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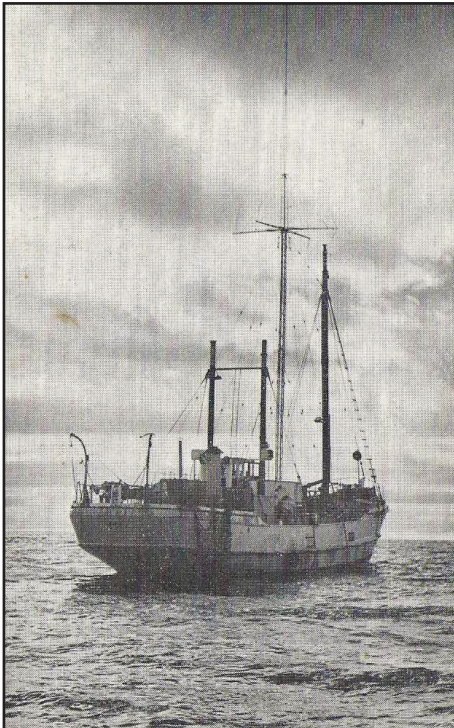


Welcome

Welcome to the November DX Times. As advertised last month this edition is later because it contains the news from the Annual General Meeting, held on Sunday 6th November. You will find all the news in the Adcom column on page XXX.

Happy 50th Birthday

Radio Hauraki - the home of the young New Zealanders



Turn to page 7 for more on Hauraki's 50th Anniversary.

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To Mr. Bill Marsh of _____

It is my pleasure to confirm your reception report timed
at 7:56pm date 5-12-66 Frequency 1480 KHz.
Power 1.5 K.W. Antenna ~~120~~⁵⁰ feet. Base loaded vertical
Transmitter located on board the M.V. Tiri moored in
International waters in the Hauraki Gulf. Lat. 36° 18', Long.
175° 20'. Broadcasting popular music programmes recorded
in our Studios at **93 Anzac Avenue, Auckland. RADIO
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ADVERTISING LIMITED, Box 1480, Auckland.** Good listening.

Brian O'Shea (Engineer)

1480

Bill Marsh's original Radio Hauraki QSL from 1966

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MAILBAG

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Welcome to 'The Home of the Olde...' As you've already read, Stu has reminded us about 'The Home of the Young New Zealanders'. A fair number of us will be muttering, "I remember when 50 years ago!" It's hard to believe so much time has passed since the shenanigans at the Western Viaduct in Auckland over Labour Weekend in 1966, the difficulties a month later, and eventual 'official' success in December. That weekend was busy, not the least because several of us – Bryan Clark, Dene Lynneberg, Andy McQueen, the late Jim Benzoni and myself were on a DXpedition near Raglan. I wonder if Bryan is still able to climb gum trees half a century on?



Bryan Clark, Andy McQueen, Jim Benzoni, Dene Lynneberg (front). Theo Donnelly photographer. Off to the pub for Sunday lunch. (Underage but never mind). Bryan Clark up a gum tree!



David Ricquish, Wellington has sent along a personal update through the good graces of **Chris Mackerell**. "Still here still but in a wheelchair due to the high danger of falling. It will be a while yet before I can do much again. Looking forward to the summer months and spending time outside in the backyard. Feeling very frustrated and it is very tiring for Jo without whom I'd be lost. I wish everyone a successful AGM and Jo & I send our best wishes to everyone." *(And the wishes work both ways, to Jo and yourself from all of us, David. Chris also added that he's doing maintenance on the Radio Heritage Foundation website and radio guides – so thanks to him too.)*

Ian Cattermole, Blenheim delivers this latest list to keep his records up to date. "Here are my SW veries for October. Once again as expected not too much to offer this time around: Radio Sedaye Bahar, Grigoriopol 7495; VOIRI 11925 & 12025; Radio Habana Cuba 11670; CRI 7420; NHK, Santa Maria di Galeria 9710; and WHRI 9505 kHz." *(Playing both sides against each other, I see: Sedaye Bahar and VOIRI...)*

Jonathan Wood, Mosgiel has gone looking for another hotspot, after the changes reported last month at Long Beach.. “Hello Theo; On 1 October I took a trip into unknown territory - Cook's Head, which lies on Chrystalls Beach just north of Tokomairiro Mouth. It provided a bit of excitement getting the station wagon up a bumpy track, but there is lots of space for antennae without being a nuisance to anyone. I tested a 100m BOG versus the 46m dipole; generally, the dipole was slightly better but in several instances results were identical. Finding a workable earth for the BOG has been difficult in the past - and so far I haven't found a better solution than the car chassis via the cigarette lighter. One surprise was E07, a Russian numbers station, which was booming in so loud I wondered if NZ had started its own numbers station! Then, last week, we had a sharp lightning crack which directly hit the main building of a nearby rest home, taking out electric and electronic circuitry. It also disabled the Lowe at my place, 800m away, which has had to be sent away for (hopeful) repair. In the meantime, the FRG-7 has come out of hiding. I've ordered an Elad FDM DUOr from RF Solutions in Australia. While the cost was a bit of a minus for me it looks like the nearest thing I can find to a more multi-talented version of the Lowe: small, light, portable, 6 buttons and 3 knobs versus the Lowe's 3 buttons and 2 knobs; and, if I get round to installing windows on my mac, it's SDR functional. (Apologies to those who see Windows on a mac as, well, un-PC! I agree, but one can't have everything!) The DUOr is the receive-only version of the DUO. I have been finding DX-ing unrewarding at home, hence all the trips, and perhaps this might make some difference!” *(Ouch! I snuck a look at the price. You're going to have to replace flat whites with instant for a while. That's a similar concept to the CR-1A from CommRadio in the US, which I know one reader of the 'Times' uses. I was tempted when I first read about it, but decided the lack of DX of personal interest couldn't justify the cost. And oh, you're wearing out the Otago coast pages of my road atlas...)*

Ian Wells, Mosgiel comes up with a familiar visitor to the Times' BCB listings. “I have received an email from KXEL, Waterloo IA (Jack Taddeo, General Manager <jtaddeo@nrgmedia.com>) confirming my report submitted to the “Contact Station Management” page on the KXEL website. Surprisingly, the response was received within 12 hours of submitting the report, so I was impressed. I have not been as lucky with a number of others in recent times.” *(Good to hear staff like these are still around. Weeding through the junk that 'open' addresses probably receive must be a tedious task.)*

Bryan Clark, Mangawhai reports doing MW bandscans in Hong Kong, Beijing, Shanghai and Singapore while touring in October. "Singapore rates as the best DX site I've tried in Asia because there are no local MW stations, but with our son now relocated to Hong Kong with its crammed MW dial of local and mainland Chinese stations, future holiday DXing will be much more challenging. It was interesting seeing how the Chinese censor the BBC World TV channel when 'unsuitable' stories are aired. I noticed this in both Beijing and Shanghai. The headline item for a story about dissension in the Hong Kong Legislative Council was followed by a blank screen until another story was aired. I also watched CNN while in China but their limited coverage of Asian stories meant I never saw any evidence of censorship. At our Shanghai hotel (we were located on the 80th floor of the 4th highest building in the world) I had a choice of 12 CCTV channels (including the EE language channel seen in NZ) and another 9 Chinese regional TV channels. The CCTV building in Beijing is architecturally impressive. Flying Cathay Pacific's new Airbus A350 from Hong Kong to Singapore, I was able to watch BBC, CNN or Euronews live via satellite, a new airborne experience for me.” *(Singapore might not have locals, but what about the noise level?)*

Stu Forsyth in Cyberjaya, Malaysia has his own view of DX not too far away. “I have sneaked time to do some listening. Loggings are: R. Sedaye Bahar 7495, RFA 9355, V. of Mongolia 12035, RTM Asyik FM 6050, RNZI 7425 (great signal) and 6170 (not so great), V. of Vietnam 1242, Myanmar Radio 5915, CRI 1080, Cambodia 918, KCBS Pyongyang 3250 and 3320, AIR Kolkata 567, AIR Jeypore 5040, Bhopal 4810, Hyderabad 4800, Chennai 4920,

RTI iLove Music 1557 (Taiwan), Radyo Pilipinas 12010, 15640, 17820, VoA Botswana 4930, R Puntland 1 Somalia 13800. Veries are in from R Sedaye Bahar 7495, Romania 11825, RFA 9355 (the mysterious signal mention in DX Dialog), RNZI 7425, Horizont Bulgaria 576 for country no. 70, R. Pilipinas 12010, 15640, 17820 - email verie within an hour of the report being sent with promise of a QSL card to come. I am not holding my breath. However, the important bit is that the email addresses in the WRTH (or at least my version from last year) are incorrect. Send reports to <dzrp.radyopilipinas@gmail.com>. I also sent a report via their Facebook page. The answer came from my email. Have been trying to log VoA Sao Tome on 1530, which is audible here from 1700 (1am here) onwards, when the Chinese go off air. 1530 is pretty much a clear channel. I have heard lots of noise and bits of music. This has been done via the timer on the AOR and a very good battery in my recorder. I have now tried listening in person from 1700 UTC (0100 local), but conditions have been poor - will keep trying!! I heard what sounded very much like talk that you hear on Sth American stations (i.e. Portuguese), so it was possibly them, but it was far too noisy to get anything out of it. My other target is Christmas Island 1422 relaying 6RN in Perth. I should be able to hear them too - again, listening in person may help." And then a day later, "To my earlier entry, add that I have logged DZME 1530 in Manilla. Really pleased to hear that one - didn't think we could hear Filipinos. Obviously I have been listening at the wrong time of day!! Still can't hear São Tome, but I will one day." (*Lots of intriguing stuff there – you've been sneaking more than a few minutes.*) (*When the wife's away the DXer will play!* - Chief Ed)

Günter Jacob from Passau, Germany delivers a first in my tenure at 'Mailbag', an apology for having nothing! "Much to my regret, I have no contribution/s this time. Let's hope we will all have a good start for the B-16 transmission period." (*There's always next month.*)

And I'll look forward to whatever everyone has for me in December – I like Christmas presents! I was looking at Radio Spectrum Management's data again the other day; I notice they corrected the 1377 listing so that the location now agrees with 621 at Three Mile Hill, but the three Auckland stations on 1251, 1386, and 1593 are still shown as from the phantom mast long dismantled... ah, officialdom.
73, Theo

Postscript - an interesting item from DXDialog

Dene Lynneberg writes....

Recently I have been in contact with the Danish dx'er Stig Hartvig Nielsen and today I received from Stig a QSL for his station World Music Radio which broadcast on 6290 kHz via Meyerton away back in 1997. Success after 19 years. In one of Stig's email's he mentioned that he may not have replied to two New Zealand dx'ers.

I quote from Stig's email::

"I was surprised that you haven't received a QSL, because I believe that all – or almost all - correct reception reports received by mail - for our South Africa broadcasts in 1997 - were QSL'ed. Looking through my files – I found the reason. Your report was never received – or (more likely) misplaced by me. At least it is not under NEW ZEALAND. And you sent a follow-up? I got quite many reports from NZ – incl. one from Alastair MacArthur and one from Ian L. Cattermole; these two report may not have been QSL'ed. Do you happen to know them?"

Until this QSL for WMR 6290 kHz my longest wait without a follow up report being sent was Scandinavian Weekend Radio 11720 kHz, which replied after 5 and half years.

I have heard from Ian and he did not receive a verification, so he wants one too! (Chief Ed)

Labour Weekend 50 years ago - Tiri's great escape!

As mentioned on the front page, it is now 50 years ago that **Radio Hauraki - 'the home of the young New Zealanders'**, broke the shackles of state broadcasting in New Zealand forever.

Broadcasting from the MV Tiri, moored in international waters in the Hauraki Gulf, Radio Hauraki beamed its signal at New Zealand on a frequency of 1480, and sometimes 1485 kilocycles.

