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A few months ago someone kindly scanned some of their nice QSL's and sent them in an email to me.

Unfortunately I can't remember the name of the person and can't locate the images in an email or on my computer.

I think it may have been someone from Taranaki?

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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
3945	1115	VANUATU, Rad.Vanuatu, gd in Bislama, 14/5, PP
3985	1105	SOUTH KOREA, Echo of Hope, fair in KK, 7/5, PP
4775	1030	BRAZIL, Rad.Tarma (tent) poor in SS, 14/5, PP
4875	1018	BRAZIL, Rad.Difusora Roraima, fair in PP, talk jl/om, mx, 14/5, PP
4925	1040	BRAZIL, Rad.Educacao Rural, poor in PP, 7/5, PP
4960	0535	SAO TOME, VOA v/gd in FF, 7/5, PP
5020	0844	SOLOMON ISL SIBC poor-fair Tok Pisin/English. 28/5 JW
5860	1933	KUWAIT R.Farda Good in Farsi, ma/fa // 7585 Ira fair (up from 7580 of 10/5) - 19/5 KB
5910	0308	FRANCE R.Japan Fair in Japanese, mostly talk, some mx - 4/5 KB
5920		ROMANIA, RRI fair in Romanian with male singer // 7350 weaker – CC 21/5
5940		BRAZIL Voz Missionaria Camboriu Fair/poor, relg prgm // 9664
		Fair, both faded by 0600 - 22/5 KB
5950	1855	ETHIOPA V.o.Tigray Revolution Fair in vernacular & HoA mx (mx at
		fair level but ma at lower audio), phone-in from 1909 - 17/5 KB
5952	1027	BOLIVIA Radio Pio XII fair in SS w/talkback, many refs to La Paz, on
		measured 5952.43. Some "Over the Horizon" Radar QRM. 17/5. BCM
5975	0512	U.K. R.Japan Fair in English, re ways to help overcome sleep loss,
		ID 0526 - 20/5 KB
5995	0557	MALI RTVM Bamako w/guitar interval signal, martial anthem, theme
		music and FF ident "Vous ecouteRadiodiffusion Television
		MalienneBamako" and frequency info. Fair strength but audio
		subdued 11/5. BCM
6005	0545	ASCENSION ISL BBC Poor in English, ma/fa, ID & TS 0559 - 7/5 KB
6015	0359	ZANZIBAR Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation w/drumming interval
		signal, time pips and into news in Swahili 17/5, frequent mentions of
		Zanzibar and Tanzania, Poor in clear after CRI 6020 closes at 0400.
		On 21/5 "Zed B.C" ident hrd at 0400. BCM
6020	0320	ALBANIA. CRI via Cerrick. Good in Chinese. 17/5. IC
6025		BOLIVIA Red Patria Nueva, La Paz w/SS news reports, political speech
		excerpts, time check, poor to fair 29/5. BCM

 0403 same day w/FF news, fair. BCM 0500 0510 CUBA, Rad.Habana, gd in EF, ID's, // 6100, 20/5, PP 05076a 0901 UNID (URUGUAY?) Weak SS talk on 6076.32 LSB to avoid RA 6080 on 21/5. Carrier previously noted at 0402 on 19/5. But no other receptions. Possibly this is Uruguay's Voz de Artigas, reported by Argentian DXer 8/5. BCM 0515 BRAZIL R.Marumby Fair/poor in Portugese, mx, advert, spoken prgm after 0600, canned IDs 0559 & 0615 - 19/5 KB 05110 2011 ETHIOPIA R.Fana (tentative) Fair on H.S.2 with pop mx & jazz - 12/5 KB 06115 0901 JAPAN R.Nikkei (tentative) Fair on H.S.2 with pop mx & jazz - 12/5 KB 06125 0330 SPAIN, REF, gd in SS, 20/5, PP 06135 0846 BRAZIL R.Aparecida Fair in Portugese, mx, ID 0856, Santa Cruz cochan 0900 - 6/5 KB 06135 0900 BOLIVIA R.Santa Cruz Fair in Spanish, ma s/on with flute I/S & song, mx prgm -19/5 KB 06140 BRAZIL R.Nacional da Amazonia Fair/Good in Portugese // 11780 stronger - 19/5 KB 0150 0MAN BBC Fair in listed Somali - 18/5 KB 01619 1115 SINGAPORE BBC fair - documentary 29/5 JW 0115 SINGAPORE BBC fair - documentary 29/5 JW 0115 SINGAPORE BBC fair - documentary 29/5 JW 0115 SINGAPORE BBC fair - documentary 29/5 JW 0159 120 TURKEY, Ankara, VOT, with opening ID, nx in EE, v/gd, 6/5, PP 2030 TURKEY, VOT fair in English, ID, om/yl, nx/sport - 14/5 KB 0205 2014 IRELAND Reflections Europe w/American religious prgm w/male & female hosts, poor 1/6. Scheduled Sundays only. BCM 7205 2030 TURKEY, VOT fair in English with music. Time pips and ID at 2130. Badly distorted - CC 14/5 7220 1513 VANUATU Radio Vanuatu w/apparent relay of France Inter 30/5, fair w/surging signal in FF 'france Inter' mentioned. 'Au revoir' at 0356:30 and into EE local news at 0400. BCM 7275 1732 STH KOREA, KBS World Radio fair in Korean with male singer, scratchy // 9740 stronger - CC 8/5 7280 1649 VETNAM, V of Vietnam fair in
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7295 0430 FRANCE. Radio Algerienne via ISS. VG in Arabic. 11/5. IC
7295 0955 MALAYSIA, RTV Malaysia, gd in EE, 5/5, PP
7300 2100 UK. HCJB via WOF. Good in Tac/Arabic. 15/5. IC
7310 0300 FRANCE. Radio Dardasha via ISS. Weak in Arabic. 17/5. IC
7320 0545 AUSTRIA. TWR-Europe. Fair in Polish. Off 0600. 14/5. IC
7325 2110 CHINA. CRI. Good in English. 15/5. IC
7340 0450 SOUTH AFRICA. RFI via Meyerton. Fair in Swahili. 14/5. IC

- 7380 1508 CHINA, Firedrake / CNR1 with OM speaking, with light QRM // 11795 weaker CC 12/5
- 7405 0631 USA, R Marti good in Spanish with comment by YL/OM, ID 0657 KAB 8/5
- 7455 1517 N MARIANAS IS, Radio Free Asia good in Korean with OM & YL speaking // 7210 weaker & less clear CC 12/5
- 7495 1455 KUWAIT, R Ashna fair in Pashto with male singer, scratchy // 9790 weaker, 15090 much stronger CC 12/5
- 7495 2115 FRANCE, Rad.Algerienne, gd in AA, 6/5, PP
- 7530 1600 UZBEKISTAN. Voice of the Martyrs via TAC. Good in Korean. N/F. 11/5. IC
- 7555 0627 USA, EWTN relig prgm good in Spanish with comment and music KAB 8/5
- 7585 2126 SRI LANKA, Rad.Farda, gd in Farsi, ID, 6/5, PP

OVERSEAS LOGGINGS. All may not be audible in NZ at the times listed

- FREQ UTC Country, Station, Programme & Reception Details
- 5850 0002 USA. WRMI Okeechobee, 0002-0025 Apr 22, English language religious program with "the most powerful voice in radio" as their host was described. Right leaning news program and features over a new, to me, WRMI outlet. Re-checked frequency and another religious program was dominating channel at good level. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 5910 0326 FRANCE. Radio Japan Issoudun, 0326-0412 May 15, man announcer with Japanese talk, ID into a "live" program featuring talk by a man and woman, applause, laughter, etc. ID at 0358 with 3+1 time pips at 0400, ID by a woman announcer and news. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6070 0215 CUBA. Radio Habana Havana, 0215-0233 May 10, talk in Spanish language by a man and woman announcers. Several IDs. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6080 1903 BOTSWANA. Voice of America Moepeng Hill, 1903-1916 May 1, woman announcer with English language news, several IDs followed by International Edition with various African news stories. Fair to good. (D'Angelo-Santorini, Greece)
- 6130 1910 SWAZILAND. Trans World Radio Africa-Manzini, 1910-1930 May 1, group tribal singing followed by a man with a religious talk in local language. Change in language at 1920 to Portuguese. (D'Angelo-Santorini, Greece)
- 6134.8 0039 BOLIVIA. Radio Sánta Cruz Sánta Cruz, 0039-0116 May 19, program of lively Latin vocals hosted by a man announcer with Ids and Spanish talk. Formal canned ID at 0050 followed by news. News ended at 0104 with male announcer returning with ID and TC followed by more lively Latin vocals. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 6155 1905 IRAN. Voice of Islamic Republic of Iran, 1905-1922 May 1, program of Middle Eastern vocals hosted by a man with talks in Arabic language. Very good signal. (D'Angelo-Santorini, Greece)
- 6924.6 2321 PIRATE (No. Am.). MAC Shortwave Radio, 2321-2358* Apr 20, Jimmy Steward hosting Easter program with Big Band music selections, IDs and macshortwaveradio@gmail.com e-address. Fair to good signal

with occasional deep fades. (D'Angelo-PA)

- 6925.1 0138 PIRATE (No. Am.). Channel Z Radio, 0138-0152 Apr 18, another segment of Before They Were Famous with DJ Andy Walker, many station IDs and usual banter between songs. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7260 0103 TURKEY. Voice of Turkey Emirler, 0103-0113 May 14, man announcer with news in the Turkish language. Fair with slight amount of amateur radio operator QRM. (D'Angelo-PA)



- 7280 0038 GERMANY. Radio Farda Nauen, 0038-0130 Apr 18, music program with mix of Middle Eastern music and US pops; numerous IDs and some Farsi talks. Good signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
- 7350 2337 CHINA. China Radio International Kashi, 2337-2354 May 14, English service with man and woman hosting Beijing Hour with Sports, Language Lesson and news. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)

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BANDWATCH OVER 9MHZ

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Welcome back to returning member John Ridge of Waikanae Where station ID not confirmed, please mark item as 'tentative' Grateful you avoid duplication of entries in consecutive months.

