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Please note the **changes to the closing dates (see below) for the November December and January DX Times** - This is to enable Sub Editors and the Chief Editor to complete the magazine and get it out to members before the Christmas rush and delays with the postal system and allow the Editor/Sub-Editors a break in early January 2008.

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Please add the date, language in full, and country of transmitter origin, of your logging to your report, and keep the reception details short. For first time contributors, take note of how the old hands do it, but please remember to keep abbreviations to a minimum, you are not sending a "cell phone text" message.

It should be noted that loggings in "cellphone text type abbreviation" format will not be accepted.

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kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
2310	1130	AUSTRALIA, VL8A Alice Springs fair with home service – DD 4/9
2485	1135	AUSTRALIA, VL8K Katherine fair with home service – DD 4/9
3200#	0413	SWAZILAND, Trans World Radio via Manzini, 0413-0436 Sep 6, man with religious sermon in German language. Choir and organ music followed by more talk. ID at 0331. Poor. (D'Angelo-PA)
3249#	0325	HONDURAS, Radio Luz y Vida (San Luis). Spanish. OM with Preaching. Poor. 21/09 JKW.
3255#	0421	SOUTH AFRICA, BBC via Meyerton, 0421-0436 Sep 12, sports program results with a man in English. At 0429 there were several BBC World Service IDs and promo announcements for BBCWorldService.Com for listening online. News at 0430. Fair to good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
3266	1120	INDONESIA, RRI Gorontalo, Poor in Indonesian, FA ballads, 1200 MA nx, low studio moduln, but field reports OK – KVB 29/8
3274.6U#0411		PIRATE (No. Am.), The Crystal Ship, man with political talk in English with ID at 0411 mentioning the "Blue States Republic." Poor. (D'Angelo-PA)
3320#	0250	SOUTH AFRICA, Radio Sondergrense (Meyereton). Afrikaans. YL with pop music including "Stand by Me" in EG and ID. Into news at TOH. Good. 21/09 JKW.
3325	0852	PNG, R.Bougainville, Fair in Tok Pisin relg, nx/Pacific Games ID 0859 – KVB 2/9
3345#	0347	SOUTH AFRICA, Channel Africa, 0347-0407 Sep 3, music program hosted by a woman with occasional talks with a man. Time pips and news in English read by a man at 0400. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
3810#	1045	GUATEMALA, HD2IOA (Guayaquil). Spanish. Time pips, but no VOX heard due to heavy QRM from AROs. Poor. 15/09 JKW.
3905	1105	PNG, R.New Ireland, Fair FA in English nx & Tok Pisin, ID 1110 – KVB 29/8
3945	0833	VANU ATU, R.Vanu Atu, Fair in Bislama, local mx, FA ID 0901 – KVB 16/9
3976	1035	INDONESIA, RRI Pontianak, Fair/poor in Indonesian, FA nx, var mx,

- Koran – KVB 12/9
- 3987 0926 INDONESIA, RRI Manokwari, Poor in Indonesian, 0929 TS then half-hour English prgm from Australia w/talk by "Kevin" – KVB 2/9
- 4052.4#0132 GUATEMALA, Radio Verdad, 0132-0204 Aug 25, religious vocals, man in Spanish with ID, frequency and announcements. Program of religious talks and inspirational music followed. Another ID and frequency announcement at 0156. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4605 0901 INDONESIA, RRI Serui, Fair in Indonesian with ethnic/Islamic mx, Koran, local pop mx, 0920 FA in brief English, poss ID for FM outlet – KVB 29/8
- 4700 0900 GUATEMALA, R Amistad (tent – tks to KAB for poss ID), Poor in Spanish, s/on to 1040, lively mx, advts, talk and poss sports bcst. Also logged 18, 20, 22, 24, but tx not hrd Sun 23/9 – KVB 19/9
- 4750 1833 INDONESIA, RRI Makassar, Fair in Indonesian, mx, MA, phone-in – KVB 16/9
- 4755.3 0834 MICRONESIA, Pacific Missionary Radio fair in English with Christian music and US syndicated relig prgm. Poor at 1844. On 7/10 audible at 0707 tune in with sideband interference from Latin on 4754.9 – BCM 7/10
- 4775 1020 PERU, R.Tarma, Poor in Spanish, weak sig, good moduln, MA, local mx but mostly talk; 1105 'Programa Nacional'. ID 1100 – KVB 5/9
- 4780 1059 GUATEMALA, R. Cultural Coatan Poor in Spanish, poss co-chan mixing for first 45 mins then clearer w/bright mx, relg, class mx, ID 1159 – KVB 4/9
- 4780 1742 DJIBOUTI, R.Djibouti, Poor/fair in vernacular and Arabic, talk, chanting, local mx, 1820 best sig 60m, phone-in & upbeat mx after 1830 – KVB 1/9
- 4781# 1101 GUATEMALA, Radio Cultural Coatin. (San Sebastian). OM with postal address and inspirational music. Poor. 15/09 JKW.
- 4790 0439 PERU, R.Vision, Fair in Spanish, long relg prgm, 0549 FA ID – KVB 3/9
- 4790.2#0414 PERU, Radio Vision, 0414-0525 Sep 1, excited man with Spanish language religious talk/preaching until 0436 when local male announcer gave two station IDs. More religious talks with man talking to live crowd and woman speaking to radio audience seemingly explaining things. Fair signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4799# 1108 GUATEMALA, Radio Buenas Nuevas (San Sebastian). Spanish. Inspirational music including "Sweet Hour of Prayer" in Spanish. OM with full ID with city, country and Central America mentioned followed by a fanfare and into pipe organ music. Poor. 15/09 JKW.
- 4828# 0314 ZIMBABWE, Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation, 0314-0406 Sep 2, continuous pop music selection without any announcements. Poor to fair signal but in the clear once CODAR quieted down around 0340. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4828v#0336 ZIMBABWE, ZBC (Gweru). Vernacular. Very tentative with reggae type music. Poor. 21/09 JKW.
- 4835 0818 AUSTRALIA, ABC Alice Springs, Good in English with Cowboys v Warriors commentary on 'Grandstand'. ID 0822 – KVB 16/9
- 4845 0520 MAURITANIA, R.Mauritanie, Fair in Arabic talk, chanting, Islamic mx, 0737 Ute QRM – KVB 18/9

- 4845# 0415 MAURITANIA, Radio Mauritania. Arabic. OM x 2 with discussions of Koran. Good. 21/09 JKW.
- 4845.2#0007 BRAZIL, Radio Cultural Ondas Tropicais, 0007-0041 Aug 16, two men with apparent sports coverage. Fast, excited conversation with several mentions of Brasil, Amazonas, and other areas of Brazil. Fair and in the clear in upper side band. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4885 1030 BRAZIL, R.Difusora Acreana Rio Branco, Fair in Portugese relg , MA advt, ID 1053 – KVB 4/9
- 4905 1630 CHINA/TIBET. Fair with EE at 1635utc. IDs as China Tibet BC.//4920 mixed with AIR Chennai. - IC 25/9
- 4915 0553 BRAZIL, R.Difusora Macapa, Poor in Spanish, MA, contemp mx, some English pop, sweeper QRM – KVB 23/9
- 4920 0937 INDONESIA, RRI Biak, Fair/poor in Indonesian, var mx, QTH refs – KVB 2/9
- 4925 1904 INDONESIA, RRI Jambi, Fair in Indonesian, MA w/phone-in // other network stns – KVB 17/9
- 4930 1730 BOTSWANA, VoAmerica. g in EE, then 1800 Ndebele, 1830 EE again. Signal lost around 1850. Took 3 weeks to find enough for a report. 17/9 RFK.
- 4930 1811 BOTSWANA, VOA, Fair/poor in vern & English nx/sport ID 1835 – KVB 17/9
- 4930# 0404 BOTSWANA, Voice of America – Moepeng Hill, 0404-0338 Aug 28, Daybreak Africa program with news features, TC's and IDs. News headlines at 0330. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4930# 0418 BOTSWANA, VOA relay. English. OM with "Daybreak Africa" program. TC, ID and phone numbers at BOH. VG. 21/09 JKW.
- 4976# 0340 UGANDA, Radio Uganda, 0340-0413 Aug 29, man announcer in local language hosting a music program. ID at 0400 by a man and woman followed by news. Poor to fair with some CODAR QRM. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4985 0934 BRAZIL, R.Brazil Central, Fair/poor in Portugese, MA, mx, bird sounds, rooster, phone-in - KVB 6/9
- 5050 1108 CHINA, FBS Nanning, Fair, FA at length in Vietnamese – KVB 18/9
- 5070 0740 USA, WWCR good in English – DD 27/8
- 5755 0750 USAA, KAIJ v good signal in English but low voice level – DD 27/8
- 5830 2010 KUWAIT, R Farda good in Farsi with music – KAB 6/9
- 5850 0756 USA, WEWN good in English but weak voice – DD 27/8
- 5850 2010 SWEDEN, RCI fair in English with comment on Canada, noisy – KAB 6/9
- 5875 1915 CYPRUS, BBC WS in Russian with some English in World News – KAB 9/9
- 5885 1925 VATICAN, Vatican Radio fair in German, IS 1930 then into Italian – KAB 9/9
- 5900 1935 BULGARIA, R Bulgaria Intl fair in Bulgarian (?) with music and voice over comment, strong het, better USB – KAB 9/9
- 5925 0800 USA, WYFR poor in English // 5950 good, – DD 27/8
- 5925 1940 RUSSIA, V of Russia fair in Arabic playing Russian classical music, very pleasant – KAB 9/9
- 5935 0807 USA, WWCR poor in English – DD 27/8
- 5945 0812 USA, Bible Voice Broadcasting fair in English – DD 7/9

- 5945 2020 AUSTRIA, ORF good in German with music and comment, ID 2031 then OM in German – KAB 9/9
- 5950 0705 USA, R Taiwan Intl good in English with news and ID at 0706, a little noisy – CC 25/9
- 5950 0838 USA WYFR OM with listeners letters, open forum religious prgm, signal good in English 29/9 RP
- 5955 1150 CHINA, CRI fair in English – DD 4/9
- 5960 2043 TURKEY, V of Turkey good in Turkish with music – KAB 9/9
- 5995 0815 AUSTRALIA, R Australia with headline news, very good but noisy – DD 27/8
- 6009.4#0035 COLOMBIA, La Voz de tu Conciencia, 0035-0053 Aug 30, Spanish language religious talk by a man followed by another man announcer with ID and frequency announcement at 0041. Soft religious music. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6020 1150 AUSTRALIA, R Australia excellent in English – DD 7/9
- 6025# 2342 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, Radio Amanecer (presumed), 2342-0050 Aug 29, Spanish language religious talks and soft instrumental music. Clear until Sweden squeezed them at *2359 but latter audible again but mixing with co-channel Iran from 0030. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6035# 0210 COLOMBIA, La Voz del Guaviare, 0210-0231 Aug 25, program of Latin Rhythms with quick IDs noted between many songs, jingles, etc. Nice ID at 0228 before being swamped by Vatican Radio opening via Sackville on 6040 at 0230. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6040 1016 CANADA, CRI good in English with news about China – CC 14/9
- 6050 1900 GERMANY, Polish R-Wertachtal, s/on in Russian Ex. Web data, talk and some music. off 1930. 09/9 RFK
- 6060 1800 GERMANY, Bible Voice-Julich, Ex EE ids 1800 1815, Russian prog 1815 www.oldpaths. 1830 off. 07/9 RFK
- 6065 1731 SWEDEN, R Sweden fair in English with news about Sweden, some QRN – CC 11/9
- 6075 2045 GERMANY, D Welle fair in German with comment, IDs 2045, 2051 – KAB 9/9
- 6080 1301 AUSTRALIA, R Australia v good in English – DD 11/9
- 6085 1020 TAIWAN, R Taiwan Intl good in Chinese – DD 15/9
- 6095 0723 NZ, RNZI excellent with Dateline Pacific in English – DD 27/8
- 6095 1041 ??? BBC WS v good with radio play in English – DD 15/9
- 6110 1930 GERMANY, Polish R-Wertachtal, s/on but poor in German, off 2000, co-channel CRI in Russian. 10/9 RFK.
- 6110 20540 ITALY, RAI v weak with IS, ID then prgm in Italian – KAB 9/9
- 6145 1748 CHINA, CRI v good in Chinese – DD 17/9
- 6155 1025 CHINA, CNR-2 Beijing v good in Chinese – DD 15/9
- 6165 1523 CHINA, CNR-6 Beijing good with Chinese pop music – DD 11/9
- 6175 1030 CHINA, CNR-1 Beijing v good in Chinese – DD 15/9
- 6195 1515 ??? BBC WS v good but noisy in English – DD 11/9
- 6205 1950 IRAN, VOIURI good in English with news // 7205 the same – CC 18/9
- 6225 1659 LITHUANIA. Radio Racja. Polis station BC to Belarus via Lithuania. Fair

