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Welcome to the September edition of the DX Times.

Happy Birthday to us: the League celebrated its **70th birthday** on 15th August. On that date in 1948 a meeting of Otago and Southland DXers in Invercargill agreed to form the New Zealand Radio DX League. For more on this, see Bryan Clark's 70 Years Ago column (page 4).

The League's SDRs in Russell have been the topic of some discussion on DXDialog recently. This has focused around whether or not to have the waterfall operational on the Kiwi SDR. With it, there are 4 audio channels available per SDR and without it there are 8. The general consensus seems to be that the waterfall is an essential part of listening on a software defined radio. Certainly my experience of using an SDR indicates this to be the case. Peter has also been testing out VDSL and there is no apparent harm to the SDR signal. Furthermore there has also been a change to the SDR web addresses. They are now:

<http://kiwisdr.northlandradio.nz:8074/>
<http://kiwisdr.northlandradio.nz:8075/>

These are for the use of DX League members only and are password protected. Should you not know the password please contact Paul Ormandy at nzrxdlsdr@gmail.com for more information.

For those who have problems running the SDR on an older computer, Chris Mackerell has pointed out the following: You can adjust the update rate of the waterfall in the KiwiSDR browser window. I regularly just use one update per second on some overseas KiwiSDRs. There is also an "off" option. I find this helps reduce the load on my slow netbook. Check the "WF Rate" option on the "WF" tab. This should help to reduce the load on the computer's processor.



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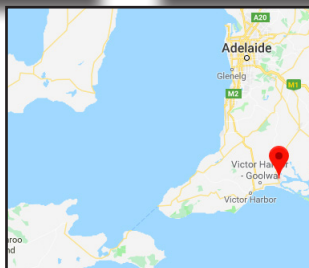
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nzrdxldr@gmail.com for details.

On The Move Again

League Life Member Ray Crawford and his wife Raewyn are on the move again in their mobile home. Ray has checked in from Port Elliot near Victor Harbour in South Australia. Whilst in Goolwa Ray and Raewyn had a look at the old Railway Superintendent's cottage, built in 1852, only to find it housed a radio station.



For those who don't know
this is where Goolwa is located,
about 75 km south of Adelaide
as the crow flies.



Adam Claydon asks members to help support the DX League Facebook pages.

They can be found at

<http://www.facebook.com/nzrdxl>

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70 Years Ago



The front page of issue 12 of the "DX BULLETIN (NZ)" dated September 1948 read as follows: This is the last issue of "DX BULLETIN (NZ)". Next month it will be superseded by the "N.Z. DX TIMES", the official organ of the New Zealand Radio DX League. Subscribers who have joined within the last six months will have the unexpired portion of their subs. refunded. Those who have been subscribers for more than six months may make application for a refund if they so desire. Our thanks to our many correspondents for their helpful notes. We hope you will give THE TIMES your full support.

THE NEW ZEALAND RADIO DX LEAGUE

The N.Z.RDXL was formed by an enthusiastic gathering of Otago and Southland DXers held at Invercargill on August 15. The League will be governed by a Board of Directors, five from Southland and five from Otago.

A copy of the constitution is enclosed members' obligations are set out under Rules 11 and 12. The five Otago representatives shall constitute the Administrative Committee, while the Southlanders shall form the Magazine Committee. Both committees shall have power to add but members so co-opted shall not be on the Board of Directors. The board is as follows: President: Lloyd Warburton (Invercargill); Vice-Presidents, Jack Fox (Dunedin) and Merv Branks (Invercargill); Secretary and Treasurer, Des Lynn A.R.A (N.Z.) (Dunedin); Members, Ken Mackey, Jim Martin, Peter Thorn (Dunedin), Alex Allan, Dudley Carter, Arthur Cushen (Invercargill). With such a team of dxers the League feels it will be able to deliver the goods. Every man is an active dxer and holds special qualifications for position to which he has been assigned. Bert Matthews, Dunedin has been appointed Auditor, and George Goodsir has been added to the Magazine Committee as printer, a job he has capably carried out for "DX BULLETIN".

LLOYD WARBURTON is a prominent Invercargill business man and is manager of C. Warburton Ltd., manufacturing jewelers. He started dxing in May 1938. Although he served for 5 years in the RNZAF he has verified 380 broadcast stations. Has had executive experience in NZDXC and R.A.

DES LYNN is a registered accountant. Although he previously twirled the dial, he did not begin serious dxing until 1941 and has 300 verifs on b.c.

JACK FOX has over 500 verifs. on all bands. A dxer since 1940, Jack is present Dominion correspondent to "Radio Science". Has had lengthy experience in running DX organisations.

KEN MACKEY has 460 verifications on broadcast. Became a dxer in 1940 and has rapidly reached the top flight. Won the 1947 Broadcast section of Memorial Contest conducted by the N.Z.DX R.A.

PETER THORN began dxing in 1942 and has 150 S.W. verifs, the band he is most interested in. Is president of the Otago Branch of N.Z. R.DX.L.

JIM MARTIN began dxing in 1940 and acted in almost every official capacity in the Otago Branch, N.Z. DX Club. Has 400 verifs in all.

MERV BRANKS has been dxing since 1927 and has 825 b.c. verifications. Is acknowledged as the leading dx journalist in N.Z. Now editor of the "DX TIMES".

ARTHUR CUSHEN is undoubtedly the foremost S.W authority in this Dominion. Has 890 commercial S.W. verifs and 532 on B.C. Started dxing in 1937.

DUDLEY CARTER took up dxing in 1940 and has a total of 325 verifications on B.C and S.W. His business experience will stand him in good stead as treasurer of the "TIMES".

ALEX ALLAN has many years' service as printer and circulation manager of dx publications. Began dxing 1938, 370 B.C., 360 S.W.

There were 22 contributors to the 'Kings of the Kilocycles' MW mailbag, including **BILL MARSH** of Invercargill (father of Bill Marsh of Blenheim! BC) who reported hearing Alaskan KBYR 1240, signing on at 2am, along with Lyons France 895 at 6.45am and Madrid 850 at 6.58am.

BILL MILNE in Invercargill had also been up early for European DX, with Leipzig (Germany) 785, Frederiksted (Norway) 1276, Florence (Italy) 1068, Nancy (France) 959, Sottens (Switzerland) 677 and Horby (Sweden) 1131, all heard between 5.45 and 7am.

Amongst the 15 'Short Wave Mailbag' contributors, **ALEX ALLAN** Invercargill was hearing Radio Trinidad on 9625 with English news at 10.15pm.

ROSS GIBSON Dunedin was home for the holidays with a long list of reports out including XEBT, XEQQ, COHI, CE622, YFA10, HHFW, YV5RN, CP38 and OAX4Z.

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Wow! Where did August go? I must have dozed off during our hot weather, dreaming of being away somewhere. But we do have a couple of real travellers reporting in.

Douglas Johns, Christchurch had a taste of Vancouver warmth in mid-July during a stopover. "It's been a while since I last appeared. Following a trip to the UK in June/July, I have some QSLs back from my efforts. On AM: Key Radio, Manchester 1152; and on FM: 3FM Isle of Man 105.0; Radio City 2, Liverpool 105.9; BBC Nottingham 103.8; Rock FM, Preston 97.4; Mansfield FM, Mansfield 103.2; BBC Radio Leeds, Keighley 102.7; BBC Radio Leeds, Leeds 92.4; Capital Radio North East 105.8, 106.4 and 105.1; GEM FM, Nottingham 106.0; Sun FM, Sunderland 103.4; and BBC Radio Cumbria 95.6 & 104.2. Also spent a couple of nights in Vancouver, and this has produced QSLs from CKSR 98.3, CFMI 101.1 and CFOX 99.3. Hopefully there are still more in the post somewhere. But I spent a lot of my time visiting railway and tramway museums, as well as doing some walking in the Yorkshire Dales." *(I'm pleased you scored with both the weather here and some veries. CKSR is a bit different than your 'Star'!)*

Ray Crawford from Hodgeleigh, QLD is presently dawdling by the long-way home from Adelaide. "Hi Theo: Now on our way back to Hodgeleigh via Rockhampton to attend a wedding. While on our travels, reports out to 5RTI 531; 5DN 1323 'Cruise 23'; and KIX Berri 1557. Email QSL's from 5RTI from Roberto de Ciocco <stationmanager@5rti.com.au>; 5DN 1323 from Jeff Burzacott, Music Director <jeffburzacott@am.com.au>; and KIX 1557 from Luke Cross, breakfast announcer <luke.cross@kixcountry.com.au>. Good to get a QSL as they are getting harder to get these days." *(Three out, three back – you can't complain at that percentage return.)*

Bryan Clark, Mangawhai is adding again to his 'highlight' statistics. "The month's DX highlight was undoubtedly my logging and verification of low-powered Argentinean X-band station Radio Selva AM 1710. I often detect Selva's offset carrier (around 1709.8) but decent audio is a rarity, so reception on 17 August was above average. A prompt email response came from Sebastian Mollenhauer at the station. I have also QSLed Europirate 'Charleston Radio International' 5410 with a prompt e-QSL from Harry Richman. A tentative report has gone out to Harmony Radio 6310." *(I notice you have a possible target of Radio Nacional del Paraguay, after they reportedly inaugurated a new 100 kW tx on 920 a couple of weeks back.)*

Stu Forsyth, Mangawhai has been reduced almost to a one-liner for this edition. "Hi Theo: It has been a quiet month. I have reports out to AIR 9380 Aligarh, RNZI 9700 and 13840, and veries in from Romania on 7345 and 15255." *(Five items in a line or two – you must be reviving telegrammes – and no, you hadn't sent that info previously. STOP.)*

Mike Smith, Opunake empties out the month's inbox. "Hope you're well. Not much going on here DX wise but I did manage to wheedle a confirmation by Facebook Messenger from Miriam Avila of ZYJ754 Radio Guarujá, 1420kHz in Florianopolis, Brasil last month. Couldn't get a comment on transmitter power; listed as 10/2.5. Was about 3 am their time when I heard them so would like to think they were on the night time power. Takes my tally of MW Brasilians to six. The last one was 3 years ago!

