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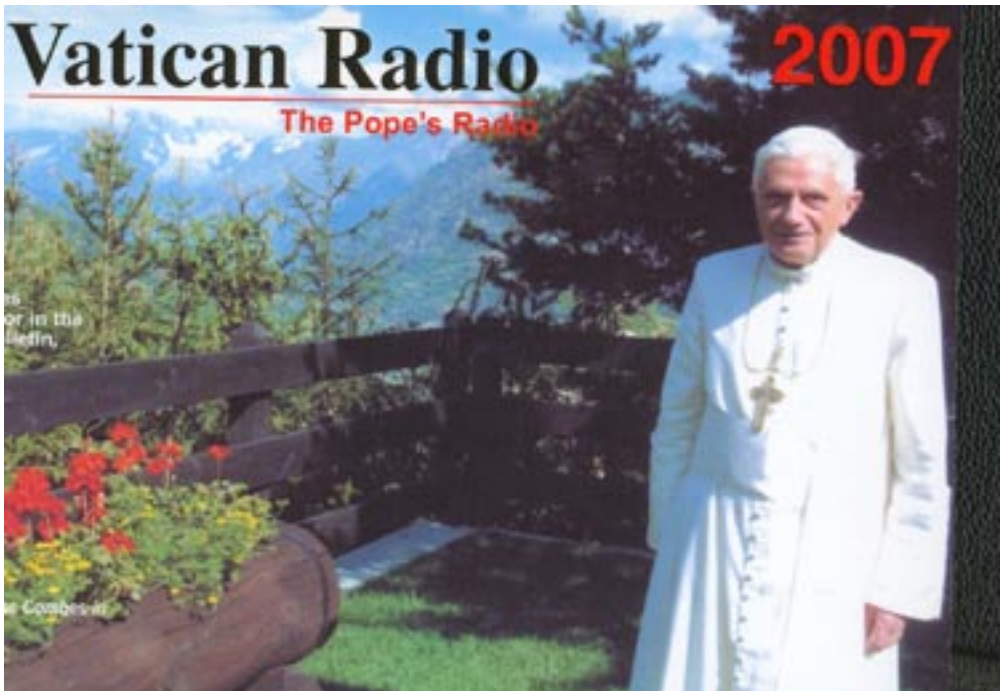


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Desk Calendar
sent out by Vatican Radio

*It seems that Frank Glen
and those that went to Tiwai
recently had a good time,
weather, DX and friendship
wise.
Read about their adventures on
Page 31.*

*Mark Nicholls
Chief Editor*

NU 107
DYNU 107.5 FM CEBU
Cebu's Rock Radio

CLOSING DATES FOR THE NEXT 3 MONTHS (2007)

April	Wednesday 4th April
May	Wednesday 2nd May
June	Wednesday 6th June



Please add the date, language in full, and country of transmitter origin of your logging to your report, and keep the reception details short.

indicates overseas contributor.

KHz UTC Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details

- 2310 1519 AUSTRALIA, VL8A Alice Springs fair in English with talk-back // 2485
Katherine the same – DD 6/2
- 3234.8#1043 PERU, Radio Luz y Sonido, 1043-1103 Feb 7, man with Spanish religious talk.
Male OA vocal at 1046 followed by a man announcer and a series of
announcements. Fading shortly after 1100. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 3280 1312 ECUADOR, LV Del Napo Tena poor in Spanish – DD 6/2
- 3345# 0302 SOUTH AFRICA, Channel Africa, 0302-0340 Feb 2, woman announcer with
the news in English. IDs and several features about African countries. Fair
and //7390 was poor. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 3345# 0418 RSA, Channel Africa (Meyerton). In English. Financial news with talk of
building a stadium with public funds. Fair. 10/03/07 JKW
- 3385# 1157 PAPUA NEW GUINEA (New Guinea Territory), Radio East New Britain,
1157-1235 Jan 28, island vocals with ID and announcements by a man
announcer at 1200 in Pidgin. More island vocals until an Anne Murray
selection at 1216. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 3396 1809 ZIMBABWE ZBC Harare, fair with news in English 17/2 but difficult listening
due atmospheric static. Drumbeats 1820 and possible "Radio National"
ident, then highlife music. Ident "This is the Voice of Zimbabwe" at 1831. BCM
- 3396# 0353 ZIMBABWE, Radio Zimbabwe, 0353-0420 Jan 27, man announcer talking
in presumed Shona language over instrumental music. Choral vocals
(National Anthem?) at 0355. Drums at 0359 followed by a woman
announcer with ID and news at 0400. Another ID at 0410 followed by a
talk feature. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 3396v#0422 ZIMBABWE, Radio Zimbabwe (t). In Vernacular. Nice Afropop music with
YL/OM announcers. Fair. 10/03/07 JKW.
- 3810# 0506 ECUADOR, HD2IOA (Guayaquil). In SP. Time ancmts. No tone shift at minute
marks. Good. 24/02/07 JKW
- 3925 0848 JAPAN, R Nikkei fair in Japanese with orchestral music, scratchy // 9595
steady QRM – CC 16/1
- 3935 1507 NZ, Radio Reading Service Levin poor – DD 6/2
- 4050 1750 UNIDENTIFIED RUSSIAN 'Radio Rossi' station with pop music 24/2. Brief
anncts in Russian lang, time pips 1800 and off abruptly. BCM
- 4319U 1642 DIEGO GARCIA, AFN fair in English with comment on tennis, continual back
ground beep – CC 18/1
- 4460 1502 CHINA, CNR-1 Beijing good in Chinese – DD 6/2
- 4770 0559 NIGERIA Radio Nigeria Kaduna fair with fanfare and identification 18/2,
then into English news. Still audible at 0640 recheck. BCM
- 4770# 0429 NIGERIA, Radio Nigeria, *0429-0507 Feb 7, drum IS followed by choral

- National Anthem at 0431. Man announcer with opening ID and announcements in English. Drums at 0459 followed by TC and ID prior to news at 0500. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4775# 0402 SWAZILAND, Trans World Radio, 0402-0436 Jan 19, German language program with a man preaching and choir vocals. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4775# 0430 SWAZILAND, TWR. In German. YL with religious talk. Fair. 17/02/07 JKW.
- 4775# 0447 SWAZILAND, TWR. IN German. OM with preaching. He sounded like a native German speaker. VG. 10/03/07 JKW.
- 4777 0518 GABON RTVG Libreville back here 11/2 and 12/2 but not everyday. Highlife music, French anncts, talkback, morning exercise routines, idents for "Radio Nacional" and "Radio Gabon" hrd 12/2. Missing some days since. BCM
- 4777# 0514 GABON, Radio Gabon. . In French. OM announcer named "JeanClaude." Afro pop music in French and Vern. News at BOH. ID as "Ici Radio Gabon." Good. 17/02/07 JKW.
- 4777# 0518 GABON, Radio Gabon. In French and Vern. OM in French with mx featuring African stringed instruments and vocals in Vern. ID and into pop mx in French. Same anncr as 2/17 log. Fair. 24/02/07 JKW.
- 4780# 0356 DJIBOUTI, Radiodiffusion de Djibouti, 0356-0426 Feb 7, highlife vocal followed by ID and news by a man announcer at 0400. Bridge music at 0407 followed by a man and woman talking. Children's vocals with drums. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4790# 0533 PERU, Radio Atlantida (Iquitos). . In Spanish. Latin music with OM announcer ID. Sweeper QRM. 1st log of this station. Poor. 17/02/07 JKW.
- 4790.1#0335 PERU, Radio Vision, 0335-0417 Jan 26, man with long sermon in Spanish. Another man gave ID and announcements at 0359. Another religious program from 0402 hosted by a man and a woman. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4824.5#1105 PERU, La Voz de la Selva, 1105-1127 Feb 7, man and woman talking in Spanish with another man via remote feed. Series of ads at 1114 followed by an ID, flute music segment and continuation of discussion feature. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4825 0510 BRAZIL Radio Cancao Nova fading in with religious prgm, vocals & Portuguese anncts. Better on parallel freq of 6105 24/2. BCM
- 4825# 0400 BRAZIL, Radio Cancao Nova, man announcer talking in Portuguese with group vocals and ID at 0400. After an instrumental music bridge, another man began a religious talk. Poor to fair and //9675 which was fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4860 1814 INDIA, AIR poor with home service – DD 3/2
- 4885 0635 BRAZIL Radio Clube de Para very good 12/2 past 0705 with popular music, frequent "Bon dia" greetings. BCM
- 4905 1633 TIBET, XPBS fair in Chinese/English with talk, OM with "Hullo" 1636, some QRN // 4920 the same – CC 4/2
- 4909# 0535 UNID, In Spanish. Maybe Radio Chaskis (Octavalo). Pan flute mx and OM anncr. Poor. 24/02/07 JKW
- 4910 1732 INDIA All India Radio Lucknow fair with English news 12/2 // to 4800, 4810 & 4880. Ident as "Akashvani Lucknow" at close of news and continued in Hindi. BCM
- 4910# 0830 AUSTRALIA. Tent. ABC-Tennant Creek, probably them at 0830* Jan 21, but too weak to tell for sure.- (Berg-MA)

- 4915 0855 BRAZIL, R Anhanguera poor in Portuguese with female vocalist and Latin music, ID 0900, v scratchy with QRN – CC 5/1
- 4919# 0412 ECUADOR, Radio Quito, 0412-0446 Jan 25, talk by two men in Spanish; one in the studio and one by remote feed. Music bridge at 0420 followed by ID and news. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4930 1852 BOTSWANA VOA African service, good in English over presumed Ashga bad. "Nightline Mailbag" with live listener phone-ins 17/2. BCM
- 4930# 0424 BOTSWANA, Voice of America – Moepeng Hill, 0424-0445 Feb 2, various field reports from "VOA News" in English. Into VOA World News Now feature at 0430. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4935 0751 BRAZIL, R Brazil Central fair in Portuguese – DD 10/2
- 4950# 0440 ANGOLA, Radio Nacional de Angola, 0440-0515 Jan 25, man announcer with Portuguese talk followed by continuous music program. The announcer spoke briefly before 2+1 time pips at 0500 followed by another man with ID and yet another man with the news. Jingle at 0510 after news followed by another ID. Poor to fair.
- 4960 0529 SAO TOME VOA relay noted with theme music across the hour 18/2. Weak but a good indicator of long path African reception. BCM
- 4976# 0420 UGANDA, Radio Uganda, 0420-0438 Jan 27, woman announcer with talk in English. Local vocal from 0425. At 0429 a man began speaking with ID and chatter. Poor. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4985 0715 BRAZIL, R Brazil Central fair in Portuguese with Latin music, a little scratchy // 11815 less clear – CC 24/2
- 4985 0757 BRAZIL, R Bras Central fair in Portuguese with female singer, scratchy // 11815 weaker – CC 29/1
- 4990# 0435 SURINAME, Radio Apintie, 0435-0512 Jan 19, program of oldies vocals hosted by a man announcer with ads and jingle ID at 0437 and 0501. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 5005# 0556 EQUATORIAL GUIANA. (Bata).. In Spanish. OM with Afropop. VP. 24/02/07 JKW.
- 5010 1458 INDIA, AIR good in Hindi – DD 6/2
- 5020 1809 SOLOMON IS, SIBC fair with BBC News relay in English – DD 3/2
- 5025# 0503 CUBA, Radio Rebelde (Havana). In Spanish. YL/OM announcers with a long string of Beatles' (and members' thereof) music in English. Good. 10/03/07 JKW.
- 5030 0720 COSTA RICA, University NW with Dr Gene Scott(the Late Dr) fair in English – DD 10/2
- 5033.9 1749 PAKISTAN PBC Quetta with musical prgm, news on the hour, Quran and closedown 1810 2/3 after ident and national anthem, fair. BCM
- 5070 0726 USA, WWCR excellent in English with reliug prgm – DDE 10/2
- 5446U#0605 USA, AFRTS (Key West). In English. OM with sports. Tk of baseball, hockey and the National Association for Stock Car Automobile Racing. Good. 24/02/07 JKW
- 5755 0735 USA, KAIJ poor in English – DD 10/2
- 5765 0733 USA, WWCR poor in English – DD 10/2
- 5765U 1622 GUAM, AFN fair in English with talk about growing sugar cane, Some QRN – CC 4/2
- 5835 0735 USA, WHRI poor in English – DD 10/2
- 5850 0735 USA, WEWN poor in English – DD 10/2
- 5850 1930 GERMANY. PanAmerican BCing-WER, vg English, Ed Houssman & Wayne Jolly relig prog. 11/2 RFK