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception details USA WINB religious, Poor in EE - 10/5 PP
		UZBEKISTAN North Korea Reform Radio via Tac Fair in Korean - 19/5 IC
		USA WWCR religious, Fair in EE - 10/5 PP
9475	2358	USA WTWW Good with closing annets in EE, announcing freq change
		to 5830 - 16/5 BCM
		AUSTRIA AWR Good in Farsi - 5/4 BDW
		TURKEY VOT Good in English, ID at 0322 - 15/5 JR
		TURKEY TRT Good in English - 4/4 BDW
		SPAIN REE Fair in SS, //9620 much better, regular, Ids - 10/5 PP
9540	1432	TURKEY TRT Very good in Arabic - 4/4 BDW
9540	1714	ROMANIA RRI Fair/good in EE, om with ID then yl spkg, a little
		scratchy - 8/5 CC
		GERMANY BVB via Nauen Good in Luri - 5/5 BDW
95650	a0757	BRAZIL SRDA with David Miranda preaching in PP on measured
		9565.09 good signal // 11764.75 poor, 9586.5 fair, 6120 fair and
		6059.79 poor - 19/5 BCM
		USA Radio Marti Gd in SS - 10/5 PP
		MOROCCO Rad, Mediterranee Exc in AA - 10/5 PP
		ALASKA KNLS Poor in Chinese - 23/5 IC
		GERMANY RFE V/gd in RR, //11850 - 10/5 PP
		S.KOREA KBS World Radio Pop mx prog with DJ, good in English - 20/5 BDW
		ROMANIA RRI Fair in English. Moderate QRM - 15/5 JR
		VATICAN CITY Rad, Vatican V/gd in AA - 10/5 PP
		ALASKA KNLS Fair in Russian - 16/5 IC
		INDONESIA Rad.Jakarta Fair/gd in Indonesian, 10/5, PP
		SPAIN CRI via Nob V.Good, news in English - 15/5 JR
		ROMANIA RRI Fair/gd in EE - 10/5 PP
	2141	IRAN VOIRI Fair in Bosnian, yl speaking, surging // 11685 the same - 14/5 CC
		SINGAPORE BBC Fair/gd in EE - 10/5 PP
		JAPAN Rad,Nikkei Gd in JJ - 10/5 PP
		ROMANIA RRI News in English. Fair - 15/5 JR
9810	0435	CUBA Radio Habana V/gd in SS, ID - 10/5 PP
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9895 0025 USA RNW/WHRI Fair in SS, sign off in EE at 0030 - 10/5 PP, 9925 0057 GERMANY The Mighty KBC with Giant Jukebox prg. Good in English - 1/6 JW 11560 0540 MOLDOVA R.MIRAYA ID and music only. Good - 11/5 JW 11605 0504 S.AFRICA RFI Good in French, yl & om spking // 11700 & 13695 stronger - 21/5 CC 11615 2013 SPAIN REE Good in French, om speaking // 9685 the same - 8/5 CC 11620 1525 IRAN VOIRI Good in EE, om w/ID & announcements // 13780 the same - 12/5 CC 11700 0505 FRANCE RFI V/gd in FF - 14/5 PP 11710 0358 ARGENTINA RAE ID at 0358, QRM, Poor - 15/5 JR 11765 0530 BRAZIL SRDA V/gd in PP, //9565 weak, religious, Preacher (loud voice), measured 11764.84, ID 0535 - 14/5 PP 11765 1459 TURKEY TRT Very good in Dari/Pashto - 4/4 BDW 11765 1500 TURKEY VOT VG in Dari - 25/5 IC 11790 0530 S.AFRICA??? BBC Mystery signal with ID and "Weekend" prg, fair in English. Not supposed to be BBC in English at this time! - 11/5 JW (Tx site may have mistakenly switched in BBC feed instead of scheduled RFI - Ed) 11800 1944 RWANDA DWR Good in Portugese // 11955 fair, 12025 good - 9/5 BDW 11800 2116 RWANDA D.Welle Good in English, om & yl speaking, ID at 2119 - 14/5 CC 0950 JAPAN Rad, Japan Exc in JJ - 17/5 PP 11815 11825 0302 ROMANIA RRI News in English. ID at 0307. V.good - 15/5 JR 11870 0445 USA WEWN V/gd in SS,nice mx, religious - 10/5 PP 11895 1100 GUAM KSDA Fair in Mandarin after English IDs - 22/5 IC 11925 0440 IRAN VOIRI V/gd in Turkish - 10/5 PP 11930 0519 BELARUS Belaruskaye Radio 1 poor in Belarussian with Orthodox liturgy - 11/5 JW 11970 0935 TAIWAN Voice of Hope V/gd in CC -17/5 PP 11995 0200 FRANCE RTI via Iss VG in Spanish - 21/5 IC 12055 1315 RWANDA RDW Kigali VG in English - 13/5 IC 12140 1330 N.MARIANAS RFA via Sai Good in Burmese - 3/4 BDW 13580 0600 MADAGASCAR BBC Fair in English, s/on, nx, 'Weekend' prgm - 11/5 KB 13650 0332 IRAN The Voice of Justice, Tehran News in English. Good. ID at 0339 - 15/5 JR 13710 0449 IRAN VOIRI Good in Turkish, om speaking, then yl // 13765 the same - 21/5 CC 13720 1230 SRI LANKA PCJ International Fair in English - 4/5 IC 13725 0715 SAO TOME VOA via Pinheira Fair in Hausa to close at 0730 - 5/5 IC 13740 1719 FRANCE RFI Good in French, male vocalist // 15300 weaker - 8/5 CC 13800 2130 S.AFRICA RFI via Meyerton Weak in French - 7/5 IC 13830 0555 BOTSWANA VOA Fair in French, Afr mx, nx fa/ma, ID 0605 - 6/5 KB 13840 0532 MADAGASCAR R.Japan Fair in French, yl/om, 0547 pop song - 11/5 KB 13870 1305 N.MARIANAS RFA via Tin Good in Urdu - 6/4 BDW 15090 0125 THAILAND VOA R.Ashna Fair in listed Dari, Pashto from 0130 - 10/5 KB 15105 1822 ASCENSION ISL BBC Good in French, yl/om - 10/5 KB 15130 2017 FRANCE R.Japan Fair in Japanese, yl/om, mx // 9625 Yam better - 10/5 KB 15155 2030 AUSTRIA AWR Good in French - 3/4 BDW 15170 0710 ARMENIA TWR-India via Yerevan Good in Mewadi. Into Tibetan at 1330 - 3/5 IC 15170 2032 ROMANIA RRI Good in EE, om w/nx // 17510 the same, 11975 less clear - 8/5 CC 15190 1915 PHILIPPINES R.Pilipinas Good in Filipino, om/yl - 9/5 KB 15215 1630 AUSTRIA AWR Excellent in Farsi - 2/4 BDW 15220 1629 TURKEY TRT Excellent in English - 4/4 BDW 15220 1930 AUSTRIA AWR Very good in French - 3/4 BDW 15265 0028 PHILIPPINES R. Veritas Asia, Poor in Bengali after I/S & EE ID - 10/4 KB 15275 0604 RWANDA DW Fair in English, 'Worldlink' // 15700 poor - 11/5 KB 15290 1530 AUSTRIA AWR Excellent in Panjabi - 2/4 BDW 15300 2134 ROMANIA RRI Good in Spanish, om speaking // 17745 the same 15310 0230 THAILAND BBC Gd in EE, with nx and ID - 20/5 PP 15315 1830 FRANCE Radio Sawtu Liniilia via Iss Good in Hausa - 9/5 IC 15325 0215 JAPAN NHK Gd in JJ - 20/5 PP 15340 0520 ROMANIA RRI V/gd in FF - 10/5 PP 15345 2105 ARGENTINA RAE Gd in German, measured at 15345.14 - 14/5 PP 15345 2138 ARGENTINA RAE Fair in German & mx until deep fade at 2156 - 27/5 KB 15355 2302 PHILIPPINES R. Veritas Asia Fair in Filipino, om/yl, mx, ID I/S 2327 - 14/5 KB 15410 1040 INDIA AIR Good in English - 4/5 IC 15420 0435 UAE BBC via Dha Fair in English - 23/5 IC 15430 0425 IRAN VOIRI V/gd in SS - 10/5 PP 15460 1100 PHILIPPINES Radio Free Sarawak via Palauia Fair in Iban - 5/5 IC 15490 0400 MADAGASCAR BBC Good in Somali, off 0429 - 4/5 KB 15490 0530 S.AFRICA BBC V/gd in kinyarwanda, //12095 - 10/5 PP 15520 1655 TURKEY V.o.Turkey Good in English, om talking about art. ID at 1658 - 8/5 CC 15630 1930 GREECE Helliniki Radiophonia V/gd in GG - 19/5 PP 17670 0540 KUWAIT Radio Free Afghanistan Gd in Pashto - 27/5 PP 17760 0528 ROMANIA RRI Excellent in English - 1/4 BDW 17820 0310 PHILIPPINES R.Pilipinas Overseas Talk in EE. ID at 0324. Good sig - 15/5 JR 17855 0550 N.MARIANAS RFA Gd in CC - 27/5 PP 17870 0555 GERMANY VOA Gd in Kurdish - 27/5 PP 21695 0915 PHILIPPINES VOA Gd in CC - 17/5 PP **OVERSEAS LOGGINGS.**

