraqi constitution and comparison having US military forces in Iraq with the reconstruction period in the Southern US. ID as "Voice of Russia World Service." VG. 16/10 JW
9860	1350	CHINA, Centr.People's BS. Fair in CC. DD.
9885#	0352	BOTSWANA, VOA relay.Another good prgm from the VOA African service. Interviews in EE by an YL from a US mx group followed by "Africa World Tonight" nx prgm. Mx prgm included a very nicea cap•pel•la version of "I'll Fly Away." Good.16/10 JW.
9895	0720	NETHERLANDS RN, Hilversum to Europe. Good in DU with sport results, Wx in Europe, followed by discussion about Prince Charles and Camilla's visit to USA. 3/11. PP.
11500	1751	BULGARIA, Rad.Bulgaria. YL talking about Bulgaria. Scratchy. Fair/Good in EE. //9500 noisier. 19/10. CC
11570#	1856	PAKISTAN, Radio Pakistan, Koran recitation by a man followed by another man announcer with Urdu talk, ID and closing announcements. Off with orchestra National Anthem. Poor. 15/10 RDA.
11650	1540	IRAN, Vairi. OM & YL with Nx in EE. Bckgrd.whistle. Fair. //9635 stronger. 20/10. CC
11690#	0419	CONGO, Dem Rep. Radio Okapi (Kinshasa). (t).YL in FF with Afropop mx. Om with nx. Ments of Kinshasa and Radio ---.Barely audible.16/10 JW.
11690#	0422	SOUTH AFRICA, Radio Okapi via Meyerton, talk by man and a woman in French with brief instrumental segments and jingle IDs. Into African language around 0435 after a vocal selection. Poor to fair. 24/9 RDA.
11690#	1458	JORDAN, Radio Jordan, pop music tune to top of the hour with 2 time

piPs, TC and ID: "Time now is 6 o'clock Rad. Jordan the nx" At 1504:  
 "With that we end the news that came to you from Rad. Jordan,  
 Amman. The time now is 4 min. past the hour." OM with another ID:  
 "Radio Jordan, 96.3 FM." Return to pop mx programming. Good signal.  
 9/10 RDA.

- 11730 0028 PHILIPPINES. RVA. Weak with EE IDs etc at opening then into Bengali. 17/10.IC  
 11735# 1805 ZANZIBAR, Spice FM via Voice of Tanzania-Zanzibar, man with news  
 in EE. Headlines repeated at 1808 followed by "and that's the end of  
 the news from Spice FM." Return to regular programming with a yI  
 announcer speaking in Arabic. Fair.13/10 RDA..7/10. JB  
 11815 0250 BRAZIL, Rad.Brasil Central. Male vocalist . ID at 0253. Good in PP. 24/10. CC  
 11840# 0812 GUAM, Trans World Radio, organ music interval signal. ID and opening  
 announcements in EE followed by religious programming. Very weak  
 signal. 16/10 RDA.  
 11840 1456 SRI LANKA, Rad.Japan. Pop mx progr.ID 1458,a little distorted. Fair/Good  
 in EE. 9/10. CC  
 11840 1400 SRI LANKA, Rad.Japan. NX in EE. V.good. DD  
 11955 0100 OMAN. BBC. Weak in EE. 10/10.IC  
 12020 1520 VIETNAM. V.o.V.Talk about investments. Fair in EE. 1/11.PP  
 12035 0700 SPAIN, REE with Nx in SS.V/Good. DD  
 12080# 0426 BOTSWANA, VOA relay. OM in EE with sports.Ments of both professional  
 tennis and golf. Following the sports nx, there was an interesting prgm  
 about the raid on Harpers Ferry, Virginia by John Brown. Fair to good.16/10 JW.  
 12085 1000 MONGOLIA. VoM. ID, then Nx, interviews, short musical interludes, close  
 at 1025 with freq.sched. Daily BC's to Australasia. Very good in EE. 3/11. PP  
 12095 0550 ASCENSION. BBC. Fair in EE. 5/10.IC  
 12105 1100 GUAM. KSDA. Fair in Mandarin after EE IDs. at opening. 6/10.IC  
 13595 1935 PORTUGAL. RDP. Good in PP. 8/10.IC  
 13600 1430 GERMANY. Pan American BC. via DTK. VG in EE to India. 16/10.IC  
 13620 0600 CHINA. CRI. Weak in EE./11710 better. 5/10.IC  
 13630 0730 AUSTRALIA, Rad.Austr. with Pacific Beat to Centr.Pacific. V/Good in EE. DD  
 13700 0800 USA, KWHR. Religious. Poor in EE. DD  
 13710 0730 CHINA, CRI in EE. Poor. DD  
 13765 1530 VATICAN CITY. Vat. Radio. Religious to Africa.Excel.in EE, close 1550. 1/11.PP  
 13765 1415 VATICAN CITY, Vat.Radio. Religious in PP. Fair/good. DD.  
 13780 0800 GERMANY, DW with Nx in GG. v/good. DD  
 15075# 1909 PIRATE (Euro). R. Black Arrow, S4-5, barely decent on peaks, "Proud  
 Mary," "Bad Moon Rising," several IDs, address; tnx to tip from George  
 Maroti. 28/10. JB.  
 15105 1300 ROMANIA. RRI. with ID and Nx. Good in EE. 1/11.PP  
 15135 1030 CHINA, CRI. Fair in Indonesian. // 11700 V/good. DD  
 15140# 1432 OMAN, Radio Sultanate of Oman, woman hosting pop music program  
 with Tony Orlando ("Sweet Gypsy Rose"), Michael Jackson, Momas  
 and Papas ("California Dreaming"). Bells at 1500 followed by Arabic ID  
 and nx read by a man. Poor to fair with deep fades. 9/10.RDA

15145	1200	GUAM. KSDA. Fair in Mandarin following usual EE IDs at opening. 9/10.IC
15145	2330	PHILIPPINES. VOA. Good in Special EE. 16/10.IC
15210	0900	CHINA, CRI to Australasia. Excellent in EE. //17690. Close 1100. DD
15345	0240	ARGENTINA, Rad.Nacional. OM & YL speaking wih several ID's. Good in SSW. 24/10. CC
15360	0930	THAILAND, BBC. Nx in EE. Poor, very noisy. (perhaps 0600-0900 via Singapore to Australasia might be better.ED) DD
15380	0720	SAUDI ARABIA. BSKSA. Interview in AA till 0730. No ID. 7/10. CRC.
15565	1430	UK, BBC. Nx etc in EE. Poor with much noise. DD
15575	0930	CYPRUS, BBC. Nx in EE. Poor, very noisy. DD
17490	1000	CHINA, CRI. Poor in EE. Much noise. DD
17505	0535	CHINA. CRI. Weak in EE. //11710 best. 11/10.IC
17510	1000	INDIA, All Ind.Rad.Delhi. Good in EE. DD
17635	1000	GERMANY, DW. Poor in GG, much noise. DD
17715	0950	GERMANY, DW. Nx in GG. Excellent. DD
17720	1000	JAPAN, Rad.Japan. Nx in EE. Fair. DD
17730	0240	MONGOLIA?, Rad.Free Asia (USA), musical prgr, YL vocalist. YL Anncr. in Tibetan at 0245. Signal getting weaker. Still audible at 0300 when T/S and sign off. 6/10. CRC
17760	0625	SINGAPORE. BBC. Weak in EE. 7/10.IC
17765	0230	PHILIPPINES, VOA in Filipino. 6/10. CRC
17895	0310	SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA. OM chanting. QRM from VOA. //15170 weaker bur clearer. Fair in AA. 24/10. CC
21610	0311	JAPAN, Rad.Japan. Nx, 66 year old has died of bird flu. ID then OM: "End of Asian news from Radio Japan". Good in EE. 6/10. CRC
21690	0306	PHILIPPINES, Rad.Liberty Kazazh (presumed). 0309 end of Nx and ID. 6/10. CRC.
21725	0300	AUSTRALIA, Rad.Austr. Nx read by YL featuring dispute between Japan and N.Korea not settled. Strong in EE. 6/10. CRC.

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Cliff Couch

11815 Radio Brasil Central, Brazil

# FORECAST SHORTWAVE RECEPTION FOR DECEMBER 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 72-83. An \* = good reception only above Index of 75. In October, the monthly Solar Flux average dived to 77 - a level not seen since March 1997. Although a rebound is likely, days with Flux above 94 will be rare. So this is my first low-range Flux forecast.

Times-Shortwave Bands:

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

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

Note:7-15-21\* = 7-15,17\*21\* x=not Hawaii. Have a happy Christmas !

# Reception of BBC World Service in New Zealand

Compiled by Ken Baird, Christchurch

As a result of the frequency changes at the end of October (B05), I have been monitoring the BBC to get a revised list of "good" frequencies to listen to their World Service.

