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RADIODX.COM Website is going to have a Major Update.

Well it's taken a bit longer than we had hoped but by the time you receive the printed copy of this months magazine it should be up and running.

We will be using a new company to host the web pages and between the new and old hosting companies they had a minor hiccup.

Check out www.radiodx.com and have a read of many new articles and images that have been added. Please let Paul Ormandy know if you spot any errors or broken links. at webmaster@radiodx.com

Also please contact Paul if you would like to contribute an article for the website.

FRONT COVER. Additional comments from Martin Hadlow. In November last year, my wife and I visited the Falkland Islands as part of an expedition to Antarctica. The ship travelled via Falkland Islands and South Georgia before heading to the great southern continent. When we arrived in Stanley, I made a special point of seeking out the local radio station. Fellow DXers will know that the former FIBS is now the FIRS (Falkland Islands Radio Service). A separate Falkland Islands Television Service (FITV) also exists. We reached Stanley on the 11th November, Armistice Day, and, after participating in the military commemoration ceremonies, we eventually located the FIRS office and studio building. Sadly, the station was closed for the holiday. However, I took a few photos of the studio building and these might be of interest to NZ DX Times readers.

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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 |
|-------|------|--|
| 4557 | 1903 | S.KOREA, V.O. The People, Fair in Korean – 30/6 KB |
| 4780 | 2042 | DJIBOUTI Radio Djibouti w/good clear signal, HOA music, AA anncts, best 60m signal after Alice Springs 4835 2/6.BCM |
| 4781 | 1935 | DJIBOUTI, R,DifTV, Fair/poor in vern , long talk, ethnic mx – 28/6 KB |
| 4825 | 0419 | BRAZIL, R.Cancao Nova, Poor/fair in Portugese relg & mx – 30/6 KB |
| 4825a | 0540 | BRAZIL Radio Cancao Nova w/PP evangelist, vgd but over-modulated audio 21/6 on measured 4824.95. Still good at 0956 recheck, ident 1001. BCM |
| 4835 | 0842 | AUSTRALIA, VL8A, Good in English re Federal political situation – 26/6 KB |
| 4840 | 0602 | USA, WWCR, Good in English, relg prgm – 2/6 KB |
| 4885 | 0915 | BRAZIL, R. Clube do Para, Fair/poor in Portugese & mx, refs to ' Para' – 24/6 KB |
| 4910 | 0726 | AUSTRALIA, VL8T, Fair in English, VFL Collingwood v Pt Adelaide – 29/6 KB |
| 4940 | 1026 | CHINA, V.O.Strait tentative, Fair in Chinese – 17/6 KB |
| 4990 | 0600 | SURINAM Radio Apinte poor with uninterrupted pop songs eg Bobby Vinton till covered by splatter from Radio Brasil Central 4985 opening at 0609 27/6. BCM |
| 5025 | 0831 | CUBA, R.Rebelde, Good in Spanish, mx, phone-in, 0858 VL8K co-chan – 6/6 KB |
| 5035 | 0521 | BRAZIL, R.Aparecida, Poor in Portugese relg & mx, 0534 advt/pr omo – 30/6 KB |
| 5040 | 0413 | CUBA, RHC, Fair in Spanish & mx, 0500 into English nx – 24/6 KB |
| 5040 | 1953 | INDIA AIR Jeypore on extended schedule 30/6 with sports broadcast, seemed to be cricket match with South Africa, poor. BCM |
| 5910 | 0357 | JAPAN, NHK/R Japan good in Japanese , ID 0400 – KAB 24/6 |
| 5910a | 0435 | COLOMBIA Caravan Radio at very good strength 28/6 on measured 5909.92 with light orchestrals, SS ident 0437 as "Desde Colombia, al Caravan Radio..." BCM |
| 5915 | 0459 | ZAMBIA Lusaka with distinctive bird call tuning signal then EE ident & news "This is the Zambia Broadcasting.... Zambia.." Poor level 27/6 |

- and muffled audio but semi-regular from fade in around 0430. Also traced here at 2000 past 2100. BCM
- 5985 2050 CHINA. CRI. VG in English. 18/6. IC
- 6005 0658 ASCENSION IS, BBC WS fair in English with comment & music, ID and off at 0700, very scratchy – CC 10/6
- 6010a 0318 BRAZIL Radio Inconfidencia w/“Amigos da Madrugada” prgm jingle 19/6, poor to fair on measured 6010.13. No trace on 19 metres at this time. BCM
- 6010 0655 CUBA, R Havana fair in English with comment & music, very scratchy // 6060 weaker – CC 10/6
- 6015 0354 ZANZIBAR(TANZANIA) ZBC best hrd 22/6 from daily monitoring 19-30 June. Distinctive drumming and time pips on the hour then Swahili news w/many mentions of Zanzibar and Tanzania. Usually tough reception prior 0400 when strong CRI via Albania in CC closes. Followed past 0430 some days, but occasionally missing altogether. Sometimes ids as “ZBC”. BCM
- 6020 0351 ALBANIA, CRI fair in Chinese with ID 0345 followed by classical music – KAB 24/6
- 6020 0415 GERMANY. AWR via Nauen. Fair in Bulgarian. 25/6. IC
- 6025 2110 CHINA/TIBET. PBS Zixang. Good in Tibetan. // 6110. 14/6. IC
- 6030 0259 ETHIOPIA Radio Oromiya w/chimes interval signal and sign on anncts in local lang over Radio Marti & Cuban jamming 25/6. Tried again 1/7 when Marti off air but Cuban jamming too strong for Ethiopia this day. BCM
- 6105 0403 GERMANY, R Liberty poor in unid language with comment – news?? – KAB 24/6
- 6105a 0959 BRAZIL Tentative reception of Radio Filidelfia 19/6 on 6104.77, Briefly readable in PP till Taiwan 6105 opened strongly at 1000. Able to follow Brazilian till 1012, but not there on subsequent days. BCM
- 6125 0427 SPAIN, REE good in Spanish with comments, ID 0430 clear in Spanish – KAB 24/6
- 6155 0430 AUSTRIA, ORF fair in German with ID than discussion between YL & OM followed by Strauss orchestral music – KAB 24/6
- 6155a 0953 BOLIVIA Radio Fides w/time check & Good Morning messages in SS, fair in clear on measured 6154.95. Best on USB to avoid RA's PNG Service on 6150. Ident & folk song, then blocked by RTI Chinese 6175 opening at 1000 24/6. BCM
- 6165 0330 TURKEY. VOT. Poor in English. Much better on // 9515. 16/6. IC
- 6174a 0256 PERU Radio Tawantinsuyo w/folk songs 23/6 on measured 6173.93 till clobbered by WHRI 6175 opening at 0258 to relay Voice of Vietnam. Peru also noted on this distinctive freq at 1043, LSB mode to avoid strong Chinese on 6175. BCM
- 6175 0330 USA. VOV via Hri. Fair in English. 4/6. IC.
- 6175 0434 USA, V of Vietnam good in English/Vietnamese with EE speech translated into Vietnamese, ID 0430 – KAB 24/6
- 6885 0405 ISRAEL Galei Zahal w/commercials in Hebrew, back on this freq 1/

7. Parallel 15850 was slightly better signal. BCM
- 7205 2021 FRANCE, RFI good in French with discussion, a little scratchy // 9790 stronger – CC 23/6
- 7205 2037 TURKEY, VOT good in English with comment. ID at 2039, very light QRM – CC 23/6
- 7285 0456 SOUTH AFRICA Sonde Grense SABC domestic Afrikaans Service hrd exceptionally well some days in late June, eg 22/6. News at 0500 followed by weather forecast for Southern Africa, including Namibia and Swaziland, BCM
- 7295 0403 ALGERIA/France RTVA Algiers via Issoudun opens strongly with AA ident and martial anthem, followed by Quran 24/6. BCM
- 7325 2100 CHINA. CRI. Good in English. 30/5. IC
- 7330 1551 NZ. RNZI. Poor in English. 16/6. IC
- 7350 0003 CHINA CRI with EE international news fair 24/6, ident for "CRI News" at 0005 then commentary on Chinese economy. BCM
- 7350 0410 ROMANIA, R Romania Intl fair in Romanian with discussion, scratchy // 9770 stronger and clearer – CC 6/6
- 7350 0410 ROMANIA, R Romania Intl good in presumed Romanian with discussion OM/YL, ID at 0420, 0427 – KAB 25/6
- 7350 0422 ROMANIA, R Romania fair in Romana // 9770 – BDW 2/6
- 7350 2130 ASCENCION. BBC. Fair in English. 21/6. IC
- 7405 0405 USA, R Marti good in Spanish with discussion with discussion – KAB 25/6
- 7435 2029 TAJIKISTAN, R Free Asia fair in Chinese with comment // 6140 weaker – CC 23/6
- 7460 2110 MONGOLIA. RFA via Ulanbaatar. Fair in Korean. 30/5. IC
- 7475 0315 GREECE ERT with spoken prgm in Greek, strong 24/6, gone at 0358 recheck. Parallel 9420 also strong, continuing past 0400 when ident & news hrd. BCM
- 7480 2120 TAJIKISTAN. Open Radio For N.Korea. Weak in Korean. 30/5. IC
- 7505 2045 TAJIKISTAN, Radio Free Chosun via Dushanbe, Good in Korean. 9/6. IC.

OVERSEAS LOGGINGS.

