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This month in the DX Times

Following the upheavals of the past month or so, the DX Times returns to a more normal format. Many thanks to those who have contributed to this month's edition.

With a change of Editor, change in the magazine itself is inevitable. While our mag is a very good one, there are one or two things that can be done to improve it. Among them is the layout.

To my mind, a club is as good as its membership and the Mailbag section is one where the members can speak. We have an excellent sub-editor in Theo and I know he values your contributions greatly. It doesn't matter whether your listening is great or small, let's hear from you. The Mailbag section is now the first thing you will see when you open your magazine. This will be followed by Shortwave trails news, then Broadcast, FM/TV and Utilities. Bi-monthly or quarterly items follow these. The idea is to focus attention to the main part of the magazine.

Please support your club, your magazine and its sub-editors with whatever contribution you wish to make. we would love to hear from you.

73s, Stu

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Former Christchurch Branch member, David Searle, recently e-mailed me from Scotland, where he now lives. He had heard though a relative about the passing of Mark Nicholls and expressed his sorrow at the loss. Mark lived near David in Christchurch and they were good friends.

While it was good to hear from David, I particularly enjoyed the photo he sent (see below). It was taken in Rockford, near Tain. Rockford is found on the peninsula above Inverness and is surrounded by sea. If that cottage could become a DX location, I just wonder at what you might hear. If all else fails, the view would be spectacular!



Adam Claydon asks members to help support the DX League Facebook pages.
They can be found at
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MAILBAG

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Welcome to October's edition, a definitely lean, clean (but not mean) machine. I take it there are gardeners in our ranks with less time now to type away.

Bryan Clark, Mangawhai has struck gold with an unusual logging. "Pleased to get a new station on 25 MHz - KLDE Eldorado Texas, an FM station (104.9) has an FM-mode studio to transmitter link on 25910 kHz which I'm hearing most local mornings at present. Pleased also to hear Peru's Pacifico Radio reactivated around 9674.9, audible weakly but on a clear frequency late afternoons. Checking MW most nights - conditions have been quite variable, no doubt due to the erratic solar conditions just now. Mark Perry tells me that there's another FM frequency up for grabs here in Mangawhai - 90.4 FM has a reserve of \$1200 in the November auction. We already have more than enough to listen to I reckon, though a local BBC World Service relay would be nice!" (*Intriguing stuff, as always. I've tried for Pacifico with no luck - Aoki says they're 24 hours but...*)

Douglas Johns, Christchurch has an answer to my query about any travel leftovers. "Funnily enough on the same day that the internet delivered to me your Mailbag pages, along with question about no more replies from the trip, the postie did put two more in my post box - CJFW/Prince Rupert 101.9 and KFMK/Ketchikan 99.9. This gives a reply rate of 20 out of the 33 reported, which is about all one can expect these days. Seems like the last two may have come back surface, even though airmail postage was supplied, whilst the rest came back airmail. Nothing from CBC in Vancouver, Calgary, or Edmonton..." (*Just goes to show, there's always hope. Surface mail?!*)

Ian Cattermole, Blenheim is feeling the pinch of fewer numbers too. "Here are my SW veries received during September: Voice of Vietnam 5930; Radio Free Asia 9940; Radio Belarus 6080; Reach Beyond Australia 15490, 15400, 17760, 11700, 11590, & 15450; and R. Romania International 11955 & 11825 kHz. Only eleven this month. Reflects on just how much more difficult it is becoming these days, eh?" (*If you're not hauling 'em in, then things are bad! Maybe it's your new address?*)

And **Günter Jacob in Passau, Germany** has his annual competition reminder. "In order to take part in AWR's 'Focus on Asia' DX Contest this year, I could report - as Part C - reception on 9900 and 12040 kHz from KSDA and on 15680 kHz via Madagascar. Next will be the annual contest of DSWCI, and I find it more than regrettable that in recent years nobody participated from the Pacific area. I want to call your attention already now, especially the STAMP COLLECTORS, because each participant from the Pacific area has the chance this time not only to get a contest diploma with their classification, but also two stamp calendars of the 1980s/1990s with a special stamp on each calendar month. As soon as I see your name on the list of participants, I will send your two stamp calendars. Why not prove this year that Kiwis and Aussies are the elite of worldwide shortwave experts? Radio Free Asia

verified my reception of their Tibetan programs in September: A J Janitschek sent QSLs for RFA Tinian on 21455, 21475, 21495, and 21525 kHz.” (I must be having fun, if the DSWCI challenge is here so soon; a year already?)

I'm putting this column to bed right at the deadline so anything else will appear next month.

Finally a late entry from your acting Chief Editor, **Stu Forsyth in Putrajaya, Malaysia**. 'I have been pretty busy with work, however, the postman has come a-knocking and has delivered some veries - AIR Bangalore on 13605, 13695, 15410 and 17510. No other listening has been done as there has been no time to do it!'

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Theo

Theo is off on vacation and we wish him a happy and relaxing time. (Ed).



KLDE as heard by Bryan Clark on 25910 kHz



Radio Free Asia

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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 to repeat loggings in adjacent months. **Please get a clear ID or show as tentative.**

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
4319	1815	DIEGO GARCIA AFRTS Fair in English, sport, promos, pop mx - 14/9 KB
4747	1010	PERU R.Huanta 2000 Fair in Quechua, anim ma, IDs, variety Andean mx - 18/9 KB
4747	1031	PERU R Huanta 2000 poor in S / Q (tent) 10/9 JW
4755	1006	F.S.M. The Cross Fair in English, om with long relg prgm - 20/9 KB
4755	1032	FSM The Cross Radio poor in English 10/9 JW
4775	1012	PERU R.Tarma Poor in Spanish/vern, mostly local mx, yl with ID 1019 - 20/9 KB
4815	0855	BRAZIL R.Dif.Londrina Poor/fair in Portugese, 'Londrina' ref, om/yl, stings, just audible by 0930 - 18/9 KB
4840	0615	USA, WWCR, v/gd in EE, religious, 18/9, PP
4865	0612	BRAZIL, Rad.Alvorada, fair in PP, 18/9, PP
4885	0610	BRAZIL, Rad.Clube do Para, gd in PP, 18/9, PP
4885	0839	BRAZIL R. Clube do Para tentative Fair/poor in Portugese, mx, om at length, fading at 0850 - 18/9 KB
4885	0917	BRAZIL R.Dif. Acreana tentative Poor/fair in Portugese, relg choir, om/yl, mx, adverts 1005 - 18/9 KB
4955	1050	PERU R Cultural Amauta, poor to fair in S/Q 8/9 JW
4985	0605	BRAZIL, Rad.Brasil Central, gd in PP. 18/9, PP
4995	1043	PERU R. Cultural Amauta tentative Fair in Quechua & Andean mx, more structured prgm than Huanta & long anthem from 1101 - 18/9 KB
5020	0843	SOLOMON IS SIBC Fair in EE, public notices & relg segment - 18/9 KB
5025	0754	CUBA R.Rebelde Fair in SS & mx, 0804 om/yl, 0820 VL8K co-chan - 17/9 KB
5035	0600	BRAZIL, Rad.Aparecida, v/gd in PP, 18/9, PP
5035	0903	BRAZIL R. Aparecida Fair in Portugese, om/yl, ID jingle 0906 // 9630 good - 17/9 KB
5040	0535	CUBA Radio Havana EE Service w/ weekly mailbag feature greeting Canadian listeners, announcing 102.5 as their Havana FM outlet, good strength 22/9 // 6000 fair, 6060 poor, 6100 good, 6165 good. BCM
5040	0555	CUBA, Rad.Habana, gd in EE, close at 0600, 18/9, PP
5085	0922	USA WTTW Fair in English with Overcomer prgm - 21/9 KB
5875	1110	THAILAND, Rad,Thailand, gd in Vietnamese, close at 1115 with ID in EE, 21/9, PP
5875	1910	THAILAND, VOA, gd in Korean, 20/9, PP
5910	1042	COLOMBIA Alcaravan R, poor in S 10/9 JW

5915 1125 ZAMBIA, Zambia NBC, gd in Bemba, 21/9. PP
5965 1912 MALAYSIA, RTV, Malaysia, fair in Malay, 20/9, PP
5980 0700 USA. Radio Marti. Good in Spanish. 29/8. IC
5985 0430 USA. WRMI. Fair in Spanish. 31/8. IC
6050 1915 ECUADOR, HCJB, gd in SS, 20/9, PP
6080 1930 AUSTRALIA, RA good in EE with comment on Australian news – KAB 29/9
6100 0659 NTH KOREA, KCBS fair in Korean, ID 0700 then off – KAB 29/9
6105 1217 TAIWAN, R Taiwan Intl fair in Chinese with YL speaking, a little distorted // 11915 the same – CC 18/9
6135a 0550 BRAZIL Radio Aparecida strong on measured 6135.15 w/idents & website info in PP, hetting BBC Hausa from Ascension which was fair signal on 6135 19/9. Brazil in clear from 0600. BCM
6145 1917 ENGLAND, KBS World Radio, f/gd in FF, 20/9, PP
6155 1918 IRAN, VOIRI, f/gd in AA, 20/9, PP
6925 0556 US HOBBY PIRATE Chamber Pot radio with blues music, male announcer with southern drawl, infrequent idents, followed till 0634 closing 7/9, poor signal BCM
7120 1855 SOMALIA Radio Hargeisa strong w/news reports in AA 29/9. Ident for Radyo Hargeisa at 1900 followed by sung anthem and off by 1901. Also audible at 0440 on 30/9 at poor level. BCM
7220 1512 VIETNAM, V of Vietnam fair in Vietnamese with YL speaking , light QRM // 9550 stronger and clearer – CC 10/9
7260 1925 CHINA, CRI good in Chinese with ethnic music and some comment in Chinese – KAB 29/9
7280 1728 VIETNAM, V of Vietnam fair in Vietnamese with YL speaking and music. Scratchy on and off // 9730 scratchy all the time – CC 13/9
7280 1835 VIETNAM, V.o.V, gd in FF, 20/9, PP
7290 1835 ROMANIA, Eur.gospel radio, gd in EE, 20/9, PP
7300 1836 ROMANIA, RRI, gd in GG, 20/9, PP
7355 0520 ASCENSION. BBC. Fair in English.//6005. 21/9. IC.
7355 1220 ALASKA, KNLS fair in English with ID then male singer. Surging with QRN – CC 18/9
7365 1723 GERMANY, VOA in Kurdish, scratchy // 9850more scratchy – CC 13/9
7405 1500 SRI LANKA. AWR. Poor in Tulugu. 10/9. IC
7425 1839 THAILAND. BBC, gd in Dari, 20/9, PP
7455 1523 NTH MARIARNAS IS with RFA fair in Korean with talk, a little scratchy // 7210 less clear – CC 10/9
7465 1517 THAILAND, BBC fair in English with discussion, a little scratchy// 11890 stronger and clearer – CC 10/9
7555 0656 USA, EWTN fair in Spanish with relig prgm – KAB 29/9



OVERSEAS LOGGINGS.