I hope the frequency list below, received on a Kenwood R5000 using an 18m wire antenna, will help. You should remember that the BBC no longer broadcast directly to New Zealand and any reception is a result of receiving broadcasts targeted to other areas of the World. Also, the BBC have greatly reduced their frequencies and transmission hours world wide, thus limiting reception in NZ.

The frequencies given will vary from hour to hour and day to day. However, I have heard the BBC clearly on all these frequencies.

## **UTC      FREQUENCY**

1800	6195, 9410
1900	6195, 9740
2000	6195
2100	Nil
2200	9740
2300	9740
0000	11955, 15310, 17790
0100	15310, 17790
0200	12095, 15310, 17790
0300	12095, 17760, 17790
0400	7130, 12035, 11760, 17760
0500	9410, 12095, 15360, 17760
0600	6195, 9410, 12095, 15360
0700	9410, 11760, 12095, 15360
0800	15280, 15310
0900	9605, 15280, 15310, 17760, 17790
1000	9605, 9740, 15280, 15310, 17790

Countries of origin can be obtained from the BBC Web Site.

Good listening,  
Ken Baird  
04-11-05

## E-MAIL ADDRESSES:

E-mail addresses of radio stations

You can download the new email-list by H.-F. Dumrese from <http://www.email.dxr.info> .  
(Scholz via DSWCI)

Note: This is updated every month . I use it often. It also contains some MW addresses. (ED)

## AFGHANISTAN. (NON)

The revised schedule of the Radio Solh PsyOps transmissions:

0200-1200 on 11675 (Dhabbaya-UAE), 1200-1500 on 15265 (Rampisham-UK), 1500-1800 on 9875 (Rampisham-UK). (Bernd Trutenau, Lithuania, via DXLD)

## AUSTRALIA:

HCJB AUSTRALIA B05 Broadcast Schedule. 30 Oct 2005 - 25 March 2005 UTC UTC ENGLISH>

0000 0030 15530. 0100 0115 15405. 0130 0200 15405. 0200 0230 15405. 0700 0900 11750.

1030 1130 15400. 1130 1200 15425. 1330 1400 15405. 1400 1500 15390. 1500 1530 15425.

2230 2300 15530. (WWDXC)

## BHUTAN:

BBS to expand its SW services.

Contrary to what was reported in the various e-groups some time back instead of shutting down their SW services BBS is going to continue and will also expand their SW services. INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Bhutan Broadcasting Service Corporation has received a grant from the government of India for the purchase of a 100KW SW transmitter in Thimphu. BBS invites sealed bids from eligible bidders/manufacturers of SW transmitters for the supply, installation, and commissioning of 100KW SW. transmitter for the purposes of the project. A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by any interested eligible bidder upon payment of a non-refundable fee of US\$ 500 between 1<sup>st</sup> November and 30<sup>th</sup> November 2005. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of not less than 2% of the total bid price and must be delivered in accordance with the instructions to bidders on or before 10<sup>th</sup> January 2006 12.00 noon. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information on the bid form and bidding documents at the office of the: Managing Director, Bhutan Broadcasting Service P.O. Box 101, Thimphu, Bhutan. email: [md@bbs.com.bt](mailto:md@bbs.com.bt) (Alokesh Gupta. GRDXC)

## **BULGARIA:**

B05 English language broadcasts.  
0000-0100 -daily- North America. 7400 P500/295, 9700  
0300-0400 -daily- North America. 7400 P500/295, 9700  
0730-0800 -daily- West Europe. 9500 P500/306, 11500  
1230-1300 -daily- West Europe. 11700 P500/306, 15700  
1830-1900 -daily- West Europe. 5800 P500/295, 7500  
2200-2300 -daily- West Europe . 5800 P500/295, 7500

## **GERMANY:**

CVC International B05 via DTK. All in English to North Africa.  
0500-0700 9430. 0700-0900 15200. 1500-1700 15460.  
1700-1800 11850. 1800-2000 9765. 2000-2100 7285. (Observer BUL)

## **INDIA:**

AIR finalises move from 3 MHz to 5 MHz.  
All India Radio has finalised the move from 3 MHz to 5 MHz effective 30<sup>th</sup> October:  
Bhopal 4810 kHz  
Gangkok 4870 kHz  
Shimla 4980 kHz (Alokesh Gupta via DXASIA)

And further to the above this information just to hand (Nov.1<sup>st</sup>)  
AIR's proposed shift from 3 MHz to 4 & 5 MHz has been delayed as they are still waiting for approval from WPC ( Wireless Planning & Coordination Wing, Ministry of Communications & Information Technology, Dept. of Telecommunications, Govt of India which allocates the frequencies) Shifting of freq's will take place once they have clearance from WPC. (Alokesh Gupta)

## **INDIA: QSL Policy:**

Here are couple of notes from our recent meeting with AIR frequency management officials :  
a) They confirmed that e-mailed reception reports with audio files having clear id's are verified directly from Delhi instead of forwarding to the regional stations. Expect a faster response if your e-mailed report contains an audio file.  
b) Very soon AIR will start sending e-qs's for e-mailed reception reports.  
(Alokesh Gupta. New Delhi, India. Via CUMBRE)

## **ISRAEL.**

KOL. English language transmissions.  
KOL, 15640, From 1830 to 1845 noted in the English Language with news and features.  
This frequency not listed on a recent email schedule sent out around 11 Oct for English in this time frame. Schedule said they were as follows:  
N.America/W.Europe 9,345  
N.America/W.Europe 7,545



N.America/W.Europe 11,590  
in English for 1830 to 1845. The new Passport doesn't list them on 11590 all day long  
except in the early morning, either.  
(Chuck Bolland, via CUMBRE)

### **ITALY:**

Radio Mi Amigo via IRRS.  
15725, R Mi Amigo broadcasts music-60s to the 90s Saturdays from 0800 onwards. Also Saturday  
and Sunday at 0800-1200 on 13840. E-mail: radiomiamigo@amserve.com. (Taylor via DSWCI)  
Please send your comments on the programming and reception reports to reports@nexus.org  
and we will gladly forward them to the producers for verification. (Norton, IRRS)

### **ISRAEL: (NON)**

KOL via WRMI.

As of the October 2005 schedule, Radio Miami International (WRMI) is currently  
relaying a WRN rebroadcast of Kol Israel English news. It is being broadcast  
daily at 0500 UTC (1 AM Eastern) on 7385 kHz, aimed to North America.  
This WRN broadcast is recorded from Kol Israel's broadcast earlier in the day.  
WRMI is relaying WRN overnights, to fill in for a previously dropped show.  
(This information based upon Glenn Hauser's DX Listening Digest  
<http://www.worldofradio.org> via CUMBRE)

### **JAPAN**

Shortwave to reach out to Japanese abductees in N Korea  
The Investigation Commission on Missing Japanese Probably Related to North  
Korea (COMJAN) will begin broadcasting on shortwave for about 30 minutes a day  
possibly starting this month. The broadcasts will contain the names and ages in  
Japanese of people it believes were abducted. COMJAN admits it doesn't know  
whether any of the Japanese abductees will be tuned in, as listening to shortwave  
broadcasts from outside the country is forbidden in North Korea. But many escapees  
have said they did manage to listen to get information from other parts of the world.  
COMJAN said it will not disclose the name and location of the broadcaster  
to prevent North Korea from trying to stop the activity. The broadcasts will  
cost the group about 3 million yen a year. (Source: Japan Times via RN NEWS)

### **NEW ZEALAND:**

RNZI transmitter site installation work means shut-down periods.  
Radio New Zealand International says that over the coming months there will be additional  
shut-down periods on shortwave from 1035-1700 NZST (2135-0400 UTC). This will allow  
work on the antenna system and related issues due to the installation of a new transmitter.  
The Internet live audio stream continues 24 hours a day. (RN NEWS)

## **NORTHERN MARIANAS:**

KFBS SAIPAN B05 Schedule:

0900-1100 11.650 Russian

1100-1115 11.650 Mongolian (Chi)

1115-1129 11.650 Mongolian (Halh)

1130-1329 11.650 Russian

1330-1344 11.650 Udmurt (Su,Tu), Tatar(M), Mari(W), Uzbek(Th), Kazakh (F,Sa)

1345-1359 11.650 Udmurt(Su), Tatar(M,Tu), Chuvash (W), Ossetic (Th), Kirghiz (F,Sa)

1400-1529 9.465 Russian

1530-1544 9.465 Russian (Su,W,Th,), Ukrainian (M,Tu,S), German (F)

1545-1600 9.465 Russian (Su,W, Th,), Ukrainian (M,Tu,F,S,)

0800-1400 11.580 Mandarin (Chinese)

1000-1030 15.580 Sasak

1030-1130 15.580 Indonesian

1200-1230 12.030 Sundanese

1230-1300 12.030 Gorontalo

1300-1400 9.920 Vietnamese

2230-2300 12.090 Vietnamese (HCDX)

## **NORWAY: (NON)**

Democratic Voice of Burma changes frequencies

Text of report by Norway-based Burmese Democratic Voice of Burma on 25 October

Dear listeners, the Democratic Voice of Burma will be changing some of its frequencies beginning from Sunday, 30 October.