All may not be audible in NZ at the times listed

- FREQ UTC Country, Station, Programme & Reception Details
- 9315 0125 EGYPT. Radio Cairo Abu Zaabal, 0125-0218, Egyptian music followed by Spanish talk. At 0200 time pips followed by a woman with ID and frequency announcements in almost impossible to understand language. Could have been close of Spanish service or beginning of listed English service. At 0204 a man opened the English program with

a feature program. Mainly recitations followed by talk. Fair - 10/5 RDA

- 9605 0127 USA. KBS World Radio Cyprus Creek, 0127-0244, woman announcer with talk in Spanish. Id at 0129 by a man announcer followed by more talk by the woman. Very good signal - 22/5 RDA
- 9665 0003 BRAZIL. Radio Voz Missionária Camboriú, 0003-0037, mix of music and talks in Portuguese by a man and woman announcing team. ID and general chatter. Poor to fair - 16/5 RDA
- 9830 2216 TURKEY. Voice of Turkey Emirler, 2216-2332, woman announcer hosting DX Corner feature program with news about radio in the Ukraine. At end of program mentioned back in two weeks' time. Good signal. - 17/5 RDA
- 11735 2030 ZANZIBAR. Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation Dole, 2030-2100*, man announcer with news in Swahili followed by a local music program. At 2059 another man with canned closedown announcements including an ID mentioning "FM". Poor at first but steadily improving - 31/5 RDA
- 11770 2106 11770 NIGERIA. Voice of Nigeria Ikorodu, 2106-2200*, man announcer with talk in Hausa. Carrier cut at 2113 seemingly ending transmission. Re-tuned at 2137 to hear man talking hosting African music program. Drums at 2144 with a woman giving ID over drums. Drums again at 2157 ending program followed by dead air at 2158 until carrier cut at 2200. Poor to fair - 31/5 RDA
- 11820 0151 IRAN. Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran Sirjan, 0151-0221*, Kazakh language program with woman announcer talking followed by recitations from the Koran. Carrier cut mid-sentence. Poor to fair - 23/5 RDA
- 11825 0320 ROMANIA. Radio Romania International Galbeni, 0320-0340, man announcer with ID followed by English language feature. Fair - 22/5 RDA
- 11955 0042 ROMANIA. Radio Romania International Tiganesti, 0042-0056*, man hosting Sports Weekend with update on Romanian players still in French Open. Next program was Through the Looking Glass followed by The Cooking Show featuring lamb stew. Good signal - 31/5 RDA
- 11995 0235 FRANCE. Radio Taiwan International Issoudun, 0235-0300*, Spanish program with Spanish-Chinese language lesson hosted by a male announcer. ID at 0250 followed by quick pop tune and continuation of language lesson. A woman announcer with ID, closedown announcements at 0258 followed by 2 time pips at 0300. Fair to good reception - 10/5 RDA
- 12095 0301 OMAN. BBC A'Seela, 0301-0317, woman announcer in English hosting news program with remote reports including item about European Union. Poor - 10/5 RDA
- 15140 2046 OMAN. Radio Oman, 2046-2111, woman announcer with Arabic talk. Man announcer with station ID at 2100 followed by a man and

woman speaking with an echo effect followed by local music. Good signal - 31/5 RDA

25000 0029 USA. WWV – Fort Collins, 0029-0035, usual time pips and ID/TC announcements by a man announcer. Good signal with periodic deep fades as testing continues - 18/5 RDA

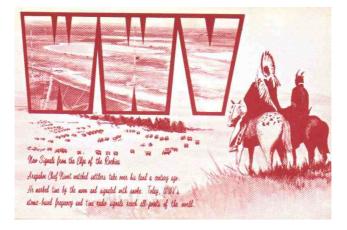
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NEW ZEALAND DX TIMES

ENGLISH IN TIME ORDER

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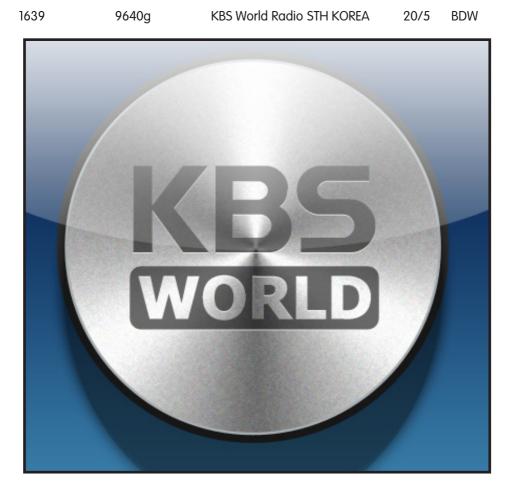
Time Order summary of Ken's BandWatch Under 9MHz & Kelvin's BandWatch Over 9MHz columns. For station transmitter sites please refer to the BandWatch columns. Please remember to include the date and signal strength with all your loggings and send them to the Under/Over 9MHz Bandwatch column editors, thanks.

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.

SIGNAL STRENGTHS e = Excellent; g = Good; f = Fair; p = Poor. 73 - Yuri, ZL1GYM <u>http://www.linradio.com/sources.htm</u>

Time	Freq		Station	Station	Log	DXer
(UTC)	(kHz)		Name	Country	Date	Name
0020	9700g		RRI	ROMANIA	10/5	PP
0023	9740g		BBC	UK	10/5	PP
0030	9895f		RNW/WHRI	USA	10/5	PP
0057	9925g		The Mighty KBC	?	1/6	JW
0230	15310g		BBC	UK	20/5	PP
0302-0307	11825g		RRI	ROMANIA	15/5	JR
0310-0324	17820g	R.Pil	ipinas Overseas	PHILIPPINES	15/5	JR
0320-0322	9515g		VOT	TURKEY	15/5	JR
0327	9515g		TRT	TURKEY	4/4	BDW
0327	9645f		RRI	ROMANIA	15/5	JR
0332	9690g		CRI	CHINA	15/5	JR
0332-0339	13650g	The Vo	oice of Justice	IRAN	15/5	JR
0400	7260f		Radio Vanuatu	VANUATU	-	BCM
0435	15420f		BBC	UK	23/5	IC
0510	6060g:6100		Rado Habana	CUBA	20/5	PP
0512-0526	5975f		Rado Japan	JAPAN.	20/5	KB
0528	17760e		RRI	Romania	1/4	BDW
0545-0559	6005p		BBC	UK	7/5	KB
0600	13580f		BBC	UK	11/5	KB
0604	15275f:15700)	DW	GERMANY	11/5	KB
0955	7295g		RTV Malaysia	MALAYSIA	5/5	PP
1040	15410g		AIR	INDIA	4/5	IC
1230	13720f	PCJ	International	?	4/5	IC
1315	12055g		RDW	GERMANY	13/5	IC
1525	11620g:13780)g	VOIRI	IRAN	12/5	CC
1629	15220e		TRT	TURKEY	4/4	BDW

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1655-1658	15520g	V.o.Turkey	TURKEY	8/5	CC
1714	9540g	RRI	ROMANIA	8/5	CC
1830	6195p	BBC	UK	14/5	KB
2030	7205g	VOT	TURKEY	6/5	PP
2032 11975f:1	5170g:17510g	RRI	ROMANIA	8/5	CC
2110	7325g	CRI	CHINA	15/5	IC
2116-2119	11800g	D.Welle	GERMANY	14/5	CC
2125-2130	7205f	VOT	TURKEY	14/5	CC
2206	9765f	RRI	ROMANIA	15/5	JR
2340	9265p	WINB	USA	10/5	PP
2345	9350f	WWCR	USA	10/5	PP

SHORTWAVE REPORT

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THAILAND/SINGAPORE

Frequency changes of BBC World Service from Wed, May 14

0000-0100 13725 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Mon, exDaily 0000-0100 NF13625 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Tue, ex13725 0000-0100 NF13625 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Wed, ex13725 0000-0100 13725 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Thu, exDaily 0000-0100 13725 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Fri, exDaily 0000-0100 NF13810 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Sat, ex13725 0000-0100 NF13810 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Sun, ex13725

0000-0100 NF15650 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Mon, ex15755 0000-0100 NF15650 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Tue, ex15755 0000-0100 NF15180 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Wed, ex15755 0000-0100 NF15650 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Thu, ex15755 0000-0100 15755 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Fri, exDaily 0000-0100 NF15180 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Sat, ex15755 0000-0100 15755 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Sat, ex15755

 1100-1200
 15285 SNG 250 kW 013 deg to SoEaAS English Mon, exDaily

 1100-1200
 NF15640 SNG 250 kW 013 deg to SoEaAS English Tue, ex15285

 1100-1200
 NF15270 SNG 250 kW 013 deg to SoEaAS English Wed, ex15285

 1100-1200
 NF15270 SNG 250 kW 013 deg to SoEaAS English Thu, ex15285

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 15285 SNG 250 kW 013 deg to SoEaAS English Sat, exDaily