All may not be audible in NZ at the times listed

FREQ	UTC	Country, Station, Programme & Reception Details
4055	0438	GUATEMALA. Radio Verdad, 0438-0519 Aug 30, music until commencement of a long drama feature until ID at 0503 before more musical selections. Poor to fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
4775	1008	PERU. Radio Tarma, 1008-1032 Sep 1, lively morning music program hosted by a male announcer with Spanish talks, OA vocals, ID, TC and announcements. Poor to fair sig but quite noisy by tune out. (D'Angelo-PA)
4915	0009	BRAZIL. Radio Daqui - Goiânia (presumed), 0009-0022 Aug 14, heard a male announcer with Portuguese with spirited talk followed by a vocal selection. More talk noted again at 0017 but poor signal and noisy conditions made getting an ID impossible tonight. May have gone off or just lost in the noise. (D'Angelo-PA)
5910	0010	COLOMBIA. Alcaravan Radio - Puerto Lleras, 0010-0035 Aug 18, woman announcer with Spanish talk, IDs and brief announcements hosting a program of Latin music and vocals. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
5950	0256	ETHIOPIA. Voice of Tigray Revolution – Addis Ababa, *0256-0336 Sep 6, familiar IS followed by a man announcer with opening at 0300 in listed Tigrinya language. Short news items before music programming opened at 0304. Fair signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
5970	2305	BRAZIL. Radio Itatiaia – Belo Horizonte, 2305-2341 Sep 5, man announcer in Portuguese hosting music program followed by ID and beginning of a long talk. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
5975	0413	GERMANY. Adventist World Radio – Nauen, 0413-0430* Sep 27, man and woman talking in listed Bulgarian language. Group religious vocals at 045 with another man with ID at 0427 followed by instrumental music until carrier was terminated. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
6110	0254	ETHIOPIA. Radio Fana – Addis Ababa, *0254-0334 Sep 6, IS with opening ID at 0258 followed by music fanfare and a woman announcer with ID and opening announcements. Into a program of Horn of Africa vocals. Fair signal. (D'Angelo-PA)
6134.8	0140	BRAZIL. Radio Aprececida, 0140-0210 Sep 6, two men with a religious discussion in Portuguese followed by choir singing. Nice ID at 0200 with many station outlets mentioned. I thought this would be closedown but programming continued. Fair at peaks here but //11855 was good. (D'Angelo-PA)
6135	0310	VATICAN. Afia Darfur – Santa Maria di Galeria, 0310-0330* Aug 23, man in studio interviewing another man over the phone in Arabic. Several IDs at 0321 followed by a discussion by another man and a woman announcer. Carrier cut at 0330 seemingly without any closedown announcements. Fair. (D'Angelo-PA)
6135	2332	BRAZIL. Radio Apercida, 2332-0004 Aug 13, man announcer with Portuguese talk hosting a program of Brazilian vocals. ID noted at 2342 followed by several announcements. Poor to fair at tune in but seemed to be deteriorating as probably Radio Santa Cruz picked up strength providing louder and louder het over time. (D'Angelo-PA)

- 6144 2319 SPAIN. Radio Exterior de España – Noblejas, 2319-2357* Aug 30, woman announcer with French language talks hosting a pop music program. Time pips at 2330 over music. Nice ID and closedown announcements from 2355 followed by IS until carrier terminated – (D’Angelo-PA)
- 6160 2308 CANADA. CKZN – St. Johns, 2308-2325 Aug 21, man with news in English followed by “CBC News” ID and weather forecast for region. “CBC Radio 1” ID followed by news features hosted by a woman talking about ISIS recruitment. Fair. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 6175 2220 ALBANIA. China Radio International – Cerrik, 2220-2247 Sep 24, Portuguese language program with talks by a man and woman alternating with music. Fair. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 6770 2308 PIRATE (No. Am.). Old Time Vintage Radio, 2308-2341 Aug 13, noted with Vitalis commercial followed by Burns and Allen radio program. More ads at 2319. Fair at tune in but slowly deteriorating signal. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7250 0047 KUWAIT. Voice of America (presumed), 0047-0100* Sep 10, talk by a man and a woman in listed Tibetan language. Amateur radio QRM intensified around 0058 as program closed making catching an ID impossible. Generally poor even before the ham QRM. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7255 2149 NIGERIA. Voice of Nigeria – Ikorodu, 2149-2159* Sep 24, man announcer with talk in listed Hausa language. Tribal vocals with UD at 2157 followed by orchestra national anthem. Loud tone at 2159 before carrier was terminated. Fair. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7260 2232 CHINA. China Radio International – Urumqi, 2232-2257* Aug 13, Portuguese service with music program hosted by a man and woman announcing team. D at 2256 with closedown announcements over instrumental music. Carrier cut at 2257. Fair. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7275 2138 SPAIN. Radio Exterior de Espana – Noblejas, 2138-2158* Aug 17, drama program with man talking in Spanish language accompanied by instrumental music. At 2155 man announcer gave ID and closedown announcements followed by IS until carrier cut. Fair to good. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7275 2226 SPAIN. Radio Exterior de España – Noblejas, 2226-2258* Aug 30, sounded like live coverage of futbol match with several male announcers in Spanish covering the event. Heard a “Radio Nacional” ID during coverage. Re-check at 2258 and they were gone so missed closedown. Good signal. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7300 2125 ENGLAND. Akbar Mufriha (HCJB) – Woofferton, 2125-2144* Sep 24, Arabic program with long talk by a man announcer followed by group vocals. Another long talk from 2130 until brief musical interlude before closedown by a woman announcer. Instrumental music until the carrier was terminated. Fair to good. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7395 0346 MADAGASCAR. Radio Japan - Talata Volonondry, 0346-0400* Aug 23, Japanese language program with a woman announcer ID and closedown announcements at 0358 over light instrumental music. Good signal. (D’Angelo-PA)
- 7495 2202 FRANCE. Radio Algerienne – Issoudun, 2202-2300* Sep 1, tuned in to French language news prior to the commencement of the Arabic program at 2205 with recitations. ID at 2254 followed by frequency announcements. Fair. (D’Angelo-PA)

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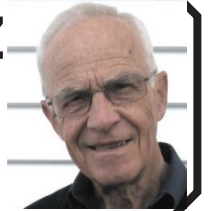


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Grateful you avoid duplication of entries in consecutive months.

kHz UTC Country, Station, Programme, & Reception details

- 9310 1858 THAILAND VOA gd in Pashto, signing off at 1900 with ID, 21/9, PP
9390 1950 THAILAND R.Thailand fair in EE, change to German at 2000 - 25/9 JW
9425 1921 N.KOREA V.o.K gd in GG, 21/9, PP
9430 1934 DUBAI V.of Vietnam gd in GG, 21/9, PP
9445 2115 INDIA All India Radio poor to fair in English - 25/9 JW
9455 0400 AUSTRIA AWR via Mos Very good in Turkish - 30/8 BDW
9470 0415 RWANDA DW Fair in English nx/comment, off air 0457 - 9/9 KB
9470 1940 INDIA AIR f/gd in Hindi, 19/9, PP
9500 0458 SWAZILAND TWR Fair in EE, I/S, om, mx, reading frm Leviticus - 10/9 KB
9500 1943 ROMANIA Rad.Romania gd in RR, 19/9, PP
9515 2031 GERMANY BVB via Nau Very good in Arabic - 5/9 BDW
9540 1950 ROMANIA RRI gd in SS, 21/9, PP
9555 1952 S.ARABIA BSKSA gd in AA, 21/9, PP
9565 0346 BRAZIL Super R.Deus et Amor Poor in Portugese relg, om - 15/9 KB
9570 2000 SPAIN REE signing on in AA, gd, 21/9, PP
9600 1716 S.AFRICA AWR via Mey Good in Swahili. Fair in Misai frm 1730 - 20/9 BDW
9625 2010 JAPAN Rad.Japan gd in JJ, 21/9, PP
9630 0310 BRAZIL R.Aparecida Fair in PP om/yl, mx //11855,same, 9818.5 weaker - 15/9 KB
9645 0529 BRAZIL R.Bandeirantes Fair/poor in PP, EE & Braz pops, ma refs to Air Supply, adverts after 0600, TS every 15 mins - 11/9 KB
9655 2012 RWANDA DW poor in EE, 21/9, PP
9665 0503 BRAZIL R.Missionaria Fair in Portugese relg, mx, children // 5490 poor - 11/9 KB
9675 0102 CHINA CRI very good w/"The Beijing Hour" in EE, world weather and time checks running 1 minute ahead of WWV. Light het from Peru 9674.9, on 15/9. BCM
9675a 0410 PERU Radio del Pacifico, Lima reactivated on 9674.86, noted often since 7/9. Played a lot of soft contemporary Christian music, initially poor but slowly improving. At 0457 extended prgm promos in SS and idents for Pacifico Radio, with frequency & internet info. BCM
9675 2033 S.ARABIA BSKSA f/gd in Turkish, 21/9, PP
9730 2040 VIETNAM Rad.Vietnam with nx in EE, gd, 21/9, PP
9760 2000 GUAM AWR/KSDA Fair in Russian, fading - 20/9 BDW
9790 0500 FRANCE RFI Very good in French - 5/9 IC
9790 0630 FRANCE RFI Issoudun exc. In FF, 12/9, PP
9800 0500 RWANDA DW Poor in English s/on, nx // 11800 good - 9/9 KB
9805 0926 S.KOREA KBS gd in JJ, 19/9,PP
9810 1904 BOTSWANA VOA Poor in French yl/om - 10/9 KB
9840 1016 VIETNAM V.of Vietnam Fair/good in English, yl spkg, refs to Vietnam, a