The Hauraki political saga came to a head over that long weekend. The group were out of money, and neither Minister of Broadcasting and Marine Jack Scott (what a coincidence of joint portfolios) nor the NZBC's Director-General Gilbert Stringer had been helpful in exercising the Corporation's power to licence competition. The decision was made for the Tiri to make a run for it, but unfortunately the Auckland Star's Saturday evening sports edition blabbed about a possible 11.30 pm sailing. Police descended on the scene, the Minister attended for talks that apparently held out the prospect of leased time on 1YD, though the NZBC wasn't keen on losing the commercial breakfast monopoly held by Merv Smith on 1ZB and its advertising revenue.

On the Sunday evening, a large crowd had gathered down at the Western Viaduct. Circumstances included the Tiri getting stuck on the basin's bottom as the tide was going out, as well as an attempt to close the drawbridge, though David Gapes, Peter Telling, and Brian Strong moved under the mechanism which the harbour board's operator finally halted. Eventually the ship made it through the gap of the partially-lowered bridge, with some in the crowd helping to pull the transmitting mast clear. However, police who had been caught on board later arrested the crew out on the Waitemata off Devonport after finally figuring out how to cut the fuel line and stop the ship's progress. The court hearing that followed eventually threw out charges which had been tied to a detention order for survey/safety reasons while the magistrate considered the actual intention was to prevent the ship's use as a broadcasting entity. That was on Monday 7 November, and the Tiri finally left without fanfare in the dark on Thursday 10 November.

It was ground breaking stuff. Among the original Good Guys were: Chris Parkinson, Paddy O'Donnell, League member Brian Strong, Ian Magan and Peter Telling.

After 1,111 days at sea, various legal wrangles, two serious accidents requiring firstly the replacement of the Tiri with the MV Kapuni (known as Tiri 2) and secondly repairs to that boat as a result of damage sustained during the same storm that wrecked the Wahine, and the loss of a crew member overboard, Tiri 2 sailed into Auckland harbour playing Born Free repeatedly. They were now allowed to broadcast on dry land.

Congratulations to those in charge of the revolution - it changed the face of New Zealand broadcasting forever.

Theo Donnelly picks up the story

Somehow Tony Marr and myself had arranged for a weekend overnight visit to the Clayden Farm (with Lloyd and his Mum) out on the Whangaparaoa Peninsula -- Ray Babbage came up with a more specific name for their location: was it Army Bay? Anyway, Tony's Mum and Dad (Ella and Don) picked me up from the NZR Road Services' bus at Auckland station on the Strand, then delivered us plus Tony's Eddystone 680X and other necessities to the Claydens during the afternoon of Sat 19 November 1966.

See below for part of a report I sent to Hauraki a few days later, outlining what Tony and I had monitored of the pirate's efforts over Saturday afternoon and evening, and Sunday morning, along with noon-ish Sunday at the Marr home in Forrest Hill, Takapuna. You'll note one of the segments lists the frequency as 1485 -- Tony had his signal generator with him. The routine was Ella would never let me go home to Hamilton without being cleaned and fed! Parents supported us.

The Marrs dropped me off at 93-95 Anzac Avenue in the afternoon of Sun 20 Nov, and I played my taped segments to a group of Hauraki types, including David Gapes and Derek Lowe.

Hamilton's 'Waikato Times' of the following day, Mon 21 Nov 1966, carried the news that the test transmissions hadn't been as successful as expected... but look at the details: apparently the signal made it to Christchurch... all of this dating prior to the 'official' inaugural broadcast of 1 December.

NZRDXL member Brian Strong in Riverton, one of the Good Guys, verified my report with the QSL letter (see below) and added a personal note, (again see below). I'm sure he won't object to having his connection publicised.

The General Manager,
Radio Hauraki,
Pacific Radio Advertising Ltd.,
Tyler's Building,
Anzac Ave.,
AUCKLAND.

Dear Sir,

I am pleased to report reception of your station heard operating on 1480/1485 kilocycles at the various times listed in the log below, on Saturday and Sunday, 19th - 20th November, 1966.

Items and announcements heard during these broadcasts are as follows:

THIS SERVES AS CONFIRMATION OF YOUR HEARING MY TAPES ON SUNDAY AT 5.40 P.M., AT YOUR RECORDING STUDIO.

SATURDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1966: 6.37 P.M.: 1480 kilocycles.

5.37 p.m. : "Lara's Theme" from Al Corban and his orchestra.
5.38 : Announcer, Bob Leahy: "And that's called Lara's Theme played by Al Corban and his orchestra. Next we'll have the monkeys. Listen to last Train to Clarkesville."

5.41 : "Last Train to Clarkesville" from the monkeys.
: "And that's the monkey's and Last Train to Clarkesville. Radio Hauraki, top of the dial. Yes, we're on the air, go tell your friends."
The song "Sonny" was then played.

5.43 : Tom Jones with "I've had too much of this and that".
6.46 : The Supremes with "You can't hurry love".
6.47 : Paddy O'Donnell with a very weak announcement, which he repeated at normal strength:
"This is Radio Hauraki test transmitting from our transmitting base, the M.V. Tiri, in the Hauraki Gulf. Just stay with us, because at seven o'clock we may have some goodies for you. Stay with us for seven o'clock tonight. Our signal is weak, and we realize this, and we're increasing it all the time. This is Radio Hauraki test transmitting."

5.48 : The Supremes with some more of "You can't hurry love".
5.49 : "I'm hungry for those good things, baby".
6.52 : End of Report.

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SATURDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1966: 10.49 P.M.: 1485 kilocycles.

10.49 p.m. : At tuning, your documentary programme, "The Radio Hauraki Story" was being played. The item at this stage was the Radio Hauraki shark patrols.



RADIO HAURAKI

A COMPLETELY NEW CONCEPT IN COMMERCIAL BROADCASTING

November 25th, 1966

Theo Donnelly,
77 Fox Street,
Hamilton.

Dear Theo,

This is to confirm your report of reception of Radio Hauraki heard operating on 1480 kilocycles at various times on Saturday and Sunday, 19th and 20th of November, 1966.

At the times of reception we were operating on a maximum power of 200 watt utilising a temporary antenna of approximately 50 feet, from the M.V. Tiri situated in international waters off Great Barrier Island in the Hauraki Gulf.

Since the time of your reception we have gone off the air and at the time of writing are in the process of erecting the permanent antenna, a steel/al mast of 150 feet and have uprated our transmitter to 2000 watts. It is hoped that the final output will be somewhere in the region of 2 - 2½ kw.

The transmitter itself is a Westinghouse with considerable modifications.

Your report will be held on file and when verification cards are printed one will be forwarded to you.

Thanking you for your interest,
Yours sincerely,

Brian D Strong,
Program Division.



Brian Strong's official verification

Radio Hauraki will go off air to put up 150ft sending mast

By Murray Nicoll

Radio Hauraki will go off the air for at least a week to erect its permanent 150ft steel transmitting antenna on board the Tiri.

Managing director of Radio Hauraki, Mr David Gapes, told The Times this from Auckland today.

The decision to stop transmitting attempts and erect the permanent antenna follows a disappointing start to their broadcasting during the weekend.

After eight days of setbacks caused by near gale-force weather and equipment

troubles, the pirates managed to put out only weak broadcasts at very low power. They shut down their transmitter late last night.

Original intentions were to broadcast from the temporary wire antenna, rigged on the Tiri when she anchored in international waters more than a week ago, for a month or two before erecting the permanent lattice steel antenna.

"But we found that the wire antenna will not take any more power than we were feeding it this weekend," Mr Gapes said.

The pirates took their power up to only 400 watts—less than a quarter of their proposed limit.

"The minute we started feeding more into it the antenna started arcing and burning itself out," said Mr Gapes.

"So we'll scrap the temporary antenna and get the proper steel mast up as soon as possible. Then we can get going at full power.

"This will allow us to do some full-scale testing of the transmitter.

"We would not have had the trouble with our transmitter if we had been able to test it on land before installing it in the boat.

"But the Post Office took away our testing licence, which they granted us early in the piece, and this prevented us from testing at our studio," claimed Mr Gapes.

The pirates will hold a telephone calls from their studio in Christchurch who picked up their low power broadcasts on ordinary radio sets.

"We have had offers of help from other radio experts," one of the pirates told The Times.

"Our man Denis O'Callahan is one of the best there is in radio," said Mr Gapes, "but he is happy to accept any worthwhile ideas or suggestions others might have."

During the weekend the pirates were unable to broadcast from their studio in Christchurch.

A Hamilton ham radio operator told The Times that this was not unusual. Signals could be bounced to Wellington and Christchurch off the atmosphere, but were weakened by obstructions on the way.

Waikato Times

Mon 21 Nov 1966

P.O.Box 2964,
Auckland.
Nov.25th.

Dear Theo,

Thanks a lot for the report you sent in,not only did it match our logs - I just about kept getting them confused.

Regarding the signal we put out - ever felt like pulling a sack over your head and hiding somewhere? Thats how we felt.

Originally we had scheduled a whole week for testing,but because of the holdups etc,we had to go straight on the air to meet our publicised deadline with devastating results. Half the trouble was the temporary antenna - every time Doc cranked the xmtr power up,the loading ~~xxx~~ coil started to melt and he had to drop it back again.

Anyway,at the time of writing they've got half the antenna up and in testing the xmtr we've got a little over 2,000 watts out of it on a dummy load. Our plan at this stage is to go on early next week unpublicised and spent 3 - 4 days testing to iron any further bugs out of the gear.

During the storm we had out there they blew the xmtr up on two occasions and had to do fairly extensive rebuilding throughout.

Thanks for the report anyway.Afraid you missed the first verie,Ray scooped it.They told me about you calling up but the person talking to me couldn't remember your name - but said a report was coming in.When Ray's arrived I thought that it must have been him.

Hope to see you when you call up this way again.
Regards,

Brian Strong

Brian Strong's personal note outlining the difficulties faced

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HAURAKI CALLING



- JOIN THE
1480
CLUB
DETAILS INSIDE...

The 1480 club - note the price - half a crown!

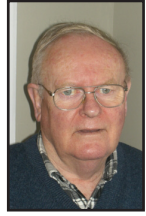


BANDWATCH UNDER 9MHZ

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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
2325	1635	AUSTRALIA, VL8T Tennant Creek in English with ABC news and pop songs.- BC 15/10
3215	0845	USA, WWCR, fair in EE, Religious, 9/10, PP
3925	0815	JAPAN, Radio Nikkei 1, gd in JJ, 22/10, PP
4055	0806	GUATEMALA R Verdad p-f in SS, same on BOG; p-f at 1032 1/10 JWC
4775	0820	BRAZIL, Rad.Congonhas, poor in PP, 9/10, PP
4835	0726	AUSTRALIA VL8A Alice Springs fading in w/easy listening vocals // 4910 weak. At 0730 ident "ABC Alice, The Talk of Your Town" then ABC News 13/9. BCM
4835	1529	INDIA (SIKKIM) All India Radio, Gangtok poor in clear w/Alice Springs off air 31/8. Some EE news reports, commercial at 1545 then commentary. Closed 1600. Very noisy conditions made reception difficult. BCM
4840	0815	USA, WWCR, fair in EE, religious, 9/10, PP
4910	0805	AUSTRALIA, ABC, Tennant Creek, talkback, gd in EE, 14/10, PP
4985	0755	BRAZIL, Rad. Brasil Central, gd in PP, 14/10, PP
5810	0456	USA, WEWN. in Spanish - BC. 9/10
5820	1500	N MARIANAS (TIN) RFA good in Korean – BDW 14/9
5830	1628	TAJIKISTAN, RFA in Vighur (tent.) – BC 14/10
5900	1054	RUSSIA Radio Rossi, Vladivostok vgd in RR w/ident, adverts, jingle id, time pips at 1100 & news 6/9. Short term reactivation due flooding emergency. BCM
5910	0744	COLOMBIA R Alcaravan tent f in SS, same on BOG 1/10 JWC
5920	0410	USA WHRI Cypress Creek w/ "Heart to Heart" from Kimberly Ann Ministries, fair steady signal, unlisted tx 2/9. Ident 0435 and off abruptly. Back at 0439 recheck till closing after ident at 0459. Not daily but hrd again 6/9. BCM
6000	0618	CUBA, R Havana in English with talk about Mr Trump – BC 9/10
6025	0430	BOLIVIA Red Patria Nueva, La Paz w/pops on extended schedule 6/9. Time pips at 0500. At 0602 ident as "Red Patria Nueva... musica y noticias". BCM
6050	0604	LIBERIA ELWA Monrovia poor-fair w/gospel songs 30/8. BCM
6075	1502	TAIWAN, R Taiwan Intl good in Chinese with talk and singing//6145 the same – CC 8/10
6080	1825	SAO TOME VOA m anncr, African accent, news/current affairs f in EE 23/10 JWM
6105	1208	TAIWAN, R Taiwan Intl good in Chinese with talk // 9735 the same – CC 16/10

6110 1809 ETHIOPIA, R Fana yl+guy talking pop songs, in most days.18.13.chant singing+flute - BC.9/10.