The programme being broadcast from 2100 to 2200 [1430-1530 gmt] on shortwave 16 metres, 17625 kilohertz, will now be broadcast on 17495 kilohertz.

There will be no change to the shortwave frequency of 19 metres, 15480 kilohertz.

The programme being broadcast from 0600 to 0700 [2330-0030 gmt] on shortwave 31 metres will be broadcast on 49 metres, 5955 kilohertz, beginning from Monday, 31 October.

Hence, with effect from 30 October, the 2100-2200 evening programme can be heard on 16 metres, 17495 kilohertz, and on 19 metres, 15480 kilohertz.

The 0600-0700 programme on Monday, 31 October, can be tuned in on 49 metres, 5955 kilohertz (Source: Democratic Voice of Burma, Oslo, via RN NEWS)

## **SRI LANKA:**

SLBC to merge evening Hindi and English services

Robin Viegas in Bombay reports that effective Monday October 24, 2005, the SLBC will be merging their Hindi & English services in the evenings at 1330-1530 UTC. Now there will be a Hindi & English announcer and programming will be heard on 11905 & 7275 kHz daily.

(via DX ASIA)

## LATIN CORNER:

Active shortwave radio stations in Bolivia (HCDX)

Freq.	Station		
3310	Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba		
	Radioemisora Camargo, Camargo [Chuquisaca]		
3405	Radio Cosmos, Cochabamba also reported 6036, 7130		
	Radio Eco, Reyes [Beni]		
	Radio Frontera, Cobija [Pando]		
4471.7	Radio Movima, Santa Ana de Yacuma [Beni]		
	Radio Perla del Acre, Cobija [Pando]		
	Radio Santa Ana, Santa Ana de Yacuma [Beni]		
4681.7	Radio Paititi, Guayaramerín [Beni]		
	Radio Eco, San Borja [Beni]		
4716.8	Radio Yura, Yura		
	Radio La Palabra, Santa Ana de Yacuma [Beni]		
4761.7	Radiodifusora Guanay, Guanay		
4788	Radioemisora Ballivián, San Borja [Beni]		
	Radio Mallku, Uyuni [Oruro] xAndes		
4865	Radio Centenario, "La Nueva", Santa Cruz		
4877	La Cruz del Sur, La Paz		
	Radio San Miguel, Riberalta [Beni]		
	Radio Norte, Montero [Santa Cruz]		
	Radio San José, San José de Chiquitos		
5927.1	Radiodifusora Minería, Oruro [Oruro]		
	Radio Pio XII, Siglo Veinte [Oruro]		
	Radio Nacional de Huanuni, Huanuni		
	Radio Illimani, La Paz		
6037	Radio Difusora Trópico, Trinidad [Beni]		
	Radio Juan XXIII, San Ignacio de Velasco [Santa Cruz]		
6085	Radio San Gabriel, La Paz		
6105.5	Radio Panamericana, La Paz		
6135v	Radio Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz		
6155	Radio Fides, La Paz		
	La Voz del Campesino, Sipe Sipe		

	Radio Bartolina Sisa, La Paz, xImpacto Cristiano?		
9625	Radio Fides, La Paz		

### PERU:

New Peruvian shortwave station heard on 4300 kHz

A new Peruvian shortwave station has begun broadcasting on 4300 kHz. The station was first reported heard by Alfredo Cañote in Chaclacayo, Peru, and Björn Malm in Quito, Ecuador, on October 5. Cañote identified the station as Radio Bella, located in Tingo Maria (in Departamento Huánuco). Cañote heard the station with a program of folk music. Malm has measured its exact frequency as 4299.7 kHz. (DXing.info, October 8, 2005)

Radio Santa Ana broadcasting from Peru on 4965 kHz

Radio Santa Ana is a new Peruvian station on 4965.8 kHz shortwave from Departamento de Cusco. Previously the same frequency was occupied by Radio Santa Mónica, which has recently been off the air. Radio Santa Ana was first reported heard on September 26 by Björn Malm in Ecuador with a relay of Radio Nacional del Perú. According to Henrik Klemetz, the station announces its FM frequency as 93.3 MHz. Via the phone he learned that their address is Avenida San Martín 636, Santa Ana, Provincia La Convención, Departamento de Cusco, Peru, and that they do not have any email address for the time being. (DXing.info, October 23, 2005, edited on October )

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<b>kHz</b>	<b>UTC</b>	<b>Details</b>
118.7	0412	NZ 123/Auckland Tower Descending to 2000 ft. PVP
118.7	0416	NXZ123/Auckland Tower Clear to land. PVP
118.7	0415	NZ 145/Auckland Tower Runway 23 Clear for take off. PVP
118.7	0427	Auckland Tower/Great Barrier 10R Clear to land. PVP
118.7	0529	Auckland Tower/Qantas 4044 Clear to land. PVP
5643	0846	Nadi/NZ 2120 Posn. PVP
5643	0847	Brisbane/NZ 154 Posn. PVP
5643	0854	Auckland/NZ 60 Posn FL 350. PVP
5643	0855	Auckland/NZ 228 Posn FL 380 Christchurch next. PVP
6215	1908	ZLM Taupo gives Posn 39.26 S 169.49 W for yachts in distress. JC
6637	1030	Arrow Airways 1820 out of Toledo Ohio calls Miami Radio No reply. JC
6637	1045	Nadi/Pacific 931 Amended Melbourne on the blocks 1225. JC
6637	1959	Miami/Challenger Air Cargo Did you get my ETA Guadalajara 1153 SC DMBK. JC
8825	0453	Safair 859/Mac Centre Message from Terra Nova Bay Contact them on 5371 or use Iridium ph.JC
8846	2033	Auckland/Careflight 326 at FL 280. JC
8861	0409	Air France 442 calls Canaries No reply. JC
8861	0412	Atlantico, Dakar, Sal active but sev ere QRM. JC
8867	0445	Nadi/Hawaiian 451 requests block 320/340. JC
8867	1030	Mac Centre/Safair 859 we were airborne Terra Nova Bay 1024 climbing to 270 estimate GULAN 1142 ELNAK 1227 DALOS 1326 Desyination Christchurch ETA 1648 PSR 1412 JC
8867	0720	Shanwick/United 840 posn Registration N 122 UA. EM
8867	0721	Auckland/NZ 413 posn FL 390 Auckland next. EM
8867	0722	Nadi/Unid 774 posn FL 350 BEECH 0717 Eta Nadi 0813 tact Nadi approach omn 119.1 EM
8867	0726	Auckland/VHLW FL 410 Contact Auckland on 124.3 EM
8930	1921	Stockholm has trouble with a flight that does not know how to use phonetics for call sign. JC
8930	1925	Stockholm/EXPO 3910 over North Italy bound for Turkey SC CDAQ registration GXLAH. JC
8930	1930	Stockholm/Air Berlin 1952 QSY to 5541 but too weak to be read. JC
9032	0453	Mac Centre/Safair 859 posn DALOS 0450 ELNAK 0602 Endurance 0622 Wx code 023. JC
9032	1030	Safair 859/Mac Centre You are very weak and barely readable Could you give me a call on your Iridium phone. JC
9032	1046	After calling Safair 859 for some time Mac Centre asks South Pole station if they had heard 859. Answer was negative. JC

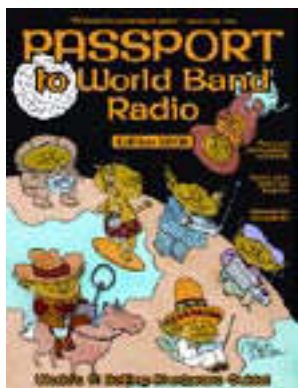
10024	0632	Cenamer/Varig 8998 American 940 Continental 951 with posn reports. JC
10947	0411	Al Minya/Egyptair 850 called over 50 minutes but no reply. JC
11300	0429	Khartoum/Saudi Air Force 451 requests higher flight level. JC
11300	0453	Cairo/Dairo Air Service Uganda from Benghazi to Cairo. JC
11387	0434	Sydney Volmet Close. PVP
13261	0444	Brisbane/Qantas 39 Posn. PVP