little scratchy // 12020 weaker & noisier - 8/9 CC
 9925 1842 PHILIPPINES R.Pilipinas O'seas Fair in EE, ID & contact details - 7/9 KB
 9930 0922 PALAU T8WH gd in EE, religious, 19/9, PP
 11605 1900 GERMANY AWR via Nau Excellent in Arabic - 20/9 BDW
 11620 1533 IRAN VOIRI Good in EE, yl spkg, ID at 1536 // 13780 weaker - 10/9 CC
 11735 1734 TANZANIA ZBC (tentative) Poor but steady in listed Swahili, om, choir,
 chant/drums 1759 TS, then ma, but getting weaker. No better on subsequent
 days - 12/9 KB
 11740 1202 SINGAPORE R.Japan Fair in English, om & yl with news, several refs to
 Japan, scratchy - 18/9 CC
 11790 1943 S.AFRICA AWR via Mey Good in Fulfulde - 20/9 BDW
 11810 1853 ASCENCION ISL BBC poor to fair in English to 1955 - 8/9 JW
 11815 0918 JAPAN R.Japan Fair/good in JJ, om/yl spkg, a little distorted //9750
 clearer - 8/9 CC
 11815 0920 JAPAN Rad.Japan gd in JJ, 19/9, PP
 11830 2015 FRANCE AWR via Iss Excellent in French - 20/9 BDW
 11840 1927 GERMANY AWR via Nau Fair in Arabic - 20/9 BDW
 11855 1802 GERMANY VVB via Nau Good in Farsi - 20/9 BDW
 11865 0919 N.KOREA V.o.K gd in JJ, 19/9, PP
 11955 1847 AUSTRIA AWR via Mos Very good in Arabic - 20/9 BDW
 11995 1600 SRI LANKA AWR via TRM Fair in English - 13/9 IC
 12010 1022 GUAM KSDA v/gd in CC, 19/9, PP
 12020 1023 VIETNAM V.o.V gd in EE, 19/9, PP
 12085 0916 MONGOLIA V.o.M fair in EE, 19/9, PP
 12095 2001 ASCENCION ISL BBC Poor in English, fa nx, 2005 ID - 10/9 KB
 12105 1600 MADAGASCAR Radio Dialogue Poor in English. No ID heard but sure
 this is the one - 18/9 IC
 12759 1053 DIEGO GARCIA American Forces Network at very good level w/rock music
 7/9 in USB mode – the best I've ever heard their daytime frequency. BCM
 13530 0945 TAIWAN Sound of Hope gd in CC, 19/9, PP
 13760 0826 N.KOREA V.OF Korea Good in Russian, om speaking & choir singing //
 9875 stronger - 22/9 CC
 13760 1302 N.KOREA V.of Korea Fair/good in English, band mx, om w/ID, then choir, a
 little scratchy // 15245 less clear - 18/9 CC
 13830 1700 FRANCE Voice of Oromo Liberation (presumed) Good in Afar - 17/9 IC
 15155 1547 GERMANY AWR via Nau Fair in Oromo - 20/9 BDW
 15160 0954 S.KOREA KBS gd in KK, 19/9, PP
 15200 0955 GUAM KTWK gd in Madurese, 19/9, PP
 15270 0957 TAIWAN Rad Taiwan gd in Vietnamese, 19/9, PP
 15290 0819 FRANCE R.Japan Fair/good in Japanese, om spkg, a little distorted //
 9750, 13650 weaker - 22/9 CC
 15290 1530 AUSTRIA AWR via Moosbrunn Good in Panjabi after EE IDs - 29/8 IC
 15300 1745 FRANCE RFI gd in FF, 19/9, PP
 15400 1749 ASCENSION ISL BBC fair in EE, 19/9, PP
 15410 1002 INDIA AIR with nx in EE, gd, 19/9, PP
 15425 1750 N.MARIANA ISL RFA Exc. In Korean, 19/9, PP
 15430 1100 TAIWAN Radio Free Sarawak Fair in Iban - 3/9 IC
 15465 1015 TAIWAN Rad.Taiwan fair/gd in CC, 19/9, PP
 15520 1254 IRAN VOIRI Good in Urdu, choir singing, then om chanting // 9790 less
 clear - 18/9 CC
 15540 1753 KUWAIT Rad.Kuwait fair in Urdu, 19/9, PP
 15570 1754 VATICAN CITY Rad.Vatican gd in EE, //15595 same, changed to Latin at
 1840 - 19/9, PP

15640 1500 BULGARIA BVB Excellent in English - 6/9 BDW
 15650 1852 GREECE V.o.G gd in Greek, 21/9, PP
 15710 1530 GUAM KSDA Fair in Oriyo after English IDs - 11/9 IC
 17495 1420 FRANCE BVB via Iss Good in English - 6/9 BDW
 17625 1235 S.ARABIA BSKSA Good in AA, om w/Holy Q'uran // 15380 much weaker - 18/9 CC
 17640 1025 IRAN VOIRI gd in EE, 19/9, PP
 17690 1028 KUWAIT RFA gd in Pashto, 19/9, PP
 17690 1247 KUWAIT R.Liberty Good in Dari, yl & om speaking // 15090 the same - 18/9 CC {while EiBi shows as R.Liberty, AOKI lists as R.Azari/R.Free Afghanistan - Ed}
 17740 0833 S.ARABIA BSKSA Good in AA, om speaking // 17730 the same - 22/9 CC
 21580 1020 KUWAIT Rad.Kuwait fair in Filipino, 19/9, PP
 21695 0943 PHILIPPINES VOA gd in CC, 19/9, PP
 25910 0107 USA KLDE Eldorado TX with low powered Studio to Transmitter Link (STL) in FM mode 15/9 and regular since during our local daytime, classic oldies music format, jingle idents. Signal level varies to good some days, readable in sideband mode and sometimes in FM itself. BCM

OVERSEAS LOGGINGS.

All may not be audible in NZ at the times listed

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
9390	0005	UZBEKISTAN. IBRA Radio – Tashkent, 0005-0030* Sep 6, flute music before long talk by a woman announcer in listed Bengali. She was soon joined by a male announcer. Discussion continued for about 15 minutes before some music. Closed at 0029 with brief instrumental music prior to carrier being terminated - 6/9 RDA
9575	0426	MOROCCO (Spanish). Radio Medi Un – Nabor, 0426-0451, popular music program with ID at 0430 and news in French language. Man announcer began hosting pop music program after the news at 0434. Fair - 1/9 RDA
9575	0436	MOROCCO (Spanish). Radio Medi Un – Nador, 0436-0507, pop music program hosted by a man announcer with French talk; news headlines at 0445 followed by “Grease” theme song. Several announcements by a woman announcer at 0458 with ID and detailed news at 0500. Fair but much better in recent weeks - 27/9 RDA
9705	2316	INDIA (Goa). All India Radio Panaji, 2316-0045*, program of continuous Hindi vocals until ID at 2329 by a woman announce rand some talk in English. More music programming until news at 0030. Closedown ID and announcements at 0043. Poor -1/9 RDA
9760	0248	GERMANY. Radio Farda – Biblis, 0248-0325, Persian language program with talks by a man and a woman. Phone calls from listeners were taken. Several nice IDs followed by some music. News at 0300 followed by various features. Fair - 11/9 RDA
9955	0404	USA. Radio France International – Okeechobee, 0404-0427, woman announcer with news in English. I can't remember the last time I heard English news from RFI. French news from 0413 followed by Sports News and Technology News with several IDs and TC (“It's 6 – 16 here in Paris”). Fair to good signal with occasional deep fades - 6/9 RDA
11595	0013	CLANDESTINE (Myanmar). Democratic Voice of Burma – Gavar, 0013-0030*, woman announcer with Burmese language talks, brief instrumental music breaks before a long talk by another male speaker. Several men talking near closedown which was followed by light closing instrumental music. Fair - 10/9 RDA

- 11620 0033 INDIA. All India Radio – Bengaluru, 0033-0135 Sep 6, nice program of Hindi vocals hosted by a man announcer with talks in listed Urdu language. Good ID at 0044 followed by another man with a long talk. Fr to gd sig - 6/9 RDA
- 11695 0148 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Radio Free Asia – Dhabayya, 0148-0215, two men talking in listed Tibetan. Some music interspersed with talk features. Nice English language ID at 0200 by a man announcer (“This is Radio Free Asia. The following program is in Tibetan.”). News followed with features shortly thereafter. Fair - 11/9 RDA
- 11715 0425 VATICAN. Vatican Radio – Santa Marie di Galleria, 0425-0427*, caught ending of program with vocals prior to IS and carrier being terminated. Apparently, Arabic program but talk noted. Fair to good signal - 21/9 RDA
- 11810 2119 ASCENSION ISLAND. BBC World Service, 2119-2200*, man and woman talking in English until ID and program previews at 2128 A man followed with news at 2130 followed by more previews before back to news features. Closed at 2200. Fair - 16/9 RDA
- 11905 0114 SRI LANKA. Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation, *0114-0158, instrumental music followed by three time pips at 0115, woman announcer with Hindi talk, ID and announcements followed by Hindi vocals. Fair but slowly fading down after 0140 -19/9 RDA
- 11945 0228 ROMANIA. Radio Romania International – Galbeni, 0228-0246, segment of classical music prior to a woman announcer with Spanish talk, ID and announcements before more music features. Fair - 11/9 RDA
- 15590 0014 THAILAND. Radio Thailand, 0014-0029*, first time noted in a while with familiar English news, IDs, ads and promotional announcements. Carrier cut – or switch antenna orientation – at 0029 in mid-sentence. Poor - 6/9 RDA
- 17495 1656 UNITED KINGDOM. RTE – Woofferton, 1656-1700*, checked several times for RTÉ football final but only traces noted until final check just before sign off when noted with scores in various sports until carrier cut at 1700. Poor to fair with very deep fades - 21/9 RDA
- 17790 2029 USA. Radio Africa Network – Okeechobee, 2029-2100* Sep 16, at 2029 a man announcer informing listeners Radio Africa Network would be changing frequencies to 15190 kHz at top of the hour. A Bible study program followed but at 2059 another ID with information about upcoming frequency change which happened at 2100. Fair to good signal - 16/9 RDA
- 17850 1904 SPAIN. Radio Exterior de España – Noblejas, 1904-1928, sports coverage with several men in Spanish. Good signal - 16/9 RDA