All may not be audible in NZ at the times listed

- | kHz | UTC | Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details |
|--------|------|--|
| 6134.7 | 0007 | BOLIVIA. Radio Santa Cruz, 0007-0054 May 27, program of continuous Latin music hosted by a female announcer with brief occasional Spanish announcements. Nice canned ID by male announcer at 0030 and again at 0036 before continuing with more Latin vocals. Fair signal. (D'Angelo-PA) |
| 6925 | 0342 | AM PIRATE (No. Am.). Captain Morgan Shortwave, *0342-0424* Jun 23, program of mainly blues vocals with frequent IDs and e-mail address (captainmorganshortave@gmail.com). Fair to good signal. (D'Angelo-PA) |
| 6925 | 0344 | AM PIRATE (No. Am.). UNID, 0344-0400* (?) Jun 30, seemed to be parody ad, music fanfare followed by Dean Martin "In the Misty |

- Moonlight" and "Teenager in Love". More talk but deteriorating rapidly. Either closed down or lost in the noise. Poor overall. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6925U 0100 PIRATE (No. Am.). Left Lane Radio, 0100-0108* June 24, man announcer with several IDs and e-mail address (leftlaneradio@gmail.com), short Soviet era style music segments before closing with slow scan sounds. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6925U 2246 PIRATE (No. Am.). Black Cat Radio, 2246-2333* May 26, opened and closed with SSTV sounds; played rock music with two male announcers providing periodic IDs and e-mail address for reception report: blackcatradio1@gmail.com. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7250 2301 CHINA. China Radio International – Urumqi, 2301-2317 May 13, man announcer with news in Spanish. Id after news followed by talk segment with periodic short instrumental music segments. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7255 2237 NIGERIA. Voice of Nigeria, 2237-2259* May 25, man announcer with talks in listed Hausa language with some short Afro pops selections. News at 2255 followed by ID and closedown with orchestra national anthem. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7275 0523 TUNESIA. Radio Tunisienne, 0523-0537 Jun 25, male vocal selection followed by a woman announcer with Arabic language talks. More vocals accompanied by flutes. Fair to good. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7280 0127 GERMANY. Radio Farda – Nauen, 0127-0212 Jun 8, Farsi language program with vocal selections until time pips at 0130 followed by ID and news. More vocals after 0200. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 8989U 0006 NICARAGUA. "El Pescador Preacher ", 0006-0012 Jun 30, thanks to Wilkner tip finally heard with man announcer with Spanish talk until ended transmission. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)

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KHz UTC Country, Station, Programme, & Reception details

- 9355 1732 N.MARIANAS, RFA, Good in CC, female vocalist // 9745 weaker - 13/6 CC
9410 0401 GERMANY, BVB via Nau, Fair in Luri - 9/6 BDW
9430 1759 AUSTRIA, BVB via Mos, Very good, 'Hope for Today' in English - 8/6 BDW
9435 0222 ARMENIA, VOR, Good in Spanish & class mx, off air 0255 - 29/6 KB
9440 0331 GERMANY, BVB via Nau, Fair in Farsi - 9/6 BDW
9490 0204 FRANCE, R.Republica, Fair in Spanish, IDs 0215 - 29/6 KB
9515 2030 GERMANY, BVB, via Nau, Good in Arabic - 8/6 BDW
9530 1831 TURKEY, TRT, Excellent in Azerbaijani - 12/6 BDW
9565 0549 BRAZIL, SRDA, Curitiba, Fair/poor in PP, relg om/yl // 6060 weak - 19/6 KB
9579 2355 MOROCCO, R.Medi 1, Fair in Arabic, yl/yl & AA mx, 0020 surging - 29/6 KB
9610 2230 UAE. RA via Dha. Good in Indonesian - 20/6 IC
9680 1041 INDONESIA, RRI Jakarta, Good in Bahasa Indon, om/om - 17/6 KB
9700 0813 NEW ZEALAND, RNZI, Fair in EE, mx & regional nx - 27/6 KB
9740 1010 THAILAND, BBC, Fair in EE, yl & om spkg, persistent QRM, ID 1014 - 6/6 CC
9770 0422 ROMANIA, RRI, Good in Romanian - 2/6 BDW
9820 0526 BRAZIL, R.Nove de Julho tentative, Fair/poor in PP & mx - 19/6 KB
9835 1103 MALAYSIA, RTM, Good in Bahasa Malaysia, long talk by om - 17/6 KB
9875 1820 N.KOREA V.o.Korea, Fair/good in French, om speaking, a little scratchy // 11635 the same - 22/6 CC
9885 0532 BOTSWANA, VOA, Fair in French, nx - 24/6 KB
9890 2130 UNITED KINGDOM BBC via Wooferton with special mid-Winter broadcast to Antarctic, very good signal at opening. Also on 5965.07 from Dhabbayah very good, 7350 Ascencion fair - 21/6 BCM
9915 2103 ASCENSION ISL. BBC, Fair in English nx, // 12095 weaker - 28/6 KB
9925 0005 NETHERLANDS/GERMANY KBC Radio via Nauen, poor to fair improving signal with rock music & male DJ. Scheduled Sundays only to 0200 UTC. Thanks to David Miller for tip - 30/6 BCM
11545 0230 BULGARIA. Salam Watander. Poor in Pashto via Kostinbrod. No positive

ID but must be the one here - 22/6 IC

- 11565 0834 USA, WHRI, Good in English, insp mx, ID 0835 – 27/6 KB
11745 2034 ROMANIA, RRI, Good in EE, yl speaking // 13800, 11975 the same - 23/6 CC
11765 1601 TURKEY, TRT, Good in Dari-Pashto-Uzbek – 12/6 BDW
11780 0419 BRAZIL, R.Nac, da Amazonia, Fair in PP, phone-in & mx – 19/6 KB
11795 1724 VATICAN, VOA, Fair in English, om speaking, ID 1726, scratchy - 13/6 CC
11795 1812 FRANCE, RFI, Good in Russian, om & yl speaking // 13620 weaker & not so clear - 22/6 CC
11815 0439 BRAZIL, R.Brasil Central, Poor in PP & mx //4985 very weak – 19/6 KB
11830 2000 FRANCE, AWR via Iss, Good in French – 13/6 IC
11830 2200 GUAM, KSDA. Poor in Chinese - 20/6 IC
11840 2115 UK. VOV via Wof. Good in Vietnamese - 5/6 IC
11850 1530 UZBEKISTAN. Vatican Radio via Tashkent. Poor in English - 21/6 IC
11895 0017 SRI LANKA. Deewa Radio via Iranawila. Good in Pashto - 10/6 IC
11905 0246 SRI LANKA SLBC via Trincomalee strong w/music prgm in Indian lang. Scheduled 0115-0330 - 1/7 BCM
11930 1629 TURKEY, TRT, Good in Spanish – 12/6 BDW
11945 1659 FRANCE, NHK via Iss, Fair to Good in Japanese – 5/6 BDW
11980 0402 TURKEY, TRT, Good in Turkish - 13/6 BDW
12005 0230 UK. VOV via Wof. Fair in English - 4/6 IC
12025 0520 BOTSWANA, VOA, Fair/poor in English, 0530 ID, nx – 24/6 KB
12095 0602 S.AFRICA, BBC, Fair in English, nx re Mandela // 9410 Poor – 10/6 KB
13580 1700 AUSTRIA. BVB via Moosbrunn. Good in Arabic after English IDs - 5/6 IC
13580 1707 AUSTRIA, BVB via Mos, Good in Arabic – 6/6 BDW
13675 1545 TAJIKISTAN, RFA, Good in Chinese, om speaking // 15430 weaker & not so clear - 17/6 CC
13795 0010 INDIA, AIR, Good in Tamil, om spkg // 9910 much weaker – 12/6 CC
13800 1530 GERMANY. HCJB via Nauem. Good in Russian - 8/6 IC
13800 2045 ROMANIA. RRI. fair in English - 30/5 IC
13810 1716 FRANCE, BVB via Iss, Fair in Arabic – 6/6 BDW
15110 0410 RUSSIA. Tatarstan Wave. Fair in Tatar - 4/6 IC
15160 1630 GERMANY, BVB via Nau, Fair in Nuer – 6/6 BDW
15320 1607 FRANCE, BVB via Iss, Fair in Farsi – 8/6 BDW
15320 2247 GUAM KSDA Agana w/ident "You're listening to Adventist World Radio. The Voice of Hope from Puna, India", very good. Also at this time on 23/6 carrying "Wavescan" DX prgm - 21/6 BCM
15415 2225 AUSTRALIA, RA, Good in English with "Agriculture" prgm - 23/6 DD
15470 2200 N.MARIANAS. Vatican Radio via Tinian. Good in Chinese - 3/6 IC
15780 1600 BULGARIA, BVB, Fair in Farsi – 6/6 BDW
17550 1115 KUWAIT. Radio Kuwait. Good in Arabic - 8/6 IC
17650 2333 GUAM KSDA Agana good clear signal with weekly "Wavescan" DX Prgm report on Bulgarian Radio - 23/6 BCM

17775 1950 USA KVOH San Francisco reactivated with initial test. Signal level varied from poor to very good, rolling idents & program promos in SS and EE, requesting reports. Also announced alternative 31 metre freq of 9975 - 29/6 BCM

