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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. Would you please try not repeat loggings in adjacent months.

Please get a clear ID or show as tentative.

FREQ UTC Country, Station name, ID, Signal, Comments

3310	0914	BOLIVIA R. Mosoj Chaski weak but reasonable audio, excitable female talk. 18/2 MWS
3905	1105	PNG, R. New Ireland (tent), poor in Tok Pisin, JW 22/2
3905	1105	PNG, R. New Ireland (tent), poor in Pidgin, 22/2 JW
3975	0658	VATICAN, Radio Vaticana, strong and steady with Latin Mass 24/2 MWS
3985	0656	GERMANY Radio 700 via Kall 1kw, peaking at fair strength on SE EWE (poor on other antennas) with news report in GG, greetings, jingle ident, rock oldies. Fading out by 0730 4/2. BCM
3995	0657	GERMANY HCJB via Weenermoor 1.5kw at fair level 4/2 in EE with Winnipeg mailing address, soft gospel songs, into GG from 0700. BCM
4747	0945	PERU R.Huanta 2000, solid signal, rapid male/female speech SS 18/2 MWS
4775	0947	PERU R. Tarma, fair signal, traditional Andean flutes 18/2 MWS
4810	0957	PERU Radio Logos, Chazuta regular again at good level 22/2 on LSB to avoid annoying ute tx. Pleasant folk songs and brief anncts, probably in local dialect. BCM
4826	0949	PERU Tent. R. Sicuani, very weak but animated male SS 18/2 MWS
4870	0952	INDONESIA RRI Wamena, fair signal, soft ballads. 18/2 MWS
4955	0955	PERU Presume R Cultural Amauta, Huanta, similar strength to Huanta 2000, Trad.strings and flutes, Indian vocals. 18/2 MWS
4985	0958	BRAZIL Presume R Brasil Central, strong signal but bad audio, echo effect overdone! 18/2 MWS
5039.2	1010	PERU Radio Libertad de Junin, good strength 19/2 w/SS station anncts over trumpet cal, time check for "5,11 minutos". BCM
5765U	0858	GUAM, AFN fair in English with OM speaking with US accent, a little scratchy – CC 19/2
5885	1231	TAJKISTAN V of Russia 1231 13/1, fair, in English. – JW 13/1
5885	1600	TAJKISTAN. VOR via Dushanbe. Poor in English. 6/2. IC
5970	0845	F.GUIANA, NHK, Good in Japanese, om/yl, some JJ mx – KB 2/2
5975	1700	OMAN. BBC via A'Seela. Poor in English. 26/2. IC
5975	1715	SRI LANKA, BBC, Fair in English comment on UK/Eur football – KB 23/2
5985.8	1530	Myanmar. Myanmar Radio. Poor in English. 17/2. IC
6005	0624	ASCENSION ISL. BBC, Fair in English, Jim Knox i/v yl class violinist – KB 17/2

- 6030 1940 GERMANY. Eternal Good News Radio via Nauen. Good in English. 16/2. IC
6055 0845 JAPAN, R.Nikkei-1, Good in Japanese, discussion, 0900 TS, rock mx – KB 3/2
6070 0608 CANADA CFRX Toronto fair in the clear 4/2 with ident "This is
Newstalk 10-10" then Jim Richards talkshow featuring racial
harassment of 87 year old in Toronto. Freq measured at 6069.97. BCM
6080 0839 BRAZIL, R.Marumby, Fair in Portuguese, mx, 0845 ID jingle, 0900
QRM – KB 11/2
6080 07814 BRAZIL R Marumby 0814-0900 4/2, poor, in Portugese. Signal
overridden by R Australia at 0900. – JW 4/2
6090v 0615 NIGERIA Radio Nigeria, Kaduna putting a bad heterodyne whine onto
Anguilla 6090 on 28/1. Spoken prgm in Swahili, poor reception. BCM
6105 1411 TAJIKISTAN, VOA good in Chinese with discussion // 9390 the same – CC 14/2
6120 0834 BRAZIL, Super R.Deus é Amor, Sao Paulo, Fair in Portuguese relg
prgm – KB 9/2
6125 0610 CUBA, R Havana fair in English with news followed by ID 0615.
Scratchy and surging – CC 9/2
6130 0900 F.GUIANA, NHK, Good in Portuguese, nx, JJ contemp singer – KB 2/2
6135 0940 BOLIVIA R Santa Cruz 0940-1035 5/2, fair, fading to poor by 1035, in
Quechua I think but possibly Spanish. Mainly music.- JW
6135 2000 U.K. VOVietnam via Woofferton. Weak in Russian. 3/2. IC
6135.1 0931 BRAZIL Radio Aparecida weak in PP 22/2, only identified via parallels
5035 fair and 9629.96 good. BCM
6155 0828 STH KOREA, KBS fair in Spanish with talk, a little scratchy – CC 6/2
6155 1935 BELARUS. (Tent) Radio Belarus presumed. weak in German. 3/2. IC
6165 0639 CUBA, RHC, Fair in English, cultural prgm, then Arnie Coro – KB 10/2
6180 0730 BRAZIL, RN da Amazonia, fair fading to poor in Portugese 8/2 JW
6180 0730 BRAZIL, RN da Amazonia, fair fading to poor in Portuguese- JW 8/2
6180 0843 BRAZIL, R Nac Amazon fair in Portuguese with male vocalist, surging
// 11780 weaker – CC 6/2
6180 0856 BRAZIL, R.Nac de Amazonia, Good in Portuguese & brief mx – KB 9/2
6195 0930 USA, NHK, Good in Spanish, s/on, nx, JJ singer //9795 (Guf) Fair – KB 2/2
6260 1732 UZBEKISTAN, CVC Asia, Poor/Fair in Hindi, phone-in, comment, mx – KB 23/2
6400 0849 N.KOREA, PBS, Good in pres. Korean, drama & mx – KB 9/2
7120 0526 SOMALIA Radio Hargeisa now signing off 0530 after AA anncts &
anthem (same hrd at 1900 s/off) fair 19/2. Audible signing on at 0330
but very weak. BCM
7195 0611 ERITREA VOBME Asmara (pres) though jamming which ceased at 0612
and moved to obliterate 7175. 7195 remained clear past 0623
w/vernacular talk, HOA vocals. BCM
7225 0658 AUSTRIA TWR Europe 0658-0700 (end of tx) 21/1 good, in Polish. - JW
7250 1930 BANGLADESH, Bangla Betar fair in English with comment and piano
music – KAB 18/2
7255 0735 NIGERIA Voice of Nigeria in Swahili, fair 15/2. Drumming interval
signal from 0758 then off and transmission resumed on 9689.9,
good strength. BCM
7260 1355 RUSSIA, V of Russia fair in English with talk steady QRM.
Announcements & ID 1359 – CC 14/2

7310 0650 ROMANIA R Romania Intl 0650-0656 (end of tx) 21/1, good, in English. - JW
7325 1846 CHINA, CRI very good in Farsi with comment music followed by Chinese Lesson // 7340 good. Both off at 1858 – KAB 15/2
7350 1858 CHINA, CRI good in French with discussion and music – KAB 15/2
7365 1800 GERMANY. Eternal Good News Radiovia Nauen. VG in English. Sats. Only. 16/2. IC
7365 1910 GERMANY, Bible Voice good with news in English followed by YL, OM discussion – KAB 15/2
7385 1929 ALBANIA, CRI fair in French with Chinese music and comment – KAB 18/2
7400 0809 AUSTRIA TWR Europe 0809 21/1 good, in English. "TWR UK" id heard.- JW
7400 0820 AUSTRIA, TWR fair in English with relig message, a little scratchy – CC 6/2
7415 2000 CHINA. CRI. Good in English. 4/2. IC
7440 1923 CHINA, CRI fair in presumed Romanian with comment and music – KAB 18/27250
7506.4 0354 USA WRNO New Orleans w/religious teaching 15/2; ident 0404 then Deutsche Welle news bulletin. Request for donations to enable WRNO continue broadcasting. Another DW bulletin at 0455 and closed 0501. BCM
7520 1927 THAILAND, R Farda poor in Farsi with music and comment – KAB 18/2
7550 2030 INDIA. AIR. Weak in Hindi. English from 2045. 4/2. IC
7560 2045 KUWAIT. VOA. Fair in English. 22/2. IC

OVERSEAS LOGGINGS.

All may not be audible in NZ at the times listed

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
FREQ	UTC	Country, Station, Programme & Reception Details
5035	0054	BRAZIL. Radio Aparecida, 0054-0122 Jan 17, seemingly the one with a man announcer with Portuguese talk hosting light music
5945	0032	USA. Family Radio – Okeechobee, FL, 0032-0049 Jan 28, noted Family Radio theme music followed by man announcer with Spanish religious talk. Apparent new frequency replacing unheard 5885. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
6005	0558	ASCENSION ISLANDS. BBC World Service, 0558-0611 Jan 27, end of hour program block followed by time pips at 0600 followed by ID and news in English read by a male announcer. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
6055	2051	RWANDA. Radio Rwanda (presumed), 2051-2059* Jan 26, woman announcer with French language talk hosting music program which continued until carrier terminated. Poor. (D'Angelo-PA)
6100	2150	BOSNIA. International Radio of Serbia – Bijeljina, 2150-2211 Jan 14, local music followed by IS at 2156. At 2200 opening of English program with ID and news. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
6190	0122	BOSNIA. International Radio of Serbia – Bijeljina, 0122-0206 Jan 17, tail end of Serbian language program with music and talk. IS at 0129 followed by woman announcer with ID and news in English. Music from 0145 until close at 015. After IS the Serbian language program opened at 0200. Fair to good. (D'Angelo-PA)
6924.6		AM PIRATE (No. Am.). WFMT – Family Radio, 2210-2340* Jan 26, "live"

rock album with IDs between each song with a man giving the call letters and a woman saying: "This is Sonja Norwood and you are listening to Family Radio". Later some family talks by Norwood, many IDs but no address for reception reports noted. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)

- 6925 2351 AM PIRATE (No. Am.). Captain Morgan Shortwave, 2351-0014* Jan 27, rock music with frequent IDs by a man and a woman. Closed with Twilight Zone and Alfred Hitchcock theme music. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7315 0358 CLANDESTINE (Sudan). Radio Tamazuj via Santa Maria di Galeria, *0358-0427* Feb 2, man and woman announcers with opening ID and announcements followed by news in Arabic. Numerous IDs during program with some English with speech about South Sudan and education efforts which were translated into Arabic. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7315 0427 CLANDESTINE (Sudan). Radio Dabanga via Santa Maria di Galeria, *0427-0530* Feb 2, numerous opening Arabic language IDs followed by song mentioning Radio Dabanga several times. Program mainly of news and long talks, interviews, etc. Shortly after 0527 ID a talk commenced which was cut at 0530 ending broadcast. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7345 2202 TUNESIA. Radio Tunisienne – Sfax, 2202-2206* Jan 14, man announcer with news in Arabic language until carrier cut at 2206. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7506.4 0403 USA. WRNO Worldwide, 0403-0422 Feb 2, woman announcer in English with Deutsche Welle news until 0408 ID and request from listener's for money to support the station. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)

French Creek State Park DXpedition No. 42 (February 10, 11 and 12, 2013)

Equipment: Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R-8B and an Eton E1, 500-foot wire essentially north for the RX-340 and 250-foot wire essentially northeast for the R-8B and a whip antenna for the E1.

This was a difficult season for DXpeditions. First, Hurricane Sandy disrupted my life making getting away impossible. Then French Creek was continuing its modernization program which forced us to Gifford Pinchot last February. Only three of the cabins were available for a DXpedition. Our usual favorite, Cabin #10, was unavailable so Cabin #3 was used to host our outing. We started off without any water to the cabin but that was soon fixed and listening sessions started. For the most part conditions were pretty good although some days certain parts of the world got a real edge in listening excitement. I was happy to add Radio Logos (4818 kHz) and Radio Ondas del Sur Orients (4835 kHz) to the log.

