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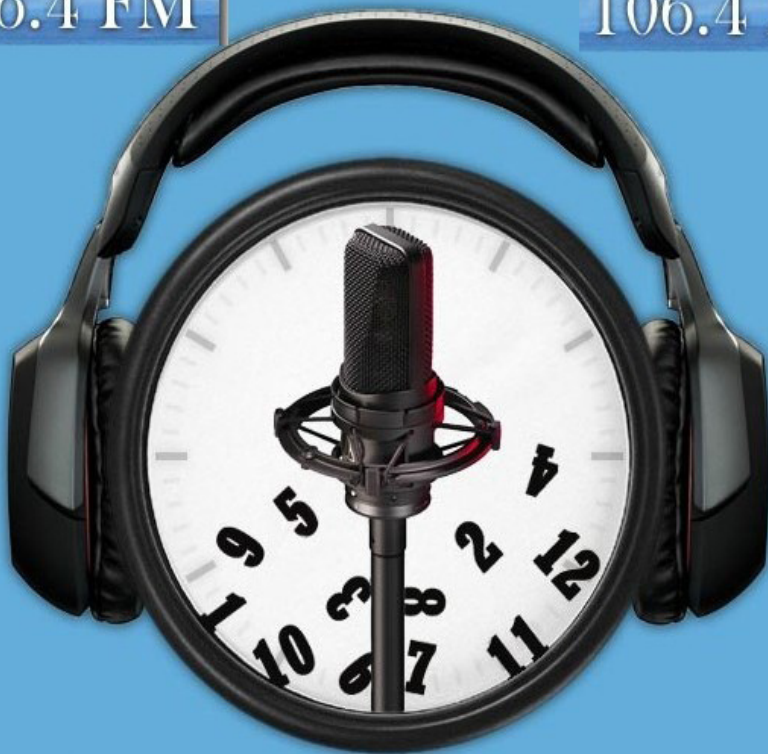
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Please add the date, language in full, and country of transmitter origin of your logging to your report, and keep the reception details short.

Please ensure the correct station is named in your logging as I have had several cases of incorrect station loggings of late. Please get a clear ID or show as tentative.

kHz UTC Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details

2310	1143	AUSTRALIA, VL8A Alice Springs with ABC network, poor and noisy in English – DD 1/8
2325	1135	AUSTRALIA, VL8T Tennant Creek poor with news in English. Very noisy – DD 31/7
2368	1030	AUSTRALIA, R Symban with Greek music, poor and v noisy – DD 9/8
2485	1139	AUSTRALIA, VL8K poor with weather report in, very noisy – DD 13/7 English
3230	1927	SOUTH AFRICA Family Radio via Meyerton at poor level with EE religious pgm. Faded or closed at 1944. 22/8 BCM
3360	0905	PERU Radio JPJ, new station fair steady 28/8 with Latin vocals past 0943. Occasional promotional anncts but no clear ident hrd. Also noted 31/8 at 0746. Power increase likely as I've previously only detected a carrier in our evenings. BCM
3905	1017	PNG, R New Ireland poor and very noisy in vernac –DD 9/8
3925	1010	JAPAN, R Nikkei with Japanese music – DD 9/8
3995	0456	GERMANY HCJB Germany weak with GG & EE religious prgms since 18/8. Tkw transmitter is a challenge! Best reception to date on 20/8 at 0458 to 0600. BCM
4055	0520	GUATEMALA Radio Verdad with American EE preacher, poor 21/8. Audible most days till closing around 0600. BCM
4780	1942	DJIBOUTI Radio Djibouti reactivated 3/9 with strong signal in AA. Has been off air since early August. BCM
4800	1720	CHINA, CRI (Tent)fair in Chinese – BDW, 29/7
4810	1928	INDIA All India Radio Bhopal on extended schedule with EE/Hindi cricket commentary India vs England, very good //4910 poor, 5040 good 31/8. BCM
4820	1725	CHINA. (Lhasa Tent) good in Chinese BDW 29/7
4840	0745	USA, WWCR, Nashville fair with English relig prgm -TN 30.08
4840	1123	USA, WWCR good with much static in English – DD 31/7
4885	0745	BRAZIL, R Acreana Rio Blanco with nice music in Vernac – DD 14/8
4940	1130	CHINA, V of the Strait with news in Chinese, fair but noisy – DD 31/7
4950	1927	ANGOLA Radio Nacional usually only present as a regular carrier on 4949.76 but on 22/8 signal was improved to reveal male speaker in PP.

A real toughie! Zimbabwe 4828 also clear this day. BCM

5020 1100 SOLOMON IS, SIBC good with relay of BBC news in English, good – dd 31/7

5755 0750 USA, WTWW, Tennessee weak with English relig prgm -TN 30.08

5765 0908 GUAM, AFRTS, Poor in English on US domestic politics. ID 0912 – KB 17/8

5775 0725 USA, WTVN good in English with much static – DD 12/8

5875 1800 CYPRUS. BBC via Limassol. Fair in English.- IC 31/7

5890 0735 USA, WWCR fair but v noisy in English – DD 14/8

5890 0755 USA, WWCR, Nashville weak with English relig prgm -TN 30.08

5910 0850 COLOMBIA, Alcaravan R. Fair in Spanish with LAm mx. ID 0852 - 21/8 KB

5930 2115 VARICAN, Vatican Radio fair in Dutch with relig prgm p KAB 25/8

5940 1926 LITHUANIA VOIRI via Sitikuni relay closing in FF then theme orchestral till EE opens at 1927 fair // Iranian transmitters on 6205vgd, 9780 good, 5900 & 7215 both mixed. BCM

5950 0500 USA, R.Taiwan via Florida weak with English news -TN 04.09

5955 1100 CHINA, CRI good with news in Chinese – DD 31/7

5960 0905 PNG, R.Fly (tent), Poor in English with NRL commentary, then pop mx – KB 20/8

5960 2035 TURKEY. VOT. Strong in Turkish. Closes 2056.- IC 30/7

5960 2100 ALBANIA. CRI via Cerrick. Weak in English. – IC 31/7

5965 0510 VATICAN. Radio Vaticana. Poor in English. Mixed REE.- IC 23/8

5965 0700 COSTA RICA. REE via Cariari. VG in Spanish.- IC 23/8

5965 0708 BRAZIL, R Transmundial fair in Portuguese with discussion, light QRN // 11735 much weaker – CC 11/8

5975 0500 UK. NHK via Rampisham. VG in English.- IC 23/8

5975 0505 UK, R.Japan via Rampisham good with news in English -TN 04.09

5980 0900 USA, R.Marti, Fair in Spanish, ID & upbeat LAm mx – KB 17/8

5980 2040 CHINA, CRI fair but noisy in English – DD 29/7

5990 0916 BRAZIL, R.Senado, Fair in Portugese & uptempo mx. ID 0941 – KB 17/8

5990 2053 CHINA, CRI fair and noisy in English – DD 29/7

5995 1119 AUSTRALIA, R Australia good with news and comment in English DD 31/7

6005 2034 SEYCHELLES, BBC WS poor with news in English – DD 29/7

6010 0412 BRAZIL Radio Inconfidencia poor, mixed on measured 6010.02 with PP ident, pop vocals // 15189.99also poor with surging fades 28/8. BCM

6015 0510 AUSTRIA, R.Netherlands via Moosbrun good with Dutch -TN 04.09

6020 0515 AUSTRALIA, ABC very strong with Tok Pisin prgm -TN 04.09

6020 1040 AUSTRALIA, R Australia v good in English with book talk – DD 31/7

6040 1012 CANADA, CRI god in English with discussion on global economy // 13590 the same – CC 12/8

6040 2120 CHINA, CNR-2, China Business Radiofair in Chinese – KAB 25/8

6050 0903 ECUADOR, HCJB (tentative), Poor in Quichua & Andean mx – 21/8 KB

6070 1055 NZ, RNZI v good with Music Prgm in English – DD 31/7

6075 1634 JAPAN ? (Tent) NHK excellent in Japanese – BDW 04/8

6075 2010 Germany, D Welle v good in German – DD 12/7

6075 2112 GERMANY, D Welle good in German with discussion about US monetary problems – KAB 8/8

6075 2135 GERMANY, D Welle good in German with discussion – KAB 25/8

6080 0530 BONAIRE, R.Japan, Fair in Spanish at sign-off – KB 18/8
 6080 0711 BRAZIL. Radio Marumby. Good in Portuguese – IC . 23/8
 6080 0913 BRAZIL, R.Marumby, Fair in Portugese, long spoken prgm with
 several field Reports, 0930 “Marumby” jingle by YLs – KB 26/8
 6080 1047 CHINA, CRI v good in Chinese – DD 31/7
 6090 0508 BRAZIL Radio Bandierantes poor but in clear on 6089.96m 10/8 while
 Anguilla off the air. Spoken feature in PP // 9645.38 vgd & 1925.24
 poor. Also hrd 16/8. BCM
 6090 0730 ANGUILLA. Carribean Beacon. Good in English. Back on again.- IC 23/8
 6110 0520 CANADA, R.Japan via Sackville good with English news -TN 04.09
 6110 1528 JAPAN, R Canada Intl good in Chinese with talk & music //11730
 weaker – CC 23/8
 6115 0856 JAPAN, R,Nikkei (tentative), Fair in Japanese with contemp mx – KB 20/8
 6120 0908 BRAZIL, Super R. Deus e Amor (tentative) Poor/fair in Portugese with
 “live” relg bcast, drowned by NHK s/on 1000 – KB 21/8.
 6140 0950 SINGAPORE, R.Japan, Fair in Indonesian nx/comment – KB 17/8
 6145 0930 CHILE. NHK via Santiago. VG in Portuguese.- IC 16/8
 6145 2117 FRANCE, CRI good in Arabic with comment on US monetary
 problems – KAB 8/8
 6150 0645 CUBA. RHC. Fair in English.- IC 10/8
 6150 2000 RWANDA, RDW, Fair in English nx re Syria – KB 19/8
 6155 2135 CHINA, CNR-1 fair from Beijing in in Chinese with discussion-KAB 25/8
 6165 0518 NETH ANTILLES, R Netherland good in Dutch with discussion // 9865
 stronger – CC 7/8
 6170 0710 NZ, RNZI v good with Date Pacific – DD 02/4
 6185 0745 MEXICO. XEPPM. Radio Educacion. Good in Spanish – IC . 23/8
 6185 0800 MEXICO, R.Educacion(tent) Poor/fair in Spanish with long sets of class
 mx, tentative ID 0837. Also heard 11/8 with “Mexico” refs – KB 8/8
 6190 0530 CANADA, China R.Int via Sackville fair with English -TN 04.09
 6940 0554 EUROPE (IRELAND?) Laser Hot Hits finally gave sufficient audio for a
 DX report on 2/9 after regular monitoring throughout August. Mainly
 rock music but played Bic Runga song at 0600, presumably for
 antipodean audience! Has since moved freq to 6920 and 6945. BCM
 7200 0415 N.SUDAN. Radio Omdurman. Fair in Arabic.- IC 29/8
 7205 1940 THAILAND, R Thailand fair in English with news after stn
 announcements – KAB 11/8
 7205 2043 TURKEY, VOT good with English comment, ID 2045 – CC 21/8
 7205 2115 FRANCE, RFI good in French – BDW 07/7
 7210 1537 RUSSIA, R Free Asia fair in Korean with talk // 7455 weaker – CC 23/8
 7215 1945 IRAN, VOIRI fair in English with comment, QRM from a weaker station,
 probably R Rossii in Russian – KAB 11/8
 7220 0936 NTH KOREA, V of Korea good in Korean // 9345 much weaker – CC 12/8
 7225 1634 JAPAN, R Japan good in Japanese – BDW 04/8
 7235 1947 ALBANIA, CRI good in Chinese with discussion – KAB 11/8
 7250 1950 VATICAN, Vatican Radio good in English after IS then ID. “Be firm in

faith" from World Youth Conf. in Madrid – KAB 11/8
 7260 1958 CHINA, CRI good in Chinese with comment. ID after time pips at 1900utc – KAB 11/8
 7275 2002 SPAIN, REE fair in Spanish with comment –KAB 11/8
 7325 2115 CHINA. CRI. Fair in English.-IC 9/8
 7330 2008 SRI LANKA, D Welle good in German with news and comment on global financial situation - KAB 11/8
 7335 0315 ROMANIA. RRI. Good in English.- IC 14/8
 7365 1443 THAILAND, VOA fair in Cantonese with talk, light QRM // 9355 clear but weaker – CC 29/8
 7575 1400 THAILAND. VOA via Udorn. Poor in English.- IC 12/8

OVERSEAS LOGGINGS.