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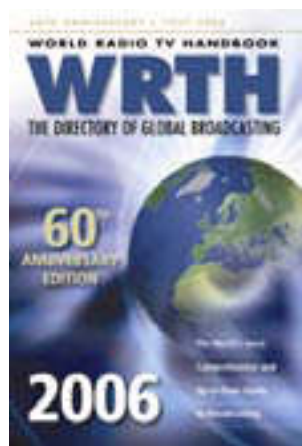
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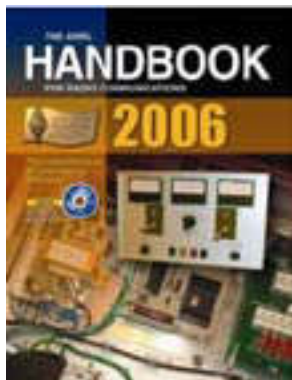
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## Radio Ratings Released

### Auckland:

Radio Live debuts with a total audience of 43,000 listeners. Newstalk ZB retains the #1 spot, up 3.8% in 10+ share to 15.9%. Classic Hits is still the #1 music station in town on a 9.0% share. In the urban music market, Mai FM grows its share by a substantial 2.3% to 7.5%, still ahead of Flava on 4.8%, up 0.2%. Coast is the #3 music station. Kiwi loses nearly 10,000 listeners with share to fall to 0.2% behind newcomers Radio Tarana on 1.8% and LPFM station BaseFM on 0.3%. Neither 95bFM nor George FM signed up for this round, so fall into 'Others', down 2.5% overall to 14.5%

### Wellington:

The Breeze (58,000 listeners) and ZM (64,000) at number 1 and 2 respectively. Radio Hauraki gains 7,000 new listeners. The Rock remains unchanged at 6.7% 10+ share with Radio Hauraki and The Edge both on 5.9. Newstalk ZB is number 3 with 14.0% share. Wellington has the most evenly balanced metro market combo 10+ share with CanWest stations holding 43% and TRN with 45.1%.

### Christchurch:

Newstalk ZB retains its number 1 position with minute changes to both 10+ share (16.4) and cume (16,400 listeners). The Rock is the number 1 music station and number 2 overall with 13.1% 10+ share. ZM gathers 10,000 more listeners. Kiwi just misses out on cracking 1% on 0.9. More FM (9.3%) lags behind The Edge (9.5%).

### Waikato:

The Rock is back to number 1 on 16.5% 10+share after an increase of 5.1, it has 6,400 more listeners compared to T1. Solid Gold goes up to 6.0% from 2.8%. Classic Hits is number 2 with 13.2%. Despite 2,000 more listeners The Edge's 10+ share is down 2.6 to 11%. More FM continues loss of cumulative audience and 10+ share leaving it on 2.1%.

### Dunedin:

Local stalwart Radio Dunedin is still the #1 choice with an increase of 2.1% taking it to 16.3 10+ share. Classic Hits gained the most listeners (4,200) making it the number 2 music station on 10.7% 10+share, behind number 1 music station The Rock on 12.6%. Newstalk ZB is up in share at 11.8% but lost just over 2000 listeners. Radio Pacific/Trackside and Radio Sport lost the most listeners - 5,100 and 4,200 respectively.

### Northland:

Newstalk ZB has had the greatest gains in 10+ share up 8% to 14.7 taking it to number 2. More FM (formerly KCC) is still number 1 with a 15.5% 10+ share; the change of name has

co-incident with a loss of 5,500 listeners. Radio Hauraki is number 3 with 13% and Classic Hits has 11.8% making it number 4. The changes at Radio Pacific/Trackside has nearly halved both its cumulative audience (7,200 listeners) and share (5.1%). The Edge has third highest cume - 17,900.

### **Hawkes Bay:**

The highest gains in listener numbers and 10+ share makes The Rock the number 1 music station (12.6%) and number 2 overall, behind Newstalk ZB at number 1 on 13.1%. The Edge and Classic Hits are on a par with the greatest number of listeners (21,000 each), with The Edge's share slightly ahead at 11% making it the number 2 music station. The Radio Pacific/Trackside audience has halved 10+ share at 5%. Flava has increased share (6.6) and cume (6,600). Viva debuts on 2.7%

### **Manawatu:**

More FM is number 1 on 14.8% 10+ share and has 25,000 listeners (5,000 less than T1 under the 2XS banner). The Rock follows in number 2 position with 13.7%. Classic Hits is number 3 overall with 10.2%. The Edge has the second highest number of listeners (22,800). The number of people listening to Radio Pacific/Trackside has halved to 5,400. An increase in cume and share has Newstalk ZB on 9.4%.

### **Rotorua:**

Classic Hits is number 1 with 16.9% 10+ share. The Edge has the most listeners on 10,800. Mai FM has had an increase in cume and share and is number 2 overall on 13.7%. The Rock is number 3 at 12.3% (up 3.5%). Radio Hauraki remains constant at 7.5%. Radio Live and Viva make their debuts, with 3.6% and 1.9% respectively.

### **Taranaki:**

Coast has the highest 10+ share and audience numbers increase on 6.3% and with 13,400 listeners (up from 6,800 in T1). Classic Hits has 28,700 listeners and is number 1 overall with 16%. Newstalk ZB increases its cume and share to be at 11.9% making it number 2. Radio Live debuts with 9,200 listeners and a share of 3.8%. The Rock is number 3 on 10.2%.

### **Tauranga:**

The Edge has the most listeners (21,000) and is number 1 in 10+ share on 15.9%. Followed by The Rock in second place on 15.2%. Classic Hits is number 3 (15%) and has the second highest number of listeners (18,800). More FM (formerly Energy) has had an increase of 3% and sits on 11.7% behind third place getter Newstalk ZB on 12.1%.

### **Nelson:**

The Rock wins Miss Popularity, increasing 10+ share by 4.4% to come in at number 1 with 18.4%. A drop in cume and share for More FM (formerly Fifeshire) sees Classic Hits take the number 2 spot on 16%. The station has the second highest number of listeners at 11,700 behind The Edge with 14,300 who have a 14.7% share. Newstalk ZB is up at 10.4% closely followed by Solid Gold on 10.2%.

## **Southland**

The highest share of 13.4% 10+ makes Classic Hits number 1. Radio Hauraki is number 2 overall on 11.7% which also makes it the number 1 music station. The Edge has the most listeners (15,300) and is number 3 on 10.7%. More FM (formerly Foveaux) has had a small increase and is on 9.8% with the third highest number of listeners (13,200). Hokonui Gold has increased share by 1.4% to sit on 10%.

(Radio Scope 4 November 2005)

## **Coast Moves to Southland**

TRN expands the Coast network by one more market on Thursday, taking it to 10, when it gets switched on in Southland, on 92.4FM. (Radio Scope 2 November 2005)

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

Community Radio Hamilton 106.7

National Radio Whakatane 101.7

### **QSLs:**

NXFM Newcastle, NSW 106.9

National Radio Rotorua 101.5

Community Radio 106.7

### **Gordon had a question for me at the end of his letter:**

"What is Radio Waitomo's output power, as even here, there is no reception?"

Here's your answer Gordon – 0 watts! Unfortunately Radio Waitomo 1170AM has been off the air since June, and there is no one around that wants to get it going again. (Adam)

### **Brian Palamountain, Nelson logs for October**

90.8 Classic Hits 90FM Taranaki

92.4 More FM Taranaki

### **Christchurch FM stations – 24 September 2005**

(Brian Palamountain using Digitor Digital Tune Pocket Radio Mod 4288)

88.6 88 Country

89.0 The Edge

89.2 91ZM

89.7 Concert FM

91.3 91ZM

92.1 More FM

92.9 Solid Gold FM

93.7 The Rock

94.5 The Breeze

96.9 Plains FM

97.7 Classic Hits 98FM

101.7 National Radio

104.1 Niu FM

## FM Trail – Mountain View Road, Otorohanga – 9 October 2005

(Adam Claydon using my Pioneer car stereo)

88.6	Mai FM (Auckland)
89.2	Radio Live (Taranaki)
89.4	Newstalk ZB (Auckland)
89.8	ZM (Waikato)
90.0	Classic Hits 90FM (Taranaki)
90.2	The Rock (Auckland)
90.6	Raukawa FM (Tokoroa)
90.8	Radio Hauraki (Taranaki)
91.0	ZM (Auckland)
91.4	Concert FM (Waikato)
91.6	Concert FM (Taranaki)
91.8	Maniapoto FM (Benneydale)
92.0	More FM (Waikato)
92.5	Solid Gold (Tauranga)
92.7	Maniapoto FM (Piopio)
93.0	The Rock (Waikato)
93.2	More FM (Taranaki)
93.4	Solid Gold (Auckland)
93.8	Solid Gold (Waikato)
94.0	National Radio (Te Kuiti)
94.2	The Rock (Tauranga)
94.6	Life FM (Waikato)
94.8	Te Korimako o Taranaki
95.0	Classic Hits 95BOP FM (Tauranga)
95.1	Viva (Rotorua)
95.4	Radio Tainui (Ngaruawahia)
95.6	The Rock (Taranaki)
96.0	Radio Hauraki (Waikato)
96.5	Maniapoto FM (Te Kawa)
97.0	Newstalk ZB (Waikato)
97.2	Radio Pacific/Radio Trackside (Taranaki)
97.4	Classic Hits 97.4FM (Auckland)
97.5	Rhema (Taumarunui)
97.8	The Edge (Waikato)
98.0	Solid Gold (Taranaki)
98.2	Viva (Auckland)
98.6	Classic Hits ZHFM (Waikato)
98.8	ZM (Taranaki)
99.0	Radio Hauraki (Auckland)
99.3	The Breeze (Waikato)
99.6	Maniapoto FM (Te Kuiti)
100.0	Radio Live (Waikato)
100.6	Radio Live (Auckland)