6130 1821 GERMANY Bible Voice f in EE 23/10 JWM

6150 0606 GERMANY Europe 24, Datteln at weak level w/German & Western pops, "Europa" ident, 31/8. Heard often since from 0600 s/on but reception always marginal. BCM

6155 0430 AUSTRIA, AWR good in French – BDW 16/9

6195 2005 BOTSWANA VOA African Service w/ continuous highlife & HOA vocals 1/9. Listed as EE opening 2000. Identified thru weak // 4930. BCM

7120 1802 SOMALILAND, R.Hargeisa. Fair in Somali, good carrier but low modul'n - KB 11/10

7147 1755 ERITREA, VoBM Good in listed Amharic; speech 1832 w/ref to Vatican, 1833 anthem,1835 off - KB 11/10

7175 1738 ERITREA, VoBM-2.Gd in vernac svl days, MA, HoA mx, off 1830 - KB10/11

7175 1759 ERITREA VOBME Asmara reactivated, vgd strength w/talkback. 1803 Ident in AA then news theme music and news 18/9. Also noted w/news theme at 0509 on 26/9 poor due noise. BCM

7185 1700 ERITREA, VoBM2 Fr/Gd in Vernac & mx. 1830 Anthem & off - 19/10 KB

7215 2002 ALBANIA, CRI, f/gd in Arabic, 23/10, PP

7215 2027 CHINA, CNR-1 fair in Mandarin – KAB 3/10

7236 1808 ETHIOPIA, V.o.Peace+Democracy. (tent), Fair in vernac. FA, MA, chants - KB 10/11

7245 1915 CHINA, CRI fair in Russian – KAB 12/10

7265 1955 CHINA, CRI, gd in Esperanto, 23/10, PP

7280 1954 VIETNAM, V.of Vietnam, gd in FF, 23/10, PP

7280 2015 VIETNAM. VOV. Poor in Russian. 21/10. IC

7290 1839 ROMANIA IRRS f in EE with sermon 23/10 JWM

7295 0547 ALGERIA R Algerienne tent 1/10 JWC

7295 1950 CHINA, CRI, gd in EE, 23/10, PP

7305 0549 ASCENSION BBC p in Hausa 1/10 JWC

7330 0440` ROMANIA, RRI, gd in RR, 9/10, PP

7350 1930 CHINA, CRI fair in French – KAB 12/10

7350 1947 CHINA, CRI, gd in French, 23/10, PP

7365 1945 THAILAND, VOA, p/f in Korean, 23/10, PP

7385 1940 CHINA, CRI, gd in Albanian, 23/10, PP

7395 1937 CHINA, CRI, gd in German, 23/10, PP

7395 1945 CHINA. CRI. Fair in German. Off 2057. 20/10. IC

7405 1935 CHINA, CRI, gd in Portuguese, 23/10, PP

7405 1940 CHINA, CRI fair in Portuguese – KAB 12/10

7415 0640 ASCENSION. Dandal Kura Radio. Fair in Kanada. 26/9. IC

7415 1929 CHINA, CRI, gd in Czech, 23/10, PP

7420 1700 CHINA. CRI. Good in English. 30/9. IC

7425 0800 NEW ZEALAND, RNZI, exc.in EE with nx and mx, 9/10, PP

7425 0948 NEWZEALAND, RNZI with old pops, id, news.- BC 8/10

7435 1925 CHINA, CRI, gd in Hungarian, 23/10, PP

7445 1124 TAIWAN, R Taiwan Intl good in EE with talk // 11600 stronger – CC 16/10

7475 1613 SRI LANKA, R Liberty fair in Tajik with talk // 11960 the same – CC 15/10

7485 1920 PHILIPPINES, VOA, gd in Korean, 23/10, PP

7485 1945 PHILIPPINES, VOA good in Korean n- KAB 12/10

7485 1950 PHILIPPINES. VOA. Fair in Korean. 20/10. IC

7520 1916 INDIA, AIR, gd in Urdu, 23/10, PP

7730 0425 USA. R.Miami Int. fair in EE. delicious. 5/10. PP

7780 0759 USA, WRMI, Fair in English relg w/Bro Stair. - KB 2/10

Overseas Contributions

3250 1725 NTH KOREAS KCBS Fair with martial songs in noisy condx. // 3320 much the same 21/10 SMF
4800 1707 INDIA, AIR Hyderabad. Vg with traditional Indian music (singing) prg. Slight co-channel QRM from CNR1 in the middle of China.// 4810 AIR Bhopal vg, 4920 AIR Chennai fair mixed with PBS Xizang 25/10 SMF
4810 1353 INDIA, AIR Bhopal Fair/ good in Hindi. Lots of phone calls taken. V noisy atmospheric. 23/10 SMF
4930 1602 BOTSWANA, VOA fair in English with nx //15580 25/10 SMF
5040 1434 INDIA, AIR Jeypore (Kolkata). Good with mx and talk. Noisy condx. 23/10 SMF
6050 1008 MALAYSIA, RTM Asyik FM – good in Malay with pops and talk 5/10 SMF
6060 1715 CHINA, CRI in EE. Excellent signal. 22/10 SMF
6170 1634 NEW ZEALAND , RNZI fair but bad splash from CRI on 6175. 25/10 SMF
7425 1033 NEW ZEALAND, RNZI Fair with jazz prog. Got better as the sun got lower! Great to hear home and the bird call at 11.59! 5/10 SMF
7495 1730 MOLDOVA, R Sedaye Bahar – good in Farsi. 30/9 SMF

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KAB	Ken Baird	Wainuiomata	R5000, 45m wire
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- 9275 1955 USA. WMLK. fair in English. 28/9. IC
9355 1515 TAJIKISTAN, RFA. Good in Tibetan, // 11870 good - 15/9 BDW
9390 1910 THAILAND R Thailand f-g in EE 23/10 JWM
9390 1936 THAILAND. R.Thailand WS. ID, Eng, world nx, adverts. Fair - 8/10 BC
9445 0853 N.KOREA, VoK. Fr/gd in CC; yl spkg. A little scratchy // 7220 clrer - 29/9 CC
9445 1930 INDIA. AIR (DEL). Eng, id, news, songs. Fair- 29/10 BC
9455 0400 AUSTRIA, AWR (MOS). Excellent in Turkish - 16/9 BDW
9500 1940 ROMANIA. RRI. VG in Romanian. 18/10. IC
9505 0330 AUSTRIA, AWR (MOS). Excellent in Farsi - 17/9 BDW
9505 0340 AUSTRIA, AWR via MOS. Good in Persian. 28/9. IC
9505 0344 AUSTRIA, AWR (MOS). Good in Farsi - 16/9 BDW
9515 0340 TURKEY, Rad.Turkey, gd in EE with clear ID, 22/10, PP
9555 1617 UAE, RFA. Good in Uighur; om & yl speaking // 9975 weaker - 8/10 CC
9565 2125 USA, Rad.Marti, fair/gd in SS, 8/10, PP
9600 1434 ROMANIA, RRI. Very good in German, // 11910 good - 4/10 BDW
9600 1700 S.AFRICA, AWR (MEY). Fair in Kiswahili - 16/9 BDW
9635 1905 GERMANY Bible Voice f in EE 23/10 JWM
9635 1910 GREECE, Foni Tis Heladas. Greek songs. Fair - 13/10 BC
9645 1939 JAPAN, R.Japan NHK World. ID, Eng, news, places to visit. Good - 13/10 BC
9645.40618 BRAZIL R Bandeirantes f in PP, p-f on BOG 1/10 JWC
9660 0728 BRAZIL, Rad.Voz Missionaria, ID 0732, fair/gd in PP, 9/10, PP
9665 0625 BRAZIL Voz Missionaria f in PP, same on BOG 1/10 JWC
9724.90626 BRAZIL RB2 Clube Paranaense, tent., f-g in PP; same on BOG. 1/10 JWC
9724.90835 BRAZIL, Rad.Clube Paranaense, gd in PP, 21/10.PP
9740 1155 THAILAND, BBC. Gd in EE; yl speaking. ID 1200. A little scratchy - 16/10 CC
9750 0830 JAPAN, Rad.Japan, gd in JJ, 21/10,PP
9818.80632 BRAZIL R Aparecida, tent., f in PP 1/10 JWC
9819.20446 BRAZIL, Rad.Aparecida, fair in PP, 3/10, PP
9835 2045 MALAYSIA, R.T.V. Malaysia, gd in Malay, mostly religious chanting, 8/10, PP
9860 0700 UK. KBS World via WOF. Fair in Korean. 26/9. IC
9860 0701 ENGLAND, Korean Broadcasting Service, gd in KK, 9/10, PP
9875 0815 N.KOREA,VoK, fair in RR, 21/10,PP
9940 1848 MOLDOVA TWR Africa, g in Tigrinya, ending with sig tune 1900. 23/10 JWM
9955 0431 USA, Rad.Slovakia via WRMI, f/gd in SS, 5/10, PP
9975 1817 N.MARIANAS, RFA (SAI). Very good in KK, // 11830 (TIN) vg - 14/9 BDW
11115 0904 JAPAN, R.J. Fr/good in JJ; om spkg. A little scratchy // 9750 same - 29/9 CC
11600 0300 TAIWAN, Sound of Hope,Poor in CC, 5/10, PP
11600 2015 MOLDOVA. Denge Kurdistane . Good in Kurdish via KCH. 27/9. IC
11620 0230 INDIA, AIR (BGL): yl & om talking in Urdu, plus songs. Good - 7/10 BC
11620 0240 INDIA, AIR fair in Urdu – KAB 19/10