5865# 0000 GREECE. Voice of Greece, apparently via Olympia Radio, Pyrgos. I checked 5865 at 0000 Feb 19 (Mon). They were in Greek until 0010 when they went into English with "Greek In Style," a prgm of Greek mx. The signal was strong--better than I would expect from reported 10 kw.--but it was USB, and the audio was badly clipped, making it difficult to understand the female ancr even tho speaking good English. It definitely sounded like a ute operation. 9420 was better until arnd 0030 when it started deteriorating. 5865 went back to Greek at 0110. (Berg-MA)

5910 0703 COLOMBIA, Marfil Estereo, Fair in Spanish, MA, bright mx, ID 0723, 4/2 KVB

5920 0740 USA, WBOH fair in English with non-stop hymn singing by choirs, steady QRN – CC 24/2

5925 1450 CHINA, CNR v good in Chinese – DD 6/2

5935 1900 GERMANY. Polskie Radio DLA Zagranicy via DTK. VG in RR. – IC 25/2

5950 0708 USA, R Taiwan Intl fair in English with talk on Taiwan medical services, steady QRM – CC 24/2

5950 1350 YEMEN, Rep of Yemen fair in Arabic with non-stop music, distorted // 6135 weaker and less clear – CC 5/1

5965 1811 ITALY, RAI fair with bird call IS – DD 3/2

5970 0640 BRAZIL, R.Itatiaia (tent), Poor in Portugese, lively MA, phone-in, rooster, local/US mx; heard to 0859 2 further days (some relg), 14/2 KVB

5975 0903 JAPAN, BBC WS, Fair in English, FA nx. ID 0806 3/2 KVB

5995 1522 AUSTRALIA, R Australia excellent with world news in English – DD 6/2

6000 1930 GERMANY. Polskie Radio DLA Zagranicy via DTK. Good in Ukrainian. // 6095 not quite so good. 24/2

6019.5 0617 PERU Radio Victoria Lima very good with evangelical prgm in Spanish 18/2. Parallel 9720.05 has a noisy transmitter. BCM

6020 0507 PERU, R.Victoria, Poor/Fair in Spanish, relg "I.v. de la liberacion", ID 0626 24/2 KVB

6045 0612 CANADA, KBS World R., Fair in Spanish, FA, mx, culture, off air 0629 8/2 KVB

6050 0828 CHILE, CVC, Good in Portugese , pop & insp mx, advts, ID 0858 10/2 KVB

6055# 0511 SPAIN, REE. . In Spanish. OM with Spanish folk mx. Good. 24/02/07 JKW.

6060 0717 BRAZIL, R.Tupi, Poor in Portugese relg // 9656 poor. 11/2 KVB

6060 0901 ARGENTINA, R Nacional good in Spanish with talk with many refs to Nacional – CC 21/2

6060 0935 ARGENTINA, R.Nacional, Fair in Spanish MA/FA, mx, advts, TS 1000, ID 1002 5/2 KVB

6080 1330 SINGAPORE, R Singapore fair in English with ID and news, a little noisy // 6150 drowned by QRM – CC 28/1

6080# 0615 SAO TOME, VOA relay. . In English. OM with prgm "Music Mix." Eclectic mix and ID. Good. 24/02/07 JKW.

6090 0807 CHILE ? R. Esperanza (tent) Fair/poor in Spanish relg, mostly over Carib Beacon; poss ID 0859 3/2 KVB

6100 0354 CANADA/CLANDESTINE Radio Republica in Spanish to Cuba via Sackville?, fair in the clear 12/2. Clock chimes and idents 0359 to closing. BCM

6100 1823 CHINA, CRI fair in English with comment on Olympics in Beijing, ID 1824, New Year holiday – KAB 7/2

6105 0739 BRAZIL, R.Cancao Nova, Poor in Portugese, local mx, I/S Sked 0756, 0800

- relg //9675 Fair 10/2 KVB
- 6115 0613 CANADA, CRI, Good in English news, MA, ID 0617 13/2 KVB
- 6115 0743 PERU, R.Union, Poor in Spanish, MA, lively format, mx, ID 0748 12/2 KVB
- 6120 0448 ITALY, RAI, Poor/fair in contemp relg mx, 0459 English ID s/off 24/2 KVB
- 6125 0829 ECUADOR, HCJB, Good in Quechua s/on, ID, TS, Andean mx 25/2 KVB
- 6135 0808 BRAZIL, R.Aparecida, Fair in Portugese relg, then daily prgm with lively guitars/vocals, ID jingle 0811 10/2 KVB
- 6140 0831 UK, D Welle good in English with talk about year of the Dolphin, ID 0839 – CC 5/1
- 6180 0536 CUBA, RHC, Fair in English, Arnie Coro DX prgm, ezl mx, ID 0539 4/2 KVB
- 6195 0716 UK, BBC WS v good in English – DD 10/2
- 6195 1826 SINGAPORE, BBC WS good in English with group discussion – KAB 7/2
- 6220.2 1903 ITALY Mystery Radio here regularly with technopop music, jingle idents, in mornings and evenings. Good with live prgm, time checks and email address 17/2. Also heard fair at 1737 24/2, good at 0552 on 25/2, fair improving signal at 1836 2/3. BCM
- 6235 1717 MOLDOVA DMR Radio good in English with news and commentaries until closing anncts and address info at 1739 23/2. Transmission is weekdays only and English times vary, eg only German hrd 12/2 from 1728 until 1740 closedown. BCM
- 6240 0355 RUSSIA, VOR WS, Poor, in English, local mx, 0358 ID, sked, I/S 4/2 KVB
- 6250# 2125 LITHUANIA, Voice of Islamic Republic of Iran via Sitkunai, Spanish language program with talk by a woman and Iranian vocals. End of program at 2125 followed by a man announcer with ID and news summary. Closing instrumental music until carrier cut. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6255# 2214 LITHUANIA, KBC via Sitkunai, 2214-2259* Feb 3, English program hosted by a man announcer with frequent IDs, postal and e-mail addresses requesting reception reports playing rock music. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6255# 2222 LITHUANIA. KBC Radio (via Sitkunai), strong at tune-in 2222 Feb 10 with mainly oldies, IDs after every song, greetings to listeners who sent them rpts in the past, incl. several familiar names. "500,000 watts of musical power all over Europe on 1386 kHz. AM, we are the mighty KBC." Many ads for their wholesale electronics business. Invited rpts to the postal address (Argonstraat 6, 6718-WT Ede, Holland) or kbc@planet.nl, tho didn't say anything about QSLs. Off without closing anmt at 2258 in mid-Fats Domino song. (Berg-MA)
- 6280# 0457 ISRAEL, KOL (Tel Aviv). In French. YL with news. Good. 17/02/07 JKW
- 6300 0659 ALGERIA/CLANDESTINE RASD opens strongly with anthem 11/2, Arabic anncts, Quran, later popular music. Not hrd since so may have changed frequency yet again. BCM
- 6300 0814 UNKNOWN, Clandestine(tent), Fair in pres Arabic, news, advts, ethnic mx, children's songs; faded out 0843 11/2 KVB
- 6300# 2240 CLANDESTINE, Radio Nacional de la Republica Arabe Saharaui Democratica, 2240-2250 Feb 1, noted with Arabic talk and ID by a man announcer. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6310# 2110 PIRATE (Euro). R. Odyssey, Greek pirate, from arnd 2110 Feb 17, poor-fair, fady signal. Pop and rock mx, frequent IDs between songs as "You are listening to Radio Odyssey." A man sometimes gave the same ID. At 2200 the male announcer said, "Good evening everybody, this is Radio

____,” and he also mentioned “Saturday evening.” “Wake Me Up Before You Go Girl” (at 2110) “Radio Ga Ga” (2119), and “I’ve Been waiting For A Girl Like You to Come Into My Life” (2149). They left the air at 2205, then carrier returned with no programming until it went off for good at 2207*. Tnx to John Herkimer for help with the ID. (Berg-MA)

- 6973 0504 ISRAEL, Galei Tzahal, Fair in Hebrew nx/comment, mx, poss ID 0600 13/2 KVB
7100 0358 ERITREA VOBME Asmara with interval signal till opening with ident in Arabic at 0400. Audible past 0600 3/3. Other frequency of 7175 also opens at 0400 in local dialects – slightly better signal as 7100 sometimes troubled by ham QRM. Both freqs also audible at closedown with anthem at 1800. BCM
- 7110 1818 CHINA, CRI good in English with ID and address, promo for China Horizons on state forestry – KAB 7/2
- 7130 1840 POLAND, R Polonia good in English with story of fiddler in Tatras mountains, followed by Polish news, ID 1855 with address – KAB 6/2
- 7150 1548 CHINA, CNR-2 Xian v good in Chinese – DD 13/2
7165 1601 POLAND, R Polonia fair in Polish – DD 13/2
7165 1638 ETHIOPIA, R Ethiopia good with news in English then music – DD 12/2
7185 0458 SOUTH AFRICA Sonder Grense via Meyerton. Afrikaans Home Service prgming opens abruptly, time pips on the hour. Reception varies daily from inaudible to fair, and subject to QRM level from 7190. On 12/2 signal peaked at 0520. BCM
- 7220 1910 GERMANY, VOA good in Russian with English excerpts, ID “VOA News” 1918 – KAB 6/2
- 7240 1919 AUSTRALIA, R Australia v good with Pacific Beat in English – DSD 7/2
7245 1420 UK, BBC WS v good in English with light music – DD 6/2
7245 1902 RWANDA Deutsche Welle via Kigali fair with news in English mixed CRI Russian Service, parallel to 15275 Sines poor, 12025 Sri Lanka good & clear, 11690 Wooferton ditto, and 9735 Nauen fair. BCM
- 7250 0709 VATICAN, Vatican Radio excellent in Italian – DD 10/2
7260 1925 GERMANY Bible Voice-WER, g English, Bible Crusade Ministry relig prog. off 2000. 04/2 RFK
- 7270 1630 MONACO. Polish Radio-MCO, p GG, s/on l/sig & using old “Radio Polonia”, off 1657 18/2 RFK
- 7285 0300 GERMANY Croatian R-WER, vg EE. p at 0200 s/on but 0300 30 mins English news etc, 0330 Spanish. 11/2 RFK
- 7285 1334 GERMANY, D Welle good in Croatian – DD 8/2
7295 1950 CHINA, CRI fair in English with Life in China, ID 1953 – KAB 9/2
7310 1835 RUSSIA, V of Russia good in Russian with comment and music – KAB 6/2
7325 0330 ??? BBC WS good in Spanish with comment – KAB 20/2
7330 1532 IRAN, VOIRI fair in English with transmission announcements, ID and chanting, light QRM – CC 8/2
- 7350 1830 CHINA, CRI fair in Chinese with IS then news – KAB 6/2
7365 1946 VATICAN, R Vaticana good with Mass in Latin – KAB 9/2
7380# 2131 CLANDESTINE, Voice of Biafra International via Meyerton, 2131-2159*
Feb 3, man with English news analysis about abuse of oil in delta region of Nigeria. ID at 2138 as “Voice of Biafra International Radio” followed by local language talks (lbo) and an English commentary. Off with group

- singing. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7400 0338 BULGARIA, R Bulgaria fair in English with talk on relationships followed by Bulgarian State Choir – KAB 6/2
- 7415# 0011 USA, WBCQ (Monticello, Maine. IN English. Live broadcast from the 20th Anniversary Winterfest with Radio Timtron and YL. Interviews with several attendees, most of whom seemed to have been visiting the Hospitality Suite rather frequently. VG. 10/03/07 JKW
- 7420 1334 SWEDEN, R Sweden good in English with talk about pregnancy // 11550 the same – CC 28/1
- 7420 1338 SWEDEN, R Sweden v good in English – DD 8/2
- 7420 2035 MADAGASCAR, R Sweden fair in English with comment non Global Warming – KAB 24/2
- 7440 0720 UKRAINE. RUI. VG in Ukrainian - IC. 13/2
- 7465 2140 USA WWCR with Glenn Hauser's "World of Radio" fair 23/2. moderate atmospheric QRM. BCM
- 7480 1821 MOLDOVA, Payam-E-Doost fair in Farsi with comment – KAB 8/2
- 7505 0730 USA, KTBN fair in English with ID then relig prgm, a little scratchy – CC 24/2
- 7580 1825 SRI LANKA, R Farda good with US pop music, comment in Arabic – KAB 8/2
- 7580 2005 SRI LANKA. Radio Farda via Iranawila. Good in Farsi.- IC 14/2
- 7590 2042 UKRAINE. Radio Zamaneh. Fair in Farsi on new frequency.- IC 15/2
- 7620 1840 CHINA, CPBS Beijing good in Chinese to Taiwan – KAB 8/2
- 7750 0642 AUSTRALIA, R Australia v good in English – DD 5/2

Congratulations to Ron Killick

for his 6000th QSL collected in 2 weeks under 52 years
(Polish Radio via MCO, email QSL).