Some members may remember Bill Woller, my uncle who introduced me to DXing 50 years ago. When Bill died some years ago, his wife Marion was not interested in letting me acquire the old Eddystone 680X and it has sat on her china cabinet for 10 or more years gathering dust. Just last week, she asked me if I would be interested in 'looking after it'...so now I have three 680X's in the shack, two operational including Bill's. She also showed me a wardrobe stacked high with A4 file boxes containing nearly every DX Times Bill received. A long term project might be to try to find Bill's QSLs and scan the rare ones for the website... one day. I had a quick tune around on the Northland SDR tonight -- always a lot of Chinese, Japanese and Koreans, and the regular Alaskans. Maybe I'll try to log a few for next month - get those totals moving for the Ladders!" *(Ah, the good ol' 680X – never owned one, but did use the model occasionally. And yes, I'm well – can't complain because even my GP doesn't listen to me. I like that 'wheedle'. There are great words we ignore so that one made me chortle!) Being radio inactive, it's always interesting to follow what others are doing. The American gang were out on the Oregon coast recently, and Tom Rothlisberger from Seattle's north end assembled an impressive list of NDB loggings out of the South Pacific. The one which always makes me smile is TM/1630 at Taumarunui airport. It's not often you see that location in DX discussions, at least from so far away. And no, SY/350 from Surrey (which the <dxdialog> crowd figure is near Miranda/Firth of Thames didn't show up, though KT/238 from Waimanoni/Awanui did, as well as SF/366 at Springfield.)*

73, Theo

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - The League's Annual General Meeting will be on **SUNDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2018** at Villa 9, 25 Charlesworth Drive (Lochlea Lifestyle Resort), Allenton, Ashburton commencing at **2.00pm**. This year because the meeting is to be held in our villa, members attending will have to park in the Lodge car park and make a short walk around to the villa. Afternoon tea will be served after the meeting and it would be helpful for catering purposes to know who is likely to attend, e-mail Arthur abd.kakanui@gmail.com or phone 03 9288845.

Remits and items for General Business and nominations for National Office Holders to be in the hands of the National Secretary by the **28th of SEPTEMBER 2018**. Nomination forms are included in this issue of the DX Times.

BANDWATCH UNDER 9MHZ

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Winter's now officially over, but that's no reason to stop listening to the radio or SDR. As with all of our columns, we have some very impressive loggings for you to tune in as the weather dries out, but we would always like more members to get involved. So do get details of your listening in for our October column. Show loggings as tentative if you don't get a clear ID, or if there's any doubt, and provide as much detail as you can, including the date and language heard, while keeping your notes concise.

kHz	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
4835	0830	INDIA AIR Gangtok fair in EE with news 03/8 BC
4835	1911	AUSTRALIA Pulse FM via Ozy Radio w/id & pops. At 1922 "AIR News" continued till 1938 in a loop with entire bulletin repeated 3 times. Advts for Tecsun Radio & ARDXC then back to Ozy Radio prgm. Pulse FM relay overnight is new. 11/8. BCM
4835	1955	AUSTRALIA Ozy Radio fair in Ee, pops, ID and local news 06/8 BC
4955	1200	PERU R Cultural Amauta poor/fair in SS with advts 07/8 BH**
4965	1845	ZAMBIA Voice of Hope, EE, poor with music. Confirmed with live stream 21/8 BH**
5025	1210	PERU R Quillabamba SS ID, talk & music mixed R Reloj Cuba 07/8 BH**
5040	0515	CUBA R Habana good with EE talk on US government 01/8 BC
5832	1928	UKRAINE R Europe (pirate) poor/fair with mainly music 12/08 JD**
5910	1920	ROMANIA RRI fair in Ukrainian, but very noisy 03/8 SMF
5940a	0510	BRAZIL Voz Missionaria w/contemporary Christian vocals, PP anncts, fair on 5939.76 offset 7/8. BCM
5940	1909	ETHIOPIA R Degaanka Somalida (tent) fair in Somali 04/8 BC
5940	1920	ETHIOPIA Ethiopian Somali Regional State Radio, Jijiga w/long political speech. Off abruptly at 1950 29/7. Good but QRM from Iran 5945. BCM
5945	1935	IRAN Voice of the Islamic Republic, Sirjan, fair in Italian 17/8 BC
5950	2029	FRANCE R Korea International via Issoudun good in FF 04/8 BC
5960	1920	TURKEY VOTurkey gd in Turkish to M/East. Noisy, but better than // 9460 03/8 SMF
5970	0548	USA EWTN fair in SS with talk 19/8 SMF
5975	0400	GERMANY AWR via Nauen good in Bulgarian 16/7 BDW
5975	1131	MYANMAR MRTV poor in local language, talk 25/8 JD
6000	0552	CUBA R Habana fair in EE winding up the prgm 19/8 SMF
6025	0824	BOLIVIA Red Patria Nueva fair w/muffled SS political talk 20/8. Confirmed by parallel webstream. BCM
6030	0610	USA R Marti strong with SS news 25/8 IDW
6030	1820	ETHIOPIA R Oromiya good in Oromo with local music 04/8 BC
6055	0845	JAPAN R Japan NHK World fair in Japanese 02/8 BC
6070	1918	GERMANY R Decade via Rohrbach, fair with music & talk in GG 24/8 JD
6105	0345	JAPAN NHK good in JJ 17/7 BDW

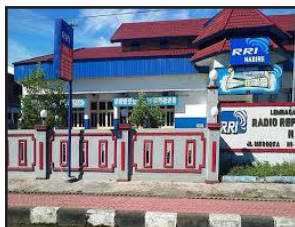
6165 0525 CUBA R Habana good with EE news and Cuban music 27/7 BC
6165 0600 CUBA R Habana good with EE news 25/8 IDW
6165 1845 OMAN BBC World Service fair in Pashto 07/8 BC
6170 2027 ROMANIA RRI poor in EE 20/7 BDW
6185 0502 MEXICO R Educación poor w/classical mx, SS anncts, off abruptly 0513
29/8. BCM
6195 1815 OMAN BBC World Service with EE talk 27/7 BC
6310 0512 EUROPEAN HOBBY PIRATE Harmony Radio (tentative) w/musical variety,
oldies, rare anncts. Weak signal past 0540 26/8. BCM
7285 0613 SOUTH AFRICA Sonder Grense w/prgm of hymns, Afrikaans anncts. Fair
past 0630 26/8. Almost inaudible next day. BCM
7290a 0740 INDONESIA RRI Nabire reactivated, first noted 2/8 w/Indonesian talk on
7289.917, poor but improving till s/off 1026. On 3/8 poor at 0740 but
improving. Irregular since, variable s/off between 0800 and 0930. Carrier
visible from 0600. BCM
7295 0544 ALGERIA RTV Algerienne via Issoudun VG in AA talk & music, off 0558 25/8
IDW
7335 0535 USA R Marti VG in SS with talk 25/8 IDW
7365 0540 USA R Marti good in SS 01/8 BC
7380 0202 ROMANIA RRI fair in SS 17/7 BDW
7385 0230 AUSTRIA AWR via Moosbrun poor in Punjabi 16/7 BDW

Please add the symbol ** after your initials if you heard the station using the League's Northland SDR. If you've heard it using the SDR, others may also be able to, and it all counts as DX.

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BCM	Bryan Clark	Mangawhai	WinRadio G3DDC Excalibur Pro & AOR7030+ with EWEs to North, Central & South America
BDW	Brian Webb	Upper Hutt	DE-1103 & AR-1733 with whips
BH**	Barry Hartley	Auckland	** Using the League's Northland SDR
IDW	Ian Wells	Mosgiel	Kenwood R-1000 & 4m EWE to the North-east
JD	John Durham	Tauranga	PlayRSP2pro with Eavesdropper Dipole antenna,
JD**	John Durham	Tauranga	Using the League's Northland SDR
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BANDWATCH OVER 9MHZ



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If unsure of ID pls mark item "tentative".
Try to avoid duplicate items in successive editions.

Freq	UTC	Country, Station, Programme, & Reception Details
9380	2010	INDIA, AIR (ALG). Fair at best in Hindi with clearly identifiable mx, but unidentifiable speech, except that the usual female announcer was speaking. 10/8 SMF
9380	2030	INDIA, AIR. Eng News amid a Hindi programme good 5/8 BH**
9460	1939	TURKEY, VoT. Not as good at // 5960. V noisy with talk and mx in TT 3/8 SMF
9480	1800	ALBANIA, CRI (CER). F/g in French until 1957 7/8 BH**
9480	1957	JAPAN, R.Japan. I/S, opening in Japanese to Aust/NZ at 2000 excellent 7/8 BH**
9490	1943	KUWAIT, VoA Fair/poor in FF – it was definitely FF I heard. 3/8 SMF
9500	1622	ROMANIA, RRI. Good in French // 11975 Fair – 1/8 BDW
9500	1944	ROMANIA, RRI Fair/ poor with Romanian talk. 3/8 SMF
9515	0333	TURKEY Voice of Turkey w/ 'Letterbox' feature, station ident, 'Letter of the Month Competition' vgd in EE 25/8. Per announcement, scheduled 0300-0400 to Europe, USA, Eastern Canada & Cuba. BCM
9564.9	0355	BRAZIL, Super Radio Deus e Amor, Curitiba, in Portugese & mx – 2/8 BC
9620	2040	TURKEY, VoT, Fair at best in EE to Australasia. 11/8 SMF
9625	2040	USA, WINB. with 2 men with gospel stuff in Eng. p/f 6/8 BH**
9700	0458	ROMANIA, RRI. Good in French – 3/8 BDW
9700	2018	NEW ZEALAND, RNZI. Fair but noisy in EE with a programme on euthanasia – cheery Sunday morning listening. 11/8 SMF
9705	2017	VATICAN CITY, Vatican R. Fair in EE. 11/8 SMF
9730	0250	ROMANIA, RRI. Excellent in Spanish – 17/7 BDW
9780	2014	GERMANY, AWR. Very good out of Nauen in FF to N Af with talk. //9760 not as good. 11/8 SMF
9790	2011	FRANCE, RFI. Fair/good in FF. 11/8 SMF
9800	2125	AUSTRALIA, RBA (KNX). Talk on wild dogs. ID in slow English – 1/8 BC
9860	0513	VATICAN, NHK. Very good in English – 20/7 BDW
9880	0955	CHINA, CRI, Beijing. In Chinese, talk, jazz, songs – 2/8 BC
9950	0344	USA, WRMI. Poor in English – 20/7 BDW
11560	0216	INDIA, AIR. Fair in Vern. Ethnic mx; 0220 Ma – 31/7 KB
11620	2300	CHINA, CRI. Poor in Vietnamese – 28/7 KB
11670	0210	CUBA, RHC. Good in Spanish; World nx - 31/7 KB
11740	0215	INDIA, AIR. Fair in listed Pushto/Dari; s/on, ethnic mx; 0220 ma (noisy xtr) – KB 30/7
11790	1946	GERMANY, AWR excellent in Fulani/ Fulfulde to Waf with talk. 3/8 SMF