11625 0655 VATICAN Vatican Radio African Service f in EE 1/10 JWC
11625 2007 MADAGASCAR, Vatican R. Eng, ID, S.Afr svc. Fair - 9/10 BC
11680 0752 N.KOREA, KCBS, with mx, gd in KK, 9/10, PP
11700 2030 BULGARIA. R Biafra via SOF. Only audible after RFI off at 2030utc. 27/9. IC
11710.5 0423 ARGENTINA, RAE, constant mx with intermittent axmnts, gd in EE, 4/10, PP
11770 0705 ASCENSION BBC f-g in EE (same on BOG) 1/10 JWC
11770 0750 ASCENSION ISL, BBC, gd in EE, 9/10, PP
11780 0435 BRAZIL, Rad.Nat.Brasilia, with mx, gd in PP, 4/10, PP
11790 0745 JAPAN, Rad.Japan, gd in JJ, 9/10, PP
11800 0238 ROMANIA, RRI fair in Spanish – KAB 19/10
11825 0342 ROMANIA, RRI (TIG). ID, Eng, 'Letter Box'. Good - 11/10 BC
11950 1300 ROMANIA. RRI. Poor in Romanian. 18/10. IC
11995 2037 FRANCE, RFI, gd in FF, 10/10, PP
12025 1815 INDIA, AIR, v/gd in Malayalam, 22/10, PP
12030 0446 IRAN, VOIRI, v/gd in Hebrew, close at 0450, 4/10, PP
12035 0615 FRANCE, AWR, gd in FF, 20/10, PP
12060 1957 FRANCE, Rad.Algerienne, gd in AA/FF,10/10, PP
12075 1955 BULGARIA, Sofia, Overcomer Min, gd in EE, religious, 10/10, PP
12095 1950 UAE, Dubai, BBC, gd in AA, close at 2000, 10/10, PP
12190 0925 TAIWAN, Sound of Hope, gd in CC, 9/10, PP
13650 0815 JAPAN, Rad.Japan, v/gd in JJ, 9/10, PP
13695 0740 FRANCE. RFI. Good in French. 13/10. IC
13760 0920 N.KOREA, VoK, gd in Russian, 9/10, PP
13765 2030 VATICAN. Radio Vaticana. VG in French. 20/10. IC
13860 0232 THAILAND, Rad.Farda, gd in Farsi, 22/10, PP
15090 0558 KUWAIT, Rad.Free Afghanistan, fair in Dari, 8/10, PP
15105 0645 ASCENSION ISL. BBC. Fair in English. 4/10. IC
15120 0253 INDIA, AIR good in Zambian, off at 0300 – KAB
15150 1630 AUSTRIA, AWR (MOS), Excellent in Hausa - 16/9 BDW
15155 0515 KUWAIT, VOA, in Tibetan, fair, severe interf.from CNR1, Firedrake.14/10, PP
15195 0434 JAPAN, Rad.Japan, v/gd in JJ, // 17810 same, 8/10, PP
15210 0520 INDIA, AIR, gd in AA, close at 0530, 14/10, PP
15240 0302 AUSTRALIA, R Australia good in English with news – KAB 19/10
15290 0805 FRANCE, Rad.Japan, gd in JJ, 9/10, PP
15300 0807 FRANCE, RFI, v/gd in FF, 9/10, PP
15320 2243 GUAM, AWR (KSDA) (tentative); in Javanese (?) Fair - 5/10 BC
15320 2244 GUAM, AWR (KSDA). Fair in Javanese - 16/9 BDW
15345 2330 ARGENTINA, R Argentina good in SS w/talk & mx. 2338 ID & off – KAB 7/10
15440 0750 FRANCE. Manara Radio. via ISS. Good in Hausa. 12/10. IC
15445 0535 CHINA CRI, gd in RR, 14/10, PP
15450 0830 PHILIPPINES. FEBC. Good in Iba. 12/10. IC
15455 0805 FRANCE. RFI. VG in Mandingo. 12/10. IC
15470 0141 PHILIPPINES, Vatican Radio, poor in EE, 13/10, PP
15500 0306 SRI LANKA, AWR (TRM). Fair in Oromo - 17/9 BDW
15500 0310 USA, AWR poor in presumed Oromo (Ethiopia) – KAB 19/10
15590 0021 THAILAND, Rad.Thailand, gd in EE, 8/10, PP
15615 0412 N.MARIANA ISLS, R.Free Asia, fair in CC, 5/10, PP
17690 0459 THAILAND, R.Azadi. Poor/Fair in Dari // 15090 same - 10/10 KB
17735 0456 THAILAND, VOA, gd in Tibetan, close at 0500, 8/10, PP
17760 2225 AUSTRALIA, RBA. Fair in Japanese after I/S & EE ID- 7/10 KB

17800 0733 FRANCE DW p-f in EE, current affairs 23/10 JWM
 17870 0230 SINGAPORE, BBC. Poor/fair in Hindi // 15510 same // 13580 Gd - 20/10 KB
 21610 1859 USA, WHRI. Fair in English relg - 19/10 KB

Overseas Contributions

9355 1500 TAJIKISTAN, RFA in Tibetan via Dushanbe. Fair strength, clear opening axmnt in English and then mixed with the CNR blocker signal. 2/10 SMF
 9730 0555 MYANMAR, Myanmar RTV Vg in Burmese with pops and talk 25/10 SMF
 9940 1015 INDIA, AIR Delhi in Urdu. Good with talk and mx //11620 also good but mixed with CRI 3/10 SMF
 12010 0316 PHILIPPINES, R Pilipinas Excellent in EE with talk and mx. // freqs also excellent 15640 and 17820 25/10 SMF
 12035 0915 MONGOLIA, V of Monglia in EE – good. 3/10 SMF
 13800 1210 SOMALIA, R Puntland 1 fair but noisy in Somali. 25/10 SMF
 15580 1605 BOTSWANA, VOA weak but clear in EE through another carrier 25/10 SMF

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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.

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
0021	15590g	Radio Thailand	THAILAND	8/10	PP
0141	15470p	Vatican Radio	VATICAN CITY	13/10	PP
0302	15240g	Radio Australia	AUSTRALIA	KAB	19/10
0340	9515g	Radio Turkey	TURKEY	22/10	PP
0342	11825g	RRI	ROMANIA	11/10	BC
0423	11710.5g	RAE	ARGENTINA	4/10	PP
0425	7730f	Radio Miami Int	USA	5/10	PP
0618	6000	R Havana	CUBA	9/10	BC
0645	15105f	BBC	UK	4/10	IC
0655	11625f	Vatican Radio	VATICAN CITY	1/10	JWC
0705	11770g	BBC	UK	1/10	JWC
0733	17800f	DW	GERMANY	23/10	JWM
0750	11770g	BBC	UK	9/10	PP
0759	7780f	WRMI	USA	2/10	KB
0800	7425e	RNZI	NZ	9/10	PP
0805	4910g	ABC	AUSTRALIA	14/10	PP
0815	4840f	WWCR	USA	9/10	PP
0845	3215f	WWCR	USA	9/10	PP
1124	7445g:11600e	R Taiwan Int	TAIWAN	16/10	CC
1155-1200	9740g	BBC	UK	16/10	CC
1602	4930f:15580	VOA	USA	25/10	SMF
1635	2325	VL8T	AUSTRALIA	15/10	BC
1700	7420g	CRI	CHINA	30/9	IC
1715	6060e	CRI	CHINA	22/10	SMF
1821	6130f	Bible Voice	AUSTRALIA	23/10	JWM
1825	6080f	VOA	USA	23/10	JWM
1839	7290f	IRRS	ITALY	23/10	JWM
1859	21610f	WHRI	USA	19/10	KB
1905	9635f	Bible Voice	AUSTRALIA	23/10	JWM
1910	9390g	Radio Thailand	THAILAND	23/10	JWM
1930	9445f	AIR	INDIA	29/10	BC
1936	9390f	Radio Thailand	THAILAND	8/10	BC
1939	9645g	Radio Japan	JAPAN	13/10	BC
1950	7295g	CRI	CHINA	23/10	PP
1955	9275f	WMLK	USA	28/9	IC
1955	12075g	Overcomer Ministry	?	10/10	PP
2005	6195p:4930	VOA	USA	1/9	BCM
2007	11625f	Vatican Radio	VATICAN CITY	9/10	BC

SHORTWAVE REPORT

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U.K.(non) New schedule of BBC in Farsi from Sept.21.

Added

0430-0530 on 9860 DHA 250 kW / 045 deg to WeAs

0430-0530 on 11895 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg to WeAs

0430-0530 on 15310 TAC 100 kW / 236 deg to WeAs

1600-1700 on 6195 TAC 100 kW / 236 deg to WeAs

1600-1700 on 11685 NAK 100 kW / 290 deg to WeAs

Deleted

0230-0330 on 7325 DHA 250 kW / 045 deg to WeAs

0230-0330 on 9860 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg to WeAs

0230-0330 on 11895 TAC 100 kW / 236 deg to WeAs

0230-0330 on 17790 NAK 250 kW / 305 deg to WeAs

0330-0430 on 9860 DHA 250 kW / 045 deg to WeAs

0330-0430 on 11895 SLA 250 kW / 340 deg to WeAs

0330-0430 on 13825 TAC 100 kW / 236 deg to WeAs

1500-1600 on 6195 TAC 100 kW / 236 deg to WeAs

1500-1600 on 15310 NAK 100 kW / 300 deg to WeAs

ZAMBIA Updated schedule of KVOH Voice of Hope Zambia Lusaka, Oct.1

0500-0800 on 9680 LUS 100 kW / non-dir to SoAf English Mon-Fri tx#1

0500-0800 on 11680 LUS 100 kW / 315 deg to WeAf English Mon-Fri tx#2

1200-1700 on 9680 LUS 100 kW / non-dir to SoAf English Sat/Sun tx#1

1200-1700 on 13680 LUS 100 kW / 315 deg to WeAf English Sat/Sun tx#2

ARGENTINA Updated SW schedule of RAE Argentina to the World from Oct.6:

1000-1100 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 335 deg to EaAs Chinese

1100-1200 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 335 deg to EaAs Japanese

1200-1300 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 335 deg to SoAm Portuguese

1300-1400 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 335 deg to NoAm Spanish, ex 1300-1500

1700-1800 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 035 deg to WeEu German, deleted

1800-1900 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 035 deg to WeEu English

1900-2000 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 035 deg to WeEu Italian

2000-2100 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 035 deg to WeEu French

2100-2200 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 035 deg to WeEu German

2200-2300 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 035 deg to WeEu Spanish

2300-2400 on 15345vBUE 100 kW / 035 deg to WeEu Portuguese, ex Spanish

0000-0100 on 11711vBUE 100 kW / 335 deg to NoAm Spanish, ex Portuguese

0100-0200 on 11711vBUE 100 kW / 335 deg to NoAm Chinese, ex Japanese

0200-0300 on 11711vBUE 100 kW / 335 deg to NoAm French

0300-0400 on 11711vBUE 100 kW / 335 deg to NoAm English
0400-0500 on 11711vBUE 100 kW / 335 deg to EaAs Spanish, ex Chinese

RADIO FREE ASIA B16 Broadcast Frequency Schedules effective 30 October 2016 - 25 March 2017 All times and dates are Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), same as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

Burmese

0030-0130 UTC 12115 15700 17510
1230-1400 UTC 11795 12105 13735
1400-1430 UTC 11795 12105

Cantonese

1400-1500 UTC: FNP*

Khmer

1230-1330 UTC 11750
2230-2330 UTC 11850

Korean

1500-1700 UTC 1188 5885 7210 9985
1700-1900 UTC 1188 5885 9985
2100-2200 UTC 7460 9860 9985

Lao

0000-0100 UTC 13685
1100-1200 UTC 13685

Mandarin

0300-0500 UTC 11980 15340 17660
0500-0700 UTC 11980 15340 17660 21700
1500-1600 UTC 7415 9790 9850
1600-1700 UTC 6120 7415 9455
1700-1900 UTC 7415 9455 9860
1900-2000 UTC 1098 5965 7415 9455 9860
2000-2100 UTC 1098 5965 7415 7445 9455 9590
2100-2200 UTC 1098 7415 9410 9455
2300-2400 UTC 9825 9900 11775

Tibetan

0100-0200 UTC 9670 11695 13795 15270 17750
0200-0300 UTC 9455 9670 11695 17525 17750
0600-0700 UTC 17675 17815 21480 21680
1000-1100 UTC 9690 15665 17830
1100-1200 UTC 7470 9940 11550
1200-1300 UTC 7470 9940 11555 12055 15375
1300-1400 UTC 7470 9940 12050 13650 15375
1500-1600 UTC 5875 9940 11660 11805
2200-2300 UTC 7470 7480 9890
2300-2400 UTC 5905 7470 7540 9535

Uyghur

0100-0200 UTC 7480 9450 9700 9740 13705
1600-1700 UTC 7545 7565 11720 11800

Vietnamese

1400-1430 UTC 1503 11850 13735
1430-1500 UTC 11850 13735 * Frequency Not Promoted

ROMANIA B16 RRO Winter B-16 schedule of Radio Romania International, 30 Oct 2016 -
26 March 2017

