

# DX Monitor

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#### DX Calendar

- Mon Mar 1 WHND-560, Monroe, MI, will test 0300-0400 EST w/any or all of the following: mx, TTs, tone sweeps, continuous IDs, jingles. Will be nondirectional 0300-0320, silent 0320-0330, directional NNE 0330-0400. Positive details will be required for verification. Send reports to Fred R. Vobbe, WHND Transmitter Site, 5305 Vineyard, Monroe, MI 48161. Arranged by Frank Merrill.
- Mon Apr 26 WSUM-1000, Parma, OH, will test 0300-0400 ELT w/tones, mx, and code IDs. First 30 minutes will be 500 watts directional NE, last 30 minutes will be 500 watts nondirectional. Phone: (216) 578-1111. Send reports to Dave Johnson, CE, WSUM, Mortensen Broadcasting Company, 619 Ameritrust Bldg., Canton OH 44702. Arranged by Tim Davisson.

#### Odds & Ends

NEW GRAVEYARD DX RECORDS EDITOR. Effective immediately, Mark Strickert has taken over as graveyard DX records editor. GYDXR, for the benefit of newcomers to the club, is a listing of the farthest distance stations on 1230, 1240, 1340, 1400, 1450, and 1490 have been heard, complete with the name of the person holding the distance record for a particular station. You can contribute by sending Mark a list of the stations you've heard on these frequencies——some of them might actually be recordholders. Mark is considering breaking the column into two divisions, such as one for stations heard after 1970 (or 1975 or 1980 or...) versus those heard before that date. If you have any suggestions or thoughts along those lines, he'd enjoy knowing them. Mark's address is P.O. Box 931, San Francisco, CA 94101-0931.

<u>CENTRAL AMERICAN ELECTIONS</u>. The elections in El Salvador will be held on March <u>28</u>, thus answering a question raised a few issues back. It's possible that some Salvadoran stations will stay on later than normal for election coverage. Elections were held in Costa Rica on February 7, in case anyone heard ER type programming that night...

CONGRATULATIONS! To Mark and Mary Lou Connelly on the birth of their new son, Michael Mark, on January 28. Mother, son, and father are all doing well, aside from lack of sleep. (We're told that 2 and 4 am "alarms" are a good excuse for getting up and DXing, Mark....).

<u>CANADIAN POSTAGE INCREASE</u>. Our Canadian members already know about this, but Canadian postal rates went up to  $30\phi$  within Canada and  $35\phi$  to the U.S., as of January. If you're sending a reception report to Canada, then you now need to throw in more return postage than before....

I'm not quite done tallying the minicontest results yet, so the winners won't be announced till next week. In the meantime, someone <u>please</u> figure out how to get decent DX conditions to return....

## EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

Bob Lazar 

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Reston, VA 22090

Deadline: Tuesdays 2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/30, 4/13

#### OF SPECIAL INTEREST

1170 WOBM NJ Lakewood, new calls (was WHLW) & slogan "The station that will make to listen to AM again, the new 11-7 WOBM-AM." Progressive rock w/ wide playlist. Local here. (KZ-NY)

1170 WCRR NY Cornwall, MoR format 1/18 1545. Note new calls. (KZ-NY)

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516 "YWA" ON Petawawa, good sigs, 1/4 0030. (KZ-NY) (Note correct freq
& location as per IRCA Almanac.--ed)
530 "NB" ON North Bay, 1/14 1711 morse code ID every 10 sec. Fair sig.
580 CKPR ON Thunder Bay, 12/28 0248 fair w/ mx, ID w/ city, wx (-21^{\circ}C), m
        DJ, nx on hour. (RSR-ON)

WOW NE Omaha, 12/29 0400 fair w/ ID, ads, Larry King show. (RSR-ON)

WVLK KY Lexington, 1/5 0050 fair w/ sports, wx, ID, into mx "Hooked on Classics." (RSR-ON)
 600 WITC CT Bridgeport, 1/13 0029 fair w/ ID, into wx, rock mx. (RSR-ON) (Robert, are you sure of this call change? I have no info
 on WICC changing calls.--ed)
640 KFI CA Los Angeles, 1/20 0026 fair w/ rock mx, contest promo, ID, ads.
                          (RSR-ON)
         WHLO OH Akron, 0155 11/28 ID "WHLO AM 64 w/ music's Hall of Fame."
 WHLO OH Akron, 0155 11/28 ID "WHLO AM 64 W/ music's nail of rame.

Good w/ deep fades. (KZ-NY)

685(WSJU)NY Jamaica, noted off due to college winter recess. Probably back by first week of Feb. (KZ-NY)

820 WOSU OH Columbus: w/ jazz show and then s/off at 1845. "Owned & op' ed by Ohio State," etc. 1/29 1845. (KZ-NY)

WAIT IL Chicago, right after WOSU s/off heard their s/off. "For mx through the evening, tune to FM 100...good night." 1845

1/29. (KZ-NY)
910 WRNL VA Richmond, 1/18 0046 fair w/ ID, school closings, wx. ID as "Country 91", C&W mx. (RSR-ON)
1080 WCII KY Louisville, "Kentuckyiana nx on Country 11." Strong, almost
1000 WCII KI LOUISVILLE, "Kentuckylana nx on Country II." Strong, almost o/ local WTIC. 1700 1/29. (KZ-NY)

1160 WJJD IL Chicago, alone on freq. "Pure country WJJD" slogan. Good sigs. 1710 1/29. (KZ-NY)

1170 WWVA WV Wheeling, C&W format, note time. 1450 1/18. (KZ-NY)

1190 CHTN PEI Charlottetown, 1/25 0138 fair w/ pop rock mx, ID by m.
                           WOWO off. (RSR-ON)
 1300 WOSC NY Fulton, quick fade-up for ID from f "WOSC Fulton", into Ai nx before fade-out. 0700 1/28. (KZ-NY)
 1310 WGH VA Newport News, ments of Tidewater area, Kale Realty ad, Accuweather forecast. Good. 0718 1/28. (KZ-NY)
1370 WFEA NH Manchester, 1/13 0106 fair w/ wx, ID, m DJ. (RSR-ON)
1380 WNVR CT Naugatuck, w/ f ID "WNVR" in local WBNX null. 1815 1/29. (KZ)
 1390 WEAM VA Arlington, sports, then WEAM newstime check and more nx. 0725 1/28. (KZ-NY)
 1420 WCOJ PA Coatesville, freak fade-in SRS 0702 1/27. (KZ-NY)
 1430 WWWQ FL Panama City, 1/15 1719 end of emergency system test, Dairy
Queen spot. Fair, alone on channel. (WPT-DC)

1460 WOKO NY Albany, C&W w/f ancr. 1/4 0010. (KZ-NY)
WBUC WV Buckhannon, C&W w/ Mickey Gilley record. 1723 1/29. (KZ-NY)
  1480 WSAR MA Fall River, CBS sports feature & other sports. In WJIT null. 1825 1/29. (KZ-NY)
  1490 WYTL WI Oshkosh, 1/8 0330 fair w/ ID sung out, into wx. Male DJ.(RSR)
  1290 WOMP OH Bellaire, 2/1 0335. Morse code ID, voice ID 0339. Fair amid
                             QRM. (WPT-DC)
  1340 WSAJ PA Grove City, 0200-0300 DX test not heard. Tried hard. (BC-VT)
  BC=Bob Curtis RSR=Robert Ross WPT=Bill Townshend KZ=Karl Zuk
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# CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