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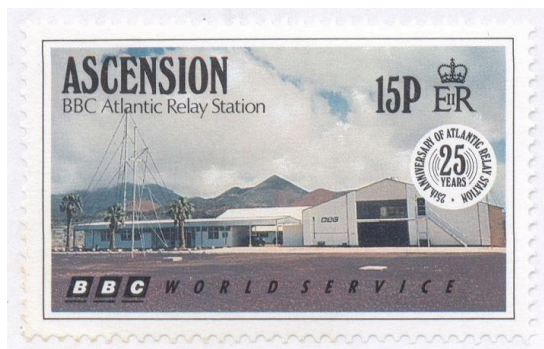
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CC	Cliff Couch	Paraparaumu	DR-31, ATS-909. Coax loop
IC	Ian Cattermole	Blenheim	R-71E, AOR 7030+, 12m EWE, 100m Longwire, 45m Sloper
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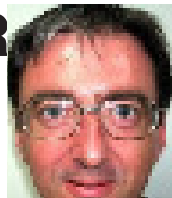


ENGLISH IN TIME ORDER

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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

NEW ZEALAND CONTRIBUTIONS

Time (UTC)	Frequencies (kHz)	Station Name	Station Country	Log Date	DXer Name
0102	9675g	CRI	CHINA	15/9	BCM
0415	9470f	DW	GERMANY	9/9	KB
0458	9500f	TWR	?	10/9	KB
0500	9800p:11800g	DW	GERMANY	9/9	KB
0520	6005:7355f	BBC	UK	21/9	IC
0535	5040g:6000f:6060p:6100g:6165g	R Havana	CUBA	22/9	BCM
0555	5040g	Radio Habana	CUBA	18/9	PP
0615	4840g	WWCR	USA	18/9	PP
0843	5020f	SIBC	SOLOMON ISL	18/9	KB
0916	12085f	V.o.M	MONGOLIA	19/9	PP
0922	5085f	WTWW	USA	21/9	KB
0922	9930g	T8WH	PALAU	19/9	PP
1002	15410g	AIR	INDIA	19/9	PP
1006	4755f	The Cross	F.S.M.?	20/9	KB
1016	9840g:12020f	V.of Vietnam	VIETNAM	8/9	CC
1023	12020g	V.o.V	VIETNAM	19/9	PP
1025	17640g	VOIRI	IRAN	19/9	PP
1032	4755p	The Cross R.	FSM?	10/9	JW
1202	11740f	Radio Japan	JAPAN	18/9	CC
1220	7355f	KNLS	ALASKA	18/9	CC
1302	13760g:15245	V.of Korea	N.KOREA	18/9	CC
1420	17495g	BVB	?	6/9	BDW
1500	15640e	BVB	?	6/9	BDW
1517	7465f:11890g	BBC	UK	10/9	CC
1533	11620g:13780f	VOIRI	IRAN	10/9	CC
1600	11995f	AWR	?	13/9	IC
1600	12105p	Radio Dialogue	MADAGASCAR	18/9	IC
1749	15400f	BBC	UK	19/9	PP
1754	15570g:15595g	Radio Vatican	VATICAN CITY	19/9	PP

1815	4319f	AFRTS	USA	14/9	KB
1835	7290g	Eur.Gospel R	ROMANIA?	20/9	PP
1842	9925f	Radio Pilipinas	Overseas		
			PHILIPPINES	7/9	KB
1853	11810f	BBC	UK	8/9	JW
1930	1930g	RA	AUSTRALIA	29/9	KAB
1950	9390f	Radio Thailand	THAILAND	25/9	JW
2001	12095p	BBC	UK	10/9	KB
2012	9655p	DW	GERMANY	21/9	PP
2040	9730g	Radio Vietnam	VIETNAM	21/9	PP
2115	9445f	All India Radio	INDIA	25/9	JW



As mentioned in the Mailbag section, **Günter Jacob** is promoting the **Danish Shortwave Club International's annual competition**. The exact details have yet to be finalised, but the basic rules are given below. It would be great to see an entry from our part of the world this year.

The forthcoming **5th International DX Contest "The Grand Tour Across All Continents 2014"** will be held from Friday ... November 2014, 0000 UTC, to Sunday ... December 2014, 2400 UTC. (The exact 10-day-period will be published in the November edition of DSWCI "Shortwave News".) It is open to all shortwave listeners regardless to their membership in any DX Club.

Primary contest frequencies are from 2300 to 26100 kHz. Logs outside this range will be valued by half points. **The contest fee** EUR 3.00 / IRC 4 / USD 5.00 shall be sent together with the contest form to: Jaroslav Bohac, Svestkova 2828/7, 400 11 Ústí nad Labem, CZECH REPUBLIC, trams@volny.cz. Deadline: (appr. 10 days after the last day of the contest) (date of post stamp)

Each participant will receive a contest diploma with his / her classification and a list of participants with their results. The first three participants will be awarded non-cash prizes.

Part 1 listen to any BC station of the contest country, for 15 minutes at least. For one country one log only. Unofficial, pirate and clandestine stations are not allowed.

Scoring: 1000 points of each logged country will be divided by the number of logs and rounded to two decimal places.

In **Part 2** you can raise your score by listening to any DX program. The number of DX programs is limited to 4! No particular country limit. Scoring in the same way as in Part 1, maximum point value 100 points for one DX program. Günter says: (As in previous years, I guess that 16 different countries should be logged. But the chance to log all of them is extremely small. You are good already if you manage to log between 12 and 14!)

SHORTWAVE REPORT

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UKRAINE(non)

Radio Ukraine International on shortwave via WRMI Okeechobee
2330-2400 on 11580 YFR 100 kW / 044 deg to ENAm English Daily from Sept.25:

MONGOLIA

Voice of Mongolia program in English will be broadcast via Kall Krekel, Germany
1430-1500 UTC 7310 KLL 001 kW / non-dir to CeEu from Sept 1 till October 5
1730-1800 UTC 6005 KLL 100#kW / non-dir to CeEu from Sept 1 till October 5
1900-1930 UTC 3985 KLL 001 kW / non-dir to CeEu from Sept 1 till October 5

Reception reports / Empfangsberichte / digital via vom_en@yahoo.com
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BHUTAN

Update on Bhutan Broadcasting Service

(log edited for clarity)

6034.96, Bhutan Broadcasting Service, Sangaygang, is operating again on 6035 with 50 kW between 0000v-1303* UTC, Sep 02. heard via Hong Kong receiver. They welcome possible reception reports via their web form on <http://www.bbs.bt/news/> . (Ritola).

Its morning transmission beginning time is not regular as sometimes I noted back on air as early as 0100 and sometimes half an hour or an hour later. And on Sep 09, I heard good signal local Bhutanese language from 0047 onwards.

On Sep 06, I heard loud and clear signal of BBS English Service with news in English, public service announcements. English songs from 1103 onwards. On Sep 07, also I monitored BBS English with excellent reception overall 1040-1112 UTC. There was English songs (sometimes back to back), Health promos, news in English, public service announcement. Here is the link of a few moments audio recorded around 1100: <https://app.box.com/s/ixlrjbfrq2rwynn2xnc5> . And another link to the audio of BBS recorded around 1110: <https://app.box.com/s/w16lfrjrj0fs5jfh41qye> . The audio files were recorded while I was listening BBS on my Philips DL334 portable Analog Receiver without any external antenna. However

in the evening and night, I have yet to hear the signal of BBS on 6035. As per informed by Alokesh Gupta, BBS is using only one transmitter at a time and that's why there is no parallel frequency. (Sharma).

Also heard at 1145-1310, Sep 02, 04 and 07, their unique repetitive indigenous music, 1230-1256 a cute BBS program I have often heard in past years with female chatting on the phone with young children and the kids also singing (no music - just singing) clearly running past their normal sign off, (clearly not PBS Yunnan's Chinese or Vietnamese!). BBS many times stronger than Yunnan PBS, which at times was heard very faintly underneath BBS; intermittent heavy adjacent interference. <https://app.box.com/s/ss1cd24jvusgxmh6eqnf> contains audio. I received yesterday this e-mail from the BBS:

Dear Mr. Ron Howard

As always, thank you very much. Our shortwave transmitter was down for a long time. It broke down and we could not get it back up and running till recently. We managed to do so only with the help of a shortwave transmitter expert from the All India Radio.

Thank you once again. Regards, Kaka Tshering, General Manager, Radio Service, Bhutan Broadcasting Service, Chubachu,
Post Box 101, Thimphu. (Howard). Cf. DX-Window # 513.
(DSWCI-DX Window # 514 via Adrian Petersen)

Radioactivities set for Saturday and Sunday programs

"Radioactivities" is a weekly Spanish program and issued by "URUGUAY RADIO AM 1050", belonging to SODRE National Broadcasting Service. It is led by Daniel Ayala and Pablo Perez, with production and technical design of Luis Ignacio Moreira, Roberto and collaboration belo.

Saturdays and Sundays at 11am CX (0200 UTC) is issued, (14:00 UTC) and repeated at 23 CX, with respective repeats Sunday and Monday at 3 am when Uruguay (06 : 00 UTC) The program has a history of 25 years, but was diversified to broadcast everything relevant to the history of radio in general, their characters, their programs, all with archival material, without neglecting terms to dxissimo.

Dirección de Radioactividades: <http://www.radioactividades.org/>

Dirección electrónica: radioactividades@sodre.gub.uy

You can listen directly on line via : <http://www.sodre.gub.uy:80/>

(Jose Bueno/playdx)

Bangladesh Betar - Home Service

The Bangladesh Betar Home Service has nationwide coverage on MW, SW and FM. The current 100 kW shortwave transmitter was inaugurated in 2006.