- in Belarussian. Off at 1728. – IC 28/9
- 6300# 2340 CLANDESTINE (Western Sahara), Radio Nacional de la RASD, 2340-0001* Aug 15, program of continuous regional vocals with a very rustic sound. Flute music at 2359 followed by a man announcer with ID and closedown announcements in Arabic. Marching band anthem at 0000. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7105 2102 CHINA, CRI poor in Chinese – DD 13/9
- 7105# 2359 OMAN, BBC via A'Seela Relay Station , *2359-0023 Aug 27, opening with 5+1 time pips, ID, World News followed by World Briefing leading with resignation of Alberto Gonzales. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7110# 0324 ETHIOPIA, Radio Ethiopia, 0324-0404 Aug 24, Horn of Africa music followed by ID and news in Amharic at 0330. End of news with headlines at 0340 followed by mix of short music segments and talks. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7125 0430 MOLDOVA, V of Russia v good in Russian with comment followed by Russian music – KAB 7/9
- 7135 0440 FRANCE, RFI good in French with comment – KAB 7/9
- 7160 0440 ASCENSION IS, BBC WS fair in English with comment, ID 0442 – KAB 7/9
- 7160 1916 THAILAND, HSK9 r Thailand fair in English – DD 29/8
- 7160 2006 CHINA multiple CRI OM with news about North Korea 6 party talks, English ex signal 28/9 RP
- 7170 0445 ITALY, RAI good in Italian with tribute to Pavarotti, IS, ID 0455 – KAB 7/9
- 7170 2031 TURKEY, V of Turkey v good with news in English – DD 1/9
- 7170 2037 TURKEY, VOT good in English with news, ID at 2038 then Press Review – CC 3/9
- 7170 2100 TURKEY. VOT. Good in EE. – IC 24/9
- 7170 2115 TURKEY, VOT Voice of Turkey YL with station ID, male vocals slow tempo Turkish song ballad style 22/9 RP
- 7180 1900 GERMANY, Family R-Nauen, s/on vg in Arabic. off 1959. Some but not serious QRM CRI under. 24/9 RfK.
- 7185 1750 TAIWAN, R Taiwan Intl v good in Chinese // 7260 excellent – DD 31/8
- 7190 0645 TUNISIA. RTV Tunisia. Good in AA. – IC 25/9
- 7190 0931 CHINA, CRI excellent in Chinese – DD 30/8
- 7190 2008 CHINA CRI multi China Radio Intl News report signal poor to fair in EE 23/9 RP
- 7205 2014 IRAN VOIRI station ID, YL talk about Bush admin, English signal good-ex 23/9 RP
- 7225 0441 RWANDA, D Welle good in English with comment about illegal logging in Africa – KAB 22/9
- 7235 2115 CHINA. CRI. Fair in AA. – IC 24/9
- 7240 0505 STH AFRICA, Channel Africa fair in English with YL talking, rather noisy // 9685 same but noisier – CC 2/9
- 7240 0724 PORTUGAL, RDP Intl good in Portuguese with lively music // 11850 weaker and distorted – CC 25/9
- 7240 2023 AUSTRALIA, R Australia v good with PNG Service – DD 27/8
- 7250 0442 VATICAN, Vatican Radio with IS, ID in Italian with comment by female

- announcer – KAB 22/9
- 7250 1955 VATICAN, R Vatican excellent in English – DD 1/9
- 7260# 1100 THAILAND, Radio Thailand, *1100-1122 Sep 10, gongs until a man gave English ID followed by instrumental music and program in Vietnamese. More gongs at 1115 followed by another English ID “This is HSK9, Radio Thailand ... World Service...” Fair. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7265 1925 CHINA, CRI excellent in Chinese – DD 29/8
- 7275 1930 SPAIN, REE excellent in Spanish – DD 29/8
- 7275 2100 SPAIN, REE good with Spanish music, time pips, ID, then news in Spanish – KAB 11/9
- 7275# 0521 TUNISIA, RTV Tunisienne (Sfax). Arabic. Middle Eastern music. VG. 21/09 JKW.
- 7285 0923 CHINA, CRI fair in Chinese – DD 30/8
- 7295# 0059 GERMANY, Radio Farda via Lampertheim, *0059-0132 Sep 3, middle eastern vocal opening followed by Persian program opening with several IDs as “Radyo Farda” by a woman and a man, news headlines followed by a program of pop/rock music many with English lyrics. Fair at tune in but deteriorating around 0120. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7330 2051 SRI LANKA, D Welle excellent in German – DD 13/9
- 7335 1758 CHINA, CRI excellent with China Drive prgm in English – DD 31/8
- 7340 1900 RUSSIA, Family R-Moscow, ex signal in Spanish, good id’s, and web/mailling data. off 2000. 07/9 RfK
- 7360 1151 CHINA, fair in Chinese – DD 7/9
- 7360 2028 VATICAN, R Vatican excellent with English service – DD 27/8
- 7400 2138 USA WHRI OM with mail bag prgm, English Signal good/excellent 27/9 RP
- 7410 1940 INDIA, AIR Delhi fair in English – DD 31/8
- 7410 2050 INDIA AIR Delhi with station ID as General Overseas Service of All India Radio, male vocals in Hindi, signal fair in English 16/9 RP
- 7425 0246 ALBANIA. Radio Tirana. Fair in EE. //6115 weak. – IC 23/9
- 7440 0345 UKRAINE. RUI. Good in EE.- IC 30/9
- 7440# 0301 UKRAINE, Radio Ukraine Intl. (Mykolayiv). English. OM with items about Ukrainian Army followed by some type of referendum concerning the type of government being considered. Into program “Ukraine Today.” Good. 21/09 JKW.
- 7455 0730 USA, WYFR goods in Spanish – DD 7/9
- 7475 0448 GREECE, FTH good in Greek with talk // 9420 the same – CC 2/9
- 7500# 2329 7500 KUWAIT, Radio Free Asia, 2329-2358* Aug 27, Tibetan language broadcast with news and brief English audio clips, some music. Fair. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7555 2038 KUWAIT, VOA fair in English – DD 13/9
- 7560 0720 USA, WEWN fair in English – DD 27/8
- 7570 0755 USA, WEWN fair in English – DD 15/9
- 7570 0857 USA EWTN OM with station ID Global Catholic network, religious prgm, signal good in English 16/9 RP
- 7620 1203 CHINA, CNR-5 Beijing excellent in Chinese – DD 11/9

Logging of the Month
goes to **Bryan Clark**
for MICRONESIA, Pacific Missionary Radio on 4755.3 at 0834utc on 06/10.
Congratulations also to **Ian Cattermole**
for LITHUANIA, Radio Racja Polis on 6225 at 1659utc on 28/09.

My thanks to all the contributors for this month
Please note the change of my e-mail address

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9290	0712	LATVIA, Radio Six Int. OM with replys to listeners emails ID, gd in EE, 22/9, RP
9310	1930	SRI LANKA, VOA, to Afghanistan, exc in Pashto, 24/9, MB
9330	2000	SYRIA, Rad.Damascus, YL in FF then OM opening in EE with ID at 2005, f/gd, 18/9, CC

- 9345 1416 RUSSIA, Rad.Ned. v/gd in EE with newslines, 4/9 DD
- 9410 1520 CHINA, CNR-5, gd in CC, 7/9, DD
- 9410 1900 CYPRUS, BBC, weak under jamming but at 0600 fair in the clear. Both in EE, 15/9, MB
- 9445 1900 INDIA, AIR, with nx in EE, v/gd, 29/8, DD
- 9455 1535 CHINA, CRI, exc in CC with home serv, 7/9, DD
- 9485 1856 CYPRUS, BBC, WS, exc.in EE, 1856, DD
- 9495 1900 GERMANY, Family R-Wertachtal, ex in AA at s/on. Usual talk www/mail data and Open Forum details.off 1959. 18/9 RFK
- 9500 0920 CHINA, CNR-1, home serv.exc.in Mandarin, 25/8, DD
- 9500 0937 CHINA, CNR-1, with home serv, exc.in CC, 30/8 DD
- 9520 2050 GERMANY. WYFR via DTK. Poor in SS. N/F. 26/9 IC
- 9545 0720 GERMANY, DW, poor/fair in GG, 15/9, DD
- 9550 0600 CUBA, R Habana Cuba, fair in EE, 15/9, MB
- 9555 1500 GERMANY. Polish Radio via DTK. Good in UK language. 27/9 IC
- 9580 0932 CHINA, CRI, exc.in EE, 25/8, DD
- 9580 0845 AUSTRALIA, Rad.Austr., exc.in EE, 27/8, DD
- 9605 1115 ??, BBC, WS, stn Id, prgm book awards, pluss report from Germany, gd in EE, 15/9, RP
- 9610 1900 USA ?, Family Rad, moderate (S5) in EE, 24/9, MB
- 9610 2302 CHINA, CRI, OM with nx about China/Japan etc gd in EE, 15/9, RP
- 9615 0530 NEW ZEALAND. RNI, f/gd in EE with nx, 3/9 DD
- 9620 2100 PORTUGAL, DW, exc.in AA to N.Afr., 26/9, MB
- 9625 0717 NETH.ANTILLES, Rad.Neth to Austr. v/gd in DD, 7/9, DD
- 9625 0717 NETH.ANTILLES, Rad.Ned. Two OM spkg, //5955, weaker, gd in DD, 25/9, CC
- 9660 0400 VATICAN. Radio Vaticana. Poor in Amharic. QRM NHK. . // 11625 clear. 25/9 IC
- 9665 1855 SPAIN, REE, Two OM spkg, //7275 same, gd in SS, 23/9, CC (same time in FF Mo-Fri, ED)
- 9680 2040 THAILAND, Rad.Thailand, prgr distant learning schools via sw radio, ex in EE, 26/9 RP
- 9695 0937 JAPAN, NHK, with nx in IND, f/gd, 25/8, DD
- 9720 1722 TUNISIA, RTV Tunisienne, OM spkg, scratchy, //7225 weaker, f/gd in AA, 11/9, CC
- 9735 2100 GERMANY, DW, in EE, weak, 26/9, MB also 26/9 RP
- 9740 2305 SINGAPORE, BBC World news, stn ID, fair in EE, 9/9, RP
- 9790 2020 FRANCE, RFI, exc.in FF, 27/8, DD
- 9805 0420 FRANCE, RFI, OM with prgm,travel, sign off about 4:30 utc, gd in EE, 25/9, RP
- 9815 1830 USA, VOA, v/gd in PP, 29/8, DD
- 9845 1954 ITALY, RAI, YL with ID, then bird calls & off, gd in EE, 18/9, CC
- 11600 2006 CZECH REPUBLIC, Rad.Prague, ID at 2011, talk prgm about USA, exc in EE, 19/9, RP
- 11660 2110 AUSTRALIA, Rad.Austr. with notebook, fair in EE, 1/9 DD
- 11710 0550 ALBANIA, CRI-Cerrick, gd in EE with economic nx then nx and China Drive 18/9 RFK
- 11720 2020 GERMANY, DW, OM with prgm about African farming, ID at 2023, gd/exc in EE, 19/9, RP
- 11725 0030 PHILIPPINES, VOA, ID, Jim Dryden, world nx, in special EE Middle

East, Iraq,gd,14/9, RP

11730 1900 GERMANY, AWR-Julich, vg in EE id @ s/on for Arabic prog. Tachelhit at 1930, French 2000, off 2030 but good reportable contact. 20/9 RFK

11740 0540 VATICAN CITY, Rad.Vat, v/gd in Latin, 4/9, DD

11750 0840 AUSTRALIA, HCJB, gd in EE, 25/8, DD and DX party line at 0730 on 22/9 MB

11760 1208 CHINA, CRI, nx and reports in EE, exc. 16/9, DD

11825 1214 TAIWAN, Rad.Taiwan, with home serv.in CC, v/gd 16/9, DD

11850 1200 GERMANY. Polish Radio. Poor in EE via DTK. 30/9 IC

11920 0900 JAPAN, NHK, with nx in JJ, fair/gd, 25/8, DD

11980 1220 CHINA, CRI, with nx and reports in EE, exc. 16/9, DD

11985 0215 INDIA, AIR, gd in Kannada (South India), // 15075, same report, 1/9, MB

11990 1225 CHINA, CRI, v/gd in Vietnamese, 16/9, DD

12020 1605 GERMANY, WYFR, gd in Turkish, 11/9, DD

12035 0802 SPAIN, REE. Nx in SS, fair, 25/8, DD

12150 1556 SRI LANKA, VOA, poor/fair in EE, 11/9, DD

13590 1038 CHINA, CRI, Fem ann, up beat jazz prgr, gd in EE, 8/9, RP

13630 2116 AUSTRALIA, Rad.Austr, nx in EE, exc. 1/9, DD

13660 2035 UK, BBC WS, v/gd in AA, 14/9, DD

13695 1940 FRANCE, RFI, v/gd in FF, close at 2000, 14/9, DD

15220 2130 USA. WEWN. Poor in EE 24/9 IC

15240 0725 AUSTRALIA, Rad.Austr, with Pacific beat, v/gd in EE, 25/8, DD

15245 2145 N.KOREA. Voice of Korea. Fair in EE off at 2158. 24/9 IC

15300 1900 FRANCE, RFI, gd in FF, 2/9, MB

15310 1110 THAILAND, BBC WS, fair/gd in EE, 15/9, DD

15335 0736 AUSTRALIA, CVC, poor/fair in EE, 25/8, DD

15360 0724 SINGAPORE, BBC WS, with the World today, fair/gd in EE, 25/8, DD

15410 2200 CHILE. CVC La Voz. VG in PP. 24/9 IC

15415 0720 AUSTRALIA, Rad.Austr., P.NG serv, v/gd in EE, 25/8 DD

15500 0740 CHINA, CNR-2, with home serv, poor in CC, 25/8, DD

15525 0745 CHINA, CRI, fair/gd in CC, 25/8, DD (Philippines, FEBC in Mandarin? ED)

15560 2120 PORTUGAL. Rad.Port, with football comm, poor/fair in PP, 13/9, DD

15585 1116 SPAIN, REE, gd in SS, 15/9, DD

15600 1120 IRAN, VOIRI, gd in EE, 15/9, DD

15665 2012 USA. Voice of Biafra Int. via WHRI. Good in EE. 28/9 IC

15710 0752 CHINA, CNR-6 with home serv, poor in CC. 25/8, DD

17635 0507 RUSSIA, V.of R, OM with nx, YI with ID at 0508, gd in EE, 2/9, CC

17810 1155 INDIA, AIR, with modern mx, fair in Tamil, 15/9, DD

Contributors this month

CC Cliff Couch, Paraparaumu, Sangean ATS 803A, 60 m horiz.loop

DD Des Davey, Te Kuiti, FRG 7000, FRG 7700, JRC-NRD-535, 30M vert.L, 50M long wire.