Logs

2325 AUSTRALIA. VL8T Tennant Creek, 1217-1226 Feb 11, pop music program hosted by a female announcer with "ABC Radio" ID. //2485 (Katherine). Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

2485 AUSTRALIA. VL8K Katherine, 1125-1142 Feb 11, only one of these stations noted with man and woman hosting music program. ABC News at 1130. Poor to fair but returned later at fair level while //2485. ID. //2325 (Tennant Creek). (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

2850 KOREA (North). Korean Central Broadcasting Station – Pyongyang, 1040-1143 Feb 11, noted in passing several times with Korean language talks and very little of anything else. Did catch group singing at 1140 but mainly long, long talks. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

3240 SWAZILAND. Trans World Radio – Mpangela Ranch, 0326-0340* Feb 11, man announcer talking in listed Ndau language, choir vocals before another man gave station ID followed by IS. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

3310 BOLIVIA. Radio Mosoj Chaski – Cochabamba, 2320-2337 Feb 11, program of rustic vocals hosted by a woman announcer with talks in Indian language. ID and several announcements followed by more rustic music at 2334. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

3925 JAPAN. Radio Nikkei, 1038-1112 Feb 11, man announcer with talk in Japanese language, female vocals followed by more talk. ID at 1100. Fair with some amateur radio operators QRM. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4220 CHINA. Qinghai Public Broadcasting Service, 2335-0013 Feb 10, program of Chinese music hosted by a man and woman announcer team with lively talk and music. Fair to good. Fading somewhat after top of the hour. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4699.9 BOLIVIA. Radio San Miguel - Riberalta, 2327-2340 Feb 11, man announcer with Spanish talk hosting rustic music program. Poor. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4747.1 PERU. Radio Huanta 2000 - Huanta, 1052-1113 Feb 11, woman announcer with Spanish talk, ID, several announcements with local music program. Quite poor; usually much better than this. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4750 BANGLADESH. Bangladesh Betar (tentative), 1148-1210 Feb 12, woman announcer in listed Bengali language hosting a program of local vocals. ID at 1159. Poor overall with some good moments. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4775 PERU. Radio Tarma – Tarma, 1014-1034 Feb 11, OA vocals hosted by a woman announcer with Spanish talk. Man announcer with ID at 1029 followed by more vocals. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4781.7 ECUADOR. Radio Oriental – Tena, 2345-2359* Feb 10, man and woman announcers in Spanish hosting program of Ecuadorian music with ID at 2351 and last vocal cut mid-song. Poor to fair. Noted again the following morning, 1101-1118 Feb 11, with vocals and man announcer in Spanish with TCs, IDs, several announcements and music programming. Nice signal this morning. Noted again next night at 0022-0035 on Feb 12 with nice music and nice signal (fair). (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4789.5 PERU, Radio Visión – Chiclayo, 0507-0526 Feb 11, man announcer in Spanish preaching before a live audience. Choir vocals from 0518 followed by a man announcer with ID and announcements. Poor to fair with CODAR QRM. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4800 CHINA. Voice of China – Golmud, 1140-1205 Feb 11, man announcer in discussion with another man in Chinese language. 5+1 time pips at 1200 followed by news. Poor to fair with CODAR QRM. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4810 PERU. Radio Logos – Chazuta, 0035-0110 Feb 12, long continuous music segment with easy vocals. ID and announcements in Spanish by a man announcer at 0056. Back to non-stop music programming from 0100. Re-tuned after dinner with more easy vocal selections with flute music, announcements at 0330. Finally, began sign off routine at 0358 followed by man singing National Anthem. Poor with severe CODAR QRM marring

reception; needed LSB and 1.8 filter on Drake R-8B. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4835 PERU. Radio Ondas del Sur Oriente – Quillabama, 2337-0005 Feb 11, man announcer with Spanish talk hosting program of romantic vocals. Several nice IDs and series of announcements at top of the hour. Fair reception despite with CODAR QRM. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4920 CHINA (Tibet). Xizang PBS, 1207-1221 Feb 11, woman announcer talking in presumed Tibetan language. Brief music segments between talks with time pip at 1215 followed by more talk by a man announcer. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4940 CHINA. Voice of the Strait – Fuzhou, 1116-1136 Feb 11, man announcer with talk in Chinese language, music fanfare, news features with several remote reports, Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

4976 UGANDA. UBC Radio (presumed), 0324-0345 Feb 11, man announcer talking in English, music features. Peaked at poor level but mainly unusable. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

5950 ETHIOPIA. Voice of Tigray Revolution, 0430-0506 Feb 11, after Bible Voice clears frequency opens this up for nice reception of Tigrinya talks (listed), news and Horn of Africa music hoisted by a man announcer. Fair to good signal. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

5950 NEW ZEALAND. Radio New Zealand International, 1303-1340+ Feb 11, man reading English news followed by nice ID at 1309. News features followed. Fair with signal holding up reasonably well past 1330. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

5955 AUSTRIA. Voice of Vietnam – Moosbrunn, 1934-1957* Feb 11, woman announcer hosting French language program with news and features. Vietnamese music from 1948. Closedown at 1957 with ID and announcements. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

5970 BRAZIL. Radio Itatiaia – Belo Horizonte, 2302-2323 Feb 11, man and woman announcers with talk in Portuguese. Jingle ID at 2309 followed by Brazilian male pop vocal. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

6055 RWANDA. Radio Rwanda (presumed), 2057-2100* Feb 10, man talking in the French language until carrier terminated at top of the hour. Poor. *0256-0410+ Feb 11, apparent opening with French talk, music program until French language news with a woman announcer at 0400. Poor and mixing with another unidentified station. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

6134.8 BOLIVIA. Radio Santa Cruz – Santa Cruz de la Sierra, 1016-1037 Feb 11, lively morning hosted by a man announcer with Spanish talk, IDs and announcements. Woman with ID followed by more music. Good signal. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

6150 TAIWAN. Radio Taiwan International – Kouhu, 2212-2240 Feb 11, man and woman talking in Chinese language with several quick announcements and musical selections. Music fanfare at 2230 followed by short features. Fair to good. //11885 Huwei was fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

6165 VIETNAM. Voice of Vietnam – Xuan Mai, 2246-2304 Feb 11, music program featuring Vietnamese vocals hosted by a woman announcer in listed Dao language. Closed program at 2258 with ID and announcements followed by music fanfare and opening of another segment in a different language. Poor. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

6295 IRELAND. Reflections Europe, 2214-2230* Feb 10, man and woman with religious talk in English followed by program ID; male announcer mentioned next program was In Search of Truth which opened with man announcer with religious talk in English. The transmission seemed to end suddenly at 2230. Long time since I last heard this station. Poor overall. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

6925 usb PIRATE (No. Am.). XLR8, 0025-0031* Feb 12, rock music until man announcer

gave ID prior to cutting transmission carrier. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

7255 CHINA. China Radio International – Baoji, 2036-2057* Feb 10, man announcer hosting Russian language music program. Close down at 2056 with man talking over flue music. Heard thanks to a tip from Dave Turnick in the next chair. Poor to fair with slight amateur QRM. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

7295 MALAYSIA. Traxx FM, 1210-1223 Feb 12, familiar hi tech production values with pop music and man and woman with some English hosting program. Poor signal with muddy audio ruined reception. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

9345 PHILIPPINES. FEBC – Bocaue, 1412-1443 Feb 11, woman announcer with talk in Mandarin language followed by duet by a man and woman. Program mainly of talk with occasional music. ID at 1430 followed by discussion program. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

9405 PHILIPPINES. FEBC – Bocaue, 2251-2317 Feb 10, Religious talk by a man in Chinese with frequent mentions of "Amen", light instrumental music, ID and e-mail address at 2300 followed by more religious talks in Chinese. Fair to good. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

9526 INDONESIA. Voice of Indonesia – Cimanggis, 2016-2112 Feb 11, woman announcer hosting French language program with talk features until music and vocals began after 2040 ID. Closedown ID and announcements at 2059. At 2101 IDs in several languages. Opened another language service with news shortly thereafter. Poor but steadily improving to fair making the music enjoyable listening. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

9600 PHILIPPINES. Vatican Radio – Tinang, 2228-2230* Feb 10, man announcer talking in Chinese ending broadcast followed by instrumental music segment until woman announcer signed off over music. Vatican IS closed program. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

9720 PHILIPPINES. Radio Veritas Asia – Palauig, 2317-2337 Feb 10, tune in to Filipino language program with English ID at 2326 and another English ID and frequency announcements at 2327. Transmitter switched off for about a minute before came on again at 2328 with another English language ID prior to the opening of the Burmese service. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

9720 THAILAND. Radio Thailand, *1230-1259* Feb 11, opening of English "evening News" program with a man and woman announcing team. Usual news (world, local, business and sports) with plenty of ads. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

9835 MALAYSIA. Radio Television Malaysia Sarawak – Kajang, 1223-1241 Feb 12, man announcer hosting music program with haunting local melodies. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

9855 PHILIPPINES. FEBC – Iba, 1147-1159* Feb 12, Vietnamese program with music prior to closedown ID and announcements. Fair signal but swamped by CRI opening on same channel for 1200 transmission in Chinese. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

11570 PAKISTAN. Radio Pakistan, 1240-1302* Feb 11, man hosting interesting mix of music with mainly local stuff but also an Italian piece as well as a female pop vocal. Close down at 1300 followed by choral National Anthem. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

11600 LIBYA. Radio Libya – Sabrata, 2004-2015* Feb 11, man with Arabic talk followed by apparent closedown with IOD at 2013. A male vocal selection was terminated mid-song. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

11615 CLANDESTINE (Sudan). Radio Damal – Woofferton, 1922-1929* Feb 11, Horn of African male vocal followed by a man in Somali language at 1928 with several IDs before carrier was terminated. Fair to good. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

11870 THAILAND. Radio Thailand, 1207-1214* Feb 11, woman announcer with news in Indonesian language. A man announcer gave ID and e-mail address at 1211 before

woman returned with more news. Another man with English ID and schedule followed by bells/gongs until carrier cut. Good signal. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

13745 THAILAND. Radio Thailand, 0006-0105 Feb 11, man and woman hosting English news program with ads for Valentine's get away to the Westin Bangkok Hotel and PSA announcements. Nice ID as "Radio Thailand News broadcasting from the Public Relations Department of the Royal Thai Government." Business and sports news features with close of English program followed by Thai language program at 0100. Good signal deteriorating slightly at 0030. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

13745 THAILAND. Radio Thailand, 0220-0230* Feb 12, long segment about energy savings followed by ID, schedule mentioning "concludes broadcast for West Coast of North America". Bells at close. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

15105 BANGLADESH. Bangladesh Betar (tentative), *1228-1234 Feb 11, IS noted until 1232 when a man spoke with pieces of English noted. Poor signal with serious splatter from Chinese language station on 15,110. Again, 1240-1259* Feb 12, end of English news, ID, commentary and music features. Fair signal. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

15505 BANGLADESH. Bangladesh Betar, *1358-1429* Feb 11, IS noted until 5+1 time pips and ID by a woman announcer in listed Urdu language. Flute music followed by opening announcements then a man with news. Another ID by the man announcer at 1409 followed by music programming. Fair. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

15560 OMAN. Radio Sultanate of Oman, 1444-1507 Feb 11, woman announcer with English talk but deep fades made listening difficult. Played a number of rap songs (why?). Closed at 1458 followed by IS before Arabic program opened at 1500. Poor on peaks but deep fades made listening awful. (D'Angelo/FCDX-PA)

That's it from Wyomissing!

73, Rich

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If you have not confirmed station ID please mark 'tentative'.

To minimize duplication do not include items from the *same frequency/tx site/ b'caster* if they have appeared in NZDXT bearing your initials during the *two preceding months*.