My thanks to all the contributors for this month..
Ken Baird

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Khz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme & Reception Details
9170	1114	CHINA, CPBS, Exc. in CC, 19/2, DD
9335	2030	SRI LANKA. Radio Farda. via Iraniwala. VG in Farsi. 15/2, IC
9410	1616	CYPRUS, BBC, Nx in EE, gd, 13/2, DD
9440	0645	UK, BBC, fair in EE, 9/2, DD
9455	1900	N.MARIANAS, Rad.Free Asia, Gd in CC, 19/1, MB
9495	0230	GERMANY. VOA, s/on Farsi, good id's and names & places, off 0330 16/2 RFK
9525#1304		GERMANY, External Service of Polish Radio – Nauen, 1Jan 20, English program with end nx followed by Valentine's Day Competition, several I Ds and Insight Central Europe program. Fair/good. 13/1 (RDA)
9545	0921	GERMANY, DW, v/gd in GG, 13/2, DD
9550	0500	CUBA, RHC, fair in EE, 19/1, MB
9550	0535	CUBA, R.Habana, Nx in EE, poor/fair, 10/2, DD
9560	1718	ETHIOPIA, R.Ethiopia, with football commtry, v/gd, not in EE, 12/2, DD
9575	0300	MOROCCO, Rad.Medi Un, Fair in AA, 1/1, MB
9585	1600	GUAM. KSDA. Good in EE. 12/2, IC
9599.3#0902		MEXICO, Radio Universidad, OM with continuous dramatic vocals; no ID. Re-tune to instrumental mx with OM announcer at 1358 giving ID and announcements.YL introduced another program at 1400 mentioning Radio Universidad. Fair/poor 27/1 RDA
9600 #0559		CUBA, RHC. In SS. OM announcer and classical piano music.Good. 10/2, JW.
9620	0155	SPAIN, REE, OM speaking with bursts of mx, YL with ID at 0200, Gd in SS, 6/2, CC
9645	1316	THAILAND, VOA, Nx in EE, v/gd, 8/2, DD
9660	1540	CHINA, V.o Russia, poor in EE, 14/2, DD
9675 #0532		COSTA RICA, REE relay. In SS. 2 YL announcers with ID, commentary, and EZL music. VG 10/02 JW.
9685 #0512		RSA, Channel Africa (Meyerton). In EE. YL with nx. Ments of Malawi and Uganda. Into program "37 Degrees." Fair. 10/02 JW.
9730	1833	GERMANY. Bible Voice-WER, p EE, Christ the Saviour prog, co-channel Vietnam. off 1859. 17/2 RFK
9735	2023	UAE DW Dhabbaya relay, fair fluttery signal in EE. Parallel frequencies monitored – 6145 Kigali gd, 9830 Nauen poor, mixed Chinese. 12025 Sri Lanka weak. BCM, 10/2 RFK
9740	1746	SINGAPORE, BBC, World Serv.v/gd in EE, 3/2, DD
9760	1200	CHINA CRI, Nx in EE, Exc., 3/2, DD
9760	1740	VATICAN CITY, Vat.Radio, nx in EE to Africa, gd, 3/2, DD

9760 1310 PHILIPPINES, VOA, Nx in EE, fair/gd, 8/2, DD
 9765 1305 CHINA, CRI, Nx in EE, v/gd, 8/2, DD
 9790 0709 FRANCE, RFI, Nx in FF, fair/gd, 5/2, DD
 9795 1635 SRI LANKA, DW, fair in EE with mailbag, 19/2, DD
 9805 1930 THAILAND. Radio Thailand. Good in EE. 8/2, IC
 9805 1700 UK. HCJB via Rampisham. Fair in RR. 8/2, IC
 9855 1500 GERMANY. AWR via DTK. VG in Panjabi after EE IDs. 14/2, IC
 9865 2100 MOROCCO, Rad.Free Europe, fair in foreign lang, 19/1, MB
 9925 1700 GERMANY, Fam Rad, vg RR, theme and good "Family Radio" ids,
 Q&A prog. 11/2 RFK
 9965 0645 CHINA, CRI, (PALAU, KHBN, V.of Hope? Edit), gd in CC, 8/2, DD
 11510 1820 RUSSIA, V.o.R, poor in EE, 1/2, DD
 11565 0500 HAWAII, KWHR, good in EE, 19/1, MB
 11600 1410 CZECH REP, R.Prague, OM & YL re nature conservation, ID 1413,
 Gd in EE, 15/2, CC
 11675 1400 GERMANY. Radio Polonia via DTK. VG in RR. 8/2, IC
 11710 0200 ARGENTINA RAE Buenos Aires very good signal in EE, celebrating RAE's
 49th birthday. Frequency measured as 11710.86 this day and is usually on
 the high side of 11710. Closes at 0257 just as CRI Beijing opens strongly
 on 11710 causing massive het. RAE not on air Sunday or Monday. 13/2, BCM
 11725 1300 GERMANY. AWR via DTK. Good in Mandarinn after usual EE IDs/ 20/2, IC
 11740 0300 USA, Fam.Rad, Fair in EE, 1/1, MB
 11800 0120 CHINA, CPBS, OM & YL speaking, Surging & noisy, fair in CC, // 11845
 weaker, 15/2, CC
 11885 0142 TAIWAN, R.Taiwan Int, OM speaking, distorted, fair in CC, // 11640
 weaker, 15/2, CC
 11945 1904 UK, D, vg GG. News and Newslink type prog. 11/2 RFK
 11955 1900 GERMANY, AWR, vg AA, EE ids at s/on, Geneva snail addr, 1959 off. 20/2 RFK
 11995 1647 FRANCE, RFI, OM speaking, distorted, fair in FF, // 13675 & 15300 the
 same, 4/2, CC
 12010 0800 GERMAN, AWR, vg FF usual EE id at s/on, 0830 More EE id then
 Tachelhit prog.05/2 RFK
 12015 0400 GERMANY, R.Farda, vg Farsi, plenty of id's in music prog.18/2 RFK
 12060 0400 MADAGASCAR, Rad.Nile, fair in EE, 20/1, MB
 13362U0147 GUAM, AFRTS, OM talking about strokes, scratchy, f/g in EE, 6/2, CC
 (24hr serv.Edit)
 13780 0800 GERMANY, DW, faif in GG, 19/1, MB
 15115 0214 PHILIPPINES, Rad.Phil.YL with "NX abroad",gd in EE, // 15230 stronger, 6/2, CC
 15140 1200 GERMANY. AWR via DTK. Good in EE. 19/2, IC
 15195 0800 RUSSIA, VOR, Fiar in EE, 19/1, MB
 15575 0610 CYPRUS, BBC, with Nx, poor in EE, 5/2, DD
 15700 0030 MARIANAS, RFA-TIN, ex BURM, EE id at start and plenty reportable bits,
 off 0130, clear of QRM 23/2 RFK
 15770 0400 INDIA, AIR, fair in foreign lang. 19/1, MB
 17495 0100 CHINA, CRI, Fair in CC, 19/1, MB
 17650 0656 CHINA, CRI, poor in CC, 10/2, DD

17685 0130 JAPAN, R.Japan, YL describing a train trip in Japan, gd in EE, 15/2, CC
 17710 0700 CHINA, CRI, Exc.in EE, 1/1, MB, 10/2, poor/fair, DD
 17740 0700 CHINA, CRI, v/gd in CC, 10/2, DD
 17810 2000 NETH.ANTILLES, Rad.Neth. fair in EE, 10/1, MB
 21495 0900 SAUDI ARABIA, BSOTK, // 21705 Fair in AA, 21495 has bad interf., 1/1, MB
 21540 0406 MARIANAS, RFA, vg MDR, RFA ids throughout, but jammer got stronger.
 Talk/music, best day of 3, 05/2 RFK
 21755 0600 JAPAN, Rad Japan, Gd in EE, 19/1, MB
 21755 0706 JAPAN, NHK, with Nx, poor in JJ. 10/2, DD

Contributors this month

BCM Bryan Clark at Mangawhai with AOR7030+ and Alpha Delta Sloper antenna
CC Cliff Couch, Paraparaumu, Sangean ATS 803A, 60 m horiz.loop
DD Des Davey, Te Kuiti, FRG 7000, Nat.Panasonic DR-48, 50M long wire.
IC Ian Cattermole, Blenheim, JRC NRD535, Antenna T2FD, Alpha/Delta
JW Joe Wood, Greenback TN, USA, DX 390 and 8m wire
MB Mike Butler, Auckland, Sangean ATS 803A with homemade tuned RF amp. and 3m high 9m ant. polarized vert/horiz E-W/horiz N-S (thirds.)
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FORECAST SHORTWAVE RECEPTION FOR APRIL 2007

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 72-90. An * = good reception only above Index of 75. European reception changes dramatically in April. 6+7 MHz work well into the 21UTC hour and daytime signals appear on 9-15MHz from 23UTC. After April, there is practically no reception past 8UTC.

Times-Shortwave Bands:

UTC	MHZ	UTC	MHZ	UTC	MHZ	UTC	MHZ	UTC	MHZ
Europe		Africa		Russia		Australia		Cent America	
19	4-11	19	7-15	19	5-7	19	4-11	19	-
20	6-11-15*	20	6-15	20	7	20	5-15	20	-
21	6-11	21	9*-15*	21	-	21	7-17	21	-
22	9	22	9*	22	11	22	7-17,21*	22	-
23	9, 15*	23	-	23	11	23	11-17,21*	23	-
0	15*	0	-	0	-	0	13-17,21*	0	-
1	9, 15*	1	-	1	-	1	13-17,21*	1	-
2	7-9,15*	2	9*	2	-	2	13-17,21*	2	-
3	6-9	3	7-11	3	7*9,17	3	13-17,21*	3	9
4	6-11	4	7-11	4	7-11	4	11-17,21	4	6-9
5	6-11,13*	5	7-9,15*	5	7-17,21*	5	9-17	5	6
6	6-11-15*	6	6-9	6	15-17,21*	6	6-17	6	3-11
7	6-11	7	6-9	7	7*9*15,17	7	5-17	7	6-11
8	7-11,13*	8	9	8	7-9,15,17*	8	5-17	8	6-9
9	11-17	9	-	9	7-17	9	2-11-15*	9	5-9
10	15-17,21*	10	-	10	7-17	10	5-9,11*	10	6-9

Middle East		Asia		North Pacific		Nth America		Sth America	
19	4*-9*	19	4-9	19	6-13	19	-	19	15
20	6-9,11*	20	4-9	20	11-13	20	6-13	20	-
21	6*-9*	21	6-11	21	11-13-21*	21	9-13,21	21	11
22	-	22	11-15*	22	15x17	22	11,17	22	-
23	-	23	15*	23	15x17	23	11	23	17*
0	-	0	11*-15*	0	17	0	-	0	-
1	-	1	9*-17*	1	17	1	-	1	-
2	9*11*	2	15*-17*	2	17	2	-	2	11-15
3	6-11	3	11*-15*	3	17,21*	3	9	3	11*15*
4	6-15	4	9-15*	4	9-21	4	3-11	4	5-9
5	6-9, 15*	5	15-21	5	9-21	5	5-9	5	5-11
6	9-11-15*	6	15-21*	6	5-21	6	5-11	6	5-11
7	-	7	13-15	7	5-21	7	5-13	7	5-11
8	-	8	9-15,17*	8	5-15-21*	8	3-9	8	3-9
9	-	9	7-15,17*	9	4-15-21*	9	5-9	9	5-9
10	-	10	9-15,17*	10	5-17,21*	10	5-7	10	6-9

Note:6-11-15*=6-11,13*15* x=not Hawaii

BELGIUM (non).