IC Ian Cattermole, Blenheim, JRC NRD535, Antenna T2FD, Alpha/Delta

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.)

RFK Ron Killick, Christchurch, Sony ICF6800W, 40m longwire.

RP Roger Pryde, Dunedin, Sangean ATS 803A, Yaesu 700

Radio St. Helena

is celebrating its special DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY year 2007
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Radio St. Helena Day 2007 world-wide shortwave broadcast.

The year 2007 marks a DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY for Radio St. Helena :
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-- the 10 th shortwave transmission anniversary.

Saturday, 15. December 2007

From UTC	To UTC	Target area
1730	1815	New Zealand
1815	1900	India
1900	2015	Japan
2015	2145	Europe
2145	2245	North America East
2245	2330	North America West
2330	0015	South America North
0015	0100	South America Central/South

RSH will be transmitting on 11092.5 KHZ in USB with 1000 Watts and using a 3-element monoband directional antenna.

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With best greetings and wishes for good listening conditions,

Laura Lawrence Station Manager of Radio St. Helena

Robert Kipp Special Assistant to Laura Lawrence

Jamestown, St. Helena / Langen, Germany

Only reception reports sent by regular mail will be accepted.

Email-reports will NOT be accepted.

Return postage is absolutely required and is "at least" three IRC's or "Greenstamps".

"At least" means that RSH welcomes donations at any time and in any amount.

Reception reports by regular mail only and including 5 USD or 5 Euros in banknotes are to be sent ONLY to the following address:

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St. Helena Island
STHL 1ZZ
South Atlantic Ocean



ENGLISH IN TIME ORDER



Editor Yuri (*George*) Muzyka
Auckland

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

The Solar Flux is aired daily over WWV/WWVH on 2.5, 5, 10, 15 and 20 MHz Shortwave at 18 & 45 minutes past every hour. For propagation forecasts please refer to Mike's column.

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

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

NEW ZEALAND CONTRIBUTIONS

Time (UTC)	Freq (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0030	11725g	VOA	USA	14/9	RP
0246	6115p:7425f	Radio Tirana	ALBANIA	23/9	IC
0345g	7440g	RUI	UKRAINE	30/9	IC
0420-0430	9805g	RFI	FRANCE	25/9	RP
0440-0442	7160f	BBC WS	UK	7/9	KAB
0441	7225g	D Welle	GERMANY	22/9	KAB
0505	7240f:9685	Channel Africa	STH AFRICA	2/9	CC
0507-0508	17635g	V.of R	RUSSIA	2/9	CC
0530	9615g	RNI	NORWAY	3/9	DD
0550	11710g	CRI	CHINA	18/9	RFK
0600	9550f	R Habana	CUBA	15/9	MB
0705-0706	5950g	R Taiwan Int	TAIWAN	25/9	CC
0707	4755.3	Pacific Missionary Radio	MICRONESIA?	7/10	BCM
0712	9290g	Radio Six Int	LATVIA?	22/9	RP
0720	7560f	WEWN	USA	27/8	DD
0720	15415g	Radio Australia	AUSTRALIA	25/8	DD
0723	6095e	RNZI	NZ	27/8	DD
0724	15360g	BBC WS	UK	25/8	DD
0725	15240g	Radio Australia	AUSTRALIA	25/8	DD
0730	11750g	HCJB	ECUADOR	22/9	MB

0736	15335f	CVC	AUSTRALIA	25/8	DD
0740	5070g	WWCR	USA	27/8	DD
0750	5755g	KAIJ	USA	27/8	DD
0755	7570f	WEWN	USA	15/9	DD
0756	5850g	WEWN	USA	27/8	DD
0800	5925p:5950g	WYFR	USA	27/8	DD
0807	5935p	WWCR	USA	27/8	DD
0812	5945f	Bible Voice Broadcasting	AUSTRALIA	7/9	DD
0838	5950g	WYFR	USA	29/9	RP
0840	11750g	HCJB	ECUADOR	25/8	DD
0845	9580e	Radio Australia	AUSTRALIA	27/8	DD
0857	7570g	EWTN	USA?	16/9	RP
0930	3987p	RRI	INDONESIA	2/9	KVB
0932	9580e	CRI	CHINA	25/8	DD
1016	6040g	CRI	CHINA	14/9	CC
1038	13590g	CRI	CHINA	8/9	RP
1041	6095g	BBC WS	UK	15/9	DD
1105	3905f	R New Ireland	PNG	29/8	KVB
1110	15310g	BBC WS	UK	15/9	DD
1115	9605g	BBC WS	UK	15/9	RP
1120	15600g	VOIRI	IRAN	15/9	DD
1150	5955f	CRI	CHINA	4/9	DD
1150	6020e	R Australia	AUSTRALIA	7/9	DD
1200	11850p	Polish Radio	POLAND	30/9	IC
1208	11760e	CRI	CHINA	16/9	DD
1220	11980e	CRI	CHINA	16/9	DD
1301	6080g	R Australia	AUSTRALIA	11/9	DD
1416	9345g	Radio Netherlands	NETHERLANDS	4/9	DD
1515	6195g	BBC WS	UK	11/9	DD
1556	12150f	VOA	USA	11/9	DD
1730-1800	4930g	Voice of America	USA	17/9	RFK
1731	6065f	R Sweden	SWEDEN	11/9	CC
1758	7335e	CRI	CHINA	31/8	DD
1830-1850	4930g	VoAmerica	USA	17/9	RFK
1856	9485e	BBC WS	UK	-	DD
1900	9410	BBC	UK	15/9	MB
1900	9445g	AIR	INDIA	29/8	DD
1900	9610g	Family Radio	USA	24/9	MB

1916	7160f	R Thailand	THAILAND	29/8	DD
1940	7410f	AIR	INDIA	31/8	DD
1950	6205g:7205g	VOIRI	IRAN	18/9	CC
1954	9845g	RAI	ITALY	18/9	CC
1955	7250e	R Vatican	VATICAN	1/9	DD
2005	9330g	Radio Damascus	SYRIA	18/9	CC
2006	7160	CRI	CHINA	28/9	RP
2006-2011	11600e	Radio Prague	CZECH REP	19/9	RP
2008	7190f	CRI	CHINA	23/9	RP
2010	5850f	RCI	CANADA	6/9	KAB
2012	15665g	Voice of Biafra Int	USA?	28/9	IC
2014	7205g	VOIRI	IRAN	23/9	RP
2020-2023	11720e	DW	GERMANY	19/9	RP
2028	7360e	R Vatican	VATICAN	27/8	DD
2031	7170g	V of Turkey	TURKEY	1/9	DD
2037-2038	7170g	VOT	TURKEY	3/9	CC
2038	7555f	VOA	USA	13/9	DD
2040	9680e	Radio Thailand	THAILAND	26/9	RP
2050	7410f	AIR	INDIA	16/9	RP
2100	7170g	VOT	TURKEY	24/9	IC
2100	9735p	DW	GERMANY	26/9	MB&RP
2110	11660f	Radio Australia	AUSTRALIA	1/9	DD
2116	13630e	Radio Australia	AUSTRALIA	1/9	DD
2130	15220p	WEWN	USA	24/9	IC
2138	7400e	WHRI	USA	27/9	RP
2145-2158	15245f	Voice of Korea	N.KOREA	24/9	IC
2302	9610g	CRI	CHINA	15/9	RP
2305	9740f	BBC	UK	9/9	RP

OVERSEAS CONTRIBUTIONS

Time (UTC)	Freq (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0301	7440g	Radio Ukraine Int	UKRAINE	21/9	JKW
0347-0407	3345f	Channel Africa	STH AFRICA	3/9	DAn
0418	4930g	VOA	USA	21/9	JKW
0421-0436	3255g	BBC	UK	12/9	DAn

SHORTWAVE RECEPTION FORECAST

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The Shortwave Bands below have given good reception in NZ within the recent Solar Flux Index range of 65-72. An * = good reception only above Index of 75. The arrival of European evening reception in NZ is usually a feature of November listening here. This should happen by end Oct. Tune: 9545, 12035, 13720, 13780, 17770 or Sat/Sun: 21610.

Times-Shortwave Bands:

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

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

Note:6-11-17*=6-11,13*-17* x=not Hawaii

SHORTWAVE REPORT

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ALBANIA:

SUMMER FREQUENCY GUIDE OF RADIO TIRANA

From the 25th of March 2007 to the 27th of October 2007, Radio Tirana broadcasts two programs of 15 and 30 minutes in the following time and frequency:

For UK

From 18.45 to 19.00 UTC on 7465 kHz in 49 m and 6035 kHz in 49 m

From 20.00 to 20.30 UTC on 7465 kHz in 41 m

For the USA

From 01.45 to 02.00 UTC on 6120 kHz in 49 m and 7425 kHz in 41 m

From 02.30 to 03.00 UTC on 6115 in 49m and 7425 kHz in 41 m

Radio Tirana broadcasts in these frequencies Monday to Saturday

There are also two thirty minutes programs for Northern America in the following time and frequencies:

From 13.00 to 13.30 UTC on 13 750 kHz in 22 m

From 20.00 to 20.30 UTC on 13 720 kHz in 22 m

Radio Tirana broadcasts in these frequencies for Northern America, Tuesday to Sunday

PROGRAMME

MONDAY ~ News, Press Review, Albania in a Week, Sports Round Up.

TUESDAY ~ News, Press Review, Note, Mail Box

WEDNESDAY ~ News, Press Review, Albania under the Euro Atlantic Integration Process, Entertaining Music

THURSDAY ~ News, Press Review, Albanian Economy on Facts, Focus on Albania

FRIDAY ~ News, Press Review, Albanian People History through Centuries/Foreigners on Albania, Outstanding Personalities Profile

SATURDAY ~ News, Press Review, The Mosaic of the Week, Folk Music (Radio Tirana)

ASCENSION ISLAND/ UK.

The new frequency of the stations broadcasting from Ascension Island to Sierra Leone and Liberia under the names "Star Radio" and Radio "Cotton Tree News" is 13760 kHz used from 07 to 08 hours (Rumen Pankov, R. Bulgaria DX Program Sept 21 via DXLD)

Don't you believe it. 13760 is from Rampisham, UK, as reported sesquiweeks ago in DXLD. Some other lists are still confused about this too. Don't read DXLD == be ill-informed (gh)

That seems to have cleared any confusion. (ED)

BIAFRA (non). CLANDESTINE

15665.30, Voice of Biafra International via WHRI. *2000-2040 Sept. 21 [Friday]. Sign-on at 1959 for WHRI, into tribal music, ID "You are tuned to Voice of Biafra International broadcast, coming to you from Washington. DC. Transmitting on 15.67 MHz in the 19 meter band, bringing you matters of interest to Biafra." Opening prayer, newscast and news analysis segment featured in both English & Igbo).
(Edward Kusalik, Alberta, DXLD)

CANADA/ VATICAN STATE.

R Canada International is now relayed by the Vatican R transmitters as follows:

5955 0200 0300
7230 0300 0400
13730 1900 2000
7370 2100 2200 . (Ferguson in DXplorer, via DSWCI)

LATIN CORNER:

CHILE:

Radio Esperanza to hony DX programme.

"Dear radiolistseners, Greetings from Santiago.

The next Friday, September 28, at 1710 UT, will be on air the first DX programme of the "Comisión de Radioescuchas de FEDERACHI", on the waves of Radio Esperanza, station of the Chilean city of Temuco, 6090 kHz. The programme was named "Esperanza DX". The editors are Luis Valderas and Héctor Frías, with the active participation of all the collaborators of the bulletin "Escuchas del Mundo".

The programme will be announced by Mr. Héctor Pino P. The programme will be on live from the studios and broadcasting site of Radio Esperanza, located in the city of Temuco, Chile. We expect have your listening. All the collaborations will be welcomed.

TECHNICAL DATA NAME: Esperanza DX DAY OF BROADCAST:

First and last Fridays of the month

FREQUENCY: 6090 kHz

CHILE TIME: 13:10 UTC TIME: 1710

POWER: 100 KW

E-MAIL OF CONTACT: radioescuchas @ federachi.cl

Mr. Héctor Frías, Chief of the Commision of Radiolistseners, FEDERACHI Chile.