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception details
9335	0320	SRI LANKA. Radio Azadi via Iranawila. Fair in Dari - 10/2 IC
9505	0428	SUDAN, V of Sudan(tent), Poor in Arabic (audible when VOIRI tx ended at 0427) - 24/2 JW
9535	0408	SPAIN, R.Ext de Espana, Good in Spanish - 24/2 JW
9640	0335	U.K., V of Vietnam, Fair in English - 24/2 JW
9750	0330	ARMENIA, V of Russia (tent), Poor in Spanish - 24/2 JW
9810	1715	GERMANY. BVB via Wert. Vg in Arabic with English announcements. Mxd CNR until 1735 then clear - 1/2 IC
9895	2045	ROMANIA. RRI. VG in Spanish - 4/2 IC
9900	1200	PALAU. Radio Free Sarawak. VG in Iban. Good IDs at opening - 5/2 IC
9950	1400	THAILAND. Radio Thailand. Good in English - 18/2 IC
9975	1720	KUWAIT, R.Ashna, Fair in Pashto, 2 oms spking // 9770 stronger - 21/2 CC
11510	0735	MOLDOVA. Denge Kurdistani. Via KCH. Fair in Kurdish - 14/2 IC
11510	1852	MOLDOVA, Denge Kurdistani (tent), Good in Kurdish(pres) Also hrd 1102 (poor) 1/3; 1305 (good) 2/3; 0803 (poor) 4/3. - 28/2 JW
11570	1851	PAKISTAN, R.Pakistan (tent), Good in Urd - 28/2 JW
11580	1850	INDIA, AIR, Fair in English - 28/2 JW
11600	1117	UNID LOCN, R Free Sarawak(tent), Good in Iban (pres), xmsn ends 1258 - 26/2 JW {Host country listed as Palau - Ed}
11600	2020	LIBYA. Radio Libya. Fair in Arabic - 3/2 IC
11615	1840	U.K., R Damal (tent), Fair to good in Somali (pres) - 27/2 JW { <i>Damal freq given as 11740 in SW Report, Jan DXT. This one may be V.O. Somali People - Ed.</i> }
11695	1402	UZBEKISTAN. R.Japan, Good in English, om & yl with news // 11925 less clear - 14/2 CC
11710	0241	ARGENTINA, RAE, Poor in English - 9/2 JW
11735	0815	BRAZIL, R Transmundial, Poor to good in Portugese-swamped by R Japan at 1100 on 11740. 12/2 JW
11740	0231	INDIA. AIR Panaji. Good in Pashto. Dari at 0300 - 10/2 IC
11750	0744	AUSTRALIA, HCJB Australia, Good in English - 12/2 JW

11750 1400 PHILIPPINES. FEBC. Fair in Lahu - 25/2 IC
 11750 1430 PHILIPPINES. RVA. Fair in Telugu after FEBC closes - 25/2 IC
 11835 0302 ROMANIA, RRI, Strong in Spanish – 2/2 BDW
 11870 0140 USA, EWTN , Good in Spanish - 26/2 JW
 11870 1344 ROMANIA, RRI, Good in Romanian, yl spking // 15170 not so clear – 14/2 CC
 11875 1935 FRANCE. RTI via Issouden. Good in French - 9/2 IC
 11905 0219 SRI LANKA SLBC Colombo fair in EE w/“that was the morning news that came to you from the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation”, good strength, overall fair. Tks to Graeme Dixon for tip via Arthur de Maine – 27/2 BCM
 11905 1110 SRI LANKA, Sri Lanka BC(tent), Good in Tami – 26/2 JW
 11920 2325 GERMANY, HCJB Quito (tent), Good fading to fair in Portugese – 26/2 JW
 11925 1415 PALAU, NHK Good in English – 8/2 BDW
 11985 1105 TAIWAN, R Taiwan Intl (tent) Good sig but some interference - 26/2 JW
 12015 1335 N.KOREA, VOK, Fair in EE, female vocalist, scratchy // 7570 same – 14/2 CC
 12045 1552 SINGAPORE, NHK, Excellent in Japanese – 7/2 BDW
 13570 1823 USA, WINB (Long path to NZ) Fair in English, relg/mx, poor by 1840, 1900 stn addss – 10/2 KB
 13570v 1947 USA WINB Red Lion fair w/religious teaching. Ident 1959 then “Wavescan Special” for UN World Radio Day, hosted by Jeff White – 13/2 BCM
 13580 0612 GERMANY, R.Mashaal, poor to start in Pashto, improved to Good, 0700 phone-in & ethnic mx .- 24/2 KB
 13730 1200 GERMANY. Evangelische Missionsgemeinden. VG in Russian - 2/2 IC
 13730 1841 IRAN, VOIRI, Fair/good in Hausa // 9570 better – 10/2 KB
 13755 1837 SRI LANKA, VOA, Fair in English – 10/2 KB
 13765 0528 MACAGASCAR, Vatican R. Poor in Portugese, 0530 I/S talk by om – 17/2 KB
 13800 0529 UAE, R.Dabanga via Dha, Fair in vernacular, several IDs – 10/2 KB
 13845 1831 USA, WWCR, (l/p) Fair in English, yl with relg prgm – 10/2 KB
 15189.80648 BRAZIL Radio Inconfidencia has dropped below nominal 15190 since 25/2. Was initially distorted audio but by 1/3 clean signals, fair in clear at this time with PP adverts, ident. Audible at varying level most of the day. BCM
 15225 1920 USA, VOA, (l/p) Fair in English to Afr, pop mx, 1930 nx - 23/2 KB
 15330 0625 IRAN, VOIRI, Good in Spanish, yl speaking // 15550 the same – 9/2 CC
 15340 2031 CUBA, RHC, Good in Arabic, s/on, om at length – 23/2 KB
 15355 0825 CHINA, CRI, Very good in English ‘China Drive’ prgm – 28/2 DD
 15420 0600 SEYCHELLES. BBC. Fair in English - 4/2 IC
 15420 0607 SEYCHELLES, BBC, Fair in English nx/comment, ID 0614 – 7/2 KB
 15470 1400 GERMANY. BVB via Wert. VG in English - 3/2 IC
 15515 1000 AUSTRALIA, RA, Fair but noisy in English, nx – 6/2 DD
 15580 0508 MADAGASCAR, Vatican R. Poor in English, surging/local noise – 7/2 KB
 15580 1701 BOTSWANA, VOA, Fair/poor in EE, NY Grand Central Stn 100yrs – 9/2 KB
 15610 2100 USA, WEWN, Good in English, relg prgm – 6/2 DD
 15745.10943 TAJIKISTAN Voice of Russia World Service in EE via Dushanbe, fair with // 21800.04 & 21820.05 both at excellent strength – 10/2 BCM

15755 1315 UZBEKISTAN. TWR-India via Tashkent. VG in Hindi - 15/2 IC
 17780 0638 ROMANIA, RRI, Good in EE, om with news about Romania. ID 0641 – 9/2 CC
 17790 0300 THAILAND. BBC. fair in English - 12/1 IC
 21840 0700 RUSSIA. VOR. Fair in English - 8/2 IC

OVERSEAS LOGGINGS.

All may not be audible in NZ at the times listed

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
9450	0045	BULGARIA. The Mighty KBC, 0045-0159* Moody Blues and other 60's tunes hosted by a man announcer with English DJ chatter, numerous ads for KBC Imports, etc. The Giant Jukebox with host Eric van Willegen announcing broadcasting from Bulgaria with a Russian transmitter so if the wind is blowing in the right direction you can hear them. At 0130 Kim Andrew Elliott with another digital test. With a second test at 0158 prior to closing jingle ID. Fair to good signal tonight; best in a long time. – 17/2 RDA
9750	2237	ARMENIA. Voice of Russia – Gavar, 2237-2306, Two men with discussion in Portuguese language. Woman announcer with talk and brief musical selection. More talk features. ID at 2259 followed by Kremlin Bells and another ID with news at 2300. Fair – 25/2 RDA
11600	1634	LIBYA. Radio Libya – Sabrata, 1634-1710, Man and woman with excited Arabic discussion program with some music segments. ID and news at 1700. Poor to fair signal – 16/2 RDA
11670	2107	INDIA. All India Radio – Bengaluru, 2107-2230*, English commentary about Nepal followed by General Overseas Service ID and program previews. Indian instrumental music until ID at 2130 followed by interview with professor about India relations in Asia. Transmission closed with the woman announcer giving times of broadcasts and frequencies. Fair to good – 23/2 RDA
11740	2227	INDIA (Goa). All India Radio – Paniji, 2227-2325, Hindi music to time pips and ID followed by English talk features hosted by a man and woman announcing team. News at 2300 followed by more talk features but nice Hindi music from 2315. Poor signal – 16/2 RDA
11790	0024	CHINA. China Radio International – Xian, 0024-0059*, English service with woman announcer hosting a program of news features with brief musical segments. Poor and almost gone by closedown – 26/2 RDA
11820	2231	SAUDI ARABIA. Broadcasting Service of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, 2231-2300*, Holy Quran program with recitations and Arabic talk. Off at 2300 after last recitation. Good signal – 23/2 RDA
11855	0047	BRAZIL. Radio Aparecida, 0047-0118, Man with Portuguese talk. Woman announcer at 0058 with ID and several announcements and promos. Time pips at 0100, ID by a man announcer followed by more talk. Poor to fair with a slight hum from presumed Radio Veritas Asia until the left frequency and became muddy by tune out – 25/2 RDA

- 12015 0434 SOUTH AFRICA. BBC – Meyerton, 0434-0459* “In the Balance” program hosted by a male announcer with English talk features with a panel discussing income tax policy and then delving into taxes to improve human behavior. Fair to good signal – 23/2 RDA
- 12095 2259 PHILIPPINES. FEBC Radio International, *2259-2330*, IS with man announcer in English with ID (“FEBC Radio broadcasting from Manila, Philippines”) prior to music fanfare at 2300 and opening of listed Hmong program. Poor to fair – 24/2 RDA
- 15215 1637 GERMANY. Radio Oeoemrang – Wertachtal, 1637-1700*, Annual broadcast with lower German language interview containing many English language translation snippets making it possible to follow the general theme. Close at 1657 with English ID, frequency and time announcement repeated three times prior to carrier termination: “Hello, this is Radio Oeoemrang, the Voice of the Freisian ... Amrum ... 15215 kHz ... 1100 New York time ... 1600 UTC ... 1700 (Germany?) ... Tanenwai 24 ... 25946 Nebel ... Goodbye until next year. I am ... presenter of this broadcast.”. Very good signal – 21/2 RDA)

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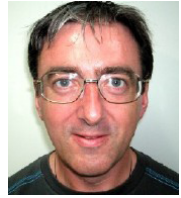
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Time Order summary of Ken's BandWatch Under 9MHz & Kelvin's BandWatch Over 9MHz columns. For station transmitter sites please refer to the BandWatch columns. Please remember to include the date and signal strength with all your loggings and send them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

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NEW ZEALAND CONTRIBUTIONS

Time (UTC)	Freq (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0219	11905g	SLBC	SRI LANKA	27/2	BCM
0241	11710p	RAE	ARGENTINA	9/2	JW
0300	17790f	BBC	UK	12/1	IC
0335	9640f	V of Vietnam	VIETNAM	24/2	JW
0508	15580p	Vatican Radio	VATICAN	7/2	KB
0600	15420f	BBC	UK	4/2	IC
0607-0614	15420f	BBC	UK	7/2	KB
0610-0615	6125f	R Havana	CUBA	9/2	CC
0624	6005f	BBC	UK	17/2	KB
0638-0641	17780g	RRI	ROMANIA	9/2	CC
0639	6165f	RHC	CUBA	10/2	KB
0650-0656	7310g	R Romania Int	ROMANIA	21/1	JW
0657-0700	3995f	HCJB	ECUADOR	4/2	BCM
0700	21840f	VOR	RUSSIA	8/2	IC
0744	11750g	HCJB Australia	AUSTRALIA	12/2	JW
0809	7400g	TWR	?	21/1	JW
0820	7400f	TWR	?	6/2	CC
0825	15355g	CRI	CHINA	28/2	DD
0858	5765(USB)f	AFN	USA	19/2	CC
0943	15745.1f:21800.04e:21820.05e	Voice of Russia	RUSSIA	10/2	BCM
1000	15515f	RA	AUSTRALIA	6/2	DD
1231	5885f	V of Russia	RUSSIA	13/1	JW
1335	7570f:12015f	VOK	N.KOREA	14/2	CC
1355-1359	7260f	V of Russia	RUSSIA	14/2	CC
1400	9950g	Radio Thailand	THAILAND	18/2	IC
1400	15470g	BVB	GERMANY?	3/2	IC

1402	11695g:11925	Radio Japan	JAPAN	14/2	CC
1415	11925g	NHK	JAPAN	8/2	BDW
1530	5985.8p	Myanmar Radio	MYANMAR	17/2	IC
1600	5885p	VOR	RUSSIA	6/2	IC
1700	5975p	BBC	UK	26/2	IC
1701	15580f	VOA	USA	9/2	KB
1715	5975f	BBC	UK	23/2	KB
1800	7365g	Eternal Good News Radio	GERMANY?	16/2	IC
1823-1900	13570f	WINB	USA	10/2	KB
1831	13845f	WWCR	USA	10/2	KB
1837	13755f	VOA	USA	10/2	KB
1850	11580f	AIR	INDIA	28/2	JW
1910	7365g	Bible Voice	AUSTRALIA?	15/2	KAB