Robert Kramer 6416 N. Richmond Chicago, IL 80645

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			UnIDed, Special, Changes, et. al.
780	KFOW	MA	RENO, Probably the one W/light rock (mostly oldies) weak in WBEM null 0140
810	KBSN	ΥT	CHANE, now fulltime, good W/rel. mx & ID as "Your Favorite Radio Station" 2338 1/11, S/Off 0100. BP-TX
890	KBYE	OK	
920	WOKY	WI	MILWAUKEE, 1/16 format change from pop adult to MOYL W/"New Sound of AM
1060	KHYM	TX	GIMER, easy on DX test O/U/MNOE W/Cospel mx, voice & CW IDs & TT 0105 1/18/1/18 0113 good W/KYW in null W/Gospel mx, frequent CW & voice IDs, address
1180	WKKE	RM	listeners' top 3 favorites. Not sure of call. BP-TX (One policy for Eruce please Hogle, they are not in Jackson as Bruce reported, ed.), 1/21 1810
1290 1330	WOM P WEAW	OH IL	fair W/lcl nx, spots, wx & ID. DF-IL (Dave, note correct calls, ed.)  BELLAIRE, 2/1 0301 fair on DX test W/CW IDs, nothing else audible. RK-IL  EVANSTON, 1/16 noted good OC O/WRRR, ended 1730. JS-IL (Jim, note correct calls, they seem to run OC all day, maybe a new format ? Would be alot better than the old one, ed.)
1340 1350	Un <b>ID</b> e WBLT	ed VA	1/15 0113-0151 good W/WHPI null W/800 Hz TT, no IDs. RG-IL
1410	WTD	IL	& several others. CR-IL
a luko			service, though S/Off does say they have a 500w FSA. This one was planning to be fulltime by last March. DF-IL
1440	KPUR	TX	AMARILIO, This one is still T40/rock, despite recent rpts saying they switched to c&w. BP-TX
1550	UnIDe	ed	1/2 & $1/4$ 0730 fades in at tail end of S/On, ment. 1000 watts, into Mutual nx directly. EWG-KY
			All da Rest BP-TX
540	KNMX	NM	LAS VECAS, SS mx, ad, into "noticias desde Espanola" 1756 1/6 good sig.//
5 <i>5</i> 0	WKRC	OH	CINCINNATI, 1/13 2045 W/tlk show pgm & IDs as "55 KRC". Mixing W/KSD. CR-IL
560	KWTO	MO	SPRINGFIELD, atop W/"Famous 56-KWTO" ID & C&W 2234 1/11. BP-TX CR-IL
570	WKYX	ΚY	PADUCAH, 1/21 0015 W/rock mx, several IDs as "57 KYX". Fair but fast fades//
580	W NA X W IBW	S.D KS	YANKTON, fair in WFAA null W/Johnny Buffet tune, YL DJ, wx 0046 1/20. BP-TX TOPEKA, strong C& W 2017 1/12. BP-TX
	KRLB	TΧ	LUBBOCK, 2 twangy ancrs. W/long wx O/UnIDed 1819 1/15. BP-TX
600	WREC	TN	MEIPHIS, atop jumble W/sports, ID, ad for Baron's 0750 1/13. BP-TX
	KROD	TX	EL PASO, 1/23 1859 weak W/ID & spot, light & M & no sign of Cuban. BP-TX
	KERB	TX	KEMIT, "Sound of Texas" farm pgm, 0/2 UnIDeds 1824 1/15. BP-TX
	KTBB	TX	RESIDENCE DURING OF TEXAS TARM PRINT, 0/2 UNIDERS 1024 1/15. BP-TX
610	WIP	PA	TYLER, atop W/school closures, ID 0755 1/13 into Carpenters mx. BP-TX PHILADELPHIA, 1/19 2210 hockey game between Philadel hia Flyers & Quebec Nordiques. Mixing W/WDAF. CR-IL
620	KTAR	ΑZ	PHOENIX, fair W/XEBU nulled W/wx 0137 1/17. BP-TX
630	KHOW	CO	DENVER, strong W/sports 1947 1/12. BP-TX
	КХОК	MO	ST. IOUIS, T-40 oldies fair W?KHOW nulled 1947 1/12. BP-TX
640	KFI	CA	IDS ANGELES, 1/19 2200 W/good signal & rock mx, ID as "The Amazing Music on AM KFI". CR-IL
680	KNBR	CA	SAN FRANCISCO, USF basketball fair 0115 1/13/ BP-TX
690	KGGF	KS	COFFEYVILLE, soft MoR & ID by TL 0041 1/20. BP-TX
720	KDWN	NV	TAS VECAS PAIR W/CDS Winstown (When the Life William)
770	WABC	NY	IAS VECAS, fair W/CBS Mystery Theatre in WGN null. BP-TX
850	KFUO	MO	NEW YORK, fair W/RR mx & ID W/KOB mulled 0055 1/16. BP-TX CIAYTON, 1/18 poor W/late afternoon nx, ID @ 1822 as "You are listening to KFUO Radio, Clayton, Missouri". CR-IL
860	KKOW	KS	DITTS RIBO 1/7 1000 mod s/dest mr s uv vous to the dre of the
910	ANOW.	ت:	PITTSBURG, 1/7 1900 good W/C&W mx & "K-KOW" ID then CBS feed. CR-IL  MENTITION, 1/25 00 FOR 10f matternal recentation of the Biland, 1D & XXW  Mx. CR-IL
	KBIM	M	ROSWELL, good W/rock mx 1810 1/16. BP-TX
920	KARN	AR	LITTLE ROCK, fair in KIXZ slop W/ID & Joyce Brothers, 1812 1/16. BP-TX
	KDHL		FARIBULT, 1/19 2017 fair signals W/slight URI, polka mx & male gives wx
			W/frequent IDs. DJB-KY
	CFLS	Pd	LEVIS, 1/16 0208 fair W/rr mx & SID, all mx U.S. pop. Stn. 1700. WOKY off till 0600. JA-WI
960	WERC	AL	BIRMINGHAM, 1/25 0248 briefly hrd W/ID & promo. CR-IL