- 11800 1945 GERMANY, AWR excellent in AA to Naf with AA talk and mx. A very comprehensible A sala'am aleikum was heard. 3/8 SMF
- 11810 1746 ROMANIA, RRI. Fair in English – 20/7 BDW
- 11830 1948 FRANCE (presumed), Dandal Kura fair in Kanuri to CAf. Lots of talk. 3/8 SMF
- 11885 1948 FRANCE, AWR to Nigeria in Ibo. Fair, but noisy. 3/8 SMF
- 11900 2200 N.MARIANAS, Vatican R. Fair in listed Zho. I/S, Ma/Fa, brief hymn – 26/8 KB
- 11915 1950 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA fair/good with usual Koranic recitation. 3/8 SMF
- 11930 1711 TURKEY, TRT. Poor in Spanish – 20/7 BDW
- 11955 1950 GERMANY, AWR excellent in Sous/ Tachelhut 3/8 SMF
- 11980 0403 TURKEY, TRT. Very good in Turkish – 20/7 BDW
- 11985 1952 FRANCE, R Algérienne vg in AA 3/8 SMF
- 11995 1953 FRANCE, RFI Good in FF to CAf but was under a horribly noisy carrier, which ruined the signal 3/8 SMF
- 12000 0256 CUBA, RHC. Fair in Spanish. Andean-type mx; 0300 Fa ; // 11840 – 30/7 KB
- 12025 0325 IRAN, VOIRI. Fair/good in Arabic; Mid-East nx – 30/7 KB
- 12030 0432 IRAN, VOIRI. Fair/poor in Hebrew; off 0450 – 5/8 KB
- 12095 0401 OMAN, BBC. Good/fair in English nx w/ Neil Newhurst – 30/7 KB
- 13680 2102 JAPAN, NHK. Poor in Japanese – 18/7 BDW
- 13760 0835 N.KOREA, VOK (KUJ). Good in Russian & mx – 2/8 BC
- 13850 0925 CHINA, CRI (BEI). In Mandarin. Talk on Buddy Hollie, mx Peggy Sue, etc – 2/8 BC

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BH**	Barry Hartley	Auckland	NZRDXL SDR, Russell, Bay of Islands
KB	Kel Brayshaw	Levin	2 x PL-660s, Whips linked.
SMF	Stuart Forsyth	Mangawhai	WinRadio G33DDC. 5m EWE to the Sth East.

Your contributions much appreciated

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Time Order summary of Ian'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.

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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
0333	9515g	Voice of Turkey	TURKEY	25-Aug	BCM
0344	9950p	WRMI	USA	20-Jul	BDW
0401	12095g	BBC	UK	30-Jul	KB
0513	9860g	NHK	JAPAN	20-Jul	BDW
0515	5040g	R Habana	CUBA	1-Aug	BC
0525	6165g	R Habana	CUBA	27-Jul	BC
0552	6000f	R Habana	CUBA	19-Aug	SMF
0600	6165g	R Habana	CUBA	25-Aug	IDW
0830	4835f	AIR	INDIA	3-Aug	BC
1746	11810f	RRI	ROMANIA	20-Jul	BDW
1815	6195	BBC World Service	UK	27-Jul	BC
1845	4965p	Voice of Hope	USA	21-Aug	BH
1955	4835f	Ozy Radio	AUSTRALIA	6-Aug	BC
2017	9705f	Vatican R	VATICAN CITY	11-Aug	SMF
2018	9700f	RNZI	NEW ZEALAND	11-Aug	SMF
2027	6170p	RRI	ROMANIA	20-Jul	BDW
2040	9620f	VoT	TURKEY	11-Aug	SMF
2040	9625f	WINB	USA	6-Aug	BH
2125	9800	RBA	AUSTRALIA	1-Aug	BC



SHORTWAVE REPORT

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ARMENIA

Trans World Radio India in English via Yerevan on August 12 1514-1544 on 9330 ERV 300 kW / 100 deg to SoAs English Sat/Sun, very good. (Via swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2018/08)

BANGLADESH

Reception of Bangladesh Betar in 31/41mb on August 22:
1315-1345 on 9455 DKA 250 kW / 320 deg to SoAs Nepali, good signal
1600-1630 on 7250 DKA 250 kW / 290 deg to N/ME Arabic, good signal
(Via SWLDXBulgaria News, August 22-23 (publications №15851-№15865))

BOTSWANA

Voice of America in 22&19mb via Selebi Phikwe, August 11:
0530-0630 on 13830 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to CeAf French Mon-Fri, very good
0500-0700 on 15580 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to CeAf English Daily - very good
(Via swldxbulgaria.com News, August 23 (publications №15866-№15875))

GERMANY

Radio 292 Rhodorf. Noted on web page: schedule 7440khz coming soon.
Also following broadcasts via 292 on 6070kHz. May be of interest to some.
Radio Collado 8th Sept. 1900-2000
Isle of Music 11th & 18th Sept 1900-1945
IBC Radio 12th Sept 1900-1945
Radio Noordzee 23 Sept Top50 from 1973. 1800-2000

GUAM

KTWR Trans World Radio Asia in English, August 11:
1230-1300 on 12160 TWR 100 kW / 290 deg to SoAs English Sat, poor/weak
1317-1346 on 7510 TWR 100 kW / 320 deg to EaAs English Sat, very weak
(Via swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2018/08)

JAPAN

Frequency changes of JSR Shiokaze Sea Breeze, August 16
1300-1400 NF 6165 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs-weak, ex 7215 as follows
1300-1330 Chinese Mon; Japanese Tue/Sat; Korean Wed/Fri/Sun; English Thu
1330-1400 Korean Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat; Japanese Tue/Sun; English Thu
1600-1700 NF 7215 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs-good, ex 6165 as follows
1600-1630 Chinese Mon; Japanese Tue/Sat; Korean Wed/Fri/Sun; English Thu
1630-1700 Korean Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat; Japanese Tue/Sun; English Thu

Reception of Furusato no Kaze via JSR Shiokaze Sea Breeze, August 16

1405-1435 on 7325^YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese, fair Signal.
(Via swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2018/08)

MOLDOVA (Pridnestrovie)

Trans World Radio Africa via BaBcoCk FMO, via Radiotelecentr (PRTC) transmitter
Grigoriopol Maiac relay, August 22

1630-1700 11780 KCH 300 kW 160 deg to EaAF Somali Daily, very good

1800-1845 9940 KCH 300 kW 157 deg to EaAF Tigrinya Mon-Thu.

(Via Ivo Ivanov-BUL, hcdx via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22)

SINGAPORE

BBC WS 1000-1100 on 11695 kHz Kranji, August 24 250 kW / 340 deg to SEAs English.
BBC World Service, good

NHK World Radio Japan on 11695 kHz Kranji, August 24:1100-1130 250 kW / 000 deg to
SEAs English NHK World R.Japan,

(Via swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2018/08)

THAILAND

HSK9 Radio Thailand WS, August 21

1800-1900 on 9920 UDO 250 kW / 313 deg to WeEu Thai

1900-2000 on 9920 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu English

2000-2015 on 9920 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu German

(Via swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2018/08/)

ZAMBIA

Voice of Hope Africa Good signal of on 11680 kHz, August 13 0500-0800 on 11680 LUV 100
kW 315 deg to WeAf English Mon-Fri (Via swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2018/08)

STATION NEWS

BRAZIL

Radio Trans Mundial closes down shortwave.

RTM OFF Shortwave 09 Aug 2018? --- "Rádio Trans Mundial closed its broadcasts on
SW on 09/08/2018 [Google changed this to 08/08!]. For more than 20 years, Trans World
Radio invested in this medium with excellent results all over Brazil. But due to technological
advances in communication, and after much reflection and prayer, we understand that this
was the best decision to make. You can follow us through our website - Transmundial.
org.br - app, and affiliated broadcasters, media through which we have experienced great
growth in audience. We thank God first for the privilege of communicating the message of
salvation in Jesus Christ through the Short Waves. We also thank you and all the listeners
who accompanied us during this time. May God bless us and help us to advance more and
more. We count on your prayers and partnership." RTM's Big Embrace``
google translation improved by gh: (Via Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Jorge Freitas, Brasil replies to the WOR iog, here in my translation:

Glenn, I heard them talking about this at 2036 on 11735. Broadcasts cease today 8 August.

The programs will be presented by Bonaire on 800 kHz with 440 kW. They alleged that among the problems were adequate financing, low audience for SW programs compared to internet. Talked about the cost of electricity for radio and elevated cost of maintenance. One tube which burnt out cost 20 kiloreais. Lamented closing of broadcasts to DXers and said that if there were a much greater SW audience they would not close it. They get an average of 50 kilo connexions daily for online radio. Their ANATEL license expired today and was not renewed.

MEXICO

Radio Educación in Mexico has a new ID for their SW service, hitherto known as Radio Educación onda corta. Señal Cultura México, and/or Cultura México Señal Internacional is on the air on 6185, at 2300-0555. There are several web pages giving further info on this service, one of them being <http://www.radioeducacion.gob.mx/culturamexico/index.php>

The new slogan has been in use for about one year. They are interested in reports, which will be answered by online QSL, said Ms Pilar Cruz in the 24th Encuentro Diexista, held 27-28 July in San Luis Potosí, México. "Sintonía libre" is a letterbox programme aired Tues., Thurs., and Sun. at times given at <http://www.radioeducacion.edu.mx/carta-programaticadel-mes>. The international service can be heard online

Henrik Klemetz reports in SW Bulletin Aug 12: (Via Glenn Hauser 13 August)

UKRAINE

Radio Europe. (Euro pirate) The following information was received in a EMail from them for reception on 5832kHz. (Google translation from Russian.)

We have two antennas 1 bazooka (from east to west) 2 dipoles (from south to north) Antenna suspension height 13 meters. We have the second antenna just in your direction is directed



Transmitter power from 400 W to 1.5 kW. Frequency 5836 kHz fixed, and so from the interference smooth adjustment From 5820 kHz to 6,150 kHz.

We are geographically In the west of Ukraine 12 km from the mountain Hoverla At an altitude of 1200m above sea level.

With U.Serzh, Leon and Serge Echo Wars (Via section Editor)

USA (Non)

VORW Radio Int Hello Shortwave Listeners! A few changes to the radio schedule of VORW Radio Int. have been made, please check below and take a look. I've both added and deleted several transmissions.

My show is a weekly light entertainment program, featuring misc talk and commentary as well as listener requested music spanning genres and eras!