1920-1930	15225f	VOA	USA	23/2	KB
1930	7250f	Bangla Betar	BANGLADESH	18/2	KAB
1940	6030g	Eternal Good News Radio	GERMANY?	16/2	IC
2000	7415g	CRI	CHINA	4/2	IC
2045	7550p	AIR	INDIA	4/2	IC
2045	7560f	VOA	USA	22/2	IC
2100	15610g	WEWN	USA	6/2	DD



SHORTWAVE REPORT

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BULGARIA

Sawtu Idhaatu Sharoopaa is a new station in Arabic via Kostinbrod 1600-1656 on 11620 SOF 050 kW / 195 deg to Eritrea. Day by day the same programme! (DX RE MIX NEWS 768)

MADAGASCAR

Meanwhile World Christian Broadcasting is still being stalled by the Mad government from importing their own new SW transmitters for "Madagascar World Voice", everything else including antennas being ready to go; while they could have been in operation years ago and right now if they were willing to use the existing Mad SW site (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Seems the fiasco goes on. ED

NEW ZEALAND

Radio New Zealand International: Effective: 30 January 2013. All times UTC
English

0459-0650 on 11725 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg to All Pacific AM

0459-0650 on 13730 RAN 025 kW / 000 deg to All Pacific DRM

0651-0758 on 11725 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg to Tonga AM

0651-0758 on 11675 RAN 035 kW / 000 deg to Tonga DRM

0759-1058 on 9765 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg to All Pacific AM

0759-1058 on 9870 RAN 025 kW / 000 deg to All Pacific DRM

1059-1259 NF 15720 RAN 100 kW / 325 deg to Timor,NW Pacific AM, ex 17675

1059-1259 on 9870 RAN 025 kW / 000 deg to All Pacific DRM

1300-1550 on 5950 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg to All Pacific AM

1551-1650 on 9765 RAN 100 kW / 035 deg to Cook Isl,Samoa,Fiji AM

1551-1650 NF 7285 RAN 035 kW / 035 deg to Cook Isl,Samoa,Fiji DRM, ex 9630

1651-1850 on 9765 RAN 100 kW / 035 deg to Cook Isl,Samoa,Fiji AM

1651-1850 on 9630 RAN 035 kW / 035 deg to Cook Isl,Samoa,Fiji DRM

1851-2050 NF 11725 RAN 050 kW / 035 deg to Niue,Tonga,Samoa AM, ex 15720

1851-2050 NF 15720 RAN 025 kW / 035 deg to Niue,Tonga,Samoa DRM, ex 17675

2051-2150 NF 15720 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg to Solomon Islands AM, ex 17675

2051-2150 NF 17675 RAN 025 kW / 000 deg to Solomon Islands DRM, ex 15720

2151-0458 on 15720 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg to All Pacific AM

2151-0458 on 17675 RAN 025 kW / 000 deg to All Pacific DRM



PHILIPPINES

Winter B-12 of R.Pilipinas Philippines Broadcasting Service:

0200-0330 on 15285 PHT 250 kW / 283 deg to N&ME Tagalog/English

0200-0330 on 17700 PHT 250 kW / 283 deg to N&ME Tagalog/English

0200-0330 on 17820 PHT 250 kW / 270 deg to N&ME Tagalog/English

1730-1930 on 9825 PHT 250 kW / 283 deg to N&ME English/Tagalog

1730-1930 on 11890 PHT 250 kW / 283 deg to N&ME English/Tagalog

1730-1930 on 15190 PHT 250 kW / 283 deg to N&ME English/Tagalog

Radio Chaski returns to shortwave

All times UTC

5980.00 kHz, Radio Chaski, Cusco, 1234-1340. Heard on Jan 16, 2013 Quechua and Spanish music with religious temas. Station identification as, "Por Radio Chaski.. región Inca." Music to a phone number mentioned (084) 509748. I made a call and was answered by pastor Valentín Quispe, who informed me that this test transmission now for a month is at 1000-1500 and 1700-2200 .

Postal address is: Alameda Pachacutec D-5, Cusco. The station is within the same temple alongside Urgiha Park. Telephones: 084-509748 and cellular 9848-95084. This is a station owned by the chain Radio Integridad in Lima 700kHz broadcasting in Quechua and after 1400 in Spanish. The transmission site is in the Urubamba Valley, SINPO 44444. (Arrunátegui).

THAILAND

Radio Thailand World Service (HSK9)

All times UTC

0000-0030 on 13745 UDO 250 kW / 006 deg to NEAm English

0030-0100 on 13745 UDO 250 kW / 030 deg to NWAm English

0100-0200 on 13745 UDO 250 kW / 038 deg to NWAm Thai

0200-0230 on 15275 UDO 250 kW / 006 deg to NEAm English

0230-0330 on 15275 UDO 250 kW / 006 deg to NEAm Thai

0530-0600 on 12015 UDO 250 kW / 308 deg to WeEu English

1000-1100 on 17630 UDO 250 kW / 300 deg to N&ME Thai

1100-1115 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 144 deg to Asia Vietnamese

1115-1130 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 144 deg to Asia Khmer

1130-1145 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 030 deg to Asia Lao

1145-1200 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 276 deg to Asia Burmese

1200-1215 on 11870 UDO 250 kW / 154 deg to Asia Bahasa Malay

1230-1300 on 9720 UDO 250 kW / 132 deg to Asia English

1300-1315 on 7460 UDO 250 kW / 054 deg to Asia Japanese

1315-1330 on 7460 UDO 250 kW / 030 deg to Asia Mandarin

1330-1400 on 7460 UDO 250 kW / 054 deg to Asia Thai

1400-1430 on 9950 UDO 250 kW / 132 deg to Asia English

1800-1900 on 9585 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu Thai

1900-2000 on 9585 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu English
2000-2015 on 9535 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu German
2030-2045 on 9535 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu English
2045-2115 on 9535 UDO 250 kW / 313 deg to WeEu Thai (DX Re Mlx 766/Balkan DX
11 Feb 2013)

WBCQ winter schedule revisions

WBCQ. Effective from 21 January 21, 2013 All times UTC

English

0000-0400 5110am 7490am 9330am

0400-0500 7490am 9330am

0500-1600 9330am

1500-1900 Sat 15420am

1600-1700 9330am

1600-1700 Sat 15420am

1800-2000 9330am 15420am

2000-2200 7490am 9330am 15420am

2200-0000 7490am 9330am (WRTH 21 Jan update)

USA(non)

New schedule of Radio Free Asia in Cantonese from today Feb.6:

1400-1500 NF 13690 TIN 250 kW / 287 deg to EaAs Sun, ex 6025

1400-1500 NF 13765 TIN 250 kW / 287 deg to EaAs Mon/Wed, ex 6025

1400-1500 NF 13785 TIN 250 kW / 287 deg to EaAs Tue/Fri, ex 6025

1400-1500 NF 13855 TIN 250 kW / 287 deg to EaAs Thu/Sat, ex 6025

1400-1500 NF 7330 TIN 250 kW / 287 deg to EaAs Sun/Tue/Thu/Sat, ex 7470

1400-1500 on 7470 TIN 250 kW / 287 deg to EaAs Mon/Wed/Fri, ex Daily

2200-2300 on 7250 TIN 250 kW / 287 deg to EaAs Mon/Wed/Fri, ex Daily

2200-2300 NF 7330 TIN 250 kW / 287 deg to EaAs Tue/Thu, ex 7250

2200-2300 NF 7510 TIN 250 kW / 287 deg to EaAs Sat/Sun, ex 7250

2200-2300 on 9780 SAI 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Sun, ex Daily

2200-2300 NF 9785 SAI 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Tue/Fri, ex 9780

2200-2300 NF 9795 SAI 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Mon/Wed, ex 9780

2200-2300 NF 9815 SAI 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Thu/Sat, ex 9780

2200-2300 NF 11550 TIN 250 kW / 289 deg to EaAs Mon/Wed, ex 11775

2200-2300 NF 11565 TIN 250 kW / 289 deg to EaAs Tue/Fri, ex 11775

2200-2300 NF 11585 TIN 250 kW / 289 deg to EaAs Thu/Sat, ex 11775

2200-2300 NF 11600 TIN 250 kW / 289 deg to EaAs Sun, ex 11775 (Ivo via HCDX)

VANUATU

Radio Vanuatu has 2 x 10 kW shortwave transmitters, operating currently on 3945 kHz between 1825-0035 & 0525-1230 and on 7260 kHz between 2125-0735. Times may vary. New web site is under construction at <vanuatu2u.com>
(WRTH spring Update)

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Recent Brasillian logs from various sources (Latest Log)[Status notes]

"Ck" means the station has been reported as // to the frequencies listed.

NOTE Multiple IDs may be due to list-logging.

Thanks to Ken Zichi for WRTVH updates. p = means presumed; t = means tentative
[edited by gh only for spelling, not accents]

- 2380v ZYG852 R Educadora, Limeira SP (11/12) Ck 3255, 4825
- 2410 R Transamazonica (12/12)
- 2460 ZYF204 Super Radio Alvorada, Rio Blanco AC
[In 2012 WRTVH; not reported]
- 3235 ZYG860 Radio Clube, Marilia SP [In 2012 WRTVH as irregular;
not reported]
- 3325 ZYG867 R Mundial, Sao Paulo SP [Obsolete? Last rptd 7/11]
- 3355 R Educadora 6 de Agosto/Voz do Brasil, Xapuri AC (2/12) Ck 2380
[May relay 4885 Rdf Acreana at times]
- 3365 ZYG855 R Cultura, Araraquara SP (11/12)
- 3375v ZYF276 R Municipal, Sao Gabriel da Cachoeira (1/13)
- 3375 ZYG792 R Educadora, Guajara Mirim RO [In 2012 WRTVH; not reported]
- 4755v ZYF904 R Imaculada Conceicao, Campo Grande (1/13)
- 4765 R Rural, Santarem PA (11/12)
- 4775 ZYG207 R Congonhas, Congonhas MG (11/12)
- 4785v R Caiari, Caiari/Porto Velho RO (1/13)
ZYG857 R Brasil, Campinas [Obsolete? In 2012 WRTVH]
- 4805v ZYF273 Rdf do Amazonas, Manaus AM (2/13)
- 4815 ZYG640 R Difusora Londrina, Londrina PR (12/12)
- 4825 ZYG868 R Cancao Nova, Cachoeira Paulista SP (11/12) Ck 9675
ZYG364 R. Educadora, Braganca PA (12/12) Ck 2380, 3255
- 4845v ZYF278 R Cultura, Manaus AM (1/13p)
ZYG869 R Meteorologica, Paulista Ibitinga SP (11/12)
- 4865 ZYF203 R Verdes Florestas, Cruzeiro do Sul (11/12)
R Parintins, Alvorado AM (11/12) [Not listed in 2012 WRTVH]
R Missoes da Amazonia, Obidos PA (12/12)
ZYG641 R Alvorada, Londrina PR [Obsolete? Last reported 11/11]
- 4875v ZYG810 R Roraima, Boa Vista RR (1/13) [4877-78v lately,
// 4845 at times]