ARABIC

0730-0756 9610G 11660G 15330T 17810T
1300-1326 9610T 11945G 15400T 15460G 17810T
1630-1656 9585T 9610G 11760T 11975G

AROMANIAN

1530-1556 5955S
1730-1756 5955S
1930-1956 5955S

CHINESE

0500-0526 15220T 13730T-DRM
1330-1356 9610T 11825T

ENGLISH

0100-0156 5960G 7325G
0400-0456 6020G 7340G 11790G 13730T
0630-0656 7345T 9770G-DRM 15450T-DRM 17780G
1200-1256 13580T 15150G 15460T 17765G
1800-1856 5935T 7350T-DRM
2130-2156 6030G-DRM 6170T 7310T 7375G
2300-2356 6015G 7220G 7325T 9620T

FRENCH

0200-0256 5960G 7410G
0600-0626 6040G-DRM 7360G 9770T 11790T
1100-1156 15255G 15430T 17640T 17870G
1700-1756 5935T-DRM 7230T
2100-2126 6030G-DRM 7375G

GERMAN

0700-0726 7345T 9770T-DRM
1500-1556 6040T 7330T
1900-1956 5910T 7425T-DRM

ITALIAN

1500-1526 5955S
1700-1726 5955S
1900-1926 5955S-DRM

ROMANIAN

0100-0256 5910T 7340T
0500-0556 6145G 7220G
0800-0856 15370T 15430G Suns only "Curierul romanesc"
17850G 17860T
0900-0956 15380G 15430T Suns only "Curierul romanesc"
17745G 17775T
1000-1056 15260G 15430T Suns only "Curierul romanesc"
17640T 17870G
1300-1356 9880S Saftica transmission opens earlier
1400-1556 11975G 15310G
1700-1756 7375G 9790G
1800-2056 5990G 7375G

RUSSIAN

0530-0556 5940T-DRM 7330T

1400-1456 9880T 11985T
1600-1626 6030T-DRM 9800T

SERBIAN

1630-1656 5955S
1830-1856 5955S
2030-2056 6030S

SPANISH

0000-0056 7335G 9610G 11800T 13730T
0300-0356 7345G 9480G 11800T 13730T
2000-2056 7235T 9610T
2200-2256 11800T 13730T

UKRAINIAN

1600-1626 5955S
1800-1826 5955S
2000-2026 6030S

G=Galbeni 2 x 300 kW, T = Tsiganeshti 3 x 300 kW; DRM Mode 90 kW.
Surrounding countries S=Saftica 1 x 100 kW, DRM mode 40 kW (Wolfgang
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PHILLIPINES Winter B-16 shortwave schedule of Radio Pilipinas PBS
0200-0330 on 15640 PHT 250 kW / 270 deg to N&ME English/Tagalog
0200-0330 on 17700 PHT 250 kW / 283 deg to N&ME English/Tagalog
0200-0330 on 17820 PHT 250 kW / 270 deg to N&ME English/Tagalog
1730-1930 on 9925 PHT 250 kW / 283 deg to N&ME Tagalog/English
1730-1930 on 12120 PHT 250 kW / 283 deg to N&ME Tagalog/English
1730-1930 on 15190 PHT 250 kW / 283 deg to N&ME Tagalog/English

MADAGASCAR Winter B-16 of WCB KNLS Madagascar World Voice:

1800-1900 on 9570 MWV 100 kW / 355 deg to EaEu Russian tx#1
1800-1900 on 17640 MWV 100 kW / 310 deg to WeAf English tx#2
1900-2000 on 9495 MWV 100 kW / 355 deg to EaEu Russian tx#2
1900-2000 on 11945 MWV 100 kW / 355 deg to N/ME Arabic tx#1
2000-2100 on 13710 MWV 100 kW / 355 deg to N/ME Arabic tx#1
2000-2100 on 17640 MWV 100 kW / 295 deg to CeAf English tx#2
2100-2200 on 11610 MWV 100 kW / 325 deg to WeEu Chinese tx#1
2200-2300 on 9535 MWV 100 kW / 055 deg to EaAs Chinese tx#2
2200-2300 on 11770 MWV 100 kW / 325 deg to NoAf Arabic tx#1
0100-0200 on 9600 MWV 100 kW / 040 deg to SoAs English tx#1
0200-0300 on 7390 MWV 100 kW / 250 deg to SoAm Spanish tx#1
0300-0400 on 7390 MWV 100 kW / 265 deg to SoAm Spanish tx#1
0300-0400 on 15670 MWV 100 kW / 040 deg to SoAs English tx#2
0400-0500 on 11825 MWV 100 kW / 295 deg to CeAf English tx#1
0400-0500 on 17570 MWV 100 kW / 055 deg to EaAs Chinese tx#2

SOMALIA Radio Puntland One has verified Timm Breyel of Kuala Lumpur and has sent the following message: Puntland Radio One is back on air. In the course of correspondence Mr Jamal, Director General of Puntland TV/Radio, Garowe, Puntland, Somalia, informed Timm that their transmitter had been “off and not working” due to “Technical problem” for much of 2015 up until July 2016. He further requested that Timm listens to their transmission on 13.800 kHz. Mr. Jamal stated their transmission time is “from 6:30am to 9:00am East Africa Time (03.30 till 06.00 UTC) and from 1:00PM to 7:00PM East Africa Time (10.00 till 16.00 UTC).”

It should be audible in New Zealand at the later time. (Added by Chief Editor)

NEW ZEALAND Radio New Zealand International - hot off the press from Adrian Sainsbury

Time UTC	Time NZDT	Freq Khz	Mode	NZ Days	Primary Target
1259 - 1650	0159 - 0550	9700	AM	Daily	Pacific
1651 - 1745	0551 - 0645	7330	DRM	Mon-Sat	Cook Islands, Tonga, Samoa
1746 - 1950	0646 - 0850	11690	DRM	Mon-Sat	Pacific
1950 - 2050	0851 - 0950	15720	DRM	Mon-Sat	Pacific
2051 - 2258	0951 - 1158	15720	AM	Daily	Pacific
2259 - 0258	1159 - 1558	17675	AM	Daily	Pacific
0259 - 0458	1559 - 1758	15720	AM	Daily	Pacific
0459 - 0758	1759 - 2058	11725	AM	Daily	Pacific
0759 - 1058	2059 - 2358	9765	AM	Daily	Pacific
1059 - 1258	2359 - 0158	11610	AM	Daily	NW Pacific, PNG

Time UTC	Time NZDT	Freq Khz	Mode	NZ Days	Primary Target
1259 - 1650	0159 - 0550	9700	AM	Sunday	Pacific
1651 - 1758	0551 - 0658	9700	AM	Sunday	Pacific
1759 - 1958	0659 - 0858	11725	AM	Sunday	Pacific
1959 - 2258	0859 - 1158	15720	AM	Sunday	Pacific
2259 - 0258	1159 - 1558	17675	AM	Sunday	Pacific
0259 - 0458	1559 - 1758	15720	AM	Sunday	Pacific
0459 - 0758	1759 - 2058	11725	AM	Sunday	Pacific
0759 - 1058	2059 - 2358	9765	AM	Sunday	Pacific
1059 - 1258	2359 - 0158	11610	AM	Sunday	NW Pacific, PNG



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BRAZIL

Reception of five Brazilian stations in 31mb, Oct.14

Radio RB2 relay Radio Aparecida from 0558 on 9724.9 CUR 010 kW / 020 deg to BRA Portuguese

Radio 9 de Julho relay Radio Aparecida from 0602 on 9819.7 SA4 010 kW / non-dir to BRA Portuguese

SRDA Super Radio Deus e Amor from 0605 on 9565.0 CUR 020 kW / 045 deg to BRA Portuguese

Radio Voz Missionaria from 0607 on 9664.9 CAB 010 kW / 030 deg to BRA Portuguese

Radio Aparecida from 0611 on 9630.0 APA 010 kW / 060 deg to BRA

(via swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10)

ECUADOR

6050, HCJB, Pichincha, 0453-0500*, 16-10, music, English, comments, anthem, time signals at 0500, identification: "HCJB", close. 24322. Via HCDX Méndez)

GERMANY

5920, HCJB Germany, Weenermoor, 0642-0653, 21-10, German, religious comments. 24322. (Méndez)

7365, HCJB Germany, Weenermoor, 0739-0746, 22-10, German, religious comments and songs. 24322. (Méndez)

6150, Europa 24, DatleIn, 0702-0720, 22-10, German, news, identification: "Europa 24", pop music. 24322. (Méndez)

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

Kyrgyz Radio, Radio Birinchi, Bishkek Krasnaya Rechka noted on 4009.839 and 4819.919 kHz around 1705 UT on Oct 20. Kyrgyz language program, male and female phone-in, - though NOT MUCH MODULATED - both S=9+25 dB signal carrier-wise, noted on remote Moscow Russia unit.(via HCDX Wolfgang Bueschel) [Noted here in Tauranga around 1700/1800hrs with slightly improved modulation. Editor]

Nothing heard around TWR Afghanistan channel Bishkek Krasnaya Rechka on v5130 kHz after 1700 UTC, their religious Radyo Sadaye Zindagi program bcast is irregularly, at least not every day on air.(via HCDX Wolfgang Bueschel)

LIBERIA

6050, ELWA Radio, Monrovia, *0527-0610, 16-10, English, religious comments and songs. 14321. (via HCDX Méndez)

MALI

5995, Radio Mali, Bamako, *0556-0610, 16-10, tuning music, anthem, more tuning music, French, identification: "Ici Radio Mali, émettant du Bamako sur la bande de 49 m. 5995 kHz.-, comments, African songs. 24322.. Via HCDX (Méndez)

MYANMAR

5985 Fair to good signal of Myanmar Radio, Oct.13:till 1530 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg to SEAs
Burmese from 1530 on 5985 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg to SEAs

(via swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10)

7199.999 kHz Myanmar Radio from Yegu Yangoon former capital site,S=9 or -73dBm at 1510 UT Oct 14 here in southern Germany. Female Burmese language presenter, endless speech, but at 1517 UT local South East Asian mx played, TX off suddenly midst on mx at 1520 UT. (via HCDX Wolfgang Bueschel)

SOMALIA (Puntland)

Puntland Radio One is back on air. In a series of emails from Mr. Jamal, Director General of Puntland TV/Radio Garowe Puntland Somalia, I received not only confirmation of their test transmission in April 2015 but for 24 October 2016 as well. In the course of our correspondence he informed me that their transmitter had been "off and not working" due to "Technical problem" for much of 2015 up until July 2016. He further requested I listen to their transmission on 13.800 kHz. Mr. Jamal stated their transmission time is "from 6:30AM to 9:00Am East Africa Time (03.30 till 06.00 UTC) and from 1:00PM to 7:00PM East Africa Time (10.00 till 16.00 UTC)." (via South East Asia DXing, posted by T.L. Breyel)

I reported them on 25 October and sent the email to puntlandradio1@gmail.com. i got an almost immediate reply: My Name is Jamal Arab, I am Director General of Puntland TV/ Radio, truly we appreciated to share with me this report reception and welcome for your communication. Thanks in advance, Jamal

... so it is worth reporting them. Hopefully a verification will happen! (Chief Editor)



Images of Radio Puntland 1 antenna and TV satellite receiving dishes c/o Mr Jamal (above)

BROADCAST NEWS

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**STEVEN SAMPLES LITTLE PIGEON BAY IN SEARCH OF NEW DX PARADISE
CHINESE & HONG KONG MW UPDATES FROM BRYAN**

ALBANIA TWR Europe will cease medium wave broadcasting via the high-power **1395** transmitter at Filake on 1 January 2017. (Wolfgang Bueschel WWDXC via NRC)

BANGLADESH Bangladesh Betar continues to test a new 100kw transmitter on **819** at the Dhaka D site. First reported in April and noted on 10 October by UK DXer John Faulkner. Thanks to Mauno Ritola for background detail. (via Real DX Yahoo Group)