Transmitter Site: Shavar - 100 kW.

Time/UTC Language kHz

0600-1710 (1200-2310 BST) Bengali/English 4750

Note: WRTH says news in English at 1100 & 1530 UTC, with SAARC news in English at 1250 UTC Mondays

Bangladesh Betar - External Service

Bangladesh Betar's External Service had in recent years operated on two shortwave frequencies in the 41 and 31 metre-bands (7250 and 9550 kHz). This was reduced to just one frequency (7250 kHz) and from early 2010 was not heard at all, probably due to the remaining transmitter being in a state of disrepair. However, during 2012 a new Thomson 250 kW shortwave transmitter and rotatable antenna system was installed at Khabipur and tests were first heard in August 2012 on a number of frequencies including 7105, 15105, 15505 and 15520 kHz. The monitored schedule since mid-August is below.

Transmitter Site: Kharbirpir - 250 kW.

Time/UTC Language Target kHz Notes

1230-1300 English South & South-East Asia 15105 General Overseas Service

1315-1345 Nepali Nepal 9455

1400-1430 Urdu Pakistan 15505

1515-1545 Hindi India 15505

1600-1630 Arabic Middle East 7250

1630-1730 Bengali Middle East 7250

1745-1900 English Europe 13580 General Overseas Service

1915-2000 Bengali Europe 13580

Radio Free Asia: Frequency changes:

2200-2300 NF 15260 TIN 250 kW / 280 deg to EaAs Cantonese Mon, ex 15120

2200-2300 NF 15270 TIN 250 kW / 280 deg to EaAs Cantonese Tue, ex 15120

2200-2300 NF 15280 TIN 250 kW / 280 deg to EaAs Cantonese Wed, ex 15120

2200-2300 NF 15290 TIN 250 kW / 280 deg to EaAs Cantonese Thu, ex 15120

2200-2300 NF 15300 TIN 250 kW / 280 deg to EaAs Cantonese Fri, ex 15120

2200-2300 NF 15380 TIN 250 kW / 280 deg to EaAs Cantonese Sat, ex 15120

2200-2300 NF 15390 TIN 250 kW / 280 deg to EaAs Cantonese Sun, ex 15120

FRANCE Observations of Radio Republica on Sept 7 and 11

0100-0200 9490 ISS 250 kW 275 deg to Cuba Spanish without jamming

0200-0300 9490 ISS 250 kW 275 deg to Cuba Spanish + Cuban jamming

(Ivo Ivanov-BUL, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 12)

FRANCE Voice of Oromo Liberation, MBR Cologne brokered:

1700-1800 13830 ISS 100 kW 125 deg to EaAf Afar Oromo Sun

1700-1730 13830 ISS 100 kW 125 deg to EaAf Afar Oromo Wed

1730-1800 13830 ISS 100 kW 125 deg to EaAf Amharic Wed.

Sagalee Bilisummaa Oromoo, Voice of Oromo Liberation.

13830 1700-1800 38E,39S,48 ISS 100kW 125deg Sun/Wed 3003-251014 SBO

(Ivo Ivanov-BUL, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 14)

ASCENSION ISLAND: BBC ATLANTIC RELAY STATION

The BBC World Service relay station on Ascension Island began operations in 1967 with four 250 kW transmitters. Two additional 250 kW transmitters were moved from Daventry to Ascension Island in 1988. Transmitter Site: English Bay - 6 x 250 kW.

Times/UTC	Days	Station	Language	Target	Freq/kHz
0430-0500	Daily	BBC	French	W & Cent Africa	6135 7305
0500-0530	Daily	VoA	Hausa	West Africa	6035
0500-0600	Daily	BBC	English	W & Cent Africa	5875 6005 7355
0529-0600	Daily	BBC	Hausa	West Africa	6135 7305
0600-0629	Daily	BBC	French	W & Cent Africa	7305 9655
0600-0700	Daily	BBC	English	W & Cent Africa	6005 7355
0629-0700	Daily	BBC	Hausa	West Africa	7305 9440
0700-0730	Daily	BBC	French	W & Cent Africa	11800
0700-0800	Daily	BBC	English	W & Cent Africa	11770 12095 13660
0800-1000	Daily	R Japan	Japanese	South America	12015
1200-1230	Daily	BBC	French	W & Cent Africa	17640 21630
1330-1600	Sat	BBC	Hausa	West Africa	17780
1400-1430	Sat	BBC	Hausa	West Africa	21630
1400-1430	Sun-Fri	BBC	Hausa	West Africa	17780 21630
1500-1600	Sat	BBC	Somali	Horn of Africa	21470
1500-1700	Daily	BBC	English	East Africa	21660
1600-1700	Daily	BBC	English	W & Cent Africa	17640 17830
1700-1800	Daily	BBC	English	W & Cent Africa	15400 17780 17830
1800-1830	Daily	BBC	French	W & Cent Africa	11785 15105 17885
1800-2000	Daily	BBC	English	W & Cent Africa	11810 15400
1830-1845	Daily	FEBA R	French	Central Africa	15250
1930-2000	Daily	BBC	Hausa	West Africa	11660 15105 17885
2000-2030	Fri	BBC	Hausa	West Africa	11660 15105 17885
2000-2100	Daily	BBC	English	W & Cent Africa	11810 12095
2100-2200	Daily	BBC	English	W & Cent Africa	9915 11810 12095
2130-2200	Mon-Fri	VoA	Bambara	West Africa	9620
2145-2200	M/T/Th/Fr	HCJB Global	Hassinya	West Africa	11985
2200-2215	Mo/Tu/Th/Fr	HCJB Global	Pulaar	West Africa	11985

KUWAIT: Radio State of Kuwait is the state-operated broadcasting service of Kuwait.

Transmitter Site: Sulaibiyah - 100/150/300/500 kW

Times/UTC	Days	Language	Target	Freqs/kHz
0000-0000	Daily	Arabic	Europe/Nth Am	15475
0500-0900	Daily	Arabic	East Asia	15515
0945-1745	Daily	Arabic	Europe/Nth Am	21540
1100-1600	Daily	Arabic	North Africa	9750
1600-2100	Daily	Arabic	Middle East	6050

RADIO KUWAIT HOLY QUR'AN SERVICE

Transmitter Site: Sulaibiyah - 100/150/300/500 kW

Times/UTC	Days	Language	Target	Freqs/kHz
0930-1600	Daily	Arabic	West/Cent Af	11630

RADIO KUWAIT FOREIGN LANGUAGE SERVICES

Transmitter Site: Sulaibiyah - 100/150/300/500 kW

Times/UTC	Days	Language	Target	Freqs/kHz
0800-1000	Daily	Persian	West Asia	7250
1000-1200	Daily	Filipino	South-East Asia	21580
1600-1800	Daily	Urdu	South Asia	15540
1800-2100	Daily	English	Europe/Nth Am	15540

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AUSTRALIA

Details of 2 current short term licences: **1089** - Radio 1089AM, Collie Community Broadcasting Association, Collie Western Australia licenced till 31 November 2014 from the 63 metre high mast at the Community Radio Site, Moira Road, Collie. **1530** - Yolngu Radio AM, Aboriginal Resource & Development Services Inc, Ludmilla, Northern Territory licenced on air till 8 October 2014 from a 45 metre mast at the Broadcast Australia Site, Douglas Street, Ludmilla. (Robert Copeman via 'Crossfire' Sep-Oct 14)

CANADA

The CRTC will hold a public hearing as to whether American stations KRPA 1110 in Oak Harbor WA, KRPI Ferndale WA on 1550 and KVRI Blaine WA on 1600 are contravening the broadcast act by airing programming on US based stations while their studios are in Canada. Also Revenue Canada will be notified that the advertisers on the 3 stations may have been illegally writing the costs of advertising off.

650 CISL Richmond BC Increase day power from 10,000 to 20,000 watts. Decrease night power from 9,000 to 4,000 watts. Relocate transmitter site. Format changed from Oldies-Standards to Soft Oldies from the 60's and 70's. (all IRCA)

1040 CKST Vancouver BC rebranded from TEAM 1040 to TSN 1040.

1410 CFTE Vancouver BC rebranded from TEAM 1410 to TSN 1410.
(all above thanks to IRCA)

700 New station in Calgary AB granted CP with U4(?) 50w days, 20kw nights with a Gospel format; this is a regranting of a permit that expired a year or so ago.

1200 CJRJ Vancouver BC format now Ethnic/South Asian (ex Ethnic/Punjab), as "Spice Radio."

1250 CJYE Oakville ON applies for U3 10kw day & night.

1320 CJMR Mississauga ON applies for U3 10kw day & night.

1690 CHTO Toronto ON granted CP for U1 6kw days, 1kw nights, 3kw critical hours.
(these news items thanks to NRC)

COLOMBIA

Changes for the WRTH 2015 from Rafael Rodríguez via Mauno Ritola:

780 HJFV R Viva, Pasto, ex 1250

780 HJZW R Almirante, Riohacha - inactive

840 HJNA R Robledo, Cartago, ex 1580 but is still on 1580 kHz

870 HJLA Bésame, Ibagué, ex LV del Tolima

960 HJHX Blu, Bucaramanga, ex Candela

1090 HJOM Blu, Cartagena, ex Fuego AM

1190 HJEO Ondas del Valle, Cartago - inactive

1200 HJBV R Príncipe, Cartagena - inactive

1230 HJMJ RCN Antena 2, Maicao - inactive

1390 HJFY R Olímpica, Espinal, ex Oxígeno (Arctic Radio Club via IRCA)
Verdad Radio is the new name for HJQT Bogotá **1580** Khz, formerly Aviva Radio Candela.
Slogan is “Señal que viene del corazón de Dios”. Postal Address: Diagonal 46A 51-40 Centro
Comercial Venecia Plaza 2do piso. Director: Pastor Enoc Cañas
e-mail: HYPERLINK “mailto:verdadradio@gmail.com” verdadradio@gmail.com (Rafael
Rodríguez/Andrew Brade via RealDX Group).