All may not be audible in NZ at the times listed

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
3290	0411	GUYANA. Voice of Guyana (presumed), 0411-0440 Aug 24, 20 minute instrumental music version of theme from Summer of '42 followed by smooth jazz selections. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
4775	0347	SWAZILAND, Trans World Radio – Manzini, 0347-0415 Aug 26, man and woman announcers talking in listed Lomwe language with choir vocals at 0356 and talk ending program over music. IS at 0358 followed by ID ("Good morning, this is Trans World Radio broadcasting from Manzini, Swaziland. The following program is from our German Service followed by our English to Africa Service. This is Trans World Radio." The announcement was repeated followed by opening of the German program."). Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
4775	0426	SWAZILAND. Trans World Radio – Manzini, 0426-0436 Jul 30, choir singing followed by woman announcer with talk in German language. A male announcer began religious talk at 0430. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
4877.2	0132	BRAZIL. Radio Roraime – Boa Vista, 0132-0305 Aug 10, lively program of Brazilian pop vocals. Jingle ID at 0136 followed by canned ID by a man announcer in Portuguese at 0214. More formal ID by man announcer at 0228 followed by more vocals. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
4960	0141	SAO TOME. Voice of America – Pinheira, 0414-0426 Aug 10, man in English with updates about financial crisis. IDs followed by music segment and then more news features. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
5010	0302	MADAGASCAR. Radio Madagasikara, 0302-0334 Aug 29, tuned in to "Amazing Grace" sung by choir followed by a man with long religious talk over instrumental music in presumed Malagasy language. At 0316 a woman announcer spoke accompanied by flute music ending religious programming. Id followed by discussion by man and woman announcers until news at 0330. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
5051	0252	USA. WWRB – Manchester, 0252-0307 Aug 17, tuning through

- noticed them off nominal frequency with Pastor Charles Williams doing some Bible readings. Fair to good. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 5990 0943 BRAZIL. Radio Senado, 0943-1006 Aug 22, Brazilian pop vocals hosted by a woman announcer with Portuguese talks. Jingle ID at 1001 followed by a man announcer with formal ID and frequency announcement. More pop music. Fair to good. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6030 0320 ETHIOPIA. Radio Oromia, *0320-0356 Aug 15, finally poking through after messy conditions on this frequency of late. Familiar IS running until opening ID and announcement at 0328 by a man in Oromo language. Some Horn of Africa music before news at 0336 followed by some discussion. Poor to fair but reasonably clear frequency. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6030 0321 ETHIOPIA. Radio Oromiya, *0321-0352 Aug 29, xylophone IS with a man announcer with ID at 0329, sign on announcements in Oromo language, another ID followed by music bridge and talk by a woman announcer. Into program of Horn of Africa vocals. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6134.8 0009 BOLIVIA. Radio Santa Cruz, 0009-0110* Aug 1, Latin vocals hosted by a woman announcer with brief Spanish talk, ID every few songs. ID at 0100 followed by formal ID and sign off announcements at 0105; flute music and vocals to carrier cut. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6145 0321 SOUTH AFRICA. BBC – Meyerton, 0321-0346 Jul 21, features in English with a woman giving ID followed by station promotional announcements at 0328. ID and news by a man at 0330. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6165 0427 CHAD. Radio Chad, *0427-0440 Jul 28, Balafon IS followed by National Anthem, French language announcements by a man announcer at 0431 with a program of highlife music. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6165 0428 CHAD. Radio Chad, *0428-0442 Aug 14, Balafon IS followed by orchestra National Anthem and a man announcer with opening ID and announcements in French. Mix of man announcer talking with lively French pop vocals. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6165 2221 CHAD. Radio Chad, 2221-2231* Aug 16, French pop vocals with man announcer at 2229 with ID and sign off announcements followed by orchestra National Anthem. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6190 2344 GERMANY. Deutschlandfunk – Berlin, 2344-0047 Aug 10, pop vocals program hosted by a man announcer with German language talk. 3+1 time pips at top of the hour followed by a man announcer with ID and news. Another man announcer hosted classical music program from 0006. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6924.2 0255 AM PIRATE (No. Am.). Captain Morgan Shortwave, 0255-0302* Jul 24, Twilight Zone theme music with ID followed by Seals and Croft "Summer Breeze" another ID and some Hendrix music before carrier terminated. Fair to good. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7205 0257 ERITREA. Voice of the Broad Masses of Eritrea Program-1, *0257-0321 Jul 22, IS with opening ID and announcements by a man announcer

- at 0259 in presumed Tigrinya language. Man followed with news; woman with short segments alternating with music at 0305; Horn of Africa vocals from 0310. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7245 0558 MAURITANIA. Radio Mauritanie, 0558-0621 Aug 30, 0030-0525+ Aug 31, seemingly 24 hour operation on this channel with Arabic talks, local music and long discussions, seldom IDs but if listen long enough periodic IDs can be heard. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7310 0300 CLANDESTINE. Radio Dardasha 7 via Wertachtal, *0300-0329* Aug 11, instrumental music opening followed by man and woman announcers with ID and announcements. Mix of Arabic language talks, discussion with instrumental music in background and between segments. Jingle ID at 0322 and closing ID with e-mail address at 0327. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7345 2302 TUNISIA. Radio Tunisienne, 2302-2310* Jul 27, woman announcer with news in Arabic language. Brief music fanfare at end of news before carrier was terminated ending broadcast. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)

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BANDWATCH OVER 9MHZ

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Greetings to **Terry Nielsen** following relocation from Christchurch to Oamaru.

May you have many happy hours of DXing from your new QTH.

Logs arranged in Date/Time order are acceptable.

Early receipt of any logs completed prior to closing date is appreciated, thank you.

To limit duplication, items will be omitted from current issue if they have already appeared bearing the same initials **in either of the two preceding editions.**

kHz UTC Country, Station, Programme, & Reception details

9305	2025	EGYPT, R.Cairo, Poor in Arabic – 23/8 BC
9330	0530	USA, WBCQ Monticello good with English relig prgm – 4/9 TN
9330	2154	SYRIA, R.Damascus, Good with nx in English from 2157 – 4/8 DD
9370	0535	USA, WTCJ Morehead City weak in English relig prgm – 4/9 TN
9390	0324	KUWAIT. Deewa Radio. Good in Pashto -- 14/8 IC
9400	0435	BULGARIA, R.Bulgaria, Good in Bulgarian. OM speaking // 5900 much weaker - 3/8 CC
9465	0200	TURKEY. VOT. Good in Uyghur after their distinctive tuning signa - 5/8 IC
9465	0930	TAIWAN, Fam.Radio good with English relig prgm – 1/9 TN
9465	0945	TAIWAN, WYFR, Good in EE, OM with ID, then religious teaching – 12/8 CC
9470	0125	CHINA, CRI Urumqi good with English Beijing Hour – 1/9 TN
9470	2010	GERMANY. AWR via Wert. VG in Arabic - 16/8 IC
9479	2103	USA WTWW fair with Glenn Hauser's "World of Radio" feature Fridays, - 25/8 BCM
9480	0720	UK, D.Welle via Wooferton very good with German prgm – 30/8 TN
9515	0309	TURKEY, VOT, Good but noisy with nx in EE – 29/7 DD
9540	1600	SINGAPORE. RA via Kranji. Good in English - 28/8 IC
9545	0624	PORTUGAL, DW via Sines, Very good in EE with Newslink – 28/7 DD
9570	0145	ALBANIA, China R.Int. good with prgm in English – 1/9 TN
9570	0941	S.KOREA, KBS World R. Good in KK, YL, then OM speaking // 7275 the same - 12/8 CC
9580	1000	AUSTRALIA, RA, Very good with nx in English – 8/8 DD
9585	1659	VATICAN, R.Vaticana, Poor in Byelorussian //11715 Very good – 29/7 BDW
9600	2100	TAJIKISTAN. CRI via Kashi. Good in English - 23/8 IC
9605	0335	IRAN. VOIRI. Fair in English.//11920 - 3/11 IC
9610	2015	GERMANY, Family R via Wer, Fair/good in English – 8/8 DD
9610	2050	GERMANY, Family R via Wer, Good in EE – 23/8 BC
9620	0040	SPAIN, REE Noblejas good with usual Spanish prgm – 31/8 TN
9620	0211	SPAIN, REE, Very good in Spanish – 8/8 DD
9650	1300	PHILIPPINES. RNW via Tinang. Poor in Dutch. Mxd CRI via Sackville - 19/8 IC

- 9660 0359 VATICAN, R.Vaticana, V.good in Amharic/Tigr //11625(MDG) Good – 28/7 BDW
9660 0505 VATICAN, Vatican R, Good in EE to Africa – 19/7 DD
9660 2107 AUSTRALIA, RA (Brandon), Good but noisy in EE with sports news – 9/8 DD
9665 0200 MOLDOVA, VoRussia Kishinev fair with English news – 1/9 TN
9665 0240 MOLDOVA, VOR, Fair but.noisy in English documentary – 11/8 DD
9675 0100 CHINA, CRI Kashi good with Beijing Hour in English – 2/9 TN
9680.1 2321 INDONESIA RRI Jakarta strong with economic news in Indonesian - 4/8 BCM
9705 2045 ETHIOPIA. Radio Ethiopia. Good in Amharic. Off 2100.- 20/8 IC
9710 0934 AUSTRALIA, RA, Fair in PNG service - 9/8 DD
9735 2120 PORTUGAL. RDW via Sines. VG in English - 14/8 IC
9740 0730 GERMANY, R.Netherlands Wertachtal good in German – 30/8 TN
9755 2125 ROMANIA. RRI. VG in Spanish -14/8 IC
9770 1709 AUSTRIA, Polish R, Fair in English – 8/8 BDW
9800 0715 MONACO, TWRadio good with English relig prgm – 30/8 TN
9810 0100 FRENCH GUIANA, Montsinery VoRussia fair in Spanish – 31/8 TN
9815 2200 CZECH REP, RFA, Good in Tibetan (IBB tx in CZE? Aoki has site as KWT, Ed) – 8/8 BDW
9895 0511 GERMANY, RNW via Wer, Good in Dutch – 9/8 BDW
9895 0631 GERMANY, RNW via Nau, Good in Dutch //5995(AU) Fair – 9/8 BDW
9895 0720 VATICAN, R.Netherlands, Fair/good in DD. Two OMs speaking. A little scratchy // 11935 very scratchy – 1/8 CC
9895 0720 VATICAN, St.Maria R.Netherlands good with Dutch prgm – 30/8 TN
9925 0200 GERMANY, R.Croatia Wertachtal good in English – 31/8TN
11590 1500 RUSSIA. VOR. Fair in English - 8/8 IC
11610 2020 SPAIN, REE, Excellent in French – 29/7 BDW
11635 1015 CHINA, CRI Beijing good in English – 1/9 TN
11675 1003 SINGAPORE, V.of Croatia, Good in English with wx & ID, then EE off – 12/8 CC
11680 0003 SPAIN, REE, Good in Spanish – 1/8 DD
11700 0200 BULGARIA, R.Bulgaria Plovdiv good with English – 1/9 TN
11700 0650 FRANCE, RFI, Good but noisy in French – 28/7 DD
11710 0200 ARGENTINA, RAE B.Aires fair with English prgm – 31/8 TN
11715 1940 ROMANIA, RRI, Fair/good in Spanish, Female vocalist. Surging // 9700 the same – 23/8 CC
11725 1943 BRAZIL Radio Marumby good in PP but faulty modulation – prgm sounded religious Also audible on parallel 9515 with weaker but better quality audio. Blocked by RNZI from 1952 – 24/8 BCM
11725 1952 NEW ZEALAND RNZI with short news bulletin in Hindi soon after opening on this freq. Strong signal but Brazil quite discernible in the background – 26/8 BCM
11735 1950 BRAZIL Radio Transmundial very good & clear with Christian songs in PP – 20/8 BCM
11740 0330 USA, Fam.Radio Florida good with English relig prgm – 30/8 TN
11750 2035 BRAZIL Voz Missionaria poor but clear with religious prgm in PP. Parallel freq 9665.26 poor under strong European signal – 8/8 BCM
11780 0325 BRAZIL Radio Nacional da Amazonia good with PP promos for ‘conferencia nacional’. At 0328 “Brasilia, boa noite!” and off abruptly

at 0333 - 17/8 BCM

11795 2014 U.K. DW via Rmp, Fair but noisy with Newslink in English – 2/8 DD

11815 1948 BRAZIL Radio Brasil Central fair, improving signals past 2020, Ident 1949, frequent station promos. Also noted at 0340 9/8 with very good signals // 4985 starting to fade in. Both frequencies very good at 0440 recheck – 20/8 BCM

11850 1534 PHILIPPINES, Vatican R, Good in EE // 13765(SMG) Poor – 29/7 BDW

11850 2315 SINGAPORE. BBC via Kranji. fair in English - 4/8 IC

11865 2027 PORTUGAL, DW via Sines, Good in EE sports news – 13/7 DD

11880 1420 ROMANIA, RRI, Good in AA, Male vocalist & YL speaking // 15160 same, 15490 Weaker – 29/8 CC

11895 0300 ROMANIA, R.Romania Galbeni good with English news – 11/8 TN

11920 2300 CHILE. HCJB via Santiago. Fair in Portuguese - 5/8 IC

11945 0500 SEYCHELLES. BBC. Fair in English - 13/8 IC

11995 0430 FRANCE, RFI Issoudun very good with English news – 30/8 TN

12019.32330 VIETNAM Voice of Vietnam theme music & opening in EE followed by prgm summary & news, fair - 4/8 BCM

12070 0046 PORTUGAL, DW via Sines, Very good in German //12065 same - 8/8 DD

12070 2100 N.MARIANAS. RFA. Fair in Korean after English ID. – 9/8 IC

12080 2240 AUSTRALIA, RA (Brandon), Fair in EE with Pacific prgm – 4/8 DD

12095 0040 THAILAND, BBC via Nak, Good in English with documentary – 8/8 DD

12095 0400 U.K. BBC, Fair but noisy with nx in EE – 29/7 DD

13620 0430 MADAGASCAR, R.Dabanga, Good in vern, 0502 ID jingle //13730 weak – 7/8 KB

13630 1521 FRANCE, RFI, Good in RR. Two OMs/ YL speaking // 15215 the same – 23/8 CC

13690 0656 AUSTRALIA, RA, Very good in EE with request music – 28/7 DD

13710 0600 BOTSWANA, VOA, Fair in FF, much better than previous day – 18/8 KB

13710 0720 ALBANIA, CRI Cerrik fair with news in English – 30/8 TN

13740 2230 N.MARIANAS, RFA, Fair/poor in pres. Khmer, surging & fading – 21/8 KB

13765 0500 MADAGASCAR, Vatican R, Good in EE, comment on HoA drought – 2/8 KB

13840 0530 MADAGASCAR, R.Japan, Fair/poor in FF, s/on, sked, talk – 17/8 KB

15050 0135 INDIA. AIR Delhi. Poor in English with special Independence day b'cast - 15/8 IC

15105 1932 ASCENSION IS, BBC, Fair in presumed Hausa, 1959 I/S & off air – 3/8 KB

15110 2117 SPAIN, REE, Good but noisy in Spanish & mx – 9/8 DD

15120 0622 NIGERIA Voice of Nigeria, Lagos strong in EE with sports news over co-channel Chinese. Transmitter has annoying hum – 28/8 BCM

15120 0735 NIGERIA. Voice of Nigeria. Fair in French - 23/8 IC

15160 2341 SPAIN, REE, Very good in Spanish – 9/8 DD

15190 2000 BRAZIL Radio Inconfidencia good & clear in PP with “cinco horas en Inconfidencia” & jingle for “Inconfidencia Noticias”. Clear past 2100, a regular at this time - 25/8 BCM

15255 1545 GERMANY, AWR, Fair in English, YL talking about common cold. OM with ID 1548 – 23/8 CC

15265 2325 BONAIRE, R.Japan, Fair in JJ & mx – 1/8 KB

15490 0400 SEYCHELLES. BBC, Fair with s/on & prgm in Somali – 21/8 KB

15545 0000 N.MARIANAS, RFA, Poor with EE ID then into presumed Lao – 3/8 KB
 15560 0000 N.MARIANAS, RFA, mostly Poor in Vietnamese, Fair on
 occasional surges, siren-type xmission co-chan – 21/8 KB
 15600 2335 PHILIPPINES. FEBC. Good in Burmese - 14/8 IC
 15625 0031 N.MARIANAS, RFA, Poor/Fair in Burmese, 0129 ID & ethnic mx – 21/8 KB
 15690 0040 SRI LANKA, RFA, Poor in presumed Lao // 15545 poor – 18/8 KB
 15690 1400 FRANCE. WYFR via Issoudun. Good in Malay - 17/8 IC
 15785 0410 CHINA CRI in EE with "People in the Know" interview, poor but
 improving to fair & clear by 0420. Also hrd on // 17855 & 15120, both
 mixed other stations- 10/8BCM
 17715 2059 SPAIN, REE, Good in SS, Male vocalist, then YL & OM speaking
 // 17755 much Weaker – 21/8 CC

OVERSEAS LOGGINGS.

All may not be audible in NZ at the times listed

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
9610	0530	CLANDESTINE (Nigeria). Radio Hamada International via Wertachtal, IS followed by man announcer in Hausa language with ID and opening announcements. News mainly about Nigeria followed with various talks and discussions about Nigeria after the news. Numerous IDs during broadcast with sign off ID and closedown announcements at 0556 by a woman announcer. Fair. 0558 - 30/8 RDA
9685	0033	BOSNIA, International Radio of Serbia via Bijeljina, English news followed by ID and features until closedown at 0058 requesting letters and e-mails and IS. Very good. 0059 – 17/8 RDA
9705	0320	ETHIOPIA. Radio Ethiopia, man announcer with talk in Amharic language followed by Horn of Africa vocals. Man with news at 0330. More HoA vocals after news followed by ID and announcements at 0359. Gongs at 0400. Fair to good. 0410 – 25/8 RDA
9745U0021		BAHRAIN. Radio Bahrain (tentative), Middle Eastern music hosted by a man announcer with Arabic talks. Very poor. 0143 – 12/8 RDA
11710.5	0218	ARGENTINA. RAE, tango music followed by a man announcer in English discussing news headlines. 2+1 time pips at 0230 as man continued speaking. More tango music followed by several IDs and talk by a man and woman. Closedown followed by IS at 0258 until 0300 when a series of multi-lingo IDs were heard followed by the French program. Poor to fair. 0307 – 13/8 RDA
11865	2148	RWANDA. Radio Deutsche Welle – Kigali, English program with story about education followed by tribute to Amy Whinehouse. ID followed by opening of German program. Fair to good. Kigali //15640 (fair), Sines //15275 (fair) and 9735 (poor), all closed down at 2200.. – 31/7 RDA
11905	0037	SRI LANKA. Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation, program of Hindi vocals hosted by a woman announcer with Hindi language talk. Fair. 0211 – 29/7 RDA
11945	1929	CLANDESTINE (Nigeria). Hamada Radio International via Wertachtal, open carrier followed by ID, brief music into Hausa language program

of news, news features, remote reports and interviews. Several IDs at 1957 and contact information. Carrier cut while another man began more features. Fair but noisy conditions. 1958 – 13/8 RDA

Contributors this month

BC	Bill Cox,	Raumati Beach.	Kenwood R600, long wire.
BCM	Bryan Clark,	Mangawhai (Northland)	AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE, and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas
BDW	Brian Webb,	Upper Hutt,	Yaesu FT757GX II, 5M wire , Watts portable 1m vert.
CC	Cliff Couch	Paraparaumu,	Sangean ATS 803A, 60 m horiz.loop
DD	Des Davey,	Te Kuiti,	Kenwood R-5000, Yaesu FRG 7700, 50M long wire.
IC	Ian Cattermole,	Blenheim,	JRC NRD-535, ICOM IC-746Pro. Antenna EWE, T2FD
KB	Kelvin Brayshaw, Levin,		DR-31, Whip & Hula Hoop Coax Loop.
RDA	Richard d'Angelo, Wyomissing PA, USA		Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R-8B, Eton E1, Eton E5. Alpha/Delta DX Sloper RF systems
TN	Terry Nielsen,	Oamaru,	Mini Windom, Datong FL3, JPS ANC-4 AOR7030+ and Lowe HF 150, 15m wire

National DAB+ on-air in Germany

Germany, Europe's biggest radio market, is now broadcasting digital radio plus in all major cities and autobahns. 27 transmitters around the country are on air delivering new radio content to 40 million people.

German listeners now have 14 new digital services to choose from and radio broadcasters now have the opportunity to diversify their programme offering, something which is no longer possible in Germany on FM.

In addition to these ground-breaking audio services, further value-added data services will be provided in the national and regional broadcasts. These data services include advanced text information (DL Plus), slideshow, Electronic Program Guide and TPEG service.

90elf is Germany's football radio station. The programme broadcasts all matches of the 1st and 2nd grade, the complete German Football Federation Cup, and selected matches of the Euro and Champions Leagues live. Reaching more than one million listeners per match day via Internet distribution, 90elf has access to 57 million new potential listeners through broadcast via digital radio.

The new digital radio standard DAB+ not only enables 90elf to broadcast a 90-minute match, but also allows the parallel distribution of full-length matches via multi-channels via League member Ralph Sutton

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

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

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

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

NEW ZEALAND CONTRIBUTIONS

Time (UTC)	Freq (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0000	15545p	RFA	?	3/8	KB
0040	12095g	BBC	UK	8/8	DD
0100	9675g	CRI	CHINA	2/9	TN
0125	9470g	CRI	CHINA	1/9	TN
0135	15050p	AIR	INDIA	15/8	IC
0145	9570g	China Radio Int	CHINA	1/9	TN
0200	9665f	Voice of Russia	RUSSIA	1/9	TN
0200	9925g	Radio Croatia	CROATIA	31/8	TN
0200	11700g	Radio Bulgaria	BULGARIA	1/9	TN
0200	11710f	RAE	ARGENTINA	31/8	TN
0240	9665f	VOR	RUSSIA	11/8	DD
0300	11895g	Radio Romania	ROMANIA	11/8	TN
0309	9515g	VOT	TURKEY	29/7	DD
0315	7335g	RRI	ROMANIA	14/8	IC
0330	11740g	Family Radio	USA	30/8	TN
0335	9605f:11920	VOIRI	IRAN	3/11	IC
0400	12095f	BBC	UK	29/7	DD
0410-0420	15120:15785p:17855	CRI	CHINA	10/8	BCM
0430	11995g	RFI	FRANCE	30/8	TN
0500	5950p	Radio Taiwan	TAIWAN	4/9	TN
0500	5975g	NHK	JAPAN	23/8	IC
0500	11945f	BBC	UK	13/8	IC
0500	13765g	Vatican Radio	VATICAN	2/8	KB
0505	5975g	Radio Japan	JAPAN	4/9	TN
0505	9660g	Vatican Radio	VATICAN	19/7	DD
0510	5965p	Radio Vaticana	VATICAN	23/8	IC

0520	6110g	Radio Japan	JAPAN	4/9	TN
0520-0600	4055p	Radio Verdad	GUATEMALA	21/8	BCM
0530	6190f	China Radio Int	CHINA	4/9	TN
0530	9330g	WBCQ	USA	4/9	TN
0535	9370p	WTCJ	USA	4/9	TN
0622	15120e	Voice of Nigeria	NIGERIA	28/8	BCM
0624	9545g	DW	GERMANY	28/7	DD
0645	6150f	RHC	CUBA	10/8	IC
0656	13690g	RA	AUSTRALIA	28/7	DD
0715	9800g	Trans World Radio	?	30/8	TN
0720	13710f	CRI	CHINA	30/8	TN
0725	5775g	WTWN	USA	12/8	DD
0730	6090g	Caribbean Beacon	ANGUILLA	23/8	IC
0735	5890f	WWCR	USA	14/8	DD
0745	4840f	WWCR	USA	30/8	TN
0750	5755p	WTWW	USA	30/8	TN
0755	5890p	WWCR	USA	30/8	TN
0905	5960p	Radio Fly?	PNG	20/8	KB
0908-0912	5765p	AFRTS	USA	17/8	KB
0930	9465g	Family Radio	USA	1/9	TN
0945	9465g	WYFR	USA	12/8	CC
1000	9580g	RA	AUSTRALIA	8/8	DD
1003	11675g	Voice of Croatia	CROATIA	12/8	CC
1012	6040g:13590g	CRI	CHINA	12/8	CC
1015	11635g	CRI	CHINA	1/9	TN
1040	6020g	R Australia	AUSTRALIA	31/7	DD
1055	6070g	RNZI	NEW ZEALAND	31/7	DD
1100	5020g	SIBC	SOLOMON IS	31/7	DD
1119	5995g	R Australia	AUSTRALIA	31/7	DD
1123	4840g	WWCR	USA	31/7	DD
1135	2325p	VL8T	AUSTRALIA	31/7	DD
1139	2485p	VL8K	AUSTRALIA	13/7	DD
1143	2310p	VL8A	AUSTRALIA	1/8	DD
1400	7575p	VOA	USA	12/8	IC
1500	11590f	VOR	RUSSIA	8/8	IC
1534	11850g:13765p	Vatican R	VATICAN	29/7	BDW
1545-1548	15255f	AWR	?	23/8	CC
1600	9540g	RA	AUSTRALIA	28/8	IC
1709	9770f	Polish Radio	POLAND	8/8	BDW
1800	5875f	BBC	UK	31/7	IC
1927	5900:5940f:6205g:7215:9780g	VOIRI	IRAN	-	BCM
1927-1944	3230p	Family Radio	USA	22/8	BCM
1940	7205f	R Thailand	THAILAND	11/8	KAB
1945	7215f	VOIRI	IRAN	11/8	KAB

1950	7250g	Vatican Radio	VATICAN CITY	11/8	KAB
2000	6150f	RDW	GERMANY	19/8	KB
2014	11795f	DW	GERMANY	2/8	DD
2015	9610g	Family R	USA	8/8	DD
2027	11865g	DW	GERMANY	13/7	DD
2034	6005p	BBC WS	UK	29/7	DD
2040	5980f	CRI	CHINA	29/7	DD
2043-2045	7205g	VOT	TURKEY	21/8	CC
2050	9610g	Family R	USA	23/8	BC
2053	5990f	CRI	CHINA	29/7	DD
2100	5960p	CRI	CHINA	31/7	IC
2100	9600g	CRI	CHINA	23/8	IC
2107	9660g	RA	AUSTRALIA	9/8	DD
2115	7325f	CRI	CHINA	9/8	IC
2120	9735g	RDW	GERMANY	14/8	IC
2157	9330g	R. Damascus	SYRIA	4/8	DD
2240	12080f	RA	AUSTRALIA	4/8	DD
2315	11850f	BBC	UK	4/8	IC
2330	12019.3f	Voice of Vietnam	VIETNAM	4/8	BCM

A friend who has just been in Port Moresby saw this in a local paper and forwarded it to me. Barry Hartley via DXDialog group concerning Radio East Sepik in Papua New Guinea.

Radio East Sepik back on air

THE National Broadcasting Corporation's Wewak studio in East Sepik is back on air after its broadcast service was suspended when heavy rain damaged its studio in July.

Acting director for the provincial radio station Anna Klawe said the station had resumed broadcasts on Monday.

SHORTWAVE RECEPTION FORECAST

FOR OCTOBER 2011



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The Shortwave Bands below have given good reception in NZ within the recent Solar Flux Index range of 83-125. An * = good reception only above Index of 94. October currently is the best month to obtain evening (6-9UTC) reception from Africa, Russia and Central America.

Times-Shortwave Bands:

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

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

x=not Hawaii. Monthly Solar Flux average indexes: July 94 August 101(prov)

SHORTWAVE REPORT

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AFGHANISTAN.

Radio Afghanistan takes to the air on 6100 kHz. English: 1530-1600 and Urdu 1600-1630 UTC. (SW Central)

HCJB Global Australia expands at new broadcast site

Enormous development continues on our new broadcast site. Technical project leader, Steve Sutherland, is confident we will be broadcasting from it by November.

Three towers were erected this year; the long-awaited high tension power line was installed and connected in July. Next project? Antenna Curtain screens, assembled on the ground with the aid of work-gloves and lashings of sunscreen. By November, four of the planned seven antennas will be completed and at least one transmitter will shift to its new operational home. This means that hopefully all the completed antennas and transmitters can be connected and working this year!

Kununurra staff and volunteers pushed to get as much outdoor work as possible finished during the cool, dry winter months. Volunteers visiting at this time of year are invaluable, not only in the work they accomplish, but as surrogate grandparents for children on site. A third 100KW transmitter undergoing refurbishment at the HCJB Technology Centre in Elkhart, Indiana, USA, is expected to be delivered in the first quarter of 2012 and will be capable of both analogue and digital shortwave broadcasting. HCJB Voice & Hands Newsletter)



Radio Australia Summer Schedule Update

Radio Australia

All times UTC / NF new frequency

2200-2330 on 7340 DHA 250 kW / 105 deg to SEAs Indonesian

2200-2400 on 9855 DHA 250 kW / 090 deg to SEAs English

2300-2330 on 9490 DHA 250 kW / 090 deg to SEAs Burmese

0000-0030 on 12005 DHA 250 kW / 105 deg to SEAs Indonesian

0100-0130 on 11780 SNG 100 kW / 340 deg to SEAs Burmese

1100-1300 on 6140 SNG 100 kW / 013 deg to SEAs English
0400-0430 on 17800 HBN 100 kW / 270 deg to SEAs Indonesian
0500-0530 NF 11700 SNG 250 kW / 140 deg to SEAs Indonesian, ex 17800 HBN
1300-1430 on 9965 HBN 100 kW / 318 deg to EaAs Chinese
1600-1630 NF 9540 SNG 100 kW / 340 deg to SEAs English, ex 9965 HBN
(DX Mix News 693 via Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria & Wolfgang Bueschel, Germany)

GERMANY

Radio Gloria: Sept-Dec.

Next broadcasts: Sep 25/Oct 23/Nov 27/Dec 25, 2011

0900-1000: 6005 via Wertachtal /shortwaveservice.com/ 9480 via Goehren

1300-1400: 6140 via Wertachtal

Repeat on 1st Sunday of the next month at 1100-1200 on 9480 via Goehren. Good listening ! Reports welcome ! (R Gloria)

NETHERLANDS

KBC planning return to Shortwave.

The KBC Radio website adds: "We are trying to return on SW in November 2011. Minimum power is 100KW. We are also checking if we can beam again to the USA on shortwave."

(Source: KBC Radio/R Netherlands Media Network Weblog)

Trans World Radio Africa Schedule Updates

All times UTC

1300-1315 on 13660 KIG 250 kW / 030 deg to EaAf Afar Thu-Sun, ex Fri-Sun

1730-1800 on 9865 DHA 250 kW / 230 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Fri

1800-1815 on 6120 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Mon-Wed

1800-1815 on 6120 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg to EaAf Amharic Thu/Fri

1800-1830 on 6120 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg to EaAf Tigre Sat

1800-1830 on 6120 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg to EaAf Kunama Sun

1815-1845 on 6120 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Mon-Fri

1830-1845 on 6120 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg to EaAf Amharic Sun (DX Mix News 691 via Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria & Wolfgang Bueschel, Germany)

TURKEY

If you haven't logged or verified Voice of Turkey, now's the time. An easy station to hear, VOT remains an excellent station to QSL, with color cards, pennants and stickers. Streaming and on-demand audio, Video Gallery, podcast and more are available on their website. To learn more about Voice of Turkey, refer to their English website at <http://www.trt-world.com/trtworld/en/news.aspx>. e-mail contact: englishdesk@trt.net.tr
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Effective to 29 October 2011 All times UTC

Arabic

0900-0955 11750, single freq.

1400-1455 9540 17770

1830-1925 11690, new time

Azeri

0700-0755 11730

1530-1625 9530

Bulgarian

1100-1125 7210

Chinese

1100-1155 15240

Dari

1500-1525 11765

English

0300-0355 6165 9515

1230-1325 15450, single freq.

1630-1725 15520, new time

1830-1925 9785

2030-2125 7205

2200-2255 9830

French

1930-2025 9535 9635

Georgian

1000-1055 9655

German

1130-1225 13760

1730-1825 11835

Italian

1500-1525 9610, ex1400-1425 UT

Kazakh

1330-1355 11880

Pashto

1530-1555 11765

Persian

0830-0955 11795

1500-1555 9765

Russian

1300-1355 11965

Spanish

0100-0155 9770 9870

1630-1725 11930

Tatar

1000-1025 9855

Turkish

0000-0155 7260

0400-0555 6040 11980

0600-0855 11750 11955 13635

0900-1255 11955 13635

1300-1555 9840

1600-2055 5960 9460

Turkmen

1200-1225 11825

Urdu

1400-1455 13710, ex1200-1255

Uyghur

0200-0255 9465

1230-1325 11700, ex1400-1455, 15180 for

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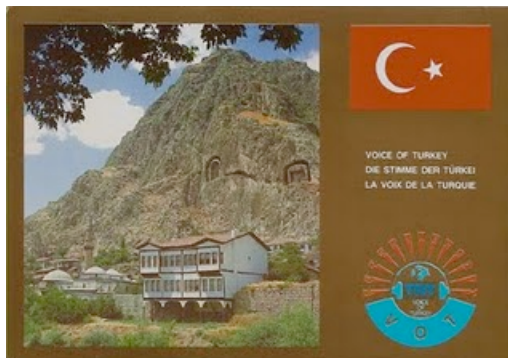
Uzbek

1030-1055 13650

1600-1625 11765

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BOLIVIA

3309.97 R. Mosoj Chaski Cochabamba 0831-0841 SS; S/on ancment in progress; M & W announcers w/ brief talks between ballads; poor-fair; 9/5. (Barbour- Intervale, N.H. USA. NRD-545, MLB-1, 200' Beverages, 60m dipole. via HCDX)

4111, R. Virgen de Remedios, Tupiza (very tentative). September, 04 0102-0112 noted a carrier, at brief moments sounded like talks but it's uncertain. At intervals, a pulse noise, (Lúcio Otávio Bobrowiec. Embu SP Brasil SW40 - Dipoles and Longwire via HCDX)

CYPRUS

6150v I think it was R. Bayrak. I had it closer to 6150.04 kHz. I checked it here at various times and also via remote receivers, but could never get readable audio. Today it was off, but now suddenly came back on the air at 1849 UT. The last time I heard from Bayrak was in June, when they said that the antenna system for 6150 kHz is being repaired and partly renewed, but the damage is bigger than anticipated. I asked now if they have returned to air, but got no reply. Unfortunately seems that the repair didn't help at all (Mauno Ritola-FIN, SW Bulletin Sept 4 via dxld)



6150.038 on Aug 24 at 0227 UT, unID, Heard several nights but extremely weak. The carrier is there but only fragments of the music could be heard. According to comments by Mauno Ritola in AN's tip this could be R. Bayrak. The antenna direction for best reception was pointing in 120degr indicating a possible Near East station. (Thomas Nilsson-SWE, SW Bulletin Sept 4, via dxld)

6150.037 Tentat. Radio Bayrak program from northern Cyprus. Nice signal in low modulation, noted from 0230 UT, - increased signal in Europe, when heard during this hour til 0306 UT Sept 2. S=8 signal strength checked on various remote SDR units in Europe (wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 2)

GEORGIA

IDs "Apsua Radio" & "Radio Respubliki Abkhazii" in Abk & Ruheard 0658-0810var UT on 9535 kHz on 22, 24 and 26 Aug, resp. Mon, Wed & Fri. Russian from 0800 UT, Avto Radio from approx 0808 UT. (Rumen Pankov-BUL, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 1)

In response to a question to AIR from Alokesh Gupta. AIR list of SW Broadcasting Centres

S. No.	Stations	STATES	Nos. of SW Tx.	Power Remark
1.	HYDERABAD	ANDHRA PRADESH	1	50 kW
2.	ITANAGAR	ARUNANCHAL PRADESH	1	50 kW
3.	GUWAHATI	ASSAM	2	50 kW 50 kW
4.	DELHI	DELHI	15	50 kW (6 nos.) 100 kW (2 nos.) 250 kW (7 nos.)
5.	PANAJI	GOA	2	250 kW 250 kW
6.	SHIMLA	HIMANCHAL PRADESH	1	50 kW
7.	JAMMU	JAMMU & KASHMIR	1	50 kW This is an old transmitter shifted from Kingsway Camp, Delhi.
8.	LEH	JAMMU & KASHMIR	1	10 kW
9.	SRINAGAR	JAMMU & KASHMIR	1	50 kW
10.	RANCHI	JHARKHAND	1	50kW
11.	BANGALORE	KARNATAKA	6	500 kW (6 nos.)
12.	THRUVANANTHAPURAM	KERALA	1	50kW
13.	BHOPAL	MADHYA PRADESH	1	50 kW
14.	MUMBAI	MAHARASHTRA	2	100 kW 50 kW
15.	IMPHAL	MANIPUR	1	50 kW
16.	SHILLONG	MEGHALAYA	1	50 kW
17.	AIZAWAL	MIZORAM	1	10 kW
18.	KOHIMA	NAGALAND	1	50 kW
19.	JEYPORE	ORISSA	1	50 kW
20.	JAIPUR	RAJASTHAN	1	50 kW
21.	GANGTOK	SIKKIM	1	10 kW
22.	CHENNAI	TAMILNADU	2	50 kW 100 kW
23.	PORT BLAIR	UNION TERRITORIES (A & N ISLAND)	1	10 kW
24.	ALIGARH	UTTAR PRADESH	4	250 kW (4 nos.)
25.	GORAKHPUR	UTTAR PRADESH	1	50 kW
26.	LUCKNOW	UTTAR PRADESH	1	50 kW
27.	KOLKATA	WEST BENGAL	1	50 kW
28.	KURSEONG	WEST BENGAL	1	50 kW

Total Transmitters 54 nos.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA. MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING. RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO 2845. ANSWERED ON 29.08.2011

SHORT WAVE BROADCASTING STATIONS. 2845 SHRI BALAVANT ALIAS BAL APTE



GERMANY

3995 HCJB German program, of Werner Heukelbach ministry and address given at Bergneustadt in Germany at 0458 UT Sept 9. Heard with S=6 fair signal from Germany tx, noted at SDR remote unit in Maine-USA. (wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 9)

3995: Reception reports with return postage are requested to: HCJB, VozAndes Media, Casilla 17-17-691, Quito, Ecuador. or deutsch @ andenstimme.org

You can also send reports online to receive an e-QSL at:

<http://hcjb.de/index.php?id=111> HCJB-UK can be contacted at 131 Grattan Road, Bradford BD1 2HS info @ hcjbglobal.org.uk (Observations by Dave Kenny, see also

<http://www.classicbroadcast.de/news.html> DX News, Sept BDXC-UK Communication via DXLD)

Aoki Lists times as 0400-0800 & 1800-2200 Daily. Editor. (Alokesh Gupta-IND VU3BSE, DXIndia Sept 3)

PERU

3360 Radio JPJ (Jesús Párraga Jiménez) 0824 definite mx here from this new OA. 0826 what sounded like a jingle w/last syllable in last word repeating like an echo. Into lively Pop-like mx sounding like Ramones "I Wanna Be Sedated"! Another Rock song and 0833 another brief echo jingle. Definitely "Eye of the Tiger" by Survivor at 0837-0840, then echo jingle again but lcl QRM taking over. 0844 same jingle as at 0826. Stronger audio at 0850 w/jingle just before "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" remake by Cyndi Lauper. Dance remake of "Bette Davis Eyes" at 0858 going to 0900, and into next Dance song. "Sweet Child O Mine" by Guns N Roses at 0917. Sounded like more Tropical LA Pops at 0955. Gradually faded but still audible at 1007. The jingles hrd on the website match up pretty well with what I heard. It would have been much easier if not for the horrendous QRN. (11 August) (Dave Valko NRD-535D and T2FD antenna Dunlo, PA, USA via HCDX)



Radio JPJ (named after its director Jesús Párraga Jiménez) is located in Monte Los Olivos, Distrito de San Martín de Porres, in the Province and Department of Lima. Radio JPJ uses call letters OAW4Y and has a power of 1 kW.



Thanks to HCDX=Hardcore DX.
WWDXC= Worldwide DX Club.
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Well August was an eventful month here in Kakanui, snow down to the high tide mark, not just once but twice in two weeks. Snowmen were made and plenty of photos taken. The good thing about it all two days off work and got paid as well.

FREQ UTC DETAILS OF TRANSMISSION

5805.1 0400 ZKLF Radio fax NZ METSERVICE HF-Fax USB weather map SW Pacific
fair to poor reception 10/9 ABD

6628 0732 SANTA MARIA / FREEDOM AIR distant coms re departure times freq
exchange etc, 6/9 RP

6628 0734 SANTA MARIA / ABIDJAN 1324 with Posn report freq exc 8828 6/9 RP

8828 0910 TOKYO, Volmet weather reports mention Singapore poor 10/9 ABD

8828 0920 AUCKLAND Volmet ID weather reports from around NZ and the
Islands fair to good 10/9 ABD

8867 2124 CHATHAMS 591 / AKL Posn reports FL160 freq exc 8867/5643, 8/9 RP

8867 0654 PACIFIC 920 / NANDI AIREP inc Posn report spotwind 263 diag 117
temp - 54 FL390 SC,GGMPQ, 6/9 RP

9457.1 0415 ZKLF Radio fax NZ METSERVICE HF-Fax USB weather map SW Pacific
fair to poor reception 10/9 ABD

10051 0850 GANDER, CANADA Volmet weather reports reception poor 10/9 ABD

11387 0900 SYDNEY AUSTRALIA Volmet weather reports Adelaide, Darwin -
0905 ID Australian Volmet reception good 10/9 ABD

RP Roger Pryde Dunedin - Sangean ATS 803A, Yaesu 7000 Dig coms receiver.
ABD Arthur De Maine Kakanui - Drake R-8 and Icom R-70, 25 m EWE running East -
West For HF weather faxes using ibook G4 and a program called CocoaModem 2.0.

Antarctic Flights on 9.032 for Summer 2011/12

Night Flights by a USAF "Globe master" carrying out landings in total darkness in minus 38 degrees where successful on the "Pegasus White Ice" runway in McMurdo Sound in front of Scott Base, (carried out on Sunday night August 21st, NZT).

-- Unfortunately due to the Cuts by US and NZ Gov'ts, a situation has arisen to the "US Antarctic Program", as they along with the "National Silence Foundation" are still trying to find a replacement "Ice Breaker" so that fuel supplies can be shipped in to Scott Base and McMurdo.

In the mean time "Antarctica NZ" states all research program's, that use "Helo" of "Fixed Wing" aircraft in the Antarctic have been canned. (according to Lou Sanson CEO "Antarctica NZ")

This will effect the Summer day "Ice" flights, from NZ to Scott Base, if no fuel is available for the Return leg to NZ. **via Dallas McKenzie from dxdialog group.**

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BOP FM going off air

Tauranga community radio station BOP FM has announced it will be going off air today due to a lack of funding and support from local businesses.

As of 10am this morning BOP FM will no longer be broadcasting across the Bay of Plenty, but will be keeping a playlist running until the changeover of the 105.4 frequency in a fortnight.

The decision was made by the directors of Radio Tauranga Limited, trading as BOP FM. Station manager and DJ Jason Pinkerton says the station has been running at a loss and can no longer afford to stay on air.

"The decision has been made for financial reasons – we have found it really hard to find local businesses to support us. We are really sad it has come to this."

The station first ran into uncertainty in January when a directors' dispute nearly took the station off air.

Since this incident, Jason says the station has not been able to recover and feels other larger commercial stations have added to the heat.

"I think there is some definite buyers' remorse about the last time. People thought we went off air, we never went off air – it was just a directors' dispute.

"Other radio stations have been telling businesses not to advertise with us because we do not have the listeners, when in fact we do."

The station has more than 10,000 Facebook fans and Jason says they receive more than 300 text messages a day into the studio.

"We get over 300 texts a day, which is unheard of even for bigger networks. We have listeners ranging from four-years-old to 60."

Since June 18, 2009 BOP FM has been the Bay's only full frequency commercial station with four paid announcers and 26 volunteers.

"Everyone involved has put 110 per cent into the place. We have received a lot of support from listeners and people quite upset."

Jason says BOP FM was established to provide a local station that could act as a forum

with the community and has since run charity events, recently raising \$1400 for the Child Cancer Foundation.

"We wanted it to be about the community. We run non-profit advertisements; lost pet announcements."

Looking toward the future, Jason says he and Brent Ireland are looking at picking up the BOP FM brand as a multimedia tool to



promote events, concerts and performances across the Bay of Plenty this summer.

"I will also be down at Mount Maunganui beach DJing this summer."

The 105.4 frequency will remain a community based frequency and Jason says the owners are looking at creating a talk-back style station for community groups.

Jason would like to say a big thanks to all of the people who have supported the station including Burgerfuel and all of the volunteers and announcers that have put their heart and soul into BOP FM.

(Sunlive, 12 September 2011, <http://www.sunlive.co.nz/news/16225-bop-fm-going-off-air.html>)

Six groups want to broadcast on 89FM

The future of Hamilton's 89FM radio frequency could be known as early as next week, with six groups vying to take control of the city's original student radio frequency.

A four-person panel established by the Ministry of Culture and Heritage will on Wednesday consider the applications, and senior agency adviser Rick Julian said if it was confident with the information applicants had submitted, "they may well make a decision that day".

The battle for the airwaves came about after the licence to use the non-commercial frequency expired in April.

The frequency has been reserved for community broadcasting purposes, which mean applicants must meet various criteria, including having a strong connection with the target audience, programming focused on the interests of the audiences, and offices located in the coverage area.

Among the contenders for the frequency is Community Radio Hamilton, which broadcasts on AM1206 and low-power FM106.7.

The stability that a full-power FM frequency offers is the main driver behind Community Radio's application, general manager Phil Grey said.

"While we appreciate the value offered by other local community radio stations, Community Radio Hamilton's strength lies in the diversity of our on-air community representation," Mr Grey said.

"From our perspective, the FM frequency would be an investment in our entire community."

Also in the running are the previous licence-holders, student radio Contact FM, which broadcast on 89FM from 1986 to 1997, when the station's assets and frequency use were sold after the Waikato Student Union moved to voluntary membership.

Contact FM nurtured several broadcasters who went on to national recognition, including National Radio's Susan Baldaachi, 60 Minutes' Paula Penfold and Paul Martin, who took Contact 89FM's The Axe Attack to the national airwaves and created the longest-running rock radio programme hosted by the same person in New Zealand broadcasting history.

Mr Julian said the decision-making panel would recommend the Ministry of Economic Development transfer the broadcasting licence from Crown ownership to the successful applicant and would work with that party to ensure a smooth transition.

The licence would probably be issued for 20 years.

(Waikato Times, 10 September 2011, <http://www.stuff.co.nz/waikato-times/business/5598087/Six-groups-want-to-broadcast-on-89FM>)

New frequency for The Rock

Bryan Clark Mangawhai is hearing a new frequency for 'The Rock' - 104.9 FM - the strong signal strength and bearing point to this coming from Moirs Hill (Warkworth).

LPFM News

A quiet month at the NZLPFM Radio Guide [www.radioheritage.com] with some new stations and frequency changes added and a growing number of updates to silent status as we continue to clean up the guide. Latest additions are:

88.0 New Plymouth [New Plymouth Boys High School], Gully Radio 88.0 Featherston [CBD], Music88FM

88.2 Dargaville [Ruawai], Big River FM

88.4 Wellington [Oriental Bay], TLC Radio Windy

107.1 Napier-Hastings [Napier], TLC Radio Napier

107.2 Dargaville [CBD], TLC Radio Northland

107.4 Dargaville [Dargaville Intermediate School], Solid FM

107.6 Matamata [CBD], TLC Radio Matamata

107.7 Auckland [Otahuhu], TLC Radio Auckland

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(David Ricquish, Wellington)

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Would the person from the West Coast of the South Island who rang me about a Sony ICF-6800W communications receiver about mid-June, please contact me Des Davey 16 View Road , Te Kuiti 3910 or ph (07) 878-7315

I do not have your phone number or QTH or name.

Thank you."

Wanted to Buy

Wanted to buy, a Sony ICF-6800W with orange-model printing on the front panel.

This ICF-6800W model must be in good-looking condition and working order.

Please contact: Des Davey

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Te Kuiti 3910

or phone 07-878 3715

I would also consider a good second-hand Sony model ICF-6700W if I can't find a Sony ICF-6800W.

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Mainland TV to Introduce digital TV channels along side Freeview

Now terrestrial digital TV is on air in the Nelson region, Mainland is planning to introduce a number of new terrestrial digital TV channels including its current TV channels along side Freeview.

Those watching Mainland's new digital service will only need a digital / analogue TV that can receive the digital signals or a terrestrial set top box as most existing Mainland viewers already have a UHF antenna that can receive both digital and analogue UHF TV signals.

There will be a number of different options for watching digital TV in Nelson, SKY & Freeview satellite (but they don't carry Mainland yet), Freeview and Mainland terrestrial and TV via the Internet if you have a fast enough connection.

If viewers already have SKY or Freeview satellite TV they can also watch Mainland and High definition digital TV using a UHF antenna.

When Mainland adds its digital service it will continue with its current analogue TV channels for a period to give everyone time to change to digital.

We plan to keep viewers informed through the media and via our website at www.7-media.net. The Ministry has offered us channel 26 at Observatory hill and channel 27 at our new Takaka hill site so we are in the process of installing the new digital system.

Viewers who receive Mainland TV now only need a digital TV or a terrestrial digital TV set top box or a terrestrial digital recorder. If viewers are not tuned to Mainland they will need one UHF TV antenna mounted vertical polarity pointing half way between Mt Campbell & the Takaka Hill highway summit.

Viewers should receive all the digital TV channels & new digital TV channels providing their antenna has a line of site view to the hills behind Motueka. If not most viewers can tune to Observatory hill Nelson. We are planning a low power repeater near Nile St for the Brook and small inner City areas at some stage.

Our on Air target date is 30 Nov but that may change as we are waiting on equipment and licenses to be processed. Some Nelson City viewers can get their TV antenna installer to remove the UHF antenna reflector so they can receive both Mainland & Freeview on the same antenna at the same time.

(Mainland TV, 5 August 2011, <http://www.7-media.net/mainland/Mainland-technical/Press-release-MTV-5-Aug-2011.htm>)



Changes to digital television frequencies affecting Freeview|HD® viewers

From mid-2011 until late 2012, the frequencies on which Freeview|HD® television channels are broadcast will be progressively changed in 7 transmission areas across New Zealand. The frequencies changed in the Kapiti region on 29 August. The Ministry is currently determining the timing for the next change.

The changes will also not affect the Auckland area or any of the areas included in the recently announced extension of Freeview|HD® coverage.

We are making these changes to make sure that we're using our radio spectrum as efficiently as possible and to release spectrum for new uses.

(RSM, 9 September 2011, <http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/policy-and-planning/projects/digital-terrestrial-television-frequency-restacking>)

Sky eyes cheaper viewing option

Sky Television has confirmed that proposals are still alive for converting its shelved analogue radio frequencies to a new "Sky-Lite" digital terrestrial platform for pay TV. An internal study called "Project Purple" has Sky actively working on proposals for a digital terrestrial platform of maybe 20 channels.

Some 51 per cent of New Zealanders are subscribers of Sky's digital satellite service but it is becoming hard work attracting new viewers to its basic package. A second, cheaper, pay platform would help increase its uptake.

First NZ Capital analyst Sandra Urlich traversed the issue of the digital switch in a research note last week. She said that 285,000 homes would be left over after the switch and might take up new digital options. Sky might pick up half of those.

Without referring directly to the option of a digital terrestrial platform, she said Sky had to be careful not to cannibalise existing customers. A second pay TV platform would entrench Sky's dominance of the TV industry and undermine the free-to-air digital platform Freeview.

If the set top box for "Sky Lite" was linked to the internet it would also provide an advantage when internet TV and movie downloads became mainstream. Sky has until the digital switchover in December 2013 to commit to digitalising the four analogue networks shelved when its analogue channels were pulled in March last year. After that it has another two years to implement plans. But Sky TV chief executive John Fellet tipped a decision before the switch.

Sky was also considering capacity from digital terrestrial being combined with its digital satellite TV operation to allow more channels.

Fellet said the other option was for Sky to return the frequencies to the Crown. But that seems unlikely given the strategic advantage they give Sky over Freeview.

Sky Lite would have dominance of the TV industry at a time the Government is resisting regulation of Sky, and while the Commerce Commission is looking at issues such as Sky's hold on content and how they might affect the demand for the Government's Ultra-Fast Broadband initiative.

Fellet said Sky might pick up more than 50 per cent of customers forced to decide whether to go for pay TV or Freeview after digital switchover.

“Around the world digital switch-overs have tended to help pay TV operators.”

ON THE BOX

* The analogue TV platform will be gradually closed down from September 2012.

* Over the next 15 months 282,000 remaining analogue TV viewers will choose a digital TV option - Freeview or Sky TV.

* One analyst estimates that Sky TV could pick up half of those people.

* Sky says it might get more than half and it is looking at a low-cost option that would draw them over.

(NZ Herald, 16 August 2011, http://www.nzherald.co.nz/sky-tv/news/article.cfm?o_id=195&objectid=10745390)

Moana TV

Coming soon Moana Tv on Freeview channel 44 a TV channel dedicated to Pacific People that will focus on the culture and sounds of the Pacific in Auckland and over seas.

(Pacific Scoop, 30 August 2011, <http://pacific.scoop.co.nz/2011/08/geewiz-news-august/>)

Sky to launch new premium content channel - SoHo

The wait is over for fans of quality television as SKY announces new premium entertainment channel.

SKY subscribers will soon have access to the very best in quality entertainment and drama from across the globe when SKY launches SoHo, a brand new premium channel at the end of October.

SKY Television CEO John Fellet said the company's investment in standout content will truly differentiate SKY's customer offering.

“We agree with some media commentators who state New Zealanders are missing out on quality television and we're proud to be doing something about this. While other networks are ignoring critically-acclaimed content, we are delighted to be offering it a home in this country,”

“The launch of SoHo, a dedicated channel for the discerning television fan, enables us to offer a compelling selection of content for the engaged viewer who wants more intelligent, dramatic, provocative and distinctive programming choices. For many New Zealanders this will become their favourite channel,” he said.

SoHo's broad spectrum of content offers something for everyone

Travis Dunbar, SKY's Director of Entertainment Content said much of the programming to be broadcast on SoHo has never screened in New Zealand before and will feature consistently in easily accessible primetime slots.

“Viewers can rest assured that as well as bringing them the best television on the planet as soon as it is available to us, we will remain committed to these programmes throughout their run, so they've no need to worry about their favourite being dropped mid-season or moved to an inaccessible timeslot,” he said.

SoHo will feature an outstanding content line up, with the main criteria for programming acquisition being originality, quality and distinction. This includes the highly-anticipated Game of Thrones, the fantasy drama starring Sean Bean based on the series of books 'A Song of Ice and Fire' by George R.R. Martin; the dark and disturbing American reimagining of the Danish masterpiece The Killing; thrilling six-part BBC spy drama The Hour set in a 1950's newsroom where the reporters

become embroiled in a dangerous conspiracy; BBC's noir thriller *The Shadow Line* about a murder investigation; *Hell on Wheels*, AMC's upcoming American period drama set during the building of the Transcontinental Railroad; series 2 of the critically acclaimed prohibition-era drama *Boardwalk Empire*; *Treme*, following a group of New Orleans residents rebuilding their city and lives following Hurricane Katrina, and the Michael Mann directed horse-racing drama *Luck* starring Dustin Hoffman.

"SoHo is proud to also host new episodes of drama that has been abandoned by other networks with continuation of series such as *Rescue Me* and will also reintroduce viewers to classic iconic content such as *The Wire*, *Six Feet Under* and *The Sopranos*. All available content will be screened in HD, with the exception of some classic library content which is only available in standard definition," said Mr Dunbar.

Programming is structured around a 6.5 hour block of content which plays four times in each 24 hour period. Key series will screen twice each week in primetime and SoHo will feature a Box Set Weekend every week, where back to back episodes of full seasons of iconic series will air. Box Set Weekends scheduled at launch include the latest season of *True Blood*, 2010's award-winning first season of *Boardwalk Empire*, season 5 of *Dexter* and the original season of HBO's *The Wire*.

While the combined launch schedule of SoHo is predominantly content made for pay television, representing less than 5% of all the series made in the US market each year, it is over-represented in nominations for Emmy's, Golden Globes and Critics-Choice Awards. SoHo will launch at 3pm on Monday October 31st on SKY Channel 010. All content will air uncut and uninterrupted. SoHo will be available free to all SKY Subscribers for that day and throughout the calendar month of November, following which it will be available to all SKY Basic Subscribers as a premium channel for an additional \$9.99 per month.

SoHo Secures Exclusive Deal with HBO

As part of the SoHo launch, SKY is delighted to confirm an exclusive content deal with Home Box Office (HBO), a multi-year, multi-platform deal which will see SKY become The Home of HBO in New Zealand.

Travis Dunbar said the HBO output deal adds great value and quality to SKY's entertainment programming across a number of platforms. Under the agreement all new HBO content including series, mini-series, films, documentaries and comedy specials will be broadcast exclusively, in both standard and high definition, across all SKY platforms. The deal also incorporates free-to-air broadcast rights for Prime Television.

"Our agreement with HBO, a company with an outstanding reputation for critically-acclaimed original programming made specifically for pay-TV, shows our commitment to provide the best pay-TV experience for our customers,"

"This output deal is our company's first of this size for exclusive series content. HBO produces a small number of quality cable shows each year and our commitment is to purchase all of their new content on an annual basis. This exclusive arrangement will form the backbone of the programming content for SoHo," said Mr Dunbar, adding the HBO content will be complemented with additional exclusive and quality first run series from both the US and UK markets.

"Series such as *True Blood* which have found their natural home on Prime will continue to be available to our free-to-air viewers and our deal allows us the flexibility to provide Prime with other terrific drama content to supplement their schedule," he said.

"We are flattered to be a part of this huge commitment by SKY to create a home for

such distinguished programming,” added Jennifer Bowen, senior vice president, HBO International Sales. “It is SKY’s creativity and innovation that makes them a perfect partner for HBO.”

As well as available across SKY’s entertainment platforms, HBO content will also be accessible to SKY customers through iSKY. SoHo at a glance

- SoHo will launch on Monday 31 October at 3.00pm
- SoHo will be available on SKY Channel 010
- SoHo will screen uninterrupted, un-cut HD quality content
- Exclusive deal with HBO will see all new HBO productions including series, mini-series, documentaries and comedy specials broadcast across SKY platforms including pay channels, free-to-air on Prime and on iSKY.
- SoHo scheduled content is uncut and commercial free. Programming runs in a six hour block and each programme will air two days a week.
- Approximately 90 seconds commercial airtime per hour between scheduled programming
- Free to all SKY Subscribers from 31 October 2011 – 30 November 2011
- Monthly subscription fee from 1 December 2011 of \$9.99 per month
- HD programming will be accessible for subscribers with MY SKY HDi and HD Ticket.
- The majority of content will be broadcast in HD, with the exception of some classic library content which is only available in SD.
- iSKY catch up available as well as library content.

SoHo launch programming at a glance

- New content includes Game of Thrones, Boardwalk Empire, Treme, The Killing, The Hour, Rescue Me, Dexter, In Treatment, Weeds, How to Make it In America, Luck, Girls, Bored to Death, Hell On Wheels, Pillars Of The Earth, Camelot
- Premium library content includes The Sopranos, Six Feet Under, Entourage, True Blood, Mad Men, The Wire

(Throng, 4 September 2011, <http://www.throng.co.nz/node/45118>)



MAILBAG

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Mailbag closing date is the 3rd of every month. Items received later will appear next month.

I don't know whether everyone agrees, but I think, with the Solar Flux now being largely at the level of just over 100, this produces the most enjoyable conditions for listening on the Shortwaves. We are entering a range when the high frequency bands begin to open up and thus are operating very near the m.u.f. (maximum useable frequency) of so many signal paths. This is the point at which a signal is refracted at the highest efficiency. However, we have not reached the stage when we experience high solar noise or an abundance of interference from other stations. So in general, we hear more stations over a wider frequency range but under comparatively quiet conditions. **Does anyone disagree?**

Günter Jacob, Passau, Germany writes: "Here are some details of QSLs that have arrived up to August 23rd in my mail-box:

Family Radio now sent "already" two QSLs (12055 via Ascension and 7510 via Almaty) of the 20 missing cards of 2010. I also hope that one day they will start verifying my 20 detailed reports of 2011. - Three QSLs arrived today from Radio Romania for reports of May 2011 (13800), June 2011 (7435) and July 2011 (15340). Whilst it is no problem to receive QSLs for reports to the Italian or to the French Department, the English Service continues to let me wait for QSLs for my eleven detailed reports of 2008, 2009 and 2010. - I am very happy to say that Christian Vision has now fulfilled my requests for these verifications: CVC Darwin on 11925/17635, Christian Voice Lusaka on 13590/13650, The Voice Asia Tashkent 7395/9975. - Also these QSLs arrived: Radio Gloria International via Nauen 6140; TWR Monaco 9430; DW via Madagascar 17800; DW Trincomalee 17780; Radio Bulgaria (new country code BGR) 6000." *Well Günter they say all good things come to those who wait, and you've had your good share of that - haven't you. But it's good to know that at least some outstanding QSL's have arrived. So nice to receive your report.*

Ian Cattermole, Blenheim says: "Here are my SW veries received during August: Bible Voice BC. Wert. 11960, Issouden 13630; Radio Vaticana. Talata 13765, Tashkent 11730; RFA 12070 15660 15615; RRI 11880; VOA Sri Lanka 12075, Wert. 9810, Udorn 7575; Radio Azadi 17685; NHK. Santiago 11880; Alcaravan Radio 5910; RTI. Via WYFR 5950; Dem.Voice of Burma 11595; WYFR Wert. 15565 13840 13615, Issouden 15495 13790 15690, Ascension 12060; Radio Dabanga 13620; Radio Miraya FM.11650; Radio Cairo

13650; TWR. Manzini 5995; REE. 17595 Surprised to receive an e-mail verification for this one as REE have not been verifying for some time now.” *Your mention of Radio Azadi had me looking at the WRTVH, nothing there. And then I spotted Cliff Couch’s logging in the June DXT. Maybe I missed it in an earlier issue. Seems it originates in Thailand. Would you tell us something about it? A great list this month Ian.*

Des Davey, Te Kuiti reports: “Wow we have had the wettest winter that we have had since 1982. It’s been the bloody pits!! I dug my veggie garden over about a month ago and the soil got so water-logged, that the worms have come up and have been crawling around on top of the soil. They have not been able to go back down into the garden soil for fear of being drowned!! The poor buggers, eh. And I have now got web feet size 11!! Even the bees have gotten all mod. cool. They are getting about doing their daily chores with plastic butterfly capes on, all because of the wet weather!! Reports out to: RCI 15235; DW 11865; KJES 7535; V.of. Russia 9675; REE 9620 12035 9535 11680 15110 15160; NHK 9625. QSL’s to hand: NHK 9605; RNZI 7440; CRI 7420 9600.”

Methinks you’ve had a hard winter, Des, even tougher than we had, although you don’t mention snow, which we had - even in Queen Street downtown Auckland! I’m glad it hasn’t stopped you continuing the good work and the veries should rush in before long. .

Bryan Clark, Mangawhai, Northland has been chasing a couple of elusive short-wave signals at dusk and sunrise - the new 1kw HCJB transmitter in Germany on 3995, and the lower-powered Laser Hot Hits station on 6940kHz, suspected to be broadcasting from Ireland.

HCJB Germany has a loggable signal some days around 0500 and 1930 UTC whilst audio from Laser was finally sufficient for a DX report on 2 September. The other shortwave highlight has been the new Peruvian on 3360 which seems to run overnight irregularly.

Medium wave has been providing some interesting signals from the Americas including a few new catches but still a lot of unidentified Latins.

The one report out to Laser Hot Hits 6940 - no QSLs in this month.

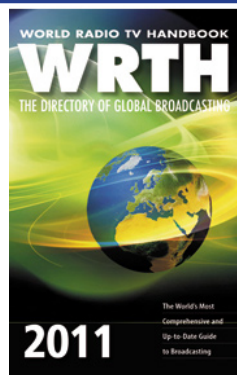
Thank you Bryan. Noted that sunrise is at 18.40 UTC in Northland today!

From DXLD Group

WRTH 2012 will be available from early December.

The WRTH Bargraph CD will also be available at the same time.

SWLog and SDR Console integrated schedules will be available shortly after publication.



BROADCAST NEWS

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Broadcast News from Around the World

AUSTRALIA 4AY 873 now relays KIK FM 88.7 Atherton/Mareeba. Power is back on 500 watts and AI offers a nice QSL for it and 4AM. (AI Kirton, ARDXC via IRCA)

ARGENTINA Current list of expanded band stations

- 1610 a [SL] Radio Guabiyú
- 1610 a [SL] Radio Luz Del Mundo
- 1610 a [SL] Radio Buenas Nuevas
- 1610 c [SL] Radio Maranata
- 1610 b [SL] Radio Fósil
- 1620 a [SL] Radio Sentir
- 1620 a [SL] Radio Vida ("Red de Vida")
- 1620 a [SL] Radio Italia
- 1620 a (A) Radio AM 1620
- 1630 a [SL] AM Restauración
- 1630 a [SL] Radio Super Sport
- 1630 c (A) [FP]
- 1640 b [SL] Radio Nueva Bolivia
- 1640 a [SL] Hosanna AM 1640
- 1640 a [SL] Radio Bonaerges
- 1650 a [SL] AM Fénix
- 1650 a LRI-227 Antares AM 1650
- 1660 a [SL] AM Revivir
- 1670 a [SL] Radio Bethel
- 1680 a [SL] Radio Hosanna Tropical
- 1690 a [SL] Radio Cristo La Solución
- 1700 a (A) AM 1700 (Fantástico)
- 1710 a [SL] AM 1710 Urquiza

[FP] Futuro Plan (Adjudicación)

[a] Emisora con emisiones regulares

[b] Emisora con emisiones irregulares o activa de forma esporádica

[c] Emisora reportada inactiva

(A) Emisora autorizada aún sin señal distintiva

[SL] Emisora Sin Licencia legalmente adjudicada

(Arnaldo Slaen condiglist yg via DXLD via IRCA)

CANADA

- 690 Application for Montreal QC All Traffic format in French by Cogeco-Transport Quebec, plus English language operation proposed for 940 temporarily withdrawn due to opposition from the public and interventions filed by several broadcasters citing that the frequencies could be put to better use. As a result the CRTC has now issued a "calls for applications" for both frequencies inviting other interested parties to submit applications.
- 1010 CBR Calgary AB granted approval to relocate transmitter site
- 1610 CHHA Toronto ON has approval to decrease daytime power from 10,000 watts to 6,250 watts and increase night power from 1,000 watts to 6,250 watts (contour pattern will change from non-directional to directional)
- 1610 New station proposed for Montreal QC with 1kw day & night, South Asian format, slogan Radio Humsafar. This is a back-up application if their application for 1400 fails.
- 1610 Another applicant in Montreal QC for 1kw fulltime is Spanish language La Mega Radio. (All above items from Dan Sys via IRCA)
- 730 CKAC Montreal QC on 6 September format changed from sports talk to all traffic "Circulation 730". This format (partially subsidized by the Quebec Ministry of Transport) was originally planned for 690, unused in Montreal since the demise of CINF. May be coming soon in English on 940 (ex CBM/CINW). (Mike Brooker)
- 1140 CBI Sydney NS – the CBC has put planned move to 94.1 FM on the back burner (if not cancelled altogether). For now, CBI remains on 1140 with U2 10kw day & night.
- 1310 CHLW St. Paul AB deadline to move to 97.7 MHz has been extended to April 21, 2012.
- 1370 CFOK Westlock AB will close in 90 days now their new FM 97.9 as CKWB is operational. (Above 4 items from NRC)

PERU Radio Kalikanto is the new name of Radio Onda Cero on 1640 (David Torres Boza via H Mattisson, ARC via IRCA)

1470 in Lima was occupied by Radio CPN but according to Italian DXers Roberto Pavanello and Dario Monferini who tried to visit the station in early September, the frequency now carries Amor FM with a 'romantic music' format. (Playdx yg via Glenn Hauser's DXLD)

USA On 31 August I heard a new radio network – Yahoo! Sports Radio on 1560. This turned out to be from a new station for me - KGOW Houston Texas, which turns out to be headquarters for the network. Wikipedia confirms this is the new name for 'Sporting News Radio' effective 1 August 2011. According to yahoosportsradio.com, this sports talk network is also carried on the following stations which may be audible in NZ: WIBW Topeka 580, KPUA Hilo Hawaii 670, WSCR Chicago 670, WQXI Atlanta 790, KSAL Salina KS 1150, KTCK Dallas 1310, WRDW Augusta GA 1630 and KRZI Waco TX 1660. **(Bryan Clark)**

Mark Heller at WGBW in Denmark Wisconsin on 1590 advised in late August that their 10 kilowatt facility is finished, and waiting for FCC's 'license to cover'. The station anticipates doing tests, after local midnight, within a few weeks. (Odd-Jorgen Sagdahl via Real DX Yahoo Group)

USA UPDATES from IRCA's "DX Monitor" magazine.

- 730 KINF Boise ID was Silent, returns with News-Talk format "News Radio AM 730".
- 790 WAXY South Miami FL has license for 5kw day & night DA-2.
- 840 KMPH Modesto CA previously Silent, back on air with Spanish Religion "Radio Cristiana".
- 860 KTRB San Francisco is the Bay Area's first 24/7 Spanish-language sports radio station. The newest affiliate of ESPN Deportes, KTRB switched on at 3 p.m. on June 23 and hopes to become the local radio destination of the Spanish-speaking sports crowd.
- 950 KNJY Boise ID has new call KMHR.
- 1020 KOAN Eagle River AK licenced for 10kw day & night, DA-N.
- 1130 KFAN Minneapolis MN drops Sports format for News Talk "Twin Cities News-Talk" and new callsign KTCN. This is a format swap with 100.3 FM.
- 1210 KQEQ Fowler CA was Ethnic now Spanish Contemporary Christian "Radio Amistad Cristiana".
- 1240 KRJY Sacramento CA callsign changed to KCVV.
- 1270 WXYT Detroit MI will change from Sports format to Talk "Talk Radio 1270" in September.
- 1280 WTMY Sarasota FL has replaced Talk format with Fox Sports "Sports Fanatic".
- 1380 KRKO Everett WA minor change in CP granted – 50kw fulltime, DA-N at new site.
- 1480 KNIT Dallas TX with Spanish Religious format reported Silent.
- 1550 KRPI Ferndale WA application to raise night power from 10 to 50 Kw dismissed.
- 1550 KFRC San Francisco CA has callsign change to KZDG and format change from Oldies to Indian "Radio Zindagi".
- 1560 WQEW New York NY licence modified to 50 kw day & night, DA-2.
- 1590 KTLI Tillamook OR Minor change granted for 5kw day, 1kw night DA-N from new site.

MORE USA UPDATES, courtesy National Radio Club "DC News".

- 580 KMJ Fresno CA – Licensed for U3 50kw day & night, is operating under an STA with U1 5kw/5kw from their auxiliary site at Kerman, California. The anticipated date to return to licensed operation is 15 October.
- 670 WSCR Chicago IL verified after 7 attempts with full data email from Ashley Fields, Marketing & Promotions Manager. ashley.fields@cbsradio.com (Mauricio Molano)
- 860 KTRB San Francisco CA licensed for U4 50kw/50kw from 2 transmitter/antenna sites, currently operating under an STA with U1 50kw/12.5kw from

their day site as it was determined that their night transmitter has been damaged due to the generators (no power grid serves the site) not being able to provide stable, reliable power. Their normal night pattern is directed to the west, so this may open up DX possibilities to the north, east and south. This mode of operation may be in use for several months.

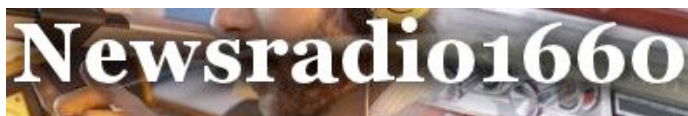
- 1060 WLNO New Orleans LA – Licensed for U4 50kw day, 5kw nights, is operating under an STA with U4 5kw/5kw due to problems sustained to their transmitter building. The day pattern remains as it was, only smaller.
- 1180 KORL Honolulu HI will not be moving to 1170. Stays here with U1 1kw/1kw.
- 1340 Application for new station at Honaunau HI has been dismissed.
- 1360 WMOB Mobile AL – has applied for U4 9kw day, 200 watts night.
- 1360 Application for Tyonek AK with U1 10kw/10kw amended to U1 20kw/20kw.
- 1380 KRKO Everett WA – Licensed for U2 5kw day & night, has a construction permit for U2 34kw/50kw from a new 4-tower site. They have now been granted go-ahead for 50kw day & night at that new site. Using a four towers both day and night, the patterns are large (almost) circles directed to the northwest.
- 1410 KCAL Grand Terrace CA – CP granted to move here (ex: Redlands) with U4 3kw days, 2.2kw nights, moving to the antenna site of KKDD 1290 San Bernardino. The night pattern is a slender plot to the southwest with small ‘blips’ to the northwest, northeast and southeast.
- 1550 KRPI Ferndale WA increase in night power refused – stays U4 50kw/10kw.
- 1560 Application for Superior WI with U4 5kw days, 4kw nights.
- 1650 KCNZ Cedar Falls IA verified after 5 attempts with full data email from Jesse Gavin, News/Sports Director. jesse@1650thefan.com (Mauricio Molano)

DX TRAIL –

stations heard in Mangawhai Northland by Bryan Clark using AOR7030+ and EWE antennas to North, Central & South America.

- 640 USA KFI Los Angeles CA regular, carrying Coast to Coast AM 0556 22/8, adverts from 0558 then ident, good & clear.
- 650 USA UNID on talkback format surfacing occasionally 0711 on 31/8 but Hawaiian usually dominates.
- 670 CUBA Radio Rebelde all alone here 0534 19/8 w/ soft SS vocals // 5025 SW.
- 750 USA WSB Atlanta GA with ident 0606 25/8 as “AM 7-50 and now 96.5 FM, Newstalk WSB”.
- 850 USA KOA Denver CO all alone 0607 25/8 with “This is the Jon Caldara Show on Newstalk 8-50 KOA”.
- 890 USA WLS Chicago breaking out from Coast to Coast AM with George Noory at 0629 18/8, then ident. Difficult with mix of stations.
- 920 MEXICO XELE tentatively the regular SS station with Mexican anthem followed by callsign ident 0501 26/8.
- 940 USA KYNO Fresno CA with Mark Jermaine on Redeye Radio and ident for “the new 9-40, Live Talk Radio”. Best over SS and Hawaiian stations.
- 960 USA KKNT Phoenix AZ with talk format 0555 11/8. News on the hour, then

- commercials & idents. Over Cuban Radio Reloj.
- 970 USA KHTY Bakersfield CA with Fox Sports radio network promo 0629 20/8. Later had Bakersfield sports promo and ident as "Fox Sports 9-70". Format change for this station.
- 1020 USA KCKN Roswell NM with Brother Stair 'The Overcomer' 0636 on 22/8.
- 1040 USA WHO Des Moines IA ident 0636 as "Radio Des Moines, Newsradio 10-40 WHO". Then 'Coast to Coast AM' loud and clear 22/8.
- 1130 UNID LATIN on measured 1129.94 at 0531 26/8 possibly a Peruvian as mentioned Arequipa.
- 1170 COLOMBIA HJNW Cartagena with references to 'Caracol Radio' 0617 20/8.
- 1190 MEXICO XEWK Guadalajara with SS talk 0555 16/8 fair, steady. Idents as "La W" and "W Radio" at 0559 then fanfare & news.
- 1200 UNID LATIN on 1200.16 at 0613 28/8 hetting WOAI Texas.
- 1310 COLOMBIA HJAK Barranquilla with SS religious format 0620 20/8 on measured 1309.68.
- 1330 USA KJLL South Tucson AZ with talk format 0557 18/8 mixing SS "K Buena" format. KJLL ident 0605 after news.
- 1360 PERU Nueva Q, Lima all alone 0524 with non-stop Latin cumbia dance rhythms, short quickidents over the music 21/8.
- 1400 UNIDENTIFIED LATIN with Catholic Mass in SS 0510 5/9 mixed with Callao Super Radio in Peru on soft SS pops. Followed till 0554 with choral & classical music interludes.
- 1410 CANADA CFUN Vancouver BC with ESPN Radio promos, news of Canadian sporting events and local Vancouver commercials, over Mexican 0544 10/8.
- 1510 USA WLAC Nashville TN with Fox News Radio promo 0505 25/8 and ident as "Newsradio 15-10, WLAC". Coast to Coast AM from 0506.
- 1550 UNID (presumably a Latin) on measured 1549.94 at 0545 22/8 and other days putting tell-tale het rumble on 1550.
- 1560 USA KGOW Bellaire TX with Yahoo! Sports Radio promo 0509 and phone number 1-877-2907 which fits with this station 31/8. First time heard here.
- 1580 USA KMIK Tempe AZ the earliest fade in 0444 2/9 with Radio Disney format.
- 1610 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon best early fade in 0457 16/8 with Melissa Scott preaching.
- 1640 USA KDIA Vallejo CA consistently good nights – ident 0810 7/9 as "You're listening to the Light in the Night, great Gospel music all night long, at the Light at the Top of Your Dial, 16-40 KDIA".
- 1660 USA WCNZ Marco Island FL with ident 0600 3/8 as "The Avenue, WMYR... and WCNZ Marco Island... serving southwest Florida", jazz easy listening format, over KXOL in SS identifying as "La Favorita".



ADCOM NEWS

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2011 The DX League's 63rd AGM will be held on Sunday 30th October, at the Western Suburbs Radio Clubrooms, 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, Auckland, commencing at 2.00pm. We hope that as many members as possible can make the trip to New Lynn for the League's primary business meeting of the year – I look forward to meeting you there!

ARE YOU BEING SERVED? In recent months the Administration Committee has been considering options to promote the DX hobby and recruit new members. Any member with ideas on how this might be achieved, or indeed how the DX League might better serve the membership, is most welcome to write to me at PO Box 178, Mangawhai 0540 or email to president@radiodx.com

BEST WISHES to our worthy Patron **FRANK GLEN** who will be launching his latest book '*Australians At War in New Zealand*' at the Australian Chief of Army's Annual Military History Conference on 30th September in Canberra. The book will be launched by the NZ High Commissioner His Excellency Major General Martyn Dunn, CNZM.

TAKING THE DX INITIATIVE Way back in 1959 **TONY KING** heard a test transmission from Radio Juliaca, Juliaca Peru on 5015, reported it and Keith Glover subsequently highlighted the arrival of this new station in his Mailbag programme on Radio Australia. This was the era of the reel to reel recorder and Tony taped the test. The test included the address of the station so he sent off a report. He never heard from the station, but had the tape translated by a DX friend in Chile. In an idle hour last month Tony took to Google, typed in Radio Juliaca, and found their site...to discover on their history page that they opened in 1959... and their 52nd birthday was coming up very shortly. Tony sent Radio Juliaca a 2 minute soundbyte of that 1959 transmission with its station calls and address and the uncharacteristic music that was played, including "Tavern in the Town" and the "Can Can Polka". (it would be amazing to get a QSL response after 59 years Tony! Members can check out the old recording for themselves in the Files section in the League's Yahoo Newsgroup dxdialog.

REMEMBERING GREENVILLE A fascinating video about the last Voice of America transmitter still operational from the continental United States is now available for viewing on-line. The video not only details the services provided by this VOA transmitter site but also pays respect to the work of the 16 engineers at the Greenville, North Carolina facility that keep the 60 year old shortwave technology operational and on-the air. You can see the University of North Carolina produced video on line at www.tinyurl.com/voausanc (WIA News broadcast 11 Sept 2011 via **RAY CRAWFORD**)

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2011

The Meeting will be held on Sunday October 30 at 2pm at the Western Suburbs Radio Clubrooms, 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, Auckland. (see Adcom pages and page for more information)

AUCKLAND BRANCH

The August branch meeting was attended by Bill Rawlinson, Barry Williams, Bryan Marsh and Mike Butler. Bryan brought one of the very early communications receiver, an RME 70, an 11 valve set manufactured in the USA by a company called Radio Manufacturing Engineering in 1936. Costing \$US138.60 then, it was one of the most expensive sets of its type. The average was about \$US118.00 at the time. It was also one of the heaviest, having a cast iron chassis, requiring a struggling Bryan and Barry to carry it to and from the car! However it rewarded us by bringing in Radio Romania International at crackling good strength during the meeting. Mike, in contrast, brought a very light little crystal set that he had made during the week and fed its output into a small amplifier so all could hear it. The set picked up 9 local AM stations clearly - all without interfering with one another. This was made possible as he had tapped the tuning coil only one-sixth from the 'earth' end, to connect the diode (crystal!) to, so as to not load the main part of the coil.

There is no meeting in September.

Please keep **Sunday October 30** free to attend the **League AGM at 2pm** on that day. Our President Bryan will be there and all who have been members continuously for 3 years can vote.

As usual the venue is, the Western Suburbs Amateur Radio Clubrooms 3000 Great North Rd., New Lynn. (good sign outside.) Contact Barry 817-4437 (09) if outside of Auckland.

WELLINGTON AREA BRANCH

Our September coffee break is 12.45pm Wednesday September 28 at Beach Babylon, Oriental Bay...good food, good music, good coffee and, as always, good gossip. Celebrate Spring in the sun, so bring along your sunnies. All welcome!

To be added to the Wellington newsletter mailing list simply email Dave at info@radioheritage.net.

CHRISTCHURCH AREA BRANCH.

Five members with two apologies attended at Doug Johns almost unscathed home in Harewood Christchurch on 21 August. David Ricquish was down from Wellington and he joined us. There were some FM verifications to examine, reports on what was being heard, and some mutual expressions of sorrow. This arose from the facts

that two members had lost radios in the quakes and decisions had to be made on replacement. All acknowledged that this was our first meeting for 2011 because of the earthquakes but confirmed we must continue with meetings. A suggested we meet at a coffee shop was mooted but members felt the home group to be more satisfactory and it suited Canterberians. It was a healthy meeting with good discussion with some hope for the future.

Next meeting. Sunday 4 December 2011 at Doug Johns simply because his house at the moment is undamaged and he has kindly invited us. He is at 20 Colesbury Street, Harewood. Doug Johns 03 359 2972.

DUNEDIN BRANCH

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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 "DX History/People," we have posted another group of "Shortwave Profiles" from "DXing Horizons." This group includes John and Marjorie Gibson, Al Niblack, Sidney Pearce, Sam Rowell, Ab Saylor, and Paul Silver. -- And under "Specialized Resources," "Wavescan," you will find two new entries from Adrian Peterson (July 31, 2011): "Canada on Shortwave: VOA and RCI Relays," and "Australian States on Shortwave: 4 - Queensland."

As more and more stations reduce or cancel their shortwave activity in favor of other media platforms, it is worth remembering how much hope shortwave engendered in its early days. During the months of April through July, 1935, Charles A. Morrison, President of the International DXers Alliance, an international DX club, wrote a four-part series in Radio News called "The Future of International Short-Wave Reception." Morrison felt the world was on the verge of a "new international unity," thanks largely to shortwave. In addition to his prognostications about the future of shortwave, he gave a nice review of the DX scene--stations and equipment--of the day. We have posted the four Morrison articles in one file under "DX History/General Radio History." -- And under "Specialized Resources" there are three new "Wavescan" stories from Adrian Peterson: from August 7, 2011, "Early Shortwave in Pakistan: Lahore" and "Radio Panorama RP12: Early Speech Transmissions"; and from August 14, 2011, "VOA Shipboard Radio Stations-Ship No. 1: The Story of the USS Texas"

Many radio clubs have issued seals or stickers from time to time for use on reception reports or members' correspondence. We have a few in a new file under "DX History//

Philately." Included are seals or stickers from: (1) Canadian DX Relay, an early Canadian broadcast band club; (2) the International Short Wave Club; (3) an early sticker from the Newark News Radio Club which displays an inset for the "Newark News DX Club," the club's original name; (4) the traditional NNRC seal (in both red-black-gold and green-black-gold); (5) the National Radio Club; (6) the Radio League of America, a Gernsback-sponsored amateur radio organization formed in 1915; (7) the otherwise-unknown Round the World DX Club; and (8) the Radio Signal Survey League (RSSL), a group formed in 1937 by All-Wave Radio magazine. -- And under "Specialized Resources," you will find a new "Wavescan" entry from Adrian M. Peterson. Dated August 21, 2011, it is "A New Radio Country: South Sudan, Pt. 1, and BFBS and AFRS in Sudan."

Under "DX History/Philately," we have added a new file with Voice of America items. The first five in the file are first day covers bearing the VOA five-cent stamp that was issued in 1967 to commemorate the station's 25th anniversary. We have not posted these particular FDC's before.

The sixth is an Art Craft FDC that we have posted previously, but this one also carries a ten-cent Cadillac "local post" VOA stamp. You can also see the Cadillac stamp without cancellation. Then there is a post office advisory to the effect that the VOA stamp was not to be sold before August 2, 1967. And finally there is a VOA Chinese-language Cinderella, provenance unknown, which I have been told says, "Voice of America Thank You Certificate. VOA--The Program that Takes American News Around the World." -- And under "Specialized Resources," this new "Wavescan" entry from Adrian Peterson (August 28, 2011): "VOA Shipboard Relay Stations-Ship No. 2: The Story of the Historic KSL Transmitter in Salt Lake City."

CORRECTION

Correction to the photo published in the July DXT page 44 was incorrectly titled North Otago Branch member Peter Grenfell at the controls. when it should read Peter Grenfell's brother Geoff Grenfell at the controls.(Thanks to the eagle eyed Southerners who spotted the error)



Peter Grenfell's brother
Geoff Grenfell at the
controls of the Tairaroa
Head Signal Station

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	A/NZ	Pac	NAm	CAm	SAm	Eur	Af	Asia	Cnt	Jun	Sep	Inc
MEDIUMWAVE												
OPEN (Over 500)												
Ray Crawford	881	127	414	86	111	132	46	569	189	2366	2366	0
Douglas Johns										1094	1094	0
Sutton Burtenshaw	436	64	335	43	39	47	3	121	107	1088	1088	0
Craig Edwards									101	892		
David Ricquish	501	93	195	22	6	8	0	46	67	871		0
Stuart Forsyth	473	26	96	13	21	87	1	23	59	737	739	2
Bryan Clark									120	680		0
Mark Nicholls	291	57	229	27	9	10	0	22	67	645	645	0
John Campbell									129	642		0
Paul Aronsen									50	531	531	0
SENIOR (301 - 500)												
Peter Grenfell									41	457	457	0
Gordon Mathieson	361	31	35	2	0	0	0	2	18	431		
Günter Jacob	0	0	7	0	0	342	9	11	58	369		0
Frank Glen									24	323		0
JUNIOR (5 - 150)												
Arthur De Maine									12	60		0
FM-TELEVISION												
Douglas Johns										779	779	0
Bryan Clark									5	150		0
Craig Edwards									1	120		
Gordon Mathieson	94	1							3	95		0
Mark Nicholls	44								2	44		0
SHORTWAVE												
OPEN (Over 500)												
Ian Cattermole	270	464	588	331	389*	3165	413	1526	208	7069	7145	76
Ron Killick									237	6262	6262	0
Günter Jacob	280	293	338	163	193*	1689	460	1285	175	4701		0
Douglas Johns										3147	3147	0
Ray Crawford	177	111	186	120	274*	929	281	565	233	2645	2645	0
John Durham	113	89	213	112	143*	931	243	515	265	2359		0
John Campbell									262	1708		
Bryan Clark									245	1582		0
Craig Edwards									188	978		
Paul Aronsen									125	806		0
Peter Grenfell									141	777		0
SENIOR (301 - 500)												
Stuart Forsyth	40	17	14	16	29*	202	48	114	106	473	480	7
INTERMEDIATE (151 - 300)												
Arthur de Maine									94	276		0
JUNIOR (5 - 150)												
Mark Nicholls	33	8	11	5	6	33	4	11	56	130	130	0
Frank Glen									71	97		0
UTILITIES												
Ron Killick									133	61957		0
Douglas Johns										35857		0
Günter Jacob									13	17		0

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6 ST. KEVIN'S ARCADE,

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AUCKLAND, C.2.

18th January, 1937.

Mrs. S. Warren.
Totoro Rd.,
Aria.

Dear Madam,

We are in receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, and as one of the new valves we forwarded to you is defective, we are this day sending you two more valves, so that you can rectify the trouble in your set. We regret that you have been inconvenienced, and Mr. Sheffield will be down in the Waikato in the first week in February, and will call on you to see that everything is in order.

Our agent in Tekuiti, ^{is} Mr. L. Harold, Rora Street.

Yours faithfully,

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Per. *D.H. Davey*

D.H. DAVEY
KONAKI MUSEUM
16 VIEW ROAD
TE KUITI

Des Davey, Te Kuiti forwards the above letter with comments "While having a tidy up in my radio shack, I found this very old letter dated 18/1/37. The letter was written to a Mrs S. Warren, Totoro Road, Aria, in the north King Country. The letter was given to me by Mrs Warren's nephew, along with an old Sheffield radio, in 1991 for my collection of vintage and veteran radios."

Des also adds- "Funny how it works out the letter being dated- 18/1/37. I was born on the 18th of February 1937 so this radio was 75 years old, same as yours truly."

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NEW ZEALAND RADIO DX LEAGUE

NOTICE OF PROXY FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



I, (name).....

in my capacity as a financial member continuously for at least the last three years, a resident of New Zealand, and being unable to attend the above Meeting to be held in Auckland on Sunday 30 October 2011, hereby nominate: (insert 'Chairman of the Meeting' or the name or named position of a member who will attend the meeting.)

.....
to be my proxy at the above meeting, and to vote on my behalf. I direct my proxy to vote in the following manner. (If you do not indicate below, the proxy will vote or abstain from voting as they think fit.)

(Place a tick after selected word)

- To re-elect Frank Glen as Patron For Against
- To re-elect Bryan Clark as National President For Against
- To re-elect David Norrie as National Vice President For Against
- To re-elect Mike Butler as National Secretary For Against
- To re-elect Phil van de Paverd as National Treasurer For Against
- To re-elect Mark Nicholls as Chief Editor For Against
- To re-elect Paul Ormandy as Public Relations/Publicity Officer For Against
- To re-elect Arthur De Maine as Competitions Secretary For Against

To elect.....as..... For Against

To elect.....as..... For Against

To elect.....as..... For Against

Remits - as at closing date, no remits were received.

Signed:----- Dated:-----/-----/2011

Important Notes: To be valid, a proxy form must be signed, dated, and posted to Mike Butler, National Secretary, NZ Radio DX League, 4 Taha Road, Te Atatu South, Auckland 0610 to reach him no later than 7 October. It is recommended that proxy forms be posted no later than Tuesday 4 October 2011.