CANADA

- 540 CBXQ Ucluelet BC off the air soon, if not already, now that CBXZ-1-FM is on the air, leaving CBKO-540 in Coal Harbour, near the North end of Vancouver Island, a possibility on the West Coast and points West. Elsewhere, CBYW in Wells, SE of Prince George, is the only other remaining LPRT on 540 in BC, and worth a try anytime CBK is off the air.
- 610 CKYL Peace River AB has applied to shut down their AM transmitter and increase their current simulcast FM transmitter's power and tower height. This Winters DX Season could be the last chance to hear them on 610.
- 740 CBNZ Nain NL, the last remaining AM station in Labrador, the mainland portion of the Province of Newfoundland, has been granted a move to FM.
- 1210 VOAR Mount Pearl NL has applied to switch the station to FM, with a 6 month simulcast period before shutting down the AM (all above: Jon Pearkins via IRCA)

The new Montreal station on **940** has begun testing. The calls are CFNV. 50kw as before, although many suspect that they are not up to full power yet. The same company was also to bring 600 AM back to the air. Nothing heard yet on that frequency and the deadline to get this station on air is 9 November (21 November for 940). (Canadian DXer "awr" 27/10 via Glenn Hauser's DXLD Yahoo Group)

CHINA English language stations are heard in Beijing on 846, 1008 and 1251kHz. Latter is CRI's EZ-FM. All 3 channels simulcast CRI's EE news at 1400 UTC. (Bryan Clark 10/16) The high-powered MW transmitter at Dongfang, Hainan Island on **684** provides solid signals into Singapore, over 2000km away. Noted with steady clear signals at 2035 local time (1235 UTC) with CRI English. A short 'Lets Learn Chinese' segment is aired daily at 1255 UTC. On past visits to Singapore, there has been a Radio France Internationale relay at 1300 but this is no longer heard. At 1300, the familiar CRI interval signal is followed by identification in Chinese, then suspected Cambodian or Vietnamese. Latter is listed but prgm not same as listed CRI Viet freqs. Closed 1456, when Indian music became clearly audible (suggesting AIR Port Blair is back on air) through the open carrier till 1500 when CRI tuning signal and CC ident related, followed by Thai or Viet sign-on 20/10. (Bryan Clark 10/16)

COLOMBIA 1190 Radio Cordillera on **1189.989** this morning, slightly lower than the listed

offset. (John Faulkner UK 5/10 via MW Offsets Yahoo Group) Andrew Brade notes that Cordillera carries the religious 'La Voz de la Liberación' programme from 0400 UTC. (via Real DX Yahoo Group)

FRANCE Radio Maria France will cease transmissions on **1467** (Monaco) on 1 January 2017. They continue on FM and DAB. (Christian Ghiboudo, mediumwave.info via NRC)

HONG KONG All listed AM stations were confirmed during a visit in early October.

- 567 RTHK3 identifying as "Radio 3" in EE . Transmitter is at Golden Hill Sha Tin. At our Sha Tin hotel there was a bad het on the low side of 567 during the day but this was absent at night.
- 621 RTHK Putonghua Channel from Sha Tin strong. Putonghua is the official language of China, based on the Beijing Mandarin dialect.
- 675 RTHK6 aka BBC World Service relay. Unlike Singapore and Auckland relays, no local identifications are carried. Evening reception at Sha Tin was only fair due co-channel QRM.
- 783 RTHK5 strong in Cantonese & Mandarin.
- 864 AM 8-6-4, vgd w/EE commercial prgms, plus Filipino hrd on Friday night. Hong Kong Commercial Radio.
- 1044 Metro Plus in EE w/ idents as "AM 10-44" and "The Plus". Filipino carried in the afternoon.
- 1584 RTHK3 low-powered relay of 567 barely audible in Hong Kong Central, about 8km from transmitter site. Was inaudible at Sha Tin.

Numerous other daytime Chinese-language stations were audible during the day in Hong Kong - the strongest on 702, 756, 927, 981, 1062 and 1215. Thanks to Alan Davies' excellent Asiawaves website, I have determined that these are from cities in the neighbouring Guangdong Province of China - Shenzhen and Zhuhai are only 17 and 63 km respectively from Hong Kong. (Bryan Clark 10/16)

LIBYA has been heard by Wolfgang Bueschel with strong signals on **677.497** kHz on 22 October. (via WWDXC Top News email)

MEXICO XEVOZ **1590** from Mexico DF now identifies as Arroba 15-90. According to Wikipedia, the "La Mexicana" slogan was dropped in mid-2016. (Fredrik Douren via Real DX Yahoo Group)

NICARAGUA 800 Radio 800, Managua. At 1038 on 3 October, classical instrumental segued to "Creo en Dios" by Tony Croatto, then live male ID, "50,000 watts de potencia... buenos dias, buenos dias, buenos dias." Sounding very much like a sign-on though not listed as so in this hour. Able to hear parallel web stream, the best and safest is: http://es.streema.com/radios/Radio_800_AM_Managua (Terry Krueger FL via DXLD)

VENEZUELA American DXer Bill Whitacre heard Radio San Sebastian on **960** on 14 October. Finnish DXer Timo Klimoff says he has heard Radio San Sebastian 960 with a very nice signal several times this year and suspects they've done something to their transmitter or antenna. (via Real DX Yahoo Group)

USA (info from IRCA's "DX Monitor bulletin")

- 660 KWVE Oildale, CA drops religious teaching format, now ethnic, with slogan "KWVE Radio Punjab".
- 740 KRMG Tulsa, OK slogan: "Tulsa's News, Weather and Traffic Authority".
- 790 KEJY Eureka, CA format now travel information, slogan: "Destination Radio"
- 1040 KURS San Diego, CA now silent.

- 1110 WVJP Caguas, PR new slogan: "Radio Caguas 9/1/16"
- 1340 KYNS San Luis Obispo, CA now modern rock, new slogan: "Alt 93.7"
- 1390 KZZD Salem, OR has change of call to KZGD.
- 1450 KTZR Tucson, AZ was Spanish adult hits, now talk, new slogan "The Talk Of Tucson".
- 1460 KBRZ Missouri City, TX format was ethnic, now Spanish Contemporary Christian, New slogan: "Radio Aleluya"
- 1470 WTOD Toledo, OH has new callsign WLQR.
- 1540 KZMP University Park, TX was Spanish sports, now Mexican, slogan "La Ranchera 106.7"
- 1550 KQNM Albuquerque, NM was silent, now Immaculate Heart religious teaching.
- 1580 KHEP Tempe AZ ex-KMIK noted back on the air 13/10 after being silent for one full year. IDing as "1580 AM KHEP Tempe, Arizona," relig. format. (John Johnson-AZ)
- 1600 KIVA Albuquerque, NM has new slogan: "Fox News ABQ.FM".

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

- 580 WIBW Topeka KS slogan changed to "FM News 104.9."
- 620 WDAE Saint Petersburg FL now carries ESPN and Fox Sports Radio.
- 660 KGSV Oakdale CA w/"Radio Punjab" new format. Call change from KWVE?
- 790 WAXY South Miami FL applies to extend STA, U4 25kw day & night due to Cuban QRM.
- 850 KEYH Houston TX slogan now "La Ranchera 101.7."
- 890 KMJE Olivehurst CA has told the FCC it will go D3 10kw, ie: silent at night, pending CP to move night operations to the day site; not silent days.
- 970 KBUL Billings MT slogan changed to "NewsTalk 95.5."
- 1090 KAAV Little Rock AR continues STA extension w/50kw days, 12.5kw nights U1.
- 1240 WFWN Fort Myers FL call change to WFSX on 17 October.
- 1270 KBZZ Sparks NV applies to extend STA, U1 13kw days, 1.25kw nights.
- 1300 KKOL Seattle WA applies to extend STA, U4 25kw days, 30kw nights.
- 1300 KCMY Carson City NV slogan & Group to // Cowboy Country is Real Country.
- 1330 KMBI Spokane WA changed callsign to KYOZ on 11 October.
- 1340 KWLE Anacortes WA slogan & Group to // The Whale.
- 1340 KYNS San Luis Obispo CA format is now AOR, slogan "Alt 93.7".
- 1350 WZKO Fort Myers FL format now UC:AC, slogan "1350/107.5 Jamz."
- 1470 KUTY Palmdale CA applies to extend STA, U1 1.25kw day & night.
- 1480 KNTB Lakewood WA returned to the air around 10 October.
- 1550 KXEX Fresno CA slogan to "Radio Guadalupe, La Misionera." (Wayne Heinen)
- 1580 KHEP Tempe AZ granted STA with U1 50kw das, 12.5kw nights. (ex KMIK BC)
- 1580 KHEP Tempe AZ silent since 14 Oct. 2014, back on the air 13 Oct. with STA.
- 1590 KTLI Netarts OR slogans now "True Oldies" and "K-Til."
- 1670 KQMS Redding CA legal ident as "KQMS Redding-Shasta Lake City, K289BT Anderson". (John Wilkins CO)

USA KGBT, Harlingen TX heard on **1530** with clear, "Escucha Amor Celestial" identification at 1015 ET. Oddly, not parallel their stream, songs not even matching if taking into account an extreme delay, though same format otherwise. Still Univision owned, but not the Spanish Talk "Univision America" format in the NRC AM Log, instead now "Amor Celestial" with this format. Wonder if they are running their day power and pattern at night? (Terry Krueger FL via DXLD)

US CATHOLIC NETWORKS MERGE The two largest Catholic radio operators in the country are merging. Loomis California-based Immaculate Heart Radio and Green Bay Wisconsin-based Relevant Radio will combine to become Immaculate Heart Media d/b/a

Relevant Radio. Immaculate Heart brings 19 stations across six western states including 930 KHJ Los Angeles and 1260 KSFB San Francisco. Relevant also has 19 stations scattered across ten states including 1430 WNSW New York, 950 WNTB Chicago, 640 WWJZ Philadelphia, and 1330 WLOL Minneapolis. Both groups create programming that is heard on additional Catholic stations nationwide to bring their reach to over 108 stations in 36 states. The two groups have raised \$22 million out of an intended \$30 million over three years to be put towards increasing their programming, outreach, and new media efforts. (Radio Insight via NRC 10/16)

KINGS OF THE KILOHERTZ

IAN WELLS of Mosgiel sends in a listening log for the Broadcast Trail. Reports have gone out to KXEL and KMPC. *[Thanks Ian, good to know you're keeping an ear on the DX. Haven't forgotten I need to photocopy some old WRTH pages for you! BC]*

STEVEN GREENYER of Timaru has tried out a new coastal location for DX possibilities. He writes "With Okain's Bay no longer available for rent and Lake Ellesmere noisy in the Latin aerial direction, I am keen to find another location. On 14 & 15 October I stayed at Little Pigeon Bay on Banks Peninsula. The house is the only one in the Bay and is located about 30 metres from the beach. I arrived on Friday afternoon and erected the 9 metre squid pole. While Friday night was predominantly California and Hawaiians, the strength of the signals and lack of noise was great. Saturday night was not as good but unidentified signals on frequencies that are normally very weak was promising. I have one other place to check out but am keen to return. *[Thanks for the trail Steven. Shows that MW DX is very much alive in NZ, if you just get away from the man-made noise that plagues most residential areas today. BC]*



Check close-up at right of Pigeon Bay house, with Steven's Squid Pole vertical antenna mounted on picnic table.

STUART FORSYTH, 'home alone' in Cyberjaya Malaysia has been trying late night DX in the hope of reduced local noise levels. While conditions have not been good Stuart was able to log Cambodia 918 (new country), CRI 1080 in EE, DZME 1530, RTI iLove Music 1557 from Taiwan and a mystery Indian on 657 – either All India Radio Kolkata running late or AsiaNet Radio Dubai 657. Stu writes that "DZME Manila is the first Philippines station I have heard. The secret is to listen in the morning when the Chinese are off. The bands are still extremely noisy, but it is promising." *[Thanks Stu – the next step is to reduce QRN as much as possible within your own house – the recent discussions on the DX Dialog newsgroup may be helpful. BC]*

BRYAN CLARK Mangawhai has been challenged by very unfamiliar Asian radio dials during visits to Hong Kong, Beijing, Shanghai and Singapore in October. In Shanghai, with a population exceeding 24 million, I could find no English radio on AM (and a lone CC/

EE multilingual FM station), whereas the Chinese capital Beijing had 3 AM frequencies in English operated by CRI. I spent some spare time reviewing Mangawhai DX recordings to produce a few late trail items. Listening in Singapore, I was able to positively identify signals from Vietnam, Cambodia & Thailand during a short DX session with my aging Sony ICF7600D.