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 NF15640 SNG 250 kW 013 deg to SoEaAS English Sat, exDaily

 1100-1200
 17760 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Mon, exDaily

 1100-1200
 NF17830 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Tue, ex17760

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 NF17720 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Wed, ex17760

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1300-1400 NF 5895 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Mon, ex 5875 1300-1400 NF 5830 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Tue, ex 5875 1300-1400 NF 5810 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Wed, ex 5875 1300-1400 NF 5895 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Thu, ex 5875 1300-1400 NF 5810 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Fri, ex 5875 1300-1400 NF 5830 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Sat, ex 5875 1300-1400 S875 NAK 250 kW 025 deg to EaAS English Sat, ex 5875

1300-1400 NF15150 NAK 250 kW 290 deg to SoAS English Mon, ex15310 1300-1400 NF15660 NAK 250 kW 290 deg to SoAS English Tue, ex15310 1300-1400 NF15660 NAK 250 kW 290 deg to SoAS English Wed, exDaily 1300-1400 NF15660 NAK 250 kW 290 deg to SoAS English Thu, ex15310 1300-1400 15310 NAK 250 kW 290 deg to SoAS English Fri, exDaily 1300-1400 15310 NAK 250 kW 290 deg to SoAS English Sat, exDaily 1300-1400 NF15150 NAK 250 kW 290 deg to SoAS English Sat, exDaily 1300-1400 NF15150 NAK 250 kW 290 deg to SoAS English Sun, ex15310

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AUSTRALIA

A14 schedule for HCJB Australia in English. The schedule notes that "HCJB Australia will soon be changing its name - stay tuned"

0100-0115 sm....s As 17760 Spotlight 0730-0830 Daily Au 15590 1115-1130 ..t..f. As 11700 Spotlight 1130-1145 sm....s As 11700 Spotlight 1330-1400f. As 11595 (Hindi/English) 1405-1530 Daily As 15450 (May BrDXC-UK Communication magazine, dxld May 7)

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GERMANY(non)

New transmission via MBR - Echo of Europe in English/French 1830-1845 on 7315 NAU 125 kW / 230 deg to WeEu Tue/Fri. http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/new-transmission-via-mbr-echo-ofeurope.html

BULGARIA(non)

Frequency changes KBS World Radio from May 23 plus video: 1900-2000 NF 5925 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu German AM, ex 5870 1900-2000 NF 5940 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg to WeEu German DRM , ex 5885 http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/frequency-changes-kbs-world-radiofrom.html

MADAGASCAR:

New religious Madagascar station MWV registered test schedule from February 1st, 2012, of WCBC organisation at Mahajanga, Madagascar 3x100 kW shortwave transmitter, 3 curtain antennas on 4 masts, at 265/325/025 degrees azimuth.

Example of future WCBC Mahajanga SW operation schedule 7355 0600-0630 53,52,57 MWV 100 265 MDG WCB 9565 0630-0700 53,52,57 MWV 100 265 MDG WCB 9565 0800-0830 53,48,47,38,37,28 MWV 100 325 MDG WCB 9585 1030-1100 39,40,41,42,31,32 MWV 100 025 MDG WCB 11870 0700-0730 53,52,57 MWV 100 265 MDG WCB 11870 0830-0900 53,48,47,38,37,28 MWV 100 325 MDG WCB 11870 1100-1130 39,40,41,42,31,32 MWV 100 025 MDG WCB 13630 0900-0930 53,48,47,38,37,28 MWV 100 325 MDG WCB 13635 0730-0800 53.52.57 MWV 100 265 MDG WCB 13650 1130-1200 39,40,41,42,31,32 MWV 100 025 MDG WCB 15660 0930-1000 53,48,47,38,37,28 MWV 100 325 MDG WCB 15660 1200-1230 39,40,41,42,31,32 MWV 100 025 MDG WCB 17660 1000-1030 53,48,47,38,37,28 MWV 100 325 MDG WCB 17660 1230-1300 39,40,41,42,31,32 MWV 100 025 MDG WCB (wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 26)

MONGOLIA

Voice of Mongolia Summer A-14 shortwave schedule for Voice of Mongolia: 0900-0930 on 12085vU-B 250 kW / 178 deg to SoAs English 0930-1000 on 12085vU-B 250 kW / 178 deg to SoAs Mongolian 1000-1030 on 12085vU-B 250 kW / 116 deg to EaAs Chinese 1030-1100 on 12085vU-B 250 kW / 116 deg to EaAs Japanese

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1400-1430 on 12015vU-B 250 kW / 178 deg to SoAs Mongolian 1430-1500 on 12015vU-B 250 kW / 178 deg to SoAs Chinese 1500-1530 on 12015vU-B 250 kW / 116 deg to EaAs Japanese 1530-1600 on 12015vU-B 250 kW / 116 deg to EaAs English 12085v=12084.9 12015v=12014.9

SRI LANKA

SLBC and PCJ Radio International Sri Lanka: Summer A-14 SW schedule of Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation: 0115-0130 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Bengali Sat-Wed 0115-0130 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Hindi Thu/Fri 0130-0230 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Hindi Daily 0230-0245 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs English Tue/Thu/Sun 0230-0245 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Hindi Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat 0245-0300 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs English Thu/Sun 0245-0300 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Hindi Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri/Sat 0300-0330 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Hindi Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri/Sat 0300-0330 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Hindi Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri/Thu 0300-0330 on 11905 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs English Sat/Sun

1115-1130 on 9720 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Hindi 1130-1145 on 9720 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Malayalam 1145-1200 on 9720 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Hindi 1200-1215 on 9720 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs Tamil

1630-1830 on 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to N/ME Sinhala 1630-1830 on 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to N/ME Sinhala 1630-1830 on 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to N/ME Sinhala 1630-1830 on 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to N/ME Sinhala 1630-1830 on 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to N/ME Sinhala

SRI LANKA(non)

Summer A-14 of PCJ Radio International: 1230-1330 NF 13720 TRM 125 kW / 045 deg to EaAs English Sat/Sun, ex 13655

INDIA:

All India Radio Delhi (Khampur) Frequency change wef 4th June, 2014 :

0130-0230 Nepali towards Nepal on 9800 kHz (ex 9810 kHz) 250 kW Alokesh Gupta. New Delhi

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The middle of the year is now upon us and the weather has become cooler. Here in North Otago we are becoming very water logged. We are most likely better off than the West Coast.

Dallas reports in that he was without power last month during the storms that hit the Buller region for 31 hours. His long wire antenna is now two separate antennas and the gum tree that was the base for the long wire is now at a 45 degree angle. Apart from that everything else was ok. Good to hear that you survived Dallas.

FREQ	UTC	DETAILS OF TRANSMISSION
226	0315	Ferry NDB (S Wairarapa; FY) good 11/5 JW
350	0322	Kaikoura NDB fair 11/5 JW
380	1311	Corowa NDB (Australia; COR) poor 31/5 JW
3262	1930	Canterbury Mountain R Service with wx and calling field sets. fair-good Field
		sets on Haast - Paringa Cattle track (fair); Waiora Scout Camp, Mosgiel
		(good) and 8 other field sets including Stewart Isl. (v poor) 20/5 JW
6515	0610	Vessels calling Blue Radio 0610 thru to 0630 - Far North Radio
		Mangonui. Base station fair. Vessels generally poor but readable, in
		S Pacific Ocean (coordinates given) 24/5 JW
8176	0800	Volmet with "High Seas Weather" s/off 08.08 z This was a repeat B/C
		on Marine Ch 26 DM
8176		VMC Australia weather and gale warning reports poor 9/6 ABD
8296	2204	ZLM" with weather warning (A bit late Storm already hit us and Grey
		Area DM
8788		Volmet with Alaskan waters f/c DM
8867		"Kiwi 560" called AK requesting Block cancellation DM
8867		"Hawaiian 465 selcal to AK. DM
8867		UN Id 840 selcal to Ak and told to use 5.643 DM
8903	0901	Tokyo Control called a Fijian Flight no ID heard but faint selcal no
		voice heard then Tokyo called said try secondary frequency still no
		reply. DM
8992		Skyking called OS (Oscar Sierra) with short 5 letters EMS DM
12362		VMW Australia gale warnings fair 9/6 ABD
13270	0252	Gander, Canada- Volmet Weather for Halifax TD "This is Gander
1000/	0050	Radio" poor but readable 9/6 ABD
13306	2050	Canada 969 reporting to F/Control. Thunderstorms mentioned in FIR
		for New York area. Control fair; aircraft po 1/6 JW

CONTRIBUTORS

DM Dallas McKenzie, Buller All heard on the Sony SW 7600G with the back up solar power 12v system and on a still standing 20 ft whip.

JW - Jonathan Wood, Mosgiel - Lowe 150 with either 34m or 46m dipole.

ABD - Arthur De Maine, Kakanui - Drake R-8. 25m EWE

Thanks to Dallas and Jonathan for their contributions this month. Well that is about it for another month. Stay warm and dry.

Arthur



TV/FM NEWS & DX

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Radio station for dogs launches

Auckland dogs alone at home and feeling lonely will from today be able to tune into a radio station designed for them.

A new initiative has brought together researchers and canine behaviour consultants to put together 24-hour programming that will be both fun and relaxing for doggy listeners.