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KANSAS CITY, tele-talk O/U 2 Mexicans 2351 1/11. BP-TX
SAULT STE. MARIE, 1/19 1940 W/rock mx & several IDs as "1050 CFYN". CR-IL
980
      KMBZ MO
1050
     CFYN ON
                 NEW ORLEANS, good W/C&W mx & YL DJ 2357 1/11 "Country kin" slogan. BP-TX
1060
     WNOE LA
                 1/23 2025 C&W mx & ID as "WNOE AW Country 10", weak & QRN, no KYW. CR-IL
                 BIRMINGHAM, 1/13 2210 W/talk show called Niteline, # for calls 741-9274,
1070 WAPI
            AL
                 API-1070, but fading. CR-IL
                 LOS ANGELES, ID & CRS nx, all alone 0200 1/16. BP-TX
      KNX
                MONCTON, 1/17 2215 W/Sounds of Sports, "This is CBC Moncton" @ 2300. CR-IL
      CBA
            NB
                 EXCEISIOR SPRINGS, 1/12 1810 good O/KAAY W/Gospel mx, spots & S/Off. JA-WI
1090
      KEXS
            MO
                 GRAND JUNCTION, fair W/CO nx O/Colombian 0009 1/14 no 3WE. BP-TX
1100
      KREX
            CO
                 MEMPHIS, YL DJ, C&W mx, "Lone Star Radio" ID 1351 1/16. BP-TX
1130 . KISR
            TX
                 ATHORE, 1/21 1815 fair W/S/Off in WRVA null U/another S/Off. DF-IL
1140 WASG AL
                 BURLINGTON, C&W mx, ID, 1cl ad, nx 1830 1/17. BP-TX
      KNAB CO
                 SIOUX FALIS, 1/16 1754 fair, WJJD QRM, ment. of wx, musical scoreboard,
      KSOO SD
                 then ID & beer commercial. JS-IL
                 CHIPPEWA FALLS 1/17 1833, xlnt signals W/spot for Welcome Wagon, wx & MoR mx/
      YYAW
            WI
1150
                 CHICAGO, good W/C&W mx, YL DJ W/Wx 1824 1/17. BP-TX
1160 WJJD
            IL
                 KANSAS CITY, 1/11 1737 good W/male ancr: "The Best Way to Broadway is KJIA"
1190
      KJIA MO
                 then time & lcl ads. JS-IL
                 WAUKEGON, 1/16 1746 poor W/quick S/Off after WLFO. JS-IL
STERLING, 1/16 1317 poor in WEDC mall W/wx, lcl sports. JS-IL
1220
      WKRS
             IL
1240
      WSDR
             IL
                 TOPEKA, pop mx, YL DJ, wx 1939 1/12, strong. BP-TX
1250
      WREN
            KS
                 GREENVILLE, 1/13 1710 fair W/C&W mx & "1260 WGVM" slogan. JA-WI
1260
      WCVM
            MS
                 SPRINGFIFLD, 1/12 1716 fair W/wx, ID & wx cancellations, pop adult mx. JA-WI
       KGBX
                 EDENTON, 1/12 1730 poor W/S/Off. JA-WI
       WCDJ
             NC
                 FORTSMOUTH, 1/25 lcl ads in MYL mx 1745. EWC-KY
       WNXT
             OH
                 WINNER, 1/13 1730 fair W/ID & into ABC nx. JA-WI
       KWYR SD
                                                                                       JA-WI
                 LIBERAL, wx 0005 1/13 0/UnIDed SS. BP-TX
 1270
      KSCB KS
                 PARK RAPIDS, 1/15 1710 fair W/ID ment: "Serving Northern MN W/5kw"C&W mx//
       KPRM MN
                 CIAREMORE, dominant W/C&W mx & ID 1808 1/17. BP-TX
       KWPR OK
                 EVANSVILLE, atop W/pop mx, several IDs 1/17 then lost to 4R4 1804. BP-TX
 1280
       WGBF
             IN
                 ARKANSAS CITY, ID & nx 1800 1/17 atop freq. BP-TX
       KSOK
             KS
                 NEW ORLEAMS, atop W/Nx, sports & "Nx Radio 12-80" ID 0744 1/18. BP-TX
       WCSO
             LA
                 HAMILTON, 1/15 0101 poor in WGBF null W/several "D-JJ" IDs & one CL ID, 1cl
       CJJD
            ON
                  ad, rr mx. RG-IL, 1/20 1930 great W/ancr ment. "Hamilton Radio". T40 mx,
                  slight WGBF &RM. DJB-KY
                 WICHITA FALLS, nx, school closures, wx, 0004 1/13. BP-TX MASON CITY, 1/20 1933 bombing in W/jingle & pop mx, dominates freq. DJB-KY
 1290
      KTRN
             TX
 1300
       KGLO
             IA
                 GRAND RAPIDS, 1/20 1844, good slight QR4, W/wx & pop mx. DJB-KY
       WOOD MI
                 AMARILLO, now SS. IDs as "Kah Zeh ee peh, Ah-mah-REE-yo, Teh-hoss". BP-TX
 1310
       KZIP
                  FORT SMITH, Ae nx, ID, into Wx & school closures 1935 1/12. BP-TX
 1320 KWHN
                 GREENSBORD, 1/19 0818 fair W/WBRT QRM, spot for Delta Airlines followed by
       WCOG
            NC
                  an oldie pop song. Faded out soon. DJB-KY
                 HOUSTON, promo for "radio novelas", tlk by SS YL, ID as "la equis de BP-TX
       KXYZ
                  Houston, Radio Trece", into SS pop mx 2357 1/12, EE ID & nx in SS 0000//
                 WICHITA, good W/C&W mx & plug for "13 KFH Ski Line". 2239 1/11. BP-TX
 1330
      KFH
                  BEDFORD, 1/17 0939 fair W/WLOU slop, W/wx & full ID followed by MoR. DJB-KY
 1340
       WBIW
             TN
                  CLEVELAND, now carries Larry King . BP-TX
       WBAC
              TN
                  WINCHESTER, 1/20 1826, fair-poor W/QHi & fading. Spot for food store & MoR
       WCDT
             TN
                  mx. DJB-KY
                  DES MOINES, 1/20 1915, xlnt signals, dominating freq, spot for Ford dealer
 1350
       KRNT
                  jingle & MoR mx. DJB-KY
                  SIOUK CITY, atop W/psa, "KSCJ Information Radio", into MoR mx 2353 1/12//BBMIDJI, 1/10 1810 poor W/male ancr: "This is Lyle Dean for KKBJ News,
 1360
       KSCJ
              TA
        KKBJ
                  thdn wx. JS-IL
                  CAMERON, 12/30 1815 good W/male S/Off. JS-IL
        KARN
             MO
                  SYRACUSE, 1/20 1904 fair W/spot for Radio Advertising & MoR mx, some WVON
 1390
       WFBL NY
                  QR4. DJB-KY
                  YOUNGSTOWN, 1/19 0829 poor W/WJCD QRM, W/ID & ment MOYLL lcl nx. DJB-KY
        WFMJ
              OH
                  PIAINVIEW, good way atop jumble W/wx, ID, C&W mx 1744 1/17. BP-TX
 1400
       KVOP
              TX
                  DALHART, fair W/CEW mx "14-10 KXIT" ID, 1632 1/16. BP-TX
 1410
       KXIT
                  DAVENPORT, atop W/lcl nx 1920 1/11 then faded., U/XEF. BP-TX
 1420
                  MORGANTON, 1/15 1415 auto C&W, lcl ads/ancmts. EWC-KY
 1430
       WMNC NC
                  CAMPBEELSVILLE, 1/19 0855 fair sigs W/lcl WXVW off, C&W mx & "Country Kix"
 1450
       WKXJ KY
                   ID. DJB-KY
                  NEW ALBANY, 1/22 1805 tent. W/ID ending nx, much WHM, WMBD nulled. DF-IL
 1470
        W NA U
              MS
                  LINCOIN, good W/pop mx, 1cl ads, ID 1819 1/21. BP-TX
 1480 KIMS
                  BORGER, good O/UnIDed W/rock mx & 1cl ads. BP-TX (1635 1/16)
 1490
        KQTY
              ΤX
                  GENESBO, 1/22 1753 weak W/WPMB nulled partially, noted 1 ID & ments. of
 1500
       WGEN
              IL
                  Geneseo. DF-IL
                  IOWA FALLS, 1/19 1802 here almost alone, exc. sigs W/wx & temp for Iowa
 1510 KIFG
       falls then off, no S/Off, ID or anything. DF-IL
KECK NE LINCOLN, strong W/C&W mx "Town & Country is KECK" ID 1/21 1812. BP-TX
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1530

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1550 WAAY AL HUNTSVILLE, 1/4 0721 lcl nx, wx, ment. severe wx cx, TC, fair-poor U/
      WEVR WI
                 RIVER FALIS, 1/8 1814 good W/S/Off W/studio & xmtr loc. JS-IL
                 COSCHOCTON, 1/15 1940 AC/DC mx, ment. of HS BKB, spot, wx, AoR mx. EWC-KY
1560
      WINS OH
1570
      KIOV CO
                 IOVELAND, atop W/wx 1825 1/21. BP-TX
                 FARMELL, SS ancr, mixture of EE & SS mx, good 1643 1/16. BP-TX ST. THOMAS, 1/15 0116 O/UniDed ET W/XERF mulled, W/several IDs, ad, pop
      KZOL TX
      CHLO ON
                 mx. RG-IL
1580
      KNIX
            ΑZ
                 TEMPE-PHOENIX, wx & ad for Willie Nelson concert 1/12 1928 atop. BP-TX
      KZIA
             NM
                 ALBUQUERQUE, atop W/tele-talk "Zia Radio KZIA" ID 1823 1/21. BP-TX
                 ICARD TOWNSHIP, 1/15 1440 T40 mx, ID as "New UIV", into Elton John mx, good
      WUIV NC
                 way O/MAXU. ENC-KY
HOUSTON, 1/10 2234 poor W/C&W mx & male ancr ID. JS-IL
1590 KYOK TX
1600 KATZ MO
                 ST. LOUIS, dominant W/soul mx, "Your Voter Registration Stn" slogan, ID,
                  black DJ 2331 1/19. BP-TX
      WHVL NC
                 HENDERSONVILLE, 1/15 1431 T40 mx, 1cl ads, Ski Lodge Rpt. EWC-KY
      WKXQ NC
                 REIDSVILLE, 1/18 2100 Little River Band mx, legal ID, more mx. EWC-KW
1616.5
                 U.S. PIRATE, Radio North 1/31 0120 poor W/mx, ID & phone # (212)-352-9906,
                 NYC Area code. RK-IL
FREAKS FREAKS
                 TUISA, F/C per list 1/18. BP-TX CLOVIS, all alone W/M nx, lcl ad & wx, ID 1820 1/17. BP-TX (How'd that
1240 KCLV NM
                 find itself amongst the freaks ?, ed.)
                                                 Some More Freaks:
JA.... Jim Albrecht 3313 N. Weil St. Milwaukee, WI 53212
(RF-2200, TRF-655)
DJB... Dennis J. Bednarz 5144 Dixie Hwy. Louisville, KY 40216 (DX-150B, SM-2, Sanserino Loop)
EWC... Wheels Conover RR #18, Box 344B Manchester, KY 40962
OFF-2800, TRF-12-656, 50° IM, cat named Moo, various farm beasts)
DF.... Dave Faulkner Box 602 Witt, IL 62094
RG.... Rob Gerardi 613 W. Main St. Benton, IL 62812
(RF-2200)
RK... Me
(R-1000, HQ-129X, Radio West Loop, spiral loop, Parakeet named meow)
BP.... Bruce Portzer vacationing or loafing in Amarillo, TX (Nobody goes to Amarillo for vacation.bp)
CR.,.. Christos Rigas 4832 N. Drake Chicago, IL 60625
(Superadio)
JS.... Jim Surin 236 E. Morningside Ave. Lombard, IL 60148
(RF-4900, ferrite coil, LW)
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#### Unreported Stations Update

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by Don Waskey

The following chart lists the total number of stations in the UJA and Ganada and the volume they were last remorted as being heard, as reported in  $\underline{N}X11$ . Thru V19  $\frac{3}{2}18$ .