Wednesday 1100 UTC – 15670 kHz – WINB 15 kW DRM – Europe

Thursday 2000 UTC – 7780 kHz – WRMI 100 kW – Eastern North America

Thursday 2200 UTC – 9955 kHz – WRMI 100 kW – South America
Friday 0000 UTC (Thu 8 PM Eastern) – 7730 kHz – WRMI 100 kW – Western North America
Friday 0000 UTC – 9395 kHz – WRMI 100 kW – North America
Friday 0100 UTC – 7490 kHz – WBCQ 50 kW – North America
Friday 0100 UTC – 7780 kHz – WRMI 100 kW – Eastern North America
Friday 0100 UTC – 5850 kHz – WRMI 100 kW – North America
Friday 0400 UTC – 7730 kHz – WRMI 100 kW – Western North America
Friday 2200 UTC – 9955 kHz – WRMI 100 kW – South America
Sunday 2200 UTC – 7570 kHz – WRMI 100 kW – Western North America

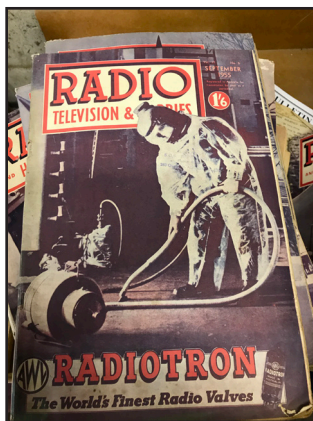
Questions, comments, reception reports and music requests may be sent to vorwinfo@gmail.com

Reception reports will receive a QSL!

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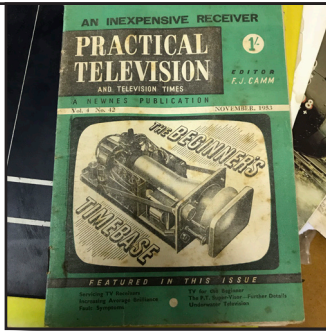
MARKET SQUARE

Old Magazines To Give Away



I was contacted recently by Joanne Duncan from Auckland, who recently sadly lost her father at the age of 95. His name was Ken Duncan, ZL1ALN. He lived in his own home for 60 years, so as can be imagined he accumulated a lot of material, which Joanne is now trying to sort out.

Among the items there are Australian “Radio Television and Hobbies” from 1947 to the 1960’s. It is not a full set, but there are 3 boxes of them.



There are copies of Practical Television from the 1950s, 1960s and 1970s - 2 to 3 boxes



There are around 3 boxes of Electronics Australia from the 1960s and 1970s

Finally there is a box of television related material from the 1970s.

If you are interested, please contact

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TONGA 1017 UPGRADED; IS ANGUILLA 1610 BACK?

NEW ZEALAND Radio New Zealand's transmission site at Titahi Bay north of Wellington has been in the news recently: "With panoramic views of Mana Island and nearby golfing greens, the future use of Radio NZ's surplus land at a popular public park in Porirua is up in the airwaves. The state broadcaster, which owns a portion of Whitireia Park by its transmission site above Titahi Bay, has told Porirua City Council it is interested in having the greenfield land re-zoned for residential development. RNZ has seen its need for land in the area fall along with the number of its transmission masts so it has been in discussion with the council, which is currently reviewing the city's district plan, over the land's future use. RNZ spokesman John Barr emphasised the organisation was "not a property developer and have no intention of developing this land ourselves". "Nothing has been confirmed or committed to as yet and any potential changes to land use are likely to be many years away. "Radio NZ is taking the opportunity to think ahead to the time when it will have more land than it needs at Titahi Bay and there may be better uses for it." One of Radio NZ's landmark radio masts at Titahi Bay was felled for safety reasons in 2015. The area has long been a home for the state broadcaster. Prime Minister Michael Joseph Savage spoke when it opened a building and tower there in 1937. But times have changed, and the number of transmission masts will have dropped from three to one new one being built to replace another later this year." (Stuff 1 Aug18) *[Interesting that a mast apparently built only 10 years ago already needs replacement? BC]* In a response to this press article, Alma Hong, RNZ's Chief Technology and Operations Officer wrote that the new 137 metre mast will be positioned where the 220m mast removed in 2016 was located to the west of the transmitter building. The existing 137m mast in the north east corner of the property will be removed in 2019. The 53m mast that has since been removed, was at the southern end of the Titahi Bay Golf Club. RNZ has been in discussion with the Porirua City Council as the council reviews its district plan and framework for land use in partnership with Ngati Toa. Given the likelihood that RNZ will not need the full site in the near future it made sense to look to other potential uses. Nothing has been confirmed or committed to as yet and any potential changes to land use are likely to be many years away. RNZ is taking the opportunity to think ahead to the time when it will have more land than it needs at Titahi Bay, and that there may be better uses for this land" said Ms Hong. *[This seems to indicate that RNZ is anticipating an end to its AM operations from the Titahi Bay site. BC]*

ALASKA

- 850 KICY Nome has applied for a Special Temporary Authority with U1 50kwe day & night, due tuning problem with one tower.
- 1020 KVNT Eagle River applies for a – Applies for license to cover CP with U1 10kw day & night (ex-U2). (via NRC)

ANGUILLA – See X-Band Report below.

ARGENTINA Swedish DXers reported the following station offsets in April/May to Arctic Radio Club's MW-Eko magazine:

1279.984 LU11 Radio Trenque Lauquen, Trenque Lauquen. AN
1289.982 LRJ212 Radio Murialdo, Villa Nuevo de Guaymallén. JE
1429.95 L ... Radio Cunumi Guazú, Rafael Castillo. AN
1440.068 L ... Radio Impacto, Tapiales on kHz. AN
1469.97 LT28 Radio Raphaela, Rafaela. Heard a number of times. AN

AUSTRALIA Updating the news in last month's column, the owner of station 2BS, Bathurst (1503 AM) was on 4BC Brisbane this morning (20 August) and said that 2BS was migrating to FM. He expects that to occur before the end of this year. Maybe a last chance to log the AM signal? (Martin Hadlow via the League's DX Dialog Newsgroup)

CANADA

600 CHOF Vancouver BC - CRTC decision due mid-August on power increase to 50KW day/20KW night, and tower sharing with CKNW-980, likely positive given the lack of interventions by other stations, could translate into testing very soon, if the new transmitter is already on site (a big "IF"). CKNW was off air in early July for site preparation. Night pattern is a broad lobe to the WNW with tight nulls to the South and East. Day pattern has a similar broad WNW lobe, but no tight nulls. Following CHOF's required one month 24/7 Test Period, KRPI-1550 programming will move to 600, leaving KRPI's fate unknown. (Jon Pearkins IRCA)

940 CFNV Montreal QC format will be Health and Wellness programming in French when extended testing is complete. (Dan Sys IRCA)

CHILE Swedish DXer Jan Edh reported the following station offsets to Arctic Radio Club's MW-Eko magazine:

1139.990 CB114 Radio Nacional, Santiago.
1180.084 CB118 Radio Portales, Santiago.

COLOMBIA

HJEZ, Radio Autentica, Cali, **660** kHz: e-mail verie in 12 days after follow up, e-mail: contacto@autenticacali.com (Vashek Korinek via IRCA)

HJGA, Cadena Radio Vida, Tunja, **1170** kHz: e-mail verie in 7 days after F/UP, v/s Hernan de Arco Benitez (Productor General), e-mail: hernan.dearco@manantial.co (Vashek Korinek via IRCA)

CUBA

CMJD, Radio Coral, Chivirico, **1190** kHz sent a very friendly e-mail verie in 102 days, v/s Nelly Gomez Poulot (Directora de la Emisora), e-mail: nelly@radiocoral.icrt.cu (Vashek Korinek via IRCA)

GUAM KUSG Agaña on **1350** granted STA for 90 watts day & night . Reduced power due transmitter trips off at higher power due to problems at the antenna site. (NRC)

HAWAII

670 KPUA Hilo has STA extension, reduced power (U1 1kw day & night). (NRC)
1130 KPHI Honolulu drops "Hit Filipino Radio" slogan, now: "Mix 96.7". (IRCA)
1500 KHKA Honolulu granted CP for new tower at 21-20-06/157-53-37. (NRC)

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC The following is thought to refer to the Bishkek **1467** kHz transmitter: According to the FEB [Fellowship of European Broadcasters] Snippets dated 30 July 2018” “TWR’s new Silk Road Transmitter has opened the door to renewed and expanded broadcasting of God’s Word to 60 million people across Central Asia. Many parts of this land of deserts, mountains, steppes and oases are populated by unreached people groups and are hostile to Christians. The 200,000-watt AM transmitter will be able to reach into 10 countries where evangelical believers account for less than 1 percent of the population. For many, this will be their first opportunity to hear the gospel. In January 2017, we were forced to reduce some of our program airings into Central Asia due to a 150,000-watt AM transmitter being taken out of service. Broadcasting was reduced from three hours to two hours per day. Now God is leading TWR to install the Silk Road Transmitter, a powerful 200,000-watt AM signal, which will increase our coverage area over Central Asia during prime time and provide increased capacity for more programs that listeners want to hear. To reach the roughly 60 million people scattered in the vast steppes of Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan, the valleys of Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan, and Northwest China with the good news of Jesus, TWR is stepping out in faith to install a 200,000-watt AM transmitter to renew and expand our Central Asia ministry. TWR is seeking \$593,000 to install and commission the Silk Road Transmitter and cover the first year of airtime. Will you prayerfully consider joining us?” (Prof. Dr. Hansjoerg Biener-D, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews July 30) Trans World Radio’s 1467 AM transmitter is the former 150kw transmitter that carried AFN Frankfurt Germany on 873 AM. (Wolfgang Buschell in WWDXC Top News)

MÉXICO XEROK 800 kHz is now running religious format! Identifying on 19 August as “Onda Cristiana Ochocientos AM” - “La Frecuencia Evangélica De Ciudad Juárez”, playing Spanish Christian music, but something strange at 0730 UT, the old official ID was played making mention of being the home of the best grupero music?! I guess they haven’t had time to work on a new official ID to go with their new format. (Luís H Esquivel, CA via Glenn Hauser’s DX Listening Digest)