- 4885 ZYG362 R Clube do Para, Belem (2/13)
 ZYF692 R Maria, Brasilia, DF [Obsolete? Listed in 2012 WRTVH]
 ZYF201 Rdf Acreana, Rio Blanco/Branco (1/13)
- 4895 ZYE200 R Novo Tempo, Campo Grande PR (2/13)
 ZYF274 R Bare, Manaus-AM (Ex-Radio Globo)
 [2012 WRTVH listed as inactive]
- 4905 ZYF693 R Anhanguera, Araguaina TO
 [In 2012 WRTH; last reported 2/10]
- 4915 ZYF691 R Daqui, Goiania GO (11/12), Ck 11830 [// 6080 at times]
 ZYF360 Rdf Macapa, Macapa AC (12/12)
- 4925v ZYF271 R Educacao Rural, Tefe AM (2/13) Ck 5035
- 4935v ZYF641 R Capixaba, Victoia ES (12/12)
- 4945 R Ondas Tropicais, Marituba [Obsolete; last reported in 09]
- 4965 R Alvorada, Parintins AM (11/12) [Not listed in 2012 WRTVH]
- 4975v R A Nossa Voz, Osasco SP (2/12) [Not listed in 2012 WRTVH]
 ZYG865 R Iguatemi, SP (2/13)
- 4985 ZYF690 R Brasil Central, Goiania (12/12) Ck 11815
 [May be off the air 1/13]
- 5015 R Cultura, Cuiaba MT (12/12) [Not in 2012 WRTVH]
 May be // R Super Deus
- 5035 ZYG853 R Aparecida, Aparecida OT (2/13) Ck 6135/9630/11855
 ZYF272 R Educacao Rural, Coari AM (11/12) Ck 4925
 [2012 WRTVH listed as irregular]
- 5045 ZYG360 R Guaruja (2/12) / R Cultura do Para (3/12p), Belem PA
 ZYG850 R Guaruja Paulista (3/12) [WRTVH listed as irregular]
- 5055 ZYF274 Radio Jornal a Critica FM, Manaus
 [Not listed in 2012 WRTVH; last reported 2/11]
 ZYF901 Radio Difusora, Caceres MT (3/11)
- 5940v R Voz Missionaria, Camboriu (1/13) Ck 9665/11750
- 5955 ZYE965 R Gazeta, Sao Paulo SP (12/11) Ck 9685, 15325 [Obsolete?]
- 5965 ZYE858 R Trans-Mundial, Santa Maria RS (11/12)
- 5970 ZYE523 R Itatiaia, Belo Horizonte MG (12/12)
- 5990 ZYE773 R Senado, Brasilia DF (2/12) [Off the air 2/7/12;
 R. Bandeirantes reported here 11/12.] Ck 6090, 9645, 11925
- 6000 ZYE852 R Guaiba, Porto Alegre RS [Obsolete? Last reported 12/10]
- 6010v ZYE521 R Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte MG (12/12) Ck 15191.4
- 6015 R Missionaria; relay by CX2ABP Montevideo, Uruguay (11/12)
 [Ck Missionaria // on 5940/966/11750]
- 6020 ZYE850 R Gaucha, Pto Alegre RS (9/11) Ck 11915
- 6060 ZYE726 Super Radio Deus e Amor, Curitiba PR (12/12)
 Ck 6120/9565/9585/9595/11725/11765/11805/11965
- 6070 ZYE765 R Capital, Rio de Janeiro RJ (12/12); Ck 11765
 [Relays Super Radio Deus e Amor]
- 6080 ZYE726 R Marumby (12/12)/Novas de Paz (11/12)/R Daqui (8/11),
 Curitiba PR; Ck 4915/9665

- 6090 ZYE956 R Bandierantes, Sao Paulo SP (12/12) Ck 9645v/11925
 6105 ZYE971 R Cancao Nova, Cachoeira Paulista SP; Ck 4825/9675
 [Obsolete?]
 ZYE728 R Cultura Filidelfia, Iguazu PR (1/13t) [Reactivation]
 6120 Super Radio Deus e Amor, Sao Paulo SP (12/12) Ck
 6060/9565/9585/9595/11725/11765/11805/11965 [Not in 2012 WRTH]
 6135 ZYE954 R Aparecida, Aparecida SP (1/13) Ck 5035/9630/11855
 6150 ZYE950 R Record, Sao Paulo SP (4/12)



- 6160 ZYE245 R Rio Mar, Manaus AM [Obsolete?]
 ZYE854 R Boa Vontade, Pto Alegre RS; Ck 9550/11895 [Obsolete?]
 6180 R Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia DF (2/13) Ck 11780
 6185 ZYE365 R Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia DF Listed in 2012 WRTVH;
 last reported 10/10; moved to 6180? Ck 11780
 9505v ZYE951 R Record, Sao Paulo SP (6/12)
 9515 ZYE726 R Marumby, Curitiba PR (12/12)
 9530 ZYE858 R Transmundial, Santa Maria RS [Obsolete?]
 9550v ZYE855 R Boa Vontade, Porto Alegre RS (11/12) Ck 6160/11895
 [2012 WRTVH listed as inactive]
 9565v ZYE727 Super Radio Deus e Amor, Curitiba PR (1/13) Ck
 6060/6120/9585/9595/11725/11765/11805/11965 [ex-R Tupi]
 9585v ZYE969 Super Radio Deus e Amor, Sao Paulo SP (12/12) Ck
 6060/9565/11725/11765/11805 [ex-R Tupi] rptd as R Globo (12/10)
 Ck 9565
 9595v Super Radio Deus e Amor (3/12) Ck
 6060/6120/9565/9585/11765/11965 [Not in 2012 WRTH]
 9630v ZYE954 R Aparecida, Aparecida SP (2/12) Ck 5035/6135/11855

9645v ZYE957 R Bandeirantes, Sao Paulo SP (2/13) Ck 6090/11925
 9665v ZYE890 R Voz Missionaria (2/13)/Super Radio Deus e Amor (4/11)/
 R Marumby (6/12), Florianopolis SC; Ck 5940/11750
 [2012 WRTH as Voz Missionaria]
 9675 ZYE971 R Cancao Nova, Cachoeira Paulista SP (12/12); Ck 4825
 9685v ZYE963 R Gazeta, Sao Paulo SP (12/11) Ck 5955, 15325
 9695v ZYE245 R Rio Mar, Manaus AM (1/13)
 9820v R Nove de Julho, Sao Paulo SP (2/13) [// Aparecida at times]
 10000 PPE Observatorio Nacional, Rio de Janeiro (12/12)
 11715 R Marumby, Curitiba [Not in 2012 WRTH; last reported 7/11]
 11725v ZYE726 Super Radio Deus e Amor (2/12)/R Marumby (5/11),
 Curitiba PR; Ck 6060/6120/9565/9585/9525/11765/11965
 [R Marumby listed in 2012 WRTH]
 11735 ZYE858 R Transmundial, Santa Maria RS (12/12)
 11750v R Voz Missionaria, Florianopolis SC (11/11)
 Ck 5940/9665 [ex-R Marumby]
 11765 ZYE726 Super Radio Deus e Amor (also R. Deus), Curitiba PR
 (2/13) Ck 6060/9565/9585/9595/11805/11965 [ex-R Tupi]
 11780 ZYE365 R Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia (2/13) Ck 6180
 11785 ZYE853 R Guaiba, Port Alegre RS (10/12) Ck 6000
 11805 ZYE776 R Deus e Amor, Rio de Janeiro RJ (1/11)
 Ck 6060/6120/9565/9585/9595/11765/11965
 11815 ZYE440 R Brasil Central, Goiania (1/13) Ck 4985
 [11815 spurring 2/13]
 11830 ZYE441 R Daqui, Goiania (1/13) Ck 4915
 11855 ZYE954 R Aparecida, Aparecida SP (2/13) Ck 5035/6135/9630
 11895 ZYE856 R Boa Vontade, Pto Alegre RS Ck 6160/9550/12035
 [Obsolete?]
 11915 ZYE851 R Gaucha, Porto Alegre RS (1/13) Ck 6020
 11925v ZYE958 R Bandeirantes, Sao Paulo SP (2/13) Ck 6090/9645/11925
 11935 R Transmundial, Santa Maria
 [Not in 2012 WRTH; last reported 10/10]
 11965 R Super Deus e Amor [Not in 2012 WRTH; last reported 10/10] Ck
 6060/6160/9565/9585/9595/11765/11805
 15190v ZYE522 R Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte (2/13)
 Ck 6010 [15191+ lately]
 15325 R Gazeta, Sao Paulo SP (1/13) Ck 5955/9685 [1st log since 12/11]
 23539.8 R Super Deus e Amor (11/12) [11765 harmonic; 23529.8?]
 24054.8/U Hora Santa Catolica (4/12) [Harmonic/spur/relay?]
 26045 R Cultura, Sao Paulo SP; [DRM listed in 2012 WRTVH]
 29090 R Rio Mar, Manaus AM, FM (9/11) Ck 6160/9695 [Studio link]
 (Harold Frodge-MI-USA, dxld Febr 20)
 (Via Worldwide DX Club Top News. BC-DX 1106. 05 March 2013)

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Wednesday evening here in Kakanui and my bag is half packed for our excursion to the dry north. I am looking forward to meeting other Dxers at the weekend convention at Mangawhai. My thanks to those who have contributed to this month's page.

FREQ UTC DETAILS OF TRANSMISSION

- 4618 1918 Queenstown Visitor's Centre - Green Stone Hut 10 in hut and two campers Weather report and weather for Mt Aspiring given at 1920 UTC Good 4/03 ABD
- 4619 1926 Queenstown Visitor's Centre contact with someone in the field looking for a woman from Israel Fair to Good 3/03 ABD
- 5574 1017 AIR CANADA 48/ SAN FRANCISCO req fl 350 freq adv 5574 / 3452 confirmed 5/3 RP
- 5574 1017 CANADA 147 / SAN FRANCISCO adv ok we will call you Selcal SCHRQ 4/3 RP
- 5680 2113 UN ID, (Kiwi Male Voice) Possibly RNZAF SAR with "Are you Ready to Receive Over", followed by groups of Numbers, then Nothing more Heard. due to heavy QRM. DM
- 6679 1020 AKL VOLMET WX TAHITI inc wind shear on all runways VOLMET S/off @1025 5/3 RP
- 8743 1100 Usual Musical Id signed out at 11.03 DM
- 8828 Volmet Central Pacific including Honolulu Coastal Waters DM
- 8828 1011 Tokyo Pacific Volmet Woman with weather reports sign off 1014 weak 27/02 ABD
- 8867 0010 "Skier 412" with Selcal to Auckland DM
- 8867 1200 "Qantas 11" Called Honolulu, advised to use 5547 (Primary) and/or 8843 (Secondary) and note "That Radar is out but should not effect your Christchurch arrival" DM
- 8867 1129 "Fiji 11" selcal to Nandi and F/L DM
- 8867 2045 JET STAR 212 BRISBANE Posn reports from FL 340 temp- 48 wind 140 0/0 25 adv contact Nandi 125.000 3/3 RP
- 8867 0719 FIJI 431 / AKL posn reports fl 410 temp-58 wind 250 diag/60 SC, GM PQ 3/3 RP
- 8903 1208 "NZ 90" Selcal to San Francisco DM
- 9457.1 0115 ZKLF Radiofax New Zealand weather fax fair 05/03 ABD
- 10051 1209 New York Volmet with Weather for Kennedy Airport DM
- 11175 2302 "Offutt" with 25 letter EMS then at 23.05 Z Called " Offutt testing 123321 Out" DM

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DM Dallas McKenzie Buller - Kenwood R1000, Yaesu FRG-7700, PCR1000 (Stand By), Sony SW7600G. Uniden UBCT8, Standard VR120..Long wire E-W (190 ft)...20ft Whip, plus Various Commercial whips.

ABD Arthur De Maine Kakanui – Drake R8, Icom R-70. 25m EWE antenna.

RP Roger Pryde, Dunedin - SANGEAN ATS 803A Yaesu 7000 / Dig FRG 7 aerials 1x 30 mtr longwire 1x 15 mtr WW11 vintage LW.



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Flava returns to Tauranga and Hawke's Bay

The Radio Network has re-launched Flava on 96.7FM in Hawke's Bay and 99FM in Tauranga.

"Flava is a popular station and there has been constant listener demand for the station to return to those markets", says Flava Content Director Christian Boston.

"We've listened to that feedback and are thrilled Flava is coming back to both Hawke's Bay and Tauranga."

On Flava's exit from the Hawke's Bay market in early 2012 it was the NUMBER ONE radio station in the 10-29 year old demographic.*

Flava delivers hit music lovers today's hottest songs and artists, combined with celebrity interviews, exclusive remixes and lifestyle information. Flava's Facebook and Twitter pages connect followers with its announcers and latest competitions.

The Flava breakfast show stars actor and comedian Dave Fane, Pete Marsden and Tarsh Jeremia.

"It's important for The Radio Network to grow our younger audiences and Flava is a proven popular brand with specific appeal to a new generation", says Flava Content Director Christian Boston.

As a result of the switch, the Radio Network's Radio Sport in Hawke's Bay is now exclusively heard on 1125AM and in Tauranga exclusively on 1521AM, maintaining greater regional coverage for sports fans.

The Radio Network will operate seven stations in Hawke's Bay and Tauranga which in addition to Flava also includes Newstalk ZB, Classic Hits, ZM, Radio Hauraki, Coast and Radio Sport.

*Source: Research International Hawke's Bay 2011 all people 10-29 station share Monday to Sunday 12 Midnight to 12 Midnight.

(Radio Network, 1 March 2013, <http://www.radionet.co.nz/trn/press-releases/all-press-release-flava-returns-to-tauranga-and-hawke-s-bay>)

LPFM News March

This is the FINAL LPFM Radio Guide update for the DXT. Effective April 1 2013, news and station information will move solely to www.radioheritage.com where the LPFM Radio Guide is currently updated daily. It now lists some 2,000 LPFM stations that have broadcast in NZ over the past 20 years. It is the only comprehensive guide of its kind. Please send monitoring news to radioheritage@gmail.com from now on. Thanks, and Happy DX.

87.9 Ranfurly, CBD, Burn729am

87.9 Christchurch, South New Brighton, Radio New Brighton now closed down, equipment taken back by owner. This originally broadcast as Radio New Brighton from Central New Brighton School on high power 102.1 FM as a joint venture between the Radio Heritage Foundation and Classic Gold FM in the aftermath of the February 2011 Christchurch earthquake and has survived some two years in various guises and with different local community groups trying to make it work, without success. Central New Brighton School is now being closed and merged with South New Brighton School which has a currently non-active FM radio station Beachbreak FM. It remains difficult for local community radio to become established successfully in the eastern suburbs, where schools are closing down and merging with others as whole suburbs have been abandoned and the area substantially de-populated. A brave experiment. Sad.

88.0 Auckland, Mangere, Make Disciples

88.1 Wellington, Kelburn, Human FM has returned to air

88.2 Kapiti Coast, Paekakariki, Paekakariki 88.2 FM 24/7 includes live feed of bird song from Kapiti Island when no other programs being broadcast W: www.paekakariki.org.nz

107.2 Christchurch, Weedons, Raceway FM ex Addington
(David Ricquish, Radio Heritage Foundation)

LPFM UPDATE IMPORTANT NOTICE

With effect from April 1 2013, the LPFM update will be published exclusively at www.radioheritage.com as part of the NZ LPFM Radio Guide pages themselves.

This move partly reflects content changes going on as part of plans to launch the new interactive website in January 2014, the reality that those who want and need this data are better served through the regular updates at www.radioheritage.com and my need to focus heavily on more strategic radio heritage issues in 2013 and beyond.

My personal thanks to Douglas Johns for his recent help with the update whilst I was overseas and for health reasons, to all members who have sent clippings, news items and monitoring reports, to Mark and Adam, and anyone I've missed.

I believe the LPFM scene in NZ is unique, has much of what many listeners these days complain about the lack of - local hands on radio passion - and with SW and MW DX fading away, an alternative DX option for hobbyists like ourselves.

Please visit www.radioheritage.com for regular news and updates from April 1, and to make use of the NZ LPFM Radio Guide. It is a labor of love to maintain, and it's for your free use. (David Ricquish, Radio Heritage Foundation)

Canterbury FM Bits

87.9 RANGIORA, Ashgrove FM – good ids over nearby area.

88.0 CHRISTCHURCH, poor signal under 3A (expletive) BN* splatter, Halswell area.

88.3 CHRISTCHURCH, Halswell school, from school gates no trace listed times during late Feb, but tons splatter 3ABN

88.4 CHRISTCHURCH, Oaklands area, H-Hop music, non readable id which ends...."on the net on the net"

107.1 ROLLESTON, Clearview school, no trace numerous times in Nov from area of school.

- 107.2 CHRISTCHURCH, BBC WS, from Sydenham area in Feb.
- 107.2 WEEDONS, Raceway FM, strong this area, no ID's, (data from Website)
- 107.4 CHRISTCHURCH, Flava FM, strong in Halswell area.
- 107.5 RANGIORA, Southbrook school, strong but no id's during Nov.
- 107.7 CHRISTCHURCH, Chill FM from new location in Spreydon, Feb.
*3ABN splatters from 87.8 to around 88.4an unexpected burst of activity – no reports send.....

(Ron Killick)

Low Power @ Paeroa

88.0 Waihi's Gold FM

107.1 Paeroa Community Radio now permanently here ex 88.2 & 88.3.

107.3 for 1 day broadcast from the 22nd annual 'Battle of the Streets' motorcycle races on Sun. 17th Feb. For many years 107.0 was used but freq now unavailable.

107.7 Chase FM

Also 90.8, once the home of Big Valley FM @ Thames, is now part of the Breeze network.

(Gordon Mathieson)

Freeview in more than half of NZ homes

Freeview TV is now being used in more than half of New Zealand households, new figures show.

The Government's latest digital tracker survey shows that number of households using at least one Freeview device rose from 48 per cent to 52 per cent in the last three months until the end of January.

Freeview's own research indicates that about 80 per cent of the remaining homes still using analogue television will make the switch to Freeview during the digital changeover.

General manager at Freeview, Sam Irvine, said the increase was a positive sign for the future of free TV.

"Switchover is now just months away for most households. People are weighing up their options and realising they can continue to watch their favourite shows without having to pay an ongoing subscription for Digital TV," said Mr Irvine.

"100 per cent of New Zealand's top 20 shows are available from free to air channels and this result shows just how important free TV remains for entertainment in New Zealand homes."

The recent growth in the number of Freeview homes is a reflection of the success of the digital television platform, with over half a million approved digital TV devices sold throughout New Zealand in the last year.

Freeview product sales are up 96 per cent from the previous year, a trend that is expected to grow further with the digital switchover.

"Freeview has the content that people like to watch, and the equipment that lets them enjoy it on their terms," Mr Irvine said.

(Freeview, 28 February 2013, <http://freeviewnz.tv/news/freeview-in-more-than-half-of-nz-homes.aspx>)

MAILBAG

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Another month, and I'm guessing many are looking forward to the change in DX season, especially for SW, though as you'll see Our Man in Mangawhai has a whole different set of priorities for March.

Patron Frank Glen, Cromwell is first up with details of the move out of Christchurch. "This is a bit overdue but League members ought to know how we have managed, like some other League members, to resettle from the disaster of the Christchurch earthquakes. Margret took up permanent residence in Cromwell, Central Otago (pop. 4,000) just prior to Christmas after five trips up and down to the house since May and two major shifts of our effects. Now time has gone on and the priority of aerals and setting up some sort of listening possibilities has arrived. Paul Arosen and Steven Greenyer have offered to come down to Cromwell in later March following the mini DXpedition at Bryan Clark's and give me a hand to erect a EWE and a non-directional low aerial along the boundary fence. Presently the local aerial installer is placing aerial points in the study for both the EWE and the short-wave non-directional. Reception is so bad here I've had to invest in a FM aerial. The installation of free-to-air TV has been completed and at the moment I'm receiving only Radio NZ National and the Concert programme off the dish. Aerial points will also be installed in one of the bedrooms and the FM in the lounge. The study will have access to all three so that the Grundig Satellit 650 which survived the EQs can be used only for the Concert programme, and the EWE and long aerial for listening on the Drake and the Kenwood 5000. The ZCI Mark 2 is 'non compos' as a result of the EQs and I'm hoping that this can be repaired by people in the Radio Club in Alexandra. The prospects for BC DX are appalling, indeed almost non-existent. So I have accepted the fact North America is history. However the plethora of FM stations in Central Otago and the reception for FM in this location is quite remarkable and does show promise. Lower frequency SW is also out of the question but it has been surprising what is around above 17 meters. My interest in the utilities has expanded somewhat because of the present location and some of the interesting signals I've already heard on a short temporary wire. All is not lost. I have appreciated the support of many members who have been helpful to both Margret and myself during this period of two dreadful years of upset." (*It's tremendous to learn that life is gathering routine after the multi-disasters, something which those of us outside will never be able to comprehend. The website I glance at has the total shakes at 11,135 as of 5 March.*)

Bryan Clark, Mangawhai was up to his ears at time of writing with preparations for the special gathering over the second weekend of the month. "You're right, Theo - very busy

preparing for the influx of esteemed DX gentlemen on Friday for our mini-convention weekend marking the DX League's 65th anniversary. In a verification email for Radio 700 at Kall Germany on 3985 with just 1kW, Burkhard Baumgartner said 'that's really amazing how sexy this 57 years old lady (R&S SK080) is running.' No reports out but a few interesting items for Bandwatch and the Broadcast Trail - the MW Latins have arrived with a vengeance with old Peruvian favourites like Radio Union 880 and Callao Super Radio 1400 audible nightly now. Have joined an SDR Yahoo Discussion Group to try and learn about these new beasts before committing to a purchase - it would be nice to capture the entire broadcast band during an exceptional DX opening, and then review the results." *(Ah, the Big Weekend: what can I say? <grin> I wonder if Mark will be able to squeeze in a report with this issue of the Times, or will we have to wait till April? So you're getting the SDR bug, and the chance to DX by spectrum. I'm all for it, though some purists consider it akin to shooting fish in a barrel.)*

Des Davey, Te Kuiti is doing some catching up, and has two sets of notes for me to pass on. In his latter, he remarks about one QSL being re-directed from South Africa but I'm not sure which one. "DX mail from China is usually direct to NZ so I don't know what happened... they are getting like Yanks... New Zealand is in South Australia!" Des lists four reports going out: CRI 9690, 9765, & 9500; and Radio Australia 15515 kHz. His QSL's are: CRI 9690, 5955, 7325, & 9765; Armed Forces Radio Diego Garcia 4319; DW Germany 11905 & 9470; AIR India 13710; Voice of Turkey 7205; VoA 7550, 9450, & 9930; and RFI, but no frequency given. *(Postal woes! No, no: we all know that the country across The Ditch is really the West Island. Des: did you give ZL1HJ Mick Gannon a phone call? He seems to live just a few streets over from you, and might be able to give you a hint on your receiver problems.)*

Stu Forsyth in Putrajaya, Malaysia is dealing with reality, and not on TV. "Life at work has come as a nasty shock after pleasant holidays and so no DXing has been done. A few veries have trickled in: CRI via Monaco for country 60, TWR via Albania for country 61, Czech Radio Longwave 720 - all heard in Berlin. I verified Czech Republic on MW when I was living in the UK in the 90s. It is always to get the LW stations. I managed to hear and verify France Info on 153 from Tiwai (it was quite regular), but that is my only catch from New Zealand. I have one or two more out and have fingers crossed. Faroe Islands 531 is the one that I really want!" *(If the DX won't come to you, you go to the DX. Fair enough, I think that'll be the only way I'll hear the Falkland Islands. File that comment away in your memory bank.)*

Mike Smith, Opunake has been enjoying the weather, and making sure of his Vitamin D intake. "Giddyay. I've been a bit quiet for a couple of months - too much other stuff going on and spending the long summer evenings either surfcasting on local beaches or gardening till dark! However, I've managed to actually send a report off to WCNZ The Avenue, heard on 1660 a couple of evenings ago. There's been the odd good opening on MW/Xband, so as the evenings draw in I might get a bit more radio time. Also, you'll remember I purchased an Eddystone 680X last year in good order, got it for a little over \$300NZ. Well, a month or so ago I was on the beach with a friend who commented,

'There's an old Eddystone radio for sale at the local antique shop.' So in I went for a look, and there was another 680X, no speaker, no history the seller knew of and not sure if it went. 'Take it away for \$80', he said. I did! Replacing the VR valve, audio phase splitter and one of the 6BA6 rf amps brought it back to life! It needs a lot of work, tuning mech is slippery, and is sure to need a few resistors and caps replacing, but will be a good winter project. So, about 1590 680X's ever made, and I've got two of them.... Till next time. Cheers, Mike." *(As mentioned last year, there were several 680X's circulating through my small group of 60's contacts so a fair percentage of that production run must have ended up in NZ, as Mark Nicholls remarked at the time with his Bulk Purchase story!)*

Ian Cattermole, Blenheim is a bit wistful about this month's contribution. "Here are my SW veries received during February: The Khmer Post Radio 9960; Call to Worship Radio 15390; FEBC 11905; Eternal Good News Radio 7365; RTI 9465; Radio Thailand 9950; VoT 11815; Bible Voice BC 15470; and Radio Azadi Iranawila 9335 kHz. There they are for this time around. Not too many though." *(Hmm, but enough to keep the Marlborough flag flying, and you always seem to pique my interest with an outlet I've not bumped into before. Um, The Khmer Post Radio? Well, Mr Google helps me locate a newspaper in southern California and I see the frequency, but where is the transmitter?)*

David Ricquish, Wellington should have a nickname along the lines of Mister Kept Occupied. "Although I'm no longer actively DXing, I'm still busy. Jo and I recently returned from a long family necessary visit to Europe. It was difficult for many reasons. I spent a week in hospital after severe food poisoning triggered very high blood pressure and a form of stroke which caused complete dizziness and inability to walk. I'm told I'll have full recovery but it will take time. I get tired very easily now. We had a quick coffee with Dario Monferini of Play DX in Milan and often enjoyed the company of RNZI listener Christian Ghibaudo during our long recovery weeks in Nice. The Radio Heritage Foundation turns 10 in a year and there's a lot of work to be done in the coming months. NZRDXL members will be able to upload scans of QSL's into the new database and preserve a full digital collection with us. The project started as Pacific-based and centered on a few stories. It now targets 75,000 visitors this year at <www.radioheritage.com>, is expanding to cover other locations, and enjoys support from all over the world. It's now The Co-Operative Global Radio Memories Project and runs on gracious support from people around the world. Chris Mackerell does an outstanding job as the webmaster for us. Martin Hadlow, Jonathan Marks, and Adrian Peterson keep us on the right track. However, very few NZRDXL members nor the club itself support it much. I'm very grateful to those who do. I guess everyone has their priorities and interests so I do understand. The monthly Beach Babbles at a local cafe keep local DXers in touch, and me humble! We always welcome visitors to these gatherings, so if anyone is in town on a 'do' day, come along, you'll be most welcome. We have bikini watching contests from time to time, but have yet to verify any signals." *(Sorry to hear about the health problems. I hope you had a few/many radio car stickers to pass on to Dario, one of his interests.)*

Günter Jacob in Passau, Germany has figured out the QSL equation. "Sending fewer

reports means getting little response. But there have still been a few verifications: Radio 700 verified their transmission via Kall (1kW) on 3955 kHz with a Special QSL for Bördeexpress (a railway line between Düren and Euskirchen). Ms Ying sent CRI QSLs for Kashi on 7410 and 13755 kHz. George Ross sent the cards '10th Anniversary 1977-1987', '50 years livingwordslastingfruit', and 'Talofofo Bay' verifying KTWR on 9345, 9900, 11800, & 15240 kHz. The English Service of Radio Romania International finally fulfilled my requests for QSLs for my reports of 2008, 2009 and 2010 (for these frequencies): 6030, 6145, 7305, 7335, 7370, 7380, 9580, 9765, 17670, & 17760 kHz; these ten cards just arrived in a large envelope also containing a promotional book from Fagaras County, Listeners' Club Diploma I + stamp 1, Diploma II + stamp 2, and an Honorary Diploma. Registered letters brought these cards from Family Radio: 7370 (Madagascar), 17660 (Ascension), 7590 & 9365 (Almaty), 11740, 11850, & 17545 (Abu Dhabi), 9830 (Montsinéry), 17650 (Wertachtal). And Bible Voice Broadcasting confirmed reception of their transmission via Alma Ata on 9345 kHz." (*Oh no, a QSL with a train... several NZRDXL members know that's a fatal combination for me!*)

Personal add-on: the International Radio Club of America's Bruce Portzer, and wife Evelyn, hosted their annual get-together in Seattle, WA in late February. The turnout was the best in several years, pushing over the dozen mark. Gary DeBock of the <ultralight> receiver phenom and FSL/ferrite-sleeve loop was as always in awe of hearing such stuff as Kahungunu/765 and the KT/238 beacon from Awanui. And Chuck Hutton whose name rings bells with some of you was signing, and saying, wouldn't it be nice to experience a DXpedition in Godzone! Well, I said, there are seats on Air NZ.

I have to get this column away to Mark right on schedule this month. But as the deadline was rather late date-wise, I don't believe anyone will be shut out.

73

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CANADA

- 580 CKUA Edmonton AB will go silent this spring as the station doesn't have funds to update the AM transmitter. (via NRC)
- 850 New station proposed for Montreal QC with FF Sports format 50kw day, 22kw nights, operator Tietolman-Tetrault-Pancholy Media. (via IRCA)
- 990 CP for Montreal QC here (taking over CKGM's old 990 facilities with 50 kW) as "Radio Fierté" (LGBT oriented station). Will have callsign CHRF. (via NRC)

USA "WAZN Watertown" is being transmitted in Morse code at 0900 and 1000 UTC on 1470 AM. So this must be part of the pre-dawn routine. (Bruce Conti via RealDX Yahoo Group) The station carries MOYL format 6am to 6pm weekdays, and around the clock at weekends. Power is 3.4kw nights. (BC)

USA

(items via National Radio Club's "DX News" bulletin.

- 550 WSAU Wausau WI granted STA for U4 15kw day, 10kw nights due problems with night pattern.
- 960 KOVO Provo UT now uses the slogan "The Zone."
- 970 WDAY Fargo ND currently U2 5kw day & night using night pattern of CP, has applied for a license to cover CP for U4 10kw day & night.
- 1000 KTOK Oklahoma City OK – CP for U4 5.8kw day & night is on the air.
- 1090 KAAV Little Rock AR granted STA to use a borrowed 5kw transmitter at U1, day & night.
- 1180 KERN Wasco-Greenacres CA granted STA for U4 15kw days, 2.5kw nights during repairs after main transmission line overheated and melted on 30/1.
- 1510 KSPA Ontario CA granted CP for U4 10000/6000.
- 1520 KKXA Snohomish WA applies for license to cover CP for U6 50kw day & night (U6 means using night pattern during critical hours)
- 1630 KRND Fox Farm WY applies for STA with U1 1.7kw days/1kw nights, moving temporarily to 41 06 02/105 01 29, has lost licensed site.
- 1640 KOAG Enid OK now has a Farm format with slogans "All Ag, All Day" and "The Farm Station". IRN network.
- 1650 KYHN Fort Smith AR reactivated 11 February with talk format, slogan: "Arklahoma's



Power Talk Radio.”

- 1650 KSVE El Paso TX format is now Spanish Sports, ESPD network.
- 1660 WBCN Charlotte NC format is now Sport.
- 1670 WOZN Madison WI now carries CBS Sports 21 hours a day, the balance being a local morning drive sports talk show and a locally produced farm show at 6am ELT. (Bill Dvorak)

USA

(items courtesy of IRCA's DX Monitor magazine)

- 560 WIND Chicago IL old slogan “News Talk 560”, now identifies as “AM 560 The Answer”.
- 580 KRSA Petersburg AK is now silent.
- 730 KINF Boise ID format changed from talk to sports, slogan “ESPN Boise AM 730”.
- 880 KJOZ Conroe, TX is now silent.
- 880 KRVN Lexington NE verified by letter QSL from Rodney V Zeigler, Director of Engineering, 1007 Plum Creek Pkwy,   P. O. Box 880, Lexington NE 68850; rzeigler@krvn.com
- 890 KIHC Arroyo Grande CA reactivated with EWTN religious teaching, slogan “Sharing the Heart of the Christian Faith”. Was previously KLFF.
- 910 KRAK Hesperia CA replaces ESPN sports with CBS Sports, slogan “CBS Sports Radio 910”
- 950 KMTX Helena MT was classic hits, now adult standards, slogan “Classy 950”
- 970 KESP Modesto CA drops ESPN for CBS Sports, slogan “Sports Radio 970”.
- 1050 KTCT San Mateo CA has dropped ESPN Sports in favour of CBS Sports.
- 1090 KFNQ Seattle WA replaces talk with CBS Sports, new slogan “The Fan 1090”.
- 1090 WUVI Charlotte Amalie VI now identifies as “The Voice of the University WUVI”, variety format, replacing gospel.
- 1140 KYDZ North Las Vegas NV has new sports format & callsign KXST, id as “CBS Sports 1140”.
- 1150 KXET Portland OR replaced regional Mexican w/ethnic “Russian Radio”.
- 1200 KYAA Soquel CA format was oldies, now EWTN religious teaching.
- 1200 WRTO Chicago, IL slogan changed to “Univision America” (same as KGBT on 1530 Ed)
- 1230 KLXR Redding, CA format was Music of Your Life, now Dial Global standards.
- 1280 KZNS Salt Lake City, UT now uses slogan “The Zone”
- 1340 KYNS San Luis Obispo CA now has a news format, slogan “SLO Radio News 1340 AM”
- 1350 KTIK Nampa ID was ESPN sports, now CBS sports.
- 1360 KKMO Tacoma, WA now regional Mexican format with slogan “El Rey 1360”
- 1380 KSRV Ontario, OR was country, now oldies, new slogan “Oldies 1380”.
- 1390 WAJD Gainesville, FL was R&B, now talk, adds slogan “Liberal Talk Radio”
- 1400 KRZR Visalia CA drops Fox Sports for talk, new slogan “Power Talk 96.7”
- 1420 KSTN Stockton CA now classic country format, slogan “Classic Country 1420”

- 1440 KPUR Amarillo TX replaces ESPN Sports with CBS Sports, slogan "Sports Radio 1440 AM".
- 1450 KVEN Ventura CA now carries CBS Sports, slogan "Sports Radio 1450"
- 1490 KTOP Topeka KS was ESPN Sports radio, now CBS sports.
- 1550 KRKE Albuquerque NM was oldies, now classic hits, slogan "Kool 94.5".
- 1560 WLZR Melbourne FL is now silent.
- 1650 KYHN Fort Smith AR reactivated w/talk, slogan "Arklahoma's Intelligent News Talk". First day back on air 12 Feb with frequent ID's mentioning "16-50 KYHN, 10,000 Watts of intelligent talk..." (Tom Jazinski)
- 1670 WOZN Madison WI ex WTDY adds slogan "The Zone" with new CBS Sports Radio format.
- 1700 KBGG Des Moines IA has changed from ESPN Sports to CBS Sports network.

GENERAL

An updated list of LA MW offsets has been compiled by Jari Vanhatalo. See:

http://kotisivu.dnainternet.net/b001mnbvc432/LATTARIT_0101_2013.xls

(Mauno Ritoa via MW Offsets Yahoo Group)

The following MW Loop antenna compilation is the best I've seen so far. The manual available at http://www.iw5edi.com/ham-radio/files/AM_loop_antennas.pdf totals 355 pages of information. Another site also has the loop manual, and includes additional antenna designs See: <http://www6.zetatalk.com/docs/Radio/Antennas/> All files are PDF format. Some DXer did an excellent job in compiling these individual MW antenna articles for inclusion in one large manual. (Todd Emslie via ICDX AM Yahoo Group)

The following websites are recommended by Paul Ormandy:

<http://www.ae5d.com/bev/bev.html> and <http://www.seed-solutions.com/gregordy/Amateur%20Radio/Experimentation/BevBPA.htm#1100>

The United States Postal Service has discontinued the sale of International Reply Coupons, which DXers and Amateur Radio operators have sent to selected radio stations as return postage for verifications. I bought my last 25 earlier this month. Unless a private company like FedEx is allowed by the International Postal Union to be allowed to sell them, IRCs will never be available in the United States again. (Lee Freshwater IRCA)

IN THE MAIL

STUART FORSYTH in Malaysia has just verified TWR via Albania and CRI via Finland on MW, heard while in Germany Bryan, from my stat in Germany. Stu says he wasn't able to hear these countries while living in the United Kingdom.

MIKE SMITH from Opunake has contributed some trail items and sent a report out to WCNZ 1660. He comments "I got an hour recorded of something in SS on 1670 on 25 February between 10pm and 11pm. Thought it may be KHPY, but the programming doesn't sound religious, and I thought I heard Argentina mentioned a few times, but audio isn't very flash. I'll have to spend some time listening to it." Mike has me envious with his recent purchase of an Eddystone 680X for just \$80 from a local second-hand

shop. Says Mike: "that's the winter restoration project. I've had it going with a few valve swaps so will spend some time bringing it back to spec." That receiver was my favourite valve receiver too Mike! Have one in the radio shack, but purely ornamental!

BROADCAST TRAIL

MS = Mike Smith Opunake with a Panasonic DR31 and Eddystone 680X, with EWE 5m x 25m to the east.