COULDRY	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>V17</u>	<u> </u>	<u>V15</u>	<u>V14</u>	<u>V13</u>	<u>V12</u>	Prior	Total
CAMADA	195	89	31	18	8	7	1	2	58	409
U.J.A.	1802	1189	453	367	167	88	53	85	399	4603
TOTAL	1997	1278	484	385	175	95	54	87	457	5012
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New stations remorted as having taken to the air during V19 #13 thru 18 are:

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AZ--1490-KBA3 TN---810-WCTA
GA--1400-F0E VA---940-WAIN (not positive 811)
KY--1010-WBCE WA--1420-KSCR
OR--14C0-KBCH (x-1380) QU--540-CBGA-1
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Deletions since the last list of unreported stations (VI9 #14) are: (\* denotes new station recently taking the air).

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AK---9-KVOK--560(Williams-OR)
AZ---4-KBAU-1490*(Warms-UT)
AR--16-KCON-1230(Kramer-IL), KELC-1530(Jemiorski-IL)
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# WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

All times are Eastern Local

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Phone for hot WDXR tips: (206)532-6827 till 10:30pm(PLT)--no collect calls
DEADLINES: Thursdays 2/18, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 4/1, 4/15, 5/13, 6/10
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უუფიდინდებინების ერის განანის განანის
  710 KFIA <u>CA</u>, Carmichael hold everything, they have not changed call letters to KFF3 as reported in 1/30/81 MDXR. They are still KFIA as of 2/1. Still relig./Fospel. (JEO-CA)
 OF SPECIAL INTEREST:
                    +Still noted using calls KFIA Ron. evening 2/1, and not KIES as rptd. by JtH. Ferhaps they were just testing that evening to
                      prepare for these new calls? Also, not MSP as rptd. by JtH, but
                    was off air NM 1/25 & 2/1. Still sounds like 250w, too! (RA-GA) +NO listings in recent DXW's, DXN's, or Broadcasting about KFIA
                      applying for new calls. Also, they were denied 10kw days a few years back but were granted a CF for 1kw days/250w nights.--Ni
 1420 KSCR WA, Renton began broadcasting 2/3, per local TV story. (bp-Wh.)
                      AZ, Phoenix "45° in downtown Phoenix" 0518 1/25--who else? KARI nulled to allow this poor to fair signal through. (NHT-EC) ET, Butte 1/13 0632 good in KARI null w/nx, wx, mx jingle,
   550 ?KOY?
            KEOW.
                      oldies. (EH-WA)
                      WA, Kennewick-Richland Pasco 1/26 0346 , cod w/wx, FC, into rock
                      song. KFRC nulled. (EM-WA)
SK, Regina 1/14 1630 temperatures for Regina & Loose Jaw, Sask.
   610
           KONA
   620
           CKCK
                      wx, CST TC's, "CK" ment., pop mx; fair to poor in KGW null w/
                    K3DN-630 splash. Distinct shortage of IDs, but nice "daytime" DX (early SSS?). (NHT-5C)

ID, Boise-Nampa 1/13 0659 good in CKCV null w/MY1 into CBS nx on the hour. (EH-WA)
  630
         KIDO
                       CA, Los Angeles off again MM 2/2 0530-0700+ leaving a vacant
    640 (KFI)
                       channel! (bp-NA)
                       HI, Honolulu 1/16 0701 "The sound of Hawaii, K-0-R-I, K-65,"
    650
          KORL
                       into MYL. (EH-WA)
   680 *KNER* <u>CA</u>, San Francisco 1/21 0455 rare ET w/TT, OC. Also noted 1/22 0527 w/TT. (EH-WA)
                       AZ, Flagstaff believe this was the one w/light rock c C&W alloping NNW/SSE 0540-0555 & 0625-0655 2/2. Hrd what sounded like "here in Flagstaff" during wx 0630. Anyone else hear it? HI. Honolulu ID noted in murk w/METRA nulled 12/26 (tp)
    690 ?KZKZ
             KKUA
                       0517. Jazz at poor level hrd a few minutes earlier, but couldn't say if it was KKUA. (NNP-BC)
                       KS, Coffeyville s/on 0555 2/2, believe they mentioned 19 hrs/day of operation. Tuess this answers RW's question of last
                       week. (bp-WA)
           (XETRA) BCN, Tijuana noted off MN 2/2 0530-0700+. (bp-WA)
  (XETRA)BCN, Tijuana noted off EW 2/2 0530-0700+. (pp-WA)

720 (KDWN) NV, las Veras 1/18 0605 noted totally off. W NW /good sig. (Ei)

740 *KCBS* CA, San Francisco 1/24 0630 noted w/OC. (EM-WA)

750 KFQD AK, Anchorage 1/13 0625 xlnt wiping out KXL w/rock mx, TC, ID.

780 *KROW* NV, Las Vegas 1/15 0530 noted w/OC. (EM-WA)

880 *KRVN* NE, Lexington 1/27 0524 noted w/OC. (EM-WA)

950 XEGM ECN, Tijuana now using whistle IS & "Radio Todo" slogan. (RW-CA)

1120 (KPNW) OR, Eugene-Springfield 2/1 0411 noted totally off. (RW-CA)

1160 *KSL* UT, Salt Lake City 1/24 0624 w/OC, then man announcing they have been off for xmtr & antenna adjustments. Relig. program at 0625. (EM-WA)
                       OR, Portland 1/15 0520 noted w/OC. (EH-WA)

EC, Osoyoos 1/18 0510 dominating channel w/"CKGK-80" // slogan into rock song. (EH-WA)
                        at 0625. (EH-WA)
   1190 *KEX*
   1240 CK00
                       CA, Tulare-Visalia 1/18 0502 fair u/OC w/ID, MOR type mx. (EH)
    1270 KCOK
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1310 KEIN
                             LT, Freat Falls 1/9 NEC nx after "KEIN Freat Falls" ID. Poor to
                              fair. Again w/fair signal 1/14 1708, ID after woman w/nx.(NHP) AZ, Yuma 1/26 2000 poor in mess at s/off beginning w/"This is
1320 KANC
                           Dr. Kenneth ??...", ending w/"...when KAWC, Yuma, AZ begins a new broadcast day," then off immediately. Ments. of "public
                              radio" & "MPR" also. New. (RW-CA)
               КИХҮ
                             CA, Cathedral City 1/26 1943 good, well on top of all, then lost
                               to MCDI. Next-to-last stn needed in CA (MSFE is the last) on
                             1340. Lany local spots, each spot ending w/a harp interlude, ment. of A\Gamma nx on hour followed by local nx, sports, wx. Had as
                              tentative, now definite. (RX-CA)
               KSET
                              ID. Hailey 1/28 2013 way on top of everything for at least 3
                              min. before lost to KEET. Promo for skating tournament at Sun
                              Valley Ice Arena, ment. tourney will be broadcast o/KSKI-93.5
FE. Mx for Sun Valley & Heiley, into rr mx. (RW-CA)
CA, San Luis Obispo 2/1 0424 good o/KVE; in KRE null w/jingle
1400
                               ID. NSF now? (RW-CA)
                             The Mai how? (MA-GA) (
               KUKI
                             Change their mmtr locale or something? (RM-CA)