XEWW Rosarito BCN on **690** noted with Chinese at 0730 UTC on 1 August. (Art Peterson CA via IRCA) This DX report follows on from the following report by Bill Gertz in the Washington Free Beacon of 13 August: “A large Spanish-language radio station in Mexico will soon begin broadcasting in Chinese in a deal critics say will bring Beijing propaganda to Chinese Americans throughout Southern California. A Federal Communications Commission filing on the sale of radio station XEWW AM a subsidiary of Hong Kong’s pro-Beijing Phoenix TV. According to government sources, signs that Phoenix is involved in the purchase of the radio station prompted the Trump administration last week to begin an investigation into the national security implications of the sale. Phoenix TV has been identified by U.S. intelligence agencies as a major overseas outlet used to spread propaganda and promote the policies of the communist government in Beijing. The Hong Kong television station also has close ties to China’s intelligence service and military. The deal for XEWW, a 77,500-watt station capable of reaching all of southern California, was brokered by a New York financial company, H & H Capital Partners. The sale, if approved by the FCC, will turn the AM radio station from a Spanish broadcaster into a Chinese-language outlet capable of reaching over 600,000 Chinese Americans living in the San Diego-Los Angeles area with Beijing’s propaganda themes. Even though the sale involves a foreign broadcaster, the FCC has a role because the Mexican radio station broadcasts into the United States. Under a 1992 U.S.-Mexico agreement limiting foreign broadcasts from Mexico that can reach the United States, the FCC can block the sale if the agreement will be violated. The FCC granted temporary authority for the station to continue Spanish broadcasts on July 20, pending a final review by the commission. The station was sold by GLR Southern California. GLR, or

Grupo Latino de Radio, is the U.S. subsidiary of PRISA Radio, the world largest Spanish-language radio group. The FCC application by GLR states the new ownership will provide “a full range of Mandarin Chinese programming on station XEWW-AM including music, entertainment, weather report, local (LA) traffic report, and local Chinese community news.” The new owners plan to produce programming in Los Angeles and transfer to programs to XEWW through the internet for broadcast by the radio’s transmitters. Earlier this week, another Los Angeles radio that broadcasts in Chinese, the Chinese Sound of Oriental and West Heritage, filed a petition with the FCC asking the FCC to block H&H’s purchase of XEWW. The Chinese broadcaster from the low power FM station KQEV said FCC approval would cause economic harm and “might allow the Chinese government to provide its own propaganda programming to air on station.” (via WRTH Facebook page)

The report of XEWW-690 Rosarito, BCN in Chinese on August 1, appears to be a violation of an FCC temporary authority effective July 20 that restricts the station to Spanish language programming. A 1992 agreement gives the FCC authority to block the sale of Mexican stations that target US audiences. Both the FCC and the US Justice Department are investigating the sale, based on intelligence reports that the Chinese government has the potential to control XEWW’s programming through the new owner. Formerly known as XETRA, XEAK and XEAC, the station’s current 77,500 watts during the Day has a directional pattern that equates to at least 100KW to much of California, from a transmitter site close to the border near Tijuana. In the San Diego-Los Angeles corridor, more than 600,000 people are fluent in at least one of the Chinese languages. (via IRCA)

PARAGUAY Swedish DXer Jan Edh reported the following Paraguayan station offsets in early May to Arctic Radio Club’s MW-Eko magazine:

919.927 ZP1 Radio Nacional, Asunción. (but see below)

970.008 ZP9 Radio 9-70, Asunción.

1020.096 ZP14 Radio Ñanduti, Asunción.

Radio Nacional del Paraguay has inaugurated a new 100 kW transmitter a month ago or so. This transmitter is often noted on 920.001 kHz. During installation both the old 20 kW transmitter on 919,926 kHz and the new one were heard simultaneously here in South of Sweden. The old one is still in use during parts of the day. Lately only 920,001 has been heard here. (Thomas Nilsson via RealDX Yahoo Group 30/8)

PERU Swedish DXers reported the following station offsets in May to Arctic Radio Club’s MW-Eko magazine:

1299.994 OAX7X La Decana, Juliaca. TN

1440.015 OAX6R Radio Santa Monica, Arequipa. Identified thanks to BIH. TN

1469.95 OAU6E Radio Victoria, Arequipa pretty good, nice ID at 0203. TN

1509.852 OCX4I Radio Tarma. (Jan Edh)

SAMOA Samoa’s national radio 2AP signal (presumably **747 AM**. BC) around the country and neighbouring American Samoa and Tokelau, is about to be boosted. Australia is giving Samoa US\$3 million dollars for a new transmitter mast. It is a continuation of aid to the station’s AM frequency radio station that is a vital tool of information, especially during natural disasters. The current mast was built by Australia after cyclone Ofa in 1990 and needs replacing. Australian Foreign Minister Julie Bishop announced the funding on Thursday saying it is vital people are kept in the loop during natural disasters. “We are talking about 21st century technology to ensure that the people of Samoa and surrounding areas remain as safe as they possibly can be and as informed as they are able to be and connected to each other.” (RNZI Pacific via Rob Shepherd)

TONGA A new AM transmitter has been commissioned for Tonga's state broadcaster in a move that is expected to strengthen disaster preparedness. The CEO for the ministry responsible for disaster management, Paula Ma'u, said the new digital transmitter marks an important step towards the implementation of an enhanced and complete early warning system for the whole country. The Tonga Broadcasting Commission's AM frequency (**1017**) is the only one accessible everywhere in Tonga. Mr Ma'u said the service was the best medium to broadcast not only educational and informational content but also deliver 24 hour warnings and instructions during times of emergency. He said the new AM service could even save lives in times of disasters. The Broadcaster's underground connection from the station in Fasi to the transmitter in Popua was badly damaged during February's Cyclone Gita, forcing the state broadcaster to use a temporary frequency until now. The new transmitter was funded by the World Bank Pacific Resilience Programme to the tune of \$US440,000. (RNZ Pacific 17 August)



Photo: RNZI / Koro Vaka'uta

(Gary DeBock reporting to Facebook, heard 1017 at the Rockwork 6 ocean cliff near Manzanita, Oregon, USA at 1301 UTC on 8 August. He says the signals from A3Z have improved dramatically this summer after a transmitter renovation! BC)

Radio Tonga A3Z on **1017** is now 24 hours according to a report from Gary DeBock in the 27 August issue of NRC DX News

UNITED KINGDOM It may be a result of maintenance work or a permanent change but the Saffron Green site appears to have changed to send out a non-directional signal on **1152kHz** and **1548kHz**. Opening up Gold to millions of listeners is surely a good thing but the engineers built that site both to project the signal over London and to protect the many other co-channel English stations sharing those frequencies. The matter is under investigation now. I will easily learn if this is temporary. From my own QTH if the array is reactivated the frequencies will give me virtually no signal from Saffron Green despite it being 84KM away! (Dan Goldfarb in the MW Masts IO Group)

USA (items from NRC's "DX News" magazine)

950 WTLN Orlando FL applies to extend STA, U2 12000/10000, Cuban QRM.

1050 KTCT San Mateo CA granted STA extension, U4 50kw/50kw, Mexico QRM.

1200 WAXA Pine Island Center FL applies to extend STA, U3 2200/2200.

1250 KKDZ Seattle WA granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250 from day site.

1290 KAZA Gilroy CA granted STA extension, U1 1250/20 from KZSJ-1120 tower.

- 1420 KSTN Stockton CA applies to extend STA, U1 1250/250.
- 1430 WOWW Germantown TN change of format to CLR (ex-C&W).
- 1470 WMBD Peoria IL granted STA, U1 3800/1250 due lightning strike damage.
- 1520 KOKC Oklahoma City OK applies to extend STA, U1 10kw day & night at 35-20-01/97-30-18.
- 1540 KXPA Bellevue WA granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250.
- 1560 KGOW Bellaire TX applies to extend STA, U3 15000/15000 from licensed night site.
- 1580 KQFN Tempe AZ granted STA extension, U1 50000/95 from CP site.

USA (items from IRCA DX Monitor magazine)

- 1310 KIQQ Barstow CA is now silent.
- 1380 KRKO Everett WA has new slogan "Everett Radio 1380-95.3".
- 1400 KRVZ Springerville AZ format now classic country, slogan "Cowboy Country Radio".
- 1450 KGIW Alamosa CO format now Westwood One Classic Hits.
- 1490 KWOK Aberdeen WA drops Fox Sports Radio, now ESPN Radio Network with slogan "ESPN Radio 1490 KWOK"
- 1490 KTEL Walla Walla WA replaces ESPN sports with news/talk "Fox News Radio".
- 1560 KIQS Willows CA format was Spanish religion, now regional Mexican, new slogan: "Radio Mexicana".
- 1570 KPRO Riverside CA is now silent.
- 1580 KGAL Lebanon OR has new slogan: "SmartTalk".

URUGUAY Swedish DXer Jan Edh reported the following Uruguayan station offset in early May to Arctic Radio Club's MW-Eko magazine:
1439.976 CX144 Radio Rivera, Rivera.

VANUATU A company that was set up to improve the services of Vanuatu's public broadcaster has been put into liquidation. Vanuamadia Digital was set up in 2015 by a joint-venture between the VBTC and a Chinese digital service provider. The company promised to deliver an improved digital offering, but the then-chair of the VBTC, Johnety Jerety, later said it had failed to serve its intended purpose. He said it had become a liability, and eventually allegations of misappropriation and threats of deportation in 2016, and the VBTC filing proceedings against Vanuamadia this year. Vanuamadia said it would counter-sue. (RNZ Pacific 14Aug18) (While not AM broadcasting, is included here as latest evidence of the challenges faced by Vanuatu's state broadcaster. 49% owned by VTBC, Vanuamadia Digital promised to deliver 50 TV channels to viewers in Port Vila, Luganville Santo as well as Malekula and Tanna. BC)

X-BAND REPORT

ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon **1610** noted back on air with religion. Heard with good signal at 0300 UTC on 4 August. (John Williams UK via MWCircle iog via World of Radio 1942, DXLD) (See also under CANADA. BC)

ARGENTINA Radio Bethel, the evangelical religious station operating from Villa Centenary in the town of Banfield (West), Partido De Zamora De Zamora, province of Buenos Aires, was reported on its new frequency of **1680v**, abandoning its previous frequency 1670 Khz. The announcer continues to announce the transmission as 1670 Khz. It is not clear if the change of frequency is transient due to a flaw in the transmitter crystal. (Argentina en AM y FM via Facebook 11Aug18)

Radio Selva, Ituazingo, BA, **1710** kHz sent e-mailverie in 1 day, e-mail address:

amselva1710@gmail.com (Vashek Korinek via DX Fanzine July18) It has been heard and verified in New Zealand by Bryan Clark this month. [Chief Ed.]