101.0 National Radio (Waikato)  
101.2 National Radio (Taranaki)  
101.4 National Radio (Auckland)  
101.5 National Radio (Rotorua)  
103.4 Niu FM (Waikato)  
103.8 Niu FM (Auckland)  
103.9 Niu FM (Rotorua)  
104.6 Planet FM (Auckland)  
105.4 Coast (Auckland)  
106.7 Community Radio (Hamilton)  
106.9 KFM (Hamilton)  
107.3 George FM (Hamilton)

### **FM Trail – Hamilton Lake – 25 October 2005**

(Adam Claydon using my Pioneer car stereo)

88.1 Contact FM (Waikato University, Hamilton)  
88.5 Rockit FM (Fairfield Intermediate, Hamilton)  
88.7 Station FM (Forest Lake, Hamilton)  
89.0 The Generator (Hamilton)  
89.4 Newstalk ZB (Auckland)  
89.8 ZM (Waikato)  
90.2 The Rock (Auckland)  
90.6 Raukawa FM (Tokoroa)  
91.0 ZM (Auckland)  
91.4 Concert FM (Waikato)  
92.0 More FM (Waikato)  
92.2 Nga Iwi FM (Maramarua)  
92.6 Concert FM (Auckland)  
93.0 The Rock (Waikato)  
93.5 More FM (Taupo)  
93.8 Solid Gold (Waikato)  
94.2 The Edge (Auckland)  
94.3 Radio Hauraki (Rotorua)  
94.6 Life FM (Waikato)  
95.0 95bFM (Auckland)  
95.1 Viva (Rotorua)  
95.4 Radio Tainui (Ngaruawahia)  
95.7 Raukawa FM (Tokoroa)  
96.0 Radio Hauraki (Waikato)  
96.5 Maniapoto FM (Te Kawa)  
97.0 Newstalk ZB (Waikato)  
97.4 Classic Hits 97.4FM (Auckland)  
97.8 The Edge (Waikato)  
98.2 Viva (Auckland)  
98.6 Classic Hits ZHFM (Waikato)

- 99.0 Radio Hauraki (Auckland)
- 99.3 The Breeze (Waikato)
- 99.6 Rhema (Tokoroa)
- 100.0 Radio Live (Waikato)
- 100.6 Radio Live (Auckland)
- 101.0 National Radio (Waikato)
- 101.5 National Radio (Rotorua or Taupo)
- 103.4 Niu FM (Waikato)
- 103.9 Niu FM (Rotorua or Taupo)
- 106.7 Community Radio (Hamilton)
- 106.9 KFM (Hamilton)
- 107.1 Max FM (Wintec, Hamilton)
- 107.3 George FM (Hamilton)
- 107.5 Twisted FM (Hamilton)
- 107.7 Easy FM (Beerescourt, Hamilton)

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

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Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri," a 1928 pamphlet from KDKA containing a list of American and other stations, photos of the KDKA facilities and station personalities, and a time line of KDKA "firsts." Note the references to pioneer stations KFKX and 8XK on page 2. Rather than enter his dial settings in the spaces provided, this listener preferred to make his notes on the cover!

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri," more on the VOA floating radio station, USCGC "Courier": another postal cachet, this one issued on the occasion of the ship's visit to Detroit in 1967, three years after she left VOA service, and a "Welcome Aboard" sheet containing some interesting information about the ship's pre- and post-VOA service.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri," some memories of Gilfer Associates, Inc., a favorite shortwave mail order house in the 1960s, 1970s and after. Oliver P. (Perry) Ferrell and XYL Jeanne began the business circa 1952 and were well-known in the DX community. Perry died in an automobile accident in 1984 and Jeanne carried on the business until she sold it in 1994. Gilfer closed in 1997. Here are some Gilfer catalogs from 1970 and 1974 (I'm still using those Telex CS-7 headphones). R.I.P., Gilfer and Perry Ferrell.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri," more NNRC history, specifically from the July 1965 issue. One page of that issue contains an interesting summary of some of the newspaper coverage of DX back in 1928, drawn from the Newark Sunday Call and the Newark Sunday News of that year. In addition, the front page of the bulletin contains a reference to a 1932 broadcast from 15-watt Brantford, Ontario medium wave station 10-BQ. It so happens that a recent QSL collection received by the Committee to Preserve Radio Verifications from Sidney R. Steele of Toledo, Ohio contains a QSL from 10-BQ (1933), and also QSLs from Stratford, Ont. station 10-AK (1935) and Wingham, Ont. station 10-BP (1933, 25 watts).



# Mailbag

Compiled by Stuart Forsyth, Darfield



## Shortwave and Broadcast Mailbags

Welcome to the DX Times' first ever (to my knowledge) Broadcast and Shortwave combined mailbag. Thanks to Tony King for giving me the opportunity to take over the Broadcast Mailbag section. Please send in any information on what you have heard and any veries you may have received. I don't care if you haven't 'officially' logged anything, if you have been listening, I want to know about it. Let me know what set you are using and what antenna you have got, too!

We always greet reception and QSLs from European MW stations with excitement, well some interesting news has come in from Terje Neilsen here in Christchurch. He is still a member of the Norwegian DX Club. Bjarne Mjelde, among others went to Kongsfjord (70° N!) for a DXpedition mid to late October. A lot of very good DX was heard, but the most exciting thing for them was reception of 1ZD 1008, 2ZB 1035, R Tarana 1386 and R Pacific Trackside 1476. Of those all but Tarana have verified. If you go to the website <http://www.kongsfjord.no/> you will see what happened. It makes for interesting reading.

However, we begin with Shortwave.

**Ron Killick, Christchurch**, is first up and has had a misfortune. 'Had minor (well major) accident with Sony 2001D, was in its padded bag and dropped about 2ft, however that was enough. In with fixer now, but he holds out not much luck unless its just in power supply. It's my main mobile set as covers FM VHF and all HF, and does not take up much room.' Oh dear, I hope it can be fixed!

**Ron** has veries in from: CRI-Kashi 9435kHz, RFA-Wertachtal 11975, Al Dhabayya 21690, Saipan 9385, and Tinian 12075, RVeritas Asia-Palauig 17830, DWR-Wertachtel 15520, KTWR 15225, RTatras Intl-Ulbroka 9290, Christian Vision-Wertachtel 9765, 9430, R Santec-Jülich 13820, Family R-Jülich 11785, Bible Voice-Jülich 6015.

RTI was on a QSL letter, no date etc, plus a sticker. RFA used a variety of cards covering EDXC 2005, 18th annual Winter SWL fest, and their latest 9 years of broadcasting excellence. The rest all pretty much "as usual".

**Des Davey, Te Kuiti** reports that he has been painting ceilings at home (you can come and do mine if you like!) but has still found time for some listening. Reports are out to: CRI 17490 and 17690 and the postman has called with a QSL from The Overcomer Ministries via WWCR 5070. At least the postie hasn't forgotten where you live. The best cure for a sore neck from too much painting is lots of radio listening, hi!

Next **Ian Cattermole, Blenheim**, send notes from Wine Country. His veries are: Pan American BC 9430, 13600, WRMI 11800 HCJB 11920, KSDA 11870, WEWN 9955, Tikhiv Okean 12065, Little Saigon Radio 7380, RFA (Mongolia) 17730, RDW (Sines) 7170, RFA (Marianas) 13680, 13670, 13760, 17835, 17695, 21690, RFA (Palau) 9490, RFA (Tajikistan) 11520, RRI 9535, CVC International 9430, 9765, RFA (Russia) 7210, Radio Vaticana 15330, CRI 13620, CRI (Albania) 9570. A tidy little list, Ian. -Ed.

### **That's it for Shortwave this month and so on to Broadcast contributions.**

**Craig Edwards, Adelaide** has news that he is about to accept a job in Gove in the Nthn Territory. Not surprisingly he has been very busy and hasn't had time to write up his latest loggings.

He has QSLs in from: 4EL 954, 3CW 1341, 6AM 864, 5RTI 531, 6MD 1098, 6WR 693, 6BAY 1512, Vision Radio 1413 & 1701, 6AY 1611, 6RN 1296, 8HOT 765, DYSY 909, DZAS 702, BEL3 Taiwan Area Fishery 1143, China National Radio 945, China National Radio 981, KQWB 1660 - full data email QSL from Anne Phibian talkradio1660@123fargo.com, KPAY 1290, KVVN 1430, KVTO 1400, Vatican Radio via Monaco 1467, Yemen 760, CRI via Lithuania 1557, TWR Russia 1494, Family Radio via Lesotho 1197.

If readers are interested in the latest article about the Coorong DXpeditions, go to [www.dxing.info/dxpeditions](http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions) for a look/see.

Great to see some Europeans among that lot, Craig. Are the removal companies on a retainer??

**John Smith, Brisbane** continues our 'West Island' contributions with news of a DXpedition he and Ray Crawford made to Bribie Island, just north of Brisbane (see article below). For those who have wondered about the EWE antenna, this is a great advertisement for it. The two photos show men at work and also the antenna itself. A good number of stations were heard, but the highlight was KENI, Anchorage, Alaska heard on 650 at 0800 UTC. A great catch and it was still daylight locally.

**Ray Crawford, Forestdale, Brisbane** has a lonely SW QSL in from Radio Star Liberia via Ascension Is 11960. On Broadcast he has been busier and when talking to him was even excited about hearing the Alaskan on 650 with an email QSL back from CHMJ 730 from Bribie EWE test DXped

Ray's partner-in-crime, **Sutton Burtenshaw checks in from Hamilton** with the following: Have not been listening much at all but hearing the old usual stateside signals when I do. It really is much quieter here electrically and only one very short block from the former location. Thought I would have had the EWE's up by now but other events have overtaken me. Still using a short length of insulated wire about 1.5m high and threaded thru the palings on the back fence.

Reports have gone out to KNBR (KCTC)1050 and XEPE 1700.

Veries are in from KUMU 1500, 1XT 1368, KNBR(KCTC) 1050 and KKEA 1420. It's good to see that things have been heard in the Fountain City.

**Bryan Clark, Auckland/ Mangawhai Heads** reports that not a lot of DXing has been done, but he and Sandy were up north for Labour Weekend. Bits and pieces were heard, including WTNI 1640, h

**Stu Forsyth, Darfield** reports not a lot of activity this month, but reports are out to 3XX 1611, 3GI 531, 7BU 558, 3CR 855, 3BO 945, 3BT 1314, 3EL 1071, 3CS 1134, 3AK 1116, 3CW 1341, 3KND 1503, 3XY 1422, 7AD 900 all logged on a recent trip to Melbourne using a Sony Walkman radio - lousy set, but it did the job.

Veries are in from: 3CR 855, 3AK 1116, 3KND 1503 (all via their websites) and OAZ-4Z Radio Agricultura del Perú 1590 via e-mail. The verie signer was: Luz Isabel Dextre, Gerente (Manager) (luzdextre\_radioagricultura@yahoo.com)

On Shortwave, I have a verie in from TWR Swaziland 3220

## **Radio Rhema 540**

Rhema broadcasts on 540AM from a new site near Inglewood in Taranaki. The output power is 2500w. The Tauranga station is at 5000w. The old Rhema FM frequency has been changed from 90.7FM to 99.5FM and broadcasts Life FM from two centres in Taranaki - one north of New Plymouth and the other near Cardiff (!) in South Taranaki. -Dudley Scantlebury, Southern Star

## **Daytime MW Trail from Paeroa compiled by Gordon Mathieson**

Demonstrating how crowded the MW band has become in New Zealand, this trail has been compiled using Gordon's domestic portable 'AWA Ocean Span Solid State AM Receiver' (manufactured 1970). The internal ferrite rod was the only antenna used for this trail, although there is an outlet for an external antenna. The ferrite rod is noted for its directional properties and was used to pick up stations sharing a frequency. For purposes of comparison there is also included a trail from September 1975 (before 9kHz spacings came in) - again it is a daytime trail.

2005 Freq.	Call	Strength	1975 Freq	Call	Strength
531	531PI Auckland	Excellent	570	National R Wellington	Good
540	Rhema Tauranga	Excellent	630	National R Napier	Poor
	Rhema Inglewood	Poor	660	Concert Prog Wellington	Good
549	Trackside Hawke's Bay	Poor	760	National R Auckland	Excellent
	Rhema Kaitaia	Poor	800	2YB Wellington	Fair
567	National R Wellington	Fair	830	National R Whangarei	Good
576	Sthn Star Hamilton	Excellent	860	National R Rotorua	Excellent
585	Ngati Porou Ruatoria	Poor/ Fair	880	Concert Prog Auckland	Excellent
603	R Waatea Auckland	Excellent	930	R Waikato Hamilton	Excellent
621	Rhema Whangarei	V good	970	1ZN Whangarei	V good
630	National R Napier	Poor	980	2ZB Wellington	Fair
648	Rhema Gisborne	Very poor	1000	1ZD Tauranga	Excellent
657	Sthn Star Wellington	Good	1050	National R Kaikohe	Fair
702	R Live Auckland	Excellent	1070	1ZB Auckland	Excellent
729	R Sport Whangarei	Fair	1140	National R Hamilton	Excellent
	National R Tokoroa	Fair	1220	1ZE Kaikohe	Fair
756	National R Auckland	Excellent	1240	1XX Whakatane	Fair
774	R Sport New Plymouth	Good	1250	1ZM Auckland	V good
792	R Sport Hamilton	Excellent	1310	1ZH Hamilton	Good
810	BBC WS Auckland	Excellent	1350	1ZC Rotorua	Poor
819	National R Tauranga	Excellent	1370	2ZP New Plymouth	Fair

837	National R Whangarei	Good	1420	1ZO Tokoroa	Fair
855	Rhema Hamilton	Excellent	1440	1ZK Kaitaia	Very poor
873	Trackside Tauranga	Fair	1480	R Hauraki Auckland	Excellent
882	Sthn Star Auckland	Excellent	1500	1ZA Taupo	V poor
918	National R New Plymouth	Fair	1560	2ZH Hawera	V poor
936	New Supremo Auckland	Good	1590	Radio i Auckland	Good
954	Trackside Hamilton	Excellent			
981	National R Kaikohe	Poor			
990	Apna Auckland	Good			
1008	ZB Tauranga	V good			
1026	ZB Whangarei	Good			
1035	ZB Wellington	Poor			
1053	ZB New Plymouth	Fair			
1080	ZB Auckland	Excellent			
1143	National R Hamilton	Excellent			
1179	Ruia Mai Auckland	Good			
1206	Access R Hamilton	Good			
1215	ZB Kaitaia/ Kaikohe	Very poor			
1242	1XX Whakatane	Fair			
1251	Rhema Auckland	V good			
1296	ZB Hamilton	Excellent			

1332	R Sport Auckland	V good
1350	R Sport Rotorua	Very poor
1359	Coast New Plymouth	Fair
1386	R Tarana Auckland	Good
1413	Classic Hits Tokoroa	Fair
1440	Moana Tauranga	Good
1476	Trackside Auckland	Good
1521	Good Time Classics Tauranga	Good
1548	Trackside Rotorua	Poor
1557	ZB Hawera	Poor
1593	R Samoa Auckland	Fair

N.B. a) Village Radio 1368, Tauranga was off air at the time, but is usually heard at fair strength and b) no sign at all of Radio Waitomo 1170. Even at night, 2CH Sydney is the dominant signal.

There are now 54 station audible during daylight hours from Paeroa, and I suspect it would be a similar story all over the country. Thirty years ago there were half that number - 27. What has happened is that there has been an eradication of local radio, with most of the Z calls going to networked Newstalk ZB and a proliferation of religious, talk, sport and racing stations.

Elsewhere in the world directional antennae would be used, or these stations would be allocated a chunk of the FM band. At night many more stations would be very audible and this is what makes DXing in New Zealand much harder than ever it used to be. When you hit the X-Band, you get the idea of what it was like on the main band 30 years ago. It is no wonder people can't be bothered trying to DX for Mediumwave stations.

(For overseas members Paeroa is approx 130 km by road south east of Auckland and located basically at the bottom of the Firth of Thames). It is where the Hauraki Plains end and you leave Paeroa, go through the Karangahake Gorge and you are into gold country with Waihi being the first town you come to - you are also then in the Bay of Plenty).

Thanks, Gordon, for that sobering reminder of New Zealand conditions.

## **Bribie Island Mini DXpedition 1st October 2005**

We set out from Brisbane on Saturday morning and headed up to Bribie to test two different length EWE's that evening. At Bribie, Ray Crawford and I couldn't get into our usual location, ex Telstra Coast Station receiving site, as the key I have is now the wrong one, so we did a bit of sand track driving and found another very open space at the old Queensland University Mills Cross Antenna site, where they used to bounce signals off the

ionosphere. Both of these locations are now part of the greater Bribie Island National Park and there's not a power line in sight! The ground is only a few metres above the water table and quite moist with only a low cover of vegetation and a few trees about.

We setup 2 EWE antennas at approx 66deg mag: one EWE the standard 10-25-10 ft, and the other 10-50-10 ft long. Each antenna was set up identically with the front end (balun) supported by a tree and the back end (resistor) supported by a 5 metre fibreglass pole held up by 3 guy ropes. Four foot copper clad earth stakes were driven into the ground, boy didn't I have fun getting those back out after forgetting my vice grips!! My Sangean 909 receiver came in handy when tuning each aerial and I chose ABC Toowoomba 747Khz as my test frequency which was nulled ok on both antennas.



The tuning resistance for each was completely different, 1.3Kohm for the standard and 4.4Kohm for the longer one. Maybe the difference was due to the longer EWE not being the same ratio. I will have to try a 20-50-20 and see if the resistance actually goes down.

It soon became apparent the 50 foot ewe was clearly at least one to two extra 'S' units in signal strength above the standard one on my Drake R8A. I tuned the Sangean 909 to the Big 870 New Orleans 5835 SW (very good signal) then whizzed down to MW and heard

1520 KOKC at armchair strength around 0630 UTC. The sun was still high in the sky and we weren't quite set up by then.

We actually started listening just before 0700 UTC and the highlight of the night was at 0805 UTC 650 KENI Anchorage in Alaska with ABC news an ID 'News Radio 650 KENI'.

Another interesting catch was CKMX 1060, Calgary, Canada with country music funny thing is when I got home I turned on the radio and could still hear this station !! Well, after a successful afternoon and evening we dismantled everything and headed for home at around 1030 UTC.

It was quite a good trip considering we were only an hour out of Brisbane and had a few hours of DX. Who knows this may turn out to be a new DX location close to the beach and Brisbane.

John Smith Brisbane

### **Bribie Island Trail**

580	0815	KMJ	Fresno CA, good with talkback
650	0756	KENI	Anchorage AK fair with ABC news and good ID 5 minutes after the hour News Radio 650 KENI
666	0800		New Caledonia good with talk and occasional vocals
729	0820		New Caledonia good with talk and vocals better than // 666
730	0815	CHMJ	Vancouver BC fair with ESPN sports still there at 1020
750	0900	KXL	Portland Oregon, fair with ID
760	0713	KGU	Honolulu HI fair with religious talk
760	0900	KFMB	San Diego CA, good with ID between news items, News Every Half Hour And When It Happens On Talk Radio 760 KFMB
830	0712	KHVH	Honolulu HI, poor hard to listen to under hash
850	0823	KOA	Denver CO good talk back Phil Hendrie with discussion on drugs heroin
1020	0710	KTNQ	Los Angeles CA, good with SS talk
1050	0755	KNBR/KTCT	San Meteo CA, Fox Sports Radio good with phone in sports talk show armchair level at times!
1060	0915	CKMX	Calgary AB, good with C&W ID as AM 1060 Classic Country
1070	0705	KNX	Los Angeles CA, very good with news and bushfire talk
1150	0750	KTLK	Los Angeles CA, good with 'Talk AM 1150' ID and talk program
1180	0745	VOA	Marathon FL, Radio Marti, fair with SS vocals
1310	0740	KMKY	Oakland CA, fair with Disney programming
1440	0700	KUHL	Santa Maria CA, good with ID and sports talk
1500	0650	KUMU	Honolulu HI, good with sports commentary
1520	0630	KOKC	Oaklahoma City OK, very good with talk about hurricane Katrina 01/10
1540	0650	KXEL	Waterloo IA, good with ID and talk program
1570	0720	XERF	Mexico, excellent strength with SS vocals
1580	0645	KMIK	Tempe AZ, good with Disney and mixing with KBLA
1580	0725	KBLA	Santa Monica CA, good SS music girl singing and not much fading
1660	0729	WWRU	Jersey City NJ, fair ethnic talk, assume it's this no id
1670	0650	KHPY	Moreno Valley CA, fair to good at times with SS talk

**John Smith, Drake R8A 50 foot ewe**

**Ray Crawford, Icom IC-R75 50 foot ewe with pre amp**

Thanks Smiffy, it will be interesting to see what Latins you can hear in winter - Ed.



## Greytown Trail

1570	MEX	0700	XERF Cuida Acuna pop ballads SS. La Poderosa ID on hour.
1580	USA	0930	KMIK Tempe AZ Disney "Radio Disney.com ad."
1580	USA	0845	KBLA Santa Monica. CA SS religious dialogue.
1620	USA	0730	WDHP Christiansted VI From as early as 0600. Peaks 0900.BBC news and four detailed ID's from :59
1640	USA	0837	WTNI Biloxi MSCoast to Coast AM
1640	USA	0732	KDZR I:AKE Oswego OR R. Disney. "If I was a Rich man" Rap/Rock
1640	USA	0935	KDIA Vallejo CA Life skills, Decision making.
1650	USA	0850	WHKT Portsmouth VA Disney under Coast to Coast KWHN ?
1660	USA	0930	KXOL Brigham City UT "True Oldies Channel" Oldies "Pretty Woman" Beatles weekend 5/6 Nov.
1660	USA	0829	KRZI. Waco TX ESPN sport and talk. Local ID :06
1660	USA	0740	KTIQ Merced CA SS talk Frequent ID Radio Visa
1670	USA	0750	KHPY Moreno Valley CA SS religious play.
1670	USA	0905	KNRO Redding CA Sport
	1680	USA	0910 KTFH Seattle WA Rel. Strong
	1680	USA	0820 KRJO Monroe LA Urban Gospel behind KTFH
	1690	USA	0730 KFSG Roseville CA Rel in SS Xmas carols in SS 6/11
	1690	USA	0910 KDDZ Arvada CO Disney under KFSG.
1690	USA	0740	WWAA Adel GA Air America. Freq ID's "Air America 1690"
1690	USA	0726	WRLL Berwyn IL Real Oldies "Fools Rush In" "You Must have been a beautiful baby"
1700	USA	0935	KVNS Brownsville TX ID 0900 Information Radio Network news.
1700	MEX	0930	XEPE mxd with KVNS. Suns (NZ)XEPE runs SS at 0800 and XEPRS Sport at 0900. XEPE most nights ID"Cash 1700 AM"

Tony King, Greytown. Sony SW55 + 30x75x12 EWE NE.

### US Call Sign Changes

630 KXLI to KTRW

780 New station KCEG, Pueblo, Colorado

1540 WMCB to WSKT (FCC lists station as 'Silent')

1550 WCTZ to WQZQ

### Other news

A new station has been approved by the FCC for Juneau Alaska to b/c on 1330 (10kw/ 3.5kw)

1470 KNFL, Tremonton, Utah new station, not yet on air with power at 1kw/ 880w

1700 KKLf, Richardson, Texas has approval to increase night power and change City of Licence from Sherman, TX. It will now be 10kw/ 1kw

DX Test: WNAR, Pennsylvania 1620, testing daily 0300-0304 local - good luck to anyone who can hear it.

All the above info c/o NRC



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

COMPILED BY TONY KING, GREYTOWN, NEW ZEALAND

Send corrections or updates to [broadcast.dx@radiodx.com](mailto:broadcast.dx@radiodx.com)



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 AI
	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" SS ID and Mex. anthem 0700.



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT

The League's 57<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting was held in Auckland on Sunday 30 October with 11 local members and **COLIN CAMPBELL** of Hamilton in attendance. In his message to the AGM League Patron **JACK FOX** noted that organisations in general are finding it difficult these days to attract new members and ours is no exception. President **DAVID NORRIE** said that the League was nevertheless in a healthy financial state and membership remained buoyant at 207. However he predicted that with the continual yearly decline in membership the League will be facing a serious membership crisis within the next ten years.

The annual accounts presented by **PHIL VAN DE PAVERD** showed income for the year exceeded expenditure by \$2539.88, similar to last year. To encourage members to pay their subscription before the 31 August due date, a rebate of \$5 was offered this year. However about 30% of the members still paid their subscription after the due date.

The winner of the early payment prize (subscriptions received before 31 August) was **MIKE BUTLER** of Auckland.

In his Chief Editor's report, **MARK NICHOLLS** thanked sub-editors and members contributing to the magazine. A vote of thanks to Mark for his tireless efforts was passed by acclamation.

Our Webmaster **PAUL ORMANDY** is retiring at the end of the year and a replacement is expected shortly (see below). No new contributions were made in the past year to the League Archives held at the Hocken Library in Dunedin.