WA, Fuyallup 12/28 1447 noted fair w/country mx & new call in
total null of semi-local KCNP. (NHP-BC)

CA, Sacramento first noted w/EYI 1/30. Ex-EORish/oldies. (JEO)

TG, Fointe Claire 1/11 0500 woman saying "I'm ??? & this is the
CKO National Radio Report" briefly fair w/CJVB OC. Second
1450 KJUN
1470 EXOA
               CITC
                            logging for this rare one. (NHF-BC)

C.A. Nerced 12/30 1200 call ID at top of hour after Ac nx; not listed as 4c in Almanac or updater. Nil to fair signal.(NHF-BC)
1480 EYGS
150 FEAA
                            SD, Aberdeen 1/13 1750 country mx, spots for Aberdeen businesses
                              @ IDs. Fair on early SSS w/southerly signals nulled. (NHP-FC)
Pebruary f/c's heard:
1st NE EXIV-1490 AZ 0205-0220 (RW-CA)
EEAA-1560 SD 0225-0235 (RW-CA)
February f/c's not heard:
1st NF EFSA-950 AR (RV-GA)

KCCR-1240 DD (RV-GA)

EANA-1060 TX (RV-GA)
                                                                                             THE WELCOME GUEST OF THE GREAT SOUTHWEST
                                                                                                                                                             IN OOD WATES
                                                                                                                                                            ON 1210 KC.
                   KQTK-1230 OR (RW-CA)
KWC1-1240 ID (RW-CA)
KTXX-1450 MT (RW-CA)
                                                                                                                                                  GUYMON, OKLAHOMA
                                                                                            PLAINS BROADCASTING CO., INC. + P. O. BOX 130 + GUYMON: OKLAHOMA 73842
UNID's:
 760
             1/6 1035 vocal SSE followed by miscellaneous instrumental mx. looped NNM/SSE. LFAR? (NHT-BC)
            1/11 0530 ad for "Country...Countdown on the new 91" surfaced through
13/40
              the porridge here. (NEF-BC) (How about CKBR? They twin CJDV-910
              which is Car. -- NH)
       Happy Valentine's Day, everyone!
This week's penguin flipper award goes to Nancy for listing KWXY & KSKI on 1320 instead of 1340 bp.
Unreported stations summary....continued from page 5.
    3 -- 28- 7 03-370 * (Jeter-34)
  The --O-MGRI-1360(Porth-Ib), AE 3-700(PonUnter-Ib)
IN---1-30M-1560(Ponth-Ib), AE 3-700(PonUnter-Ib)
IN---6-PEN-1/70(Porth-Ib), AEN-1350(Restray-vec IA), AEY-1450
(In Transce-II)
      :---0-11077-1340( Strine-IA)
   [][---/-1]::0D-1300(Yr o'sey-vec EA)
   MY-10- MAJ-900(Fitchell-JT)

MO-35- MC M-580(Comphen)- JJ)
  014-4-/IL/-1500(Trovec-/V)

TM-18-/JF4-810*(Surin-IL)

T4-75-1.7 M-1110*(Frenor-IL)

V4-16-5(F-1600(Robe-(H))
   //---0-1:30x-1420(3vajdlenin-/1)
    lobort Mien your NAB (-1000 ng noted in VIO 418 is the new call
   for Forntello, Idoho (m-KISU/MSLV), nice cotch....73 dkk.....
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#### TRANS ATLANTIC Dx ROUNDUP (all from Mark TA Connelly)

- ALGERIA Oran Jan 20 AA mx at 0410, 0025 Jan 25 AA talk equaling level of 550 domestics.

  ENGLAND BBC suspected w/soft mx, poor 0412 Jan 20. 549
- 693 t
- FRANCE Rennes 2322 an 19 bits of FF talk, screaming het against a very strong WOK. The French stn. aumps a potent sig. into this area, but isn't repoted often because of the tremendous WOR QRW. 711 The het is in there almost every night but audio extraction is difficult even on the HQ180A. For this logging(w/car rx) the 711 signal was nearly equal to WOR- the necessary condition for car rx reception.
- PORTUGAL Lisboa 2308 Jan 19 vocal mx, then man in PP, fair. 756
- SENEGAL Dakar 2305 Jan 19 talk by man in AA, drums in background, 765 good. 0029 jan 21 AA talk, then ukelele-like plucking & shrill vocal - xlnt, bombing in.
- SPAIN synchros 2306 jan 19 3S talk of multiple SAH's. 0031 Jan 21 774
- w/ disco. PORTUGAL Porto 2318 jan 19 "50's" type song, then PP talk - loud 783
- better than adjacent dominant ZBVI-780.
  MOROCCO Rabat 2307 jan 19 AA talk, fair o/SS LA 820 het & Paradise 819
- 825 slop. ALGERIA Algiers 2222 Jan 18 AA talk, good-890 just a background het ENGLAND Brookmans Park et al 2245 Jan18 female MOR vocal, good. 0033 891
- 909 Jan 21 cl. mx fair. Nouakchott 2241 Jan 18 moaning vocal, rausous het agai-1349 MAURITANIA
- nst wNIS-1350. ALBANIA Lushnje 0438 Jan 25 m & w in apparent slavic language, fair 1458
- o/ low growl.
- 1467 MONOCO Monte Carlo 0459 Jan 19 choral mx, fair on TRF. 0405 Jan.

  25 apparent II talk, light of mx, fair.

  1476 t AUSTRIA typical muzak here, poor to fair in WSAR slop, 0440, Jan 25.

  (Muzak is the only format I've ever seen Austria reported with here-ed)

  1557 FRANCE Nice 0428 Jan25 man in AA to good peaks.
- UNID (likely Tunisia) powerful 0. 0425-0505 (and prob. after 0505) 1566
- Jan 25. W. GERMANY Langenburg 0357 Jan 25 operatio-type vocal, peaking at 1593 good strength but w/ severe polar-type flutter fading almost fast enogth to modulate the sig. w/ a low note.

#### PAN AMERIJAN DX ROUNDUP

- UNID "Ia Poderosa" ID & 55 pops in wFAA null 0332 Jan 12 (Portzer) MEXICO Chihuahua XEFI dominant w/ ranchera mx, R.Mexicana ID's 0326 Jan 12. Sounded more like listed day power (5 kw) than listed nite power (250 w) (Portzer-TX) If I may take up a few lines, I'll comment that my observations agree with you as I hear XEFI here in 570 580 Calif. In my opinion quite a few Mexicans run day power at night. For example XERPO 790 is often audible here w/KESU in null of my 5 kw local. XERPO is supposed to be only 400 w at night. AERPO was recently logged by Stan Mors (NRC) in Mass! In my opinion XERPO was running day power then. Other Mexicans seem too strong here for their listed night powers, too -ed
- MEXICO Chihuahua AEBU o/u unid domestic w/ mariachi mx, "La B-U, La Nortenita" SID, "Once y media" (halfpast 11) To 052d Jan 14(bp-TX) GUADELOUPE Arnouville 2323 Jan 19 woman in FF, xlnt o/CBN & 639 TA 620
- 640 het. (Connelly-MA)
- MEXI\_O Leon xELG SS pops "LG,LG,LG,LG" jx by highpitched YL's. SS talk, la Grande ID's dominant 0320 Jan 12 o/unid SS (Portzer-Tx) 680
- VENEZUEIA Porlamar YVOr 2315 Jan 19 55 talk, R. Vision ID loud & 720 dominant. Het of about 1 kHz present (poss. of TA origin- someone still on 719?) (Connelly-MA) I think on of the Africans may still be on 719 -ed
- SURINAM Paramaribo SRS 0028 Jan 21 Asiatic lang. (Indonesian?) talk 725 good (Jonnelly-MA)