Updated B-06 of TDP stations via RUS/CIS transmitters:

Denge Mezopotamya in Kurdish: 0300-0500 7590 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg WeAs Daily, but really not active 0500-1500 11530 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg WeAs Daily 1500-1700 7590 KCH 500 kW / 116 deg WeAs Daily

Que Huong Radio in Vietnamese: 1200-1300 on 15680 DB 100 kW / 117 deg to Asia
Mon-Sat

Tensae Ethiopia Voice of Unity in Amharic: 1500-1600 on 11900 ARM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf Daily

Radio Xoriyo Ogadenia in Somali: 1600-1700 on 9445 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf
Tue

Andenet Le Democracy in Anharic: 1600-1700 NF 9445 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf
Wed/Fri/Sun, retimed 1700-1800 on 7280 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf Tue/Thu/Sun,

deleted Voice of Eritrea in Tigrigna: 1600-1700 on 9485 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf
Thu,

deleted.Voice of Ethiopian National United People's Front in Amharic: 1600-1700 on
9445 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf Fri,

Dejen Radio in Tigrigna: 1600-1700 on 9445 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf Sat

Voice of Delina in Tigrigna: 1700-1730 on 7335 ARM 100 kW / 188 deg to EaAf Mon-Fri

Radio Democracy Shorayee in Persian 1700-1800 on 7470 RUS or TDF transmitter to
WeAs Tue/Thu/Fri/Sun

Denge Rojhelat in Persian: 1700-1900 on 7590 SAM 250 kW / 175 deg to WeAs Daily, but
really not active (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, Feb 20 via DXLD)

Chinese to build FM and shortwave stations for Liberian Broadcasting System

Chinese President Hu Jintao visited Liberia this week as part of his African tour. During his visit, a major package of economic and technical assistance was announced. The package includes the building of modern FM and shortwave services for the Liberian Broadcasting System.

(Source: The Analyst, Monrovia via RN NEWS)

ERITREA:

RADIO BANA ON AIR WITH MORNING EDUCATIONAL TRANSMISSION.

On 19th February 2007 BBC Monitoring observed educational broadcaster Radio Bana on air with a morning transmission, opening at 0355 gmt on shortwave 5100 kHz. The transmission commenced with a song about Radio Bana interspersed with announcements in Tigrinya and other local languages, and in English as follows: "This is Radio Bana from the Ministry of Education in Asmara, Eritrea, broadcasting educational programmes in English. Every day, from seven to seven-thirty p.m. [local time, equivalent to 1600-1630 gmt], and in addition on Fridays from eight to eight-thirty a.m. [0500-0530 gmt], and on Saturdays from six-thirty to seven p.m. [1530-1600 gmt], on mediumwave 1089 kHz and on shortwave 5.1 MHz in the 60-metre band." Radio Bana was first observed by BBC Monitoring during their evening transmission on 30 January 2007, broadcasting on 5100 kHz. Source: BBC Monitoring research 19 Feb 07 (via DXLD)

FINLAND:

SWR monthly transmissions

Scandinavian Weekend R - the only active SW broadcaster in Finland - will start its monthly 24 h transmission Feb 02 with the following time- and frequency schedule (UTC) (The next broadcast will be on Mar 02/03. And thereafter first Friday/Sat of each month Ed):

48 mb:

Fr 2200- Sa 1700 6170

Sa 1700- Sa 1900 5980

Sa 1900- Sa 2200 6170

25 mb:

Fr 2200- Fr 2300 11720

Fr 2300- Sa 0800 11690

Sa 0800- Sa 1400 11720

Sa 1400- Sa 1700 11690

Sa 1700- Sa 1900 11720

Sa 1900- Sa 2200 11690

Wishing nice listening hours with "One and Only" SWR from Finland.

Please visit <http://www.swradio.net> our web-pages. There are quite much new info of station and its DJ's, new photos in several galleries, NEW SWR-TV!!! etc....

Reports and post welcome with handling costs of 2 IRC/ 2 US\$/ 2 EUR: SWR/reports, P.O.Box 99, FI-34801 Virrat, Finland. E-mails to info@swradio.net . Calls and SMS's during transmission: +358 400 995559. (Heinonen via DSWCI)

POLAND.

Name change for Radio Polonia:

Radio Polonia has a name change and now identifies as Polskie Radio DLA Zagranicy. The station broadcasts on about 30 SW frequencies via transmitters at Nauen, Wertachtal, Issoudun, Montsinery and Monte Carlo through DTK. Various languages including English and many are well heard here.

Under League verification rule 14 all QSLs received can now qualify as new verifications. Polskie Radio DLA Zagranicy verifies with a full data QSL card direct or can be verified via DTK.

SAUDI ARABIA

English service from Saudi Arabia reported back on shortwave

It looks as if the English programme of the Broadcasting Service of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (BSKSA) has finally won its battle to return to shortwave. Contributors to DX Listening Digest report hearing English from Saudi Arabia between 1000 and 1200 UTC (exact times to be confirmed) on 15250 kHz.

In December 2005, the Saudi English language newspaper and website Arab News published an article about the English Service, in which the Head of the service, Hanan Awad, said that they wanted to be on shortwave so they can be heard all over the world and they had been promised that this would be considered.

Samar Fatani, another member of the English team, said "We wish that the English section would receive more attention and be equal to the other sectors because it's important to have our voice heard by expatriates here and abroad to combat the negative portrayals of Saudi Arabia, Islam and our culture."

(Broadcasting Service of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia)

SIERRA LEONE:

UN Shortwave.

"Fondation Hirondelle is developing a project of journalistic training that will be taught to the students of the Communication Dept. as well as to ten or so local journalists. They will form the editorial team of the radio station. In 6 months, the station should be able to produce 6 hours of information programming a day. It will be broadcast on FM over the air waves of the station of the U.N. in Sierra Leone. About 10 community radio stations should also retransmit this news programme. In addition, one half hour of news will be broadcast daily on SW over the entire country. Correspondents will also be trained and hired in the regions. This project, among others, fits well into the plan for professional journalistic coverage of the presidential and legislative elections planned for July 2007 in Sierra Leone. Ireland, Switzerland, Great Britain, and the European Union are the financial partners of the Fondation Hirondelle on this project." (Krone via DSWCI)

Will possibly use existing UNAMSIL on 6140kHz. (ED)

SWEDEN:

Frequency change for Radio Sweden 11550kHz.

Radio Sweden is currently negotiating a solution to the interference problem on 11550kHz.

As an interim solution, Radio Sweden is testing an alternative frequency with parallel broadcasts on 12070kHz. If you can receive Radio Sweden's parallel broadcasts - we'd like to know!

Send your reception report to: radiosweden@sr.se (Source : Radio Sweden website)

TAIWAN/FRANCE:

RTI frequency change.

Radio Taiwan via Issoudin commencing Feb.25th. using 11995kHz ex 9785 1600-1700utc in English.

(Alokesh Gupta GRDXC)

UKRAINE:

Frequency change for RUI.

Radio Ukraine International announced that effective January 26th English to North America would be 0100-0200 and 0400-0500 on new 7440, ex 5820. (Edwin Southwell, World DX Club, via dxldyg)

USA and NON.

AFRTS current frequencies:

Here is the list of the frequencies from which we currently broadcast:

Diego Garcia - 12579 / 12759 / 4319

Guam - 13362 / 5765

Key West, Florida (USA) - 12133.5 / 7812.5 / 5446.5

Pearl Harbor, Hawaii - 10320 / 6350. (Robert Winkler, AFRTS, via Rajeeesh, Feb 13)

LATIN CORNER

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BOLIVIA:

Radio Aripalca new on 4728.2.

4728.2, R Aripalca, Aripalca, Depto. Potosi, 1038, Feb 13, music, Spanish ID "...estas en sintonía de Radio Aripalca...", "...Radio Aripalca, la voz de nuestra gente...", relay news TV ATB. New station in Comunidad de Aripalca, Municipio de Vitichi, Provincia Nor Chichas, Departamento de Potosi, Bolivia. 2.800 m.s.n.m. (Aragão in HCDX). Being heard around 1030utc onwards.

STOP PRESS URUGUAY.

Radio Uruguay SODRE (Reactivated)

6125 SODRE, Radio Uruguay (SODRE), Montevideo. Reactivada!!.. Charla por hombre y mujer a las 1217. QRK3. Nada aun en 9620, la otra OC que solía retransmitir CX6. (HCDX Nigro-Uruguay, March 14)



dxissimo

Compiled by John Durham, Tauranga



Hi and welcome to the first DXissimo for 2007. We start with some QSL information.

UKRAINE relay. Radio Zamaneh Linnaeusstraat 35-F, 1093 EE Amsterdam Postbox 92027, 1090 AA Amsterdam, The Netherlands. (Bjorn Fransson via HCDX)

BOLIVIA. Radio Yura. V/S Mr Omar Flores. e-mail at canal18@cedro.pts.entelnet.bo another e-mail addr. radioyura@hotmail.com. (Manuel Mendez via HCDX)

COLOMBIA. La Voz de tu Conciencia/Marfil Estero. A QSL card in 30 days for a CD report. V/S Martin Stendal. Calle 44 No. 13-67, Bogota D.C. Colombia. (Patrick Martin via HCDX)

ERITREA. Bana Radio, P.O. Box 609, Asmara City, Eritrea. Contact person Saada Ahmedin. (Jari Savolainmen via HCDX)

Moldova PMR. In a e-mail from PMR English Service they advise that if you dont receive a reply from them via snail mail they can be reached at radiopmr@inbox.ru or irpmr@mail.ru [the English service mailbox]

PERU. Radio del Pacifico, Av. Guzman Blanco 465 7a piso Lima Peru. V/S Doris Manco Flores. (Manuel Mendez via HCDX)

VENEZUELA. Radio Amazonas. f/d computer generated card in SS. Report and \$2 sent to Sr>Jorge Rangel, QSL Manager, Calle Roma, Qta: costa Rica No. A-16, Urbanization Alto Barinas, Barinas 5201, Venezuela. (Scott R Barbour via HCDX)

YEMEN Radio Sanaa. Reception reports with return postage should be sent to Mr. Ali Ahmed Tashi, Technical Department, 26 September Street, P.O. Box 2371, Sana'a, Republic of Yemen. E-mail follow ups may be sent to ali.tashi@yahoo.com (T R Rajeeesh via HCDX)

News and loggings from the African continent.

***** New broadcaster from Africa *****

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC. A new christian broadcaster has become the countrys first privately owned shortwave station. Curt Bender of the Indiana based HCJB global Technology Center led the team that installed the station in Boali, culminating several years of planning and prayer by partner, Integrated Community Development International (ICDI). The low power station (1000 watts) broadcasting on 6030kHz airs eight hours daily with programming in French and three African languages, Sango, Aka and Fulfulde. (Via HCJB Global.)

ANGOLA Radio Nacional de Angola. Luanda. 2328 on 10/02/07 Commetary and ID in PP. (Manuel Mendez. via HCDX)

BENIN Radio Benin. Parakou. 1752-1755 on 10/01/07 SINPO 24322 (Manuel Mendez via HCDX)

BURKINA FASO Radio Burkina.7230.02. 0841 lively Afropops with M/host in FF,some kind of PSA at 0845.M announcer local Nx and interview with mentions of Ouagadougou.Very low modulation during anncts mx much louder.(Al Quagleri. N.York via HCDX)

CONGO D.R. La Voix du Peuple, Bunia. 5066.4 0410+ on 16/01/07 Nx or talk by Male.SINPO 24332 (Arnaldo Slaen. Argentina via HCDX)

DJIBOUTI Radio Djibouti. 4780 1937-1943 On 10/02/07 SINPO 34333 (Manuel Mendez via HCDX)

ETHIOPIA As reported by BBC Monitoring in DXLG.Radi Bana on 5100 now has the English program from aroud 1600 until sign-off at 1630.Prior to that programs in a local language(s) can be heard.Monitored here both 5&6 Feb with decent signal,although quite heavy qrm. (Jari Savolainen. Finland via HCDX) Have checked 5100 at 1600 from March 6-9th but no sign of any programing. Editor.