AUSTRALIA Vision Radio Bathurst has begun testing on **1629**. The ACMA database shows the transmitter is located at 253 Stewart Street with 400 Watts. A drive out there spotted the mast, about 10 metres high, and is on the new building on the Blayney side of the old Atel site (Atel was an old furniture factory -cs) Signals very strong, and a spur is evident on 1377. (John Schache, via ADXN 8/18)

CANADA CHHA Toronto **1610** with ad in Brazilian accent, then one in Lusitanian Portuguese on 16 August 0642 UTC. More significantly, no trace of ANGUILLA, nor have I heard any since it was reported reactivated here Aug 4 at 0300 by John Williams, UK, MW Circle. May have been a one-shot or very limited sked like Caribbean Beacon SW. Has anyone else heard it on 1610 again? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX Listening Digest)

PERU New X-Bander is Radio Choquechamaca in Chamaca on **1620.016**, first noted on 1 April and identified by Swedish Latin American DX ace Henrik Klemetz. Thought to be an unlicensed operation. (via Arctic Radio Club MW Eko, issue 58-20)

USA WTNI, Biloxi, MS, **1640** kHz, e-mail verie in 1 day after follow up, v/s Kyle Curley (Content Director), e-mail: kyle.curley@alphamediausa.com (Vashek Korinek via DX Fanzine July18)

KKLF Richardson Texas on **1700** with hefty promo for "Banda Trece, más música, más deportes" - seems to me more of one would logically require less of the other on one single station. I see its unusual X-band power is 5/1 kW --- why not 10 kW day like most of the others? We still wonder about significance of Banda 13 branding; why not 17? (Glenn Hauser OK, DX Listening Digest)

WRCR Ramapo NY **1700** - silent since 8 August 2017 came back on air 25 July after getting permission to use the licensed site (to which they have lost access) for 48 hours. Station went off again on 27 July – it continues to look for a new transmitter site. (via NRC DX News)

US VIRGIN ISLANDS WIGT on **1690** has been silent nearly a year (7 September 2017), so look for them back on the air soon (permanently or temporarily) to legally maintain their license. (via NRC)

KINGS OF THE KILOCYCLES

MARTIN GREER Tasmania sends in some trail items of Kiwi and Aussie stations heard through his 2 EWQE antennas. [Thanks Martin! BC]

MIKE SMITH Opunake, reporting to our DX Dialog newsgroup on 21 August, noted KNOM Alaska 780 fighting it out with cochannel KKOH. He says that "local conditions have turned to rubbish (noise)" so he sends in a trail of DX heard on the DX League SDR – have you had

a listen? [Thanks Mike – it has certainly been noisy here too. Those Alaskans are making an early appearance, so will be interesting to see if it's a one-off, or indication of improving DX conditions! BC]

BARRY HARTLEY Mairangi Bay writes “Not much to report this month, only two loggings, via Peter’s SDR. Life is too busy at present!” [Thanks Barry, every trail item helps to present a picture of what reception is still possible. BC]

STU FORSYTH Mangawhai writes: “We are now happily ensconced in Paradise during the weekends as our weekly jobs take us down to Auckland. The 5m EWE was erected a few weeks ago and I have been disappointed by how poorly the Latins come in. I see carriers on each 10 kHz spacing, but little penetrates into audio. Capital on 1470 is a regular, but again not great. I recently noted Rebelde on 1620 and confirmed it by checking the parallel shortwave frequency. I also had a signal on 1400 and another on 1510.001 and 789.960, which may or may not have been TWR Bonaire. I am not sure whether it is me, my setup or my location, but I would have expected better signals than I am getting. I am hoping to erect a North American EWE in the next few weeks and hopefully that will bring me some greater rewards.”

BRYAN CLARK Mangawhai was very pleased to log and QSL the low powered Argentinean Radio Selva AM 1710. Plenty of off-frequency Latins coming through but identifications are rare and DX conditions have been rather noisy overall.

MEDIUM WAVE TRAIL

Our contributors are:

BCM = Bryan Clark, Mangawhai with WinRadio G33DDC & AOR7030+ fed by EWEs directed to NE, East and SE.

BC** = Bryan Clark listening on the DX League’s SDR at Russell, Bay of Islands.

SMF = Stu Forsyth, Mangawhai with WinRadio G33DDC and 5m SE EWE.

BH** = Barry Hartley DXing on the DX League’s SDR at Russell, Bay of Islands.

MS** = Mike Smith DXing on the DX League’s SDR at Russell, Bay of Islands.

MG = Martin Greer, Tasmania w/Kenwood R1000 and Kenwood R2000, EWEs to North East and South East.

171	1920	MOROCCO Medi 1 Nador weak but regular w/mx, AA & FF anncts 19/8. BC**
594	1025	JAPAN JOAK with JJ talk mixed Star 29/8. MS**
780	0900	ALASKA KNOM Nome, Alaska wx, EZL music, mxd KKOH 23/8. MS**
783	1330	CHINA Voice of the Strait music and speech in Amoy good // 4900 shortwave 7/8. BH**
783	1034	CHINA presumed Voice of the Strait, strong CC talk 29/8. MS**
792	0800	NEW ZEALAND Radio Sport Hamilton, w/ID at tune in, then Fox Sport USA prgm,fair, mixing with co/channel 4RN Brisbane 27/8 MG
882	0828	AUSTRALIA 3RPH Warrnambool with ID as Vision Australia, very good, // 3RPH Melbourne on 1179, good 23/8 MG
850	1047	ALASKA KICY Nome fair with RR talk 29/8 MS**
909	1032	CHINA vgd male CC talk, mention of “Guangbo”, maybe Sichuan News Radio? MS**
1161	0926	NEW ZEALAND Maori Radio Auckland, good, mixing with co/channel 7FG Fingal and 5PA Narcoote 22/8 MG
1179	0754	UNID w/EE folk songs back to back, weak, co/channel 3RPH faded up at times 28/8 MG
1210	1040	HAWAII presumed KZOO the good sig here with JJ pops 29/8. MS**
1287	1042	JAPAN presumed JOHR, good signal thru Newstalk ZB 29/8. MS**

- 1300a 0602 UNID LATIN with SS vocals on 1299.695 causing het 30/7. BCM
 1359 0800 NEW ZEALAND Coast, New Plymouth with news and sport, then song by Mick Jagger & David Bowie, strong faded by 8:07 13/8 MG
 1400a 0829 UNID LATIN on 1399.988 with lengthy SS talk & music items 10/8. Mentions of Venezuela and Maduro. Music reminiscent of Argentina, and the MW Offsets list has a Uruguayan on this exact offset. BCM
 1400a 0712 UNID LATIN on 1400.274, best on SE EWE 11/8 & 24/8. Talk & folk songs – suspect Peruvian. BCM
 1404 1023 JAPAN JOQL possibly the 2 males in JJ, mention of “Hokkaido” very strong signal. MS**
 1410a 0729 PERU Radio Corporacion Wayra poor but steady on 1409.860 putting big het on 1410 24/8. Regular during August. BCM
 1420 0643 UNID LATIN w/easy listening SS vocals, good in KKEA fades 10/8. BCM
 1420 0651 HAWAII KKEA Honolulu fair w/talk. ESPN id 0652 (on SE EWE!). SMF
 1440 0705 KIRIBATI Tarawa all alone in dialect on 1440.009 while Moana AM Tauranga on 1440.005 just open carrier 20/8. 1440.007 on 30/8. BCM
 1467 1300 SOUTH KOREA KBS male talk in Korean id at 1300 good 7/8. BH**
 1467 1045 SOUTH KOREA HLKN w/M/F talk in KK. very strong 29/8 MS**
 1557 1026 AUSTRALIA Kix Country Renmark with ID and C&W music. At 1036 2RE Taree faded up, good w/AFL football call Hawthorn versus Sydney Swans, // 2VM 1530 Moree fair & 2DU 1251 Dubbo, good, 25/8 MG.
 1580a 0408 UNID carrier wandering slowly between 1580.180 and 1580.448 past 0500 on 4/8. BCM
 1610 0621 UNID third signal here on 1610.005, competing with CHHA on 1609.999 and Peru on 1610.043 on 5/8 & 11/8. Unlikely Anguilla. BCM
 1610 0717 CANADA CHHA Toronto all alone in FF 17/8. At 0858 annct sounded like Portuguese. Also had PP at 0844 on 13/8. BCM
 1620 0554 UNID LATIN often heard w/SS vocals through Rebelde. Suspect this will be Cuban Radio Bayamo 11/8. Also hrd at 0705 on 29/7. BCM
 1710a 0820 ARGENTINA Radio Selva AM 1710 w/SS ident on measured 1709.865, folk songs, fair 17/8. BCM



NORTH AMERICAN X BAND AT-A-GLANCE 09/2018 (thanks to Tony King)