- 750 VENEZUELA Crasas YVKs 2325 Jan 19 55 talk, R. Jaracas ID at tremendous level, totally atop the channel. (Connelly-MA) R. Jaracas in-w/US R&R w/ SS andr & odc. SS record, LOUD, souds like 100 kw: Jan 6 2215. (Zuk-NY)
- 750 NIJARAGUA Managua talk about revolution, good in WSB null 0610 Jan 13 (Portzer-TX)
- UNID resent as rock/pop tunes u/WSB, Loop bearing similar to WSB so 750 prob. Venezuela 0430 Jan 12. (Portzer-TX)
- \_UBA Habana R.Reloj buzzing wJR w/ male SS talk, tone every minute 760 0314-0317 Jan 12. (Portzer-Tx) 760
- MEXIO ACABS Mexico creaming wJR w/ ads, Iberian tunes 0543 Jan 19 COSTA RICA San Jose TIw fr-gd w/ "Physical" by Olivia NJ, SS talk, R. Uno ID, into "If I had a Hammer" by Trini Lopez 0420 Jan 12. (Portzer-TX) If I had a hammer, I'd use it to repair this typewriter 775 hi -ed.
- MEATCO chihuahua ALRPo fair o/u domestics w/ R.Ranchito ID's, ads, TG's mx 0552 Jan 16 (Portzer-TA) 790
- NETH ANTILLES Bonaire PJB w/ LE rlg pgms & Trans world Radio ID 800
- strong in AEROK null 0401 Jan 12. (Portzer-TX)
  COSTA RIJA San Jose TIOS prob. the one w/ SS pops & mellow DJ 0315 825 t
- Jan 12. (Portzer-TX)
  ST.KITTS Basseterre 0032 Jan 21 rlg. choral vocals, at local level 825 Noted every evening w/a fair siganl at worst & LOJAL-TYPE sig. at best. (Connelly-MA)
- 834 MEXICO Tijuana, ads "R.Ochenta Seis" ID & distinctive IS 0545 Jan 12 (Portzer-TX) BELIZE fr-gd w/ birthdays greetings & C&m mx 0439 Jan 12 (Portzer) 860
- MEXILO Monterrey XENL s/off atop w/ cute little tune to the effect of "good night, thanx for listening" etc in ss, then man w/s/off anmt. 0600 Jan 15. (Portzer-TX) 860
- HONDURAS R. Honduras pgm of talk in SS alternating w/ wes Montgomery type jazz Jan 15 0542, then "buenos noches Honduras" message 0555 & fade out. Good-nil in wis null. (Portzer-TX) I think you 890 had the 0600 s/off -ed.
- 900 MEXILO Mexico Kew discussion pgm on Catholic Church w/ occ. ment. of Castro, uba, & Communistas, then ad for larta Blanca 0655 Jan 16. (Portzer-TX)
- GUBA S5 talk w/ ments of Guatemala & Nicaragua in XEW null 0554
  Jan 19. ID as "Ladena Nacional... Cuba, territorio libre.." 0600
  (Portzer-TX) Cuba sure ain't no "territorio libre" hi -ed.

  MEXICO Chihuahua ALQU 55 pops " La Divertida" jx, thne full ID.

  Strong & dominant, surely more than listed 100 watt night power 900
- 920 0303 Jan 12. (Portzer-TA)
- 970 MEXICO Cd Juarez XEJ "La Hota Mexicana" ID local ad, mariachi mx. good o/ domestics 0512 Jan 14. (Portzer-Th)
- MEXICO Nueva Rosita KENK o/u KMB2 & unid XE 0448-0454 Jan 12 w/SS 980
- pops, mellow DJ, ads, ments of "Rosita", "Radio N-R" jingle (bp-TX)

  990 MEXICO Monterrey good w/ ads, talk soft mx, ments of Monterrey
  " La Grande T" & XET ID 0355 jan 12. (Portzer-TX)

  995 \*\* GRENADA R.Free Grenada good at 2342 Jan 25 concluding nx. This is
- their relatively new 70 Km xmtr moved from 990 (Stanbury-ON) OLOMBIA Cartegena 0459 Jan 22 ascending note fanfare, H-J-A-Q 1000
- ID by call letters, just u/ wCFL. (Connelly-MA)

  1035 t HAITI ap Haitien R.4VEH is this the mostly talk FF split I here on good LA nights? Lastheard w/ usual low modulation 2230 Jan 26 (Zuk)
- Yep -ed.
- MEXILO Mexico KEEP Breaming WNOE w/ talk on Poland 0455 R.Education 1060 ID & mx til 0459 Jan 22. (Portzer-Th)
- MEXICO Rosarito ABFRS oldies & call from listener 0704 Jan 16 o/u 1090 domestis (Portzer-TX)
- 1100 COLOMBIA R.Reloj ID & lively mx u/REA 0508 Jan 14 Didn't catch location. (Portzer-Tx)
- 1100 t ANTIGUA St. John's ADA BBC nx Loud fade up o/pest wwwE. Sig was local-like & then blasted in fol. by a natural sound effect that sounded like "Star wars" and disappeared. No ID, but OM fol. w/ Carib. assent. 2300-2306 Jan 18 (Zuk-NY w/stinky car rx) Definately Antigua, they carry BBC nx -eq.
- 1140 MEXI\_O Montterrey ALMR strong w/ss pops, telephone calls from listenners, jx LD by young girls 0256 Jan 12 (Portzer-TX)
- 1150 MEXILO San Pedro de las Colonias ALBF fair but atop w/ call & loc.
- & R.Amistad ID's, ad ranchera mx 0052 Jan 12. (Portzer-TX) JUBA good-poor every eve Jan 12-22 w/ varied SS pgms. Not parti-1160

ularly bothersome to Au. Could chose between the two by rotating 1160 the loop. (Portzer-TA) K.kebelde w/ BB(?) game coverage for over an hour. Local strength in SS. 0005 Jan 19(damn Cubans!) (Zuk-NY) 0190 Jan 21 RR lang. lessons o/1161 France het (Jonnelly-MA) MEXICO Mexico XEB atop jumble of SS stns w/"X-E-B, Ia B de Mexico" TD & mariachi mx 044? Jan 14. (Portzer-TX) 1220 The amariachi mx Off; San 14. (Portzer-TX) SOLOMBIA Barranquilla HJVF creaming XEB w/ SS pop tunes, TC & "bueno radio... LV de Colombia" ID's 0516 Jan 13, also used distinctive electronic IS, vaguely resembling old KOMO chime IS. Armshair quality. No trace og wGAR. (Portzer-TX) Hi Bruse, may the DX gods dessend from the E layer and tan your hide with a petrified penguin flipper: You had location listed as Bogota -ed. cop's between the barrand way and the second with the second with the penguin flipper: 1220 MEXICO Chihuahuahuahuahua ALV good w/ call ID & plug"...en R, Fiesta ...mx nortena, lo mejor..." into nortena mx 0023 Jan 12.(Portzer) MEXICO Tijuana o/u another SS w/ mx ads, RUN promos 0602 Jan 20(bp) MEXICO Matamoros XEMS " La M-S, la super estacion de Matamoros" ID SS talk, R.Mexicana" ID & thumpy mx 0520 Jan 15, way atop channel at tune in, but soon lost in jumble. Also noted on a couple subsequent nights (Portzer-Mai 1390 1470 1490 sequent nights. (Portzer-TA) MEXICO Mexico fair u/ koTP w/ so talk "ArkH... tropical" ID 0435 Jan 14 into tropical mx. (Portzer-TA)
UNID so talk o/u KARL w/ KTIA nulled 0505 Jan 20 (Portzer-TA) 1500 1540 MEXI\_O Nuevo Laredo AENU dominant w/ 55 mx, "La Rancherita" & call 1550 IDS 1245 Jan 18 (Portzer-IX) MEXIUO San Rafael Chamalpa AdFAJ" mx Ranchera" ID o/u R. Variedades 1560 0114 Jan 14 (Portzer-TA) MEXICO od Juarez XEJPV good-nil o/XEFAJ (no domestic QRM) w/ romantic mx 0113-0145 Jan 14 "R. Variedades, primera en mx moderna" ID 1560 after each song, no clue as to location until nx from"R. entro de after each song, no clue as to location until mx from k.entro de Juarez" sponsered by Banco de Mexico SOMEX 0145 (Portzer-TX) ANTIGUA VOA noted what sounded like jamming(like loud machine) operating recently over VOA in CBJ null. Jamming Cuban xmited? East heard Jan 26 2325 (Zuk-NY) Karl, I'm going to instruct the DX gods to visit you,too: They'll bring TA's, but you'd better prepare for that penguin flipper: It hurts: You had this listed as Marathon, FL. 1180 is at Marathon,not 1580 if this is jamming it probably 1580 is soming from some Carib. island, perhaps Grenada -ed ANTIGUA VOA 0106 Jan 21 nx by man in EE (usual VOA anur) way u/08J 1580 pest. (Jonnelly-MA) UNID het 0105 Jan 21 (Jonnelly-MA) 1580.2 MEXIO Hermosillo XEDM 0510 Jan 16 ads for arta Blanca, Jeans shop and a place in Las Vegas, NV "D-M" ID (Portzer-TX) 1580 anu a place in Las vegas, NY D-W ID (POTTZET-IX)
MEXILO Monterrey XEALH most likely the one w/ Nortena mx 0504-0512/
Jan 15 o/u KYOK "15-90" ID's after each song "A-E-(fade)" ID hrd.
ANGUILLA caribbean Beacon usual rlg pgms. Has become a regular at this QTH. Almost pest! Jan 26 2200 & others. (Zuk-NY) 1590 t