" Best wishes, (Eduardo Peñailillo Barra, Santiago, Chile, Sept 25, DXLD)

Note the 100KW power. (ED)

CHINA:

Xizang PBS.

4920, Xizang PBS, Lhasa, 1120-1304, Tibetan talk with music in background // to 4905, 6200 and 7125. First time this season in Florida. (Wilkins and Wilkner). Their new QSL card bears a text in Chinese which a friend of mine kindly translated as: China Tibet Broadcasting Station started on January 10, 1959, as "Lhasa Broadcasting Station". Later, in May, it changed to "Tibet Broadcasting Station". On November 01, 1989, the Tibetan language programme was also carried by satellite, followed by the Chinese language programme on January 01, 1993. In 2002 the News Channel was started, Tibetan News, Chinese News and the Citylife Channel. Now there are four programmes totalling 78 hours and 38 minutes daily and all of them are digitalized. Coverage of the target area is 84.3%. The English language programme "Holy Tibet" reaches many Asian and African countries, as well as the US, Canada, Australia, Finland and Germany. (Note: they are happy to receive a few dozen reception reports a month. Their address is definitely 41 Beijing Middle Road in Lhasa, not no. 180 as has been reported before by some sources). (Van Delft, via DSWCI)

ERITREA (non). Clandestine via WHRA

Voice of Meselná Deliná, Eritrean clandestine, in Tigrinya, which we found last week scheduled M-F 1800-1830 on new 17690 via WHRA, confirmed Monday Oct 1, loud and clear from 1800, Noel Green and Jari Savolainen in Europe confirm it is no longer heard at 1700 on 7335, but instead CRI
(Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

INDIA.

Re: AIR has changed frequency for its Vividh Bharati Service from 10330 to 9870 kHz and transmitter site to SPT, Bangalore 500 kW from HPT, Khampur (Delhi), 250 kW. Consequently, following changes have been made in the A07 Schedule in UT:

Vividh Bharati Service 0025-0435 9870 B'lore (ex 10330 Delhi)

Vividh Bharati Service 0900-1200 9870 B'lore (ex 10330 Delhi)

Vividh Bharati Service 1245-1740 9870 B'lore (ex 10330 Delhi)

Russian 1615-1715 10330 Delhi (ex 9875 Delhi) ...

(Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi via DXLD)

LITHUANIA/POLAND.

Radio Racja on 6225khz

Radio Racja is a Polish station which broadcasts to Belarus daily 1530-1730utc on 6225khz via transmitter in Lithuania in Belarussian. The station is heard quite well here from around 1700 to close at around 1728utc. Several good IDs heard.

Their address is: Radio Racja, ul. Sikorskiego 13, Warszawa, Poland. (ED)

RUSSIA.

GTRK Adygeya shortwave schedule

The state tele-radio company of the Republic Of Adygeya (GTRK Adygeya), Russia broadcasts on 7325 kHz according to following timetable (UT):

Mon 1700-1800 in Adygeyan, Turkish and Arabic

Fri 1700-1800 in Adygeyan

Sun 1800-1900 in Adygeyan

According to the representative of the radio-company, they have received reports from Finland, Italy, South Africa and other countries (Mikhail Timofeyev, Saint Petersburg, via DXLD)



The radio station and antenna are located in the village of Ninseitamw, Kolonia on the Island of Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia.

Position (+/- 11 meters)

N 06° 57' 56.7"

E 158° 12' 17.3"

Elevation: 65 meters / 110 feet

The short-wave signal reaches the surrounding Micronesian Islands within a radius of 500 - 1,000 miles - an area that covers the islands of Chuuk, the outer-islands of Pohnpei and Kosrae, home to about 80,000 islanders. Chuuk, Pohnpei, Kosrae and Yap are states of the Federated States of Micronesia.

In addition, the area covers the western islands of the Marshalls, where about 60,000 island people live.

The FM signal reaches the Island of Pohnpei, home of about 35,000 islanders.

Pacific Missionary Aviation

The Cross Radio Station

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Pohnpei, FM 96941

Federated States of Micronesia



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Some funnies from various UK Air Traffic Control reports.

Scottish Control, stop your descent; you were cleared only to fight level eight zero
Pardon me sir, we're having trouble with your Scottish accent, we're only used to English
back home.

London - Aircraft pass your message ~ Aircraft - I'm an Andover, out of Andover, Over
Dover, Over.

- 3330 0830 CHU Ottawa with time signal ~ poor but better on 7335. NM
- 4025 0300 Unid numbers station YL in SS with five digit numbers groups. Poor. JW
- 4149 0850 VMW with ocean forecast In parallel with 6230 and 16529. DM
- 4370 0302 WLO Mobile Alabama YL in EE with marine Wx for Gulf of Mexico and
South Atlantic ocean Mention of traffic for vessels at sea and standing by
for additional traffic. Good. JW
- 5547 0944 Airevac 38885/San Francisco cleared 5 miles right of track Confirm your
call Alpha Echo 38885. NM
- 5616 0603 Shanwick/Continental Unid SC HMDQ Rego N 67134 Call Shannon on
VHF 123.15. NM
- 5616 0603 Shanqick/Air Canada 894 SC JMCS Rego C FVNM. NM
- 5616 0606 Gander/Reach 3600 Posn 60 N 30 W. NM
- 5616 0610 Shanwick/Air Canada 894 SC HPEF Rego C FBEM Call Shannon on
122.9. NM
- 5634 1927 Brisbane/Malaysian 201 request 340 from Melbourne Centre Cleared
340. NM
- 5643 0856 Auckland/Qantas 25 Say again estimate for EKLOE and estimate next
posn in the block 270 to 310 Primary 3563 secondary 3467. EM
- 5643 0951 Auckland/.Lan Chile 831 SC check 49 S 11 W In the block 310-360. EM
- 5643 0858 Qantas 189/Auckland In the block 330 to 390 Standby. EM
- 5643 0846 Air Canada 34/San Francisco Posn required. EM
- 5643 0911 Auckland/Ozjet 331 has landed at Norfolk. EM
- 5643 0915 Brisbane/Qantas 49 FL 350 SC CQED. EM
- 5643 0918 Auckland/Qantas 117 Posn FL 330 -52 degrees Wind 265 at 73
At CARTO contact Auckland on 123.9. EM
- 5649 0107 Gander/Cargolux 779 Posn At 40 W try New York on 8879. NM
- 5655 1910 Singapore/Gulf 925 SC CGDS Rego A40EC. NM
- 5655 1910 Singapore/Dynasty 5875 (China Airlines) SC JQHL. NM

5658 1845 Cairo/Air India 600 Khartoum next. NM
 5658 1845 Cairo/Kabul with enroute traffic. NM
 5658 1845 Cairo/Poss Mumbai but very weak. NM
 5667 0932 San Francisco/Northwest 027 Posn 46 N 180 E. NM
 5667 0932 San Francisco/United 830 SC ASFH Rego N796UA. NM
 5670 1853 Chennai/Malaysian 176 Posn Contact Chennai Control on 118.9. NM
 5670 1853 Chennai/Springbok 287 SC GQHM At PPB (Port Blair) contact Chennai info 126.5. NM
 5670 1856 Male/Seychelles 656 at FL 370. NM
 5670 1917 Chennai/Singapore 529 Data linked . SC BMPS. NM
 5670 1917 Chennai/Colombo very weak. NM
 6604 0504 New York Volmet with Wx for Detroit, Chicago. NM
 6628 0214 Santa Maria with Unid Contact Shanwick on 3016. EM
 6640 0940 San Francisco/Fl 468 with phone patch Female pax dizzy then fainted
 No chest pain Have laid down and given oxygen Has recovered and
 says feeling better
 Carry on with oxygen and carry on to LAX. NM
 6640 0749 New York/Reach 761 phone patch Company request Wx CYQX (Gander)
 and EINN (Shannon). NM
 6655 0830 Tokyo/N 550 Posn Contact San Francisco on 10048. NM
 8113 1135 VMW Queensland with Australian marine wx . DM
 8646 0604 USCG with wx S of San Francisco and US west coast. DM
 8771 0850 Korean fishing boats in phone patch. DM
 8825 0558 New York/Iberia 6652 SC KLM? En route Amsterdam via 37 N 40 W. NM
 8843 0911 Flight Watch FND at 180 VHN departing Perth at 0102. NM
 8861 0104 Kirensk Volmet with YL in Russian Network D Ended transmission at
 0104. NM
 8867 2344 Auckland/Kiwi 804 Unable to reach Fua Amotu on 6553 or 8846 Try
 11339 Heard call but no reply. NM
 8890 0610 LAE (Lineas Aereas Colombianas) Unid aircraft nos 1, 4, 8 heard several
 times mixed with Gander on 8891. NM
 8891 0609 Gander/N 5124AC FL 410 55N 30 W At 53N contact Shanwick on
 5598. NM
 8915 0944 Tokyo/Unid. EM
 8942 0951 Singapore/Singapore 2 FL 360 with SC. NM
 8942 0951 Malaysian 705/Singapore contact Singapore radar on 124.2. NM
 8942 0113 Manila/Philippines 596 SC FBGK. NM
 8942 1932 Singapore/VH PHA Call Singapore radar on 123.7. NM
 10048 0928 San Francisco/Asiana 282 SC PREM. NM
 10048 0928 Singapore/Northwest 72 with posn. NM
 10048 0930 Tokyo/United 585 49 N 170 W. NM
 13270 0210 New York Volmet with wx for Newark, Baltimore. NM
 13270 0214 New York Volmet with wx for Miami and Bermuda. NM
 13330 0102 San Francisco/Unid 425 phone patch destination Majuro Will have to go
 North of Johnson Island Our designator valid from 1000 is KZAA 366607
 Advise them we Will call on ground at Majuro. NM
 13354 1909 San Francisco/Hawaiian 27 cleared 360. NM
 13354 1909 San Francisco//Hawaiian 43 cleared 400. NM
 13354 1909 San Francisco/Hawaiian 1 Squawk 2000 Contact Honolulu 126.6. NM
 14670 0216 CHU Ottawa time signal. NM

- 119.100 0130 Local unmanned frequency called by Nelson Aero Club Told to switch to Hokitika on 118.7. DM
- 119.1 0306 Masterton traffic giving height 7000 feet and time 1 minute to drop off Parachuters to centre of field. TL
- 124.2 2215 Wellington FIS Pilot request flight plan from Blenheim to Gisborne not given Directed to Masterton temporarily 128.7 as military aircraft from Ohakea (exercise Wiseowl 89) at Hood airport for approx 8 days Flight plan given. TL
- 128.7 0130 Temporary frequency Iroquois (Army) requesting to land. Army in town for 10 days. TL
- 151.955 0245 Transrail from Featherston to Masterton 60G on track with 37 passengers. TL

Contributors

- TL** Tony Lowe, Masterton ^ Philips D 2935 , Uniden Bearcat. , 28m log wire, Discone
- DM** Dallas McKenzie, Buller ^ Icom PCR 1000 with 60 ft long wire
- NM** Neville McKenty, Napier ^ NRD 545 with numerous antennas
- JW** Joe Wood, Greenback, Tennessee ^ DX 390 with built in antenna
- EM** Evan Murray, Auckland ^ Kenwood 5000 with T2FD and 40 m long wire



SWITCHED ON: Nelson Coastguard president Ian Shear turns on the VHF radio on Sealord Roseau to launch the arrival of Nowcasting weather forecasting service to the Nelson area.

Boaties get new weather service

Nelson boaties now have access to up-to-the-minute weather information through new forecasting technology.

The Nelson Volunteer Coastguard flicked the switch on the Nowcasting VHF radio-based weather reporting system on Thursday.

Coastguard New Zealand central region manager Phil Pedero said the Nelson region's service was introduced in part of the national organisation's plan to install Nowcasting in sites nationwide.

The \$30,000 system installed in Nelson provides the latest weather conditions at certain locations within the

VHF radio coverage area. It works by obtaining data from five weather sites operated by the Coastguard and Met Service plus wind and wave data from the Port Nelson outer leading beacon.

There are weather sites at Farewell Spit, Stephens Island and the newly installed north cardinal mark in Tasman Bay. Mr Pedero said weather data collected from these sites is then sent automatically in digitised form to the Mt Campbell broadcast site in the Arthur Range, and "turned into words" that are fed immediately through the VHF radio network.

"The information is constantly up-

dated so that what you hear on the VHF radio is up-to-the-minute data, which provides excellent information for sound decision-making for those planning to put to sea," Mr Pedero said.

The service can be used on VHF channel 22.

Nowcasting was first introduced into the Hauraki Gulf by Auckland Coastguard about 20 years ago. The service was introduced last year into the Wellington-Cook Strait area providing coverage of Wellington Harbour, Cook Strait, Marlborough Sounds and west coast of the North Island to Foxton.

Shear Nelson Coast 1-9-07

TV FM NEWS AND DX



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Radio Pacific To Relaunch As BSport

RadioWorks has confirmed a multi-year deal with the New Zealand Racing Board to rebrand and relaunch Radio Pacific as a new sports network:

BSport – sport radio you can bet on

On air from October 29, BSport will be complemented by Radio Trackside coverage as New Zealand's first dedicated sport and racing network. It will combine youth and experience with the country's most talented sportspeople and broadcasters. The BSport breakfast team, weekdays 6am – 10am, will offer listeners in-depth sporting comment and opinion. Former Black Caps wicket-keeper Ian Smith, former Kiwi League International and sports promoter Dean Lonergan, sports commentator and radio broadcaster Nathan Rarere and TV3 sports journalist Kevin Sinnott are all names synonymous with sport and a powerful on-air combination.

Kevin Sinnott, former Black Cap Simon Doull and media commentator James McOnie will take their place on The Bench, daily from 10am to midday.

BSport will be a fresh take on both domestic and international sport with presenters who aren't just talking heads.

Ian Smith, former Black Caps wicket-keeper, says the network will give listeners the most comprehensive and current sports betting information.

"The good thing about BSport is that we'll be talking to the decision makers. It means we'll have the good oil from the source. People will be able to listen and grow with us as a station, and learn about the politics of sport, as well as the effect those political decisions have on a team. It's enormously engaging and interesting stuff."

Sports and radio broadcaster, Nathan Rarere says the BSport on-air line-up brings the perfect combination of experience and informed opinion to the network.

"Ian Smith, Dean Lonergan and Simon Doull have been important contributors to their codes and have such great insight into the working of sport behind the games. Plus Kevin Sinnott and James McOnie are such experienced journalists, some of the stuff these guys come out with is sensational! We're going to have some rugged debates."

(www.mediaworks.co.nz - 8 October 2007)

Current Radio Pacific FM frequencies

As mentioned above this station becomes BSport at the end of this month. Here are the current FM frequencies from www.radiopacific.co.nz:

Kaitaia/Far North 95.2, Russell 94.8, Whangarei/Mid North 92.4, Whakatane 94.5, Taupo 91.1, Taranaki 97.2, Wairarapa 91.1, Kapiti 93.5, Nelson 97.6, Westport 93.3, Greymouth

89.1/93.9, Hokitika 89.1, Ashburton 107.1, Cromwell 107.1, Queenstown 93.6, Alexandra 107.1, Oamaru 89.6, Invercargill 91.6

Ross FM - Making Waves

Learning broadcasting skills isn't just a theoretical exercise for Ross Intermediate School students on Friday the Palmerston North school launched its own radio station.



AIR WAVES: Ross Intermediate School students do a test broadcast of their radio station 88.6 Ross FM before launching it on Friday. From left, Sophie Lim (DJ), Timothy Lepard (technician) and Billy Innes-Drewery (DJ).

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88.6 Ross FM is broadcasting 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 88.6FM. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 8-8.45am the students will broadcast a breakfast show with non-stop music and replays the rest of the time. Over a year, each class of the 330-pupil school will have a three-week stint on air preceded by four weeks of preparation. Selina O'Leary's year eight class is the first to do the radio unit. She says the study has been really good for the students' oral language skills. The school wants the children to be clear, confident speakers, able to speak naturally and on the spot. The preparation of documentaries and school advertising for broadcast requires the students to be task orientated and meet deadlines, Mrs O'Leary says. Documentary topics include bullying, the school's flying fox and sports tournaments. Sophie Lim,

12, has researched dog attacks and interviewed a dog owner, victim and city council dog control

She is also one of the class's six DJs and on Friday, with Billy Innes-Drewery, interviewed Palmerston North MP and Minister of Education and Broadcasting Steve Maharey for the station's launch.

Mr Maharey is an old boy of the school Billy, 12, says he's not nervous about being live on the radio

."I don't mind public speaking though, because I've been doing it since first grade [when in Australia]." The class also has a nine-strong news crew

Another key task is selecting the music. Mrs O'Leary says the students are looking at what kind of music plays best at what time and making sure the lyrics are appropriate for a school radio station

Principal Wayne Codyre has been involved in setting up a radio station and a TV station at previous schools and from that experience knew the media was a powerful tool to engage students in learning.

Mr Codyre says 88.6 Ross FM is the first phase of three to be achieved over 18-24 months the second is setting up a TV studio and the third delivering a TV breakfast show live

from the school every morning into the community .The school wants to give children as realistic an opportunity as possible by providing a real environment to use their media skills, making the learning ultimately more meaningful.

If the students know people could be watching or listening there's a stronger motivation to get it right, Mr Codyre says. The radio station has been a year in the planning with a team of four developing a teaching unit around it. The station is broadcasting on a low-powered FM frequency, but when established Mr Codyre hopes it can move onto a high-powered frequency.

Woodwork students have transformed a store room into the studio relining the walls and putting up egg cartoons for soundproofing. A \$4000 Pub Charity grant has contributed toward fitting out the studio with computer, mixer and microphones. Keeley Duckmanton, 12, won a competition to name the station.

(Tribune 17 August 2007 via www.radioheritage.net)

(This is my old intermediate school! – Adam)

New radio station a guru of music

With Kerikeri's growth, more young people are settling in the area. Among them is Rob Fussell whose new GuruFM radio station is filling a gap for alternative music enthusiasts. Rob, has spent the past eight years travelling which has helped him compile a collection of more than 20,000 tracks which he is broadcasting from his Hone Heke Road bedroom .The low power community station can be heard on 107FM in an area between Bulls Gorge and Matauri Bay, depending on the weather

Rob, who works as a massage therapist, runs the station with the help of an automated computer programme and a few volunteers

"I'm doing it purely for the love of music," he says.

Rob aims to feature local DJs and musicians plus, in time, surf reports and job information.

Rob wakes his listeners with a chilled selection, including blues and Brazillian beats, progressing through a variety of genres to techno and dance music in the evenings. Sunday afternoons are dedicated to New Zealand music.

(The Bay Chronicle 23 August 2007 via www.radioheritage.net)

Advertising-free TV channel launched

New Zealand's first advertising-free public service television channel, TVNZ 6, started broadcasting today on Freeview.

Freeview offers free-to-air digital versions of TV One, TV2, TV3, C4, Maori Television, and Radio New Zealand and TVNZ 6 will feature between 50 per cent and 70 per cent local content, with no advertising.

TVNZ CEO Rick Ellis said today that having a channel free from advertising-driven ratings pressures makes it possible to give the channel a more distinctive Kiwi flavour than any channel before it.

"We'll be screening far more quality local programmes in primetime.

"Around 70 per cent of all programming after 4.30 will be local content. That's more than



New Zealanders have seen before and it makes a very distinctive viewing experience. It really is TV with a kiwi accent.” (NZ Herald – 30 September 2007)



Full, unedited Parliament on Sky and Freeview

The full, unedited proceedings of Parliament would be able to be viewed on Freeview 22 and Sky Channel 94 from tomorrow, Speaker Margaret Wilson said today. Sky has been broadcasting Parliament’s question time.

But Ms Wilson said that from tomorrow, Parliament TV would broadcast all debates from Parliament in full to Sky and Freeview 22.

The proceedings of Parliament can also be viewed at www.parliament.nz, heard on Radio New Zealand’s AM network and at www.radionz.co.nz.

(Yahoo!xtra news - 8 October 2007)

Stratos Television

Stratos is available on these digital satellite platforms:

on Freeview Channel 21

on Sky Digital Channel 89

Satellite parameter settings: Optus D1 12456 H sr 22500 Fec 3/4

Stratos TV brings you the best from New Zealand and from around the world on one channel, and all of it for free.

In primetime we offer a mix of regional New Zealand television channel productions, reflecting the many cultures, talents and faces from around the country.

In addition, Stratos screens a range of top-rating international news services, documentaries, and current affairs programmes from around the world.

Stratos TV is supported by Triangle Television and other New Zealand regional stations. (www.stratostv.co.nz)

Brian Palamountain, Atawhai, Nelson

August 2007 Loggings:

103.4 Niu FM – Waikato

104.9 Coast Access FM – Levin/Kapiti

Pelorous Bridge (between Nelson & Blenheim) – 30 August 2007 (2345 hrs):

89.8 ZM – Hamilton

90.6 ZM – Palmerston North

98.7 Radio Live – Wellington

101.3 RNZ National – Wellington

September 2007 Loggings: 102.2 Kiwi FM – Auckland

103.1 2CVC – Grafton, NSW

103.4 Niu FM – Waikato

104.9 Coast Access FM – Levin/Kapiti

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Reading Report from Jordan this month reminded me of how little we know about local broadcasting conditions in many parts of the world. Looking out your apartment window at a 1MW AM station is hardly conducive to good DX, yet **Stu Forsyth** has been tackling the Middle Eastern airwaves for us and his initial results are revealed later on.

Whilst updating the Pacific pages for the World Radio TV Handbook 2008 issue last month, I was staggered to find over a hundred new stations across the region. Some 99% are on FM and many are increasingly associated with religious broadcasters or are small local community stations. Although we're familiar with the MW and SW stations across the Pacific, the growth in FM beyond Australia and New Zealand has been going on under our collective radar, and has changed the face of radio in the region.

The face of SW radio across the dial has also changed in the past month. When I began listening to SW in the late 1960's, two stations I often tuned to were RAI Rome and Radio Japan Tokyo. This past month, RAI has closed down its SW services and Radio Japan has cut most of its international SW services. The usual reasons are given – declining SW audiences, and availability of broadband and satellite delivery platforms.

Yet, with the current crisis in Myanmar [Burma], SW broadcasts from Radio Free Asia, the Voice of Democratic Burma and other stations have been one of the most effective means to reach listeners inside the country. Internet and cell phone services shut down under the military junta, leaving just SW signals to reach across the borders with messages of encouragement for the civilian population.

In this environment, it's good to know that Radio NZ International is adding additional SW transmitters to increase coverage and hours of service to its target areas. It's also good that both the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu have contracted to buy new DRM capable SW transmitters to improve national coverage, and to learn that new SW services are planned for Papua New Guinea. This month, the new 1kW Pacific Missionary Aviation SW station in Palau started test broadcasts.

SW broadcasters Radio Australia and China Radio International began broadcasting from new local FM relay transmitters across the South Pacific this past month, RA from Apia [Samoa] and Avarua [Cook Islands] and CRI from three fulltime relays across Vanuatu. Expect to see more CRI relays across the region, fed by some of those new DRM SW transmitters on the south coast of China. There is a new battle for hearts, minds, consumer wallets and corporate profits across the region with radio playing a key role. Perhaps Italy and Japan have misread the future?

Welcome to **Brian Palamountain, Nelson** who continues to report good

reception of some of the X-band Australians, 657 Southern Star/Wellington, 783 Wellington Access Radio and 1035 NewstalkZB. Brian also comments that he's heard some audio on 1070 that he believes is KNX. Another one to listen for Brian is 1170 KFAQ Tulsa, a good clear channel at present. He also picked up a mint copy of A Skyful of Shortwave, 60 Years of the BBC World Service at a local book fair. Always worth checking out for old radio related books!

Also from the South Island, **Terry Nielsen, Oxford** says that some of the local MW stations still include call signs when sending veries! I guess old habits die slowly! This month, the mailman has delivered MW QSLs in from Radio Kidnappers 1431 [8 days] and Classic Hits Radio Marlborough 1584 [4 days]; with SW QSLs reported as WWCR 5070 [card and sticker from Nashville in just 13 days], Radio Japan/Bonaire 11935 and Radio Japan/Yamata 17685 [two cards in 27 days], HCJB Kununurra 15525 [email card 21 days], Radyo Pilipinas/Tinang 15510 [VOA card and magazine direct in 25 days]. Nice collection Terry and always good to hear your news.

A little further south to our next reporter, **Ron Killick, Christchurch** who also has a nice collection in this month from VoRussia/Moscow 7310 [Kremlin card], VoRussia/Wertachtal 9515 [different Kremlin card], VOA/Tinang 9415 [first direct card in years, Bethany card], Radio Romania International 11895 [4 scenes] and emails from AWR/Julich 11730, 11980, BVB/Julich 6060, Polish Radio/Wertachtal 6050, 6110, 9695, Family Radio/Wertachtal 7180, 9495 and 11610. Ron notes 'and the weather is fine and warm. Beauty!' Thanks for the message Ron, everything eventually got sorted by the original plumber! Ran out of time yet again so have made a note to do better next time!

Mailbox Editor this month, David Ricquish, Christchurch/Wellington caught up with the 3ZB 70th reunion event and found some old-timers who had actually broadcast from the original North Beach transmitter site. Lots of good contacts made to help the campaign to keep the old 3ZB building and interesting to find a number of still keen DXers amongst some of the former staff. Spent some late nights updating the entire WRTH Pacific section for the 2008 edition, and there are major changes to the Fiji, French Polynesia, New Caledonia and Papua New Guinea sections. Only listening was to KFAQ 1170 on a car radio at 0430 UTC with local level signals at the mouth of the Waimakariri River. For those interested in the 3ZB Campaign, check out www.radioheritage.net

Our Middle East Correspondent **Stu Forsyth, Amman [Jordan]** files his first report after taking up his new post: Maureen and I arrived in Amman, the Jordanian capital in late August. I brought my AOR 7030+ in the hope my home location might be conducive to good DX. How wrong I was. We have a one bedroom flat on the 4th floor of the school administration building. Beneath us are computer labs, air-con systems, neon tubes by the score and all of which add up to huge noise. The AOR went into orbit and I've had to abandon any hopes of DX with it.

Looking out the bedroom window, I see the transmitting mast for Jordanian Radio & TV. Oh joy. At least one of the AM transmitters [1494] has a megawatt. Again, not ideal for DXing.

I also brought along an old Matsui radio we used in the bathroom at home. It has AM/FM/SW/LW and a ferrite rod so can be turned around for optimal signals. In addition, I've also got a very small useable Sony AM/FM receiver I brought three or four years ago in Hong Kong.