1610	Carib.Beacon Anguilla	EE religious. The late Dr Gene Scott /Mrs Scott
1610	XEUACH Chapingo MX	Radio Chapingo
1610	CHHA Toronto ON	SS 'Radio Voces Latina' Fq ID in SS & EE
1610	CHRN Montreal QU	South Asian Format. Radio Humsafar
1620	KSMH West Sacramento, CA	Rel. 'IHR (Immaculate Heart Radio) Sacramento'. "Radio Rebelde (6 Tx sites)SS .Distinctive 5 note chime on hour. Sync echo.
1620	R Rebelde	
1620	WNRP Gulf Breeze FL	News/Talk Fox News "News Radio 1620"
1620	WDND South Bend IN	Nostalgia "Americas Best Music" Silent 07/18
1620	KOZN Bellevue NE	Fox Sport "The Zone"
1620	WTAW College Station -Bryan TX	'Newstalk 16-20 WTAW' Takes C-to-C AM
1620	WDHP St Croix, US Virgin Is	News/talk/gospel/country. Takes BBCWS
1620	KYIZ Renton WA	Urban contemporary //KRIZ "Z Twins"
1630	WRDW Augusta GA	"ESPN Augusta"
1630	KCJJ Iowa City IA	News-talk-AC "The Mighty 16-30 KCJJ"
1630	KKGM Ft Worth/Dallas TX	'Modern gospel music 1630 KKGM' IRN News
1630	KRND Fox Farm WY	SS 'regional mexican' ID "jota La Mexicana"
1640	KDIA Vallejo CA	Talk/religious/life issues
1640	WTNI Biloxi MS	ESPN Sport. "1640 WTNI Biloxi" 'The Champ.Com'
1640	KZLS Enid OK	News/Talk
1640	KDZR Lake Oswego OR	Conservative Talk "Talk 1640"
1640	KBJA Sandy UT	'K-Talk KBJA'
1640	WSJP Sussex WI	Rel. Catholic. "Relevant Radio 1640 AM"
1650	KFSW Fort Smith AR	Contemporary Christian
1650	KFOX Torrance CA	Radio Seoul. Korean/ EE ID on hour
1650	KBJD Denver CO	SS Rel. Radio Luz
1650	KCNZ Cedar Falls IA	"The Sports Station" 1650 The Fan
1650	CKZW Montreal QU	Evangelical Christian in FF
1650	CINA Mississauga ON	Indian. "Seena radio"
1650	KSVE El Paso TX	SS Sports/Talk ESPN. "ESPN Desportes 1650"
1650	WHKT Portsmouth VA	format from 3/18 UC:GOS
1660	KBRE Merced CA	AOR (Album Oriented Rock)
1660	WCNZ Marco Is FL	Relevant Radio
1660	KWOD Kansas City KS	Sport/Talk "Bison 1660"
1660	WQLR Kalamazoo MI	Fox Sports. "Kalamazoo 1660, The Fan"
1660	WBCN Charlotte NC	Classical Rock
1660	KQWB West Fargo ND	Fox Sports
1660	WWRU Jersey City NJ	Korean Gospel
1660	WGIT Canóvanas, Puerto Rico	'Faro de Santidad' SS Religious
1660	KRZI Waco TX	'KRZI ESPN Central Texas'
1670	KHPY Moreno Valley, CA	SS religious . ESNE radio.
1670	KQMS Redding CA	"News Talk Superstation 1670 AM"
1670	WMGE Dry Branch, GA	"Fox Sport 1670 Georgia"
1670	CJEU Gatineau QU	Community/Children's Radio "Radio Oxygène 1670"
1670	WOZN Madison WI	"CBS Sports Radio "The Zone"
1680	KGED Fresno CA	ID slogan ""AM 1680 The Answer"
1680	WOKB Winter Garden FL	Rel/ UC gospel 'Inspiration Radio'
1680	KRJO Monroe LA	"Classic Hits 1680 "LA105"
1680	WPRR Ada MI	Talk ID "Public Reality Radio"
1680	WTTM Lindenwold, NJ	World ethnic" EE ID '1680 WTTM Lindenwold- Philadelphia'
1680	KNTS Seattle WA	SS Religious. EE ID 00:10 after hour. "Radio Luz"
1690	KFSG Roseville CA	Rel. SS,Russian,Hmong EE ID on hr "KFSG Sacramento"
1690	KDMT Arvada CO	'1690 KDMT Denver's Money Talk "
1690	WMLB Avondale Estates GA	Eclectic mix. "Voice of the Arts" CBS News. Silent 07/18
1690	WVON Berwyn, IL	Talk
1690	WPTX Lexington Park, MD	Adult standards
1690	CHTO Toronto ON	Multilingual. Greek.
1690	CJLO Montreal QU	Campus community - college station
1690	WIGT Charlotte Amalie US VI	News/Talk nets NPR (NRC say Silent 7/18)
1700	WEUP Huntsville AL	Urban contemporary Gospel "Huntsville's Heritage Station"
1700	WJCC North Miami Beach FL	World Ethnic. 'Radio Mega 1700'
1700	KBGG Des Moines IA	'Des Moines Big News, Big Sport KGBB'
1700	XEPE Tecate BCN MX	"ESPN 1700" sports
1700	WRCR Ramapo, NY	Ethnic. "Radio India." reported silent
1700	KKLF Richardson-Dallas-Ft Worth TX	Tejano/Conjunto SS & EE "Kick 1700" 'Banda 13'
1700	KVNS Brownsville TX	Fox Sports Radio

TV/FM NEWS & DX

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FM Update from Gordon Mathieson

WHITIANGA FM		WHANGAMATA FM	
87.6	The Flea Whitianga	89.9	More
87.8	RNZ National	93.1	The Edge
88.2	LFM	97.9	Coast
90.3	More	99.5	The Breeze
96.7	The Breeze	100.3	The Hits
97.5	Classic Gold	No low powers in Whangamata.	
99.1	Gold FM		
105.5	The Rock		
106.9	The Hits		
107.4	LFM (Hahei / Cooks Beach)		

Radio station Brian FM welcomes baby sister to the world

A Blenheim radio station with no DJs and no conventional advertising welcomed its baby sister to the world early Friday morning.

ReelWorld Radio, the new and more “mainstream” sister station of Brian FM, was scheduled to play its first song at 3am for Blenheim and Renwick residents, in Marlborough.

The new 106.5FM station would play nothing but pop music 24 hours a day, with a rotation of some 2500 songs, punctuated by short bits of Kiwi tongue-in-cheek humour.

Brian FM spokesman Andrew Jeffries said the station was named ‘ReelWorld Radio’ as it “just stuck, like Brian’s did”.

“It’s an unusual name and we’re running a whole different world of radio here, and so it [the name] just made sense,” Jeffries said.

Jeffries flew over from Los Angeles, in California, late last week to witness the birth of Brian’s new sister station.

He said, like Brian FM, ReelWorld Radio would play “only music” and would not feature DJs or commercials.

“We know ‘Playing What We Feel Like’ on Marlborough’s Brian FM is not for everyone, so let’s fix that, and crank out a new station that looks after the pop music fans,” Jeffries said.

The station would play non-stop hits from artists like Bruno Mars, Maroon 5, Cardi B, Ariana Grande, Taylor Swift, Ed Sheeran, DJ Khalid and Post Malone, along with “the biggest chart topping songs of today”.

Equipment was installed on the Wither Hills on Wednesday ahead of the station’s launch. Several transmission tests were then run to ensure the station was up to scratch.

Brian FM needed the council’s approval to add additional equipment to their site on the

Wither Hills, on the southern edge of Blenheim, to broadcast ReelWorld Radio. The Wither Hills had a designation over them restricting radio communications in that location to emergency and council services.

But as ReelWorld Radio would contribute to utility and emergency services in Marlborough, the council voted to approve its establishment.

In an emergency, Civil Defence could interrupt transmissions of ReelWorld Radio and Brian FM using their own radio frequencies to broadcast messages.

Jeffries said expanding Marlborough's emergency broadcast system was a "critical motivation" for ReelWorld Radio's launch.

"In the event of an emergency, immediate critical safety information for listeners across the region will be broadcast simultaneously on ReelWorld Radio and Brian FM, across the region," he said.

ReelWorld Radio was the first phase in Brian FM's three-phase plan to provide coverage to Marlburians who had traditionally struggled to receive radio broadcasts.

Brian FM currently broadcasts into Blenheim, Picton, Havelock, Pelorus and Kenepuru Sounds, Seddon and the Awatere Valley, as well as some other select regions in the North and South islands.

Future plans include moving both Okiwi Bay and Picton radio transmitters to a higher site, and adding a radio transmitter to Ward.

A Brian FM station was launched in the Nelson-Tasman area on Tuesday at 105.6 FM.

(Stuff, 24 August 2018, www.stuff.co.nz)

FM sound broadcasting (Auction 15)

The results of Auction 15 have been announced after a recent Expression of Interest. The confirmed results are:

Brian FM who won the bids for:

- 91.4 MHz Hillend, Wanaka
- 99.0 MHz Mt Mary, Twizel

(Radio Spectrum Management Business Update, 2 August 2018)

GINX Esports TV Pop-Up To Launch In NZ On SKY

- GINX Esports TV Pop-up is a 24-hour channel offering content focussing on esports.
- GINX Esports TV Pop-up will launch for 90 days from 5.00pm August 13th on SKY channel 159 (located between channel 23 and 24 on the electronic programme guide) and channel 059.
- The pop-up channel will be available at no extra cost to all SKY subscribers with a SKY box in the home on at least the SKY Starter package.

SKY is excited to announce that a GINX Esports TV Pop-up channel will launch on August 13th as part of the SKY Starter package. The three-month pop-up will bring GINX Esports TV, the first and largest esports TV network in the world, to SKY Starter customers at no additional cost.

Currently available in 55+ million homes, across more than 50 territories in 10 languages, GINX Esports TV aims to extend the reach of esports into mainstream sports audiences.

Esports, the simple abbreviation for 'electronic sports', is defined as a form of sports where the primary aspects of the sport are facilitated by the competitive playing of video games.

GINX Esports TV Pop-up will feature the most prestigious esports tournaments together with news, lifestyle, documentary and presenter-led live shows filmed and produced at its London headquarters.

As well as broadcasting live tournaments, GINX offers viewers round the clock esports news, recaps and live entertainment formats, telling the stories of the players, the teams and the

behind-the-scenes at events from across the globe.

SKY TV, Director of Strategy, George MacFarlane says: “We’re extremely excited to launch GINX Esports Pop-up and give SKY customers’ access to this hugely popular content. The worldwide esports market is growing at a phenomenal rate and it is now at a stage where we think it makes sense for SKY to get involved. With medal events in the 2022 Asian Games and serious discussions happening to include esports in the 2024 Summer Olympics, esports will only continue to grow.”

Sam Butler, Director of Affiliate Sales at GINX Esports TV says: “The global appetite for esports has never been greater. We’re very excited to bring GINX Esports TV to New-Zealand for the first time. Our channel gives esports fans a whole new way to experience esports action on television. We look forward to working with SKY TV to establish GINX Esports TV as the esports destination on TV in Aotearoa.”

SKY Starter customers can watch GINX Esports TV Pop-up from August 13th on SKY channel 159 (located between channel 23 and 24 on the electronic programme guide) and channel 059. You will also be able to watch GINX Esports TV Pop-up on Vodafone TV, SKY Go as well as selected catch up content on SKY On Demand.

(Sky TV, 6 August 2018, www.sky.co.nz)

BRANCH NEWS

Any information re Branch News - notice of upcoming events
or reports of recent events, please email:
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WELLINGTON BRANCH

The next Beach Babble will be on **Wednesday, 26th September**, 12.45pm
Beach Babylon Cafe, Oriental Bay, Wellington
Join Dene and others to talk about what’s what in the world of DX.

DUNEDIN BRANCH

Our next meeting will take place on **Saturday 22nd September** from 2-4pm
at Ian Wells’ home, 16 Fenty Place, Mosgiel.

We’re always happy to welcome new members – for further information, contact Ian on 021 2987146 or David Miller 03 4763224. If possible, let Ian know that you’re coming or, in the case of regular participants, if you’re **not** able to be there.

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Just two of us contributing this month to this page. Band conditions appear to be only average until 25/26th when a strong Geomagnetic storm occurred. I knew something had happened when on Sunday night I found conditions quite dead only managing a few loggings.

Roger, good to hear that the R-70 is working well.