Competitions Secretary **ARTHUR DE MAINE** announced the following awards for the 2004/05 year: Founders Award - **MARK NICHOLLS** for his outstanding work with editing & publishing the DX Times; **Charlie Chester Award** (best SW) - **JOHN DURHAM**, Radio Verdad, Guatemala, 4052.5kHz, 745 watts; **Whitestone Trophy** (best mediumwave) - **STU FORSYTH** with Radio Cordoba, Argentina, 700 KHz;

Junior DXer of the Year - No award; **Merv Branks Award** - **STU FORSYTH** with 12 QSL's; Best Shortwave Logging of the year - **KELVIN BRAYSHAW** with Radio Nacional de la RASD, Algeria 7460Khz tied with **CLIFF COUCH** with CBS North Korea, 2850 KHz; Best Contributed Article of the Year - **THEO DONNELLY** with "Review of Radio Degen DE1103" in the July 2005 DX Times.

All members of the Administration committee were re-elected: **President: DAVID NORRIE; Vice president: BRYAN CLARK; Secretary/Treasurer: PHIL VAN DE PAVERD; Committee members: BARRY WILLIAMS and EVAN MURRAY.** The meeting also reconfirmed **MARK NICHOLLS as Chief Editor.** Brian Beynon FCA, of Howick Auckland was confirmed as auditor for a further year.

**MIKE BUTLER** was thanked for his Propagation Activity report and efforts preparing the monthly forecasts in the DX Times over the past year. **COLIN CAMPBELL** gave details how he had distributed the League brochures recently mailed out to all members. The main

feedback he had received was the importance of brochures including a local contact.

## AGM REMIT

Southland Branch's remit, moved by **ERIC MCINTOSH**, Life Member and seconded by **PAUL ARONSEN** stated: "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. A lively discussion took place at the AGM, with various pros and cons being offered. Feedback on the proposal from the previous weekend's **ARDXC** AGM in Sydney was shared.

It was felt important that if a joined magazine was agreed to, that a trial approach be taken to iron out any logistical issues, and to ensure that it was possible to revert to current arrangements if a workable approach satisfactory to all parties could not be achieved. A written submission suggested that **NZRDXA** be acquainted of developments in case there was an opportunity for collaboration with them.

The following motion from the floor was subsequently passed: "A working group of 3 members be established to investigate the practicalities of trialing a joint magazine proposal with ARDXC, and recommend how best to proceed. Subject to their agreement, recommendation is that working group members be **MARK NICHOLLS (Chief Editor), STUART FORSYTH and BRYAN CLARK** (representing the Administration Committee)".

Concern was expressed that the wider membership may not have had sufficient time to respond to the request for feedback on the remit published in the October DX Times. In view of the motion agreed at the meeting it was agreed that the working group should be open to additional member feedback.

Individual members with feedback are still welcome to contact Secretary **PHIL VAN DE PAVERD** at P.O. Box 3011, Auckland or by email to [paverdp@xtra.co.nz](mailto:paverdp@xtra.co.nz). Phil will pass all comments onto the working group.

## 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, if you've been tuning the shortwave bands this month, make sure you submit details of your better catches in time to appear in the December Bandwatch columns, and thereby qualify for this special offer. And while we're here, a get-well message to Jim whose motorbike hit an immovable culvert on Waiheke Island recently, leading to an emergency helicopter ride to Auckland Hospital for Jim. Hope you're feeling much better and at home by the time you read this Jim!



## NEW ZEALAND RADIO DX LEAGUE

### RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 Aug 2005

Full Year 2003/2004		Full Year 2004/2005
	<b>INCOME</b>	
7667.95	<b>Member Subscriptions</b>	6511.50
45.00	<b>DX Times Advertising</b>	60.00
	<b>Bank Interest</b>	
	ASB Cheque Account (00)	0.00
	ASB Term Investment	1040.00
919.71	ASB Accelerator Saving Acc. (50)	255.70
	<b>Sundry Income</b>	
	Sundries	0.00
	Annual Meeting Fees/Auction	0.00
365.00	Donations	1135.00
<b>9217.66</b>	<b>TOTAL INCOME TO 31 August 2005</b>	<b>9582.00</b>
	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
	<b>DX Times Magazine Expenses</b>	
5678.58	DX Times Printing & Postage	5295.64
308.00	Handbooks for Magazine Section Editors	330.00
6022.60	Magazine Mailing Labels etc.	36.00
	<b>Administration Committee Expenses</b>	
235.60	Postage, Stationery, Photocopying & phone	263.43
62.50	NZ Post Mail-fee for Box 3011, Auckland	62.50
180.00	Mark Nicholls Internet Provider	180.00
	Website	168.69
21.38	AGM Expenses	0.00
0.00	Bank Clearances & Fees	30.86
499.48	Sundries	95.00
<b>6522.06</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE TO 31 August 2005</b>	<b>6462.12</b>
<b>2695.60</b>	<b>EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>3119.88</b>

### STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT BALANCES as at 31 AUGUST 2005

2994.63	(00)	ASB CHEQUE ACCOUNT	(00)	2912.54
5855.16	(50)	ASB SAVINGS ACCOUNT	(50)	6487.13
14000.00		ASB TERM INVESTMENT		18000.00
<b>22839.79</b>				<b>25379.67</b>

#### Auditor's Report

I have obtained all the information and explanations that I have required. In my opinion, to the best of my information, the above financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the NZ Radio DX League as at 31 August 2005 and the results of its operations for the year ending that date.

WB Beynon FCA  
Non-Auditor

Signed

Date 13/10/05

# REVIEW OF PASSPORT TO WORLD BAND RADIO 2006

The 2006 of Passport to World Band Radio was published in October 2005. Described on the cover as "World's #1 Selling Shortwave Guide", there is no doubt about the focus of this annual publication. Its core content and format have not changed much since it was first published 22 years ago, and it does an excellent job of introducing new listeners to what's on the dial between 2 and 30 MHz. Its coverage of that part of the broadcast spectrum is excellent, and we were pleased to see that digital shortwave (DRM) is prominently featured in the receiver review section.

This year's special feature covers China and Tibet. Interestingly, in addition to profiling China Radio International, author Manosij Guha has included considerable detail about China's jamming of some shortwave broadcasts. This may help ensure that pressure will be maintained on the Chinese authorities in the run-up to the 2008 Olympics. Plaudits to Passport for taking the opportunity to raise awareness of an issue which is too infrequently mentioned in the mainstream press.

For newcomers to shortwave listening, Passport contains a 34-page section called "Compleat [sic] Idiot's Guide to Getting Started". Despite its facetious name, there is a good deal of useful information, including a selection of English programmes from international broadcasters called 'Ten of the Best', which again this year includes two from Radio Netherlands - the Research File and Wide Angle (now part of Saturday Connection).

Passport's focus on programming as well as frequencies and receivers is very much appreciated by the producers at the international broadcasters. A comprehensive section called 'Hour by Hour - What's on Tonight?' fills 60 pages, and there's also a section for expatriates called 'Voices from Home' which tells them how to tune into the broadcaster from their homeland in their native language. Finally, there's a comprehensive listing of Worldwide Broadcasts in English.

But for many regular readers, the twin attractions of Passport are the graphical listings of all shortwave broadcasts by frequency, and the comprehensive equipment reviews. The frequency listings have always been controversial amongst shortwave hobbyists. Passport's editorial deadline comes well before many of the broadcasters have finalised their winter schedules, and frequency planning for next summer has barely started. So some of the information in the so-called Blue Pages is, by the editors' own admission, "creatively opined". But the editors do point out, quite correctly, that they have decades of experience, and

every year some of the “creatively opined” information turns out to be remarkably accurate. Of course, they cannot predict changes resulting from political decisions, budget cuts and the like.

In conjunction with the Blue Pages, the Addresses Plus section gives full contact information for all the stations in the listings. For the international broadcasters, websites and e-mail addresses are also given. ‘How to Choose a World Band Radio’ is the equipment section with over 140 pages containing reviews of receivers and antennas. The writing style of Passport’s Editor-in-Chief, Larry Magne, ensures that it never becomes dull. Larry is very authoritative, but also has a sense of humour, and is not afraid to tell it like it is. The review of the cheap Coby CX-CB91 is typical, concluding: “With tuning so hopeless and earpiece audio that can be unexpectedly painful, this Chinese model is unfit for human consumption.”

On the other hand, those receivers worthy of serious consideration get several pages to themselves, with clear and easy-to-understand explanations of their strengths and weaknesses. The only disconcerting thing is that the ratings are now indicated as 1-5 stars, sometime followed by a figure such as 5/8. A different system (for example points out of 100) might be a better way of indicating minor differences in overall ratings.

Edited in the USA and printed in Canada, Passport to World Band Radio 2006 is very North America-focused, but is valuable to anyone around the world who wants a good reference to shortwave broadcasting in English and other major languages. Its binding enables the book to be opened flat while bandscanning, enhancing the usefulness of the Blue Pages. All in all, the 2006 edition is well up to the standard of previous editions, and we highly recommend it.

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