EQT.GUINEA Radio Nacional de Guinea Ecuatorial. 5005 2138 on 23/02/07 SINPO 34333 (Jose Miguel Romero.Spain via HCDX)

GABON radio Gabon. 4777 0522-0532 Music Afropops in FF noted 24/02/07 (Jose Miguel Romero. Spain via HCDX)

GUINEA Conakry 7125 noted again,first under Bucharest 1952 then in the clear after 1957.Evening programe of Afropops with FF Male announcer,mininal talk,"Radio Nationale" ID in passing at 2021,mx till2030 then into urgent-sounding monologue in vernacular.(Al Quagleri.N.York.via HCDX)

LIBERIA. 5740 Radio Veritas. Monrovia.Religious prg with ID at 2100 "Radio Veritas in the 60 meter band.SINPO 24322 (Manuel Mendez. Spain via HCDX)

MADAGASCAR Radio Nacional Malagasy. 5010 1933-1937 on 10/02/07 SINPO 24322 (Manuel Mendez via HCDX)

MALI Radiodif.Mali.Bamako.4835.6 2203+ on 20/01/07 Vern. by Male,Jazz Mx.SINPO 25332 // to 5995 SINPO 34433(Arnaldo Slaen. Argentina via HCDX)

NIGERIA Radio Nigeria. Kaduna 4770 0558 On 23/02/07 SINPO 24332 (Jose Miguel Romero.Spain via HCDX)

MAURITANIA Radio Mauritania 4845 2027 on 19/02/07 Msic with references to "Arabia". SINPO 44333 (Jose Miguel Romero.Spain via HCDX)

UGANDA Radio Uganda.Kampala 5026 0420 on 17/01/07 Vern talk by Male. SINPO 23432 (Arnaldo Slaen Argentina via HCDX)

ZIMBABWE ZBC Radio One [pres]3396 2343 Non stop lively Hi Life Mx.Nice to hear this old freq. back again but a little to weak.28&29/01/07 (Dave Valko via HCDX)

*****New Broadcaster*****

MICRONESIA Pacific Missionary Aviation (PMA) has begun to test their SW transmitter in Pohnpei in the Federated States of Micronesia. PMA began test transmissions on February 27 on the Frequency of 4755 in the 60 meter SW band. PMA have informed DXing.info that regular broadcasts should begin by the end of March. PMA says they have already received many reception reports from Japan, which came as a surprise, since the radio station was only meant to cover Micronesia and the Marshall Islands. PMA is using a transmitter power of 500 watts. Most transmissions will be in English. The new radio station can be reached by email: radio@pmapacific.org (DXing.info, March 4 2007 via DXLD 7032) *Have checked this freq. March 7-10th but doesn't appear to be broadcasting at this stage. Editor.*

Book 'The Pirate Years'

Here's your very last chance to grab a piece of pirate radio history...only 500 copies of **'The Pirate Years'** are being produced and the RHF has been allocated just 30 copies. David Ricquish has advised for the benefit of DX League members who don't have internet access he has put 5 copies aside.

Payment by cheque is NZ\$80.95 and cheques payable to Radio Heritage Foundation, PO Box 14339, Wellington 6241.

or a bank transfer of a NZ\$79.95 donation direct to the RHF BNZ a/c 02-0568-0025796-00, a/c name is Radio Heritage Foundation.

This payment can be done by phone banking or by going into any BNZ branch and making a direct deposit.

If he gets more than 5 orders, David will put them on a waiting list and ask the Publisher if he has any spare.



Most copies have already been allocated to Radio Hauraki staff and supporters in New Zealand.

Radio Hauraki The Pirate Years will be a pictorial record of the 1966-1970 era and will be:

- hardbound
- 305mm x 235mm landscape format
- 200 pages [approx] of black and white and color photos
- 'Memories' from many of the pirates
- limited edition print run of only 500 copies
- each book numbered AND your name printed in the book as one of the original 500 owners

The book is compiled by ex-Hauraki pirate John Monks, and includes photos from private collections and exclusive 'memories' just for this book.

This is a private publication and all 500 copies must be pre-sold to finance printing and production costs. If, for any reason, the project does not proceed, all payments will be refunded in full.



- 2638 0348 Longliners 100 miles off Tolaga laying out lines. NM
 2998 1635 Manila/Philippines 104 with posn. NM
 3016 0614 Santa Maria/Speedbird 193 SC and posn. NM
 3186 0600 Opotiki Base Opotiki sked reports from 3 field stations. NM
 3291 0432 Unid numbers station YL in Spanish with 5 digit groups. Fair. JW
 3330 0735 CHU Ottawa time signal Clear ID Good signal. NM
 3467 1651 N889 JA/San Francisco Company request ETA Honolulu. NM
 3485 0600 Gander Volmet Good signal. JW
 3810 0506 HD210A Guayaquil, Ecuador good time signal No tone shift at minute marks. JW. (See Mailbag column)
 4619 1900 Stewart Island base with 2 very weak field stations 1 reporting winds of 40 knots. NM
 4619 1915 Glenorchy base field stations Guides with groups at huts Very weak alpine wx One hut ID'd as Sugar Rock Will announce change of CHs when conditions poor. NM
 5598 0607 New York/Condor 249 with posn. NM
 5616 0610 Gander/Speedbird 208 SC EQBP Rego G-NLBS. NM
 5687 1910 Air Force Auckland/Iroquois landed at Mt Pirongia. NM
 6501 1710 NOJ Kodiak Alaska with coastal wx. NM
 6532 0830 Qantas 127/Tokyo Cakk Tokyo on 124.55. NM
 6628 0524 Air France/Santa Maria At 48N call Shanwick on 2872
 6628 0851 Air Transport 4540/Santa Maria Relay to company. NM
 6628 0851 Santa Maria/KLM 753 with posnb. NM
 6628 0851 Santa Maria/LAN Chile 704 posn at 30 N. NM
 6628 0519 KLM 734/New York Cleared to FL 359. NM
 6628 0519 New York/Singapore 021 with posn. NM
 6628 0519 Unid 250 SC MSAR/New York At 60n CALL 3455 or 2887.
 6655 1642 San Francisco/EVA 18 Taipei to San Francisco SC AEDR Rego B16455. NM
 8734 1844 Olivia Radio Continuous tape in English "This is Olivia Radio call is on CH 806, 1252, 1640, 2217. NM
 8867 2052 Auckland/ZK TBM Sc JKBR. NM
 8867 0600 Auckland/SAM 1137 SC QSCE. NM
 8867 0651 Lifeguard N 361 PJ/Auckland Contact Faleolo tower 118.1. NM
 8867 1925 Auckland/Reach 500 SC EQJS.
 8867 1925 Auckland/Reach 501 with posn. NM
 8879 0932 Brisbane/Laker 122 cleared 20 miles left of track. NM
 8879 1208 Brisbane/Qantas 653 SC PRGJ departed Melbourne. NM
 8903 1728 Manila/Cebu 239 with posn. NM
 8906 1704 Santa Maria/Colours 519 Sc MPAF. M<
 8906 1704 Santa Maria/FedX 721 Sc BPDQ. NM
 8906 1704 Santa Maria/Jetset 673D Contact Shanwick on 5598 or 5649. NM
 10000 1600 WWVH wiped out by commercial Arabic station. NM
 11300 0614 Cairo/N333MS destination Khartoum. NM
 11300 1653 IRS 971/Addis Cleared to FL 360. NM
 13261 0240 8VGV/San Francisco Contact NADA. NM
 13261 0241 Brisbane/Eastern 2260 on ground Lord Howe. NM
 17904 0430 San Francisco/China East 5999 departed Majuro. NM

Contributors

- NM** Neville McKenty, Napier, NRD 545 with various aerals.
JW Joe Wood, Greenback, Tennessee, USA, equipment not reported.



Allocation of additional FM licences

In July 2006 the Government agreed to reserve licences for local commercial use. These licences are to be allocated by auction, but restricted to new entrants for local broadcasting purposes consistent with the objectives in the Regional and Community Broadcasting Policy Framework.

The Cabinet decision also noted that policies for local commercial broadcasting will need to be developed to ensure that ongoing use and ownership of these licences will be constrained so as to reflect the original allocation objective.

In conjunction with the Ministry for Culture and Heritage, MED is developing draft criteria and conditions for the allocation of local commercial frequencies. MED is also developing the technical details required for the additional licences.

The draft criteria are expected to be published on the Ministry's website in the near future. Cabinet decisions and other material on VHF-FM broadcasting: Frequency Availability and Allocation are already available.

(Ministry of Economic Development, March 6, 2007)

Fairfax sounds out radio

Fairfax Media is looking at CanWest Media radio assets, including More FM and RadioLive.

It is among more than 20 media companies and private equity firms to express interest during a CanWest Global Communications review of its South Pacific investments.

CanWest has a 56 per cent economic interest in Network Ten in Australia and 70 per cent of CanWest MediaWorks New Zealand.

The New Zealand operation owns TV3 and C4.

It also has 140 radio frequencies including six radio networks - Radio Live, Kiwi, Solid Gold, Radio Pacific, The Edge and The Rock.

Fairfax interest in CanWest radio goes far beyond a passing fancy but there is a snag. Industry insiders say Fairfax is interested in radio - but not television.

CanWest has set up separate sales processes for the Australian and New Zealand assets so that whoever buys Ten will not have to buy the assets here. Australian sources say CanWest will be less inclined to split its radio and television in New Zealand.

Fairfax New Zealand CEO Joan Withers has dismissed the speculation but it is understood work is under way to overcome the barrier.

Catching up in Auckland

Buying CanWest radio would make good strategic sense for Fairfax here as it competes for retail advertising revenue with APN News & Media, publisher of the Herald.

Duopolies are attractive targets for acquisition and CanWest radio assets account for about half of the commercial radio stations here.

The other half of the radio sector is controlled by the Radio Network, whose brands include Newstalk ZB, Classic Hits and Radio Sport.

TRN is owned by ARN, which is a joint venture between APN News & Media and the US radio giant, Clear Channel Communications.

Fairfax and APN also have similar shares of the newspaper duopoly.

In magazines, Fairfax's stable includes Cuisine and House & Garden while APN's includes The Listener and New Zealand Woman's Weekly.

The other big player in magazines, James Packer's ACP Magazines, recently announced a new online association for classified advertising with APN.

Significantly, Fairfax's share of newspaper readership and, hence, retail advertising is under-represented in Auckland.

The purchase of CanWest radio stations would give it an instant boost in this country's biggest city and allow it to challenge APN's focus in three media categories - newspapers, magazines and radio.

(New Zealand Herald, February 6, 2007)

Free-to-air offers just the basics

Outages on the ageing Optus B1 satellite disrupted Sky's TV services last year. Freeview will use a new satellite.

A digital free-to-air satellite TV service set to go live next month will be aimed at "middle New Zealand" but will add digital video recorders and high-definition set-top boxes within a year.

Government-backed Freeview is a consortium of TVNZ, CanWest, Maori Television Services and Radio New Zealand.

It will broadcast existing channels TV One, TV2, TV3, C4, Maori TV and Radio New Zealand's National and Concert stations from the Optus D1 satellite to viewers with its set-top box and satellite dish.

A digital terrestrial service operating much the same way as existing broadcast TV will begin early next year.

TVNZ will launch a new family-oriented channel dubbed TVNZ3 in the next few months while a 24-hour news channel is expected to appear by year's end.

Digital TV broadcasters around the world are already delivering programmes in high-definition for better quality, as well as interactive services.

But Freeview programming will be delivered in standard definition and the two set-top boxes it has so far accredited will not allow for interactive features or hard-drive recording.

Freeview general manager Steve Browning said it would appeal to the 25 per cent of New Zealand homes with poor TV reception and those who wanted more choice in viewing.

"Middle New Zealand just wants good-quality telly. That's where Freeview comes in," he said.

The set-top boxes, sold and supported by electronics retailers, cannot be used for sending text messages and email or e-commerce services.

"We studied it long and hard. It was a trade-off between usage and cost. You add cost if you add a modem," Browning said.

Freeview would support some interactivity - mainly in the form of the channels' electronic programming guide. The MHEG-5 standard the boxes support is used by Freeview in Britain and is popular for its low hardware requirements.

A high-definition set-top box will be available by next March when digital terrestrial broadcasts begin.

"I'd like to think we'll have a personal video recorder for the satellite platform within 12 months," Browning added.

Sky has limited sales of its MySky personal video recorder as it readies MySky 2, a newer model that will support high-definition TV feeds delivered from the same satellite the Freeview consortium is using.

Browning said the satellite was brand new and was unlikely to experience the outages on the ageing Optus B1 satellite that disrupted Sky's TV services last year.

"Satellite has a bad reputation in New Zealand because of what happened with B1," he said. "But it was in its 15th year, literally falling out of the sky."

Browning has moved from TVNZ to head Freeview, but he hasn't had to change offices. Freeview is based at TVNZ's Auckland headquarters and is funded by the collaborating broadcasters.

"We're structured as a cost centre, no revenue line. We're concerned with how many houses have [Freeview] boxes in them," said Browning.

An advertising campaign would greet the launch of Freeview in late April and Browning said uptake of the set-top boxes, which will cost about \$200, would be closely linked to consumer confidence.

After a shaky start, digital TV has experienced rapid uptake across the Tasman in the past year, with two million of Australia's 7.8 million homes now able to access digital TV, according to Digital Broadcasting Australia. Three-quarters of the digital tuners are high-definition, though not all owners have high-definition TV screens.