HAITI

Radio 4VEH is back on the air on **840** after being off for an extended period. Facebook status update on September 2; “Please pray for the Lord’s help for Tim Zook, engineer with HCJB, who is arriving in Cap-Haitien today to work with 4VEH technicians Jonathan and Danny to fix our broken transmitter so we can broadcast again on 840 AM.” Facebook status update September 5; “The AM transmitter has been fixed, and we are broadcasting on 840 AM again! Continue to pray for the Towers for Jesus team, making good progress in laying concrete etc. in preparation for putting up the new towers. Thanks so much for your prayers!”(HYPERLINK “<http://www.facebook.com/radio4veh>” www.facebook.com/radio4veh via NRC DX News)

HAWAII

KEWE at Kahului has been granted a modified Construction Permit for **1240** with U1 and 5kw day and night, diplexed with KAOI 1110; CP had originally been granted as U1 5000/210 on 1250 kHz. Applications to extend existing STAs were received from KPRP Honolulu on 650 (U1 5kw/5kw); KUA1 Kekaha 720 (U1 2.5kw day & night). (via NRC)

IRELAND

RTÉ have announced that the **252** kHz transmitter will close down on 27 October. (RTÉ, via M.Barracough, BDXC-UK) This means the complete ending of both MW and LW bands by RTE (MW already closed) next month. The only remaining licenced use of AM bands in the Republic of Ireland is the religious station Spirit FM, which as well as having FM coverage in major centres of population is also transmitted on 549 kHz from a site in County Monaghan (Kevin Carroll in Glenn Hauser’s DXLD Yahoo Group)

NEW ZEALAND

A number of commercial broadcasting licences are being offered for auction in November by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment. On MW the channels and locations on offer are: **855kHz** at Ouruhia (near Belfast, north of Christchurch); **1170** from Dacre (Southland); **1170** from Waitomo (King Country); **1251** from Taupo; **1485** from Twizel; **1521** from Reefton (West Coast) and **1566** from Horokiwi (north of Wellington). (via Sutton Burtenshaw)

ST KITTS & NEVIS

Radio Paradise **820** has been off the air since mid-2013 because of a dispute between outgoing TBN station manager Andre Gilbert and new owner Rev. Richard Wiles of Flowing Streams Church, according to an August 8 news report in the St. Kitts & Nevis Observer newspaper. TBN donated the station to Flowing Streams, but Gilbert has refused to complete legal transfer of the station. R.Paradise broadcast equipment and office furniture were moved to storage while the station has remained in limbo. Rev. Wiles described the situation as at crisis stage, approaching the point of no return for the radio station. (HYPERLINK “<http://www.thestkittsnevisobserver.com>” www.thestkittsnevisobserver.com via NRC)

USA (items from NRC's DX News)

- 710 WAQI Miami FL has applied for U4 50kw/6.3kw, diplexing with WQBA-1140.
- 960 KNEW Oakland CA has changed to Business format from Talk.
- 970 WSTX Christiansted, St. Croix VI format is now News/Talk (ex-Ethnic).
- 980 KFWB Los Angeles CA is now Sports format, replacing previous News. Talk & Sport format. Slogan is now 'The Beast 980'.
- 980 KMBZ Kansas City MO has applied for U2 9kw/5kw, moving to KCCV 760's towers.
- 1030 KCTA Corpus Christi TX verified by no data letter, v/s Gracie Dinsdale, in 11 days. (David Jones-TN)
- 1200 WOAI San Antonio TX, full data QSL letter, v/s Dan Wathers. (David Jones-TN)
- 1200 Application for new station at Chugiak AK, U1 with 50kw day, 9.6kw nights.
- 1340 KSDG Fairbanks AK is callsign assigned to new station with 1kw day & night.
- 1280 WODT New Orleans LA now carries Fox Sports Radio, slogan "Fox Sports 1280".
- 1380 KVSM Santa Maria CA has applied to make minor adjustment to night pattern; new station already has program test authority. Format is Mexican, "Fresca 1380."
- 1420 KUJ Walla Walla WA has changed format to Mexican "Radio Impacto".
- 1470 Application for new station at Coalinga CA with 1kw day & night U4.
- 1490 KWOK Aberdeen WA - CP for U1 1kw day/760 watts night from new site is on air.
- 1590 WGYA Guyama PR - CP for new site is on the air, still U1 1kw day & night.
- 1640 WSJP Sussex WI w/ "Talk radio for a Catholic life... WSJP Sussex, WSJP-FM Milwaukee, Relevant Radio 1640 AM and 100.1 FM... Milwaukee's very own Relevant Radio WSJP," ex-WKSH. (Bruce Conti-NH)
- 1640 WTNI Biloxi MS - slogan to "The Champ," adds // WXBD-1490, drops Group // 96.7 The Champ.
- 1660 KWOD Kansas City MO has applied to move to KCNW-1380's tower, staying U1 10kw day, 1kw nights.
- 1670 WOZN Madison WI w/ "You're in the Zone with Jim Rome...weekdays on Madison's WOZN-1670 & 106.7 Mount Horeb" into CBS Sports Radio. (John Malicky PA)
- 1680 KRJO Monroe LA returned to air on 20 August after several months off air.
- 1680 KGED Fresno CA is using the slogan "More Conservative Talk Radio".
- 1690 WMLB Avondale Estates GA - CP for new site is on the air.

Special Temporary Authorities (STAs) were both received from and granted to WDAE 620 St.Petersburg FL (U2 11.2kw/11kw to overcome Cuban QRM); WINZ 940 Miami FL (U2 50kw/25kw to overcome Cuban QRM); WTLN 950 Orlando FL (U2 12kw/1.1kw to overcome Cuban QRM); KTCT 1050 San Mateo CA (U3 50kw day & night to overcome Mexican QRM). Applications to extend existing STAs were received from WPSP 1190 Royal Palm Beach FL (higher power, unspecified, to overcome Cuban QRM); WRHC 1550 Coral Gables FL (unspecified); and WKY 930 Oklahoma City OK (U1 5kw/1kw).

USA (items from IRCA's 'DX Monitor' magazine)

- 1040 CKST Vancouver, BC old slogan: "Team 1040", new: "TSN 1040"
- 1420 XEXX Tijuana, BCN was Spanish News/Talk, now Regional Mexican
- 1480 WERM Mobile, AL was silent, now Urban Gospel (ex WABB-EiC)
- 1110 KRPA Oak Harbor, WA adds slogan: "Radio Punjab 1110"
- 1680 KRJO Monroe, LA adds slogan: "Classic Country 1680"
- 1680 KRJO Monroe, LA was silent, now Classic Country

Clear Channel changes name to iHeartMedia Days before staging its biggest event of the year, Clear Channel announced it has changed its company name to iHeartMedia. The company says the new identity reflects its successful transformation into a multi-platform media company. The new name will serve as umbrella branding for its 859 radio stations, iHeartMedia Digital streaming service, radio networks live music events and related companies, including Katz Media Group and Clear Channel Outdoor (via NRC)

No Signoffs for Disney AMs September 26 was supposed to be the day those stations went dark and their local offices closed – but listeners who tuned into WQEW (1560) in New York, WMKI (1260) in Boston, WWJZ (640 Mt. Holly NJ) in Philadelphia, KDDZ (1690) in Arvada-Denver or WDDZ (1250) in Pittsburgh found them still on the air this morning, and North East Radio Watch can exclusively report that those signals will remain on air indefinitely until Disney is able to sell them. (Scott Fybush & Wayne Heinen NRC)

Off-Channel KBSN Moses Lake WA is still transmitting on 1469.7 kHz.(IRCA list via Mauno Ritola via MW Offsets Yahoo Group)

National Radio Club's 'AM Radio Log' 35th Edition Is Now Available

The NRC's AM Radio Log is the leading source for information on AM radio stations in the USA and Canada. As always, this edition is in an 8½ x 11 inch, 3-hole punched, U.S. loose leaf format. This publication fits nicely into a one inch, three-ring binder. Additional references include call letters of FM simulcasts with the AM Stations listing, listings of regional groups of stations in the groups section (a separate section of the Log), a cross reference of those stations that are licensed to use IBOC (In Band On Channel) digital audio, and a comprehensive list of FM translators that are now simulcasting with AM broadcasters. Order by snail mail by check or money order in US funds to National Radio Club, P.O. Box 473251, Aurora CO 80047-3251, or order using your PayPal account at www.nrcdxas.org. The price outside US/Canada is US\$40.00. (An indispensable guide if you are serious about DXing North American stations, highly recommended. BC)

IN THE MAIL

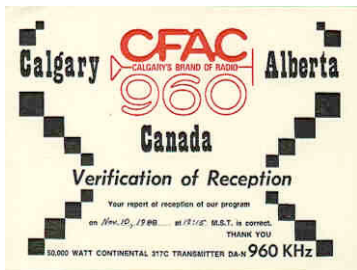
TONY KING in Greytown reports that, in late September he heard a Spanish language station on 1410 with ranchera music on 2 consecutive evenings. Tony adds "I have been experimenting with the PL380 from a 60ft x 12ft EWE NE via an inductive coupler/ferrite rod and am quite amazed with the sensitivity of the combination. Also have found that it is better not to connect the earth to the coupler but take it straight to the wire on the ferrite rod. Also made an 8' x 20 x 8 EWE on my shed verandah out of slinky coils NE and it works well on the PL606 and PL380. Because our trees have been interfering with my wires I'm in the process of realigning them northeast." Tony has a query which I'm hoping one of our more technically minded readers can comment on: "Is it better if EWEs are clear of buildings at the downlead end (where the balun is) as my most suitable fix point is the roof eave above my room, so the downlead would be just 30cm off the wall." *(Tony, my understanding is that it is the two vertical components of the EWE that are the receiving component of the antenna, so if one of them is hard up against a building I would expect its capabilities to be compromised. Comments anyone? BC)*

PETER MOTT in Auckland checks in to say that he has purchased an acre site in the Bay of Islands and is intending to get back into serious MW DXing there. He has a JRC NRD515 and Drake SPR4 in storage and will look to get started with these and some EWEs. *(Will be great to have some competition with the MW DX Peter – hoping Andy Gardner will be back into it soon as well! BC)*

BRYAN'S BROADCAST TRAIL

Recent receptions at Mangawhai Northland by Bryan Clark with AOR7030+ and EWE antennas aimed at the Americas.

- 670 USA KIRN Simi Valley CA hrd for first time 0707 24/9 w/Persian (Farsi) talk, folk songs. Up periodically till covered by another US station on ABC news at 0800.
- 720 HAWAII KUAI Eleele w/advts and country music format 0640 1/10, still dominant at 1007 when "KUAI 7-20" ident hrd.
- 780 PERU Radio Victoria tentatively the SS evangelist hrd here 0626 19/9 thru KKOH. USA KKOH Reno NV w/ident 0629 19/9 as "Newstalk 7-80 KOH" all alone.
- 800a UNID station around 799.9 currently putting a het regularly on 800, eg at 1054 on 14/9 and 0631 21/9.
- 850 ALASKA KICY Nome exc strength w/contemp Christian vocals in RR 1054 14/9.
- 860 MEXICO XEMO Tijuana w/"La Poderosa" slogan & Mexican vocals, 1019 10/9.
- 870 USA KRLA Glendale CA w/advts 0629, road accident reports and into news and weather "right now in Sherman Oaks it's ..degrees". Promos for "Mike Gallagher Show" and "Good Morning America" 30/9. Reloj Cuba time pips evident but otherwise KRLA has frequency to itself – I miss WWL!
CUBA Radio Reloj all alone 0706 11/9 w/FA on SS news, "RR" CW code every minute. Co-channel US talker faded up at 0709.
- 880 USA KRVN Lexington NE ident & into nx 1100 14/9. Earlier had "Back to the Bible".
- 890 USA WLS Chicago IL dominant over Cuba 0624 16/9 w/"mention WLS to get 50% off. Get Viagra for less than \$3 a pill."
- 960 CANADA CFAC Calgary AB the only listed "CBS Sports Radio" affiliate on this frequency, fair 0743 13/9 w/het from suspected Peruvian on the lower side.
- 1060 UNID on high side of freq hetting XEEP Mexico DF & CKMX Calgary 0635 30/9.
- 1170 USA KLOK San Jose CA w/ Asian Indian format, pushing thru KFAQ and unid SS 0600 past 0630 10/9.
- 1290 USA KKDD San Bernadino CA w/non-stop SS vocals format 0618 24/9, "La Preciosa" jingle, and at 0700 EE website info & ident for "KKDD San Bernardino".
- 1290a UNID LATIN here w/SS talk format on 1289.93 at 1022 17/9. Suspect Peru.
- 1510 USA WLAC Nashville TN w/"Coast to Coast AM" promos & advts to 0639 14/9.
USA KGA Spokane WA w/advt for "a great car at a great price... Amco in Spokane.. 10 year unlimited warranty" 0642 25/9.
- 1540 USA KXEL Waterloo IA w/news 0603 15/9 thru others. Ident 0605 as "15-40 KXEL"
- 1550 CUBA Radio Rebelde fair in SS 0624 w/news items //5025 SW vgd, 1180 poor mixed Marti, 710 poor mixed Yanks, 670 poor, 30/9.
- 1600 UNID LATIN up briefly w/apparent "Punto Radio" ident 0641 25/9.



TV/FM NEWS & DX



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Auction of AM and FM radio licences to take place in November 2014

The Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment (MBIE) has announced further details for the sale of AM and FM licences.

The licences will be sold via an online auction - managed by Turners. The auction will run on both the Turners website and Trade Me. It will start on 27 November 2014 and run for seven days until 3 December 2014.

The auction is for commercial licences, including some licences previously allocated on a temporary basis. Existing holders of temporary licences will be able to continue to broadcast until the auction process has been completed.

The tenure of the licences is until 2 April 2031, subject to licensees meeting implementation requirements.

A list of licences to be auctioned and their reserve prices is included in the auction catalogue, along with the full terms and conditions. The auction catalogue is available on the Radio Spectrum Management website.

(Radio Spectrum Management via Sutton Burtenshaw)

Commercial Radio Audience Measurement Survey Results 2014

Survey 2 for 2014 was from 9th August to 20th September. Here are the top three stations in each market. For full results go to www.radios.co.nz

Northland

More FM	17.3%
The Rock	11.7%
The Edge	11.1%

Auckland

Newstalk ZB	13.4%
The Breeze	7.8%
Coast	7.8%

Waikato

The Hits	12.2%
The Rock	12.1%
The Sound	10.6%

Tauranga

Coast	15.0%
The Sound	12.1%
The Rock	11.4%

Rotorua

Coast	16.6%
The Edge	10.4%
The Rock	10.3%

Hawkes Bay

Newstalk ZB	15.6%
The Hits	12.4%
The Sound	9.2%

Taranaki

The Hits	13.8%
Newstalk ZB	11.6%
The Sound	11.4%

Christchurch

Newstalk ZB	15.3%
More FM	14.6%
The Breeze	9.9%

Manawatu

The Rock	15.0%
The Sound	12.6%
The Breeze	10.9%

Dunedin

Radio Dunedin	14.8%
The Hits	12.3%
The Edge	10.7%

Wellington

Newstalk ZB	14.5%
The Breeze	12.7%
The Sound	9.8%

Southland

Coast	16.5%
The Rock	15.0%
The Edge	10.3%

Nelson

Coast	15.3%
The Rock	12.2%
The Edge	11.9%



UTILITIES



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Many thanks to Jonathan Wood & Roger Pryde for their loggings.

It has been another rough month for propagation with the continual solar flares and associated solar storms, making very difficult at times for good dxing.

Arthur will be back as Utility editor for the November issue of the NZ Dx Times.

73,
Graeme

FREQ	UTC	DETAILS OF TRANSMISSION
3261	0744	Canterbury Mountain Radio: Field Set reporting 2 sharp jolts, 3.9Mag NW of Milford Sound. 9/9 JW
4417	0745	Far North Radio with marine wx, fair 2/9 JW
5455	0830	VKS-737 Swan Hill Base (Fair) checking signal strength with Adelaide Base. 23/9 JW
5455	0905	VKS-737 St Marys Base (fair to good) 23/9 JW
6516	0602	0605* Far Noth Radio with Pacific weather, (fair). 7/9 JW
8022	0803	VkS-737 (fair), Signal readability as good as Canterbury Mountain Radio Tonight-one mobile set (northern NSW) also fair reception. 17/9 JW
8022	0843	VKS-737 Swan Hill Base (fair) checking signal strength with Adelaide Base- Comment made re Summer schedule commencing 1 Oct. 23/9 JW
8867	1057	FIJI 441 posn reports / estimates coms 8867 FL 2860 SC GMPQ RP

Contributors

JW – Jonathan Wood, Mosgiel.

Lowe 150 with 34m dipole.

RP – Roger Pryde, Dunedin.

FRG7 on battery ops reduces pwr noise.
Aerial WWII Field Phone connecting wire x 15 metres.

Many thanks to **Graeme Dixon** for standing for Arthur DeMaine for the past two months. Arthur will be back next month, so get your contributions in to the usual address.

European DX Council - EDXC

Our thanks to Mr Toshi Ohtake of the Japan Shortwave Club for this report on the the annual European DX Council - EDXC get together.

The annual EDXC Conference was held from 19th through 22nd of September in France. On 19th September, most of attendees met at Nice airport by Mr. Christian Ghibaudo, organizer of the EDXC 2014, and took EDXC chartered bus to Saint Dalmas de Tende, 70km north of Nice. On arrival, we checked into the hotel located in a picturesque valley in the Southern Alps of France.

The official opening was announced by EDXC Chairman, Mr. Kari Kivecas of Finland. Then, Mr. Dario Monferini of Italy presented his Brazilian Radio tour. The next day's session was started by Mr. Kivecas talking about EDXC matters, and Mr. David Ricquish of New Zealand presented news about radio stations in New Zealand and South Pacific.

After the tour to Tende village, the presentation was resumed. Mr. Ghibaudo presented the history of Radio Monte Carlo, and Mr. Anker Petersen of Denmark talked about his DXing on a cruise ship to the Caribbean Sea. Mr. Alexander Beryozkin spoke about his St. Petersburg radio club.

On the third day, the chartered bus brought us to Ventimiglia of Italy and Monaco, where we had a tour of the palace, then to the Nice hotel, covering three countries in one day. The fourth day was an excursion in Nice with visits to a couple of radio stations. The Conference was attended by 29 people from 9 countries, and was very successful and enjoyable.



ADCOM NEWS

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FINAL REMINDER - AGM The 66th AGM of the NZ Radio DX League will be held in West Auckland on Sunday 12 October at 2.00pm. The venue will be the Western Suburbs Radio Clubrooms, located at 3000 Great North Road, New Lynn, Auckland. We hope as many members as possible will be able to attend the meeting. Please contact me on 021-672-806 if you need help in finding the meeting venue.

CONSTITUTION REVIEW At its last meeting, the Administration Committee (Adcom) decided to undertake a review of the DX League Constitution, last updated in May 2010. This was prompted in part by the fact that our Chief Editor and Mailbag Editor are based overseas – under the current rules only NZ-based members have voting rights. A copy of the constitution has been posted to the DX Dialog members' user group. If you're not a member or don't have Internet access but would like to contribute to the review, please send a self addressed envelope (220mm by 110mm size) to me at PO Box 178, Mangawhai 0540 and we'll get a copy of the constitution to you.

MARK NICHOLLS Members will be pleased to learn that Mark Nicholl's DX memorabilia has been secured by the DX League and important items will be digitised for sharing though our radiodx.com website. As Mark was based in Otago/Southland for much of his DXing career, we will also be approaching the Hocken Library at the University of Otago for these items to be deposited in their secure, temperature-controlled facilities alongside other important member and club records held at the Hocken.

VANUATU-BOUND Our busy webmaster and DX League Life Member PAUL ORMANDY is part of a radio amateur DXpedition on this western Pacific island from 3 to 14 October. To read all about it and follow the day-to-day ham DX efforts, check out the DXpedition website at <http://yj2014.wordpress.com/>

ROBERT THOMAS Does anyone have recall of this Southland DXer from the pre-war years? DXing historian **JERRY BERG** writes: "I recently had the good luck to be able to review copies of a publication from 1937-1940 called the Christian Broadcast Bulletin. It was published by the Shanghai Christian Broadcasting Association, parent of XMHD, a religious MW station that operated from Shanghai. Imagine my surprise in coming across 3 "letters-reception reports" from DXers down under who picked up the XMHD signal. Two names I knew well: Merv Branks of Invercargill, and Graham Hutchins of Australia. But the third name is not familiar to me: Robert Thomas, also of Invercargill. His letter was the best of the three. By any chance do any old timers happen to recognize that name and know anything about him?" If you can help Jerry, he can be contacted by email at jsberg@rcn.com (via DX Dialog)

IT ALL STARTED 95 YEARS AGO! This month marks the 95th anniversary of the world's first wireless broadcast. The following comes from an article by Dave Zuchowski in the

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette of 25 September: "An unassuming, two-story, red brick garage on the border of Pittsburgh and Wilksburg was the site of an important contribution to broadcast history - the world's first wireless voice broadcast on October 17, 1919.

Using bare wires, crackling spark coils and homemade vacuum tubes, Frank Conrad sent a two-hour-long concert of jazz, opera, popular and orchestral music over the airwaves to amateur radio buffs who listened in on crystal radio sets. His broadcast proved so popular that he began sending it over the airwaves every Wednesday and Saturday evening, often reaching listeners a couple hundred miles away.

Mr. Conrad was assistant chief engineer at Westinghouse's East Pittsburgh plant. Harry P. Davis, a Westinghouse vice president, was aware of the popularity of the broadcasts but took little interest -- until he saw a newspaper ad for Horne's department store in September 1920 offering radios for sale to pick up Mr. Conrad's broadcasts. After that, he persuaded others in the company that Westinghouse should set up its own station.

Mr. Conrad was asked to work on the new station, which made its first broadcast on Nov. 2, 1920, from a small wooden shack atop the "K" Building, the tallest at the Westinghouse East Pittsburgh plant, informing listeners of the results of the Harding-Cox presidential election. "Westinghouse had applied for a commercial license but hadn't yet received it by the time of the broadcast," said Rick Harris, a graphic designer from Forest Hills and secretary-treasurer of the National Museum of Broadcasting. "The company used a temporary amateur call sign 8ZZ for the broadcast."

A couple days later, the license was issued with the call sign KDKA.

To honour Mr. Conrad's contributions to the broadcast industry, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission approved a historic marker to be erected on a street adjacent to the Conrad garage. Dedicated on Dec. 1, 1990, the marker was later removed and placed in storage when the property and garage were sold in 2000 to make way for a fast-food restaurant.

"The goal of the NMB had been to preserve the garage and make it the centerpiece of a larger museum," Mr. Harris said. "But when the property was sold, we were given a few months to dismantle the garage and tried unsuccessfully to find the necessary funding from Pittsburgh foundations and historical societies."

Help came from Ralph Guild, a radio advertising executive from New York City who wanted to give something back to the industry. With his financial backing, the garage was dismantled and the bricks, rafters, joists and windows were placed in storage along with documentation on how to put the garage back together.

At 2 p.m. October 17, 95 years to the day of Mr. Conrad's historic first broadcast, the marker will be rededicated at its new location at South Trenton and Penn Avenues in Wilksburg.

"The NMB is working on a plan to rebuild the garage and is looking at several sites in the Pittsburgh area," Mr. Harris said. "We would like to have it be the centerpiece of a larger museum and have it rebuilt in five years in time for the 100th anniversary of Conrad's first broadcast."

"Pittsburgh, more than any other city in the world, has been an innovative center for radio and television broadcasting, Mr. Harris said. "We at the NMB want to see that its historical broadcasting legacy is preserved." (via Glenn Hauser's DXLD Yahoo Group)

BRANCH NEWS



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In the absence of any other information, I am repeating what has appeared in earlier copies of the DX Times. Apologies for any errors!

WELLINGTON AREA GROUP

Next Beach Babble - **29th October** at Beach Babylon Café,
Oriental Parade, Wellington, 12.45pm

2014 Beach Babble schedule:
November 26

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 at radioheritage@gmail.com

CHRISTCHURCH

Next Beach Babble in the Garden City is: **22nd October** at Salt on the Pier Café,
New Brighton, Christchurch, 12.45 pm

2014 Beach Babble schedule:
November 19

Contact details etc as above

I am sure David will be able to regale you with tales from his travels to Europe and his attendance at the EDXC conference.

DUNEDIN AREA GROUP

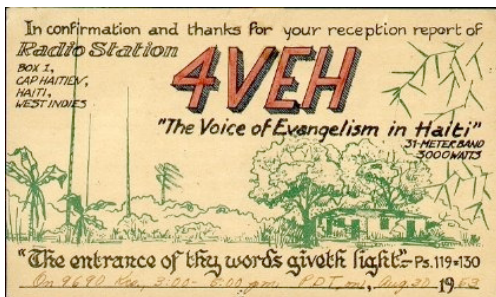
Our next meeting will be held at David Miller's home,
34 Herron Street, Brockville
(not 24 as appeared in error last month) on
Saturday 18 October,
2pm till 4pm or thereabouts.

Also, **our visit to Waianakarua** has been re-scheduled for the weekend of **7-9 November**. As usual, visitors would be very welcome – contact **David Miller 4763224** or **Roger Pryde 4737805** for further information

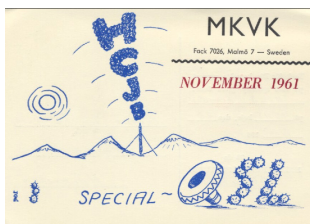


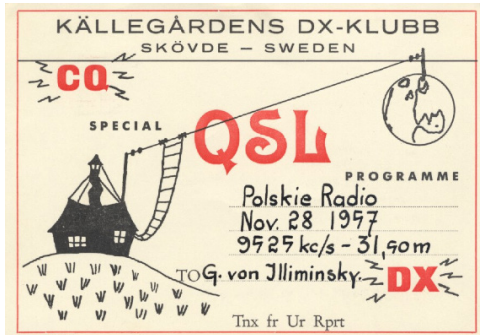
From NZRDXL member Jerry Berg, 38 Eastern Avenue, Lexington, MA 02421, USA
NEW HISTORY MATERIAL AT <http://www.ontheshortwaves.com>

September 7, 2014 -- This week, under "DX History/Recordings," we are bringing back two items that appeared in an earlier incarnation of ontheshortwaves.com. One is a recording of Ken Boord's Easter Special, presented in April 1960 over 4VEH, Haiti, and HCJB, Ecuador. This is the recording of the HCJB transmission. Ken was the premier DX editor of the day, and in addition to his shortwave activities he was the organist at Spruce Street Methodist Church in Morgantown, West Virginia. This recording features Easter melodies with Ken at the keyboard. The other recording we are re-posting is "Vasily's Christmas Special," broadcast by Radio Moscow on December 22, 1991 with host Vasily Strelnikov. These were the days of glasnost and perestroika, and I doubt that anything like this had ever gone out over Radio Moscow before. -- Also this time, we have a new Wavescan script from Dr. Adrian M. Peterson: "A Visit to All India Radio: Khampur on Shortwave" (Wavescan N288, August 31, 2014).



September 14, 2014 -- The QSLs that were issued by Scandinavian DX clubs for special programs arranged with various (mostly) shortwave broadcast stations in the 1950s and early 60s were largely unknown in the U.S. Under "CPRV/The CPRV Gallery" we have posted another group of these. Look for "Scandinavian Club QSLs - Group 5" at the bottom of the Shortwave Broadcast QSLs. -- And under "Specialized Resources/Wavescan," this new entry from Adrian Peterson about American mediumwave history: "Another Blast from the Past: American Mediumwave Radio on High Power" (N289, September 7, 2014).





QSL Cards taken from the On The Shortwaves website - Scandinavian Club QSLs

September 21, 2014 -- Among many other accomplishments, Clay I. Whitehead served as Director of the Office of Telecommunications Policy during 1970-74 (the Nixon administration). His papers are in the Library of Congress, and also online at < <http://claywhitehead.com/>> When he died in 2008 he was working on a book, The History of 20th Century Telecommunications: The Development and Regulation of Telecommunications and Broadcasting. The book was never completed, but his papers contain much of the research material that he had amassed in the course of his writing, including copies of many articles on early radio, letters from the fathers of radio, research memos on various topics, etc.--a huge body of material. In meandering through some of it (from the University of Pittsburgh), I came across a series of letters from listeners in places worldwide--Brazil, Ireland, South Africa, Chile, Australia, others--to KDKA, reporting on reception of the station's shortwave signal. KDKA began regular shortwave transmissions around 4760 kc. in 1923. The letters are from 1924-25, making them among the earliest shortwave broadcast reception reports "ever." I have extracted the letters and posted them in a file under "DX History/Stations." -- And to learn more about radio and the Great White Fleet, go to "Specialized Resources/Wavescan" and check out the latest from Dr. Adrian M. Peterson: "Travel the World With the Great White Fleet" (Wavescan N290, September 14, 2014).

September 28, 2014 -- One of the most exotic SWBC DX targets was the Comoros.

Located northwest of Madagascar, the French island territory came on shortwave in 1960 by way of a Radiodiffusion Television Francaise station transmitting from Dzaoudzi on the island of Mayotte. The station operated on 3331 and 7260 kHz. with 4 kw. In 1967 it was relocated to Moroni, Grand Comore. In 1975 the independent Republic of Comoros, with capital at Moroni, split away and became independent, while Mayotte remained French. The Moroni station became Radio Comores. It was on the air until the late 1980s, returning briefly in 1991 before disappearing for good on shortwave. The Comoros were sometimes heard in North America circa 0300 UTC. Under "DX History/Stations," we have posted two files about the Comoros. In one you will find three QSLs from the Comoros station: one from 1963, when it was located at Dzaoudzi, and two from the Moroni period (1968 and 1979). The opening of the station in Dzaoudzi in 1960 was commemorated by the issuance of two good-looking postage stamps, and in a second file we have posted these stamps, together with two first-day covers celebrating the event. As you can see, one of the stamps shows the station's shortwave frequencies. Also in this file is another cover, from 1972, celebrating the establishment of radiotelegraph service between Moroni and Paris.