BROADCAST TRAIL - September-October

- IW** Ian Wells, Dunedin Sangean ATS909 and 40 inch passive loop antenna.
SG = Steven Greenyer on DXpedition to Little Pigeon Bay, Banks Peninsula
Palstar receiver & longwire wound on 9 metre vertical.
BCM = Bryan Clark, Mangawhai WinRadio G33DDC & EWEs to Americas.
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|-------|------|---|
| 640 | 0731 | USA KFI Los Angeles CA w/news and weather, frequent Ids. 14/10 SG |
| 650 | 0814 | HAWAII KPRP Honolulu HI. "Your listening to ...most powerful .. KPRP 650 AM". Then into presumed Filipino. 14/10 SG |
| 940 | 0627 | USA KFIG Fresno CA. Adverts for Fresno Security and Mercedes Dealer, then sports talk 15/10. (Identifies as "ESPN 9-40") |
| 940 | 0820 | USA KFIG Fresno CA fairly regular with ESPN sports. IW |
| 1110 | 0803 | USA KFAB Omaha NE. ID before adverts. 14/10 SG |
| 1120 | 0659 | USA KPNW Eugene OR. Promo for Oregon State University. Prior to 'Coast to Coast AM' break out // 1170 (KFAQ) & 1190 (KEX). 14/10 SG |
| 1140 | 0646 | UNID w/religious music then M/A sounded like KABA but wrong freq? 15/10 SG [I would suspect CHRБ which carries syndicated religion around this time and often dominates 1140 here these days. BC] |
| 1160 | 0712 | PERU Onda Cero, Lima good over KSL and Fuego AM w/o "Macarena" and other Latin pops, regular idents past 0810 5/9. BCM |
| 1160 | 0759 | USA KSL Salt Lake City UT w/advts, promo for the Doug White Show, "... every weekday 9 to noon on KSL Newsradio, 102.7 FM & 11-60 AM" 5/9. BCM |
| 1240 | 0555 | HAWAII KEWE w/o contemporary Christian vocals, 'message of love'. Ident for KEWE 12-40 before the hour 8/9. BCM |
| 1300a | 0821 | UNID LATIN w/SS religious format on measured 1299.69 on 29/9. BCM |
| 1320 | 0559 | USA w/ sports talk and prgm promo "on ESPN 13-20" 8/9. BCM |
| 1420 | 0800 | USA KKEA Honolulu HI. ESPN then Id on the hour. 15/10 SG |
| 1460 | 0705 | USA KION Salinas CA. Item on 2 new Veterans cemeteries. 14/10 SG |
| 1460 | 0747 | USA KHRA Honolulu HI. F/M in KK. 14/10 SG |
| 1530 | 0642 | UNID mix of signals with KFBK & The Wireless Station, one SS talk badly distorted (FM mode?) suspected to be Radio Avivamiento in Panama, and a Latin music station w/SS "15-30 AM" ident at 0646 26/9. BCM |
| 1540 | 0613 | USA KREA Honolulu HI. EE vocals KK anncts very good. 14/10 SG |
| 1540 | 0825 | USA KMPC Los Angeles presumed strong in Korean with some EE pops, no IDs heard 27/9. IW |
| 1540 | 0722 | USA KXEL Waterloo IA briefly strong with Redeye Radio n/wk 29/9. No IDs but a verification recd within 12 hours of submitting a report on their website. IW |
| 1570 | 0619 | UNID mix of EE and SS sounded like "Radio Tamar California" 14/10 SG |
| 1570 | 0710 | MEXICO XERF regular with SS and IDs as "La Poderosa" IW |
| 1580 | 0320 | USA KBLA Los Angeles presumed, strong at times in SS w/mx 10/10 IW |
| 1620 | 0609 | CUBA Radio Rebelde w/unusual echo, out of sync Txers? 14/10 SG |
| 1640 | 0700 | USA KDIA Vallejo CA. ID, relig program, the best X bander 14/10. SG |
| 1650 | 0608 | USA KFOX Torrance CA. M/A in KK weak. 14/10 SG |
| 1670 | 0555 | USA KHPY Moreno CA, FM SS "Nueva Radio" mixed EE. 14/10 SG |
| 1680 | 0600 | USA KGED Fresno CA. ID "...California AM 1680" 14/10. SG |
| 1700 | 0748 | USA KVNS Brownsville TX way over XEPE SS w/ 'Fox Sports Radio' sports talk format, ident on the hour, mention of "105,3 The Fan" at 0808. Mexican anthem underneath at 0758 then XEPE starts sports talk too, 29/9. BCM |

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A good number of contributions this month with Graeme from Auckland making an appearance back into the Utilities. Perhaps some other members might like to have a listen for a Utility station and report, even if it is just one logging.

- 3455 0924 USA NY Flight Control (f) with call ins from aircraft poor 1/10 JWC
3485 0821 CANADA Gander R with wx for Ottawa, Gander, Toronto fair in EE 1/10 JWC
4146 0712 NZ Taupo Maritime Radio WX Chatham Islands Airport via 10km, wind 1014 knots, bar 1010 kp / hs male ann stn ids bc end . listing watch freqs 2182 4125 6215 8291 12290 16420 0714. sign / off 26/10 RP
4639 0800 USA WLO Mobile good in EE (slightly noisier on BOG) 1/10 JWC
5450 0749 UK RAF Volmet poor in EE 1/10 JWC
5764 0758 ID Signal (Un ID) over AFTVS transmission DM
6676 1110 Bangkok Volmet, Om with a British accent, example Ho Chi Minh airport, severe t-storms & heavy rain. GD
8176 2230 VMC Charleville sea conditions fair with slight fades 27/10 ABD
8636 0950 CW in Russian. Possible Russian Navy DM
8638 1102 CW Continuous repeating CX Un Id Language DM
8743.22 1205 extensive weather report in Thai until 1230 UTC. 1230 Interval signal, station ID then extensive weather forecasts in English. SDO 333 to 344. 27/10 GD
8816 0845 Male voice in Russian repeating message DM
8828 0904 Volmet "All Stations this is Honolulu Activation Forecast" DM
8828 0851 Auckland Radio aviation weather 0854 ID Auckland volmet good 27/10 ABD
8828 0855 Honolulu Radio aviation weather fair 27/10 ABD
8843 0840 Honolulu ATC calling San Francisco ATC DM
8863 0843 "Papa Alpha Romeo" Called several times no reply DM
8867 0349 Kiwi 770 called by Auckland "Where are you now ?" DM
8867 0021 Velocity 129 called Auckland re Selcal DM
8867 0024 QF 141 called Auckland with F/L DM
8867 0838 Nandi called by Un Id Flight no response DM
8867 2306 Auckland Radio working QF141 selcal ERKL GD
8867 0342 Qantas 145 to Auckland with position and flight level good 27/10 ABD
8867 0335 Qantas 164 calling Auckland for a flight level change good 27/10 ABD
8867 2128 USAF REACH 641 / AKL ADV CONINUE / MOUNT OFDATA LINK FREQ ADV TO FROM DIST RE 641 22/10 RP
8867 2122 AKL / SINGAPORE 281 SIG / MET NO 7 WX SEVERE TURB FLT LEVELS EXC 22/10/16 RP
8867 2124 TAI AIR 491 AKL RE SIG/MET RP
8903 1203 Selcal (Un Id) Tokyo Acknowledged asked Flight to ID please 89031220 Manila replied to ??199 with use Secondary 5655 DM
8903 1200 United 183 called and sent selcal to Manila. DM
8903 1230 Korean Air 641 called Manila with F/L 131 DM

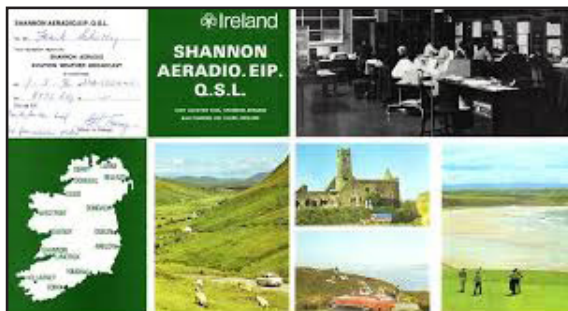
- 8903 1224 Manila Control Fe Male operator in Long Conversation with ??45 re frequencies and ID VP9AR mentioned DM
- 8903 1229 Korean Air 021 called Manila DM
- 8903 0748 Philippine 433 called Tokyo DM
- 8903 0750 Virgin 351 called by Manila re F/L DM
- 8903 0752 Philippine 449 called Tokyo DM
- 8903 1054 Manila Radio working United 190. GD
- 8911 1209 Female voice in Chinese with Military messages repeated DM
- 8957 0601 IRELAND Shannon Volmet with Amsterdam wx fair in EE (same on BOG) 1/10 JWC
- 8992 1215 USAF Phone Patch to Elemdoff DM
- 9064 0604 RUSSIA E07 (tent.) numbers station very good in EE (same on BOG) 1/10 JWC
- 11464 0639 RUSSIA E07 (tent.) numbers station good in EE (f-g on BOG) 1/10 JWC
- 12356 0905 ZLM Taupo Maritime Radio Gale warnings, sea conditions good 0925 ID with frequencies 27/10 ABD
- 12365 2240 VMC Charleville weather and sea conditions poor 27/10 ABD
- 13261 0111 QF 143 called Brisbane DM
- 13261 0012 NZ 86 called Brisbane also Velocity 100 called at same time. Some confusion re flight level DM
- 13261 0014 QF121with F/L to Brisbane DM
- 13261 0937 QANTAS 11 NANDI NEG/SG SC DLKS CONFIRMED 7/9 RP

CONTRIBUTORS

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| DM | Dallas McKenzie | Buller | HF: Icom IC-R70, with long wire N-S (100ft), and 20ft whip (30ft above ground), FRG 7700 with long wire E-W (60ft), and, a Degen 1103 (for Stand by) VHF/UHF.: Uniden UBCT8 and Standard VR 120. |
| GD | Graeme Dixon | Auckland | Drake R8A with longwire antenna. |
| JWC | Jonathan Wood | Cook's Head Chrystals Beach | Lowe HF 150, 21.5m dipole, 45m dipole and 100m BOG. |
| ABD | Arthur De Maine | Ashburton | Icom R-70 and R-71E with 10m longwire antenna. |
| RP | Roger Pryde | Dunedin | National DR28 30m longwire. |

My thanks to all the contributors this month.

Arthur



ADCOM NEWS

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2016 AGM The 68th Annual General Meeting of the NZ Radio DX League was held at Mangawhai on Sunday 6 November, with members physically present from Southland, South Canterbury, Waikato, Auckland and Northland. Administration Committee (Adcom) members from Oamaru, Ashburton and Malaysia also participated in the meeting by Skype internet conference call, as allowed under constitutional changes approved last year.

In his address to the meeting, Patron **SUTTON BURTENSHAW** commented on the 'high service' provided to all of us by the various editors of the New Zealand DX Times. He noted that "the information provided is as up to date as possible, much of it from overseas and often supplemented with additions/alterations included in DX Dialog our online service by local contributors as well. Adcom is to be congratulated for their continued support and I consider we are still very active even if fighting a slowing trend."