Broadcasting on 87.7FM to central Auckland, K9FM plays dog-centric content ranging from relaxing classical music to chat shows that include Talkies, Fetch in the Park, and Meditation with Vet Joanna - all programmed and made with dogs in mind.

Canine behaviour consultant Jess Allsop who helped consult on the station's programming said dogs would be able to focus on words they recognised and be calmed by the station's music.

"My job is to make sure it is as dog-friendly as possible," Allsop said.

"At the moment when dogs listen to a radio, they have to listen to programmes targeted at humans."

K9FM featured words like stick, fetch and walkies, which dogs could pick up on and understand, Allsop said.

"Also musically it was about finding tempos and beats that are known to be calming for dogs."

Owners might enjoy the station too, she said.

K9FM is the result of collaboration between the New Zealand Radio Training School, Colenso BBDO, Pedigree and Mars.

The radio station will run 24 hours a day.

(Stuff, 11 April 2014, http://www.stuff.co.nz/entertainment/tv-radio/9931556/Radiostation-for-dogs-launches, via Bryan Clark)

Rebrand for sister station

Mangawhai's Smooth Jazz FM is now The Wireless 88.1FM.

Station owner-manager, Mark Perry, has changed the format of the small low power radio station to a blend of nostalgic music from the 1940s, 50s, 60s and 70s, plus some more recent contemporary favourites.

"Those of us who remember when the wireless was the radio in the household rather than a cable free modem will really appreciate this mix of music," Perry quipped. "Our research showed that, although locals knew there was a smooth jazz station in town, only 3 percent of people actually had tuned in. That's a good figure if you're operating in New York or London, but not realistic with our small population." According to the latest census, the majority of residents in Mangawhai are over 55 years of age, and Perry believes he will be serving listeners with a better music programme, as well as providing advertisers with another market to reach.

The Wireless FM is broadcast locally on 88.1FM and streaming to the world via the internet through the station's Facebook page or Tunein.com, tunein.com/radio/The-Wireless-881FM-s205019.

The Wireless FM is the sister station of Heads 106.4FM and both stations will run the same community messages free of charge for all non-profit and charity events. You can email the station at thewirelessfm@gmail.com.

(Mangawhai Focus, 26 May 2014, http://www.mangawhaifocus.co.nz/Archives/ May+26th+2014/Rebrand+for+sister+station.html, via Bryan Clark)

Fusion FM

Fusion FM is operating LPFM on 106.9 MHz with contemporary music, 24/7 from the Levin Community Centre (Named Te Takere by Horowhenua District Council), and runs programs presented by young people for an hour or so on two days of the week. (Kelvin Brayshaw)

The Edge TV to Launch June 27

The countdown has begun! New Zealand's #1 radio network, The Edge, will launch its television channel at 4pm, on Friday June 27 on Freeview channel 11 and SKY channel 114.

The Edge is the #1 radio network in the country, with 454,400 people tuning in each week,* and took home Station of the Year, Broadcaster of the Year, and The Blackie at the recent NZ Radio Awards. On June 27, it will become the first fully integrated radio brand in New Zealand, living on radio, television, web, tablet, mobile and social media – everywhere the audience wants to watch, listen and engage.

The Edge Programme Director, Leon Wratt says viewers can expect The Edge TV to be a natural extension of what is already New Zealand's biggest music entertainment brand.

"The Edge TV will play the hottest local and international music videos, screen specialist music and pop culture shows, and broadcast original video content filmed with our Edge radio hosts in our new onsite custom-built studio," he says.

"We're launching with several dedicated music shows. The Edge Mix and The Fat 40 will be appointment viewing for Edge fans, while The Music Lab and Hot Right Now will give viewers a weekly update on the latest music videos and pop culture news – all broadcast free-to-air and available online and on your favourite devices."

The Edge TV will be the first local music channel available to watch LIVE on mobile phones, tablets and online at theedge.co.nz.

The Edge TV Content Manager, Ross Flahive, has a CV that includes The Edge radio station, and C4 music television channel. Ross returned to New Zealand from Dubai for the channel, and leads a team of combined TV and radio expertise, including Phoebe Spiers as Programmes Co-ordinator. He is excited by the way the new channel is shaping up.

"The Edge TV will offer fans a new dimension to The Edge experience," he says. "The Edge HQ is having a complete studio refit, setting up our team of TV content producers with the latest television tools. We'll be able to generate content with the radio teams, and deliver it to the TV audience faster than ever before.

"This is a big step forward in the evolution of radio, for both listeners and clients, and it's exciting for The Edge to be leading the way."

(MediaWorks, 4 June 2014, http://www.mediaworks.co.nz/TURN-IT-ON-THE-EDGE-TV-TO-LAUNCH-JUNE-27/tabid/1532/articleID/2178/Default.aspx)

MediaWorks TV Announces FOUR Plus 1

MediaWorks will launch a 'plus one' version of popular entertainment channel FOUR on the Freeview and SKY platforms next month. The new channel will be an exact duplicate of FOUR, broadcast an hour later.

MediaWorks TV CEO, Paul Maher says the channel provides more choice and flexibility for viewers, and increased reach for advertisers.

"With FOUR Plus1 added to the existing TV3 Plus 1 channel and the 3NOW Video On Demand service, our viewers will have more options for watching their favourite TV3 and FOUR shows than ever before," he says.

"Adding a plus one channel will also boost FOUR's audience numbers, delivering increased value for our clients."

Plus one channels have been shown to significantly increase overall audience share, locally and internationally. So far in 2014, TV3 Plus1 has contributed 8% to TV3's primetime share of the key 25-54 year old audience. A similar boost is expected for FOUR following the launch of FOUR Plus 1.

Launched in 2011, FOUR is the fourth most significant TV channel in the New Zealand market, a popular entertainment channel aimed at 18-49 year-olds. Its schedule includes hit shows like The Simpsons, New Girl, Family Guy, America's Next Top Model and Glee, plus a range of blockbuster and classic movies. FOUR was named Media Brand of the Year at the 2012 CAANZ Media Awards.

(MediaWorks, 29 May 2014, http://www.mediaworks.co.nz/MEDIAWORKS-TV-ANNOUNCES-FOUR-PLUS-1/tabid/1532/articleID/2171/Default.aspx)

Kiwi Radio Guide Changes

* Recent changes include the rebranding of Classic Hits network as The Hits and all their frequencies and locations around the country have been updated

- * New full power Brian FM is now broadcasting from Wanganui and Blenheim
- * New full power Caveman FM is on the air from Gore

* World FM has expanded across the top of the South Island adding coverage to Motueka/Golden Bay, Nelson and Blenheim

- * Jacked FM is the new full time radio school station broadcasting to Christchurch
- * The Wireless has joined full time sister station Heads FM in Northland

* Many new low power FM stations, especially in local schools have been added nationwide

(Radio Heritage)

FM DX Logs for Summer 2014 from Martin Greer in Launceston

Hello Dxer's, listed are some DX logs for summer 2014. Although these items may be a bit dated, I hope it may be of interest. The receivers I have been using are Digitech AR1747 and a Sangean PR-D3L. The antennas used were VHF phased array and generic yagi VHF antenna. All dates and times are UTC.

11/1/2014 - at 13:15 was 3FOX FM on 101:9 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria)-was a fair sianal.

-13:29 was 3ABCFM on 105:9 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was excellent signal

- 13:31 was 3JJJ on 107:5 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was excellent signal
- 12/1/2014 at 9:37 was 3PNN on 95:1 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 9:42 was 3Cat FM on 95:5 MHz (Geelong Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 9:49 was 3JJJ on 96:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent sianal.
 - 9:51 was 3TR FM on 99:9 MHz (Bairnsdale Victoria) was excellent signal
 - (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal - 9:56 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz
 - 9:58 was 3ABCFM on 101:5 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal.
 - 10:12 was 3FOXFM on 101:9 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 10:17 was 3ABCFM on 105:9 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 10:20 was 3JJJ on 107:5 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was excellent signal.
 - (Taralgon Victoria) was very - 10:23 was 3TR FM on 99:5 MHz strong signal
 - 10:27 was 3GGR on 96:3 MHz (Geelong Victoria) was good signal

13/1/2014

- (Gippsland Victoria) excellent signal - at 13:21 was 3PNN on 95:1 MHz
- 13:24 was 3JJJ on 96:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
- 13:29 was 3TRFM on 99: Mhz (Bairnsdale Victoria) was excellent signal
- 13:33 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal.
- 13:35 was 3ABC FM on 101:5 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
- 13:38 was 3ABCFM on 105:9 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was poor sianal
- 16:22 was 3JJJ on 107:5 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was excellent signal.
- 14/1/2014 12:55 was 3PNN on 95:1 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 13:03 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was

excellent signal

- 13:08 was 3ABC FM on 101:5 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
- 26/1/2014 14:00 was 3PNN on 95:1 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 14:03 was 3JJJ on 96:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 14:05 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 14:07 was 3ABC FM on 101:5 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 14:09 was 3ABCFM on 105:9 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was good signal
 - 14:11 was 3JJJ on 107:5 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was excellent signal
- 2/2/2014
 - 4 13:09 was 3PNN on 95:1 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 13:12 was 2ABCFM on 95:7 MHz (Wollongong NSW) was excellent signal
 - 13:17 was 3JJJ on 96:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) with excellent signal
 - 13:21 was 2ILA on 97:3MHZ (Wollongong NSW) was excellent signal
 - 13:25 was 2JJJ on 98:9 MHz (Wollongong NSW) presumed-was excellent signal
 - 13:30 was 3TRFM on 99:9 MHz (Bairnsdale Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 13:34 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 13:39 was 3PNN on 107:9 MHz (Bairnsdale Victoria) was a steady fair signal, at 13:44 co/channel 3CRR (Ballarat Victoria) started to mix and sometimes 3CRR was equal fair level to 3PNN.
 - 13:47 was 3JJJ on 107:5 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was fair signal
 - 13:53 was 3ABCFM on 101:5 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was mostly good signal sometimes fading-in/out
 - 13:56 was 3ABCRN on 106:3 MHz (Bairnsdale Victoria) was fair signal
 - 1409 was 3ÅBCFM on 105:9 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was excellent signal
- 5/2/2014 9:29 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
 - 9:32 was 3ABCFM on 101:5MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal 7/2/2014