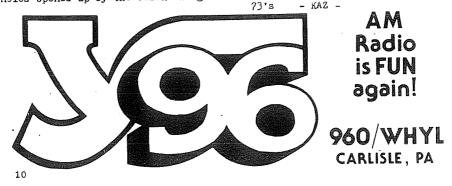
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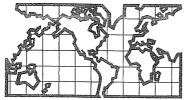
1610

DXing from Amarillo, TA w/ TRF & Space Magnet Bruse Portzer DXing from Boston & Belmont, MA w/ car rx, TRF, G.E. Mark Connelly 3-5280B, HQ180A, Palomar Loop

Karl J. Zuk IRR #1 Ridgeway, ON LOSINO W/HQ200 & 90° LW, & big postal bill 224-04 Stronghurst Ave, Queens Village, NY 11427 w/DX 160 w/ random wire, Superadio, Delco car rx.

I hope everybody is taking full advantage of the several new frequenoies opened up by the Juban changes ...





#### DX WORLDWIDE - WEST

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We have a short column this week. Not much to report. Conditions here still haven't improved

#### PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

640 GUATEMALA, Guatemala City-TGW at 1101 on 1/2h "la Voz de Guatemala" and two TGW mentions, then marimba mx (what else?). KFI OC on but, not much trouble. Haven't hrd KFI off for a long time. (NHP-BC) (Also was off 2/1.PM)

700 COSTA RICA, San Jose-TIHB hrd at 0657 w/mx and 0M in SS was //4832 on 1/21.(BB-Or) MEXICO, Los Mochis, XECU "La Rancherita Alegre" bellowed out by OM, thru crud u/ 1470

CJVB OC at 0829-12/28. (NHP-BC)

#### TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

558 SOUTH KOREA, Pohang-HL??, woman talking in KK at 1554-1/10 //6135, mil to poor.lst time logged here, some KPO splash. (NHP-BC)

648 USSR, Iman-Kremlin bells hrd weakly 1600 1/14. (NHP-HC)

655-7 NORTH KOREA, Pyongyang, fair amid het w/057, on 655 again, 1504 12/27, OM and YL in KK //6400.Back on 657 (as near as they get) 1548 1/5 w/orch. mx //6400.Neither was // 3320,but back on 655 1446-1/8, weak w/choral mx //6400 again.1556-1/10 on 657 w/orch mx and KK talk, pretty fair, //3320 this time. (NHP-BC) USSR, Komsomolsk-Orch. mx 1557 1/10 //4485, fairly good signal.(NHP-BC)

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CHINA, 1542 1/10 vy weak piano mx, but seemed //6665 (NHP-BC)
UNID, Carrier here during good TP cx at 1555 1/14, but DF was NE/SW.NZ making a weak 756 appearance or (ahem!) W. Germany? After SS in Central Europe at this time (NHP-BC)

JAPAN, Osaka-JOBB good signal 1418 12/27 w/Pop mx,DJ patter in EE, sounded like a 828 domestic except it was called "the English hour". Then something on Beethoven produced by BBC at 1130, finally a JOBB ID and pips at 1500. Had me Wondering ... (NHP) UNID, weak audio vy murky 1600 1/10,0M talking, sounded vaguely KK. Then apparent 3/off 1601, after woman vocalizing. Does DXCC s/off at this time? (NHP-BC)(Yes, they do s/off at 1601 per FERC-Japan. I have hrd them several times here, with an OM

w/murky talk, good music audio, so you prob. had DXCC.PM) CHINA, Wuhan 1556-1/15 Woman chatting and laughing in CC, while man made subdued 837

replies. Faded up to fairly good for ID //6665 (NHP-HC) JAPAN, Sapporo-JOHR JJ? talk by YL 1547 12/27, then Western pop mx. Weakish.(NHP) 1287 t

1/113 UNID, 1541 12/27 audio traces, YL talking nil to fair, perhaps JJ? (NHP-BC) 1422 carrier fair some traces 1550 12/27. Carriers on many TP channels from 1314

to 1602 at this time. (NHP-BC) 1476 USSR/CHINA?, 1530 12/27 oriental mx across half hour, no Kremlin Bells. So perhaps China, by 1536 woman in CC o/u another station w/man in CC. At 1600, Kremlin Bells

vy weak. Bells also 1600 1/12, vy weak. (NHP-BC) 1494.5 UNID, This may been a spur, 1540 1/14, but Mor pop w/fading and a TP bearing. Only talk sounded like WPG, the news media? Was gone at 1605 recheck. (NHP-BC)

1566 SOUTH KOREA, Cheju Is .- HLAZ much more common thru Dec and Jan than the autumn Man in RR 1605 12/27.big signal.Still a carrier at 1737.Carrier noted 1714 1/14.(NHP-BC)

THAILAND, Ban Pachi, VOA 1521-12/27 oUS pop mx and oriental talk, poor to fairly good, 1575 779630. Fair to poor EE talk 1549 1/8, spot for Elvis Presley programme on VOA "this Sunday night on studio 1" (NHP-BC)

#### **VERIES:**

639 AUSTRALIA, Port Parie-5CK, sent 2nd vq (old style), from ABC-Sydney from f/up report. No signature. (PM-Or)

#### THANKS TO THESE GREAT GUYS:

BB-Or Bill Block-9307 Southeast Clay Street-Portland, Or. 97216

R-390A, Radio West Loop

NHP-BC Nick Hall-Patch-1538 Amphion Street-Victoria, B.C. V8RLZ6 (CANADA)

Transmogrified HRO.3 ft.loop.ground system

PM-Or Yer Editer

E.H. Scott (RBO-2) 600 foot LW. Ground system

#### IDing dassness Prosdensting Stations;

Some Addenda

by Charles A. Taylor

The earlier article under the title IDing Japanese Errordcasting stations, was forwarded for publishing at the earliest date so that perhaps someone could use it in the waning weeks of this DX season.

It remains to put some other observations on paper after rereading the earlier article. These should be considered a part of the original article, and grouped with it.

Station manes Besides the pseudocall, many or most Japanese commercial broadcast stations announce a short station name. Some exceptes are:

JORR-738 Maha, Chinawa Cyukyu Moso JORR-1143 Kyoto, Myogo Cheto Moso JORR-1233 Magaseki, Vacaseki Jose JOTF-1251 Uracoa, Okidawa Cyukyu Moso

I've observed that the three co. creical locals (JCR3-773 and JCMR-783 Nahr; and JCTF-1291 Vrasco) enhance their callsigns rather frequently. JCTF announces its callsign nearly every hour immediately before its pay. JCRR and JCMR are more uporatic. It occurs to me that perhaps the commercials are required to announce their callsigns at specific times each day. If this is so, I haven't observed a pattern yet.

NUK Local IDs The NHK stations or it most local ID breaks on Sunday. Partially, this is to avoid interrupting some cultural programs. It does appear, however, that the omitted breaks only occur during daylight hours, so they are of minimal consequence to oversess DXers, anyway.

Connercial Networks There exists at least one connercial network of non-co-owned, affiliate stations. I don't yet know the name of this network. At least JChF-1197 (and relays), JCIF-1415 (and relays), JCRF-1422, and JCWF-1440 (and relays) are affiliates.