(New Zealand Herald, March 08, 2007)

FM Loggings from Brain Palamountain, Atawhai, Nelson

February 2007:

90.8 Classic Hits 90FM Taranaki

92.4 More FM Taranaki

103.4 Niu FM Waikato

104.6 Planet FM Auckland

105.4 Coast Auckland

102.1 JJJ Newcastle

102.3 4TOO Townsville

102.9 2KOO Newcastle

105.5 2CSF Coffs Harbour

105.7 4MET Gold Coast

The above NZ & Australia loggings were made on 3 February 2007, time 0100-0200. This was one of the best midday FM catches for a long time – good reception. Three hearty cheers for the big anti cyclone!

WRTV Handbook pg300, 90.7 Classic Hits 90FM Taranaki – I get stronger reception of signal here in Nelson on 90.8 than 90.7.

Receiver for above loggings – Sony 2001, telescopic aerial.

Gordon Mathieson, Paeroa

3ABN (3 Angels Broadcasting Network)

Noted in:

Thames	88.2
Matamata	107.2 (not 107.0 as in Jan 2007's DX Times)
Putaruru	107.2
Tokoroa	88.1
Papakura	107.3

Logs

Solid Gold	New Plymouth	98.0
Life FM	Taupo	107.0
True Light FM	Palmerston North	88.4
Beach FM	Paraparaumu	88.6
Classic Hits	Taupo	96.7
3abn	Tokoroa	88.1
TLC Radio	Otahuhu	107.7
Franklin FM	Pukekohe	107.0

QSLs

Radio Hauraki	Whangarei	93.2
Classic Hits	Kaikohe	97.2
Solid Gold	New Plymouth	98.0
Life FM	Taupo	107.0
Beach FM	Paraparaumu	88.6
Classic Hits	Taupo	96.7
True Light	Palmerston North	88.4
Gospel FM	Rotorua	89.6

Papakura Area LPFM

88.1	Retro Hit Radio
106.7	Memories FM
106.9	K-FM
107.1	go-fm
107.3	3abn
107.5	up fm

Pukekohe LPFM

107.0	Franklin FM 107
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Mailbag

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= SALUTING RON KILLICK – KING OF THE KILOHERTZ =

Welcome to our column for March 2007, providing member feedback on what the postie has delivered. Pride of place this month must go to Christchurch member **RON KILLICK** who has achieved an incredible DX milestone – **his 6000th QSL on shortwave!** Ron writes “51 years, 51 weeks and 5 days ago, VLA15 Shepparton on 15200kHz was excellent in English at 0300 GMT. On 25 February, an email from Deutsche Telecom delivered QSL number 6000. This was for a transmission of Polish Radio via Fontbonne (DXers call it Monaco) in German on 7270kHz between 1630-1700 UTC on 17th February.” Other QSLs received recently are: AWR via Julich 12010 11955, BVB via Wertchtal 7260 9730, Pan American Broadcasting via Wertachtal 5850, Voice of Russia via Moscow 7290, Croatian Radio via Wertachtal 7285, Family Radio via Rampisham 7240, Deutsche Welle via Rampisham 7210, RDP via Sao Gabriel 15465, RFA via Tinian 21540, Radio Farda via Wertchtal 12015 and VoA via Wertachtal 9495. Ron adds a footnote – “Can I now give up?” (Congratulations Ron. You can rest on your laurels for a little while but I reckon 240 radio countries would be the next significant milestone for you! And as you say, **only another 1500 to catch Brian Webb! BC**)



Talking of big QSL collections, **IAN CATTERMOLE in Blenheim** continues building his totals with the following SW veries received during February: WYFR 9670 & 5925, Deutsche Welle 9830, Radio Vaticana 13785, Kamchatka Radio 5920, VOR 7290, Polskie Radio Zagranicy 11675, Bible Voice BC 11780, KSDA 9805, 9695, 12105 & 9585, KBS via Skelton 9870, Radio Nile 12060 & 9905, AWR 9855, 15140, 11725 & 11670, KWHR 17525, VOA Kuwait 9555 & 7555, Radio Farda Kuwait 5830, Radio Free Afghanistan via Kuwait on 12140, 11820, 15615 & 17670 (Reports were sent to IBB Kuwait but veries received from Washington. Same for Farda and VOA). (Thanks Ian – sorry I’ve not been in contact yet. BC)

TERRY NIELSEN from Christchurch has had the following QSL rewards during the last 2 months: KTWL Merizo, Guam, 11840 card in 211 days!!; VOA Tinian Northern Marianas 13755 card in 54 days; VOA Udon Thani Thailand 11725 card and VOA calendar in 54 days; CRI, Noblejas, Spain 9690 card and more piggy paper clips in 28 days; Voice of Russia, Moldova Kishinev, 9965 card in 122 days; VOR Komsomolsk 17665 card in 95 days and Radio Prague Litomysl 9860 card and calendar in just 9 days. Terry writes: “Many thanks

for putting "ME" on the front cover of January DX-Times! Have received more paper-clips from China, can hardly believe how they do it!!" (Sorry for missing your notes last month Terry, slip up in transitioning editors. BC)

STOP PRESS – NEW SHORTWAVE RADIO COUNTRY ON THE AIR

A NEW Shortwave Station, and a NEW Radio Country is the operation of Pacific Missionary Aviation from Pohnpei in the Federated States of Micronesia. Their 500 watt transmitter was first heard by Japanese DXers on 2 March, on 4755.16 kHz. The station has been heard between 0830 to 1900 UTC. Check out the Internet at www.pmapacific.org for more information. (Thanks to Terry Nielsen for this hot news!)



PETER BEAUFOY in Pukeatua (King Country) reports "not too much activity here, but have a new toy - a Philips D2999 shortwave receiver. Just need some time to listen to it. Veries in this month: Caribbean Beacon Anquilla 6090, AFN Diego Garcia 12759, DW Kigali 9755 and Radio Poland 7130." (Some new radio countries verified there, Peter? 50 countries can't be far away? BC)

Also from the King Country, **DES DAVEY in Te Kuiti** says reception reports have been sent to NHK 11840 and RCI 11870. QSL's from UN Radio 9565 and CRI 5955, 5960, 6020, 6040, 6115, 9570, 11760, 11785, all verified on 3 QSL cards and with a nice little gift as well, which has been given to Des' 9 year old granddaughter. Says Des "The SW sloper antenna I purchased from USA a few months ago proved not as good as my long wire antennae when connected to my communications receivers but my little Etón 250 (see last month's DX Times feature) seems to prefer the Sloper." Des has also purchased a Powertech Battery Eliminator (AC to DC Converter Ed) from Jaycar Electronics to deliver 4.5 volts to the Etón, and an SW 620 Loop Antenna from PK Loops in Australia, which performs well on both the Etón and Des' old Yaesu FRG7000.

Member **GÜNTER JACOB reports in from Germany** with some interesting advice for QSL card collectors: Firstly China – "with CRI transmitting not only from China itself, but from many other relay sites (in the Americas from Sackville, Cuba, Bonaire, French Guiana or Chile, in Africa from Mali or South Africa, in Europe from Russia, Albania, Spain, Luxembourg, England or Lithuania), it is useless for a collector to add a CRI QSL card in his collection unless the card bears complete reception details including the transmitter site. Many letters with explanations of the hobby of SWLing/DXing in general and of what a DXer and QSL card collector requires in particular were sent to CRI English Service Director Wang Gengnian and to Ying Lian. Copies with examples of other broadcasters' QSLs were enclosed to show how they verify/verified reception of transmissions from their own country and/or via relay transmitters. For example All India Radio from Aligarh, Bangalore, Delhi, Hyderabad, or Thiruvananthapuram; Radio Australia from Carnarvon, Darwin, Lyndhurst, Brandon, Shepparton or Perth; Deutsche Welle from Jülich, Elmshorn, Nauen or Wertachtal; Radio Canada International from Xi'an, Singapore, Kimjæe or Dhabayya; Voice of Russia

from Xi'an, Dushanbe or Vatican; Radio Japan from Singapore, Gabon, Ascension Island or French Guiana. Now my dream has come true to receive 32 verification cards for 32 detailed reception reports of 2004, 2005 and 2006, each with complete details including "from ...". Thus I can now add the following CRI QSL cards to my collection: from Beijing: 6145, 11635, 17855; from Jinhua: 9785; from Kashi: 5915, 7345, 11795, 11880, 15190, 15465, 17505, 17540, 17750; from Kunming: 6100, 7295, 9570, 11980; from Urumqi: 9435, 9800; from Xi'an: 9695, 9765, 11610, 11690, 17725; from Albania: 9435, 13710; from Sackville: 6080, 13675, 15260; from Cuba: 5990, 9790; from Chile: 15540. My recommendation: Whenever you send a detailed reception report to China Radio International, please, close your letter - just like I do - with a polite request in the last sentence, e. g.: " Please, do not send a card without complete details, as it would be useless for any collector. Thank you very much! " CRI will fulfill your request and you will not receive a useless piece of paper, but a real valuable verification for your collection."

"The situation is more difficult - at least until now - with Taiwan. The English Service of RTI sent me - for one detailed reception report in 2005 and many reminders - in the meantime 9 (nine!) incomplete QSL cards: One card with incorrect year, four cards without time zone, all cards without transmitter site! My report and each of the reminders requested urgently that the transmitter site (Okeechobee FL, USA) be confirmed. - It must be added that since 2007 RTI QSLs have a separate line saying "Transmitter Site:."; but it is disappointing that the lady/gentleman at RTI just leaves it blank!" (Thanks for these very helpful efforts on behalf of the DX fraternity Günter! BC)

JOE WOOD in Greenback, Tennessee, USA has an interesting QSL, one of the fastest responses he's ever had from a foreign station - standard time & frequency operation HD2IOA 3810kHz from Guayaquil Ecuador. Joe received a full data letter and station card confirming his reception via registered mail in 32 days for an English report, applause card, and one IRC. Verification signer was Capitan Rafael CABELLO Pe ariel, Capitan de Fragata EM., Subdirector Tecnico. Station address: HD2IOA, Instituto Oceanografico de la Armada, (INOCAR), Via Puerto Maritimo, Código Postal 5940, Guayaquil, Ecuador. (Well done Joe - I must try and see if this is audible in the Southwest Pacific. BC)

From **Lexington Kentucky USA, member JERRY BERG** comments on QSLs received from Columbia and Lithuania. Jerry writes that La Voz de tu Conciencia (5910 & 6010kHz) is sending a special CD to listeners who submit reports in 2007. "It is a mini-CD, and it is really very nice and quite professionally done. You put the CD in your computer and you get music and an introductory screen where you can select one of their outlets, MW (Alcaravan), FM (Marfil) or SW (Conciencia), and the ID for that outlet plays and you get photos of the transmitter. There are also photos of the antennas and the station announcers, plus several Christian songs to choose from. The form note accompanying the CD is jointly from Martin Stendal and Rafael Rodriguez, and there is a penned note to the effect that they hope to have a "special transmission" this year. Addresses for reports: Calle 44 No. 13-67, Bogota; or Ap. Aereo No. 67751, Bogota. A later message from Rafael Rodriguez on the HardCore DX Newsgroup said: "We are seeking it's information with value to improve our transmissions, we need: (1) Reports with "SINPO", we received many reports without this essential info. (2) Information about the DXer consider the best time (hour, month, season, etc) he/she can listen our signals in their area. (3) Indications of co-

channel interference from other SW stations. (4) If possible monitoring 2-3 days. The audio files are important, but its more important your comments, your opinions and details. From I send verifications; all reports received was verified; the DXers who don't receive our QSL and paper pennant maybe lost the mail, or really the report was not useful. Best 73." Dutch station KBC on 6255 via Sitkunai Lithuania sent Jerry a thank you email and followed up with a nice KBC T-shirt, a transmitter/antenna card, full-data including the transmitting site, in 2 weeks for a postal report and \$1. (A nice haul there Jerry! BC)

Back to NZ and **co-editor DAVID RICQUISH** comments on listening a few nights on the SuperRadio whilst in Christchurch "I was pleasantly surprised to get armchair level reception of Radio Marti 1180. Absolutely stunning, with many ID's, music, etc around 1000 UTC. Not just one night, but virtually every night. On 1170, KFAQ Tulsa was audible most nights as well. Hets on 10kHz spacings right along the dial, so I'd say that conditions with a decent location and receiver should be stunning at present for East Coast Yanks, and mid-west. Conditions with weather etc remind me of the early 1970's so I'd also venture that Latins should make a major appearance this year."

BRYAN CLARK of Mangawhai Northland has a small medium wave trail this month to also keep this side of the hobby alive – Latins are starting to peep through so I have added a 100m BOG to the southeast which has already proved itself, though getting identifications on Latins is not easy. Was particularly pleased with my log of KEDA 1540. Shortwave highlights have been my first reception of Zimbabwe on 90 metres for probably 20 years, Gabon reactivated on 4777 and DMR Radio 6235 – see Bandwatch for details.