	-	12:28 was 3PNN on 95:1MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was
	-	excellent signal 12:32 was 3JJJ on 96:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was
	-	excellent signal 12:35 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
	-	12:38 was 3ABCFM on 101:5 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
	-	12:41 was 3ABCFM on 105:9 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was excellent signal
	-	12:36 was 3JJJ on 107:5 MHz (Mt Dandenong Victoria) was fair steady signal
16/2/2014	-	13:32 was 3PNN on 95:1 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was strong signal
	-	13:36 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was barely audible signal
	-	13:42 was 3ABCFM on101:5 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was very strong signal
4/3/2014	-	11:46 was 3PNN on 95:1 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
	-	11:49 was 3JJJ on 96:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
	-	11:53 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
	-	11:57 was 3ABCFM on 101: Mhz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
9/3/2014	-	5:17 was 3PNN on 95:1 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
sign	- al	5:19 was 3JJJ on 96:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent
	-	5:21 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
	-	5:24 was 3ABCFM on 101:5 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
10/3/2014	-	8:15 was 3PNN on 95:1MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal
	-	8:18 was 3JJJ on 96:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was strong signal
	-	8:22 was 3GLR on 100:7 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was very strong signal
	-	12:06 was 3ABCFM on 101:5 MHz (Gippsland Victoria) was excellent signal.

All the above FM signals were received via tropospheric.



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Everyone surprised me by being early birds this month. But one piece of sad news must start off this edition: our condolences go to the League's President Bryan Clark and wife, Sandy, along with their extended family on the passing of Bryan's father, Douglas, in Levin.



Our Man in Mangawhai

is now chasing another exotic South American. " had limited opportunities to DX during May due other priorities but when I have listened I have been impressed at the results. On shortwave, Argentine Antarcticwasregularlyheard on weekdays between 1930 and 2130, Radio Rwanda 6055 has been heard at outstanding levels in our morning and evening, and Spanish on 6076.32 made it through weakly one day -most likely the low-powered Radio La Voz de Artigas from Uruguay. Last but not least my old favourite Zanzibar 6015 is audible again at 0400! Medium wave has largely favoured Latin America, with X-Band Argentinians and Puerto Rico relogged during May."

(Well, the best I can do is show your success with RNU at the other end of the country and hope that brings better reception from Artigas.)

Arthur De Maine, Kakanui is breaking his own records. "Surprise, a contribution from Kakanui. Thought I should let you know that this year so far I have double the number of QSL's that I received last year. This year's first was from the U.S. Department of Commerce for WWV on 25 MHz, QSL Card No. 30450. The second was from Cupid Radio for their transmission on 21460 kHz: QSL card, pendant, and a three-page letter with photos of his radio station. Checking back through some back issues I came across that interesting article by Philip Garden on the Fishing Rod Antenna, and I was wondering if he was getting any shortwave results. Winter has arrived in the south over the last week or so as our President and his lady found out when they got snow-bound in Queenstown. Anyhow, all is well here in North Otago, snow is now on the tops of the Kakanui mountains and mornings are a little cool. Hope all is well at you place, Theo." (That's where snow belongs, on tops of mountains. Bryan and Sandy were in Queenstown? And I wonder how far back WWV's numbers go? I just checked my one-and-only from 1963 for 10 MHz and it's un-numbered.)

Ian Cattermole, Blenheim has more than two to keep track of each month, May being no exception. "Here once again my SW veries, this time for those received during May: VoA Nauen 11875 & 12040; Bible Voice BC, Nauen 9550 & 9515; Bible Voice BC, Sofia 15640; RFA Kuwait 17675 & 11995; Radio Cairo 13850; TWR-India, Yerevan 12055; Eternal Good News 15530 (and jumping to conclusions that's via WHRI, Cypress Creek - ye ed.); KSDA 13710; AWR Trincomalee 11915 & 15500; PCJ International Trincomalee 13720; VoA Philippines 15490; Sawtu Linjilia, Issoudun 15315; Radio Dardasha, Issoudun 7310; HCJB Moosbrunn 13800; CRI 15660; RTI Okeechobee 7730; and Voice of Martyrs. Tashkent 7530 kHz. There they are for another month." *(21 by my count. And as usual, there's always one that catches my attention, Sawtu Linjilia: ah, a specialty gospel programme in Hausa and Fulfulde – it wouldn't be too safe to have them blaring from the transistor if Boko Haram are in the vicinity.)*

John Durham, Tauranga is another cool customer. "It's been some time since I have sent in some notes for this section... not much in the way of DX activity lately. I think us few remaining SW DXers are a bit like vultures picking away at the rotting corpse of SW radio; yes, there are some tasty morsels left but these days few and far between. Some QSLs to hand lately: R. Biafra via Germany 11830; Voice of Jinling 5860; Voice of Martyrs via Uzbekistan 7515; R. Pilipinas 17700; R. Swatu Linjilia via France 9800; PCJ via Madagascar 15720; Voice of Korea 7570; and Oromo Voice via France 17850 kHz. Had a couple of cold nights lately but nice and sunny of late. Can smell some of my homegrown coffee brewing upstairs so off now to sit in the sun and sample it." (Hmm, vultures and tasty morsels, plus home-grown coffee: Te Maunga variety of Robusta bean? And I see you're taking cues from Ian in Marlborough with your Sawtu Linjilia; they're overshooting their target audience by a tad. And oh, that was a very nice Ethiopian QSL in your May <DXissimo>.)

<u>Günter Jacob in Passau, Germany</u> covers the alphabetic bases this month. "Some quite good news for me these past weeks, from A to Z. AWR's Dr Adrian M. Peterson sent <u>QSLs for KSDA Agat 9760, and Trincomalee 9830, 11805, 11995, 15360, and 15710 kHz.</u>

Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation's manager signed my prepared verification card and put on it the rubber stamp of 'The Manager, Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation, Radio Zimbabwe'. After eight years of patiently writing again and again, I enclosed a 100,000,000,000,000 (one hundred trillion) dollar bank note from the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe in one of my registered letters with proof of delivery and a warranty of 100 Euro. Then I had the Harare Central Sorting Office confirm that this letter was delivered. As shortwave transmissions from Gweru stopped a couple of years ago, I am more than happy that I still got this confirmation!" (You would have been better off to have saved that as a souvenir! My understanding is that Zimbabwe scrapped all use of a local currency about five years ago, opting for the likes of the US greenback, the rand, and others as legal tender.)

Jerry Berg in Lexington, MA leaves us with a set of initials to puzzle over till next month's column with a verification from Talata: "MADAGASCAR 15720, MGLOB (the former R. Netherlands relay stn), nice card with Madagascar scenes on front, full-data on back, for a report of PCJ's programming. The card is stylized with some very nice grass-cloth paper pasted on the front. In 8 weeks by mail in an envelope with uncancelled stamps, for an e-mail report to <rocus@mglob.mg> and an MP3 recording plus a scan of a QSL letter that I received from the RN-Madagascar relay station soon after it opened in 1971. Postal address on card: MGLOB SA, P.O. Box 404, Antananarivo 101, Madagascar -- the same P.O. Box as in 1971." (*Mister Google suggests that's 'Madagascar Global Business S.A.', not a very pretty contraction, though I guess MGB was already taken! Jerry, I guess it would be too much of a coincidence for your 1971 report and verie to have been for Radio Nederland's 'Happy Station'?*)

Summing up this month's contributions in a word, it would have to be 'variety', and lots of Good Stuff as always.

Thanks, and I know we'll see all your news in July.



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BROADCAST NEWS, TRAIL AND MAILBAG

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<u>ALASKA</u>

- 850 KICY Nome AK has applied for extension of its current STA, which allows it to operate with 50kw directional between 11pm and 4am local time, and 25kw non-directional at other times. (NRC) (Well heard in our summer months with its overnight religious programmes in Russian. BC)
- 1200 Construction Permit approved for new station in Chugiak Alaska with U1 50kw days, 30kw nights. (IRCA)

AUSTRALIA According to the ACMA, 2KA (Cool Country) Penrith NSW AUS plans to change frequency from 1476 to 1386kHz and also raise their power. No dates yet available as to when this will occur.

1674kHz has been clear of signals here in Melbourne recently. I am not sure what has happened to Melbourne Jewish Radio or Surf FM on this frequency. About a month back on 1674kHz, they were just playing a repeated group of songs without any identification. (Robert Copeman via ICDX-AM Yahoo Group).

CANADA

- 650 CISL Richmond BC proposes increasing day power from 10kw to 20kw, decreasing night power to 4kw, and relocating transmitter. (IRCA)
- 1610 New station granted for Montreal QC, U1 1kw day & night with South Asian ethnic format. (NRC)

HAWAII (from National Radio Club's "DX News")

- 620 KHNU Hilo granted extension to its STA for U1, 500 watts day & night from temporary antenna. (NRC)
- 670 KPUA Hilo HI granted STA to run UI 2800/2800 due to impedance problem.

<u>USA (thanks to International Radio Club of America's 'DX</u> Monitor' magazine)

- 540 KRXA Carmel Valley CA is now Spanish Christian, "El Sembrador Radio".
- 790 KJRB Spokane WA drops Newstalk for Classic Country with slogan "7-90, the Eagle." (Stan Weisbeck WA)
- 1160 KRDY San Antonio TX reactivated with Spanish Contemporary Christian format, slogan: "Radio Luz".
- 1170 KJOC Davenport IA drops True Oldies format for ESPN Sports format, slogan "ESPN 1170".
- 1340 KNTF Oroville CA is now Spanish Christian format with slogan "Radio

Santisimo Sacramento".

- 1410 KSMM Lompoc CA has change of callsign to KTNK.
- 1460 KION Salinas CA adds the slogan "Power Talk 1460".
- 1490 KWOK Aberdeen WA changes city of license from Hoquiam to Aberdeen
- 1590 WGYA Guayama, PR reactivated with SS News/Talk format, slogan: "Cadena WAPA-Radio" //WAPA 680
- 1600 KNCY Nebraska City, NE drops Classic Country format for News, with slogan "Big Apple News Radio 1600".

<u>USA (information from National Radio Club's 'DX News'</u> bulletin)

- 630 KIDD Monterey CA applies to adjust antenna pattern and towers, remaining U4 1kw day & night.
- 840 KXNT North Las Vegas NV granted CP for U4 50kw days, 1kw nights.
- 1490 Rights granted for construction permit for new station at Bozeman MT with U1, 1kw day & night.
- 1500 Construction permit underway for Culver City CA, new station will be U4, 25kw days, 1kw nights.
- 1520 KOKC Oklahoma City OK now has Special Temporary Authority to operate with 20kw day & night U2, due transmitter/tower issues.
- 1700 KKLF Richardson TX has applied to consolidate operations at existing night site, remaining U1 10kw days, 1kw nights.

IN THE MAIL:

ANDY GARDNER is inspecting country acreage west of Christchurch for a possible antenna farm, in the hope of Canterbury reclaiming its place as a leading region for medium wave DXing -l look forward to the competition Andy! BC

AL KIRTON, General Manager at Coastal Broadcasters Pty Ltd in Innisfail Queensland is asking for reception reports from NZ DXers for the various North Queensland stations in his group. He sends along a selection of QSL card samples and station decals for his stations 4KZ on 531, 4AM (558 & 1422 AM) and 4AY Country Classics on 873, which I will post out to the first



member who lets me know (through a contribution to the DX Times) that they have sent a report to one of Al's stations.



BRYAN'S BROADCAST TRAIL - April/May 2014

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

- 870 CUBA Radio Reloj positively identified by its CW code "RR" in a mix of Latin stations 0529 3/5.
- 1220 MEXICO XEB Mexico DF always here dominating, eg 0452 30/5 w/soft SS vocals, old tangos, full ident 0601 mentioning "..radio publica con mil watts de potencia" and "XEB 12-20 AM".
- 1309.69 COLOMBIA HJAK La Voz de la Patria w/talk in SS about Barranquilla, briefly fair 0528 on 3/5.
- 1360 PERU Nueva Q, Lima w/advts and idents including "..la radio cumbia del Peru.. Nueva Q... desde Lima" 0602 7/5.
- 1400 PERU Callao Super Radio, Lima fair w/SS ident 0500 12/5.
- 1470 PERU Radio Capital, Lima good w/station promo 0526 3/5, good reception.
- 1499.84 PERU Radio Santa Rosa w/clear ident in SS 0432 1/5.
- 1540.5 PERU Turbo Mix fair w/native vocals 0554 12/5.
- 1550 CUBA Radio Rebelde fair w/popular Latin vocals 0508 18/5 // 1620 good & 5025 SW very good. Ditto at 0542 on 31/5.
- 1570 PERU Bethel AM the earliest Latin hrd, SS religious format 0353 3/5.
- 1610 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon fairly regular early evenings, poor in clear 0445 5/5 with Dr Gene Scott // 6090 SW also poor.
- 1610 ARGENTINA? Accordian music 0952 29/5 and legthy SS annet at 1001 w/ ident like "Radio Monita". Who? 1630 & 1670 Argies at same time.
- 1620 US VIRGIN ISLANDS WDHP Frederikstad ident & jingle 0557 30/5 over Radio Rebelde Cuba and an unidentified Spanish language station.
- 1629.9v ARGENTINA Radio America/Radio Melody w/"Rosario... Cadena Tres.. 16-30 AM.." ident at 0930 21/5 thru NZL Beacon. Also there 0950 29/5.
- 1650 USA KYHN Fort Smith AR w/advt for Bearcat CB Communicator 0558 5/5. Ident for "AM 16-50 KYHN" on the hour followed by news, fair.
- 1660 PUERTO RICO WGIT Casanova w/ religious talk in SS 0458 30/5. At 0602 SS ident mentioning "WGIT.. 16-60 AM... Puerto Rico.. Christiana.."
- 1670 ARGENTINA Radio Rubi fair, improving signal 0940 29/5 w/SS talk, accordion mx, adverts & ident over presumed KHPY also in SS.
- 1680 UNIDENTIFIED in fractured French, likely Creole 0533 21/5. Same station observed 14/5 at 0716 – possibly religious talk.
- 1700 MEXICO XEPE Tijuana w/SS talk 0621 3/4 till abruptly switching to ESPN Radio at 0630. Ident as "ESPN 17 Hundred".

ADCOM NEWS

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FORMER MEMBERS We have had contact with a number of former members recently. **ROBIN BROMBY**, a League member between 1957 and 1960, checks in from Australia to say that he is working on a reprint of his 2003 book "Rails that Built a Nation" which included a feature on 5ZB, the radio station based in a railway carriage. Robin's current project is a book about World War II, looking at issues other than the military side. This includes a chapter on propaganda, which will be heavily angled toward the use of shortwave during the war (including the fascinating story of SW operations from the French colonies).

From Whitby Canada, **TONY WARD** reminisces about his DXing from Lloyd Clayden's legendary property at Whangaparoa, north of Auckland. Tony was most active in 1960-1962 before university studies took priority. In 1968 he went to Canada to teach geography at the University of Guelph and got into ham radio in 1976. Tony is still fairly active as a DXer on shortwave, MW and LW (mostly nDB's), and he has done TV and FM in the past. He is not active on the Ham Bands these days, but recalls the great days of his Pacific DXpeditions with Ron (ZL1AMO) and John (ZL1AAS).

INTERNATIONAL SW DISASTER TEST It was pleasing to see members reporting through the DX Dialog newsgroup on their receptions in early June of the special shortwave transmissions that coincided with the Media Summit on Climate Change, Information and Communication Technologies, and Disaster Risk Reduction in Jakarta, Indonesia. Our member **MARTIN HADLOW** was at the conference and able to pass on to colleagues and friends in the Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union (ABU), UNISDR and other UN agencies. Martin asked them to share the details with the participating broadcasters and other interested authorities within the UN and NGO communities. We all know the power of shortwave to communicate over vast areas far more reliably than some of today's more popular and sexy media channels, so hope the tests will have given decision makers cause to reconsider any prejudice they may have on this means of communication which was so dominant in the 20th century.

RADIO AUSTRALIA Carrying on from the above comment, we also hope that the decision makers in the Australian Government make a fully informed decision on continued funding for Radio Australia. The cut of AU\$120 million from the ABC budget over the next 4 years, together with the termination of the \$220 million contract to deliver the 'Australia Network' international TV broadcasting service, operated by the ABC. ABC's Managing Director Mark Scott said the decision to cut the funding for Australia Network was very disappointing, given the ABC was only one year into a 10-year contract with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Mr Scott said the ABC Board would now have

to examine how the ABC delivers its international Charter obligation, which requires it to broadcast programs that, among other things, "encourage awareness of Australia and an international understanding of Australian attitudes on world affairs". (Extracts from ABC Press Release via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, May 13, via cumbre dx via Glenn Hauser's DXLD Group)

AUSTRALIA'S IONOSPHERIC PREDICTION SERVICE (IPS) UNDER REVIEW IPS in Australia is currently undergoing a government-initiated review of all services it offers, including aurora and ionospheric predictions/recording. One aspect being looked at is to move it from being freely available information to the public to one of full cost recovery from users, or to discontinue the services. This will probably forecast the end of its use for predicting and reporting auroras for the amateur astronomical community in this part of the world. DX enthusiasts can also find the ionospheric predictions useful in chasing rare DX. Those who remember VNG and its use as a standard time signal service broadcast from Australia for the southern hemisphere might recognise a similar approach being applied, with possibly the same negative outcome. While NOAA from the USA does provide predictions, they are necessarily focused on northern hemisphere local users, and do not have the granularity that IPS provides in our part of the world. Details of the review, which allows feedback until 4 July, are at: http://review.ips.gov.au/ (via **PAUL RAWDON** reporting to DX Dialog Newsgroup)

BRANCH NEWS

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WELLINGTON AREA GROUP

February rabble had a great time with radio frequently mentioned!Next beach babble: May 28 at Beach Babylon Cafe,Oriental Parade, Wellington, 12.45pm.2014 beach babble schedule:July 30August 27September 24

Good fun, good music, good food, great coffee, great gossip and a chance to mingle and babble with the rabble.

Mark your diaries now and see you there! Contact David radioheritage@gmail.com

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CHRISTCHURCH

The first and successful Christchurch beach babble had a great time with a solid turnout from the local rabble. Noisy bunch!

Next beach babble: May 21 at Salt on the Pier Cafe, New Brighton, Christchurch. 12.45pm.

2014 beach babble schedule:

July 23 August 20 September 17 October 22 November 19

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Mark your diaries now and see you there!

Come along for just a coffee and a bite if the boss won't give you the full afternoon off:) be good to see you! Contact David radioheritage@gmail.com



DUNEDIN AREA GROUP

Our April 12th 2014 meeting was at Ian Wells place and we welcomed Olley Bain. Roger had his usual list big of Loggings and Ian Wells had his list of MW loggings.

David Miller had a copy of Adrian Blackburns new book "Radio Pirates - How Hauraki rocked the boat". This is a update of the 1974 book "The Shoestring Pirates" There is a Authors note and the the introduction is by David Gapes.

Adrian does have a website where you can purchase the book.

The next meeting will at be on June 28th at Ian Wells place at 16 Fenty Place.

Phone 4898122 . Starting at 2pm and finishing at 4pm.

Contacts: David Miller, Phone 476 3224 Roger Pryde 473 7805.

The September meeting date is September 6th and will be held at David Millers place at 34 Herron Street Brockville, From 2-4pm.

We look forward in seeing more new faces or just making contact to say what you're listening too.



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

May 4, 2014 -- We complete our postings of Canadian BCB QSLs under "CPRV/ The CPRV Gallery/Broadcast Band/North America/Canada" with two files, one from eastern canada, one from central and western Canada. From the east we have these QSLs from the years 1931-1996: from Newfoundland, CJON, St. John's (1962); CKCM, St. John's (1980); VOCM, St. John's (1961); VONF, St. John's (1933); and VOUS, U.S. Naval Station, Argentia (1961); from New Brunswick, CBA, Moncton(1996); CFBC, Saint John (1980); CHSJ, Saint John (1946 and 1973); CJCJ, Woodstock (1987); and CKCW, Moncton (1960); and from Nova Scotia, CBI, Sydney (1976); CHNS, Halifax (1934 and 1961); CJLS, Yarmouth (1936): CKBW. Bridaewater (1954 and 1972): CKCL. Truro: and VAS. Glace Bay (1931). From central and western areas we have, for the years 1926-1994: from Alberta, CFAC, Calgary (1936 and 1965); CFGP, Grande Prairie (1965); CJCA, Edmonton (using a VE9AI shortwave card in 1949, and another card from 1964); CKRD, Red Deer (1966); and CKYL, Peace River (1965); from British Columbia, CFCT, Victoria (1935); CFJC, Kamloops (1943); CJVB, Vancouver (1987); CKDA, Victoria (1963); CKMO, Vancouver (1930 and 1934); CKNW, New Westminster (1958); CKOK, Penticton; CKOV, Kelowna (1936); CKQR-Castlegar/CKGF-Grand Forks (1994); CKWX, Vancouver (1934); and CNRV, Vancouver (1926); and from Manitoba, CFAM, Altona (1968 and 1977); CJRC, Winnipeg (1934); CKDM, Dauphin (1965); and CKY, Winnipeg (1939). -- And from Dr. Adrian M. Peterson, this new "Wavescan" entry (N270, April 27, 2014) under "Specialized Resources": "Focus on Asia - Philippine Radio History-8: The Japanese Era."

May 11, 2014 -- DXing dropped off sharply during World War II. Some major clubs closed up shop, and the rest were just getting by. One club that started during the war was the Victory Radio Club. It was formed in 1942 by the editors and reporters of Radio Index (RADEX), a popular DX magazine which had ceased publishing that year. The club was headquartered at first in Worcester, Massachusetts (Ray LaRocque), later in Latrobe, Pennsylvania (Art Hankins). It covered mainly the standard broadcast and the shortwave broadcast bands, and it published a bulletin--at first called Victory News, later just DX--and, in the earlier days, a VRC Flash Sheet. Members participation fell off, however, and the club was absorbed into the Universal Radio DX Club in 1946. Under "DX History/Clubs & Publications" we have posted several issues of the club's bulletin: December 5, 1942; November 5, 1945; February 4, 1946; and July 1, 1946. -- And under "Specialized Resources/Wavescan," more DX history from Adrian Peterson, this time "BBC Central Mediterranean Relay Station Malta" (Wavescan N271, May 4, 2014).

May 18, 2014 -- This time, under "CPRV/The CPRV Gallery," at the bottom of the shortwave broadcast section, we have posted another file (No. 4) containing Scandinavian club QSLs. These are QSLs issued by Scandinavian clubs (usually Swedish) for special programs broadcast for the individual clubs by stations such as (in this group) OTC (Belgian Congo), HCJB, Radio Ankara, Radio Australia, ORU (Belgium), WRUL, IBRA Radio, and RTF (France). Most of the Scandinavian club cards were issued in the midto late-1950s or the early 1960s. However, the first three cards in this file are from 1945 and the fourth is from 1949, and the last card in the group is from 1988. These are good-looking cards, and were prepared long before computers made it easy to print up a batch of QSLs. -- Under "Specialized Resources/Wavescan," we have posted two new shortwave history reports from Dr. Adrian Peterson: "Tribute to Shortwave WYFR-10: International Relay Services," and "Surprising Information: Radio Broadcasting in the Islands of Antarctica" (both Wavescan N272, May 11, 2014). We have also added to Wavescan N260, February 16, 2014, Adrian's entry, "Australian Radio History."

May 25, 2014 -- "The World At A Twirl." Ken Boord was the best-known American DX editor during the years 1944-1955 when he wrote the "International Short-Wave" column for Radio News (and briefly for Popular Electronics). He reappeared in 1960 as shortwave editor for the new DXing Horizons magazine. Between those two jobs Ken published a valuable primer on shortwave broadcast listening. It was called The World At A Twirl, a phrase that identified the Boord "brand" in those days (and was commonly abbreviated WT). WT was 126 pages long and labeled "First Edition, Summer 1956," although no subsequent editions are known to have been published. It was a compendium of all sorts of valuable information. Part I featured station profiles, photos of stations, DXers, QSLs and SWL cards, information on DXing techniques, clubs, and radio personalities, and reports on Boord visits with other DXers. Part II consisted of extensive lists of shortwave stations big and small. In Part III were more photos, plus "Press-Time Flashes." The book is a very thorough presentation of the SWLing of the day as seen through the eyes of one of its greatest promoters. Previously we posted some pages of photos of DXers from WT. Now we have replaced those pages with the entire book (PDF format). You will find it under "DX History/People." It's a big file (43 MB), so give it time to load. -- And under "Specialized Resources" we have two more articles from Adrian Peterson: "Focus on Asia: On the Air Shortwave from India's First Capital City-3: The Calcutta Story," and "The Story of Radio Broadcasting from Non-Existent Radio Stations" (both Wavescan N273, May 18, 2014).. Thanks to Adrian for continuing to prepare these important historical writeups.

June 1, 2014 -- Under "DX History/Stations" we have posted three items produced by Radio Australia: two histories of the station, one from 1969 (the station's 30th Anniversary), the other from 1989 (the 50th); and a 1969-70 writeup about Radio Australia's then-new Darwin shortwave facility. -- And under "Specialized Resources/Wavescan" you will find three new entries from Dr. Adrian Peterson: (1) "The Voice of the Eastern Caribbean on Shortwave: The Barbados Story" (N274, May 25, 2014); "Historic Note: The Voice of America On the Air in Australia! Part 1: American Radio Stations in Australia" (N275, June 1, 2014); and (3) "World's Oldest Sound Recording" (N275, June 1, 2014).

The following information is provided by Martin Hadlow (Australia)

Interested radio historians and other readers of the DX Times may be interested in the forthcoming A Companion to the Australian Media, edited by Professor Bridget



Griffen-Foley and to be published by Scholarly Publishing in July. The Companion is the first of its kind and includes over 500 separate references to aspects of radio, television and print in Australia. I should declare an interest by mentioning that I was invited to write the Armed Forces Media contribution which is included in the book.

May I also make mention of another piece which might be of interest to radio historians? This is 'No Propaganda Will be Broadcast': the Rise and Demise of Australian Military Broadcasting, a peer-reviewed chapter I wrote and which has been published in Media International Australia (No. 150, March, 2014). In this chapter, I used some reference materials I gained from DX magazines and I have clearly cited these in my article. This is just another example of how important it is for DXers to record and share their knowledge, thus assisting authors to further document the extraordinary history of the wonderful medium of sound broadcasting. http://www.uq.edu.au/mia/2014-issues



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Greetings from sunny Putrajaya. The end of the school year is nearly upon us over here - thank goodness. A return home to NZ and a little listening is on the cards. I hope to catch up with one or two of you whilst there.

Many thanks for continuing to contribute to the Ladders/ Continents section. I enjoy getting the three monthly e-mails and if you have no increase that's fine - it's good to hear from you way over here in Malaysia. Very best wishes, Stu

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