FREQ UTC DETAILS OF TRANSMISSION

5616	0537	Gander Radio working Delta 192 selcal and position fair to poor 19/8 ABD
6676	0944	Bangkok Volmet weather 0945 "Bangkok Out" fair 26/08 ABD
6679	0947	Hong Kong aero weather 0949 "Hong Kong Volmet out" fair 26/08 ABD
6679	1010	Tokyo volmet aero weather fair 26/08 ABD
8867	0310	Auckland - Fiji 255 Auckland Fair Fiji 255 very weak 27/08 AD
8867	2221	FIGI 451 / AKL Req ont AKL Control 123-900 Confirmed 25/8 RP
8867	0227	ZANADU,206 AKL continued with data link SC tones confirmed 28/8 RP
8867	0225	QANTIS 132 / AKL freq adv pr 8867/13261@posn 163 EAST CNT BRISBANE CENT 13261 SC Tones confirmed / Chq ok 25/8 RP
8867	2127	JETSTAR 202 / BRISBANE position reports FL350 freq x 8867 - 5643 cruising 78 29/8 RP
8867	2133	CHINA SOUTHERN 336 AKL / advise continue via data link 29/8 RP
8867	2138	AIR VANUATU,50 AKL cnt control AKL 123,900 29/8 RP
8867	2138	AKL Convoy 3142 at pos adv cnt SAN FRANCISCO 13261 pri 13261 8867 secondary coms tx AKL also 13261 29/8 RP
8903	0840	Tokyo - Philippines 436 gave position and flight level 330 good 26/08 ABD
11387	0953	Singapore volmet 0954 "Broadcast ends Singapore radio out" 26/08 ABD
11387	0955	Bombay volmet aero weather poor 26/08 ABD

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RP	Roger Pryde	Dunedin	ICOM-ICR70 receiver, 20 metre long wire east/west direction
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MEDIUMWAVE OPEN (Over 500)	A/NZ	Pac	NAm	CAm	SAm	Eur	Af	Asia	Cnt	Jun	Sep	Inc	
Ray Crawford	900	128	414	86	111	132	46	569	189	2386	2389	3	
Douglas Johns										1145	1146	0	
Sutton Burtenshaw	442	69	337	43	39	47	3	120	108	1100	1100	1	
David Ricquish	501	93	195	22	6	8	0	46	67	871	871	0	
Stuart Forsyth	490	34	118	14	23	93	1	38	75	811	811	0	
Bryan Clark										121	695	696	1
John Campbell										130	646	646	0

SENIOR (301 - 500)

Günter Jacob	0	0	7	0	0	361	10	11	59	389	389	0
Mike Smith	102	31	152	12	12	10	2	23	62	344	345	1

FM-TELEVISION

Douglas Johns										1160	1191	31
Bryan Clark									6	164	164	1

SHORTWAVE

OPEN (Over 500)	A/NZ	Pac	NAm	CAm	SAm	Eur	Af	Asia	Cnt	Jun	Sep	Inc	
Ian Cattermole	314	613	664	352	395*	3626	509	1889	209	8362	8362	44	
Günter Jacob	305	366	365	172	202*	1931	551	1585	176	5482	5482	0	
Douglas Johns										3223	3223	0	
Ray Crawford	178	111	186	120	274*	929	282	565	233	2645	2646	1	
John Durham	116	95	224	113	152*	983	252	551	266	2490	2490	0	
John Campbell										264	1732	1732	0
Bryan Clark										244	1632	1632	0
Stuart Forsyth	62	32	16	16	34*	216	53	212	115	643	651	8	

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Douglas Johns										37218	37218	0
Günter Jacob									14	18	18	0

COMMENT:

Thank you to those that submitted current totals. Perhaps the lack of sunspots is the reason we are seeing less activity. However I did note the reverse polarity of one sunspot last week, perhaps that signals Cycle 25 is not too far away, For me and lots of others it can't come quick enough.

Best DX to all.....Sutton.



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, July 29, 2018 -- In shortwave days of yore, stations interested in making ongoing contact with listeners sent out periodic program schedules, informing listeners of upcoming programs. In "DX History/Stations" we have posted a schedule that was sent out by Radio Nacional in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 1943. It is in Portuguese and English, and it contains much interesting information, including a description (and photos) of the station, a day-by-day list of the programs, with fuller descriptions of certain programs, news of Brazil's war effort, and reception reports from listeners. (Note the "Special Broadcasts" for Portugal, Great Britain, "Spanish America," the U.S. and Canada.) Radio Nacional operated with 50 kw. on three shortwave frequencies: 9520 kHz. (PRL7), 11720 (PRL8), and 17850 (PRL9). Also listed on p. 1 of the booklet is PRE8, the mediumwave channel on 980 kHz. We have previously posted several other items relating to Radio Nacional, in particular an article from RCA Broadcast News < https://www.americanradiohistory.com/RCA_Broadcast_News_Page_Range_Guide.htm > (January 1944, p. 29). We have also posted Don Jensen's QSL from Radio Nacional, 1952.

< www.ontheshortwaves.com > Update, August 5, 2018 -- Under "DX History/Clubs & Publications," we have posted another group of trinkets ("Trinkets-III"), mainly from traditional member-based clubs: the Newark News DX Club, the International Short Wave Club, the International Short Wave League, the North American Shortwave Association, the Association of North American Radio Clubs, the National Radio Club, and the Radio Club of America. -- And under "Specialized Resources/The DX Recordings of Colin Miller," we have added four recordings from Gabon. Thanks, Colin.

< www.ontheshortwaves.com > Update, August 12, 2018 -- Trinkets-IV. Last time, we posted a small group of trinkets that were mostly from traditional-style radio clubs. This time, under "DX History/Clubs & Publications," we have a group of pins from "clubs" that were usually sponsored by equipment manufacturers or radio magazines. The magazine "clubs" were formed to promote the magazines or encourage contributions to various columns. The pins shown are from: (1) The American Bosch Radio Explorers Club, with its "commander and master mariner" James P. Barker, operated in the mid-1930s. It was often mentioned in American Bosch advertisements, alongside letters from customers attesting to their DX feats while using an American Bosch receiver. What do the letters "AMNH," to the left of the ship, stand for? For a time there was also an American Bosch Radio Explorers Club program on NBC. - (2) Sparton Radio Explorers Club. The origins of this club are unknown; perhaps it paralleled the American Bosch club, but for the Sparton receiver line. - (3) Junior Radio Guild. The history of this one can be found at < http://www.ontheshortwaves.com/Clubs/The_Junior_Radio_Guild.pdf > - (4) Radio International Guild. Two pins; the Guild was sponsored by Pilot Radio & Tube Corp. - (5) Radio League of America. The League was a Gernsback-sponsored group of wireless experimenters founded in 1915, and this was

their official button (cost: 20 cents, including postage). - (6) Short Wave League. The League was sponsored by Short Wave Craft magazine. - (7) World-Wide Radio Club. This is another unknown club. Anyone recognize the geography shown on the pin? - (8) Radio Association of America. An advertiser in radio magazines in the 1920s, this group was devoted to promoting radio servicing as a career. -- Also, we have updated the “Active-Inactive Shortwave Countries” list that can be found under “Specialized Resources.” We have moved Denmark from the inactive to the active list based on the operation of licensed broadcaster World Music Radio; and we have moved Russian Fed.-Asian (Asiatic RSFSR) from the active to the inactive list based on the apparent inactivity of the several shortwave stations in the Russian east. For all the new revisions, see p. 42 of the list. Total active countries as of August 6, 2018 remains the same: 117 plus three pirates, out of a total of 266 “all timers” on the NASWA list.

< www.ontheshortwaves.com> Update, August 19, 2018 -- If you were suffering from man-made noise in 1929, you would want to read the pamphlet that we have posted under “DX History/SWling & DXing”: “RMA Better Radio Reception Manual--Home Made Static and How to Avoid It.” (I wonder what the 2018 version would be like.) -- And under “Specialized Resources/Wavescan,” we have a bunch of new entries from Adrian Peterson: (1) “Gone and Forgotten: Shortwave Radio SEARV, Pt. 1” (Wavscan N490, July 15, 2018) - (2) “Gone and Forgotten: Shortwave Radio SEARV, Pt. 2” (Wavscan N491, July 22, 2018). - (3) “The Highest Powered Mediumwave Station in the Southern Hemisphere-2YA (Wavescan N492, July 29, 2018). - (4) “The Radio Scene in Flooded Kerala, India” (Wavescan N492, July 29, 2018). - (5) “AIR Mediumwave Stations in Regional Cities of Kerala” (Wavescan N493, August 5, 2018). - (6) “Animals and Insects in Radio-3” (Wavescan N493, August 5, 2018). - And (7) “Tribute to the Island of Lombok” (Wavescan N494, August 12, 2018). Thanks, Adrian.

< www.ontheshortwaves.com> Update, August 26, 2018 -- Does anyone remember Radio Biafra, vintage 1967-70? Although many Biafra QSLs emanated from a Biafran representative in the Ivory Coast, it has been DX gospel that Alan Roth’s “battlefield” QSL from the station was the only Radio Biafra QSL to have originated from within the country. But was that correct? Read “The Undiscovered QSL of Radio Biafra” under “DX History/ QSLs & Other Station Memorabilia.”





NEW ZEALAND RADIO DX LEAGUE

NOTICE OF PROXY FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018

I, (name)
being a financial member of the NZ Radio DX League and being unable to attend the above Meeting to be held in Ashburton on Sunday 14 October 2018, hereby record my apology.

I nominate:
(insert 'Chairman of the Meeting' or the name or named position of a member who will attend the meeting) to be my PROXY at the above meeting, and to VOTE ON MY BEHALF.

I direct my proxy to vote in the following manner. (If you do not indicate below, the proxy will vote or abstain from voting as they see fit.)
(Place a tick after your selected voting position)

- To re-elect SUTTON BURTENSHAW as Patron For___ Against___
To re-elect ARTHUR DE MAINE as National President For___ Against___
To re-elect DAVID NORRIE as National Vice President For___ Against___
To re-elect STEVEN GREENYER as National Secretary For___ Against___
To re-elect BRYAN CLARK as National Treasurer For___ Against___
To re-elect STUART FORSYTH as Chief Editor / Competitions' Secretary For___ Against___
To re-elect PAUL ORMANDY Public Rel/ Publicity Officer For___ Against___
To re-elect PHIL VAN DE PAVERD as Committee Member For___ Against___

Signed:

Dated: -----/-----/2018

Important Notes: To be valid, a proxy form must be signed, dated, and posted to NZ Radio DX League, P.O. Box 178, Mangawhai 0540 to reach the DX League no later than 28 September 2018. It is recommended that proxy forms be posted no later than Monday 1 October 2018.

Alternatively you may scan the completed proxy form and send it in electronic form to nzrdxsecretary@radiodx.com no later than 28 September 2018.



NZ Radio DX League Nomination Form

I wish to nominate _____

for the position of _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Seconded by: _____

Signature: _____

Candidate's signature signifying acceptance of nomination:
