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# BANDWATCH UNDER 9 MHZ



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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.

# indicates overseas contributor.

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
3200	1727	SWAZILAND Trans World Radio with EE religious prgms, ident & website 29/1. Only other African audible at this time was BBC Meyerton 3255. BCM
3220	1732	NORTH KOREA KCBS Pyongyang with orchestral & choir music // 9665.15. Both frequencies at fair level 29/1. BCM
3279#	0449	ECUADOR, LV Del Napa (Tena). Spanish. OM with preaching and EZL Christian mx. S7/Fair. 11/01 JW
3290	1102	PNG, R. Central, Boroko, Fair/Poor in Tok Pisin & poss vernacular, local mx, personal msgs – KVB 21/1
3320#	0409	SOUTH AFRICA, Radio Sondergrense (Meyerton). Afrikaans/English. OM announcer in Afrikaans with music about the Australian bush. S7/fair. 05/01.JW
3340#	0510	HONDURAS, HRMI (Tegucigalpa)Spanish. Presumed receptions with faint but clear signal for praise and worship music in English with OM announcer in Spanish. Poor. 02/02 JKW.
3340-#	0228	HONDURAS, HRMI (Tegucigalpa). Spanish. Christian rap music with ID at BOH. S5/Fair. 09/02 JW.
3560	1015	KOREA NORTH VOICE OF KOREA PYONGYANG male ann, Stn Id English, distorted audio, sign off 10/30 Sig 2/3 10/1, RP
4640U#	0340	UNID. Arabic. OM speaking text message. No ID or music heard. The signal was dead on 4640. Thx to HF for tip. VG 02/02 JKW.
4750	1736	SUDAN Radio Peace fair with EE preacher alternating with AA translation 29/1. Concluded 1758 with mailing address in Monte Carlo. EE identification at 1800 then another religious prgm followed. Actual frequency 4749.96. Missing when rechecked at 1830 and not audible following day. BCM
4760#	0619	LIBERIA, ELWA Radio (Monrovia). English. First log of this station and the first log of Liberia since at least 2002 when I started keeping records. OM announcer with several ID as "This is ELWA Radio, Monrovia, Liberia." Many mentions of listeners by name, birthday greetings, mentions of reception reports, freqs, and skeds. Lots of Christian mx. S7/Fair. 05/01.JW
4775#	0403	SWAZILAND, Trans World Radio – Manzini, 0403-0447 fade out Jan 9, Woman hosting German language program with short talks and inspirational vocals. ID and change of language to English program at 0430. Fair at tune in but rapidly deteriorating by 0430. (D'Angelo-PA)

- 4777# 0457 GABON, Radio Gabon, \*0457-0516 Jan 9, orchestra National Anthem followed by a woman announcer with French talk, station ID and opening announcements. The woman and a man announcer gave frequency announcements. News at 0500. Good signal with slight QRM from CODAR. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4777# 0520 GABON, RTV Gabonaise (Moyabi). French. OM announcer with a Saturday morning wake up show. Many "Bonjours" to go along with the Afropop and 1970's US pop music. The best signal from this station in a long time. S9+10/G-VG. 09/02 JW
- 4780# 0410 DJIBOUTI, Radiodiffusion Television du Djibouti, 0410-0450 Jan 12, non-stop Horn of Africa style vocals with talk segment commencing at 0446 as the signal began to fade out. Poor to fair with some CODAR QRM. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4780# 1103 DJIBOUTI, Radio Djibouti. Arabic. ID and many mentions of Djibouti. Station promos with mx interludes. S7/Good.12/01. JW
- 4905# 0426 CHAD, Radiodiffusion Nationale Tchadienne, \*0426-0509 Jan 12, open carrier followed by orchestra National Anthem at 0428. A man opened the broadcast with French language talk, ID and announcements at 0429. Highlife vocals at 0432. Transmission break around 0443 returning at 0450. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4905# 0447 CHAD, Radio Diff. Nationale Tchadienne. . French. OM with Afropop. Listener call ins. Pips and promos at TOH. S7/F-G. 05/01. JW
- 4905# 0550 CHAD, RN Chad. French. Tribal music with lots of drumming. Mentions of Chad. Into ME language at TOH. S7/Fair. 02/02 JKW.
- 4905# 2219 CHAD, Radiodiffusion Nationale Tchadienne, 2219-2229\* Dec 20, lively highlife vocals hosted by a man announcer with French talks. ID and sign off announcements at 2227 followed by orchestra National Anthem at 2228. Fair to good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4905 CHAD, Radiodiffusion Nationale Tchadienne, 2219-2229\* Dec 20, lively highlife vocals hosted by a man announcer with French talks. ID and sign off announcements at 2227 followed by orchestra National Anthem at 2228. Fair to good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4905# 2256 CHAD, RD Nationale Tchadienne (Ndamenne). French. Hip hop in English and Afropop in French. Station promos at TOH. National Anthem and off at 2301. S9/VG. 26/01 JKW.
- 4915# 0507 BRAZIL, RD de Macapa (Macapa) (t). . Portuguese. OMx2 and YL with long discussions with many mentions of Macapa. Rustic music. S5/Poor. 05/01. JW
- 4920 1530 INDIA ALL INDIA RADIO Chennai Stn Id A I R male ann news headlines English Prgm ending 15/45 Sig 5 20/1, RP
- 4950 1802 ANGOLA Radio Nacional making one of its rarely readable appearances 29/1 with ident and news in PP. Lively format, fair at best, blocked by Asian fishing boat comms at 1815 but clear again at 1827 retune. BCM
- 4950# 0243 ANGOLA, Radio Nacional (Mulenvos). Portuguese. First log of this station and country. Rap, Hip Hop, and Afropop music. ID, news and promos or ads at TOH. S5/Poor. 09/02 JW.
- 4960# 0432 SAO TOME, VOA relay. English. ID and talk of US job forecasts.S5/Fair. 02/02 JKW
- 4960# 0451 SAO TOME, Voice of America via Pinheira, 0451-0510 Dec 28, VOA World News Now with English language features followed by Hausa

- language program at 0500. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 4975 1808 TAJIKISTAN Voice of Russia World Service fair-good with economic news in EE. Het from Uganda 4976 29/1. BCM
- 4985# 0610 BRAZIL, Radio Brazil (Goiania). Portuguese. ID and LA music with animated announcer. S9/Good. 02/02 JKW
- 4985# 0634 BRAZIL, Radio Central (Goiania). Portuguese. Music that sounded quite a bit like Spike Jones in PT. Id at 0638. S5/Fair. 31/12. JW
- 5000# 0516 VENEZUELA, YVTO-Oberseratorio Cagigal (t). Spanish. Rapid fire announcements a few seconds ahead of WWVH which covered most of the announcement. I couldn't hear any of their tones. Poor. 19/01. JKW.
- 5005# 0625 EQUATORIAL GUINEA, Radio Nacional (Bata). Spanish. Pop music in the 1950's Do Wop Style. QRN from WWV. S7/Fair. 31/12. JW
- 5010# 0309 MADAGASCAR, RTV Malagasy. Vern. First log of this station. Interesting language which seemed to be a mixture of French, Spanish and Dialect. Wide range of music consisting of: whistled tunes, rap, ballads, Afropop, and dance club. Several of the songs featured accordions and/or thumb pianos. YL announcer with listeners' requests. ID at 0323. S5/Poor. 09/02 JW.
- 5025 1751 UNIDENTIFIED station in FF 29/1, too weak to follow but probably Parakou Benin. An exceptional morning for Africans. BCM
- 5030# 0649 BURKINA FASO, Radio Burkina (Ouagadougou). French. OM announcer with Afropop. Into nx at TOH. Heavy QRM from R. Rebelde which completely covered the signal at 0603. Poor. 05/01. JW
- 5030# 2349 BURKINA FASO, Radio Burkina, 2349-0002\* Dec 22, man announcer with French talk with listener phone calls; ID and musical selection introduction at 2251 followed by lively French language vocal by a man. Another listener phone call at 2257 with ID and sign off announcement at 0000 followed by National Anthem. Very good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 5070 1103 USA WWCR English male ann Rev A P Smith with sermon of strong meaning S/5 20/1, RP
- 5745 0615 USA. WYFR. Poor in EE.- IC 27/1
- 5840 1714 SWEDEN, R Sweden good in Swedish with talk, //7420 heavy QRM – CC 11/1
- 5850 0534 USA, WEWN good in English with relig prgm on the Holy Spirit – KAB 24/1
- 5890 0200 USA, WWCR Pastor Peter J Peters Present sermon, listeners invited to stay tune for scriptures for America in English sig/4 26/1, RP
- 5915# 0419 ZAMBIA, Radio Zambia/ZNBC (Lusaka). English/Vernacular. YL/OM with Afropop music. Many mentions of Zambia. Thx to JR for tip. S5/poor. 02/02 JKW.
- 5915# 0518 ZAMBIA, Radio Zambia (Lusaka). YL announcer with program featuring mostly tribal drumming. S5/Fair. 09/02 JW.
- 5920# 1840 USA, WBOH (Newport, North Carolina). 1840. 25 Jan 08. English. Prayers and talk of religion. Fair. 25/01 JKW
- 5925 1838 CHINA, CNR-5 Beijing good in Chinese – DD 8/1
- 5950 1627 GERMANY. TWR via DTK. Fair in Armenian. – IC 23/1
- 5955 1100 CHINA. CRI. Fair in EE.- IC 22/1
- 5960 1900 GERMANY. Bible Voice BC. via DTK. Good in Ukrainian. – IC 17/1
- 5965 1630 SRI LANKA, D Welle good in English with News Link, Todays Headlines, ID 1631 then Insight – KAB 13/1
- 5995 1840 AUSTRALIA, R Australia good in English – DD 8/1
- 6005# 0514 ASCENSION ISLANDS, BBC World Service, 0514-0536 Jan 5, woman

announcer hosting World Briefing program in English. ID at 0529 followed by news update at 0530. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)

6020 1930 GERMANY. Pan American-Wertachtal, good English with Relig relays, off 2015. Not daily.- RFK 27/1

6055 1732 SLOVAKIA, R Slovakia Intl fair in English with comment on EU requirements for Slovakia // 5915 – KAB 13/1

6055 1800 RUSSIA. VoRussia-Krasnador, good English, news and music prog. Deteriorated. –RFK 30/12

6100 1704 SOUTH AFRICA. CRI-Meyerton, poor English, news and special NY prog. - RFK 01/1

6105 1700 GERMANY. Family R-Nauen, very good Farsi, ids www and addresses good, off 1759 - RFK 02/12.

6110 1635 GERMANY, The Overcomer fair in English with his typical relig prgm – KAB 13/1

6115 0615 CHINA. CRI. Fair in EE. – IC 14/1

6115 0700 BELARUS. Radio Belarus. Weak in Belarusian after CRI off. – IC 14/1

6125 1800 FINLAND. Family R-Pori. English, very poor copy only one day of test heard, Open Forum prog, - RFK 04/12.

6130 1635 RUSSIA, V of Russia good with jazz and comments on up and coming musicians – KAB 13/1

6130 1653 RUSSIA, V of Russia good in English with male singer and comments, ID 1658 – CC 11/1

6135 0850 BRAZIL, R Aparecida fair in Portuguese with latin music, scratchy with QRN // 5035 weaker and noisier – CC 18/1

6155 0405 RUSSIA VOICE OF RUSSIA V O R English news regards space station Sig 2/3 1/2, RP

6165 0526 NETHERLANDS, RN fair in English with comment on ME News – KAB24/1

6175 1900 GERMANY. Family R-Wertachtal. Excellent in Arabic, usual material to report, off 1959.- RFK 19/1

6180 0518 CUBA Radio Havana fair in EE 5/1 with talk about 280<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cuban university // 6000 mixed, 11760 mixed, 9550 best in the clear. BCM

6195 1900 ??CYPRUS ?? BBC WORLD BRIEFING by Ron Norris English 19/1, RP

6240# 0359 MOLDOVA, Voice of Russia relay. English. S/on ID as "This is Moscow. You're tuned to the World Service of the Voice of Russia." Into nx of the Iowa Caucuses, Iraq, and the Czech Republic. Mentions of the Dakar Rally being cancelled this year. S9/Good. 05/01. (Wood, TN)

6250 0605 EQUATORIAL GUINEA Radio Malabo at good strength 28/1 with highlife music then news in PP, frequent idents, time checks. Good easy listening when frequency is clear of utility interference, but half the time it is difficult! Starts fading after 0635. On ensuing days have tried to track sign-on time – was about 0524 on 29/1 and 0516 on 30/1. Excited to finally hear this after trying for more than 40 years! BCM

6250# 0604 EQUATORIAL GUINEA, Radio National (Malabo). . Spanish. IDs as both "Radio National," and "Radio Malabo." Sounded like prayers at TOH and into news. S5/Fair. 02/02 JKW.

6250a 0630 UNIDENTIFIED AA lang station heard opening on 6250.07 29/1, possibly Cairo? Strong carrier but weak audio. BCM

6250a 1721 NORTH KOREA Pyongyang Broadcasting Station strong signal on 6250.33 putting het on otherwise inaudible 6250 station. Identity confirmed by parallel reception on 3250 & 3320kHz, both good 29/1. 6250.33 also heard at 0741 29/1 with martial choir music when // to 6398.8. BCM

- 6250a 1925 EGYPT Cairo fair in GG with frequent references to President Mubarak and interludes of regional music 28/1. Actual frequency 6250.1 and best tuned on LSB to avoid ute QRM. BCM
- 6285 1920 NORTH KOREA Pyongyang fair in GG for Europe 28/1 // to 9325 which was better signal. BCM
- 6290# 0039 EGYPT, Egyptian Radio. (Kafir Silim-Abis). Arabic. A very interesting show consisting of either an operetta or musical comedy. I can't remember what the difference between the two is. Lots of catchy singing, joking and laughing. All with a Middle Eastern flair. S9+10/VG. 26/01 JKW.
- 6290# 2250 EGYPT, Egyptian Radio (Abu Zabul). Arabic. OM/YL announcers with dramatic readings with Middle Eastern mx in between. S9/Good. 04/01. JW
- 6915 0657 USA.WYFR in Spanish. poor in English 0700, id and then Open Forum. improved, -RFK 20/12
- 7100 1659 ERITREA, V.O. Broad Masses, Fair in pres Tigrinya, sked, nx, ethnic mx – KVB 14/1
- 7110 0807 CHINA CHINA RADIO INTERNATIONAL Male ann Stn Id English news about heavy snow fall S/5 22/1, RP
- 7110 1819 CHINA, CRI, Poor in English world nx & wx. ID 1820 – KVB 19/1
- 7110 1836 CHINA, CRI, Fair in English with item on Chinese wine industry, ID 1839 – KVB 13/1
- 7115# 0113 BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA. Radio Serbia. English. Armchair quality reception hampered only by the accents of the announcers for my first log in years. YL with talk of art museums, architecture, Central European countries, and Serbia joining the EEU. Musical interludes between sets. S/off announcements by OM and ments of 6100 kHz. Exc. 09/02 JW
- 7115# 0240 BOSNIA, International Radio of Serbia via Bijeljina, 0240-0334 Jan 4, classical music to 0300 ID and Serbian language program with news and features. IS at 0329 followed by ID and opening of French program. Transmitter break at 0334 and never returned. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7125 1720 RUSSIA, V of Russia fair in English with some QRM, with comment on Russian news – KAB 13/1
- 7125# 0131 MOLDOVA, Russian Radio Intl. . 09 Feb 08. Russian. Soft pop music with patter between songs. S9+10/VG. 09/02 JW
- 7130 0643 PORTUGAL, RDP, Fair in Portugese with discussion, ID 0654, off air 0658 – KVB 15/1
- 7130 1801 FRANCE, Polish Radio External Service good in English with news then long item on global warming, ID 1816 – CC 27/1
- 7130 1804 POLAND, Polish R., Fair in English, nx & 'Business Week' ID 1831 – KVB 11/1
- 7130 1823 FRANCE, R Poland Intl fair in English with some QRM. Talk on tolerance in Poland followed by Poland Top 20 pops. – KAB 3/2
- 7135 0525 FRANCE, RFI fair in French with comment, ID at 0528 – KAB 24/1
- 7140 1910 CYPRUS, BBC, Good in Arabic, nx/comment, ID 1915 – KVB 8/1
- 7160 0509 ASCENSION ISL, BBC, Fair in English nx – Sir Edmund Hillary laid to rest – ID 0514 – KVB 22/1
- 7165 1657 GERMANY. TWR via DTK. VG in Farsi. – IC 26/1
- 7165 2115 CZECH REP. RFERL. Poor in Belarusian.// 9725 better. – IC 18/1
- 7170 0635 BELARUS. Radio Belarus. Fair in Belarusian. – IC 14/1

7170 1455 GERMANY. TWR via DTK. VG in RR. – IC 25/1  
 7180 2132 TURKEY, VOT fair in English with news, ID at 2137, scratchy – CC 10/1  
 7205 1717 CHINA, CRI v good in English with comment on preserving culture in China //7255, 7335 – KAB 13/1  
 7205# 0143 TURKEY, Voice of Turkey (Ankara). English. OM/YL with discussion about the degree of freedom in Turkey compared to other Islamic countries. S7/Good. 09/02 JW.  
 7210 1829 GERMANY, Bible Voice, English ID, then FA into unident language – KVB 13/1  
 7225 0401 PORTUGAL, RDW, Poor in English nx/comment. ID 0405 – KVB 21/1  
 7235 1900 GERMANY. FEBA via DTK. Good in AA. - IC 8/1  
 7245 0954 CHINA, China Business R. Fair in Chinese, 1000 TS ID – KVB 21/1  
 7250 0830 VATICAN, R Vaticana closed in English, good – DD 8/1  
 7250 1820 VATICAN, R Vaticana in Italian with Vatican World News , good – DD 8/1  
 7250 2048 VATICAN, Vatican Radio good in French with Talk, IS then into English with ID at 2050 – CC 18/1  
 7250 2050 VATICAN, Vatican Radio good in Italian with IS then into English with church news – KAB 17/1  
 7250 2104 VATICAN STATE VATICAN RADIO Arch Bishop of Canberra Australia speaks in English on religious subjects Sig/4 26/1, RP  
 7255 1630 CHINA, CRI good in English with news from developing world – KAB 13/1  
 7260 1804 VANUATU?? R. Vanuatu (pres), Fair with BBC nx in English on death of Bobby Fisher - KVB 18/1  
 7275 1812 CHINA, Xingjiang v good in possible Uighur – DD 8/1  
 7280 1004 CHINA, V.O. Strait, Fuzhou, Fair in Chinese, light format, pop mx, advts. ID drowned by sound effects – KVB 21/1  
 7285 0520 UK, D Welle via Rampisham fair in English with African news – KAB24/1  
 7305 0327 VATICAN, Vatican Radio fair in Spanish with relig comment – KAB 18/1  
 7305 0630 MOLDOVA. RN. VG in Dutch. – IC 14/1  
 7315 0614 FRANCE, RFI fair in English with African news and ID, some distortion // 11995 clearer – CC 17/1  
 7315 1600 RUSSIA. TWR-India via Samara. Fair in Pashto. – IC 31/1  
 7315 1732 RUSSIA?? RFI, Fair in poss Asian language & mx. ID 1736 s/off 1756 – KVB 20/1  
 7320 1244 RUSSIA. TWR-India. via Irkutsk. Poor in Urdu. – IC 28/1  
 7325 0727 PNG, R. Wantok Light, Poor/Fair in English, FA personal msgs, relig mx. ID 0727 – KVB 17/1  
 7335 1800 RUSSIA. VoRussia-Chita, good English, news, news and views, splatter CRI 7340, - RFK 01/1  
 7345 0402 CZECH REP, R Prague poor in English with news – KAB 18/1  
 7345# 0103 CZECH REPUBLIC, Radio Prague (Litomysl). English. ID and talk of agricultural practices in the Czech Republic. S5/fair.27/01. JKW.  
 7350 0403 VATICAN, V of Russia good in English with news // 6155 not as clear – CC 13/1  
 7355 1806 TAIWAN, RFA, Fair signal, but poor in Chinese under jamming, MA, spoken prgrm only, // 7445/7415 both very poor – KVB 21/1  
 7360 0520 VATICAN, Vatican Radio fair in English with relig news – KAB 24/1  
 7370# 1500 PRIDNESTROVIE (Moldova), Radio PMR, \*1500-1545\* Dec 18, usual ticking clock opening, instrumental music and opening of English program which consisted of a newscast. French language program followed at 1515 followed by German at 1530. Poor to fair in somewhat noisy conditions. (D'Angelo-PA)  
 7400# 0115 BULGARIA, Radio Bulgaria (Plovdiv). English. YL with pop music and interviews of the artists. S9+10/VG. 27/01. JKW



- 7410 1935 INDIA ALL INDIA RADIO DELHI A I R lady ann welcomes listener to English prog and special music Sig S/5 4/2, RP
- 7415 1818 UNID station in Chinese, very good – DD 8/1
- 7420 2029 MADACASGAR, R Sweden poor in Swedish with comment. At 2030 IS, ID then into English with news – KAB 17/1
- 7420 2037 MADAGASCAR, R.Sweden Poor in English MA/FA with magazine prgrm ID 2043 – KVB 21/1
- 7440 0409 UKRAINE, R Ukraine Intl fair in English with ID, talk and music, noisy. Was stronger at 0620 on 17/1 – CC 13/1
- 7440 0640 UKRAINE, RUI, Fair in English 'Holiday edition of Close Up'. ID 0642 I/S - KVB 16/1
- 7440# 0057 UKRAINE, Radio Ukraine International, \*0057-0205 Jan 4, instrumental music before IS at 0059. Opening ID and announcements for English service followed by the news. A series of Christmas vocals in anticipation of the Orthodox Christmas followed by Close Up. Closed with ID and IS followed by opening of Ukrainian program at 0200. Nice to have them back. Fair to good. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7440# 0149 UKRAINE, Radio Ukraine Intl. . English. YL with program of folk music. Many mentions of the Ukrainian folk music and dance scene. Interviews of local artists. Some of the music sounded quite a bit like Celtic music. S9/VG. 09/02 JW.
- 7475 0414 GREECE, FTH good in Greek with Greek music // 9420 much weaker – CC 13/1
- 7515 1628 TAJIKISTAN, RFA, Fair in Uyghur, brief ethnic mx, EE ID at s/off 1659 – KVB 22/1
- 7520 0530 USA, WYFR fair in English with relig prgm – KAB 24/1
- 7520 1715 SRI LANKA, R. Farda, good in pres Persian, FA, contemp mx.//7580(fair) ID 1716 – KVB 20/1
- 7520 2030 USA WORLD HARVEST RADIO male ann Tom Scott. Into mail bag English prog S/4 2/2, RP
- 7545 0323 ISRAEL, KOL Israel poor in English with comment on ME visit of George Bush – KAB 18/1
- 7545 0432 ISRAEL, Kol Israel, Fair in English, nx item on perspective of visiting journalists, wx for main cities – KVB 13/1
- 7545 0628 LITHUANIA Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran via Sitikuni relay, good with tuning signal and opening in Italian 29/1. BCM
- 7545 0632 IRAN, VOIRI, Good with Azan, then into Italian, sked, nx/comment, ID 0712, off air 0727 – KVB 14/1
- 7570 1800 NORTH KOREA, V.O.K. Good in English, s/on, anthem, nx – KVB 13/1
- 7595 1840 SRI LANKA??, R. Ashna, Fair in pres Pashto, FA, ethnic mx, comment, ID 1857 – KVB 8/1
- 7595 2028 USA, VOA fair in English with comment on presidential elections, ID 2045 – KAB 17/1
- 7811 0808 USA, AFRTS FI, Fair in English, sports prgrm, phone-in, advts – KVB 6/1

### **French Creek State Park DXpedition No. 30 (January 27, 28 and 29, 2008)**

Equipment: Ten-Tec RX-340 and an Eton E1, 500-foot wire essentially south for the RX-340 and a 40-foot wire essentially north for the E1.

Cool, crisp but dry weather made this DXpedition a breeze in terms of setting up and eventually dismantling our antennas. Fred Kohlbrenner and Ed Mauger joined me in

this outing with Rich Cuff an unfortunate last minute cancellation. The final DXpedition to French Creek featured superb African conditions and many other good openings but the low "A" index made Latin America stations somewhat scarce until Monday evening and Tuesday morning when a few managed to sneak through the barrier. A few of the highlights were Radio Universitaria and Radio Tacana from Bolivia, four Indonesian stations, and a tentative on the Peruvian Manantial. It is hard to believe that we have been coming to French Creek for ten years now after about 7-8 years at Gifford Pinchot. Time sure does fly by.

## Logs

- 2310# AUSTRALIA, VL8A Alice Springs, 1138-1230 Jan 28, pop vocal selections until 1200, ABC ID and news in English followed by features. Woman announcer returned hosting music program. Poor to fair but steadily //2325 VL8T Tennant Creek (poor to fair) and 2485 VL8K Katherine (poor to fair). (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 2850# KOREA (North), Korean Central Broadcasting Station, 1224-1303 fade out Jan 29, noted with talk by a man announcer in Korean language. Music fanfare prior to news at 1300. Nice signal at tune in but fading around 1300. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 3290# PAPUA NEW GUINEA (New Guinea Territory), Radio Central, 1126-1207\* Jan 28, program consisting of long talks by a man occasional talking to another man. Not very interesting as I waited for music. Finally, sign off with orchestra National Anthem. Poor. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 3310# BOLIVIA, Radio Mosoj Chaski, 2317-2335 Jan 28, talk in Quechoa by a woman announcer in Spanish hosting program of rustic vocals. At 2328 canned ID and announcements with echo effect by a man and woman. Into Spanish programming at 2331. Poor. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 3905# PAPUA NEW GUINEA (New Ireland), Radio New Ireland, 1135-1225 Jan 28, program of island vocal selections hosted by a woman announcer with English/Pidgin talk. Poor to fair. Noted again next morning at 1130 with music program at slightly improved level. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 3995# INDONESIA (Sulawesi), RRI – Kendari, 2151-2201 Jan 27, man announcer with talk in Indonesian until music fanfare at 2159 followed by Song of the Coconut Islands. Man with RRI ID prior to Jakarta news but a loud growl dominated the channel at that point making further reception impossible. Poor to fair until the growling began. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4460# CHINA, Central People's Broadcasting Station – Beijing, 2328-2345 Jan 27, music to ID at 2330 followed by various talk features in Chinese. Series of promotional announcements at 2340 followed by another talk segment. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4605 # INDONESIA (Irian Jaya), RRI Serui, 1233-1315 fade out Jan 29, program of continuous Indo pop tunes until 1300 when time pip noted followed by presumed ID and local news. Poor and fading. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4699.4# BOLIVIA, Radio San Miguel, 2305-2317 Jan 28, man announcer with usual long Spanish language talk. Rustic vocal selection followed by another talk with TC and ID at 2313. Poor. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4732# BOLIVIA, Radio Universitaria, 0135-0149\* Jan 29, program of lively vocals hosted by a man with Spanish talk, TCs and IDs with buenas noches at closedown. No National Anthem at sign off. Poor to fair with moderate splatter from CODAR but very heavy, although intermittent, RTTY QRM. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4746.8# PERU, Radio Haunta 2000, 1059-1110 Jan 29, man announcer with Spanish talk, ID and TC hosting program pf OA music. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4750# INDONESIA (Sulawesi), RRI – Makassar, 2143-2232 tune out Jan 27, music program

- until Song of the Coconut Islands; RR ID and Jakarta news with several IDs during the new program National news at 2206. News ended at 2212 followed by local ID and music programming. Poor to fair at tune in with CODAR QRM but signal steadily improved to good during the news. Quite enjoyable. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4760 # LIBERIA, ELWA, 2217-2232\* Jan 27, program of vocals until closing ID and announcements by a man in English prior to Orchestra National Anthem. Good signal. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4775# PERU, Radio Tarma, 1112-1127 Jan 29, fast talking man announcer with Spanish talk, IDs and TCs hosting program of OA music. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4781.5# BOLIVIA, Radio Tacana, \*1012-1038 Jan 29, man with ID and opening announcements in Spanish hosting program of rustic vocals with TCs. and IDs. New for me and thanks to recent logs of Bob Wilkner and Scott Barbour. Poor but relatively clear despite CODAR QRM until Guatemalan opened on 4,780 kHz deteriorating reception to almost useless at that point. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4790# INDONESIA (Irian Jaya), RRI – Fak Fak, 2138-2200 Jan 27, talk by a man announcer followed by a woman announcer in Indonesian with some music. Generally poor due to CODAR QRM and very faint for Song of the Coconut Islands at 2200. Next morning, Jan 28, noted again at good level around 1130 but faded down to poor by 1200. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4790.1# PERU, Radio Vision, 0046-0215 Jan 29, mix of OA vocals with local announcer chatting it up between music selections and religious talks before a live audience. Poor to fair with some CODAR QRM. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4800# MEXICO, XERTA – Radio Transcontinental da América, 0344-0436 Jan 28, continuous program of vocals. Poor signal and QRM from CODAR making this difficult. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4860# INDIA, All India Radio – Delhi, 1208-1233 Jan 28, woman with Hindi language talk hosting a program of Hindi vocals and sitar music. Long talk commenced by a man at 1215. Hindi news at 1230. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4950 # ANGOLA, Radio Nacional da Angola, 0257-0330 Jan 28, nice music until 4 time pips at 0300 followed by several IDs and news. More IDs after the news followed by pop music program including “Born Free.” Very good signal and audible from early afternoon at nice levels. Angola on steroids? This was heard a fairly reasonable levels at home and superb levels here. Is it good African conditions or a new transmitter? Some combination, perhaps? (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4974.8# PERU, Radio del Pacifico, 0206-0242 Jan 29, man preaching to a “live” audience in Spanish. Children’s chorals, ID by studio man announcer and more “live” preaching. Fair until Uganda opened at 0216. However, LSB restored clear reception. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4976# UGANDA, Radio Uganda, \*0216-0238 Jan 29, open suddenly putting a het on Radio del Pacifico with man announcer speaking local languages and English taking phone calls from listeners urging them to “wake up... God Bless ... Hello, good morning to you... 20 minutes after five, wake up.” Fair to good. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4990# SURINAME, Radio Apintie, 0448-0525 Jan 28, Elton John vocal (“Candle in the Wind”). ID by a group of children at 0500 followed by a continuation of non-stop soft rock vocals including Paul McCartney and “My Love Does It Good.” Poor to fair signal with very slight CODAR splatter. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 4990.8# PERU, Radio Manantial (tentative), 1104-1139 fade out Jan 29, rustic OA vocal followed by a long talk by a man announcer in Spanish with greetings to listeners and TC that fits Peru. Some talk had a bad echo/reverb effect which hurt audibility. More vocals at 1127. May have opened around 1100 since nothing there in earlier checks. Needs a better OA morning for an ID. Poor. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

- 5010 # MADAGASCAR, Radio Madagascar, 2113-0005+ Jan 27, tune in to man talking in Malagasy with ID noted in passing; music programming. Kept checking near top of hour but never signed off. Fair signal early but quite good by 2200 and holding steady. Running late or 24 hours. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 5040.6v# MYANMAR, Radio Myanmar, 1139-1216 Jan 29, "interesting" program of continuous English language western pop vocals including "There Will Never Be Another You" not the usual haunting local vocals and flute melodies I enjoy from this station. Talk by woman announcer at 1159 in Burmese before march type music segment until 1200. She returned with more talk before returning to music. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 5486.7# PERU, La Reina de la Selva, 1114-1123 Jan 28, man announcer with Spanish talk and ID followed by OA vocals. Weak. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 5990 # BRAZIL, Radio Senado, 1040-1110 Jan 28, series of announcements followed by a man and woman announcing team with talks, economic news, and Brazilian pop vocals. Fair to good. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 5995# MALI, Radiodiffusion Television du Mali, 2118-2145 Jan 28, woman announcer with French talk and ID hosting music program. Tribal vocals, one rather rustic and folk type and clearly about living in Mali. Very good signal. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 6055# RWANDA, Radio Rwanda, 2010-2100\* Jan 28, man announcer with long French language talks and occasional French pop vocals. Fair signal that continued to improve to good by closedown. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 6110# THIOPIA, Radio Fana, 0310-0328 Jan 29, man announcer with Amharic talks hosting program of Horn of Africa vocals. No ID heard but familiar program. Fair with clear signal until Tirana opened at 0328. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 6134.8# BOLIVIA, Radio Santa Cruz, 1047-1102 Jan 29, group vocals followed by a long talk in Spanish by man announcer with several IDs, TC. More vocals at 1055. Good signal at tune (peak) but fading down somewhat by tune out. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 6250 # EQUATORIAL GUINEA, Radio Nacional – Malabo, 0525-0546 Jan 28, tune in to a man announcer talking in Spanish with many references to Malabo. Highlife vocals selection followed by the man announcer with ID as "Radio Malabo, buenas dias" as he started a conversation with another man. More highlife vocals and another "Radio Malabo" ID at 0540. Weak but clear reception. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 6265 # LITHUANIA, KBC Radio, 2133-2218 Jan 27, David Hamilton program with oldies records with all songs being at least 1 million sellers to be played on his program (Roberta Flak, Bee Gees, Tennessee Ernie Ford, Frankie Ford, etc.). Program promos for other shows at other times. Fair to good. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 6335# IRAQ, Voice of Iraqi Kurdistan - Salah al Din, 0410-0452 Jan 28, Kurdish instrumental music and vocals followed by a woman announcer with Kurdish talk. Poor with possible jammer or some other QRM marring reception. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 7110 # ETHIOPIA, Radio Ethiopia, 2056-2100\* Jan 27, talk by a man and woman announcers in Amharic language prior to ID and closedown announcements which was followed by orchestra National Anthem. Fair to good signal. Next day, Jan 28, noted with very good signal at 2020 with Horn of Africa music //5990 which was fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 7160# UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, Family Radio – Dhabayya, 1919-2000\* Jan 28, Harold Camping hosting Open Forum program with talk about recent visit to Juarez Mexico and answering listener questions about the Bible. Fair until French speaker covered them at 1956. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 7250# BANGLADESH, Radio Bangladesh (tentative), 1240-1259\* Jan 29, presumably the one with English talks by a man with interesting selection of local vocals/music mixed in. News reports from the field. Poor to fair with deep fades and closed with an outburst of amateur radio QRM making an ID impossible. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

- 7260# GERMANY, RT Algiers – Wertachtal, 1844-1900\* Jan 28, thanks to Wolfgang Buschel tip caught test transmission (Jan 28-30) with Arabic talks and Holy Quran features. Close at 1900 with ID and two time pips. Poor to fair //7210 (Skelton) was weak. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)
- 7295# MALAYSIA, Traxx FM, 1226-1310 Jan 28, rap music selections and other "pop" fare hosted by a female announcer with English announcements and ID. Poor to fair with some amateur radio slop. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

### Logging of the Month

goes to **Bryan Clark for SUDAN, Radio Peace on 4750kHz**

at 1736 with a power of 1kW, on 29/1

Congratulations also to **Bryan for**

**ECUATORIAL GUINEA, Radio Malabo on 6250** at 0605 n 28/1.

Forty years is a long time trying to hear a particular station.

My thanks to all the contributors for this month.

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- BCM** Bryan Clark at Mangawhai with AOR7030+ and Alpha Delta Sloper, EWE to NE and various 100 metre BOGs to the Americas .
- CC** Cliff Couch, Paraparaumu, ATS 803A, 60m horizontal loop
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- KAB** Ken Baird, Christchurch, 8051, Kenwood R5000, R1000, 18m Wire, SW Eavesdropper
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(D'Angelo/FCDX-PA), Richard D'Angelo at French Creek, Ten-Tec RX-340 and an Eton E1, 500-foot wire essentially south for the RX-340 and a 40-foot wire essentially north for the E1.
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Freq	UTC	Country, Station, Programme & Reception Details
9250	1820	EGYPT. Izaat-Wadi-Al-Neil. (Nile Valley Radio.) VG in AA. Often heard now 9/1, IC
9250#2222		EGYPT, Wadi el Nil (presumed), Jan 28, OM with long talk seeming hosting a progr. of traditional mx, 5+1 time pips at 2230 followed by music fanfare and possible ID. Recitations prior to closedown. Fair in AA at peak but deteriorating around 2336 becoming much weaker and deep fades by sign off. 28/1, RDA
9400	1836	BULGARIA, Rad. Bulgaria, with nx by YL, gd in EE, 10/1, DD
9485	1700	GERMANY. VoOromo Liberation-Nauen. V/G in Amharic, good id s/on talk, music, some place names. 16/12 RFK.
9535	2044	THAILAND, Rad. Thailand, OM with ID & mx, surging, f/g in EE, 18/1, CC
9605	1830	GERMANY. AWR via DTK. Weak in AA. 9/1, IC
9640#1844		ROMANIA, RRI, (Bucharest). Music program featuring both folk music and jazz. The folk consisted mostly of fiddle tunes; the jazz was mostly instrumental. Fair in EE. 25/01 JW
9695	1900	GERMANY. Family R-Wertachtal. V/G in FF, Plenty ids and Bible references. off 1959. 23/1 RFK.
9725	2115	CZECH REP. RFERL. Good in Belarusian. // 7165. 18/1, IC
9735	2300	NZ, Radio New Zealand Stn ID by Catreona McCleod, Prgm regards Sir Edmond's Book of Condolences for signing at Mt Cook gd in EE 14/1, RP
9740	1800	SINGAPORE, BBC, with nx, gd in EE, 8/1, DD
9760	1900	GERMANY. Polish R-Wertachtal. Exc Hebrew. Mostly talk, but www address. 1929 off. 15/1 RFK.
9765	1905	GERMANY, VOA, Special English Gd, 15/1, RP
9770	2100	CANADA, TX Sak OM with nx political, gd in EE, 20/1, RP
9770	2106	CANADA RCI Int Tx sack stn Id male ann prgm about Robots for future space walks made in Canada Sig f/p in EE, 8/1 RP
9820#1330		CHINA, Central People's Broadcasting Station - Xi'an, OM Chinese talks hosting a program of Chinese music. News at 1355. F/gd signal but intermittent transmission breaks, 28/1, RDA
9820#2343		CHINA, Guangxi FBS, talks in Vietnamese by OM & YL, Fair with //5050 poor, 27/1, RDA
9825	1604	SLOVAKIA. Radio Miraya FM relay via Rimavska Sobota with

programing in AA for Sudan/Darfur. Noted at a fair level through to 1628 when full ID and web addr was heard. 05/01 JD  
 9840 1747 UAE. Sudan Radio Service relayed via Dhabbaya. EE prg with full IDs at 1751 & 1759. Fair signal. 05/01 JD  
 9865 0210 TURKEY. VOT. VG in SS. 9/1, IC  
 9885 1759 GERMANY, WYFR, gd in EE, 8/1, DD  
 9980 1730 MARIANA IS. KSDA. Gd in EE, VoHope and about anger. Singapore address. 15/1 RFK.  
 11530# 1923 USA, WEWN (Vandiver, Alabama). V/G in EE. OM with religious programming including call ins. 25/01 JW.  
 11660 1750 AUSTRALIA, Rad. Austr, gd in EE, 8/1, DD  
 11665 1800 GERMANY. Family R-Nauen. V/G in EE. Bible class of air. off 1858. 09/12 RFK.  
 11690 1530 GUAM. KSDA. fair in Kannada after EE IDs. 20/1, IC  
 11690 1900 SOUTH AFRICA. Meyerton. DW, v/g in EE, nx then newslink, off 1929, 29/12, RFK.  
 11715# 1637 USA, KJES, OM talking, followed by repetition and some vocals. Off with YL with ID and address at 1700 followed by dead air until carrier was cut, gd in SS, 30/12, RDA  
 11735# 1756 ZANZIBAR, Radio Tanzania-Zanzibar, two men with Swahili talk with coverage of sporting event past top of the hour without a break for English news so no Spice FM on Sunday. Local vocals later and a man with closedown ID and announcements at 2058 followed by orchestra National Anthem. Fair, 6/1, RDA  
 11735# 1932 TANZANIA, Rad. Tanzania. Vern. Faint but clear signal with prayers Fair in Swahili, 25/01 JW  
 11750 0212 SINGAPORE, BBC World Service YL Stn ID news continues talk about Pres Bush gd in EE, 18/1 RP  
 11750 0730 AUSTRALIA HCJB Global Voice TX site Kununurra far N/W Aust DX Party line hosted by Allan Graham, gd in EE, 26/1 RP  
 11760 0640 CUBA, Rad Habana, gd in EE with documentary, 9/1, DD  
 11760 2039 CUBA, Radio Habana, OM with nx & "Viewpoint", gd in EE, ID at 2041, 18/1, CC  
 11775# 1935 ANGUILLA, Caribbean Beacon. YL with talk of manifestations of faith. It didn't sound like Mrs. Dr. Scott. VG. In EE?? 25/01 JW.  
 11785 0705 ALBANIA CRI stn Id, OM with nx, exc in EE, Tx site cerrik 6/1 RP  
 11805v 0848 BRAZIL Radio Globo fair with adverts, ident in PP 23/1. Actual frequency 11804.65 so listened in LSB to avoid heterodyne from 11805. BCM  
 11805 1859 SOUTH AFRICA. Meyerton, Rad Nederland, V/G in EE at s/on, Earthbeat prog, off 1958. 30/12 RFK.  
 11895 1500 GERMANY. Bible Voice. via DTK. Fair in Hindi after EE IDs. 21/1, IC  
 11905# 1254 SRI LANKA, Sri Lanka BC, program of Hindi vocals to 5+1 time pips at 1300 followed by ID and news in Hindi language. Return to music programming with female host and flute music and Hindi vocals. Weak but clear, 28/1, RDA (D  
 12025 0210 PHILIPPINES, Rad. Filipinas, YL & OM with nx, gd in EE, //15285 heavy QRM, 4/1, CC  
 13640 2148 JAPAN, NHK, OM spkg, gd in JJ, //11910 much weaker, 10/1, CC  
 13645 0604 CHINA. CRI-Xi'an. V/G in EE, Round up and listeners garden. 22/12, RFK.  
 13650 0217 N KOREA, V.O.K., YL spkg, gd in EE, //15180 weaker, 4/1, CC  
 13650# 1645 ZAMBIA. CVC, pretty good signal at with upbeat religious songs, patter switched to 13650 at 1700, when had nx, mx. Their sked at <<http://www.cvc.tv/go/fuseaction/schedule.main/lang/english>> shows no sites, but EiBi, Aoki and HFCC all give it as Zambia. You could fool

- me. 31/12, JB
- 13660 0800 RUSSIA. VOR. fair in EE. 10/1, IC
- 13700 0800 MOLDOVA. Radio Nederland relayed via Grigoripol. fair in DD but fading out by 0830. 01/01 JD
- 13710 0030 MARIANA IS. Saipan, RFA. Poor in Burmese. English id at s/on, www data during prog, off 0129. 09/1 RFK.
- 13750 1400 GERMANY. Pan American BC. Fair in Armenien. 8/1, IC
- 15170 0805 MARIANA IS. KTWR. V/G in EE, Search for truth prog. 19/12 RFK.
- 15275 0220 THAILAND, Rad.Thailand, fair in EE, OM & YL with world nx, ID at 0227, off at 0230, scratchy, fair in EE, 4/1, CC
- 15475# 1745 GABON, Afrique #1 (Moyabi). Gd in FF Live sporting event with some listeners' call ins. 25/01 JW.
- 15565 2330 RUSSIA. Vladivostok, RFA. Poor Vietnamese, English id s/on, bit muffled, no jammer. 14/12 RFK.
- 15665# 2002 USA, Voice of Biafra International via WHRI, Dec 28, frequent lds by OM in EE ("You are tuned to the Voice of Biafra International broadcasting to you from Washington, DC transmitting on 15.67 megahertz frequency in the 19 meter band bringing you matters of interest to Biafra.") with music and features about Biafra. Almost everything was in English except for one three minute segment which was in a local language. Program ended WHRI giving its ID, Fair, 28/12, RDA.
- 15720 2238 NEW ZEALAND Rad NZ, Bell bird Id Sign on, exc in EE news relay Nat Prgm 8/1 RP
- 17520 0821 SRI LANKA. DW. VG in GG. 9/1, IC
- 17540 0627 CHINA, CRI, with wx and stock report, fair in EE, 9/1, DD
- 17550 0620 CHINA, CNR1, with home serv, poor/fair in CC, 9/1, DD
- 17640 0617 SEYCHELLES, BBC, fair in EE with documentary, 9/1, DD
- 17800 0550 SRI LANKA, DW, v/gd in EE, 9/1, DD

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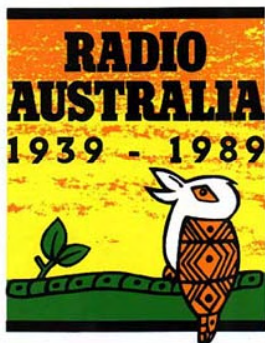
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0210	12025g:15285	Radio Filipinas	PHILIPPINES	4/1	CC
0212	11750g	BBC World Service	UK	18/1	RP
0220-0230	15275f	Radio Thailand	THAILAND	4/1	CC
0323	7545p	KOL Israel	ISRAEL	18/1	KAB
0401-0405	7225p	RDW	GERMANY	21/1	KVB
0402	7345p	R Prague	CZECH REP	18/1	KAB
0403	6155f:7350g	V of Russia	RUSSIA	13/1	CC
0405	6155	VOICE OF RUSSIA	RUSSIA	1/2	RP
0409-0620	7440f	R Ukraine Int	UKRAINE	17/1	CC
0432	7545f	Kol Israel	ISRAEL	13/1	KVB
0451-0510	4960f	Voice of America	USA	28/12	DAn
0509-0514	7160f	BBC	UK	22/1	KVB
0518	6180f:9550	Radio Havana	CUBA	5/1	BCM
0520	7285f	D Welle	GERMANY	24/1	KAB
0520	7360f	Vatican Radio	VATICAN CITY	24/1	KAB
0526	6165f	RN	NETHERLANDS	24/1	KAB
0530	7520f	WYFR	USA	24/1	KAB
0534	5850g	WEWN	USA	24/1	KAB
0550	17800g	DW	GERMANY	9/1	DD
0604	13645g	CRI	CHINA	22/12	RFK
0614	7315f:11995g	RFI	FRANCE	17/1	CC
0615	5745p	WYFR	USA	27/1	IC
0615	6115f	CRI	CHINA	14/1	IC
0617	17640f	BBC	UK	9/1	DD

0627	17540f	CRI	CHINA	9/1	DD
0640	11760g	Radio Habana	CUBA	9/1	DD
0640-0642	7440f	RUI	UKRAINE	16/1	KVB
0705	11785e	CRI	CHINA	6/1	RP
0727	7325f	R Wantok Light	PNG	17/1	KVB
0730	11750g	HCJB Global	AUSTRALIA	26/1	RP
0800	13660f	VOR	RUSSIA	10/1	IC
0805	15170g	KTWR	GUAM	19/12	RFK
0807	7110	CHINA RADIO INT	CHINA	22/1	RP
0808	7811f	AFRTS	USA	6/1	KVB
0830	7250g	R Vaticana	VATICAN	8/1	DD
1100	5955f	CRI	CHINA	22/1	IC
1103	5070	WWCR	USA	20/1	RP
1530	4920	ALL INDIA RADIO	INDIA	20/1	RP
1630	7255g	CRI	CHINA	13/1	KAB
1630-1631	5965g	D Welle	GERMANY	13/1	KAB
1635	6110f	The Overcomer	GERMANY?	13/1	KAB
1653-1658	6130g	V of Russia	RUSSIA	11/1	CC
1704	6100p	CRI	CHINA	1/1	RFK
1717	7205g:7255:7335	CRI	CHINA	13/1	KAB
1720	7125f	V of Russia	RUSSIA	13/1	KAB
1727	3200:3255	Trans World Radio	SWAZILAND?	29/1	BCM
1730	9980g	KSDA	GUAM	15/1	RFK
1732	6055f:5915	R Slovakia Int	SLOVAKIA	13/1	KAB
1747-1759	9840f	Sudan Radio Service	SUDAN	5/1	JD
1750	11660g	Radio Australia	AUSTRALIA	8/1	DD
1759	9885g	WYFR	USA	8/1	DD
1800	6055g	VoRussia	RUSSIA	30/12	RFK
1800	6125p	Family R	USA	4/12	RFK
1800	7335g	VoRussia	RUSSIA	1/1	RFK
1800	7570g	V.O.K.	NTH KOREA	13/1	KVB
1800	9740g	BBC	UK	8/1	DD
1800-1858	11665g	Family R	USA	9/12	RFK
1801-1816	7130g	Polish Radio	POLAND	27/1	CC
1804-1831	7130f	Polish R	POLAND	11/1	KVB
1808	4975g	Voice of Russia	RUSSIA	29/1	BCM
1819-1820	7110p	CRI	CHINA	19/1	KVB
1823	7130f	R Poland Int	POLAND	3/2	KAB
1836-1839	7110f	CRI	CHINA	13/1	KVB
1836	9400g	Radio Bulgaria	BULGARIA	10/1	DD
1840	5995g	R Australia	AUSTRALIA	8/1	DD
1859-1958	11805g	Radio Nederland	NETHERLANDS	30/12	RFK
1900-1929	11690g	DW	GERMANY	29/12	RFK
1905	9765g	VOA	USA	15/1	RP
1930-2015	6020g	Pan American	GERMANY?	27/1	RFK

1935	7410	ALL INDIA RADIO	INDIA	4/2	RP
2028-2045	7595f	VOA	USA	17/1	KAB
2030	7520	WORLD HARVEST R	USA	2/2	RP
2037-2043	7420p	R Sweden	SWEDEN	21/1	KVB
2039-2041	11760g	Radio Habana	CUBA	18/1	CC
2044	9535g	Radio Thailand	THAILAND	18/1	CC
2104	7250	VATICAN RADIO	VATICAN STATE	26/1	RP
2106	9770f	RCI	CANADA	8/1	RP
2132-2137	7180f	VOT	TURKEY	10/1	CC
2238	15720e	Radio NZ	NZ	8/1	RP
2300	9735g	Radio New Zealand	NZ	14/1	RP

### OVERSEAS CONTRIBUTIONS

Time (UTC)	Freq (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0057-0200	7440g	Radio Ukraine Int	UKRAINE	4/1	DAn
0103	7345f	Radio Prague	CZECH REP	27/1	JKW
0113	7115e	Radio Serbia	SERBIA	9/2	JW
0115	7400g	Radio Bulgaria	BULGARIA	27/1	JKW
0143	7205g	Voice of Turkey	TURKEY	9/2	JW
0149	7440g	Radio Ukraine Int	UKRAINE	9/2	JW
0359	6240g	Voice of Russia	RUSSIA	5/1	JKW
0432	4960f	VOA	USA	2/2	JKW
0514-0536	6005f	BBC World Service	UK	5/1	DAn
0619	4760f	ELWA Radio	LIBERIA	5/1	JW
1138-1230	2310f:2325f:2485f	ABC	AUSTRALIA	28/1	DAn
1226-1310	7295f	Traxx FM	MALAYSIA	28/1	DAn
1500-1545	7370f	Radio PMR	MOLDAVIA?	18/12	DAn
1800	11735f	Radio Tanzania	TANZANIA	6/1	RDA
1840	5920f	WBOH	USA	25/1	JKW
1844	9640f	RRI	ROMANIA	25/01	JW
1923	11530g	WEWN	USA	25/1	JW
2002	15665f	Voice of Biafra Int	USA?	28/12	RDA



# SHORTWAVE RECEPTION FORECAST

FOR MARCH 2008

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The Shortwave Bands below have given good reception in NZ within the recent Solar Flux Index range of 70-80. An \* = good reception only when Index above 75. There was a new record number (45) of qualifying reports for the propagation survey in the January issue. And our Bandwatch Over 9 MHZ

Editor, Phil van de Paverd contributed 40 of them. Great work, Phil !

Times-Shortwave Bands:

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

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

x=not Hawaii. The Jan. average Solar Flux was 74 - down from Dec's 79.

# SHORTWAVE REPORT

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## ALGERIA/ UNITED KINGDOM

RTA, R Algeria is relaying its Holy Quran in Arabic towards Northern Africa by VTC Merlin at present:

0400-0600 6090 Rampisham (500 kW 180 degrees) // Woofferton (250 kW 160 degrees) on 6125 till 0500, then 6025.

1900-2100 9455 Woofferton (250 kW 160 degrees) // 11815 Rampisham (500 kW 190 degrees)

2100-2300 5915 Rampisham (500 kW 160 degrees) // 9850 Skelton (300 kW 180 degrees) (Ivanov via BCDX, Gupta via DSWCI)

## ALGERIA [non]. GERMANY/U.K.

A-08 season price skirmish? DTK-TDF- DIG against MER-VTC England? RTAlgers tests in Arabic / Holy Qur`an service from Jan. 28 till Jan. 30 via DTK and MER:

0600-0800 on 17660 DHA 250 kW / 270 deg

0800-0900 on 15605 WER 500 kW / 210 deg

0800-1000 on 15750 SIN 250 kW / 170 deg

1800-1900 on 7210 SKN 300 kW / 195 deg

1800-1900 on 7260 WER 500 kW / 210 deg

2300-2400 on 5915 RMP 500 kW / 190 deg

(from BUL via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews via DXLD) Will these continue? (ED)

## ABKHAZIA. GEORGIA.

Apsua Radio (ID in Abkhazian) on shortwave.

Radi Respubliki Abkhazii (in Russian) is heard daily with sing-on at 0400 and at 1400 to sign-off anywhere between 1430/1515 on 1350 kHz. Russian daily 0430-0440, Saturdays and irregularly Sundays 1400-1415. All // SW 9495 and from 0430 on 9535 (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, BDXC-UK Communication via DXLD)

## BELGIUM [non].

Updated B-07 of TDP stations effective Feb. 1:

Moj Them Radio in Hmong: 0100-0130 on 15260 TAI 100 kW / 250 deg to Asia Mon/Wed/Fri

Haiv Hmoob Radio in Hmong: [NEW] 0100-0130 on 15260 TAI 100 kW / 250 deg to Asia

Tue Hmong Lao Radio in Hmong: 0100-0200 on 15260 TAI 100 kW / 250 deg to Asia Thu/Sun

Hmong World Christian Radio in Hmong: 0100-0200 on 15260 TAI 100 kW / 250 deg to Asia Sat

Denge Mezopotamya in Kurdish: 0500-1300 11530 SMF 300 kW / 129 deg to WeAs, ex KCH 300 kW / 116 deg 1300-1500 11530 SMF 500 kW / 129 deg to WeAs, ex KCH 500 kW / 116 deg 1500-1900 7540 SMF 500 kW / 129 deg to WeAs, ex KCH 500 kW / 116 deg 1900-2100 7540 SMF 300 kW / 129 deg to WeAs, ex KCH 300 kW / 116 deg

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

Radio Xoriyo Ogadenia in Somali: [NEW:] 1400-1430 on 17875 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf Tue/Sat from Feb. 02 1600-1630 on 7560 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf Tue/Sat till Jan. 29

Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church/Holy Synod Radio in Amharic: 1600-1700 on 9445 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAf Mon

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

Suab Xaa Moo Zoo in Hmong 2330-2400 on 11655 TAI 100 kW / 250 deg to Asia Daily (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Jan 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

## CROATIA.

Winter B-07 schedule of HRT HS-1 in Croatian:

0557-0856 on 6165 DEA 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu/NoAf, ex 0457-0856

0857-1356 on 9830 DEA 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu/NoAf, no change

1357-2156 on 6165 DEA 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu/NoAf, ex 1357-2356

2157-0556 on 3985vDEA 010 kW / non-dir to WeEu/NoAf, ex 2357-0456

(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, via DXLD)

## EGYPT:

IZAAT WADI AL-NEIL (NILE VALLEY RADIO).

Nile Valley Radio is a new shortwave broadcaster from Egypt transmitting to Sudanese in Arabic on 9250khz. Transmissions seem to be daily and are well heard here in NZ from around 1800utc till after 1930utc.

Contact details below are from their website. <http://www.ertu.org/radio/soatarab.html>

Email> info@ertu.org enginfo@ertu.org (ED)

9250, R Wadi el Nil, Arabic talking about Sudan. It turned out to be a local network called Nile Valley Radio from Cairo. Yes, it is an Egyptian network beamed to Sudanese living in Egypt. I heard it on // MW 1107 and it was the same stream. First time to hear that station on the shortwave band! (Zeidan, via DXLD). Schedule 1700-2300. (Ritola). Also heard 2126-2243, Dec 16 and 21, Sudanese Arab songs, ID's: "...min al Kahira " and "min al kahira wen Khurtum". (Hauser and Liangas via DSWCI)

## MALI:

9635khz reactivated:

9635, R Mali, Kati, Bamako, 0814-1320, reactivated after a few years' time, Vernacular talks, Malian songs, news, obituary (f) in progress at 1230, French at 1300 for newscast, 55544; silent on 7285v and 11960. (Bueschel and Gonçalves via DSWCI)

## UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.

UNMEE now on 15440.

15440, UNMEE is now on this frequency from Dhabbaya (250 kW, 225 degrees) in Oromo/Tigrinya/Amharic/English on Su at 0900-1000 (ex 17670) and Tu at 1030-1130 (ex 17565). (Ivanov via Bueschel and Gupta, DSWCI)

## LATIN CORNER:

### BOLIVIA:

List- DX South Florida July 2007 to January 2008

3309.91 Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba

3390.16 Radio Emisoras Camargo, Camargo

4650.19 Radio Santa Ana, Santa Ana de Yacuma

4699.v Radio San Miguel, Riberalta

4716.61 Radio Yura, Yura

4732. Radio Uniersitaria, Cobija

4762.512 Radio Chicha, Tocla

4781.v Radio Tacana, Tumupasa

4796.4 Radio Mallku, Uyuni

4875.91 Radio Estambul, Guayaramerín

5580.25 Radio San José, San José de Chiquitos

5952.41 Emisoras Pio XII, Siglo Veinte

5967.80 R Nacional, Huanuni

5996.42 Radio Loyola, Sucre

6079.94 Radio San Gabriel, La Paz

6105.44 Radio Panamericana, La Paz

6134 Radio Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz de la Sierra

(Robert Wilkner - Pompano Beach - Southeastern Florida, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

## FEATURED FREQUENCY:

This month it is 11740khz.

How many of these are you able to hear and identify?

Time	Station	Country	Days	Language	Power (kW)	Site
0200-0500	Family Stations, Inc.	United States	1234567	Unknown	100	Okeechobee, FL
0400-0800	BBC Worldservice	United Kingdom	1234567	Unknown	250	Limassol
0525-0600	Vatican Radio	Vatican	1234567	LT	100	S. Maria di Galeria
0600-0645	Vatican Radio	Vatican	234567	IT/FR/EN	100	S. Maria di Galeria
0600-0745	Vatican Radio	Vatican	1	LT	250	S. Maria di Galeria
0600-1000	Nippon Hoso Kyokai	Japan	1234567	Unknown	250	Kranji (Merlin)
0645-0715	Vatican Radio	Vatican	234567	AB	100	S. Maria di Galeria
0830-1030	Vatican Radio	Vatican	1	LT	250	S. Maria di Galeria
0900-1030	Emirates Media	United Arab Emirates	1234567	Unknown	500	Dhabayya
0950-1030	Vatican Radio	Vatican	1	LITURGY	100	S. Maria di Galeria
1030-1100	Nippon Hoso Kyokai	Japan	1234567	Unknown	250	Kranji (Merlin)

1100-1605	China Radio International	China	1234567	Unknown	100	Lingshi
1130-1300	Nippon Hoso Kyokai	Japan	1234567	Unknown	250	Kranji (Merlin)
1155-1230	Vatican Radio	Vatican	1234567	IT	100	S. Maria di Galeria
1255-1330	Vatican Radio	Vatican	1234567	SP/PR	250	S. Maria di Galeria
1300-1500	VOA - Voice of America	Philippines	1234567	Korean	250	Tinang 1
1600-1630	HCJB - Voice of the Andes	Ecuador	1234567	Unknown	500	Rampisham
1600-1900	Egypt Radio & TV Union	Egypt	1234567	Eng	150	Abu zaabal
2000-2200	VOA - Voice of America	USA	1234567	Mandarin	250	Tinian Islands
2100-0100	China Radio International	China	1234567	Unknown	100	Lingshi
2145-2359	Family Stations, Inc.	USA	1234567	Unknown	100	Okeechobee, FL

# DXISSIMO



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This month we have a new broadcasters in Peru (Radio Manantial) and Bolivia (Radio Universita) to report plus tests from Costa Rica

## BOLIVIA

4450 Radio La Cruz del Sur. [Tentative] Feb4 SS 2235-2345 male and female talks, mentioned sometimes "Radio La Cruz del Sur...." Very weak and noisy (Lucio Otavio Bobrowiec. Empu SP Brasil via HCDX)

4732 Radio Universita. 1053-1100 Noted with very weak signal. At 1101 a female comments. Unfortunately, the signal is too weak to copy details. (Chuck Bolland USA Feb7 via HCDX)

5952.44 Emisoras Pio XII 1110-1115 Noted a news type programme with a number of SS comments Signal was threshold and threatening to disappear any second. This station wasn't up prior to 1100 since I had been checking the Freq. earlier and didn't hear it. (Chuck Bolland USA Feb 8 via HCDX)

5996.35 Radio Loyola. 1048-1100 Noted steady SS comments from two males during this period Signal is basically just fading in and out from poor to nil. (Chuck Bolland Feb 8 via HCDX)

6079.96 Radio San Gabriel. [Tentative] 1058-1105 I am going to go out on a limb here and report San Gabriel mixing with HCJB. At 1102 heard flute and drum type music while HCJB was reporting news. Both signals were equally threshold. (Chuck Bolland USA Feb8 via HCDX)



6134.81 Radio Santa Cruz.1040-1100 With strong signal and noted with SS comments and ID. 1043 music was presented.(Chuck Bolland,USA Feb 8 vial HCDX)

### **BRAZIL**

4805 Radio Difusora Manaus.1035-1041 Feb5 PP Ad sring,“Difusora” jingle IDs and M ancr. Fair signal.(Barbour NH USA via HCDX)

### **CHILE**

6010 Radio Parinacota.Putre. 1000-1015 Jan21 SS/Quecha!!!!.S/on ID as “Se levanta una voz desde Chile para mostrar al mundo su.....” Other ID as “Radio Parinacota transmite desde la Comuna de Putre,Provincia de Parinacota” SINPO 32432 with QRM from Radio Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte,Brazil.(Arnaldo Slaen. Argentina via HCDX)

### **CONGO DR**

6210 Radio Kahuzi [Tentative] set the recorder to start at 1930.Weak audio with a lot of talk by M.Discussions also.Mx at 2000 and M anncr.It usually goes off after 2000, and true to form, it went off at 2008.Right at threshold.Oddly never got any worse or better.(D Valko. USA Feb1 via HCDX)  
*[Belive this station is on to 2000 Mondays & Fridays that is Tuesday & Saturday mornings here in NZ. Editor].*

### **COSTA RICA**

5954 The 40kw ELCOR transmitter testing at Guapiles,as Raul Saavedra as found out is still being heard. Feb1 at 2320 check with Mx but to much Okeechobee 5950. (G Hauser OK USA via DXLD & HCDX)  
More information and background to this station can be found in Glenn Hausers DXLD 8-005 Jan16/08

### **EQUATORIAL GUINEA**

6250 Radio Nacional,Malabo [Pres.] Nothing but nonstop dance Mx over 0700 TOH and also Afro Hi-life mx after about 0710.Did hear talking around 0740 but it was to late then. Typical west african fade.(D Valko USA Feb3 via HCDX)

### **GUATAMALA**

4779.8 Radio Coatan.San Sebastian de Coatan. 1030+ Jan21 SS ID as “Desde San Sebastian de Coatan,en el departamento de Huehuetenango,transmite Radio Coatan en 4780kHz” Local Mx SINPO 23332.(Arnaldo Slaen.Argentina via HCDX)

4799.79 Radio Buenas Nuevas. 0415-0435 Feb8 Local religous mx.SStalk Closing anncs with ID at 0432. Poor signal in noise,CODAR QRM and slight het from presumed Mexico 4800. Thanks to Mark Schiefelbein for tip.(Brian Alexander PA USA via HCDX)

## HONDURAS

3339.97 Radio Misiones International [pres.] 1109 two soft songs,1118 sev canned SS anncts by M portions with echo effect.1119 back to MX.Went off suddenly in mid-song at 1140.05.  
Been hearing this off and on mornings and evenings lately.(D Valko USA Jan31 via HCDX)

## PERU

3234.8Radio Luz y Sonido.Huanuco.0936+ Jan20 Quecha,Andean songs with anncts by Male in Quecha.SINPO 24432. (Araldo Slaen.Argentina via HCDX)

3329.61 Ondas del Huallaga.Canned ID by M at 1108 during add block.Difficult to seperate from CHU and had to do a lot of receiver control manipulating.(D Valko USA Jan31 via HCDX)

4790.2Radio Vision.Chiclayo. 0618-0635 Feb2 Relig Prg SINPO 25232(Mendez. Spain via HCDX)

4835.4Radio Maranon.1046-1101 Feb4 SS M&W wiyh talk.IDs in pasing.Fair (Barbour via HCDX)

4991 Radio Manantial is a new station from Huancayo with 1 kw.There web page is <http://radiomanantial.pe.nu>.(WRTH update via DXLD 8-015)

5939.23 Radio Melodia. 1040 discussion by sev people at t/in.Ment of Arequipa,Cusco,politica, Peru.Took some phone in rpts.Fading and QRMed by 1100 (D Valko USA Feb2 via HCDX)

6173.83 Radio Tawantinsuyo.[Pres] OC as early as 0819.Prgm started up at 0910.08 w/ campo mx unfortunately no offical sign on.(D Valko USA. Feb3 via HCDX)



6535.77 Radio LV del Rondero.Huancabamba. 0255-0400+ Feb8 SS talk Huaynos,SSpops/ballads S/off around 0405.[Presumed].Not able to catch an ID.Very weak,occasional peaks up to weak.Occasional GRM from 2-way traffic.(Brian Alexander. PA USA via HCDX)

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Some Aviation news .

Members will have read of the claims of a hypersonic passenger plane that could one day fly between Europe and Australia in less than five hours. Visualize an extended flight to NZ of less than hour – hardly enough time to read the latest NZ Herald bought on board !

The aircraft, tentatively named the A2, will be designed in Oxfordshire, England and will fly at a sustained speed of 3,800 mph.and will be twice the size of a jumbo jet. Flight cost is estimated to be in the region of \$8,000 so start saving for the expected flight in 25 years.

The recent spate of aborted take off from Brisbane was due to a wasp infestation. Wasps had been found to have affected pitot heads thereby causing air speed indicator problems.

- 2201 1700 VMC Queensland Cyclone and monsoon warning Queensland coast and Gulf of Carpentaria. NM
- 2863 1540 Tokyo Volmet for Tokyo and Osaka. NM
- 2853 1630 Honolulu Volmet for Honolulu, Hilo and Guam. NM
- 5000 0516 Venezuela YVTO Obsaervatorio Cagigal In Spanish Rapid fire announcements ahead of WWVH which covered most of the announcement. Tones not heard. JKW
- 5634 ? Brisbane/Xanadu 2702 SC DHBR. NM
- 5649 1107 Gander/VDA 59N 50W At 40W make primary 8879 (VDA Volga Dnepr). NM
- 5649 0706 Gander/KLM 734 45N 40W. NM
- 5649 0706 Gander/Speedbird 278 50N 30W At 52N call Shanwick on 2872. NM
- 5655 1650 Gulf Air 157/Manila If you can hear this contact Hochiminh now. NM
- 5655 1703 Manila/Dynasty 5871 Destination Hochiminh SC AFPQ. NM (Dynasty is one of four classes of China Airlines)
- 5655 1703 Manila/Northwest 907 SC CHAK Rego N639US. NM
- 5655 1710 Singapore/Japanair 6311 SC CDGH Rego JA 8541. NM
- 5670 1751 Chennai/Lufthansa 779 SC ALDM Rego D ABVD. NM
- 5670 1751 Chennai/Qantas 9 SC QRAB Rego VH OJN. NM
- 5670 1751 Singapore 970 SC BKCS. NM
- 5670 1751 Chennai/KLM 810 SC DMAK Rego PH BFL. NM
- 5670 1734 Colombo/Saudia 5004 SC EFBC Rego HZ AID. NM

- 5670 1734 Kuala Lumpur/Singapore 266 SC GSIL Rego 9 VSPF. NM  
5670 1425 Singapore 411/Chennai Call aircraft Rego FIF 964 on emergency VHF and tell them to contact Chennai on this frequency. NM  
5670 1430 Colombo/Chennai asks to contact aircraft FIF 964 SC CEME 1432 contact established. NM  
5658 1651 Mumbai/Speedbird 35 BGKM Rego G YMMB. NM  
5691 1700 Kirensk Volmet. NM  
6628 0801 Santa Maria/Air Portugal 130 32N 30W SC BMAS Rego CS TEL. NM  
6640 0810 New York/Avianca 085 Wx for SGBR (Brasilia) SBSP (Sao Paulo) SBCF (Belo Horizonte). NM  
6792.5 0630 HAARP Gakona, Alaska Moonbounce tests Transmitted signal received at a fair level sitting nicely above the band noise with occasional bounce/echo heard at a much reduced level. Signal consisted of 2 sec pulses with 3 sec gaps between them. JD  
8861 1110 Yakutsk Meteo for Yakutsk and Nerungri. NM.  
8861 1150 Yakutsk Meteo for Yakutsk and Nerungri. NM  
8867 2004 Bluebird 179/Brisbane Climb to and maintain 390 and report reaching. RP  
8867 2005 Brisbane/Freedom 729 Posn ORWELL at 2003 FL 360 Estimate MAGAMA at 2003 Temp 52 Spotwind 229/54 SC OK Primary 8867 Secondary 13261. RP  
8867 2006 Brisbane/Bluebird 81 Posan at 2005 FL 380 Temp 57 Wind 232 at 50 knots Contact Brisbane on 124.625. RP  
8867 2014 Bluebird 179/Auckland Control clears to 5425 after 2025 Further instructions contact TWR on 118.5. RP  
8879 1715 Brisbane/Indonesia 728 SC CHDE. NM  
8879 1720 Mumbai/Express India. NM  
8942 1652 Singapore/Hotel Victor 522 SC APGH. NM  
8942 1114 N338/MM/Singapore Confirm now at FL 450. NM  
8942 1115 Singapore/Eva 48 Taipei to Kota Kinbalu SC DHEM. NM  
8942 1730 Singapore/Air China 970 SC BKCS. NM

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**JKW** Joe Wood, Greenback, Tenn, USA – Eton 1, DX 390 with Flex Antenna and 7 m long wire.  
**RP** Roger Pryde, Dunedin – Sangean ATS 803A with 30 m long wire antenna



# FM RADIO NEWS AND DX

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## Lord Howe Island

Once heard only on MW [and even then rarely], this part of NSW sitting out in the Tasman Sea currently has four active FM transmitters as follows:

- 100.1 Lord Howe Island Radio, PO Box 52, Lord Howe Island, NSW 2898 [limited hours local community radio]
- 104.1 2 ABCFM, 20w relay ABC Classic FM 24h
- 105.3 2JJJ, 20w relay ABC Triple J 24h
- 106.1 2ABCFM, 20w relay ABC Classic FM 24h **(via David Ricquish)**

## New LPFM in Wellington

88.5 Wellington [Petone-Lower Hutt], Radio Bahay Kubo in Tagalog [Philippino language music and talk programs]. Contact: 021 177 0881 (David Ricquish)

## Kawhia FM

Kawhia FM is Kawhia's own local radio station on 88.7 and 107.7 FM. 88.7 appears to be the frequency with the better coverage as I could receive this one up to 20km out of Kawhia. (Adam Claydon)

## FM Log – January 2008 - Bryan Clark, Mangawhai, Northland

**2 January** @ 0413 UTC – Australia ABC-FM 95.3 and UNID commercial 104.7 riding o/ Planet FM 104.6

**10 January** @ 0212 UTC – Australia ABC-FM 102.7, other Aussies on 102.9, 104.9 & 105.7

2334 to 2400 UTC – Mix 106.5 exc, other Sydney stations on 105.7, 102.5, 104.9, 92.9, UNID 104.5, ABC TV Ch2 audio, 2TM 101.9 (first time heard), UNID 107.3 Country music & ident as "1073", KO-FM Newcastle 102.9.

**11 January** at 0111 to 0415 UTC – Australia 102.9 refs to Gold Coast, ABC TV Ch2 audio often audible.

**12 January** @ 0025 UTC – Australia horse racing on 105.7.

0240 UTC – Choice FM 105.3, Jazz on 102.5, KO-FM 02.9, 104.9 Triple M Sydney, 2JJJ 105.7, Mix 106.5 at 0249.

**13 January** @ 0029 – Australia UNID 105.1, UNID 105.9 classical, ABC National Mackay 102.7 // ABC National Rockhampton 103.1, Hot FM Townsville 103.1, 4MK Mackay 101.9. 0043 to 0233 UTC - Fiji in Fijian 102.0 // 102.4, 102.8 // 102.6, Legend FM 106.8 with American Top 40 // 106.4 & 107.2, Hindi 105.0 // 105.2, different Hindi on 105.6, Radio Fiji Gold 100.0 // 100.4, UNID Fijian 107.4 (not Legend), Hindi 104.2, 2Day-FM Suva 104.0,

Fijian Hindi broadcast over Planet FM Auckland 104.6.  
CRI Vanuatu with 'China Horizons' @ 0054, Radio Australia relay 103.0 @ 0238.  
New Caledonia @ 0248 to 0312 - RRB Lifou 102.5, UNID 103.0 // 102.0 presumed Radio Djiido, had 'Europe No.1' news in FF at 0302. Always heard when Lifou coming through and nearest Djiido sites to Lifou appear to be on the mainland at Thio (103.0) and Canala (102.0).  
2256-2300 UTC – brief tropo opening to Sydney – Triple M 104.9 and Triple J 105.7.  
**15 January** @ 0130 to 0140 UTC – ABC Regional Batemans Bay 105.1, 2BA 103.5, 2EC 105.9, ABC FM 101.9, UNID weak 102.7. ABC TV Ch2 audio 69.75 @ 0440 UTC.  
**16 January** – Fiji at 0030 to 0317 UTC – 102.4 Fijian, Bula FM 102.0 // 103.0, other Fijians on 104.0, 105.6, 105.8, Radio Fiji Gold 100.0 with invite to FBCL Open Day on Saturday. Vanuatu Radio Australia relay 103.0 0034 past 0220 - 2 secs behind Shepparton SW audio.  
Australia Sydney stations 102.5, 101.9, 104.9, 105.7, 106.5, UNID 102.1 against Kiwi FM, 2KO-FM Newcastle 102.9.  
**19 January** – Australia Sydney & Batemans Bay stations audible 0300 past 0420 UTC.  
**22 January** @ 0225 UTC – opening to Tasmania - 7SBS Hobart 105.7, Rock music on 106.5, 107.3 also rock music, strong open carrier on 105.9,  
Fiji from 0238 to 0325 – Fijian on 102.8, 102.4, 102.0, 103.0, Radio Fiji Gold 100.0, Legend FM 106.4 // 107.2, Hindi 105.6,  
New Caledonia? 103.0 // 102.0 heard from 0240 to 0500, a new RRB for me on 100.0 at 0243 and 0618 // 102.5, RRB Lifou 102.5 audible 0248 past 0635 UTC! RRB Ouvea 103.5 noted against Niu FM at 0622 UTC – first time heard.  
Vanuatu – CRI relay 102.0 @ 0304 UTC.  
Australia reappeared 0501 to 0535 UTC – Gold Coast stations Hot Tomato 102.9 & Radio Metro 105.7, UNID 107.3, 102.9 and 104.9. ABC Ch 2 TV audio on 69.75 at 0717 UTC.  
**27 January** – ABC Ch 2 TV audio on 69.75 at 0125 poor.  
Fiji 106.4, 102.4 from 0125 to 0242 UTC. UNID with EE pops on 103.0.  
**28 January** – Fijians from 2242 to 2256 on 102.0, 102.8, 105.2, 105.8, 106.8 Legend FM , 104.0 2Day-FM, 100.0 Radio Fiji Gold, Hindi stations on 104.2 and 105.0 last to go at 2256.  
**29 January** – 0102 till 0436 opening to New Caledonia – 103.0 // 102.0 with Radio Djiido ident, RRB Lifou 102.5 // 100.0.  
Vanuatu 0142 to 0238 – CRI Relay 102.0 and Radio Australia 103.0.  
Australian Gold Coast 0303 to 0318 UTC – ABC News 106.1, RadioMetro 105.7, 4CAB 107.3.  
Fiji 102.0 and 102.8 in Fijian 2235 past 2305 UTC, also 2Day FM 104.0 and Radio Fiji Gold 100.0, Legend FM 106.8, Hindi 105.2.  
**30 January** @ 0001 UTC – Australia 102.9, 105.7 Triple J rock mixing with UNID on political report, ABC Regional 104.9 mixing with Triple M, 104.1, 101.9, Mix 106.5.  
Tasmanian opening from 0330 UTC - 7SBS Hobart 105.7 in CC, Ultra 106.5, Hobart commercial on 107.3, UNID rock music on 101.7 and 102.9, ABC TV Ch2 audio 69.75 with kids prgms 0452.  
0526 to 0615 UTC tropo opening into Sydney with deep fades – 104.9, 105.7, 102.5 2MBS, ABC FM 92.9, Triple J 105.7, 107.3, 106.5, 104.1.  
**31 January** @ 0230 UTC – ABC TV Ch2 audio, poor.

## FM doings from Des Davey, Te Kuiti

Logged Raukawa FM 90.6 at 11:15pm on January 10<sup>th</sup>. I logged it on the Eton E5 using a 50 metre long wire lead clip onto the E5's pull up antenna and reception of Raukawa FM Tokoroa in the South Waikato was very good. They must have over hauled the transmitter or done something because it's the best I've heard this FM 90.6 station for months.

Others I logged on the FM band on the Eton E5 on 11/1/2008:

- 89.2 Radio Live, New Plymouth, talk show at 12:55am, reception good
- 89.8 ZM, Hamilton, with loud pop music at 1am, excellent
- 90.0 Classic Hits, New Plymouth, with modern pop music at 1:10am, reception good
- 90.6 Raukawa FM, Tokoroa, at 1:12am with pop music in English, reception very good
- 92.0 More FM, Hamilton, at 1:14am with modern pop music, reception very good
- 93.0 The Rock, Hamilton, with you know what! Very good
- 93.2 More FM, New Plymouth, at 1:20am with modern pop music, fair
- 93.8 Solid Gold FM, Waikato, at 1:23am with our kind of music! Reception very good
- 94.0 RNZ National, Te Kuiti, excellent at 1:31am with a nice country music song
- 94.6 Life FM, Hamilton, at 1:30am, reception very good
- 95.4 Radio Tainui, Ngaruawahia, at 1:40am, pop music, good
- 96.0 Hauraki, Hamilton, at 1:50am with metal music, reception good but snowy
- 97.0 Newstalk ZB, Hamilton, at 1:54am with talkback, excellent
- 97.2 BSPORT, New Plymouth, 1:58am, chat programme, good
- 98.0 Solid Gold FM, New Plymouth, 2am, good
- 98.6 Classic Hits ZHFM, Hamilton, 2:10am, excellent
- 99.3 The Breeze, Hamilton, 2:20am, nice music, excellent

## TV AND SATELLITE NEWS AND DX

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### TV Central on UHF Digital

Have forwarded you a short email I received from TV Central re future plans for "aerial digital" from Te Aroha and Welcome Bay to service Tauranga.

Submitted via the TVMG Contact Form by 'John Durham'

Very poor reception of your station here in Tauranga. Any plans to improve signal?

Regards,

John

Hi John,

Thanks for your mail. We are currently broadcasting from Te Aroha only on UHF horizontal CH40, with no repeater on Welcome Bay. Come March we will be launching with FREEVIEW aerial digital from both Te Aroha and Welcome Bay which will improve

coverage 100% and of course be digital. In the meantime, make sure your UHF aerial is facing Te Aroha on horizontal feed.

Regards

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### **New Freeview channel coming in March**

On 30 March this year, TVNZ will launch its second digital channel, TVNZ 7. TVNZ 7 will be a commercial-free "factual" channel. News will make up 30% of the programming, and the remaining 70% will be a mixture of documentaries (both new and historical), sports and current affairs programmes. The News component will include ten minute news bulletins on the hour, every hour, as well as an hour-long news bulletin at 8pm. There will be some new local shows, including a politics show and a media review show. TVNZ 7 will be a place where New Zealanders can go to shape their views about local and international issues, and understand how they affect them as Kiwis. (Freeview channels, [http://freeviewnz.tv/index.php?section\\_id=5#tvnz\\_7](http://freeviewnz.tv/index.php?section_id=5#tvnz_7))

### **Freeview PVR coming**

The platform war between Freeview and Sky Television looks set to hot up with Freeview planning to have its own version of the MySky Personal Video Recorder (PVR) in the third quarter of 2008. The PVR - which will be configured to Freeview and its electronic programming guide, and carry its brand - will help redress Sky's advantage with 25,000 MySky machines.

Freeview has been talking with "several" electronics manufacturers to licence a PVR which allows viewers to time-shift programmes without the rigmarole of programming standard recorders. The Freeview platform for free-to-air digital television currently has 10 channels, but will expand in early April when TVNZ 7 is due to launch. Freeview will eventually be the main source for free-to-air television when analogue signals are eventually switched off.

Freeview - which is run by TVNZ, MediaWorks and the government transmission company Kordia - estimates it has around 50,000 set-top boxes in circulation, compared to around 700,000 subscribers for Sky.

And new LCD and plasma TV sets in New Zealand will start including Freeview tuners inside the sets.

We wonder how the Freeview PVR will deal with TV commercials. Some PVRs allow users to flash straight past advertising breaks - which let's face it - is one of the big benefits. MySky allows people to fast-forward through ad breaks but not skip past the entire break with one click. But the free-to-air channels are more dependent on ad revenue than Sky.

How will advertisers feel about the new world of free-to-air allowing fast-forwarding through breaks?

(NZ Herald, [www.nzherald.co.nz/topic/story.cfm?c\\_id=260&objectid=10491241&ref=rss](http://www.nzherald.co.nz/topic/story.cfm?c_id=260&objectid=10491241&ref=rss) February 08, 2008)



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## QSLs OF THE MONTH

**Shortwave:** R.Peace, Narus, Sudan 4750 kHz, 1kW  
**Mediumwave:** KLAA, Orange, CA. 830 kHz, 50/20kW

**Bryan Clark**, Mangawhai  
**Frank Glen**, Christchurch

These two QSLs are good examples of topical DX. It's easy to read about Sudan in the newspaper, or see tragedy in Darfur on TV or learn of yet another African rebellion as in Chad that's connected to events in the Sudan. Yet, it's also possible to become disconnected from events and places in today's 'wired' world. With reception of a low power SW station in the area and an email from the founder, **Bryan** demonstrates the power of SW radio to reconnect on a personal level with world events.

From the early days of MW broadcasting, stations have conducted 'tests' for long distance listeners. The tradition has largely fallen away, but, from time to time, stations such as KLAA are persuaded to play tone tests, morse IDs', terrible polka music or whatever else the station engineer thinks will 'get through' to listeners out of the local market at 2am local time when only insomniacs and DXers twiddle the AM dial for company. **Franks'** reception and QSL of such a DX test in 2008 gives hope to all long distance listeners. And, to KLAA Orange, California, USA, the thanks of all of us.

Leading the **Mailbag** this month, **Douglas Johns, Christchurch** reports that he's now passed the 3000 QSL mark on SW. That's a great milestone, and our congratulations!

Reports are out to: CRI 6100, 13645, 17855, DW/Kigali 9735, VOA 9885, 11725, 4930, IRRS 7285, Family Radio/Moldova 6240, WWCR 5890, 5935, 12160, 5070, RNZI 9765, DW/Sines 15595, VOR 13735, 6130, 15380, 7150, DW/Kranji 15620, AWR/Julich 9595, RNW/Nauen 7220, AWR/Wertachtel 11975, NHK/Trincomalee 11875, KWHR 9930, RFA/Thailand 17685, Radio Australia 9475.

QSLs in from: RCI/Madagascar 11820, RNW/Wertachtel 11935, VOR/Vatican 7350, VOR/Ussuriysk 17805, DW/Trincomalee 17520, RNZI 9765, CRI 11875, VOR/Irkutsk 12090, VOR/Wertachtel 6155, VOA/Kisinyov 6240, VOR/Moscow 6130, VOR/Vladivostok 13735, 13580, VOR/Dushanbe 4965, VOR/Krasnador 7150, TWR/Wertachtel 6105, and Triple C FM [Scout Jamboree, Christchurch] 100.9.

**Terry Nielsen, Oxford [North Canterbury]** says it's been very hot and dry for much DXing, but has had the postie deliver QSLs from NZ's Rhema 612, VL8K 2485, VOR/Moscow 9550, VOR/Moldova 9665, RFA/Tinian 11795, RFA/Saipan 15135 and RFA/Vladivostok 15565. Terry asks if the NZRDXL issues special QSL cards for reports

to 'Mailbox' on RNZI, and whether information about the 'Mailbox' program can be included in the DX Times.

To answer your first question, no. 'Mailbox' is part of RNZI's normal programming [and has been since 1948] so RNZI issues standard QSLs for reception reports, even though the contributors happen to be NZRDXL members. For the second, the 'Mailbox' program details can be found at the RNZI website [www.rnzi.com](http://www.rnzi.com) where you can also download podcasts of the two most recent programs. As the actual content for each program is usually recorded just prior to broadcast, it's generally difficult to say in advance exactly what you'll hear. I usually issue a media release via the usual e-DX channels [such as DXLD, hard-core-dx etc] a day or two beforehand for my radio heritage documentaries.

Finally, the Charlie Chester Award is given annually by Adcom to recognize the efforts and contributions of DXers who report Australian and NZ MW DX. Congratulations!

Next up we hear from **John Durham, Tauranga** who has QSLs in from: KBS/ Seoul 9570, TWR/Wertachtel 6105, Radio Waves Int/Ulbroka 9290, Sudan Radio Service/Dhabbaya 9840, VOA/Kuwait 7555, VOR/Yangiyul 4975 and Radio Nederland/Moldova 13700. John says the VOA card featured views of the Delano CA site and they also sent a calendar. Cleaning out his garage, he found some old MW QSLs such as KFBK from 1959, Uni of NSW 1720, 3RPH 1705 and Tuvalu 621 and hopes to find the rest of his MW QSLs one day! Amazing what's 'in a box in the garage' eh John!

**Ian Cattermole, Blenheim** reports a steady haul of QSLs for the month: RFA 9455, KSDA 11935, 11610, 11770, 11690, Nile Valley Radio 9250 [nice catch indeed!], Radio Ashna 7555, Radio Free Afghanistan 15690, WYFR 13615, FEBA/Wertachtel 7235, VOR 13580, 13735, 9855, 6240, 7335, 7305, 13660, Pan American BC 9850, DW 7305. Always something of interest there Ian, thanks for your news.

**Ron Killick, Christchurch** set and achieved a target of 10 reports out and the following in, though his toga remains untwisted: CRI/X'ian 13645, 17725 [both on computer images of Olympic sites], KTWR 15170 [50<sup>th</sup> anniv scenic card x 2 because he'd sent out two reports in error!], KSDA 9980 [mountain and Luke 2 card], DWR/Meyerton 11690 [Sentech letter], RNW/Meyerton 11805 [Sentech letter], and Family Radio/Wertachtel 9435 [DTK email before transmitter sale to TDF and nothing since then].

Ron comments: 170+ AM stations in NZ...and apart from a few hours some mornings, most are all Auckland relays..newscasts to me reflect this – especially on weekends. However, I won't get onto that soapbox. All the more numbers for DXers if you can get a reply that is. I won't even start on FM comments suffice to say it should be more 'local' and very much less 'network'. Thanks Ron, all up I think we have about 20 actual different stations [amongst the major networks] across the whole country, of which two are Wellington based, and nearly all the others are from Auckland studios. The formats nearly all merge into each other – we could listen to Newstalk Coast and Radio Sport ZB or Solid Gold Edge and More Breeze without really knowing the difference eh!

**David Ricquish, Wellington** has been busy working on more Pacific Radio Guides and, in the process has identified a growing number of 'endangered' MW countries in the region where only one station remains on air. Examples include Tonga

[1017], American Samoa [580], Norfolk Island [1566], Tahiti [738], Northern Marianas [1080] and Palau [1584] and members may wish to log and QSL these outlets whilst they exist. The FM dial, in comparison, has exploded, with over 500 transmitters now on air across the islands and this growth is reflected in expanding pages in the DXT for Adam's FM column.

**Bryan Clark, Mangawhai** writes 'Wow, what a month it's been, with some exciting catches on MW, SW and FM frequencies. A few QSLs too – Yemen 9780 [new country] and Radio Peace, Sudan 4750. This latter heard well on January 29 [an exceptional day for African DX] and I got a prompt friendly email reply from the station founder. Just a day earlier, I stumbled on long sought after Radio Malabo 6250, a station that's eluded me for over 40 years.

Then, two days later I tentatively heard CBA 1070 Moncton NB. A local DXer is reviewing my recording, and if he recognizes the announcers, he'll take it into the studios. I'm excited about this catch, as CBA is due to move to FM very soon and DX reception of New Brunswick becomes a thing of the past. On FM I've been listening to Radio Rhythme Bleu 102.5 FM from Lifou in the Loyalty Islands and many others, so the challenge is to make time to turn this good DX into reports. An added distraction has been installation of a satellite dish capable of viewing three Optus satellites.'

What a great location Bryan, and some excellent DX across MW, SW and FM. Clearly, the signals are out there as your trail demonstrates. I hope the FM reception conditions encourage more members to take an interest in FM DX.

**Frank Glen, Christchurch** reports in with a QSL from the KLAA 830 DX Test, and reports are away to WBAP 820, WOAI 1200 and St Helena 11092.5 all logged at Waianakarua [near Oamaru]. He says 'the KLAA QSL dated January 16 is exactly 58 years to the day from my first QSL, KFI Los Angeles logged on a 5 valve Columbus off 250 feet of wire strung between two neighbors chimnies in Invercargill!' Frank adds that the recently erected EWE is working well, along with the amplifier left by Stu Forsyth and the revamped direction finder discarded recently by Ron Killick. A four day DXpedition is planned to Tiwai with Peter Grenfell prior to the coming Easter DXpedition on March 10-14. Thanks Frank, some good signals being heard on MW and must be a good Latin season on the way too.

**Craig Edwards, Nhulunbuy NT** checks in: 'have been really busy over the holidays doing lots of reception reports from around November onwards and the fruits of the labor are showing! Many SW QSLs coming in and even some MW ones, finally. Managed to get my first Indonesian MW back in two years. My goals for 2008 are 1000 SW QSLs [currently 978] and 1000 MW QSLs [currently 892] so the latter will be a tough nut to crack. Other targets are: 25 Indonesian MW [currently 16], 25 Taiwanese MW [currently 18], 50 Philippines MW [currently 38], 50 Chinese MW [currently 41] and 100 Japanese MW [currently 84]. QSLs are in from: KKOL 1300, RRI Jember 963, DZXL 558, DXDC 621 and DXRZ 900.' Ambitious targets Craig, but a good way of breaking them down into smaller chunks. All the best for 2008.

**Stu Forsyth, Dubai, UAE** has been exposed to sandstorms [that's what you get for living in the desert!] and has taken to the dials to contribute a Dubai bandscan of what's heard on local MW using a small radio. How to hear 10 countries at once! Also pleased to report a QSL from BBC Cyprus 1323, actually heard through 5DN at

1900 UTC at Waianakarua in 2005. Verie signer: Andreas Themistocleous, Engineering Manager, BEMRS BFPO 53 email: andreas.themistocleous@vtplc.com and, as we all know, extracting BBC QSLs is harder than getting them from Radio Habana, so well done!

Another contributor pleased with some QSL cards recently is **Gunter Jacob, Passau, Germany** who writes: 'I had in my collection, seven QSLs from Radio Tirana on SW [which took 16 letters and postcards and followups] but since 1968, I couldn't get anyone to verify my reports properly. They sent greetings cards at Christmas and New Year, or even short notes saying 'please keep listening and sending reception reports' and some QSLs arrived but never with complete details. When I sent these back requesting full data, they never replied again. No replies to countless emails, letters with IRCs, registered letters etc and I've had to be satisfied with 'Albania' cards from TWR or CRI.

On January 1 2008 I contacted them again, and Drito Cico, Head of the Monitoring Center duly signed my prepared cards and stamped them 'Republika e Shqiperise, Drejtoria e Radio-Tiranes, Tirane' so I can now report QSLs from 11745, 11855 [1968 report], 9530 [1992], 9755, 7185 [1999], 7210 [2000] and 6115 [2002].'

Other QSLs from: RFA/Saipan 9455, Galei Zahal 6973, Radio Pakistan 17835, Veritas Asia 9615, Family Radio/Chita 7320, BBC/Nakhon Sawan 9740, AWR/Meyerton 11830, Family Radio/Meyerton 15260, TWR/Swaziland 9475, AWR/Moosbrunn 9695, 11910, 17610 AWR/Julich 11980, 15235 AWR/Wertachtel 11905, 17575, RN/Kishinev 7305.

Patience rewarded but in these times, any acknowledgement from a station can be considered a QSL. In fact, some stations may find requests for the 'perfect' QSL complete in all data respects as too demanding and beyond their resources. They may actually be counter-productive to the DX hobby, as station personnel then ignore other DXers reports. In my opinion, returning a QSL card because it doesn't suit comes close to insulting the station staff who took the time to reply and spend their scarce time and funds.

*We all need to be conscious of the resource demands on the ever declining number of SW stations these days. Having said that, some stations want reports enough to pay you the postage in advance – see Jerry's news below*

**Jerry Berg, Lexington MA** sends news of a QSL from Radio Condor 6310, Netherlands [Europirate] that included a photo of a 40w 1955 vintage Rohde & Schwarz SK-010 transmitter, full data card, handwritten note...and US\$2 to cover postage for a further report. Address: Floriserf 86, 2743-HK Waddinxveen, Netherlands. Studios are in Noordwijk. Email: condorradio@hotmail.com. Many thanks Jerry, a good news DX story indeed.

**Rich D'Angelo, Wyomissing PA** has a big contribution this month because it's two months rolled into one after a small editorial glitch last month! Let's go straight into the QSLs for the period: CRI/Albania 7285 [email], TWR/Wertachtel 6105 [email from Walter Brodowsky at T-Systems] and Voice of Iraqi Kurdistan/Iraq 6335 [via email from Alex Atroushi at email party@kdp.se with details – at the beginning, the equipment used was a number of old military wireless sets joined together to form a SW transmitter. The center of broadcasting was a cave deep in the Kurdistan mountain Salah-addin north of

Erbil. The radio station was a target of the Iraqi Air Force for many years and a number of technicians, editors and guards were killed by these air raids. The station was and still is, run by the KDP - Kurdistan Democratic Party].

Other QSLs include: T8BZ Voice of Hope 9965, Cotton Tree News/Ascension 9525, Open Radio for North Korea/KWHR 9930, Radio Telefis Eirann [RTE Ireland] 17860, Radio Santa Ana/Peru 4965.8 [full data personal letter from Nicolas Cordova Orozco, Gerente Propietario, oversized station pennant, Certificado de Excelencia and photo of their satellite dish], Undercover Radio 6925 [North American pirate] with 1kW, VOA/Sri Lanka 9780. Another good collection Rich, especially with the additional details from the KDP. RTE [Ireland] is a very rare SW country these days. Always a pleasure to hear your news.

**Joe Wood, Greenback TN** writes to say 'just wanted to drop a brief note to highly recommend the Eton E1 radio. I purchased one in mid-December and have been getting my money's worth out of it ever since. Over the last few weeks, I've logged three new countries - YVTO Venezuela, Radio Tanzania and ELWA Liberia - whereas with the DX 390 I only logged one new country the entire preceeding year. The radio also supports various antenna systems, and works quite well with only the built in telescopic antenna'. Thanks Joe, and hoping the recent spate of tornados has given you a wide berth in Greenback.

## Stuart Forsyth Middle East Bandscan Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Freq	UTC	Country, Call and details
540	0815	KUWAIT, R Kuwait 1. Vg with man preaching in AA SMF 4/1
576	0815	OMAN, R Sultanate of Oman. Traces of man talking. V poor. SMF 4/1
594	0815	IRAN, IRIB, Regional Radio, Shiraz. Poor with man talking in AA SMF 4/1
612	0815	UNKNOWN - possibly Bahrain or Iran VOIRI. Good with man singing the Quran. SMF 4/1
621	0815	UNKNOWN - either ERTU Egypt or VOA Khost. However, prgm suggests Egypt as prayers were offered and responses given. It was a Friday .... SMF 4/1
630	0815	SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA Good with man in AA SMF 4/1
675	0820	QATAR, QBS. Good with man reading the Quran. SMF 4/1
693	0820	UNKNOWN - either BSKSA Tabuk or Iran, IRIB Regional R Minab. Vg - mention of Mosque and then coverage of Friday Prayers. SMF 4/1
738	0820	OMAN, R Sultanate of Oman. Poor with talk in AA SMF 4/1
783	0820	IRAN, IRIB Regional R Iranshahr. Fair with man talking in AA - mentions of Arabiyya, prayers and responses. Probably coverage of Friday prayers. SMF 4/1
801	0820	UNKNOWN - possibly Bahrain - Fair with prayers. Other possibilities are Iran or Jordan (outside chance). I favour Bahrain - it sounded Arabic. SMF 4/1
810	0820	ABU DHABI, EMI, Maqtaa. Excellent with singing - not prayers. SMF 4/1

- 846 0820 UMM AL QAWAIN, UAQ Radio. Good sig, but v hard to copy. Man talking. SMF 4/1
- 855 0820 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA Damman. Poor but clear. // 882
- 882 0825 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA Damman Excellent with sung prayers. SMF 4/1
- 954 0825 QATAR, QBS Al Arish. Excellent with sung prayers. SMF 4/1
- 1017 0825 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA Madinah. Vg with talk and mx SMF 4/1
- 1098 0825 UNKNOWN – either BSKSA or Iran VOIRI. Fair with talk. SMF 4/1
- 1152 0825 RAS AL KHAIMAH, RA-K Broadcasting Stn. Excellent with sung prayers. SMF 4/1
- 1170 0825 ABU DHABI, R Sawa. Excellent with pops in EE and ads for cinemas and films. SMF 4/1
- 1224 0830 IRAN, VOIRI, Kerman. Excellent with mx and axmnts. SMF 4/1
- 1260 0830 IRAN, IRIB R Iran, Khur. Fair with man talking in Farsi. SMF 4/1
- 1269 0830 RAS AL-KHAIMAH. R Asia. Fair with Indian mx – sitars and rums. SMF 4/1
- 1440 0830 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA Fair/ good with talk in AA SMF 4/1
- 1539 0830 DUBAI, R Asia Exc with ME singing. SMF 4/1
- 1575 0830 ABU DHABI, R Farda - Exc with mant laking about US Primaries in Iowa SMF 4/1

Dubai, Saudi, Abu Dhabi, Ras Al Khaimah, Umm Al Qawain, Qatar, Iran, Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman 10 countries

## Bryan Clark MW Trail Mangawhai, Northland NZ

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

- 530 0842 TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS Radio Voz Cristiana presumed the station audible here carrying gospel songs in SS 22/1, a good Caribbean night. BCM
- 710 0655 CUBA Radio Rebelde good with easy listening vocals // 670, 5025 SW and 1180 on 28/1. BCM
- 790 0837 CUBA Radio Reloj, Pinar del Rio with SS news format, time pips & "RR" code every minute, mixing several others 22/1. First station I've identified on 790 from Mangawhai, as 792 usually clobbers channel. Also audible on 870 through WWL but not as loud. BCM
- 970 0709 USA KBUL Billings MT with ident as "News Radio 9-70, KBUL" mixed with 2 SS speaking stations 31/1. BCM
- 1040 0638 USA WHO Des Moines IA with advertising, ident 0639 as "NewsRadio 10-40 WHO". Suffered het from 1038.7, presumed Venezuelan. BCM
- 1070 0635 CANADA UNID Station under KNX 31/1 with Australian accented announcers doing interviews. News at 0700 with references to "here in Canada". Am exploring whether I might have been hearing CBC

- Radio Overnight which carries Radio Australia at this time in the UTC-4 time zone, meaning I was hearing CBC Moncton New Brunswick that is due to leave AM in April! BCM
- 1160 0708 USA KSL Salt Lake City UT inviting listeners to "Call KSL Talk" toll free with special invitation to listeners outside Continental USA 28/1, good. BCM
- 1180 0945 USA KERI Wasco CA clear 7/1 (Monday) when Radio Marti is off air. Gospel music prgm called "Nightwatch" and ident as "Keri, the Christian Station" just before Radio Marti resumes transmission at 1000. BCM
- 1300 0751 USA KKOL Seattle WA good with talk format 29/1, ident for "Newstalk 13 Hundred KOL" and promo "Here comes Rusty". BCM
- 1460 0706 USA KION Salinas CA with promo for "Coast to Coast AM, weeknights at 10 on 14-60 KION", strong and clear 28/1. BCM
- 1630 0638 USA KKGW Fort Worth TX good 5/1 with soft gospel format, station promos, ident. BCM
- 1630 0801 USA KCJJ Iowa City IA with local weather information and ident for "KCJJ News" 5/1, briefly over otherwise dominant KKND. BCM
- 1630 0815 USA KKND Fox Farm Wyoming in SS with "La Grande" slogan 5/1. Aeronautical beacon not too troublesome tonight. BCM
- 1650 0659 USA WHKT Portsmouth VA on top with Radio Disney format, local ident insert just before the hour 5/1. Followed to 0900 but no other idents hrd. BCM
- 1660 0757 USA KTIQ Merced CA with SS format in the mix with Relevant Radio and unid on ESPN Sports. Local ident just past the hour 27/1. BCM
- 1700 0648 USA KVNS Brownsville TX with local ident insert as "Radio 1700 KVNS" during oldies song. XEPE had SS programming at this time (maybe Sundays only? 28/1. BCM

## Australia/New Zealand Broadcast News

- 702 Radio Sport, Ashburton, correct power is 1kW
- 1233 Radio Live, Wellington, ex Solid Gold FM
- 1692 Vision FM, Kingaroy, Qld is on air  
(David Ricquish - Wellington)



# NORTH AMERICAN BROADCAST NEWS

(from International Radio Club of America's  
"DX Monitor December 2007 – January 2008)

- 540 XESURF Tijuana/San Diego CA flipped on 27/11 from "Zoo" country to talk, simulcasting KGIL 1260 Beverly Hills/Los Angeles.
- 600 CKBD Vancouver BC has applied to move to FM. The applicant is proposing an Adult Album Alternative (Triple A) music format. The applicant is requesting permission to simulcast the programming of the new FM station on CKBD for a period of 3 months from the date of implementation of the new FM station.
- 630 CKOV Kelowna BC went silent 17/11 when simulcast time for FM conversion expired. At 1 pm, the transmitter was turned off permanently, after 76 years of service in the central Okanagan. (Dan Sys BC)
- 690 CBU Vancouver BC has applied to move to FM (88.1 MHz, 8.9 kW, 567.2 meters).
- 740 WQTM 740 Orlando FL flips from sports "The Team" to SS adult hits "La Preciosa."
- 860 KPAM Troutdale OR applies for 50kw days, 15kw nights DA-N
- 870 KFJZ Fort Worth TX flips from SS AC "La Pantera" to SS Christian "Radio Ayo."
- 880 new Sweetwater, FL requests 4kw days, 5kw nights DA-2.
- 910 KIYU Galena, AK was silent, returns with variety format.
- 920 CJCH Halifax NS granted move to FM.
- 950 WPEN Philadelphia, PA requests 50kw days, 21kw nights DA-2.
- 970 CFXE Edson AB leaves AM after simulcast time for FM conversion expires.
- 1010 KCPW 1010 Tooele/Salt Lake City UT flips from NPR news/talk to 24-hour-a-day BBC World Service programming.
- 1050 WEPN New York NY granted 50/50kw DA-2.
- 1100 KWWN 1100 Las Vegas NV signs on with ESPN Deportes SS sports talk.
- 1260 KSFJ San Francisco CA slogan is now Immaculate Heart Catholic Radio.
- 1410 KCAL Redlands CA format changed from regional Mexican to 'romantica'.
- 1430 KLO Ogden UT requests increase in day power, 25kw days 5kw nights DA-2.
- 1430 WXNT Indianapolis IN requests increased night powers 5kw/5.4kw DA-N.
- 1450 CHUC Cobourg ON leaves AM as simulcast time for FM conversion expires.
- 1550 KYCY San Francisco CA has changed format from talk to modern rock.
- 1600 KXTA Centerville UT has changed callsign to KTUB.
- 1660 KXOL Brigham City UT format has changed from "Radio Unica" Spanish talk to regional Mexican "La Favorita."
- 1700 KVNS Brownsville, TX has changed format from SS adult hits "La Preciosa" to oldies.





# UPDATED MEDIUMWAVE PACIFIC ASIAN LOG ONLINE

The latest database edition of Bruce Portzer's mediumwave Pacific Asian Log is now online at [www.radioheritage.net](http://www.radioheritage.net)



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# Special request RNZ Shortwave Memorabilia

I've been asked by RNZI to produce a special documentary[s] celebrating 60 years of shortwave broadcasting from Radio NZ/RNZI since 1948. Do you have any old audio recordings of RNZ SW broadcasts? Any old program guides or frequency schedules? Old QSL cards? Old newspaper or magazine clippings? Any interesting stories about the station, personalities etc? Photos?

Please write and tell me what you have, as it may help us with the research involved over the coming months. If it's audio, please advise the format [tape, cassette, CD or whatever] and if they're photos, please send a short list.

We'll then review all the material available and be in touch.

What you think is not important may turn out to be a vital piece of the story!! If you have any queries, please email or write me.

Many thanks, David Ricquish.

Mail: Radio Heritage Foundation,  
PO Box 14339, Wellington 6241, New Zealand.

Email: [info@radioheritage.net](mailto:info@radioheritage.net)



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## A TALE OF WHAT D.X.ING IS ALL ABOUT by Peter Grenfell - Oamaru. December 2007

D.X.ing Ormandy Cottage, Waianakarua, North Otago, 15/16 December, 2007

The Broadcast Band was awash with North American stations and three D.X.ers of varying ages Frank Glen, Paul Ormandy, and Peter Grenfell were having the time of their lives tuning the dials.

A text came through to Paul Ormandy from Bryan Clark from the wilds of Mangawhai Beach. There was going to be a special test broadcast at 09.00 UTC from KLAAs on 830kHz. We tuned to 830 kHz and there was a Spanish speaking station (probably a Mexican ) and what seemed to be WCCO Minneapolis MN on the frequency competing with each other. At 09.01 UTC we heard the station ID in Morse Code and then a piece of familiar music. What a thrill to hear this test which was a reminder to Frank Glen and myself of the glory days of D.X.ing in the 1950's. The other thing which thrilled us was the co-operation of everyone. First of all the Radio Station KLAAs in Anaheim CA for putting on the test. Next to Bryan Clark of Mangawhai Beach for letting us know about the test. Then we had the knowledge of Paul Ormandy who is fluent in Morse Code to decipher the message for us. It was a wonderful effort of co-operation and now all we have to do is send a report and hopefully receive a verification. All in all it was a great night of D.X.ing and proved that there is still some good D.X. out there and D.X.ers are still willing to share their knowledge and co-operate with fellow D.X.ers. And yes we did hear the special Radio St. Helena broadcast on Sunday morning. It was hard going but we did manage to hear a few songs and some I.D.'s.

### ADCOM NEWS



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**WELCOME TO NEW & REJOINING MEMBERS BARRY HARTLEY** from Mairangi Bay in Auckland, and **MICHAEL BROOKER** from Brightwater, Nelson. Barry joins us from NZDXRA and Michael is returning to the League after an absence of some 12 years. Thanks for joining us gentlemen – we hope you'll share your monitoring experiences through our various columns.

**SPECIAL THANKS to GRAEME DIXON, EVAN MURRAY, ADRIAN PETERSEN and BARRY WILLIAMS** who have made donations to the DX League recently.

**WE EXTEND OUR SINCEREST SYMPATHY** on behalf of all members, to our Chief Editor **MARK NICHOLLS** on the untimely loss of his mother on 13th February.

**THE VERY LAST SUBSCRIPTION REMINDER** All member subscriptions fell due on 31 December. If yours has not been received by the final deadline of 12 February when the February DX Times goes to the printer, we will not be able to guarantee a copy for you. See the subscription Renewal Notice in the November and December magazines for subscription details.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our trans-Tasman colleagues and fellow hobbyists at the **Australian Radio DX Club**, which has published the 500<sup>th</sup> edition of "**AUSTRALIAN**

## AUSTRALIAN RADIO DX CLUB

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**DX NEWS**" this month. ARDXC was formed in June 1965. DX League members with an email address are able to receive pdf copies of the **ADXN** magazine as part of an exchange agreement between our two clubs. If you'd like to see ADXN each month, please send an email to our Treasurer or Editor (details on the back page).

**WORLD RADIO TV HANDBOOK UPDATER WRTH** is pleased to announce that a file containing updates to the winter schedules of international broadcasters is now available to download from the WRTH website at: <http://www.wrth.com> (via **PHIL VAN DE PAVERD**)

**IN THE STEPS OF GREAT MEN** As radio enthusiasts, we are following in the footsteps of that great New Zealander **ERNEST RUTHERFORD**, who tinkered with radio signalling whilst at Cambridge University at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. This gets a mention in a new book "A Force of Nature, The Frontier Genius of Ernest Rutherford" by Richard Reeves, published by Atlas/Norton. (via **THEO DONNELLY**)

**60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS** Its never too early to start making plans to attend the DX League's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations **3 to 5 October 2008 in Oamaru**. The programme will include the 2008 Annual General Meeting, a celebratory lunch and opportunities for DXing. ( **See page 50 for more details** )

**60 YEARS AGO** In this, the 60<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Year of the NZ Radio DX League, we continue our look back to radio listening activities 60 years ago. In the February 1948 issue of **DX BULLETIN (NZ)**, forerunner of the **NZ DX TIMES**, we read of a new station in Samoa, ZN2AP, heard signing off at 8pm on Saturdays on 1420kcs; the decision to start a national Ladder Contest for the total broadcast stations verified; congratulations to the Newark News Radio Club (NNRC) – the pioneer of radio clubs on completing 20 years. The Broadcast Mailbag had 24 contributors including Lloyd Clayden of Matakana, Harold Looker and MURRAY LAMONT (still a member!) of Dunedin, Merv Branks and Dudley Carter in Invercargill; whilst SW had 9, including JACK FOX with verifications from 4YA running mobile on 4107 and 7440kcs, and REX GILLET of Adelaide (who I still correspond with! BC) reporting the Akask-vani Broadcasting Station at Mysore India with 300 watts on 6065kcs carrying English news at 12.30am. Arthur Cushen reported the first verification from Radio Batavia quoting their English schedule as 10.30pm on 15145, 10360, 9550, 4865 and 3024kcs, 2.30am to USA on 11440 & 15145, and 5.00am to British Isles on 15145 & 19340kcs. Radio France at Hanoi in Indo-China was being heard in the clear at 1.00am on 6045 following Kuala Lumpur's move to 6050. But broadcast band contributions and news made up 5 of the magazine's 8 pages. Stations being reported to the magazine in February 1948 that are still available to DXers 60 years later include KMVI 550, KLAC 570, WMAQ 670, KNBC 680, WGN 720, KTRH 740, WBBM 780, WBAP 820, WCCO 830, WHAS 840, WHO 1040, KNX 1070, KRLD 1080, KFAB 1110, KSL 1160, KEX 1190, KGIL 1260, KSTP 1500, KGA & WLAC 1510, KOMA 1520, KFBK 1530 and XERF 1570.



# On the shortwaves.com

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

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

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri," an issue of DX Journal, a small newsletter that appeared briefly in 1950. It was edited by Raymond S. Moore, then of Rowley, Massachusetts, who many years later authored the several editions of Communications Receivers: The Vacuum Tube Era. Ray is now 83 and lives in Fort Myers, Florida.

Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri": Thanks to Tetsuya Hirahara of Japan, who has brought to my attention a University of Illinois link <http://hdl.handle.net/10111/UIUCOCA:Serial/broadcastingstat> where full copies of various of issues of "Broadcasting Stations of the World" from 1953 to 1974 are posted in several formats. BSW was published by the U.S. Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service (later Foreign Broadcast Information Service) most years until 1974. Although this site says the first issue was published in 1946, that appears to be incorrect, as I have an early edition of BSW that is dated August 1, 1945. It is too long to scan in its entirety (66 pages), but I have scanned and posted the introductory pages and the pages covering the 60, 90 and 120 meter bands. Thanks, Tetsuya, for bringing the Univ. of Illinois resource to our attention.

Under "SW History on the Net," "Stations," some URLs worth checking out:

**(1)** Radiodifusao em Angola <http://www.geocities.com/dpmonteiro/index.html> It is in Portuguese, but just the names of the stations will get your DX juices flowing--Radio Clube de Benguela, Radio Clube da Huila, Radio Diamang, Radio Clube de Cabina. This site is devoted to the history of radio in Angola and contains brief histories of the stations, photos of stations, QSLs, radio personalities and station memorabilia. Those who remember the days of Angolan shortwave radio will enjoy this.

**(2)** BBC--Back to Bush House <http://www.richardsonmedia.co.uk/Bushlog.html> This site is not well indexed. However, if you are interested in browsing through old photos and stories of BBC World Service personalities starting in the 1950s, check this out. Be sure to click on "General 2" for an interesting story about the BBC Monitoring Service.

**(3)** BBC Engineering [http://www.bbceng.info/Operations/transmitter\\_ops/specific\\_tx\\_sites.htm](http://www.bbceng.info/Operations/transmitter_ops/specific_tx_sites.htm) This is a wonderful site to meander around. Especially informative is the historical information about the Daventry and Skelton stations, and the near-encyclopedic, 75 page treatise on the Woofferton transmitter site.

**(4)** Radio Nordsee International, available through the Wayback Machine at <http://web.archive.org/web/20070522172349/http://www.davesden.fsnet.co.uk/rni.html>

Although at 10 kw. much more powerful than the usual European pirate, RNI was the first offshore European shortwave pirate that was heard in the United States. RNI operated on shortwave at various times from 1970 to 1974 on 6210 kHz. This website tells the story of the station.



For more photos and audio, see <http://www.offshore-radio.de/RNI/> And for a history of the RNI ship, the MEBO II, go to <http://www.offshore-radio.de/fleet/mebo2.htm>

(5) PCJ, Holland

[http://criticaldistance.blogspot.com/2006/11/new-shortwave-transmitter-roundabout\\_07.html](http://criticaldistance.blogspot.com/2006/11/new-shortwave-transmitter-roundabout_07.html)

"So there I am, driving along the Randweg, a road on the southern side of the my home town, Huizen, in the Netherlands. I came up to a roundabout that has been recently renovated and what did I see? A half-size replica of the world's first rotatable shortwave transmitting tower . . . slap bang in the middle of a new roundabout . . ." See this novel tribute to PCJ.



Under "Articles, Research, etc.," "Pot Pourri," the 1961 Hallicrafters Guide to Short Wave Listening. Just what possessed Hallicrafters to publish this pamphlet in a 2" wide x 3" long format I don't know, but here it is, with all you needed to know to get started, including information about receivers and a list of stations to try for. Promised its author: "Only by short wave radio can you become a witness to history as it occurs. And only through short wave can you hear, in a single day, a Wagnerian opera from Heidelberg . . . a news broadcast from behind the iron curtain . . . and an airport control tower bringing in a crippled plane. Every moment of every day and night, Short Wave brings into your home an absorbing new interest--a fascinating way to keep up with international affairs, to be informed and stay informed."

# BRANCH NEWS

Chief Editor Mark Nicholls  
Upper Hutt



## AUCKLAND BRANCH

The January meeting had 7 present at the Clubrooms. Andrew from the Western Subburbs Radio Club/ATV interest group gave a video assisted talk on printed circuit board surface mount technology.

**The February meeting** will be a BBQ and small auction at the home of Malcolm & Christine Holmes, 28 Stranolar Drive, Mt Roskill (Phone 09 627 6399) on **Sunday, February 24th at 2 PM**. Bring along items for the small auction.

The March meeting will tentatively be at the Clubrooms on **Sunday, March 30th at 2 PM**.

Meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month except December.

## WELLINGTON AREA BRANCH

Wellington Area Branch meets Sunday, February 24, 130pm. Te Papa National Museum upstairs cafe. Planning for possible LPFM hunt during March, social news and chat so we look forward to seeing you there. We've got a good group of experienced DXers in Wellington and once a month we look forward to catching up so mark your calendars now. Future meeting dates are **Sunday, March 30 at 1.30pm and Sunday April**



*Te Papa Museum - Wellington*

**27 at 1.30pm, also at Te Papa**. Secretary contact: [info@radioheritage.net](mailto:info@radioheritage.net). A small newsletter now circulates also.

Joke from Des Davey

Two antennae met on a roof, fell in love and got married.  
The ceremony wasn't much but the reception was excellent.

# MEMBERS FREE ADVERTISEMENTS

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Photo and information from Robert Kipp



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Coaster	£3.00

PLEASE CONTACT the Station Manager at Radio St. Helena by email at  
Station.Manager@helanta.sh

regarding ordering/payment options and shipping of these souvenirs.

Photo and information from Laura Lawrence (RSH) via Robert Kipp

## Radio St. Helena: QSL-Address: Change of P.O.Box-Number

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Many thanks and with best greetings to all SWL's everywhere,  
Miss Laura Lawrence  
Station Manager of Radio St. Helena (via Robert Kipp ; Feb. 2008)

# 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS – WAIANAKARUA

## 3<sup>RD</sup> TO 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2008

The North Otago Branch would like to invite members to the League's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations to be held at The Mill House , Waianakarua. (28km South of Oamaru)

We have booked this venue for the lunch followed by the Annual General meeting on the Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> October . The Mill House is very close to the famous Waianakarua Listening Post so there will also be opportunities for Dxing.

The Mill House has accommodation of 10 rooms with most rooms having ensuite or shared bathroom. The cost per room is \$105.00 per night. There are also motel units at \$100.00 per night, breakfast and dinner are extra.

Website – [www.themillhouse.net.nz](http://www.themillhouse.net.nz)



Next door to The Mill House is Olive Grove Lodge and Holiday Park, Backpackers accommodation, the room rates are \$60 to \$70 per night and if you are arriving in your motorhome or arriving with a caravan then the site is \$25.00 per night.

Website – [www.olivebranch.co.nz](http://www.olivebranch.co.nz).

There will be opportunities to DX at Waianakarua Listening Post on Friday and Saturday nights and if members are bringing their wives/partners we will endeavor to arrange an outing for them.

With regards to Transport, there is now an air service to Oamaru, Monday to Friday and long distant buses will stop right outside The Mill House.

Costing with regards to the lunch and the afternoon tea on the Saturday will be given shortly but is not expected to exceed \$41.00.

Planning is still in its early stages but we would like expressions of interest from members as early as possible and a final advice of the actual numbers attending by the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2008.

If you are attending please advise the following.

1. Number attending or
2. Only attending on the Saturday.
3. Accommodation at The Mill House or Olive Grove Lodge.
4. Wish to DX at Waianakarua Listening Post.

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<b>MEDIUMWAVE OPEN (Over 500)</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>FEB</b>	<b>INC</b>	<b>CNTS</b>	<b>SHORTWAVE OPEN (Over 500)</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>FEB</b>	<b>INC</b>	<b>CNTS</b>
Ray Crawford	2359	2359	0	189	Ron Killick	6101	6114	13	236
Douglas Johns	1081	1082	1		Ian Cattermole	5949	5999	50	203
Sutton Burtenshaw	1063	1063	0	104	Günter Jacob	3892	3941	49	174
Craig Edwards	883	892	9	101	Douglas Johns	2974	3001	27	
David Ricquish	867	867	0	67	Barry Williams	2703			243
Stuart Forsyth	729	730	1	56	Ray Crawford	2648	2648	0	233
Bryan Clark	680	680	0	120	John Durham	2275			265
Barry Williams	664			83	John Campbell	1703	1704	1	261
Mark Nicholls	643			67	Bryan Clark	1572	1574	2	243
John Campbell	642	642	0	129	Craig Edwards	938	978	40	188
Paul Aronsen	531			50	Paul Aronsen	806	806	0	125
<b>SENIOR (301 - 500)</b>					Peter Grenfell	676			133
Peter Grenfell	443			37	<b>SENIOR (301 - 500)</b>				
Gordon Mathieson	431			18	Daryl New	464			94
Günter Jacob	358	361	3	58	Stuart Forsyth	408	408	0	112
Frank Glen	305	311	6	23	Andy McQueen	386			104
<b>INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)</b>					<b>INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)</b>				
Andy McQueen	298			21	Arthur de Maine	276	276	0	94
<b>JUNIOR (5 - 150)</b>					<b>JUNIOR (5 - 150)</b>				
Arthur De Maine	60	60	0	12	Mark Nicholls	121			55
Andrew Sunde	24			3	Peter Beaufoy	84			46
					Frank Glen	73	88	15	53
<b>FM-TELEVISION</b>					Andrew Sunde	55			36
Robert Krijger	678			6					
Douglas Johns	651	655	4		<b>UTILITIES</b>				
Bryan Clark	148	148	0	5	Ron Killick	61957	61957	0	133
Craig Edwards	115	120	5	1	Douglas Johns	35857	35857	0	
Paul Ormandy	110			5	Günter Jacob	17	17	0	13
Gordon Mathieson	69			3					
Mark Nicholls	43			2	Stuart Forsyth				
Andy McQueen	29			2	c/- NZRDXL, P.O.Box 39-596, Howick, Manukau City 2145 or e-mail: <a href="mailto:darfielddx58@gmail.com">darfielddx58@gmail.com</a>				

Hello everybody and I hope 2008 has begun well for you. A few contributions this month with the lead being taken by **Frank Glen and Craig Edwards**. Frank's QSL of KLAA is of particular note - no. 311 coming exactly 58 years to the day after no. 1 - KFI in San Francisco (and it's still going strong too). That makes 5.36 QSLs a year!! It may take you a while to get to 500!!

Cheers, Stu

## NEW ZEALAND RADIO DX LEAGUE (Inc)

The New Zealand Radio DX League (Inc) is a non-profit organisation founded in 1948 with the main aim of promoting the hobby of Radio DXing.

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