AUSTRALIA: A new HPON for Canberra on 1323kHz granted to ANC International Holdings Pty Ltd must start broadcasts by June 21 2007, so expect tests soon. Currently, Adelaide's 1323 Cruise puts a nice signal into Christchurch so DXers may like to pick up Adelaide before it goes under the new Canberra station. (David Ricquish)



American Broadcast Band News Update **Items from National Radio Club's "DX News"** **Volume 74, Editions 18-21, Feb 2007**



- 660 KGDP Oildale CA has been granted relocation from Orcutt CA with 8kw/6kw U4.
- 670 WSCR Chicago IL verified with partial detail letter after follow-up, from Chief Engineer Greg Davis. (John Wilkins)
- 860 KTRB San Francisco CA Program Test Authority for their new U4 50/50kw operation was granted on 21 December and online reports indicate tests have begun. Was to utilise two transmitter sites: 3-towers for daytime operation; 4-towers at night but apparently staying with single site at Livermore CA. Debut due 1 March with San Francisco Rock Music format from the late 60's/early 70's. (Al Tobia)
- 870 KRLA Glendale CA construction permit for 50kw/3kw U4 is on the air. Application is still pending for powers to change to 20kw/37kw U4.
- 910 KKSJN Vancouver WA callsign has changed to KTRO.
- 1320 KCTC Sacramento CA applies to change their City of License to West Sacramento

- and reduce the night power to become U4 5000/500.
- 1380 CKPC Brantford ON CP for U4 25kw day & night is on the air.
- 1390 KSLM Salem OR has changed callsign to KKSJ (see 910).
- 1450 CHUC Coburg ON granted extension to simulcasting with new FM until 11 November 2007 due unresolved problems with FM signal.
- 1510 KCKK Littleton CO construction permit for 9.5kw/18kw U4 from new transmitter site is on the air. Verified by full data letter from Patrick Griffiths, Certified Broadcast Technician. (John Wilkins)
- 1590 KIXC is callsign granted for proposed new station in Hilo, Hawaii.
- 1610 CHAA Toronto ON has been authorized by CRTC to relocate their transmitter site. We assume they will continue, when relocated, to operate U1 1kw/1kw.
- 1650 KHRO El Paso TX verified by full data letter and PPC after follow-up. V/s Jim Lotspeich, Chief Engineer. (John Wilkins)
- 1660 KXTR Kansas City KS call change to WDAF lasted 3 weeks then reverted to KXTR.
- 1680 KRJO Monroe LA verified on PPC after 3rd follow-up. V/s Station Manager C.H. Murray. (John Wilkins)

PARAGUAY: ZP6 R.Guaira 840 does shift frequencies at times, in order to avoid interference with Radio Bandeirantes, in Sao Paulo Brazil. The shift is 835/840 kHz.
 ZP33 Radio 3 de Febrero, Ita on 890 can also shift frequencies in order to avoid interference with Radio Gazeta, Sao Paulo. The shift is 885/890 kHz.
 I do not think that they presently use the shifting capability. (Adan Mur ARC South American News Desk via NRC DX News)

MANGAWHAI TRAIL

BCM = Bryan Clark at Mangawhai Northland NZ with AOR7030+ and 100m BOG aerials running North, Northeast, East & Southeast.

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| 1100 | 0808 | UNID LATIN with low key religious format & gospel songs, followed till 0829 25/2, several references to "Voz de Alegria", fair. BCM |
| 1110 | 0604 | MEXICO XERED Radio Red, Mexico DF very good signal in SS with frequent idents as "La Red, la Radio Red" 3/3 BCM |
| 1160 | 0648 | COLOMBIA? Ecos de Colombia tentatively station airing evangelist very like Radio Victoria Peru's 'La Voz de la Liberación' religious programme 25/2. Fair, mixed. BCM |
| 1170 | 0821 | UNID LATINS several mixed here 4/3 on SE BOG (East BOG favoured 2CH), one with religious prgm, the other on SS vocals. No trace of KFAQ tonight. BCM |
| 1230 | 0712 | UNID LATIN with easy listening vocals 23/2, references to "Santa Fe" and "radio-info", fair. BCM |
| 1230 | 0656 | MEXICO Several unidentified SS with Mexican National Anthem on top at 0659 25/2. BCM |
| 1340 | 0727 | COLOMBIA HJFB La Carinosa, fair all alone 25/2 with pops, frequent idents in SS. BCM |

1460	0842	COLOMBIA Emisoras Nuevo Continente with religious prgm past 0905, giving website & mailing address in Santo Domingo, Republica Dominicana. Partial ident hrd at 0901 as "Desde Santa Fé de Bogota, transmite... Colombia.. frecuencia modulada.." 25/2, good on peaks.BCM
1540	0738	USA KEDA San Antonio TX good past 0810 11/2 with Mexican band music, SS anncts, ident & promos. No sign of usual KMPC tonight.BCM
1540	0930	BAHAMAS ZNSI Nassau with ident as "You're listening to Power... AM 15-40, the National Voice of the Bahamas", then religious prgm with gospel songs & preacher, good on peaks past 0950 16/2. BCM
1566	0759	UNIDENTIFIED carrying BBC World Service prgms with BBC ident across the hour 24/2. Who? Could this be VL2NI? BCM

Dxpédition Tiwai Friday

2nd March - 5th March 2007

By Frank Glen (Christchurch)

The Dxpédition began on Thursday 1st March at 0800 when Frank Glen left Christchurch for Oamaru. On arrival Peter Grenfell and Frank undertook the purchase of rations etc so essential to the fighting on a Dxpédition. They arrived at Tiwai Gate entrance at 0230 UTC and were met by Paul Aronsen. The expedition members pulled up at the house and at 0330 the NZ ensign was hoisted. The wilderness and the one-way road had beckoned us forward while the luxuries of civilization we soon left behind. Cars were unpacked and aerial connections made to (Paul) Kenwood R5000, (Frank) Sony 8600(Peter) Kenwood R5000.

Listening commenced at 0400 UTC. The reception conditions were outstanding, with many good loggings from around the world. The X band was embarrassing; it was like listening to broadcast signals of the late 1950s. Riches there were everywhere but because of the coming and going of many strong signals one had to use columns in logging to sort out each signal from the same frequency. However all three intrepid radio fanatics with 150 years of experience between them managed to capture a logging or two.

Peter Grenfell (PG)
Paul Aronsen (PA)
Frank Glen (FG)

Longwave. 2nd March

171khz 1845hrs Radio Rossi Russia. Strength Very Good Russian music and classics. (PG)

Broadcast 2nd March (A veritable feast of goodies not heard for a long time). Times are all in UTC.

1110 Khz 0950 KFAB Omaha Neb Programme dealing with communicating with the

dead by telephone. Wonders never cease, fascinating listening. All as good as local signal. (FG/PG/PA)

- 1413 Khz 0700 Radio Ferrymead. 3XP Christchurch. Did well for 400 watts, but eventually submerged by three unidentifiable Yanks by 0712. (FG)
- 1470 Khz 0804 KUTY This is Kutie Radio. Palmdale Calif. Excellent for 5KW.(PG)
- 1480 Khz 0759 KYOS Merced, Calif. Excellent for 5KW. ID and news.(PG/FG)
- 1540 Khz 0719 KXEL Waterloo Ia. Wickam Loans - financed (PG)
- 1570 Khz 0815 XERF Great to listen to an old favourite unencumbered by noise and side band interference. Strength 5 and could be heard in the Tiwai kitchen. (FG)
- 1610 Khz 0740 CHAA Toronto Canada First Canadian that was heard by the team. Could be heard from the Tiwai long drop for years. Not been like this for years. (PA/PG)
- 1620 Khz 0915 WDHP St Croix, US Virgin Islands BBC World Service (FG)
- 1640 Khz 0740 KDIA Vallejo Calif. Religious life at the top of the dial. (PG)
- 1600 Khz 0723 KCJJ. Long room listening (PA)
- 1630 Khz 0706 KKGK Fort Worth Texas Station Ident Southern Gospel (PA)
- 1630 Khz 0745 KRND Foxfarm Wy. Spanish ID. Clear (PG)
- 1630 Khz 0750 KKGM Fortworth Texas. Southern Gospel. Mega reception.(PG/PA)
- 1660 Khz 0815 WGIT Canovanas Puerto Rico Spanish folk music. (FG)
- 0723 KCJJ Iowa. Clear Signal (PA)
- 1670 0820 KHPY Moreno Valley Calif. "Radio Catolica" Prayers and Hymns Spanish exceptional signal.(FG)
- 1683 Khz 1900 Ethnic Greek Sydney. Swamping the band (FG)
- 1700 0845 XEPE "The money station" Exceptional signal (FG)
- 1700 0905 KBGG Desmoines Ia. CNN News. Excellent signal all plus plus.(FG)
- 1700 0718 Indian language Station. Ident not given. Submerged into three other signals at 0723.(FG)

SHORTWAVE 2nd March. Time is UTC.

- 3200 1825 TWR Swaziland. Religious programme - weak. (PA)
- 4780 1918 Radio Djibouti. Ethnic singing sand ethnic programme. Good signal (PA/FG/PG)
- 4770 1920 Kaduna Nigeria. Good Signal. (PA)
- 4890 0750. 1KW. Radio Atlantida. Iquitos. Peru. Spanish music and clear ID. Remarkable to listen to - both of us logged it. (FG/PG)
- 4930 1910 VOA Botswana. Weak. (PA)
- 4940 1900 VOA via Sao Tome. English. Weak signal. (PA)
- 4976 1905 Kamala. Uganda. Weak indeed. (PA)
- 5010 1815 ZNBC Lusaka. Local language style programme. Fair signal. (PA)
- 6065 1930 Voice of Turkey singing on Excellent. (PG)
- 6200 0415 Radio Prague Czech Science Programme (PG/FG)
- 6220 1815 Mystery Radio. (Pirate) Techno music & numerous deep throat ID (FG.PG. & PA)
- 7100 0445 Eritrea. Asmara Not in English but in the Voice of the Broad Masses. Music & Interviews (PG)

- 7400 1843 Radio Bulgaria News in English. (PG)
 7410 1900 All India. News clear and loud had to turn volume well back. (PG/FG)
 7415 0500 WCBQ. Planet. Excellent (PG)
 7255 1907 Radio Minsk Belarus. On News and interview (PG/FG)
 7465 Sweden coupled with 6065 Khz. English with news. Who said Sweden had closed down?(PG FG) Logged.
 7345 1945 Radio Slovakia International One. Domestic news etc. (FG/PG)
 7811 0510 Upper Side Band AFRTS. (Key West) Talk on ecology - excellent (FG/PG) Report sent by email as suggested by AFRTS, no confirmation via this means by 19th March,(FG)
 9290 0728 Radio Six. Transmission from Latvia. Studies in Scotland and Glasgow Address. (FG/PG)
 11760 0646 Radio Cuba. Havana. The world of Stamps. Had to turn it down. Too loud. (FG/PG)

Broadcast - 3rd March.

- 1700 0730 KVNS Brownsville TX. News on continuously.(FG)
 1700 0745 WEUV Huntsville Al. In behind KVNS - patient waiting and it was logged. (FG)

Short wave.

- 3200 1825hrs TWR Swaziland. Religious broadcast. A hardly annual going well.(PA)
 4770 1920 Exception Signal Kaduna Nigeria (PA)
 4780 1855 Djibouti exceptional signal. This may well become the hub of then commercial world by CE (Christian era) 2050. (PG. FG)
 4930 1910 VOA Botswana - by contrast a weak signal. Hard to log. (PG)
 5765 0811 VOA via Soe Tome EE. Sadly quite weak. (PA)
 6055 1730 "The Voice of Russia. (FG & PG)
 9290 0727 Radio 6. Latvia. Via UK transmitters. (Logged) (FG, PG. PA)

4th March Weather fine and warm. No wind.

MW and X Band.

- 3XP Ferrymead, Christchurch. Readable on 400-Watt transmitter.(FG)
 1570 0815. XERF Mexico. The old faithful of many a Dxers first Mexican.(FG)
 1665 0712 Sydney Greek Programme. Full strength.(FG)
 1683 0719 Ethnic Sydney. Drowning all out.(FG)
 The entire signals noted on 2nd & 3rd of March were still easily logged on the X Band.

Short wave.