I've had a tune around on the AM band and heard a few stations to log – these are in the trail to give a general idea of what can be heard. The biggest problem is not speaking Arabic and therefore not understanding what I'm hearing or where it's coming from. I've about 4 or 5 Arabic words in my vocabulary but it won't be enough. On the other hand, I've a school full of fluent Arabic speakers so I must be able to con someone! Time will tell!

The trail has about 8 countries heard on a non-specialist ordinary home radio. When I learn the difference between Hebrew and Arabic I'll be able to sort out the Israelis from the Iranians and get some reports out! [Thanks Stu. In between DXing and sorting out the Israelis and the Iranians, no doubt you'll both enjoy your different teaching experiences also. Back in the 1950's and 60's, AM signals from the Middle East seem to have been fairly regular catches here in the South Pacific, although early morning starts were needed. Good to hear from you and hope you'll enjoy the new location and report often.]

Joe Wood, Greenback TN has been trying for years to hear Guam and now reports getting a QSL back from AFRTS Barrigada 5765u in just 9 days. Nice catch Joe, and good luck now with Diego Garcia! Those AFRTS outlets sure provide some interesting DX countries for listeners.

Summer is closing in a hurry and the night time temperatures have become rather chilly, making sitting out in the backyard with my Eton E1 a brutal experience says Rich D'Angelo, Wyomissing PA whilst reporting some interesting veries in from Radio Budapest 6040 [final day of English transmission. With station pin, sticker and pennant in 34 days], VOA Kuwait 7555 [card endorsed Transmitter at the Morocco Transmitting Station plus calendar and current program guide in 45 days], TransWorldRadio via Monaco 9800 [floral card and program schedule from Vienna address in 56 days], Cotton Tree News [Sierra Leone] via Ascension 9525 in 2 hours by email and requesting reports for new 13760 since August 1. An interesting bunch of catches as usual Rich. It's sad to see long time English language SW friends like Radio Budapest disappear from the airwaves. I'm sure many of us have fond memories of regular Radio Budapest Radio club mail back in the 60's and 70's and maybe still have some pennants in the bottom drawer or on the wall.

Des Davey, Te Kuiti says that his part of the country has poor local MW reception, but he's been making a real effort to hear as many stations as possible as his trail items show. He also sends news from Radio Marti. According to Margaret Ray de Arenas [Assistant to the Director, Engineering & Technical Operations, Office of Cuba Broadcasting] 'We are pleased that people in different parts of the world listen to Radio Marti. Currently, we are developing a new QSL card. We'll keep your name and address on file and will forward one when they are available.' This info in a letter sent July 30 confirming a July 2006 SW reception report. Thanks Des. Please include some more program detail with trail items and perhaps you can also let us have a trail of Queensland stations you can pick up next time.

Sutton Burtenshaw, Hamilton comments that the IBOC digital system is experiencing some practical problems in the US where AM stations owned by Citadel [such as WABC 770] have shut down their IBOC system because of interference to other stations and listeners. Other stations continue to expand the system. Thanks for the note

Sutton. Our DX friends in North America are suffering increased degradation of signals as digital hash spreads along the dial and over thousands of miles. The fight back is coming from within the radio industry itself as stations lose coverage within daytime contours, and long time night skywave audiences are lost. Sales of digital receivers have reportedly stalled and Canadian and Mexican broadcasting authorities have started taking a harsher line against cross border interference. Whilst these may be teething problems for the new IBOC digital system, they clearly indicate that there are serious issues that some within the broadcasting industry have tried to downplay.

King Country Kiwi Trail

531	531PI	Auckland, poor with Samoan language 1140
612	NZ's Rhema	Christchurch, fair/good 1130
630	RNZ National	Napier-Hastings very good 1125
693	R.Sport	Dunedin with very good signal 1119
711	R.Trackside	Wellington very good 1117
729	R.Sport	Whangarei, poor/fair only 1115
792	R.Sport	Hamilton, excellent 1113
864	NewstalkZB	Invercargill, very good 1110
891	The Breeze	Wellington, very good strength 1108
927	NewstalkZB	Palmerston North with national weather, very good 1107
945	NewstalkZB	Gisborne with national news, excellent signal 1104
963	Southern Star	Christchurch with national news, excellent 1100
1017	R.Hauraki	Christchurch, very good 1036
1035	NewstalkZB	Wellington, excellent [this is beamed towards Taranaki] 1034
1044	NewstalkZB	Dunedin, good 1032
1053	NewstalkZB	New Plymouth, very good 1031
1062	R.Sport	Wanganui, good signal 1029
1071	R.Trackside	Ashburton, good 1027
1080	NewstalkZB	Auckland, very good 1025
1089	R.Sport	Palmerston North, fair only 1023
1098	NewstalkZB	Christchurch, very good signal 1021
1125	R.Sport	Napier-Hastings with fair to good signal 1019
1143	RNZ National	Hamilton, very good 1017
1152	NewstalkZB	Timaru with good signal 1015
1161	Te Reo Irirangi o Te Upoko o te Ika	Wellington, good signal with nice golden oldie music 1012
1179	Ruia Mai	Auckland, very good Maori language 1008
1197	NewstalkZB	Wanganui, very good 1005
1206	R.Trackside	Dunedin, surprisingly very good 1003
1215	NewstalkZB	Kaikohe, very good with news, 1000
1242	R.Trackside	Timaru, good but a lot of fading, 0955
1260	R.Trackside	Christchurch, fair to good only with horse racing, 0951
1269	Classic Hits	Takaka, good signal 0945
1278	NewstalkZB	Eltham/Napier-Hastings with excellent signal 0925
1296	NewstalkZB	Hamilton, very good 0920

1305	R.Dunedin	Dunedin 'Hits & Memories' easy listening music, very good 0927
1332	R.Sport	Auckland, very good signal 0917
1341	NewstalkZB	Nelson, good only 0913
1377	R.Sport	Levin, very good 0912
1386	R.Tarana	Auckland, Hindi program very good 0913
1440	Moana AM	Tauranga, good in Maori language 1140 14/9
1485	R.Trackside	Gisborne, very good 0910
1503	R.Sport	Wellington/Christchurch fair to good signal only 0908
1530	Coast	Napier-Hastings, excellent 0905
1557	Coast	Hawera, very good 0900
1593	Coast	Christchurch mixing to very good level with R.Samoa 0859
1593	R.Samoa	Auckland with Island music at very good level but fade outs 0858
1602	R.Reading Service	Levin, very good with readings 0850

[Des Davey, September 7,
Te Kuiti.

DR48 National Panasonic, 50m longwire]

Middle East Mediumwave Trail

All those stations listed below were heard around 5pm Jordan local time (0800 UTC)

Freq Country Station details

567	Syria	Radio of Syrian Arab Democratic Republic in Damascus (1MW) Good
639	Cyprus	BBC WS in AA. Id hrd at 0505. Fair/ good
657	Unknown	Could be UAE, Bahrain or Israel – more likely the latter. Fair/ poor
693	Unknown	Could be Saudi or CBC1 in Limassol (Cyprus) – more likely former as latter is only 1kw Fair/ poor
720	Cyprus	BBC WS in AA or similar. Fair. Could be Iran, but Cyprus much closer and more likely
765	Saudi Arabia	Most likely the Saudi, Turkey a remote possibility – during daylight hours. Poor
801	Jordan	Excellent coming from Ajlun.
819	Egypt	ERTU from Batrah. 1MW in power and a good signal
864	Egypt	ERTU Holy from Santash. Fair with 500kw
927	Iran ??	IRIB Sarasarye possibly. Shares freq with Haifa, Israel and BSKSA Aflaj – it is anybody's guess. Fair/ poor
990	Cyprus	R Sawa – good.
1026	Iran	Fair from Ibriz
1080	Iran	Only fair from Abaden
1089	Saudi Arabia	BSKSA 2 fair from Qurayyat
1107	Egypt	Fair/ poor from Batrah





- 1206 Unknown Fair/ poor from either Israel or Iran
1233 Cyprus Cape Greco very strong with EE pops
1260 Iran Fair/ poor
1287 Unknown Fair/ poor from either Israel or Iran
1296 Unknown Probably Iran – poor
1323 Cyprus BBC WS vg in EE. Can hear this one at Ynak – logged from there but not verified. I might try again.
1350 Egypt?? Possibly Egypt – v weak
1458 Unknown Fair/ poor from either Israel or Iran
1494 Jordan RJordan excellent from just up the road at Al Karanah – 1MW – hardly need a radio
1512 Saudi Arabia BSKSA Jeddah – good. Logged and verified at TY 25 years ago. 1MW
1521 Saudi Arabia No sign of this 2 MW powerhouse. However, have already logged and verified it at TY, same time as 1512.

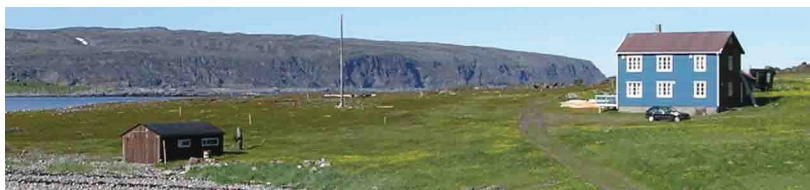
Mangawhai (Northland) Mediumwave Trail Sept 2007

BCM = Bryan Clark at Mangawhai Northland NZ with AOR7030+ and 100m BOG aerials running NNE, NE, E & SE.

- 171 1839 RUSSIA 2 Russkies here 16/9, the dominant one announcing “Goverit Radiostanstya” several times. Audible past 1920. BCM
560 0635 USA KSFO San Francisco CA with ‘Coast to Coast AM’ talkshow, fair at best 15/9. Ident 0658. BCM
560 0642 CUBA Radio Rebelde here 16/9, fair. Traces of parallel 550. Best Cuban night in many years. BCM
570 0640 CUBA Radio Reloj, the best I’ve ever heard it 16/9, news items, time check for ‘2.41’, then “RR” morse ident. BCM
580 0634 USA/CUBA KMJ Fresno CA joining ‘Coast to Coast AM’ network, fighting it out with Radio Rebelde 16/9. BCM
590 0646 UNID (CUBA?) Occasionally hear station w/orchestral format here. Presence tonight points to it being CMHI Radio Musical, 16/9 BCM
720 0622 USA/CUBA WGN Chicago IL giving its website, identified as one of 2 US talkers mixing Radio Rebelde and a US sports format 16/9. Cuba still good at 0845. BCM
850 0740 USA KOA Denver CO with time check for 1.40 and ident as “New Radio 8-50 KOA” then news headlines 27/9. BCM
949.94 0524 UNID/USA/CUBA Mystery Latin hetting against US talk format and easily recognisable Radio Reloj 16/9 BCM
980 0706 CANADA CKWX Vancouver BC with idents, time checks, news, weather and “You’re up to date on CKNW, Newstalk 9-80”, good 7/10 BCM
1010 0850 PERU Radio Cielo, Lima with Andean flute music and ident, good despite

- 1ZD splatter 16/9 BCM
- 1060 0852 MEXICO XEEP Radio Educacion, Mexico DF fair on choral music // 6185 SW 16/9 BCM
- 1120 0531 USA KPNW Eugene OR on top with "Pacific Northwest Radio News" 30/9 BCM
- 1150 0550 USA KTLK Loa Angeles CA very good strength with ident for "K-Talk, AM 11-50... on Air America Radio" 26/9 BCM
- 1200 0702 USA KYAA Soquel CA with Hindi music 7/10. Rare occasion when usually dominant WOAI completely absent. BCM
- 1230 0453 MEXICO XE?? Radio Formula with SS anncts over another Latin. Ident 0500 for "Grupo Radio Formula" 29/9. 3 'Formula' stations listed on this channel. BCM
- 1280 0601 USA KXTK Arroyo Grande CA almost certainly the 'ESPN Radio' network station on top 21/9 BCM
- 1300 0547 USA KKOL Seattle WA with own talk format, promo for "Rusty Humphries Show" fair 26/9 BCM
- 1320 0524 USA KSCR Sacramento CA with "ESPN Radio" promos, sports news & talk, promo 0600 for "Sacramento's only... sports station" 21/9 BCM
- 1380 0609 CHILE CBI38 Santiago with vocals, religious talk, comprehensive ident including "Cadena Emisoras Portales-Corporacion, en Santiago, 1380 AM" and various FM channels, fair-good 16/9 BCM
- 1410 0830 CANADA CFUN Vancouver presumed the station breaking from talkshow network with annct "14-10 AM, more Coast-to-Coast AM coming up", fair 27/9. Word before frequency sounded just like "Q-Vee" so wondered if I had KQV but slogan/talk format only fits CFUN. BCM
- 1430 0611 MEXICO/USA UNID with frequent "14-30 AM" idents in SS, over US sports format, presumed KFIG 1/10. BCM
- 1470 0605 PERU CPN Radio Lima still often heard with evangelistic prgms, preaching in PP/SS 16/9. (According to Brazilian DXer Rocco Cotroneo, "Brazilian preachers of the Igreja Universal do Reino de Deus go to other Latin America countries pretending they know Spanish.. The result is this funny "Portunhol", a mix between the two languages.) BCM
- 1470 0706 CANADA CJVB Vancouver BC fair in Chinese-type lang 7/10, fair. Not often heard. BCM
- 1520 0505 USA KOKC Oklahoma City OK with ident as "Talk Radio 15-20 KOKC, fair 23/9. Also at 0452 1/10 with Brother Stair's 'Overcomer' prgm. Promo for Paul Harvey at 0500. BCM
- 1530 0600 USA KFBK Sacramento CA dominant with "Thanks for listening to Fox Newstalk, and stay tuned as we continue our salute to the 50 States of Freedom", local adverts for Sacramento after news 1/10. KGBT in SS audible underneath together with Coast, Napier. BCM
- 1550 0608 USA KXEX Fresno CA tentatively the sports talk 22/9 over SS format. BCM
- 1570.2 0717 UNID (CHILE?) Latin here 16/9 hetting XERF. Paul Ormandy, Tony King & European DXers have caught the Chilean Radio Familia here. BCM
- 1600 0617 USA UNID with Indian language format mixing with US talkshow

- format 18/9. Candidates are 10kw KRVI WA, which broadcasts as Radio India in Punjabi, or 5kw KAHZ CA which has Asian prgming. BCM
- 1620 0542 US VIRGIN ISLANDS WDHP BBC World Service relay with breakout 0559 for comprehensive ident including jingles, alone & fair 16/9 BCM
- 1640 0554 USA WTNi Biloxi MS with ESPN sports, ident 0600 then ABC news. Over KDIA Vallejo CA 9/9. I think WTNi is slightly high in freq causing het against KDIA some nights. BCM
- 1650 0614 USA KHRO El Paso TX with 'new' oldies format, identification as "Radio Three 16-50" 6/9. Also hrd at 0703 27/9. BCM
- 1660 0524 USA UNID with ESPN sports network on top 30/9. 4 ESPN affiliates on this channel to choose from – WQLR, WFNA, KQWB or KRZI! BCM
- 1690 0653 USA KSFG Roseville CA with soft SS prgm, quick EE ident 0700 as "KSFG Sacramento" then back to SS 26/9 BCM
- 1690 0658 USA WVON Chicago IL with talk format, ident & CNN news on the hour 27/9 BCM



Kongsfjord (Norway) DXpedition Oct 12 to 24 2007 KONG17

This morning Thursday 18th October I received an email from Odd-Jorgen Sagdahl a participant at the Kongsfjord DXpedition in Norway. *(Mark Nicholls - Chief Ed)*

"Hello New Zealand,

I thought I should tell you that we are enjoying the kiwi MW-stations here in Norway at the moment. Today we have more than 20 NZ stations in the log. Not all of them properly identified yet, but we are working on it. Have a look at <http://www.kongsfjord.no> for updated information on our expedition."

I have copied some details from the website mentioned above. This menu sounds interesting -

----- 17-OCT-2007 20:30 UTC -----

Food. Did we forget about food? Absolutely not. But we only had time to cook and to eat, not to write about it... :

Today:

Starter: Smoked seatrout with fillets of grapefruit, grenadines and rosemary

Main course: Sirloin of reindeer served with pepper and onions wok and rice

Dessert: Arctic cloudberries in whipped cream

Wines: Chablis Vieilles Vignes, Gerard Tremblay (2005), Moulin du Laussac, Bordeaux (2006)

Yesterday:

Starter: Lamb curry Veines style (with watermelon and Easter hay)

Main course: Coriander and thyme-baked fillet of wild salmon

Dessert: Piano jello with vanilla custard

Wine: Torre del Falasco, Valpolicella, Ripasso, Valpantena (2005)

Kongsfjord is a small fishing hamlet, part of the Municipality of Berlevag in the extreme north-east of Norway.

<http://www.kongsfjord.no/>

Participants:

[Arnstein Bue](#), [Bjarne Mjelde](#), [OJ Sagdahl](#), [Tore Johnny Bråtveit](#)

Receiver summary: Arnstein: 2 x Icom IC-R75, 1 x JRC NRD-525G, , 1 x Etón E1, 2 x SDR-IQ Bjarne: 2 x Icom IC-746Pro, Icom IC-703, Etón E1, 2 x SDR-IQ OJS: AOR AR7030+, R&S EK895, WJ HF-1000A, WJ-8712P, 4 x SDR-IQ (2.5 TB disk) Tore Johnny: 3 x Icom IC-R75, 2 x SDR-IQ

-- 17-OCT-2007 17:00 UTC ----- From the NZ-log so far (KONG17 firsts in bold):
783 2YB Access Radio, Wellington 1008 1ZD Newstalk ZB, Tauranga **1026 1ZK Newstalk ZB, Kaitaia** 1035 2ZB Newstalk ZB, Wellington 1080 1ZB Newstalk ZB, Auckland **1107 Radio Live, Taurana 1251 1XG Radio Rhema, Auckland 1278 2ZC Newstalk ZB, Napier** 1296 1ZH Newstalk ZB, Hamilton 1332 Radio Sport, Auckland **1341 2ZN Newstalk ZB, Nelson 1377 Radio Sport, Levin** 1386 1XOR Radio Tarana, Auckland 1476 1XD Radio Sport, Auckland 1503 Radio Sport, Wellington **1602 2XA Radio Reading Service, Levin**

+ about 10 NZ stations that we are pretty sure who are, but where we miss positive identification so far. The most tricky ones are the stations that do not use the English language, since our Maori knowledge is not so good. But everything is safely stored on the hard disks so we will be able to sort out most of this + find more.

This said - not much from North America last night or this morning.

----- 17-OCT-2007 11:30 UTC ----- It just continues... we have logged more than 20 New Zealand stations by now, and finally the signals are fading down.

----- 17-OCT-2007 10:15 UTC ----- It just continues... New Zealand surfaced already at 09:00 UTC. We can mention the following from the log: 1ZK Newstalk ZB, Kaitaia 1026, 1XG R Rhema, Auckland 1251, 2ZN Newstalk ZB, Nelson 1341 (first

logging from the south island!!!). Much more to come, but we can mention that we are enjoying signals on both 1503 and 1593...

----- 16-OCT-2007 18:45 UTC ----- Quite a day! The Pacific stations came later than yesterday, but stronger than ever. We still have some more research to do, but we believe that we have some quite interesting Pacific loggings to present soon. In addition New Zealand came up with excellent signals on all the old and several new frequencies. We will need a little time to sort this out as well... Finally, a nice Alaska and BC opening with KRSA-AK 580, CFPR-BC 860 and KVAK-AK 1230 worth mentioning.

----- 16-OCT-2007 10:15 UTC ----- Small update... We thought we would not have any Pacific today: We were wrong. We thought we had the strongest possible Pacific signals yesterday: We were wrong. We thought we were busy yesterday: We were wrong... (more later)

----- 16-OCT-2007 09:15 UTC ----- The good conditions continue. Started off about 21:30 UTC last night and went quickly inland. Stations from the lakes dominated for the next hours before moving further west. Just a brief shadow of the Pacific stations today. From the log: KNRS-UT 570, WKTY-WI 580, KUGN-OR 590, KXMR-ND 710, WAYY-WI 790, CKJS-MB 810, KDHL-MN 920, KBMZ-MO 980, KRCN-CO 1060, KRLD-TX 1080, KFXX-OR 1080, KRLC-WA 1350. Asia getting stronger now.

----- 15-OCT-2007 16:45 UTC ----- Puuhhh - we are a bit exhausted! Some of us have not slept since midnight, and 100% concentration for 18 hours takes its toll. S9+ on several of the Pacific stations today - for a long time. New Zealand came up early, but so did Australia and the conditions didn't really settle and deepen anywhere. So nothing new - officially - yet.

But we heard a lot of the "old" stuff like Australia on 576, 630, 684, 1233, 1521 and of course 1548 + everything (?) in X-band. From New Zealand we have 783 (formally tentative), 1035 + maybe some more. One surprise was Guam on 630 - moved from 612. We had expected that this one would be more difficult now, but it put itself on top of everything today. Guam 567 was heard but not very strong, but 801 was S9+. Some of the Australian stations are still on - more than 7 hours later...

We should probably mention a few unusual AK stations as well: KVOK-AK 560, KCHU-AK 770 and KINY-AK 800.

We will have dinner today as well:

Pre-starter: Sticks of fresh parmesan (Brescia parmigiano reggiano) Starter: Fresh damped asparagus with butter, parmesan and Dijon-mustard Main course: Slow-roasted leg of lamb with fresh rosemary and sautéed vegetables Dessert: Assorted cheeses

Wine: Quinta de Saes Reserva, Estagio Prolongado, Dão (2005)

----- 15-OCT-2007 10:20 UTC ----- Yes - it's clear, we are getting New Zealand with good signals as well - Newstalk ZB 1035 was up already at 09:45 and is just getting stronger and stronger...

----- 15-OCT-2007 10:10 UTC ----- Historical signals from the Pacific! Samoa 540,

Tonga 1017 and Marshall Islands 1098, Micronesia 4755,25 with incredible signals now!!! In addition Tahiti 738, Kiribati 846, Marshall Islands 1224 are heard + some (yet) unidentified stuff... We'll keep you updated!

----- 15-OCT-2007 09:10 UTC ----- Improving conditions - pretty good during the night. Following noted from the log: An unidentified station with test tones and "CBS Radio Network channel 42" announcements at about 05:00 UTC, KQNT-WA 590, CISL-BC 650, KEYZ-ND 660, KMAS-WA 1030. Tahiti 738 was early up (06:30Z) but was not good enough for local id. Some other Pacific stations as well, but nothing particular (yet). Hawaii coming through OK though, with nice signals from e.g. KZOO-HI 1210.

----- 14-OCT-2007 17:30 UTC ----- The day has been rather uneventful We did have the common Pacific stations, as well as a good range from Hawaii and Alaska, a decent graveyard opening and some Australian stations - both inband and X-band. Still, nothing that really excited us. Logs to mention are KIT Yakima WA 1280, 2BL ABC Sydney 702 + a lot more on the SDR recordings (we'll be back on this in 2011).

Now we are into today's dinner:

Starter: King crab served on grilled watermelon with grilled pine nuts and ru-cola
Main course: Oven baked filet of cod served with curry rice and chili-woked vegetables
Dessert: Mango souffle with fresh coriander
Wine: Chablis Vieilles Vignes, Gerard Tremblay (2005)

----- 14-OCT-2007 09:45 UTC ----- The night was not exiting at all, but during the morning things developed quite well. Good signals from the west coast and Alaska, followed by Hawaii and the Pacific. Some nice Mexicans heard and probably KCHU Valdez AK at 770 with NPR before closing 9Z. Tahiti up at 06:45Z but too weak before going network. At the moment Samoa 540, Tahiti 738, Tonga 1017 and Marshall Islands 1098 are heard with periodically excellent signals. We keep on looking for more!

----- 13-OCT-2007 16:00 UTC ----- Afternoon update: Decent X-band towards Australia with periodically excellent signals on all relevant frequencies from 1611 to 1701 kHz. Started very early, with good signal from 4QD 1548 already at 10:45 UTC. Presumably Thailand heard on 580 kHz. Some Hawaii and South Pacific stations heard during the day, but nothing exciting. Significant dip in the conditions at 14:00 UTC, but it is now picking up again.

We are now preparing for dinner: Pre-starter: Sticks of fresh parmesan (Brescia parmigiano reggiano) Starter: Thin slices of Parma ham served with fresh figs and balsamico reduction Main course: King crab carbonara Dessert: Selected cheese
Wine: Torre del Falasco, Valpolicella, Ripasso, Valpantena (2005)

----- 13-OCT-2007 09:45 UTC ----- We heard the Voice of Maldives at 1449 kHz last night - with a very good signal, thanks to the Russian being off. There was also a very brief opening towards North America around 21 UTC last night, but except from this the following night and morning was uneventful. Decent signals

through the morning, but nothing exciting. Noted stations are WGY 810, WFNN 1330, KHNC 1360. As we write this the most common South Pacific stations begin to surface. ----- 12-OCT-2007 16:05 UTC ----- The KONG17 team is now installed at the QTH at Veines. We were on schedule at the airport in BVG thanks to overflying one of the other destinations due to bad weather. Bjarne picked us up in gale force winds to bring us to Veines. All equipment is now up running and we had a decent opening toward Australia on X-band with 1548 heard as well. ----- 12-OCT-2007 07:20 UTC ----- KONG17 crew now landed in Tromsø (TOS) and our 4-stop WF932 to Berlevåg (BVG) is on time. We expect 2h30 bumpy ride in the gale force winds around here, but that's what you have to expect traveling in arctic Norway at this time of the year.

----- 11-OCT-2007 ----- Less than 24h before departure. This morning brought a good selection of North American stations here in Trondheim, ranging from the east to the west coast. LEM247 (<http://pudxk.blogspot.com>) reports about nice conditions as well, so our expectations remains high... All shipped equipment has now arrived in Kongsfjord and is waiting for us!

----- 10-OCT-2007 ----- T -2 days... we are following the development at the other expedition sites as well as the conditions at our home QTHs. The conditions have been very good this fall and we have already made a number of excellent catches. So our expectations for KONG17 are very high!





Pictures this page and previous page - the participants and equipment at the KONG DXpedition 2007. photos from <http://www.kongsfjord.no/>



ADCOM NEWS



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Mangawhai (Northland)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING THIS MONTH Planning has been finalised for the League's 59th Annual General Meeting, to be held in Auckland on **Sunday 28 October, starting at 2pm**. The venue will again be the **Western Suburbs Radio Club's clubrooms at 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, Auckland**. Whilst the deadline for remits has passed, if you have any matters you would like raised at the AGM, these need to be advised to National Secretary/Treasurer **PHIL VAN DE PAVERD** at PO Box 39-596, Howick, Manukau 2145 (or by email to paverdp@xtra.co.nz), to arrive before Friday 26 October. Members from outside of Auckland who intend being present should also contact Phil to confirm arrangements and directions to the venue.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS: From Mosgiel, League Patron and foundation member **JACK FOX** writes: "Oh what an issue September 2007 was! First there was the story about Merv Branks' Riverton Rocks listening post. I liked the photo of the old shack with Paul Ormandy, Steven Greenyer and Mark Nicholls, it reminded me of when Dunedin DXers would venture down to Invercargill in the 1940s by train, and spend a weekend at Merv's Riverton Rocks house. Then we would venture over the sandhills to that 6 x 3 building; what a listening site! The question is, is anything still there?" [In that photo from the 1980s I'm sure that's actually me in the blue jacket Jack – I recall we found the corrugated iron framework collapsed on the sand and were able to temporarily erect the structure again. It's quite possibly still under the sand there and perhaps the nearest thing to a DX archaeological site? BC]

Jack continues - "Then the press reports on the 2YA opening on July 22 1927. Oh yes, it was a powerful station because it was putting out 60,000 watts, and in those days was the strongest station south of the Equator. Its signal was heard all around NZ and Pacific while the YA's in Auckland, Christchurch and Dunedin were 10,000 watts. I noted the reports made no mention of the powers of the stations. Reception reports tell a great story of those days of crystal sets and early valve radios. The big thing was no electrical QRM like today. The Radio Record was how the NZ DX Club and NZ DX Radio Association began, with pages of DX reports by readers, which led to branches being set up throughout the country. In those days the stations would close down early and listeners would tune around to KNX, KFI and other strong American and Australia stations. DXing was born." [Thanks for your kind words regarding the magazine Jack. BC]

DES DAVEY from Te Kuiti sends along details of several US-based companies that he has used to purchase hobby equipment. They are: Ham Radio Outlet, 14803 Build America Drive, Woodbridge VA 22191, USA – Universal Radio Inc, 6830 America

Parkway, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068-4113, USA (their catalogue costs US\$2) – and MFJ Enterprises Inc, 300 Industrial Park Road, Starkville, MS 39759. Des says MFJ are good to deal with and manufacture all sorts of gear to improve radio reception. [Thanks for your varied contributions Des. BC]

RADIO ST HELENA BROADCASTING TO NZ AGAIN! A very special Radio St. Helena Day 2007 world-wide shortwave broadcast is **scheduled for Saturday 15 December.** The year 2007 marks a Double Anniversary for Radio St. Helena - the 40th anniversary of broadcasting for Radio St. Helena (RSH), and the 10th shortwave transmission anniversary. There will be a very special and beautiful full-colour QSL card issued by Radio St. Helena for this special Double Anniversary shortwave transmission. The same return postage procedures will apply for reception reports as in 2006.

Here is RSH's schedule for Saturday 15 December (Sunday morning NZT), transmitting on 11092.5kHz USB with 1 kilowatt and using a 3-element monoband directional antenna. 1730 UTC beamed to New Zealand, 1815 to India, 1900 to Japan, 2015 to Europe, 2145 to Eastern North America, 2245 to Western North America, 2330 to Northern South America and 0015-0100 UTC Sunday 16 December to Central & Southern South America.

Watch the Internet web page www.sthelena.se/radioproject for more information.

With best greetings and wishes for good listening conditions,

Laura Lawrence, Station Manager, Radio St. Helena, Jamestown, St. Helena and Robert Kipp, Special Assistant to Laura Lawrence, Langen, Germany.

Robert adds "What a 'tragedy' with the All Blacks!! I was really hoping for a championship game between NZ and the Springboks. I guess I will just have to wait for 2011." (via

PETER GRENFELL)

RICHARD WOOD Longtime DXers & SWLs will be sad to learn of the death of Dr Wood in Hawaii on 28 September, aged 67. Life member **PAUL ORMANDY** remembers Richard:

"I had been reading about this DXer in Hawaii who always heard fabulous stuff, even considering his prime location. I was consistently amazed at his grasp of foreign languages and only later discovered he was a professor of Linguistics. Richard E Wood was a Scotsman whose MW DXing predated my efforts by around 20 years and I was fortunate to meet Richard in 1988 after sharing several letters over the preceding decade. Richard's letters were lengthy and he was always keen to pass on his listening tips and make astute observations about DX from this part of the World.

Linda and I holidayed in Hawaii in 1988 and I was keen to meet up with Alan Roycroft, Chuck Boenkhe and Richard (little did I realise we'd be staying at the same hotel as Patrick Martin!). I



*Linda Ormandy with Richard Wood in Hawaii
photo Paul Ormandy*

made contact with Richard and he invited us to dinner, so we headed off into Hawaiian Paradise Park on the Big Island, a short distance from where we stayed in Hilo. Using directions provided by Chuck, who lived nearby, we headed off down a plantation track to Richard's house.

Richard had bought the property partly finished. It was a large two-story cabin, clad in plywood and completely surrounded on all sides by dense vegetation. He greeted us warmly and introduced us to his boarders, Richard and Richard... yes, 3 of them though with names shortened to avoid confusion. His receiver at the time was a Kenwood R1000 and his wires were dragged through the semi-jungle landscape by Rich... it came as some surprise to learn that they were nowhere near straight!

We were given the tour of his rustic abode and spent some time pouring over verification letters and cards, neatly filed in albums. He had lengthy letters in a variety of languages like Finnish and Arabic plus the Latin

tongues. Richard Mark II had prepared dinner – guacamole, and it was very good. After dinner, we went for a short drive down to the coast where Richard hoped to purchase a small block of land to build on, then back to the house for some listening... Richard's knowledge of the band was exceptional.

Prior to teaching at the local university, Richard ran a couple of fruit stalls, one at nearby Keeau and the other at Waimea, some distance West of Hilo. It was whilst manning one of the stalls, sitting reading a book in Finnish, that a faculty member of Hilo University noticed he was reading a paperback in Japanese and after a short discussion, he was hired as a language tutor. Richard continued to run into Richard at the second stall quite by chance and purchased a pineapple from him.

Richard dropped in and out of the hobby over the years and we lost touch until the Internet came along and once more we shared our interests.... until once again, Richard dropped out of the hobby.

I am sorry to learn that he has passed on and pleased to have had the chance to meet a real character and top-notch DXer. [Thanks Paul for the memorial. BC]



Richard Woods partly completed house.

photo Paul Ormandy

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING SUBSCRIPTIONS At the 2006 AGM of the DX League it was decided to extend the League's subscription expiry date for all members from 31 August 2007 to 31 December 2007 without any additional cost to the members. This means there will be no call for subscription renewals until later in the year. Please pay your subscription fee in future by 31 December each year and you will be financial

for a full calendar year. New Zealand resident members receiving the printed and electronic magazine will still be able to deduct \$5 from the standard subscription if their subscription is paid before that date, and of course all payments received from New Zealand-based members before 31 December 2007 will go into the draw for a free radio book from Pollard Books.

QUARTZ HILL UPDATE According to the September newsletter of the Quartz Hill Users Group, antennas and all supporting gear are being dismantled during October/November and put in storage whilst Meridian Energy starts developing the site for its major Wind Farm. The club is still hopeful that it will be able to operate from Quartz Hill after the wind farm is built, but a critical issue is the compatibility of future amateur radio operations with the RF noise that may be generated by the wind farm. Discussions with other amateurs in Europe indicate that radio interference is not normally an issue in or around wind farms, but the club will not be able to make a decision on this issue until they have more substantive information about the level of radio noise that is likely to be produced by the specific wind farm technology chosen by Meridian Energy. In the meantime, the club is thinking about a new antenna farm at the site, on the assumption that RF noise will not be a problem.



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Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Recordings": You say you want MORE recordings of Venezuelan shortwave stations of old?! Okay, here is the last group (I promise): Radio Valles del Tuy, Ocumare del Tuy, 6129 kHz. (1982); Radio Sensacion, Caracas, 5999 kHz. (1980); Radio Tachira (in English), San Cristobal, 4830 kHz. (1983); Radio Nacional (also English), Caracas, 15400 kHz. (1978); Radio Libertador, Caracas, 3245 kHz. (1975); and R. Maracaibo, 4860 kHz. (1975).

Under "CPRV," "QSL Gallery," some vintage medium wave varies from Mexico and Venezuela: XEN (1929), XEFB (DX program, 1936), and XEFC (1936), from the collection of the late Carroll Weyrich; and from Venezuela, YVIBC, Broadcasting Caracas (1933) and YVIRK, Radio Popular (1940), both from the late John Tweedie. And two other items: a page of EKKO stamps and non-EKKO verification stamps from the late Eugene Allen; and also from Carroll Weyrich, a 1937 reply from the "Which Station Was That?" service run by the BBC's "World Radio" newspaper. Listeners could send in information about stations they had heard but not identified, and WSWT would do their best to identify the station.

BRANCH NEWS

Chief Editor Mark Nicholls
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Auckland Branch

The September meeting had 7 present at the clubrooms. Malcolm Holmes briefly spoke on the upcoming DXpedition to Port Waikato for Friday 12th through Sunday 14th October. Mike Butler read out some more of his station loggings and gave a solar flux report for the month. Brian Marsh played a number of interval signals off cassette tape for us to identify and it was quite entertaining!

The October meeting and the National AGM will be at the Clubrooms, 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, on **Sunday, October 28th at 2 PM.**

The November meeting will tentatively be at the Clubrooms on **Sunday, November 25th at 2 PM.** Meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month except December.

MEMBERS FREE ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE

JRC NRD-525 Communications Receiver

A friend of League member Frank Glen is offering the following radio equipment (including external aerial and books as mentioned below)

NRD 525 (1986) complete with manuals, including frequency manuals, for utilities, military etc, confidential frequency lists, and a WRHB 2007 and a DX Edge (wonderful slide rule on sun up and sun down indications round the world). He is throwing in the roof aerial two poles with 30 meters of co-ax and all of this for \$450.

Phone and ask for Pat Greenhall 03 342 7709. Or email Patrick.D@xtra.co.nz

Frank advises that he has examined all of the material and he has not viewed a better or cleaner set, nor with the material offered a better deal. From memory he thinks the set in 1986 cost \$2600.



Note. This is an image grabbed from the Internet (to give an indication of what the NRD525 looks like) and not of the actual set advertised. (Chief Ed)

LADDERS



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MEDIUMWAVE					SHORTWAVE				
OPEN (Over 500)	JUN	OCT	INC	CNTS	OPEN (Over 500)	JUN	OCT	INC	CNTS
Ray Crawford	2357	2359	2	189	Ron Killick	6013	6067	54	236
Paul Ormandy	1570			145	Ian Cattermole	5819	5898	79	202
Douglas Johns	1099	1099	0		Günter Jacob	3739	3864	125	174
Sutton Burtenshaw	1057	1062	5	104	Douglas Johns	2951	2974	23	
David Ricquish	867	867	0	67	Barry Williams	2703			243
Craig Edwards	859	879	20	101	Ray Crawford	2648	2648	0	233
Stuart Forsyth	728	729	1	55	John Durham	2275			265
Bryan Clark	678	679	1	120	Robert Park	1829			104
Barry Williams	664			83	John Campbell	1686	1699	13	261
Mark Nicholls	643	643	0	67	Paul Ormandy	1649			245
John Campbell	642	642	0	129	Bryan Clark	1572			242
Paul Aronsen	531	531	0	50	Craig Edwards	810	922	112	188
SENIOR (301 - 500)					Paul Aronsen	806	806	0	125
Peter Grenfell	443			37	Peter Grenfell	676			133
Gordon Mathieson	431	431	0	18	Douglas Johns	620			
Günter Jacob	349	358	9	58	SENIOR (301 - 500)				
Frank Glen	305			22	Daryl New	464			94
INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)					Stuart Forsyth	408	408	0	112
Andy McQueen	298			21	Andy McQueen	386			104
JUNIOR (5 - 150)					INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)				
Robert Park	86			2	Arthur de Maine	276	276	0	94
Arthur De Maine	59	60	1	12	JUNIOR (5 - 150)				
Andrew Sunde	24			3	Mark Nicholls	121	121	0	55
FM-TELEVISION					Peter Beaufof	84			46
Robert Krijger	678			6	Frank Glen	73			51
Douglas Johns	645	651	6		Andrew Sunde	55			36
Bryan Clark	148			5	UTILITIES				
Paul Ormandy	110			5	Ron Killick	61957			133
Craig Edwards	100	114	14	1	Douglas Johns	35857		0	
Gordon Mathieson	61	69	8	3	Robert Park	78			5
Mark Nicholls	43	43	0	2	Günter Jacob	16	17	1	13
Andy McQueen	29			2					
Robert Park	19			1					

Hello to you all from Jordan. Every day is a cloudless sky with temperatures in the early 30s. After 6 weeks of it I am hanging out for some rain. Now, I know why Ray Crawford goes to NZ each year! Good to hear from those who replied, looking forward to hearing from those who didn't - next time.

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