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- kHz UTC Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
- 9420 0350 GREECE. Voice of Greece, 0350-0422, first chance for me to check after terminating service and restoring service. Man announcer with usual Greek talks hosting program of Greek music. A few audio drop outs along the way so possibly some technical problems are not resolved? Time pips, ID and news by a woman announcer at 0400. Good – 22/6 RDA
- 9500 0240 ENGLAND. BBC – Woofferton, 0240-0253, Farsi language program with a woman announcer providing ID at 0241 before returning to a man with long Farsi language talk. Fair to good – 8/6 RDA
- 9579.10008 MOROCCO (Spanish). Radio Medi Un, 0008-0058, woman announcer with French language talks hosting light music program. Poor at first but improving after 0030. Blocked from 0058 when China Radio International via Cuba opened a carrier on 9580 – 8/6 RDA
- 9740 2338 ROMANIA. Radio Romania International – Tiganesta, 2338-2357*, man announcer with Spanish talk hosting program of Romanian folk tunes. ID at 2356 followed by familiar IS. Fair – 7/6 RDA
- 11545 0351 CLANDESTINE (Afghanistan). Radio Salaam Watandara – Tiganesti, 0351-0400*, man announcer with talk in Pashto language followed by a woman announcer with apparently ID and closedown announcements. Poor to fair – 30/6 RDA
- 11560 0422 CLANDESTINE (Sudan). Radio Miraya – Sofia, 0422-0437, woman announcer asking questions of a man about agriculture, Minister of Finance, universities and spending bill, all in English until program previews at 0428, several IDs, jingles followed by Arabic at 0430. Next night noted with English opening at 0415. Fair – 8/6 RDA
- 11660 2114 CHINA. China Radio International – Kashi, 2114-2133, woman announcer with French talk hosting pop music program. Id at 2130 followed by a man with news. Fair – 22/6 RDA
- 11670 2152 INDIA. All India Radio-Bengaluru, 2152-2230*, man and woman singing Hindi duet. ID at 2150 by a woman announcer in English with News at 2200 by another woman announcer. ID at 2210 followed by commentary about Sri Lanka's 13th amendment. Another ISD at 2215 followed by a man announcer hosting Economic Review program. Close down at 2229. Fair to good signal – 24/6 RDA

- 11915 2224 SAUDI ARABIA. Broadcasting Service of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia – Holy Qur’an Service, 2224-2301*, man with recitations until 2234 when a man announcer spoke in Arabic mentioning Qur’an several times. More recitations followed until terminated at 2301. Good signal – 24/6 RDA
- 11945 0944 AUSTRALIA. Radio Australia, 0944-0957*, coverage of Suns – Bombers football match with male announcer until carrier terminated. Fair to good reception – 15/6 RDA
- 11975 2039 ROMANIA. Radio Romania International – Galbeni, 2039-2052, English broadcast with stories about massive debt resulting in privatization; Romanian doctors complaints about health care system and Moldova conflicts. Good signal – 22/6 RDA
- 15140 2016 OMAN. Radio Sultanate of Oman, 2016-2107, two men with discussion in Arabic language. Later man hosting program of Arabic vocals. ID, bells and news at 2100. Fair – 22/6 RDA
- 15290 0948 FRANCE. NHK Radio – Issoudun, 0948-1000*, man with Japanese talk until ID and time pips before carrier terminated. Poor – 15/6 RDA

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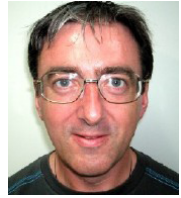
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73 - Yuri, ZL1GYM <http://www.linradio.com/sources.htm>

NEW ZEALAND CONTRIBUTIONS

| Time (UTC) | Freq (kHz) | Station Name | Station Country | Log Date | DXer Name |
|------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|
| 0003-0005 | 7350f | CRI | CHINA | - | BCM |
| 0230 | 12005f | VOV | VIETNAM | 4/6 | IC |
| 0330 | 6165p:9515 | VOT | TURKEY | 16/6 | IC |
| 0330 | 6175f | VOV | VIETNAM | 4/6 | IC |
| 0520-0530 | 12025f | VOA | USA | 24/6 | KB |
| 0602 | 4840g | WWCR | USA | 2/6 | KB |
| 0602 | 9410p:12095f | BBC | UK | 10/6 | KB |
| 0655 | 6010f:6060p | R Havana | CUBA | 10/6 | CC |
| 0658-0700 | 6005f | BBC WS | UK | 10/6 | CC |
| 0726 | 4910f | VL8T | AUSTRALIA | 29/6 | KB |
| 0813 | 9700f | RNZI | NZ | 27/6 | KB |
| 0834-0835 | 11565g | WHRI | USA | 27/6 | KB |
| 0842 | 4835g | VL8A | AUSTRALIA | 26/6 | KB |
| 1010-1014 | 9740f | BBC | UK | 6/6 | CC |
| 1530 | 11850p | Vatican Radio | VATICAN CITY | 21/6 | IC |
| 1551 | 7330p | RNZI | NZ | 16/6 | IC |
| 1724-1726 | 11795f | VOA | USA | 13/6 | CC |
| 1759 | 9430g | BVB | ? | 8/6 | BDW |
| 2034 | 11745g:11975g:13800g | RRI | ROMANIA | 23/6 | CC |
| 2037-2039 | 7205g | VOT | TURKEY | 23/6 | CC |
| 2045 | 13800f | RRI | ROMANIA | 30/5 | IC |
| 2050 | 5985g | CRI | CHINA | 18/6 | |
| 2100 | 7325g | CRI | CHINA | 30/5 | IC |
| 2103 | 9915f:12095p | BBC | UK | 28/6 | KB |
| 2130 | 7350f | BBC | UK | 21/6 | IC |
| 2225 | 15415g | RA | AUSTRALIA | 23/6 | DD |

SHORTWAVE REPORT

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AUSTRALIA

2368.48, Radio LMS - The Voice of Le Manamea Samoa via Radio Symban. Thanks very much for the kind encouragement of Ian Baxter (Australia), I have finally made contact with the station that is providing the audio feed of such wonderful Samoan music and singing that Radio Symban is relaying at times via their transmitter. "The Voice of Le Manamea Samoa, reaching the people of Samoa"; "Radio LMS provides the latest Samoan news and music"; Head Office: Shop 11, 43 Heathcote Road, Moorebank 2170 NSW Australia. Website, with audio streaming at www.radiolms.com.au. Email for general inquiries: info@radiolms.com.au. Received a friendly reply from Katie Sulusulumavasa (Le Manamea Samoa Media Group Pty Ltd, Sydney, Australia), replying it was good to know I was listening to their programming. On the Web I found she is also the General Manager of La Manamea Samoa Newspaper (website: <http://www.yabaqi.com/lemanameaAust/index.html>). The company is an Australian-based Samoan media organization involved in print and radio. (Ron Howard California)

REVISED BANGLADESH BETAR SUMMER SCHEDULE

Bangla Betar

Broadcast daily/target areas and languages as indicated
All times UTC

1230-1300 on 15105 DKA 250 kW / 140 deg to SEAs English

1315-1345 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 320 deg to SoAs Nepali

1400-1430 on 15505 DKA 250 kW / 290 deg to WeAs

Urdu1515-1545 on 15505 DKA 250 kW / 305 deg to SoAs Hindi

1600-1630 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 290 deg to N/ME Arabic

1630-1730 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 290 deg to N/ME Bangla

1745-1900 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 320 deg to WeEu English

1915-2000 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 320 deg to WeEu Bangla

(DX Re Mix 787)



OMAN

Frequency changes of Radio Sultanate of Oman:

1400-1500 NF 15140 THU 100 kW 315 deg to WeEUR English, ex15560
1500-1600 NF 15140 THU 100 kW 315 deg to WeEUR Arabic, ex15560
1600-2200 NF 15140 THU 100 kW 315 deg to WeEUR Arabic, ex15595
2200-2400 NF 15355 THU 100 kW 315 deg to WeEUR Arabic additional
0000-0200 NF 9760 THU 100 kW 315 deg to WeEUR Arabic additional
(DX MIX News, Ivo Ivanov-BUL, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews June 18)

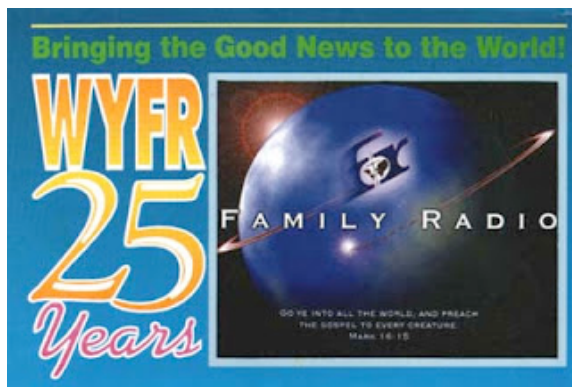
SRI LANKA

New schedule of Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation from June 1:

0115-0215 11905 TRM 125 kW 345 deg to SoAS Bengali/Tamil/Hindi
0215-0330 9770 TRM 125 kW 345 deg to SoAS English
1115-1215 9770 TRM 125 kW 345 deg to SoAS Telugu/Malayalam/Tamil
All other transmissions from Colombo-Ekala are cancelled.
(DX MIX News, Ivo Ivanov-BUL, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews June 4)

WYFR to close all shortwave services

We regretfully inform you that the final day of operation for WYFR will be June 30, 2013. This station descended from WIXAL (an experimental class license assigned in 1927). In 1939 the call letters were changed to WRUL, and then changed to WNYW in 1966. Initially, broadcasts came from Boston. In 1936 the station moved to Scituate, Massachusetts. On October 20, 1973 Family Stations, Inc. took ownership of the station using the call letters WYFR. (FSI had been buying airtime from WNYW starting in January of 1972.) At that time, the station sported four transmitters and nine reversible rhombic antennas. Construction started in Florida in 1976. On November 23, 1977 the first transmission from Okeechobee went on the air. For several years WYFR operated simultaneously from Scituate and from Okeechobee. The last broadcast from Scituate took place on November 16, 1979. The Okeechobee site eventually grew to 14 transmitters and 23 antennas. And now we've gone full cycle. Good listening to all, and 73, Dan Elyea



VOICE OF HOPE PLANS TO REACTIVATE SUMMER

KVOH / Voice of Hope, Los Angeles is being reactivated this summer. Currently the station is conducting a series of engineering test transmissions on 17775 kHz. The next scheduled test will be this Saturday, June 29th, for two hours from 1900-2100 hrs UTC. The power used will be 50kW, primarily targeted at Cuba, Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean, but the signal should also be heard over a wide area of the U.S.A. (east of the Rockies). There's even a slim chance it might be heard in Western Europe before local sunset.