- 3925 0829 Japan – Appears to be reading the local in house Japanese news. (PG FG)
 3995. 1902 Voice of Russia in German news. (FG)
 5020 0734 Solomon Island. Reports from the missions.(FG)

5025 0740 Catherine, Northern Territory Australia ABC News and interstate programme. (PA FG)

11760. 0625. Cuba, rap music and announcer in English. (PG ,FG, PA)

The short-wave stable of stations was again repeated over the DX period of 3rd and 4th March.

On Sunday the trio drove to Bluff and feed their faces at "Lands end" Café, while looking out on the placid seas and Dog Island.

The Southland Brach came out on Saturday for a BBQ and then held their meeting.

Meanwhile the flag flew high the hot water flowed and aerials repaired. One short aerial that Frank & Paul resurrected and re-established was unanimously named in all sincerity the Merve Branks Memorial Aerial, and woe betide any one who in the future mucks about with it.

So ended a wonderful three nights, and about the finest opportunity to hear fantastic DX for many a decade.

The Dxpedition ended on the morning of the 5th March and after wonderful weather we all departed going our several ways. Frank Glen went home to write eleven reports despite his tight deadline with the editor on his present book. A magic place for us all. We hope all is left in place for the big Easter DXpedition in April.



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U.S. X-BAND AT A GLANCE - MARCH 2007

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Updates in bold>



1610	CHHA	Toronto ON	Rel SS, reported off air for location change.
1620	WWLV	South Bend IN	AC:EZL "Love Songs 1620"
	KOZN	Bellevue NE	"ESPN 1620 Omaha's 'The Zone'"
	WTAW	College Station TX	'Newstalk 16-20 WTAW' Takes C-to-C AM
	KYIZ	Renton WA	Urban, r & b, hip-hop //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	Variety. BBC WS + Caribbean prgms overnight. Full ID :59
1630	KCJJ	Iowa City IA	Hot AC "16-30 KCJJ"
	KRND	Fox Farm WY	SS ID 'La Grande 1630"
	KKGM	Ft Worth/Dallas TX	Rel. Southern Gospel.
	WRDW	Augusta GA	Talk/Sport Sporting News Network & ABC News.
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	Overnight: ESPN sport M-F; C2C Sat Sun
	KFXV	Enid OK	Fox Sports 'The Score 1640 KFXV Enid-Oklahoma"
	KBJA	Sandy UT	SS/"Super Radio" .EE ID on hour
1650	WHKT	Portsmouth VA	Disney. "AM1650 WHKT Portsmouth, Radio Disney"
	KHRO	El Paso TX	Talk. "Air America Radio 1650 KHRO El Paso"
	KCNZ	Cedar Falls IA	Talk /Fox sports "The Fan KCNZ Cedar Falls-Waterloo"
	KWHN	Fort Smith AR	'Newstalk 1650 KWHN' Takes C to C
	KBJD	Denver CO	Talk. "KNUS-2"
	<u>KFOX</u>	Torrance CA	Korean/ EE ID on hour
1660	KTIQ	Merced CA	Now "Radio Visa" SS talk. EE ID "KTIQ Merced"
	WFNA	Charlotte NC	Sports/some ESPN "1660 AM WFNA Charlotte"
	WWRU	Jersey City NJ	Korean (10kw)
	WCNZ	Marco Is FL	Rel. Catholic/Starboard Relevant radio
	WQSN	Kalamazoo MI	Sports/talk ESPN
	KRZI	Waco TX	ESPN + local sport. Nx on hr/local ads .05 'ESPN 1660'
	KQWB	West Fargo ND	Talk. "Talkradio 1660 " CNN News
	KXOL	Brigham City UT	Now SS. ID in EE on hour " K X O L 1660"
	WDAF	Kansas City KS	x KXTR ? has the Mississippi changed course ? KDAF ??
	WGIT	Canovanas Puerto Rico	SS 'Tropical' format.
1670	WVVM	Dry Branch, GA	SS:AC
	WTDY	Madison WI	Talk. " Madison 16-70 WTDY The Pulse"
	KHPY	Moreno Valley, CA	Radio Catolica SS. Sung ID on hr. "KHPY Moreno Valley 1670"
	KNRO	Redding CA	"Sports. ESPN Radio 1670 KNRO"
1680	WTTM	Lindenwold, NJ	Ethnic – Asian "EBC Radio"
	WLAA	Winter Garden FL	SS "Alma Latina" EE; "WLAA Winter Garden-Orlando"
	WDSS	Ada MI	"R.Disney 'AM1680 WDSS Ada-Grand Rapids"
	KAVT	Fresno CA	Disney/SS. ID 'KAVT Fresno' at TOH only
	KDOW	Seattle WA	SS 'La Jefa AM 1680 KDOW Seattle'
	KRJO	Monroe LA	Urban Gospel. "KRJO Monroe"
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"
	WVON	Berwyn, IL	Afro-American Urban Talk 'The Talk of Chicago'
	WMLB	Avondale Estates GA	News/Talk CNN.
	WPTX	Lexington Park MD	Sports, Sporting News
1700	WEUP	Huntsville AL	Black Gospel
	KKLF	Sherman TX	Talk// KLIF 570 "Talk Radio KKLF"
	KBGG	Des Moines IA	CNN News. "The new AM 1700"
	KVNS	Brownsville TX	Now "La Preciosa" SS Music format
	XEPE	Tecate BCN MX	'Cash 1700, Where money talks' CNN Headline news o/nite



ONCE WERE WARRIORS... OOPS, DXERS Yes Virginia; there was a time when almost all radio listeners were DXers. Member **DES DAVEY** sends along the text of an item in the "NZ Herald" newspaper of 9 August 1926 – "A new era in radio broadcasting commenced at Auckland on Saturday August 7th when 1YA, the first of the big broadcasting stations being erected throughout the dominion, was officially opened. Throughout the evening reports were received from delighted listeners from as far south as Dunedin and from all parts of the North Island, and from Rarotonga, Suva, and from Sydney Australia."

VINTAGE RADIO SOCIETY UPDATE Headlining the February issue of the NZVRS Bulletin is part 1 of a history of the Himatangi Radio Transmitting Station near Palmerston North. The 6-page article covers the construction of the NZ Post Office station between 1951 and 1953. There's also a listing of frequencies used by early NZ broadcasting stations, which shows that 1YA Auckland (see above) was operating on 901kHz with 500 watts in 1929, whilst the most powerful station at that time was 2YA Wellington on 714kHz with 5000 watts. Former DX League member ARTHUR WILLIAMS is a contributor to the bulletin, with details of the Federal Radio from the early 1920's that he purchased on 'Trade Me'.



R.I.P DAVID HERMGES If you've listened to Austria, David's name will probably be familiar. According to a posting on Radio Netherland's "Media Network" website earlier this month, "the long-time head of the shortwave service of the Austrian Radio has died in Vienna following a lengthy illness. He was 78. Born in England in 1928, he emigrated to Austria after the war and was based in Carinthia. He then returned to England to study at Cambridge (Philosophy and Modern Languages) and also spent some time at the Sorbonne. He returned to Austria and later began to work for the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation. His voice was known to generations of listeners at home and abroad from his English news bulletins on the first programme of the ORF, his announcements for all broadcasts from the Salzburg Festival and last, but not least the ORF's English-language news and current affairs programme Report from Austria. (Source: ORF via Hubert Kubiak and via Herbert Meixner-AUT, A-DX March 2nd). ANDY SENNITT adds: "Many shortwave listeners will remember David from his many years as producer/presenter of Austrian Shortwave Panorama. He always gave great encouragement to younger people launching a career in broadcasting - which in the 1970's included a young JONATHAN MARKS, who spent some time at Austrian Radio before starting his career at Radio Netherlands."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY VOA! On 24 February 1942, a shortwave broadcast from the United States to Nazi-occupied Europe told listeners that America would tell them the truth. That first VOA broadcast in German was soon followed by others in French, Italian and

English. And by the war's end, VOA was on-the-air in nearly 25 languages.

Whilst many in the US see turning 65 years old as a time to retire, the Voice of America plans to continue working well into the 21st century, says VOA Director Danforth Austin. "Many years have passed since that day, and both the world and the technology of international broadcasting have changed dramatically, but VOA's adherence to truth telling, to honest,



accurate, comprehensive reporting on America and the world, endures", he said.

On a positive front, new VOA initiatives underway include 28 hours weekly of Persian TV via satellite and 30 minutes a day in Somali to Africa. But the Bush administration's proposed budget for the coming fiscal year would end VOA radio broadcasts in several languages - including Cantonese, Russian, Uzbek and worldwide English. (Via Media Network)

WATCH OUT FOR a special Internet website to mark the 60th birthday of Radio Netherlands Worldwide in April 2007.



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

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Full-Text Articles": WAIT! Before going out to buy the kit of parts for the Pilot Super-Wasp that we featured last week, consider whether you should spring instead for the NEW Pilot A.C. Super-Wasp, successor to the battery-operated set! "At last you can enjoy the thrills of short-wave reception with all the conveniences of full lamp-socket operation." These two articles are from the Fall 1929 and Winter 1929 issues of Radio Design. The A.C. Super-Wasp was one of the first A.C. shortwave sets.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Full-Text Articles," an article, "Radio and the Spanish War," from the May 1938 issue of Radio News. We were reminded of this article when we recently received a nice e-mail from an ontheshortwaves follower in Spain who recognized the signature of his grandfather as the veri signer on Roger Legge's 1937 Radio Guardia Civil (Spanish Morocco) QSL shown in the CPRV QSL Gallery. It is indeed a small world.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri," the "Philips Daily Shortwave Guide, arranged by the hour." From the U.K., this item contains no date but appears to be from the 1930s. The U.S. stations exchanged their "X" calls for four-letter calls in 1939, and this booklet still reflects the former. Note the reference to "Br. India," and the use of wavelength rather than frequency. And check out some of those powers. "Those were the days."

Under "CPRV," "QSL Gallery," some foreign BCB veries. Two early stations from Canada, both on 1200 kHz., were 10BQ, Branford, Ontario, 7.5 watts, with a DX program on Saturday mornings at 0200-0330 EST (1932); and 10BP, Wingham, Ontario, 25 watts (1933). From Central America and the Caribbean are TIPG, La Voz de la Victor, San Jose, Costa Rica, 625 kHz., 2 kw. (1938); TGTO, Guatemala, 810 kHz. (1958); and HHK, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, 920 kHz., 1 kw. (1935). We also have four Asian QSLs: JOIK, Sapporo, Japan, on 830 kHz. (1934); Radio Sarawak, 730 kHz., 1963; an undated QSL from U.S. Armed Forces Network, Taiwan, 1560 kHz.; and Radio Villa Verde, Macao, 10 kw., verifying a 1963 report (with a tape recording) from the U.S.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Personalities," they're BA-ACK! The Boys of NASWA, that is--this time from 1973.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Philately," some items from All India Radio, which began broadcasting in 1936: a first day cover issued on June 8, 1961 in commemoration of AIR's 25th anniversary, and an informative pamphlet issued by AIR in connection with the event. I have also posted a postcard of the AIR building constructed in New Delhi in 1940. The postcard was sent from Colombo, Ceylon to New York in 1954.

branch news

Compiled by Chief Editor, Upper Hutt



Southland Branch

Oamaru Branch meeting was held on 13-3-07 at Latitude 45 Cafe & Wine Bar at 2pm, very nice, clean friendly place.

Very good turnout of members, 7 in all including Steven Greenyer from Timaru.

Peter Grenfell gave us a very interesting account of his recent trip to Tiwai with Frank Glen, also showed us some very good photo's.

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A Brief History of Radio in Barbados

By W.Lashley (Auckland)



Radio came to Barbados in 1935 as a subscription cable radio called Radio Distribution, broadcasting five hours a day.

In 1951 the station was bought by Rediffusion Service Ltd of London and the station was known as Barbados Rediffusion, broadcasting as a full-fledged station.

In 1963 the Government of Barbados started the Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation and started the first wireless radio station on 900 kHz called Radio Barbados.

In 1979 Barbados Rediffusion was bought by the Nation Corporation and started the second wireless radio station on 790 kHz as Voice of Barbados.

Not long after that the cable station was closed down.

In 1999 Barbados Rediffusion Service Ltd changed its name to Starcom Network.

Today there are twelve Radio Stations broadcasting in Barbados by four companies.

Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation has three stations broadcasting on four frequencies, one on AM and four on FM.

Starcom network has four stations, one on AM and three on FM.

Other companies

Barbados Broadcasting Service with two stations on FM

Mix 96.9 one on FM

Radio Ged one on FM

Paradise Radio one on FM



Starcom Cricket World Cup Promotion

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