Presenting his report, League President **BRYAN CLARK** said that it was pleasing that the club continues strongly, with the NZ DX Times providing an excellent read each month, thanks to Chief Editor Stu, his long-serving team of section editors, and our loyal contributing members. "It is true that the DX listening options for members in urban locations are diminishing due to ever increasing local interference levels, as well as the slow decline in international shortwave broadcasting operators. Just this week we learned that Vatican Radio would be stopping shortwave broadcasts. To address the first of these issues, Adcom has committed to establishing a remote listening location in a low-noise location that would be accessible to members through the Internet. At the 2016 DX Convention in North Otago we began fundraising for the initial costs for this installation. Adcom hopes to finalise a location for the remote SDR receiver in the New Year, once a robust Internet connection arrangement has been identified and costed. In the meantime, it is encouraging that longtime member **CHRIS MACKERELL** has installed a Kiwi SDR at his Nelson home and earlier this month made this accessible to League members to trial. And **PETER MOTT** is planning a similar installation in the Bay of Islands. I am hoping that providing access to remote SDRs in NZ locations will go some way to restoring the DX fortunes of our urban members." Bryan acknowledged Paul Ormandy, Paul Aronsen, Steven Greenyer and Arthur de Maine's efforts in organising an excellent gathering at Moeraki in March. The club has its 70th birthday in 2018 and Adcom is already working on a convention to mark that significant anniversary. After the Moeraki convention, Bryan and Life Member **PAUL ARONSEN** visited the new Awarua Communications Museum outside Invercargill. Out of this visit has come a proposal for a joint DX listening display at the museum that would honour Southland's important role in the DX hobby and remember our most famous member Arthur Cushen. "I would encourage more members to join the League's DX Dialog Yahoo Discussion Group on the Internet - where you can get instant access to time-sensitive DX tips, guidance on building antennas and reducing local interference, in fact anything hobby-related that participants care to share. DX Dialog and our radiodx.com website stand alongside the DX Times as key resources for members. Thanks to Paul our webmaster for the radiodx.com website, and to **BILL MARSH** who has been contributing a lot of material to the site on the early days of DX in New Zealand. I'd like to thank my colleagues on Adcom for their support and work for the League, in particular Phil, who is taking a well-earned retirement from the Treasurer role, but will continue to be part of Adcom." Bryan concluded that it was time for a change of President after his 8 years in the role, but he will still be heavily involved in the club.

Outgoing Treasurer **PHIL VAN DE PAVERD** spoke to the annual accounts which show the club in a sound financial position though membership numbers continue their slow decline. The meeting agreed to hold annual subscriptions at the current level.

Chief Editor **STUART FORSYTH** presented his report via Skype. He said that the DX Times is only as good as those who put it together, not just the sub-editors, but also the club members, without whose contribution this publication would certainly be the poorer. When he compares the magazine with others he sees regularly Stuart said he was quietly proud of the quality we produce.

Stu continued "the sub-editors do the nuts and bolts work and to Theo, Kelvin, Yuri, Ken, Ian, Arthur, Bryan, John, Sutton, Adam and Jerry I give my most heartfelt thanks. When one of them decides to leave his post, it will be a difficult one to fill. I have greatly appreciated the prompt turn around with articles generally reaching me by the Monday after closing ensuring that the magazine is in member's inboxes by the Wednesday after closing, at the latest. **TONY KING** must also get a huge wrap. He has looked after the X-Band list, since the band's inception. He does a magnificent job keeping up with all the changes and sending them through on a regular basis. They are our best chance of hearing some Yanks on Mediumwave and it harkens back to the good old days in the 60s and before. The focal point of the magazine is Theo's Mailbag column and it is good to see the months when many contribute. It is always a good read. The saddest piece of news this year has been the misfortune that has befallen former Chief Editor, **DAVID RICQUISH**. He presided over the magazine at a bumper time and did a marvellous job. I have known David for around 40 years. He enjoys a good debate and while I often don't agree with him, he is a good friend. I know his recovery is slow and very frustrating and I sure we all send him our very best wishes for the future. I would like to thank the Administration Committee for its continuing support. The move to high resolution only magazines is a good one and will improve the reading experience of all." Stu closed his report wishing the League well as it enters its 69th year and he looked forward to another 12 months of good DX and the reporting thereof!

Webmaster **PAUL ORMANDY** reported that radiodx.com had received 90,000 visits in the past 2 years. He also thanked Bill Marsh for his efforts with website content. As Public Relations Officer, Paul also expressed appreciation of **ADAM CLAYDON**'s efforts promoting the DX League via Facebook.

In his Competitions Report, **ARTHUR DE MAINE** noted that "the writing reports and receiving verifications part of our hobby has not died, members are now using e-mail to obtain that verification. This shows up when you read the Mailbag section of the DX Times. I would encourage members to include e-mail addresses in their Mailbag contribution if they have received a verification by that means." He also asked that members contributing loggings and QSLs to the Mailbag and other magazine columns include the country name or transmitter site, to assist his judging.

Best Loggings of the year:

Shortwave - Under 9: 4750kHz Bangladesh Betar, Shavar - Ian Wells & Paul Ormandy; 3290kHz Voice of Guyana - Bryan Clark; 3310kHz Radio Mosoj Chaski Bolivia - Stu Forsyth (reception at Lake Ellesmere).

Over 9: 9500kHz TWR Swaziland - Kelvin Brayshaw; 9680kHz Voice of Hope, Zambia - Bryan Clark.

Mediumwave - 800kHz WVAL Minnesota USA - Bryan Clark; 840kHz Radio Nacional Panama - Paul Ormandy.

Best QSLs of the year:

Shortwave - 3310kHz Radio Mosoj Chaski Bolivia - Ian Wells and Stu Forsyth; 6265kHz Summer Meeting Radio Netherlands - John Durham.

Mediumwave - 1660kHz WGIT Faro de Santidad, Canovanas, Puerto Rico - Stu Forsyth (logged at Mangawhai); 800kHz WVAL Minnesota USA - Bryan Clark.

The following officials were elected for the 2016/17 year: Patron **SUTTON BURTENSHAW**, President **ARTHUR DE MAINE**, Vice President **DAVID NORRIE**, Secretary **STEVEN**

GREENYER, Treasurer **BRYAN CLARK**, Chief Editor **STUART FORSYTH**, Public Relations/Publicity Officer **PAUL ORMANDY**, Competitions Secretary **PAUL ARONSEN** (Arthur withdrew his earlier) nomination, Committee Member **PHIL VAN DE PAVERD**.

The meeting closed with Stu thanking Bryan for his years of service to the club. Following refreshments, a visit was made to the Moir Point Christian Camp in Mangawhai Heads which is being considered as a venue for Convention 2018. Everyone agreed that the facilities were excellent and venue most suitable for a gathering of members.

PETITION FOR RADIO NEW ZEALAND After an 8-year funding freeze, New Zealand's most popular radio station and our only public national broadcaster is very much under threat. Things are so bad RNZ is planning to sell its Auckland studios, one of its last remaining assets, just to stay afloat. Last year 70,000 people signed ActionStation's Petition to Save Campbell Live. John Campbell is now with RNZ, and he and his station need our help again. RNZ have made many cutbacks to its programming and assets, closing regional offices, including Tauranga and Palmerston North, and ending shows such as Spectrum after 40 years on-air. Compared to public broadcasters overseas, RNZ is seriously underfunded. A 2007 independent KPMG report recommended immediate increases to the RNZ budget of at least \$6 million. That increase has yet to happen, and the need has only become more urgent over the last 5 years. This announcement of RNZ's plans to sell their studios is the latest sign of the dire situation they are in. The Coalition for Better Broadcasting (CBB) has an online petition running – add your support for RNZ National and RNZ Concert by following the link at <http://betterbroadcasting.co.nz/news/blog/please-sign-our-petition-save-rnz-funding/>

RADIO VOICES A respected voice from the 'glory days' of Radio Canada International's shortwave operation – **IAN McFARLAND** – may be returning to the shortwaves next year. According to a 31 October posting to Glenn Hauser's DXLD Yahoo Group, Colin Newell, who runs www.Dxer.ca is in discussion with Ian about a DX type programme, likely to be aired by WRMI. Meantime, former DX League member **DUDLEY SCANTLEBURY** is retiring next month after 38 years with Radio Rhema and more recently the Star Network, where he is afternoon host. Prior to Rhema Dudley was at RadioNZ, and he won't be completely getting out of radio in December, as he will retain the Sunday morning announcing duties on Star.

BRANCH NEWS

Any information re Branch News - notice of upcoming events
or reports of recent events, please email:
editor@radiodx.com

DUNEDIN BRANCH

The next meeting will be held on **Saturday, 26th November** from 2-4pm
at Ian Wells' home, 16 Fenty Place, Mosgiel.

We're always happy to welcome new members – for further information, contact
David Miller 03 4763224 or Roger Pryde 03 4737805,
and, if possible, let Ian know that you're coming on 021 2987146.

WELLINGTON BRANCH

The next Beach Babble will be on **Wednesday, 30th November**, 12.45pm
Beach Babylon Cafe, Oriental Bay, Wellington

join Dene and others to talk about what's what in the world of DX.



On the **shortwaves.com**

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

< www.ontheshortwaves.com> Update, October 2, 2016 -- We go to the Pacific. Under "DX History/Stations" you will find a brochure about WWVH. It was published in 1974 or some time thereafter, and provides a brief description of the station's operation until that time. It began transmitting, from Maui, in 1949, and moved to a different island, Kauai, which is its present location, in 1971. We have also posted a file containing several WWVH QSL cards. -- And under "Specialized Resources," Dr. Adrian M. Peterson presents "Outback Radio in Australia-2" (Wavescan N396, September 25, 2016).

< www.ontheshortwaves.com> Update, October 9, 2016 -- As Eddie Startz used to say, "Keep in Touch With the Dutch!" Under "DX History/Stations" we have posted several Radio Nederland items from 1956: the year's calendar, the summer schedule, and the Radio Nederland antenna booklet. -- Under "Specialized Resources/Wavescan" we have two new stories from Adrian Peterson: "The Story of a Megasized Shortwave Station in Alaska [HAARP]," Wavescan N397, October 2, 2016; and "Ancient DX Report: 1911," Wavescan N397, October 2, 2016. -- Also in "Specialized Resources" we have posted new versions of "American States on Shortwave" and "Active-Inactive SWBC Countries." In "American States on Shortwave" we have added Kermit Geary's QSL from New York apex station W2XJL; and in "Active-Inactive SWBC Countries" we have deleted Djibouti from the active list and made a few other notations (see end of list for all the changes).

< www.ontheshortwaves.com> Update, October 16, 2016 -- Chile is off SWBC now, but the stations of yore were usually fairly well heard. Under "DX History/Recordings" we have posted audio clips of 13 Chilean stations. The numbers in brackets are the ID locations on the clips. The stations: (1) R. Agricultura, Santiago, 9630 kHz., 1978 [1:32, 2:01]; (2) R. Calama, 6100, 1981 [:19, 1:01]; (3) R. Colo Colo, Santiago, 14530 (utility station pickup), 1978 [:30, 3:01]; (4) R. Cooperativa de Santiago, 9690, 1977 [:40, :59, 1:24, 1:44, 1:58, 3:04]; (5) R. Esperanza, Temuco, 6089.9, 2002 [:14, :31]; (6) R. Minería, Santiago, 9750, 1977 [1:11, 2:06, 2:14]; (7) R. Nacional del Chile, Santiago, 6195, 1976 [:34]; (8) R. Patagonia Chilena, Coihaique, 6080, 1980 {:38 English, 2:50]; (9) R. Portales, Santiago, 9570, 1977 [:20]; (10) R. Santa María, Coihaique, 6029, 1985 [:31]; (11) R. Universidad, Coincepción, 6135, 1976 [:10, :56]; (12) Voice of Chile, Santiago, 15130, 1977 [:21 English]; and (13) Voz Cristiana, Santiago, 21550, 1998 [:51 English].

< www.ontheshortwaves.com> Update, October 23, 2016 -- We have posted quite a few items from Radio Canada, and here is another (under "DX History/Stations"): the Radio Canada Shortwave Club Antenna Handbook. -- And under "Specialized Resources/Wavescan" we travel from the Cook Islands to Pittsburgh, with these two new entries from Adrian M. Peterson: "Cook Island Radio Tour: The Island of Beautiful People" (Wavescan N398, October 9, 2016), and "Shortwave KDKA and its Many Callsigns and Transmitters" (Wavescan N399, October 16, 2016).



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