The test program will be bilingual, with announcements in both English and Spanish. Reception reports will be very much appreciated to the mail and/or email addresses given in the broadcast. All will be verified by means of a new printed QSL card. Since the Voice of Hope is a non-for-profit ministry, return U.S. postage would also be appreciated where possible. (Ray Robinson)

China is constructing a special emergency radio broadcasting system to spread rescue and relief information in disaster-affected areas.

The plan, which experts have called an important measure for coping with disasters, was inspired by a similar but smaller-scale radio network established after a fatal 7.0-magnitude earthquake hit Lushan in southwest China April 20.

That radio service, jointly initiated by China National Radio and local radio and TV stations, broadcast government relief measures and secondary disaster warnings to disaster-affected people via loudspeakers, AM radio frequencies and satellite facilities between April 22 and May 23.
via Ray Crawford - WIA



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AZERBAIJAN [KARABAKH REP]

9677.8 Voice of Talyshistan is back on the air. Observed again on Wed June 26 at 1500-1600 9677.8 kHz SPK 010 kW non-dir to CeAS Talysh Tue-Sat, SINPO 33433 in Sofia.
(Ivo Ivanov-BUL, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews June 26)

BOLIVIA

3310 Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, at 1000 to 1008 UT with YLin Q., fair to good signal. 21 June.
4795.82 Radio Lipez, Uyuni at 0942 UT, on earlier than usual, as was Bolivia on 4700 and 4716 kHz same time during band scan. 21 June.
(Robert Wilkner-FL-USA, DXplorer June 22)

BRAZIL

4755 Rádio Imaculada Conceição, Campo Grande MS, at 1028 UT, presumed the one with Portuguese talk, het with The Cross high side so best copy in LSB. June 6.

4785 Rádio Caiari, Porto Velho, RO, at 1045 UT, good with discussion between two Portuguese men, bothered by CODAR sweeps. June 7.

(Robert Wilkner-FL-USA, DXplorer June 22)

6104.79v-.76 Radio Cultura Filadelfia, Foz do Iguacu, rarely heard station noted several mornings this week, appears to be nominal *0945. Very short reception window, as signal



tends to peak before 1000 and then totally fade out by 1005-1010. First hrd 6/3 at 0956 when tuning by, signal strong enough to stop me in my tracks -- nice ZY sertanejo mx w/accordion and strummed acoustic guitar. Canned ID PP anmt including fqys by OM and two time tones at the hour, then into PP religious inspirational pgm w/OM

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|  | | Confirmação de Sintonia (QSL) |
| Confirmamos, por meio dos dados recebidos, que sintonizou nossa emissora na cidade de _____ | | |
| Frequência: _____ | | |
| Data: _____ | | |
| Hora de Brasília: _____ | | |
| Atenciosamente, _____ | | |
| Diretor/Gerente Geral Rádio Cultura Filadelfia | | |
| Rádio Cultura Filadelfia - Avenida Brasil, 531 - Foz do Iguaçu/PR | | |

(Carimbo da emissora)

talking over musical bridges. Faded into the mud soon thereafter. Noted next day *0943 on 6/4, with technician seeming to just throw the xmtr switch and joining programming in midstream, with enthusiastic PP preacher and, again, sertanejo mx to ToH. At 0958 began sequence of multiple IDs in both formats as "Radio Cultura Filadelfia" and "Radio Filadelfia". An inspirational morning religious show daily at1000. On 6/5, only an open carrier noted signing on at *0946 but couldn't raise sufficient audio this morning. Also found webstream running in parallel, with only a few seconds lag behind the SW fqy. Big thanks to DXers Carlos Goncalves and Dave Valko for their assistance in pulling that initial ID from my recording of the 6/3 reception. (Perry,Illinois via HCDX)

MADAGASCAR

12105 QSL Radio Dialogue, via Talata Volondry to Zimbabwe,full detailed e-letter for e-report to<radio @ radiodialogue.com> v/s Sanele Njini, Online Editor.Artur Fernandez Llorella-ESP, hcdx June 29) [schduled daily 1600-1658 12105kHz. First QSL I have noted from this broadcaster Editor]

Thanks to Hardcore DX and WWDXC Top News

Thanks to Hardcore DX and WWDXC Top News.

Listeners to KVTK-AM of Yankton, South Dakota, were recently without the station for a few days. This is because an accident caused the stations broadcast tower to fall to the ground.

The tower, which was 309 feet tall, was situated in the middle of what was described as a small, grassy field located about five miles west of the town of Vermillion. Reportedly, a man cutting the grass Monday afternoon June 10th clipped one of the tower's guy-wires, causing it to collapse shortly after 4 p.m. local time.

Engineers and other staffers of Five Star Communications, which also owns KVHT-FM, reportedly worked quickly to find the best way to begin broadcasting again after their tower collapsed. According to press reports the station was back in operation from a temporary site on Friday, June 14th.

A small building located a short distance from the tower's base was not damaged, as the collapsing metal snaked its way around the structure without striking it. Thankfully, no one was injured in the mishap.

Via Ray Crawford / WIA



UTILITIES

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Welcome to the Utility page for July. As usual I am running a little late so hope Mark will forgive me again. Perhaps members who do not contribute to this page, may in the next month have a tune around the bands outside the normal broadcasting ones and log any Utility stations you hear. Even if you just report one or two stations you hear just e-mail in a contribution in the format shown in this page. This would be much appreciated.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE AUGUST ISSUE TO BE WITH ME BY 31 JULY 2013 PLEASE.

We are off to the Australian Outback on the train "Spirit of the Outback". This is the last of Queensland Rail's long distance trains that we have not travelled on before.

FREQ UTC DETAILS OF TRANSMISSION HEARD

- 8867 2109 JET STAR / AKL req radio / check 8867 / 5643 SC EPDF 3/7 RP
- 8867 2229 VELOCITY 110 - FL 390 Queenstown next ref 129-300 @ 2232 AKL
WX Queenstown R have approach runway 23 wet wind 3 knots viz 25 kms
reducing to 10 rain cloud @ 500 overcast temp 8 deg 1006 wind 20 knots
3/7 RP
- 8867 0419 OZZ JET 214 AKL posn reports freq adv 8867 / 5642 SC MPBJ 23/6
RP
- 8867 0428 AIR NEW ZEALAND NZ 833 / AKL @ boundary freq change 13261
SC HJRS 26/6 RP
- 8867 0753 Canadian ??? called Nandi re Radio Frequencies
DM
- 8867 0102 □Skyline ??□ called Ohakea requesting Info DM
- 8867 0432 □Kiwi 757 □ or □7?5□ Given Clearance by Auckland, for Area 5
Alpha at 9000 ft and told to call again at 0500 (SAR off Taranaki areas)
DM
- 8867 0202 □Kiwi 033□ told by Auckland that ATD not working then gave position
and 240 flight level DM
- 8867 0203 □Ozie 529□ Calling Auckland with Flight level Decent request
DM
- 8867 0406 □Kiwi Rescue 320□ with position check to Auck-
land and at 0416 called re position established

DM

- 8867 0506 □Navy 5436□ (Believed to be RAN from Brisbane??) called San Francisco, then told to call Nandi, which they did, 4 times at 0507 before Nandi acknowledged DM
- 8867 0406 Nandi ATC gave full Flight Info Service for Fijian Islands to □Velocity 154□ DM
- 8867 2148 AIR NEW ZEALAND NZ 832 / BRISBANE from fl 350 with posn report temp - 46 wind 262 / diag 141 coms on 8867 4/7 RP
- 8176 1133 AUST METRO WX MACQUARIE airport wind w/s west @ 13 knots gusts to 5 knots - SYDNEY airport wind w/n to 1013 knots gusts to 15 knots Lord Howe / wind w/sw 10/13 knots gust to 17. COFFS HARBOUR wind west n/w @ 5 knots, gust to 6kn 6/7 RP
- 8176 0835 VMC CHARLEVILLE , AUSTRALIA Weather for airports and marine weather, 0845 Tasmania reports, 0848 Male announcer □End of transmission from VMC□
- Fair to Good 7/7 ABD
- 8788 0906 WLO Mobile USA, Woman with weather reports, mention of vessel and message to be passed on. Poor to fair transmission ended at 0912 with ID WLO 7/7 ABD

CONTRIBUTORS

DM Dallas McKenzie, Buller - Kenwood R1000, Yaesu FRG-7700, PCR1000 (Stand By), Sony SW7600G. Uniden UBCT8, Standard VRI20....Long wire E-W (190 ft)...20ft Whip,

Plus Various Commercial whips.

RP Roger Pryde, Dunedin - SANGAN ATS 803A Yaesu 7000 / Dig / FRG 7 aerials 1 x 30 metre longwire, 1x 15 metre WW11 Vintage LW

ABD Arthur De Maine, Kakanui - Drake R-8, Icom R-70, 25 metre EWE running East/West.

Dallas reports he has not done a lot of logging in June due to monitoring several SAR's off the coast and inland around Mt Cook in VHF and HF.

Roger in his contribution mentions the Kaimai DC3 crash 50th anniversary.

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Flava rolls out over lower New Zealand

The Radio Network (TRN) are expanding their hip hop and R&B radio brand Flava into Wellington and Dunedin. The roll out of Flava radio commences with 4,000 songs playing in a row on Flava's new frequencies:

9 July - Wellington - 104.5FM

14 July - Dunedin - 88.6FM

In addition Christchurch gains enhanced coverage with Flava heard on 88.0 and 107.7FM

Flava's Content Director, Christian Boston says interest in the station has been high from fans.

"We've had so much demand to get Flava into everywhere from Dunedin to the Gold Coast. We've even had offers from people to put transmitters on their houses, so it's great to be able to expand the network. It was the number one station with the teens in two out of its three surveyed markets last year, so to be able to have it in eight locations this year is a very exciting expansion for us."

Boston says Flava really resonates with 18-39 year old market.

"With our launch of Flava into Wellington and Dunedin it will enable us to capitalise on the ever growing urban audience and further raise TRN's overall fresh and funky youth audience," says Boston.

In addition to delivering urban music lovers the hottest new hip-hop and R&B music a full programme will launch on 19 July with celebrity interviews, exclusive remixes, lifestyle information and news.

Dave 'Dr Fane' Fane, Flava's morning radio host 6am-10am weekdays with co-hosts Pete 'da Palagi' Marsden and Tash Ieremia are stoked to soon be on broadcasting across more of the airwaves, particularly Dr Fane, who lived in Wellington for 12 years. "I arrived grudgingly into Wellington in 1990 – I admit it, I was Auckland hard! I left Wellington in 2002, a blubbing emotional, artistic, Hurricanes for life mess! It's the best to be back via the radio waves into Wellington. It's a city that blows the word 'normal' away, literally!" says Fane.

Flava launched initially on 23 July 2004 and has been delivering hip hop and R&B music to over 96,300 listeners per week in the Northland, Auckland, Rotorua, Tauranga, Napier and Christchurch regions. Flava's most successful region is Rotorua being the number one station overall for the ten plus year old age group from the TNS New Zealand Commercial Survey 1/2013 released in April 2013.

(Radio Network, 15 July 2013, http://www.radionetwork.co.nz/trn/press-releases/all-press-releases_flava-roll-out-lower-nz)

Sommet Sports to launch on Freeview|HD

New free-to-air sport broadcaster, Sommet Sports, has confirmed its channel will launch in New Zealand on Thursday next week.

Available through Freeview on Channel 14, sports fans will also be able to access streamed content via the Internet.

"Although many never believed they would see free sports on their televisions again, we can finally offer live and free of charge to Kiwi homes such prestigious events as the MotoGP, the complete AFL 2013 season, Germany's premier Bundesliga Football, the LPGA tour, Extreme Sports, Surfing, Abseiling, BMX, and so much more." said Andrew Reeves, director of Sommet Sports.

"This has been a dream of ours for more than three years, and our passion for sports has had us work hard to build the type of sports channel we that we would take great pleasure in watching ourselves.

"We are so pleased to be offering free sports for Kiwis and are committed to acquiring sports programmes and content that Kiwis want to watch."

Reeves said more announcement on content are expected soon.

"More big announcements that will make sporting fans up and down the country happy will be released in the next few weeks," he said.

(Freeview, 12 July 2013, <http://www.freeviewnz.tv/news/sommet-sports-set-to-launch-on-freeviewhd.aspx>)

The following is an article about a LPFM operation on 88.0 from Gulf Harbour on the southern side of the Whangaparaoa Peninsula on Auckland's North Shore:

School puts radio station back on air

Bringing music back to the school yard is a Gulf Harbour School class' mission.

After receiving a message in a bottle containing a challenge from principal John Petrie to "enrage, engage and entertain", teacher Emma Thompson's year 6 class decided to revive their school radio.

"Room 23 has been exploring the power of both written and sung words. From our investigations we decided to put the school radio back on the air," Mrs Thompson says.

The eight DJs showed their skills at a Power of Words festival at the school on Wednesday, which parents attended.

Known as Splash FM when it was last active a few years ago, the radio has a new logo designed by students, a new name and a busy team of workers.

Not Your Average FM is fronted by a dedicated team of 10 and 11-year-olds who have been entertaining their fellow students before school, at morning tea, lunch and after school.

"It's good chaos because all the kids are out dancing on their breaks," Mrs Thompson says.

The class has come up with an entertaining playlist which includes plenty of New Zealand acts, with some Taylor Swift and Bruno Mars tracks thrown in.

To listen tune to 88.0 FM.
(Rodney Times, 9 July 2013, via Bryan Clark)

July FM notes from Gordon Mathieson

FM stations for some Waikato and northern King Country centres.

TE AROHA

106.7 Coromandel FM

106.9 Te Aroha's Unforgettable Music

107.0 3ABN - open carrier , been off air at times.

107.5 Stanley Ave primary school FM ,new here - operates during school hours, other times open carrier. So far very low power , signal to only about 100 metres of school.

MATAMATA

106.7 T.L.C. Matamata- The Little Country.

107.2 3ABN.

CAMBRIDGE

87.8 Switch FM

107.2 3ABN

TE AWAMUTU

107.8 TAPS FM - from Te Awamutu primary school.

TE KUITI

94.0 R.N.Z.National

99.6 MFM 'Te Reo Irirangi O Maniapoto' I.D.'MFM , your iwi station for the last 21 years'

104.4 Cruise FM

107.0 Calvary Chapel Radio.

QSL rec from Hamilton's Easy FM 107.7 logged in 2007, awesome reply from the station's owner Mr Lawrie Taylor.

TV FM contribution from Andy Gardner

Reading of Bryan Clark listening to FM stations while flying international routes prompted me to write. When I fly, I try to get a window seat, and have my laptop with me along with a USB Digital TV dongle that has a separate antenna. I place the antenna in the window by jamming the top of it up into the window blind, and hit the auto-tune button. Whatever stations pop up give you a positive ID via their digital ID, and you can record excerpts direct to hard disk for playback later. Great fun!
Bryan, if you want to listen to Japanese FM on your Tecsun PL-390, switch the radio off,

then hold down the [FM SET] button, and you can cycle between 87.5-108, 64-108, 76-108 and 87-108MHz.

Caribbean pirate radio station operators busted in US

Two men have been arrested for allegedly operating a Caribbean pirate radio station here.

The District Attorney in Brooklyn, Charles J. Hynes, said police arrested Seon Bruce, 40, known as "DJ Fresh Kid", and Solomon Malka, 51, charging them with "unauthorized radio transmission," a class-A misdemeanor. If convicted, they each face up to a year in jail.

"A person is charged with unauthorized radio transmission when he/she knowingly makes a radio transmission on a radio frequency assigned and licensed by the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) for use by AM and FM radio stations without authorization or having first obtained a license from the FCC," said Charles in a statement.

"The defendants did not have a FCC license for radio transmission, yet they were on radio frequency 104.7 FM," he added.

Charles said his office conducted an investigation, with cooperation from the FCC, which revealed that Bruce was "acting as a deejay for 104.7 FM." He said detectives bought air time from Bruce on 104.7 FM to run a commercial, and on April 18, an FCC engineer tracked the signal for the radio station to an antenna on the rooftop of 30 Broad Street, a 50-story building in Manhattan.

That same evening, detectives executed a search warrant and seized the transmitting equipment for 104.7 FM in a room on top of the roof.

Solomon Malka told investigators that he installed the equipment and was aware that the radio station did not have a license. Detectives also found equipment for another radio station, 91.7 FM.

According to Charles the transmitting equipment for that station was not on, and nothing could be heard on that frequency at the time.

The investigation was triggered after several licensed radio station owners complained that the pirate station, which played Caribbean music, was infringing on their business. Licenses to broadcast in New York can cost millions of dollars and are regulated by the FCC.

Jason Finkelberg, the general manager of WSPK-FM, or K104.7, one of the top 40 radio stations in New York, claimed that Bruce and Malka were illegally broadcasting on his radio frequency.

"People are driving and, all of a sudden, they run into a Caribbean station," Finkelberg told the New York Times, adding that, even with the arrests, he would not be surprised if another Caribbean pirate radio station takes their place.

(Caribbean 360, 8 July 2013, <http://www.caribbean360.com/http://www.caribbean360.com/index.php/news/812672.html> via Lashley)

South Island switchover sets Records

South Islanders have confirmed their love of TV by setting records for uptake and sales during April's digital switchover.

Research conducted by Colmar Brunton for the government's Going Digital programme found 99% of all South Island households with a working TV have converted at least one set to digital.

Freeview's Sam Irvine says the result beats comparable switchovers in other countries. "It's a very impressive result. It shows South Islanders are smart, savvy, and adaptable. "The bar has been set high for the rest of New Zealand. It will be interesting to see if other regions can match the 99% conversion rate," Mr Irvine says.

The research also shows 82% of unconverted homes in the South Island chose to go with Freeview, while the remainder chose to subscribe to pay TV.

Mr Irvine says he is delighted to see South Islanders backing free TV so strongly.

"We had a great response from South Islanders in the lead up to switchover, and these results prove free TV remains hugely popular on the mainland," Mr Irvine says.

Figures from major retailers show a record number of digital recorders and receivers were sold in April, with more than 64,000 Freeview approved devices flying off shelves during the month.

"Sales of MyFreeview recorders were up more than 100% in April, compared to the same month in 2012.

That's the highest number on record, and it was clearly driven by a surge in sales around the South Island," Mr Irvine says.

The lower North Island, Taranaki, most of Ruapehu District and East Cape are the next regions to go digital on 29 September.

(Freeview, 22 June 2013, <http://www.freeviewnz.tv/news/south-island-switchover-sets-records.aspx>)



MAILBAG

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Greetings. I was hoping for a BIG turnout this month, and in a way, I wasn't disappointed. Thanks to Bryan, Ian, and Günter. And let's start with big news from the Winterless North.

Bryan Clark, Mangawhai reports that June 2013 was memorable for the fulfilment of a dream dating back at least 4 decades - to hear Zanzibar on 49 metres. Bryan writes that he believed Zanzibar on 6015 was a mid-winter possibility given his previous receptions of Ethiopia 6030 opening at 0300 UTC, and this year the frequency is relatively clear, so he began daily monitoring on 19 June when only a weak carrier was noted. But on 22 June a very readable signal was found peaking around 0400 (Zanzibar sunrise around 0330) with drumming theme, time signals and news in Swahili. The same format was monitored daily for the following week but the station was missing on at least 2 occasions. Monitoring comparisons were made each day with DXing colleagues Ron Howard in California and Bill Bingham in South Africa. Ron noted that the NZ reception on 22 June was superior to his, and Paul Ormandy advised that the signal path to NZ was probably across Antarctica. DX conditions on SW and MW continue to be good with low noise levels so Bryan has reported other DX successes to the Bandwatch and Broadcast Trails. *(Well, if there's ever a dull month for you, that likely will be the time to mark as The End. I'm still waiting for a QSL from Zanzibar for 3339 -- just checked my log book, Friday 7 July 1967 at 1920 UT – Saturday morning in NZ on the weekend before the special Monday, tenth of July, that year. <grin> Hey, I'm typing this on 7 July NZ date this year, but the jingle doesn't have quite the same ring.)*

Ian Cattermole, Blenheim again keeps the dust from collecting in my email box. "Here are my SW veries received during June: Voice of Vietnam, Woofferton 9640 & 6135; VoV Moosbrunn 5955; R. Akhbar Mufriha, Woofferton 7300 & Kostinbrod 9400; RFA 21515; R. Vaticana 15470; VoTurkey 7360; VoRussia 6035; Bible Voice, Moosbrunn 13580 & 15215; HCJB Issoudun 13800; Bible Voice Issoudun 13810; AWR Issoudun 11755 & 11830; AWR Trincomalee 15605; R. Romania Int. 17800; Radio Vaticana, Tashkent 11850; RVA 15355; and RNZI 7330 kHz. There they are for this time around." *(Yup. I presume the "RVA" is Veritas Asia. Thanks for keeping both my grey cells and email electrons buzzing.)*

And Günter Jacob in Passau, Germany reports a bad case of a problem a lot of us suffer. "Local noise has got out of hand at my listening post in recent months. Much to my regret, it is impossible to participate in AWR's annual contest this year, because there is horrible noise on all the frequencies with transmissions for the African continent from Issoudun, from Nauen, from Moosbrunn, from Madagascar (only Swahili from

Meyerton on 9600 kHz gets through sometimes). So let me wish everybody taking part in the "Focus on Africa" AWR DX Contest much success! I have received the Special QSL from Radio Prague on the occasion of the 90th anniversary of Czech Radio; my card verifies reception on 7310 kHz via Kall-Krekel. Radio Romania sent two cards of the "Radio România 85" series within two months for my reports on 11745 and 11975 kHz. The Voice of Russia verified Yerevan heard in Spanish on 9395 and 9750 kHz. Radio Cairo finally verified my reports of 2007, 2009 and 2010: 6250, 6255, 6270 kHz." *(That's unfortunate to hear about the steady noise problem: I'm very thankful none of my neighbours has chosen to buy a plasma TV set, yet...)*

I did have a quick note as well from Ray Babbage to say he and Margaret arrived safely back home in Melbourne after their North American jaunt, and he has hinted a full report might be coming for August? Talking of the next issue, Our Chief Ed Mark has kindly promised to hold off publication till I get home from my own wanderings around the U.S. of A. The major reason for the trip is to attend the joint NRC/IRCA/TV-FM DX/Minnesota DX Club convention in Minneapolis over the first weekend in August. Travel will be, no prize for guessing, by Amtrak... with a wide swing on the homeward journey back through Chicago, Denver, Oakland/SF, and Portland. I'll look forward to plenty of hard work at the keyboard with all of your contributions.

73, *Theo*

BRANCH NEWS

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BROADCAST NEWS

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ALASKA A regular DX catch in NZ in our summer months, KICY Nome Alaska on 850kHz is reported to have replaced its religious (Christian) teaching format with Ethnic programming. (IRCA 6/13) But another update says the format is now a mix of religion and ethnic. Also that KICY which is licensed for 50kw fulltime, non-directional days but directional nights between 11pm and 4am local time, has been granted an STA to operate with 25kw during its non-directional hours to save energy. (NRC)

A construction permit has been granted for a new station in Anchorage on 1310kHz, with U1, 10kw day, 8.1kw nights. (NRC)

KHAR Anchorage 590 has changed format from Nostalgia to Sport. (NRC)

AUSTRALIA Vision Radio network has just got council approval for a transmitting tower for **1665** in Vermont, Western Melbourne.. (David Ricquish via DX Dialog newsgroup)

CANADA

850 New station in Montreal QC granted U4 50kw days, 22kw nights, with French sports format. Co-owned with EE talk on 600 and FF talk on 940, these stations due to launch in the Fall. (NRC)

920 CFRY Portage la Prairie MB slogans "Real Country Radio" & "See Fry." (NRC)

1070 CHOK Sarnia ON has changed format from Country to Classic Hits. (Dan Sys via IRCA 6/13)

1570 CKMW Winkler MB is now on 88.9 MHz FM, AM off 90 days after this. (NRC)

1570 CJLV Laval QC is now French Adult Contemporary/Oldies format, replacing Ethnic. (NRC)

CYPRUS BBC World Service has confirmed that MW transmissions to Israel and other parts of the Middle East will resume for 10hrs per day on **1323kHz** starting on Friday 7 June. Transmission times are 0300-0700 and 1300 to 1900 GMT. Steve Titherington, World Service Commissioning Editor, says: "We had a huge response to the end of MW transmissions in Israel and we are responding positively to listeners' demands for a return to of the BBC broadcasts. Cutbacks mean we can't return to a full day-long schedule, but we will broadcast at times when we hope audiences are most likely to listen. We want to thank our listeners for their feedback and would welcome any further comment they have about how suitable these new broadcasting times are for tuning into the BBC World Service." (Mike Terry via Cumbre DX via Paul Rawdon in the DX Dialog newsgroup)

HAWAII The construction permit for 740 at Kihei has been assigned the KCIK callsign. The CP expires on 31 August, so maybe it's for real? (NRC)

An application for a new station on 1230 with U1 with 1kw day and night in Millani Town has been dismissed. (NRC)

PERU

- 1169.95 Radio Layzon, Cajamarca, 20/06 1105-1135 at fair level. ID "Que tal potencia de Radio Layzon".
- 1640.00 Radio Kalikanto, Chamaca, Cusco, 27/05 1130-1150 poor with advert for festival folclórico auspiciando por el Consejo de Chamaca, Chumbivilcaã. (Pedro F. Arrunátegui via CHASQUI DX via DXLD Yahoo Group)

ST KITTS & NEVIS Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN) has donated long-time 50kw Caribbean AM radio station Radio Paradise (820 kHz) to Flowing Streams Church in Vero Beach, Florida. Flowing Streams and its senior pastor, the Rev. Rick Wiles, produce a daily international radio talk show entitled Trunews, and will use Radio Paradise to extend its Christian message throughout the islands of the Caribbean. Radio Paradise, which moved from Dutch St. Maarten to St. Kitts and Nevis in the early 1960's, has been owned and operated by TBN since 1992. The AM frequency reaches out to the many islands of the Caribbean, including the nation of Cuba, offering listeners an audio feed of TBN television programming, along with regional Christian programming. The new format will include music, ministry programs, and world news that is relevant to Christian listeners. (www.zionline.com/news via NRC)

USA (updates from IRCA DX Monitor 6/13)

- 880 KJOZ Conroe TX reactivated as "Radio Aleluja", Spanish Contemporary Christian.
- 1150 KHRO El Paso TX drops Talk for Oldies format, new slogan "1150 Oldies".
- 1230 KYVA Gallup NM slogan now "Rockin' Oldies", pop classic hits/oldies format.
- 1490 KLNT Laredo TX drops ESPN for Tejano, new slogan "Super Tejano 1490"
- 1590 KRSX Victorville CA has change of callsign to KVTR.
- 1590 KTLT Tillamook OR was Talk, now True Oldies, slogan "True Oldies 1590".
- 1600 KTUB Centerville UT now identifies as "Juan AM 1600".
- 1350 KTDD San Bernardino CA is now "Fox Sports Radio 1350".
- 1490 KSKR Roseburg, OR was Fox Sports Radio, now CBS Sports Radio

USA (updates from National Radio Club's "DX News")

- 620 KIGS Hanford CA reactivated 21 May - back on air with sports format.
- 750 KXTG Portland OR granted Special Temporary Authority (STA) of U4 12.5kw day, 20kw night while antenna tower painting completed.
- 770 WWCN North Fort Myers FL has had a call change to WJBX.
- 860 KTRB San Francisco CA granted extension to STA allowing 24 hour use of U3 50kw day, 12.5kw from day antenna site and pattern.
- 930 KHJ Los Angeles CA granted STA for new site, operating 5kw day & night U2.
- 1010 KTNZ Amarillo TX format change to "1010 ESPN Radio" - was Tejano.
- 1020 KCKN Roswell NM which was previously granted STA for 10kw/10kw using auxiliary transmitter has now been granted STA with U1 1kw/1kw due auxiliary transmitter problems.
- 1090 KMXA Aurora CO now identifies as "Maria Siempre Romántica 1090."
- 1140 KGEM Boise ID new slogan is "Salt and Light Radio."
- 1140 KXST North Las Vegas NV verified by PPC in 7 days for f/up. Verification signer illegible (SVP/GM). (John Wilkins CO)
- 1170 KLOK San Diego CA granted STA to operate non-directional with U1 and 1.25kw nights due to grass fire at antenna site preventing directional pattern.

- 1190 WLIB New York NY granted STA to operate with 10kw day & night U3 following a fire.
- 1280 KFRN Long Beach CA has had application for U4 500/400 watts dismissed.
- 1300 WTLI Mayagüez PR now using slogan "Radio Util."
- 1310 CP for Bakersfield CA with 1.4kw/2.5kw U4 has expired and is deleted.
- 1330 CP for Porterville CA with U4 1kw day & night has expired and is deleted.
- 1360 New station in Santa Maria CA with CP for U4 2kw day & night has now been granted modification of CP to U2 650 watts day & night on 1380. This CP expires August 18.
- 1370 WCOA Pensacola FL is now "News Talk Radio."
- 1380 KRKO Everett WA – their CP for U2 34kw/5kw is on the air.
- 1420 KRIZ Renton WA reactivated with Urban Contemporary/Oldies/Gospel formats.
- 1520 KKXA Snohomish WA construction permit for U6 20/50kw is on the air.
- 1560 KZIZ Pacific WA returns with Jazz format.
- 1580 WSRF Fort Lauderdale FL is on air with U4 10kw day, 1.5kw nights from new site, diplexing with WAVS 1170.
- 1620 WNRP Gulf Breeze FL verified by no detail letter, magnet and ink pen. V/s Paul Stadden, PD. Rcvd in 39 days. Mint stamps not used. (David Jones TN)
- 1630 KRND Fox Farm WY applied for permission to operate full-time from new site.
- 1670 WOZN Madison WI verified by PPC in 14 days for f/up. V/s Kurt Baron, PD. (John Wilkins CO)
- 1690 WVON Berwyn IL noted over/under presumed CJLO with ident on the hour as "...on 1690 WVON Berwyn-Chicago, an iHeart radio station." (Bruce Conti -NH)

UPCOMING AMERICAN DX TESTS

Saturday 24 August 2013 at 12:03am Eastern Time (that's 0403 UTC BC)

WDEV-AM 550 Waterbury, VT with 1kw/3 towers night power and pattern. The test will start at approximately 12:03AM ET, give or take about 2 minutes. It will be 3 minutes long and consist of morse code, sweep tones and a few sound effects along with a brief voice announcement or two. WDEV will test at night power and pattern. PLEASE NOTE: There is a Red Sox vs Yankees baseball game scheduled for 7:05pm first pitch and WDEV is a Red Sox affiliate. If the game goes late because of extra innings or a rain delay, the WDEV test will be automatically rescheduled for Friday August 30, 2013.

When reporting, please include information such as your location, type of radio used, quality of the signal and what you heard along with any other information you feel is important. Audio clips sent by mail on CD, tape or USB stick are welcome. You may also email SMALL audio clips of less than 3 MB. Reception Reports for WDEV go to: Bob Welch, WDEV Radio, PO Box 550, Waterbury, VT 05676 USA, or by e-mail to bwelch(at)radiovermont(dot)com Accurate reports will be acknowledged by a letter from Bob along with a WDEV bumper sticker. Please include an SASE for a reply. CD's, tapes and USB sticks will be gladly accepted but will ONLY be returned if return postage is included. Saturday 23 August 2013 at 12:00am-1.00am Central Time (0500-0600 UTC. BC)

KHMO-AM 1070 Hannibal, MO 5kw/3 towers day & 1kw/6 towers night power/pattern. KHMO's test will begin as close to the top of the hour as possible and last for an hour. The first 15 minutes will be done on KHMO's 1kw/6 tower night power while the second 15 minutes done on the stations 5kw/3 tower day power. The 3rd 15 minute segment will be done on night power/pattern and the final 15 minutes of the test will be done on KHMO's day power/pattern. The test will consist of morse code, sweep tones, voice announcements, easily identifiable sound effects and other odd material. Please include information such

as your location, type of radio used, quality of the signal and what you heard along with any other information you feel is important. Audio clips sent by mail on CD, tape or USB stick are welcome. You may also email SMALL audio clips of less than 3 MB. Reception Reports for KHMO should be addressed to: Gary Glaenzer, c/o KHMO DX Test, 325 East Douglas Avenue, Jacksonville, IL 62650 USA or by email to glaezner(at)frontier(dot)com All correct reports will be acknowledged by Gary in whatever method you contact him with. Please include an SASE for a reply. CD's, tapes and USB sticks will be gladly accepted but will ONLY be returned if return postage is included. Saturday 23 August at 1.30am-2:30am Central Time (that's 0630 to 0730 UTC. BC) WLIQ-AM 1530 Quincy, IL 1kw day/Non Directional & 290 watts Non Directional Critical Hours. WLIQ's test will begin as close to the scheduled time as possible and last for an hour. The first 15 minutes of the test will be at 290 Watts Non Directional. The second 15 minutes will be at 1400 Watts Non Directional. The third 15 minutes of the WLIQ test will be at 290 Watts Non Directional and the final 15 minutes will be at 1400 Watts Non Directional. The test will consist of morse code, sweep tones, voice announcements, easily identifiable sound effects and other odd material. Reports should go to: Gary Glaenzer, c/o WLIQ DX Test, 325 East Douglas Avenue, Jacksonville, IL 62650 USA or by email to glaezner(at)frontier(dot)com All correct reports will be acknowledged by Gary in whatever method you contact him with. Please include an SASE for a reply. CD's, tapes and USB sticks will be gladly accepted but will ONLY be returned if return postage is included. (via Kevin Redding, ABDXC via MW DX Yahoo Group via Paul Rawdon)

MINI-MAILBAG Congratulations to **STEVEN GREENYER** of Timaru who reports a fine QSL from his last DXpedition to Okains Bay near Christchurch – Super Brasil 940, verified by email from Lísia Peres, Department of Institutional Relationship/LBV at www.boavontade.com/English (Well done Steven! I have a reception report of them plus cassette tape from a Waianakarua DXpedition at least a decade ago that was returned unclaimed – if I can locate it, I will try Lísia! BC)

MANGAWHAI BROADCAST TRAIL

Bryan Clark with AOR7030+ and EWE antennas to North, Central & South America.

- 910 UNID LATIN with 'Esta es la Verdad' 0612 on 26/6 & references to Guatemala.
- 1180 USA/CUBA Radio Marti, Marathon FL with SS pops, phone-ins, over/mixed Radio Rebelde 0718 1/7. No shortwave parallel on Mondays. SS ident 0726.
- 1350 USA WWWL New Orleans LA 0520 w/idents for "ESPN Radio" & "ESPN 13-50 AM" through KSRO and Radio Sport Rotorua. Unid SS also in the mix 2/7. USA KSRO Santa Rosa CA w/id at 0530 and 0600 on 2/7 as "KSRO Santa Rosa-Petaluma-Rohnert Park.. breaking news, compelling talk.. depend on us".
- 1370 COLOMBIA Radio Mundial Bogota w/contemporary Christian vocals in EE & SS, idents, 0558 fair 8/7 past 0700.
- 1400 COLOMBIA Emisoras Mariana Bogota fair, all alone 0526 30/6 w/SS ident.
- 1460 COLOMBIA Emisora Nueva Continente vgd w/easy listening SS vocals 0506 on 26/6. At 0509 promo for "La Fondation de Nuevo Continente... musica y testimonies... 45 anos".
- 1510 USA WLAC Nashville TN with promo for wlac.com at 0522 then "welcome back to Coast to Coast AM with George Noory."20/6

- 1530 MEXICO UNID w/national anthem over Napier 0505 26/6. Likely XEUR.
- 1540 USA/HAWAII KMPC Los Angeles & KREA Honolulu both have Korean formats but I think both may have some EE content, eg EE ident from KMPC "You're listening to K-pop ...on AM 15-40 Radio Korea" 0519 on 22/6. On 3/7 at 0805 there was talk in EE about Honolulu weather mixing w/Korean talk.
- 1550 CUBA Radio Rebelde good 0529 // 1620 on 8/7 w/usual great music offering.
- 1640 USA KDZR Lake Oswego OR presumed w/Radio Disney idents 0533 on 1/7. USA KDIA Vallejo CA dominant 0559 w/ident "16-40 AM, KDIA Vallejo-San Francisco"
- 1650 USA KCNZ Cedar Falls IA w/CBS news 1000, frequent weather news, advts, ident for "1650 The Fan.org", good past 1030 25/6. KHYN Fort Smith AR w/Redeye Radio promos 0635 1/7, later PSA for Oklahoma Highway Patrol. Over or mixed another on religious format.
- 1680 USA WOKB Winter Garden FL w/black gospel soul vocals 0757 on 1/7, ident 0801 mentioned callsign and Orlando. Also noted w/ black gospel songs 0502 on 22/6.

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I'd like to see these go to someone who either really needs a good radio or would get some use out of them. Maybe suit someone who doesn't have an FM receiver.

First in, first served.

Contact Paul Ormandy zl4pw@orcon.net.nz

ADCOM NEWS

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS TONY STROOBANT of Mangawhai (just down the road from me! BC) and **ANDREW GOLDIE** of Taihape. Both have signed up for the electronic DX Times and Andrew learnt about the DX League through our NZART promotion. Welcome chaps – please let our various editors know what you are hearing on the radio!

FUTURE DIRECTIONS Thanks to all NZ-based members who responded to our requests for feedback on DX Times subscription levels and their ability to receive the DX Times by electronic means. While a significant proportion of our members are now able to receive their magazine by electronic means, there is still a sizeable demand for publication and distribution in paper form. Currently 92 printed magazines are sent out each month (65% of all subscriptions). **ANDY GARDNER**, who was instrumental in the DX Times electronic format introduced in 2001, has generously offered to photocopy and staple the magazine each month. Also **RALPH SUTTON** has donated a long-armed stapler for this purpose. But Adcom feels that the current number of copies still warrants a commercial process rather than additional reliance on individual volunteer members. We also have a very competitive deal with our printer ProCopy, reflecting our long association with them. Adcom have recently implemented measures to reduce overall expenses and is aiming to keep the annual subscription well under the \$49 per year it costs to print and send the DX Times to NZ members. A subscription proposal was finalised at Adcom's July meeting and this is included below.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2013 This year's AGM will be held at the usual venue, the Western Suburbs Radio Clubrooms, 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, Auckland on **Sunday 20 October commencing at 2.00pm.**

Nominations for the positions of Patron, National President, National Secretary, National Treasurer, Chief Editor, Public Relations/Publicity Officer and Competitions Secretary are now called for.

A Nomination form is on the bottom of Page 34 and should be sent to our Treasurer **PHIL VAN DE PAVERD** at NZRDXL, PO Box 39-596, Howick, Manukau 2145 or by email to treasurer@radiodx.com. In order to be included in the proxy form to be published in the September issue of the DX Times, a correctly completed nomination form must reach Phil no later than 30 August 2013. As required by our Constitution, nominations shall be in writing and signed by 2 financial members and shall contain the consent

in writing of the candidate. The candidate and the supporting financial members must all be NZ residents and have been financial members continuously for a minimum of three years prior to the date of the AGM. Likewise, any remits for consideration at the 2013 AGM must reach the Treasurer no later than 30 August.

REMIT 1 FOR 2013 AGM The following remit has been submitted by the Administration Committee (Adcom) for decision at the meeting on 20 October:

- a) That the NZRDXL domestic hardcopy subscription be increased to NZ\$40.00 for 2014, reducible to \$35 if payment is received by 31 December 2013, and the electronic sub reduced to NZ\$15.00;
- b) That subscription rates continue to be reviewed annually and agreed at the League's AGM.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO RELOCATE OFFICE Our Treasurer Phil has indicated his intention to move to a better DX location in Northland within the next 6 months. As a result it will no longer be possible to maintain the League's existing postal address in Howick. Accordingly Adcom seeks the approval of the 2013 AGM to change the registered office of the DX League to Mangawhai Northland, and to advertise a new Mangawhai postal address.

MAKEOVER FOR DX LEAGUE WEBSITE Our radiodx.com website is undergoing a major make-over. Webmaster **PAUL ORMANDY** has been scouring the DX Times back to 2001 for articles to be made available on the web. He says there is plenty of room for more so if you have articles you'd like to contribute, particularly of a technical nature, about the DX League's history, branches and conventions, or a personal profile, please contact Paul via email - z14pw@orcon.net.nz

FEARS FOR FUTURE OF RADIO AUSTRALIA On 5 July, Taiwan-based Canadian broadcaster Keith Perron posted on his PCJ Facebook page that "it seems Radio Australia will be gone from shortwave by the end of next year. Many key positions within Radio Australia have been handed to ABC staff in Sydney. There were two reports that were done internally for the government on the size of Radio Australia's audience. The ABC decided to give the government the survey done by an IT firm in Australia." (via Mike Terry via DXLD Yahoo Group) RA will be a familiar radio friend for almost all our members – we await further information on this as yet unconfirmed information.



RADIO ASIA No, not a new radio station but the name of a conference in Hanoi Vietnam this month that member **MARTIN HADLOW** is part of the organising committee together with the Voice of Vietnam. Martin's new role as Secretary-General of the Asian Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC) also meant a prominent role at AMIC's 22nd International Conference in Yogyakarta, Indonesia at the start of the month



COUNTRIES LIST UPDATE This list was last produced by the DX League in 2003, in collaboration with the NZ DX Radio Association. An update is now underway for posting on the new DX League website. So far, new radio countries identified from the past decade are Kosovo, South Sudan and Timor Leste. If you are aware of other changes needed to the list, please contact Bryan Clark – bryan@radiodx.com

SIGNS OF THE TIMES After trying unsuccessfully for a year to recruit a volunteer member to take over publication of their "DX Monitor" magazine, our colleagues at the International Radio Club of America (IRCA) became an Internet-only club in early July. That is, the magazine is now only available in PDF or RTF format distributed by email or viewed online. Likewise, the Worldwide TV-FM DX Association (WTFDA) is phasing out the hardcopy edition of their bulletin, "VHF/UHF Digest". Here in NZ, the DX League is able to continue publication of its hardcopy 'NZ DX Times' because of the commercial printing arrangement with ProCopy Ltd in Wellington, but maintaining this option will require a decision on subscription levels at our AGM in October.

THIS MONTH'S RADIO SAYING Television: a medium - so called because it is neither rare nor well done. (via NRC DX News)

Please post the Nomination Form to NZRDXL, PO Box 39-596, Howick, Manukau 2145

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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>

June 9, 2013 -- Years ago practically every SWL had an SWL card. It was used mainly as a convenient way to send reports to amateur stations. But even if you didn't report to hams, you probably used your card to mail short messages to others (there was no e-mail then, of course), or you might have swapped your card with other SWLs (card swapping was very popular), or used it as a report stuffer. We don't usually think of the utilitarian SWL card as being especially eye appealing, but sometimes they were, and this was especially true in the 1930s. Under "DX History/SWLing & DXing" we have posted a collection of a couple of dozen SWL cards from that era. Most were sent to DXer Peter Clarius, a few to Roger Legge. -- And under "Specialized Resources," "Wavescan," another entry from Adrian Peterson: "75th Anniversary: Radio Broadcasting in the Troubled Isles" (South Georgia et al.) (June 2, 2013).

June 16, 2013 -- Under "CPRV/QSL Gallery" we have posted two files containing QSLs from New Caledonia. One is a compilation of QSLs that have emanated over the years from "Radio Noumea," first the private combination amateur-broadcast station of Charles Gaveau, FK8AA, then the government station to which FK8AA gave way. These QSLs span the years 1938-1988. (Special thanks to Barry Williams and Paul Ormandy of New Zealand for the FK8AA card.) The other file is a wartime QSL from the American Expeditionary Station (as Armed Forces Radio Service stations were then known) in Noumea, New Caledonia. Noumea was the nominal headquarters of the chain of "Mosquito Network" stations, all of which operated on mediumwave; but this QSL reflects a shortwave channel, 15460 kc. Was it a direct broadcast? A relay by another station--perhaps an American point-to-point station? -- Also this week, from Dr. Adrian M. Peterson, "The Sri Lanka Story: Tribute to Ekala" (June 9, 2013), under "Specialized Resources/Wavescan."

June 23, 2013 -- It is easy to forget that, before wordprocessing and e-mail, QSLing was an entirely manual process of laboriously typing individual letters to stations, and awaiting their reply via the postman. Reports could become formulaic, and so it is nice to see the chatty and personalized style adopted by one listener, Miss Geraldine B. Chandler, in her 1935 report to PRF5, Comp. Radio Internacional do Brasil, Rio de Janeiro, which is shown in her correspondence with the station that is posted in "DX History/SWLing & DXing." Geraldine's report covered her reception of July 20 and July 22, 1935. The station acknowledged her report over the air on August 12 (she didn't hear it), and replied to her by mail on September 4, sending her a book of Brazilian songs, autographed by the the manager of the radio division of the Dept. of Propaganda, which produced the

program. It looks like they also sent her a Christmas card. After a long hiatus, Geraldine wrote to the station again--on February 13, 1937--where we learn that she lived in Brookline, Mass., near Boston, and that the location where she had been listening in July 1935 and from which she had sent her report--Rockport, Mass.--was her summer address. That her reception was, as she said, better there than in Brookline is no surprise, since Rockport--still a popular summer vacation destination--is right on the water. Except for the absence of information about her receiver and antenna, the report would be a credit to any DXer. Her transcription of the PRF5 station announcement appears to be virtually verbatim.

June 30, 2013 -- Under "Specialized Resources," "Radio Postcards," we've posted a file containing 10 mostly-oldie radio station postcard views from Japan. They are: (1) to (3), JOAK, the Tokyo Broadcasting Station; (4) to (6), JOCK, the Nagoya Central Broadcasting Station; (7) to (9), JOHK, the Sendai Broadcasting Station; and (10) a modern photo of the NHK building in Hiroshima. -- Under "Specialized Resources," "Wavescan," there are two new entries from Dr. Adrian M. Peterson: "On the Air In the Island: DX Programs From SLBC Ekala" (June 9, 2013), and "100 Years of Wireless and Radio in Bulgaria-6: Through the Years" (June 23, 2013) -- AND FOLLOWERS OF www.ontheshortwaves.com PLEASE NOTE: The content of [ontheshortwaves.com](http://www.ontheshortwaves.com) is now searchable. The search box is located on our Homepage. Give it a try. The search capability includes much of the content of the individual items posted on the site (including the "Wavescan" articles, located in "Specialized Resources"). Thanks to John Herkimer for making this a reality, and for enhancing the usefulness of the site to all those interested in radio history.

July 14, 2013 -- The "Mountains of the Moon" would surely be a destination to get the DX juices flowing. They were the geographical target of the 1947-48 Gatti-Hallicrafters Expedition to Kenya, Tanganyika and Uganda. Said to be the first commercially-sponsored amateur DXpedition, and a big event in ham radio, the trip was the brainchild of adventurer-explorer-author-promoter Attilio Gatti, veteran of ten pre-war trips to Africa. Gatti's main partner in the adventure was the Hallicrafters Co. Under "DX History/Equipment & Advertising," we have posted a promotional booklet that was published by International Harvester Co., which supplied the trucks for the expedition. The booklet was published after the expedition was over. The story of the Gatti-Hallicrafters Expedition is an interesting one. To read more about it go to a site devoted to the expedition < <http://www.qsl.net/p/pa0abm//ghe/>> We will have more about the expedition next time. -- Under "Specialized Resources," "Wavescan," there are two new entries from Dr. Adrian M. Peterson: "The United States on Shortwave: One Leaves the Air & Another Signs On" and "Ancient DX Report: 1904" (July 7, 2013).

July 21, 2013 -- Last time we posted an International Harvester promotional booklet on the Gatti-Hallicrafters Expedition to the "Mountains of the Moon." This time, under "DX History/Equipment & Advertising," we have posted another promotional booklet about the expedition, this one by Hallicrafters itself. The booklet was published before the expedition actually took place.