BCM = Byan Clark at Mangawhai with AOR7030+ and EWes to the Americas.

- 880 PERU Radio Union Lima w/Latin pops, SS ident 0904 1/3. BCM
- 890 USA KDXU St George UT with "KDXU Saint George" ident & ABC News 0700 23/2, mixing WLS. BCM
- 920 USA KXLY Spokane WA w/weather info and "KXLY Newsradio" id 0906 8/2, over country music station. BCM
- 1010 PERU Radio Cielo, Lima all alone 20/2 at 0928 with easy listening format, ident as "escuchando Radio Cielo". BCM
- 1060 CANADA CKMX Calgary AB with country songs 0836, promos for "Classic Country" 8/2. BCM
- 1310 MEXICO Radio Felicidad over US Talker 0632 4/3 with SS adverts, promos, idents and easy listening vocals. BCM
- 1430 USA? UNID Sports talker quite regular this month eg 0751 8/2 and 0802 23/2 when Fox Sports Radio promo hrd. Possibly KTBS Tulsa Oklahoma. BCM
- 1430 USA KYNO Fresno CA with callsign jingle 0724 23/2, oldies format mixed KMRB Chinese and my mystery sports talk (see above). BCM
- 1540 USA KXEL Waterloo Iowa, News, ads & Wx at 0805, "It's 37 degrees in Cedar Rapids" Strong signal all alone. 14/2 (MS)
- 1560 USA WQEW New York NY a surprise 0616 8/2 with Radio Disney over KNZR on talk. BCM
- 1610 ANGUILLA Carib. Beacon Female relig talk, mixed with presumed CHHA SS underneath. 0744 17/2. (MS)
- 1620 CUBA Radio Rebelde very strong at 0745 17/2. (MS)
- 1660 USA WCNZ Marco Island, FL with good signal logged from 0743 thru 0805 with soft jazz, numerous IDs. "The Avenue" "Timeless Cool" and full ID on the hour. "WMYR Ft Myers, WVOI Marco Island and WCNZ Marco Island local" 19/2. (MS)



Caribbean Beacon QSL Card

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A SPECIAL WELCOME to new member **BRIAN DODGSON** of Mansfield, Victoria, Australia. Brian will be known to some members, having attended the 1990 Auckland DX Convention and this month's convention too. His diverse career has included time as a technician at Radio Australia's Darwin transmitting station.

SPECIAL THANKS to **BARRY WILLIAMS** for his generous donation to League funds.

65th ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION We'll have a full report in next month's DX Times, but meantime we have a small number of souvenir fridge magnets from the event. These are as depicted below and measure approximately 8.5cm by 3.5cm and one will cost you 3 x mint 70c NZ postage stamps. Please contact me at the above email address to reserve yours.

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CAN YOU HEAR IT...?. THAT NOISE...? You know those funny noises you hear on the radio bands? You can find sound file examples of various digital modes at the website <http://www.nonstopsystems.com/radio/radio-sounds.html#sounds> (via Paul Ormandy reporting to the DX League's DX Dialog Yahoo Group)

EUROPEAN DX COUNCIL CONFERENCE Planning an overseas holiday this year? You might want to coincide with the EDXC conference, to be held this year from Friday 6 to Monday 9 September 2013 at Figueira da Foz, near Coimbra, Portugal. Check the EDXC website <http://www.edxc.org/> for more details. (via <http://bdxc.org.uk/> via Mike Terry via Glenn Hauser's DXLD Yahoo Group)



On the shortwaves.com

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

February 10, 2013 -- This time, under "DX History/Stations," we have posted a pamphlet on the technical side of the KDKA facilities in 1932. At that time KDKA was on both the broadcast band and shortwave (W8XK). The pamphlet was prepared by two Westinghouse radio engineers for the Institute of Radio Engineers convention in Pittsburgh. -- And from Adrian Peterson, under "Specialized Resources/Wavescan," you will find "100 Years of Wireless and Radio in Bulgaria-3: The Early Shortwave Scene" (February 3, 2013).

February 17, 2013 -- In the past, under "DX History//POW Monitoring," we have posted some of the thank you cards and letters received by DXer August Balbi from the families to whom he sent word of POW messages heard from Far Eastern Axis stations during World War II. Here is "August Balbi's POW Monitoring, Part IV," another group of thank you's received by August Balbi. This is the first of several postings about World War II POW messaging that we will be making over the next few weeks.

February 24, 2013 -- Under "DX History//POW Monitoring," we have posted "August Balbi's POW Monitoring, Part V," another group of thank you's sent to August Balbi by families to whom he relayed POW messages during World War II. More on POW messages next time.

March 3, 2013 -- In recent weeks we have posted some of the thank you letters received by August Balbi for POW messages that he heard on shortwave and forwarded to POW families during World War II. The other half of the communications link is, of course, the original card or letter sent by the listener to the family. A large collection of such cards and letters, received by the parents of Alfred R. Young, who was a POW in Japan during the war, have been posted by Young's son at < http://www.alyoung.com/My_Fathers_Captivity/Documents/> In "POW Monitoring and the Messages of Alfred R. Young," an article posted under "DX History/POW Monitoring," Jerry Berg takes a detailed look at these cards and letters to see what they tell us about POW message monitoring during World War II. The article is best read in connection with a visit to < http://www.alyoung.com/My_Fathers_Captivity/Documents/> because many of the cards and letters posted there are referred to in the article. -- Also posted this time, under "Specialized Resources" are two more "Wavescan" entries from Dr. Adrian M. Peterson: "BBC East Mediterranean Relay Station Cyprus, Pt. 1" (February 17, 2013), and "A Wednesday Wireless Event on Thursday" (February 24, 2013).

BRANCH NEWS



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WELLINGTON AREA GROUP

Special Beach Babble Wellington Saturday March 16 2013 12.45 pm Beach Babylon Cafe, Oriental Bay, Wellington

Theme: Canada/Snow/Ice/Cold/Eskimos/Moose/Ice Hockey/Maple Syrup

Mark your diaries now everyone. This should suit those who can't get along for the usual Beach Babble.

Special guest is Theo Donnelly, ex Radio Waikato, CJVB AM Vancouver and currently Mailbag Editor of the New Zealand DX Times magazine.

As it's a weekend, I suggest arriving a bit earlier to get your free parking, and because if it's fine, expect the cafe to be more crowded than usual.

A great opportunity to get fresh gossip from Theo who will have just been at the NZRDXL 65th anniversary gathering at Mangawhai with Bryan Clark and others a week earlier... get the low down on the state of radio in Canada today... and hear his stories about his life and times in radio in NZ and Canada... plus catch up if you haven't seen him for a while.....cheaper than buying an air ticket to Vancouver.....

Plus the usual great music, great food, fantastic company, superb coffee and all the latest gossip....

REMINDER: the March Beach Babble is **STILL SCHEDULED** for **Tuesday, March 26** with visitors in from the the South Island and the UK, theme British Empire.

March 16 Saturday 12.45 pm Theme: Canada

March 26 Tuesday 12.45 pm Theme: British Empire

Cheers everyone, see you there or be square!

CHRISTCHURCH GROUP

contact Doug Johns at douglas-johns@xtra.co.nz or frankglen@xtra.co.nz

DUNEDIN GROUP

Six members attended and Roger Pryde bought to our attention a secondhand book he purchased titled "Radio Wave Propagation by F.C Judd".

David Miller talked about Deaths of Kevin Black (exRadio Hauraki) and Ross Goodwin (exRadio Hauraki Offshore/Landbased) and Paul Holmes.

We ventured to Dave's computer to listen to the announcement for World Radio Day.

The highlight of our gathering was loggings by Roger, Phil and David.

Plus Ian Wells QSL for WPRR1680.

Next meeting : Ian Wells 2pm – 4pm April 27th 2013

Contacts : David Miller 476 3224 or Roger 473 7805

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2 FIJI STATIONS CLOBBERED BY CYCLONE EVAN STILL OFF THE AIR

From March 2013 HCJB Global Email

In mid-December, HCJB partner radio stations in Fiji and Samoa were devastated by Cyclone Evan, a storm that few people in the West ever heard about.

The storm first ravaged Samoa, leaving thousands homeless and without food, power and water. It then hit the island nation of Fiji as a category 4 storm with winds in excess of 170 miles per hour.

The storm destroyed radio broadcast towers, computer programming equipment and transmitters, resulting in more than \$45,000 in damage. But more importantly, it left thousands of non-Christian listeners without daily programming.

On Fiji, two radio repeaters that enable the station to cover the western part of the island are still off the air.

The station's programming has a stronger evangelistic focus as less than 2 percent of Fiji's Indian population is Christian. This station is the only source of Christian broadcasting which most of the Indian immigrants can access.

You can read a fuller story and view more photographs at the HCJB Global website <http://www.hcjb.org/hcjb-global-news/asia-pacific/two-christian-radio-outlets-in-fiji-remain-silent-2-months-after-cyclone.html>



High winds from Cyclone Evan buffet the FM repeater station in Sigatoka,



Cyclone Evan caused major damage to buildings in Samoa

Source: HCJB Global

Sri Lankan historic shortwave station at Ekala to close

The Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation has announced that they plan to close their historic shortwave station located at Ekala, a dozen miles north of Colombo in Sri Lanka. In view of the close association of Adventist World Radio with SLBC and their Ekala shortwave station over a long period of time beginning back in 1951, we are planning to honor the occasion with a special edition of the AWR DX program Wavescan, under the title "Tribute to Ekala". We plan to broadcast this special edition of Wavescan under the old title from around 40 years ago, "Radio Monitors International".

At this stage, the closure date for SLBC Ekala is not yet finally confirmed, though it is our intent to place this special program on the air in the regular scheduling of Wavescan to co-incide with their last week on the air. SLBC plans to transfer their shortwave planning to the ex-Deutsche Welle station located near Trincomalee on the east coast of the island.

A special one time only QSL card will be prepared, based on the early QSL cards issued in Poona India for the broadcasts from AWR-Asia and Radio Monitors International. All reception reports for this one particular edition of Wavescan-Radio Monitors International will be verified with this special card, and the reception reports can be for any of the broadcasts of this program over any station that carries the program. Postal mail reception reports are preferred, with return postage, though in some cases email reports will be verified.

The only address for this special QSL card "Tribute to Ekala", is:-

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via Dr. Adrian M. Peterson



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	A/NZ Pac	NAm	CAm	SAm	Eur	Af	Asia	Cnt	Dec	Mar	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	65	335	43	39	47	3	121	108	1089	1089	0
David Ricquish	501	93	195	22	6	8	0	46	67	871	871	0
Stuart Forsyth	473	26	96	13	21	90	1	25	61	741	744	3
Mark Nicholls	291	57	229	27	9	10	0	22	67	645	645	0
John Campbell									130	644		2
Paul Aronsen									50	531	531	0
SENIOR (301 - 500)												
Peter Grenfell									41	457		0
Günter Jacob	0	0	7	0	0	349	10	11	59	371	377	6
Frank Glen									24	325		0
FM-TELEVISION												
Douglas Johns										882		0
Mark Nicholls	44								2	44		0
SHORTWAVE												
OPEN (Over 500)												
Ian Cattermole	272	504	610	346	392*	3350	447	1659	209	7532	7580	48
Ron Killick									237	6262	6262	0
Günter Jacob	282	324	351	171	200*	1803	503	1453	175	5027	5086	49
Douglas Johns										3196	3196	0
Ray Crawford	177	111	186	120	274*	929	281	565	233	2645	2645	0
John Durham	114	95	219	113	149*	954	246	528	265	2412	2418	6
John Campbell									264	1729		0
Paul Aronsen									125	806	806	0
Peter Grenfell									141	777		0
SENIOR (301 - 500)												
Stuart Forsyth	41	17	14	16	29*	203	49	127	106	496	496	0
JUNIOR (5 - 150)												
Mark Nicholls	33	8	11	5	6	33	4	11	56	130	130	0
Frank Glen									71	100		0
UTILITIES												
Ron Killick									133	61957		0
Douglas Johns										35857		0
Günter Jacob									14	18		

Hello from Putrajaya. The sun continues to shine and not a lot of DXing is going on. However, I have added a couple of countries to my totals so I am happy.

NEXT LADDERS AND CONTINENTS LISTING: JUNE!