Conclusions Perhaps usually, oversees EXers will have to settle for IDing NHM stations by establishing perallels with the superpower NHK outlets. However, at least it is possible to positively and individually identify most of the superpower NHK stations, at least some of the medium-cover NHK regionals, and possibly even some of the 5-kW locals and 1-kW relays. A DMer has some fractors working against him/her in IDing see of the synchros, however, as during methods feed, audio occupants recovered at the receiver from the signals received from all the stations on the channel will be additive; but when stations break away from net feed, all coherence will be lost and what was shortly before audible as clearly readable audio from a synchro channel, may become a faint jumble.

It is expected that the NHKl local IDs at 2159:45 and 0002 JST/1259:45Z and 1502Z/0459:45 and 0702 PST, and the NHK2 local IDs at 2219:45 and 2359:45 JST/1319:45Z and 1459:45Z/0529:45 and 0659:45 PST, will be the only local ID breaks available for West Coast North-America DXors. But even a few individual superpower IDs on tape will be much superior to the "JJ talks by male" type of recording (and a whole lot more verifiable, too!).

The Japanese commercials (or private stations, as the Japanese themselves term them) will continue to be as difficult or as easy to identify as the DMer is elert—at least we can expect an ID most anytime. Good luck, DMers!

# TA DX FROM WEST COAST NORTH AMERICA

by Nick Hall-Patch and Bruce Portzer

Over the years, a number of articles have appeared concerning medium wave trans-Atlantic DX from east coast North America (ECNA), but very little has appeared concerning reception of European and African stations from west coast North America (WCNA). Generally, the implication has been that since MW signals on low latitude TA paths to ECNA are the most likely to be heard there, then such low latitude signals are the most likely to be heard further west in North America.

So, what are the necessary conditions for TA DX on the east coast? Richard Eckman in "Transatlantic DXing" (IRCA Foreign Log, Vol. 7) notes that it helps to have a loop antenna and a good receiver with sufficient selectivity to separate splits from domestics. Quiet geomagnetic conditions for at least several days are necessary for good high latitude TA reception. Quiet conditions are indicated by a low geomagnetic index (A-index less than 5) for several successive days. The ABO index is one such index and is transmitted by WWV. Peak TA DX time tends to be in the autumn months. Mark Connelly's "ITU Frequency Allocations and Their Impact on TA DXing" (IRCA Foreign Log, Vol. 8) contains an analysis of likely TA receptions from Virginia through Maritime Canada. The most probable receptions according to this article, are from Iberia, then northwestern Africa and southern Europe, Britain, then northern Europe, the Middle East, and way down the list, the Baltic USSR. This list assumes that the power and frequency of stations in different zones are similar.

"MW Signal Paths" by Gordon Nelson (NRC reprint P1) doesn't cover a great deal about WCNA reception of TA's, but shows that the southern edge of the auroral zone (a slightly oval doughnut shaped ring of charged particles 50-80 km above the earth's surface, centered on the north magnetic pole) defines the northernmost TA path that is viable to ECNA. One map in this article shows a WCNA TA path south of the leading edge of a northerly auroral zone, one which would follow "a very long period of auroral quiet in a year of a sunspot minimum". The article affirms that such a far northerly location of the auroral zone would not be common except in years of sunspot minimum.

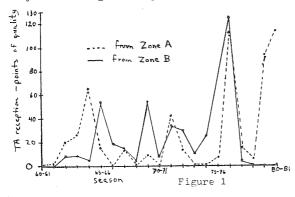
Gray Scrimgeour in "Relation Between Geomagnetic Measurements and MW DX Conditions" (IRCA reprint T26) observed that receptions of European signals in La Jolla, CA during October through December of 1965 occurred on days with a low geomagnetic index, though days with a low A index did not not necessarily mean that TA's would be heard. The article states that "a period of low geomagnetism was associated with each of these receptions". Low geomagnetism is defined (as in Eckman's TA DX article) as a preferably lengthy period when the daily A-index does not rise above about 5. Scrimgeour suggested that TA reception on days with a higher A-index were at the end of a period of TA reception and that the higher A value was due to an increase in geomagnetic activity after the final TA's were logged on that day. Gordon Nelson in "Limitations of the A-index for MW DX Purposes" (NRC reprint P12) expands on this idea.

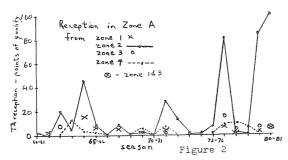
How do the various observations regarding TA reception on ECNA and the WCNA observations above match up with actual loggings of TA's from WCNA? We have sifted through loggings from  $\underline{DX}$  News (dating back to 1960),  $\underline{DX}$  Monitor (from its inception in 1964) and the IRCA Foreign Logs, and with some assistance from Roy Millar, have compiled a list of all known loggings of European and African stations from California, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia, from September 1960 to April 1981. From these loggings we have related reception to a number of different variables. For the purpose of this article, Europe and Africa are divided into four zones. Zone 1 is on a 10-25° bearing from all WCNA (there's not much difference in bearings when looking at Europe from WCNA, e.g. Warsaw is 23° from Los Angeles, 22° from Seattle), and covers Scandinavia, Eastern Europe and the Middle East. Zone 2 is from 25-40° and covers Western Europe and North Africa. Zone 3 is from 40-55° and covers Iberia and northwestern Africa, while Zone 4 is from 55-70° and covers West Africa. WCNA is divided into two zones--Zone A is from southern British Columbia to southern Oregon, while Zone B is all of California.

A points system was used to total TA loggings for analysis. Each logging of a TA station carrier counted as one point; a station with weak

and perhaps occasionally readable audio rated a multiplier of two; a station with good, mostly readable audio rated a multiplier of three. So if four TA loggings occurred on 10/21/65, one with fairly good audio (3), one with carrier only (1) and two with weak audio (2), then the "quality" total for that day was 3+1+2+2=8 points for four stations logged. These quality totals are what were used to compute graphs of reception vs. season etc., rather than just the totals of TA stations and carriers logged.

A statistician would probably throw up his hands in horror at what we've done, because searching for TA's from WCNA is not something that is done regularly by highly-skilled and well-paid monitors. Extraordinary receptions are noted only if any of a small number of DXers were listening at the time. Then these DXers must have reported their catches to a DX journal so that we could gather the data some years later. For example, it's very difficult to say if it is significant that in 1966/67, TA's were logged from California only, or that in 1980/81 they were logged from Oregon north only. It might simply mean that nobody was listening from the areas that didn't report TAs. Also, DXers tend not to report "easier" TA catches as an opening progresses, and often don't report all carriers heard during an opening, which would tend to make excellent openings seem less impressive in pure totals. On the other hand, in a "dry" season, every tiny carrier might be reported.







First, we plotted TA receptions (taking quality into account) against seasons, to give us an idea of how TA reception has varied Figure 1 over the years. shows total TA receptions in both zone A and zone B. Generally, the number of days of TA reception follow the same pattern as quality of TA reception, though the variation from minimum num-ber of days to maximum number of days is less exagger-In Figure 2, receprated. tions from each zone in Europe and Africa from Zone A are plotted against time. In Figure 3, these receptions are from Zone B.

Keeping in mind that sunspot minima occurred in 1964 and in 1976, it would seem that good reception occurred during sunspot minima in both Zones A and But the good openings of 79-81 occurred around sunspot maximum, and the 69-70 and 71-72 openings were quite a few years off Looking at the a minimum. graphs of receptions from Zones 1-4 to Zone A or Zone B in WCNA, shows that receptions from Zone 2 had a major effect on the graph of overall TA receptions.

For the 20½ year period, totals for each TA zone were tallied for the two WCNA zones. These are in Table Ia on the next page. Total individual stations logged were also tallied for the two WCNA zones, and are indicated in Table Ib.

	1	TA zor 2	ne # 3	4
<sub>⇒t</sub> A	51	412	41	53
B B	27	202	54	106
1			-total n poin	
WCNA	12	29	3	2
B	5	21	9	3
			-total heard	TA

It becomes immediately obvious that we're looking at quite a different set of TA catches from those known to the ECNA DXer. The easier low latitude TA stations for the ECNA DXer seem to be rather more unusual for the WCNA DXer, especially the DXer in Zone A, where only two high power Algerians and a single Portuguese station have been definitely heard in  $20\frac{1}{2}$  years. Yet the more common TA catches on the west coast seem to be higher latitude path north Europeans and even, in Zone A, the highest latitude path Eastern Europeans. There appears to be a healthy number of loggings from Zone 4 considering the scarcity of target stations, but Zone 4 appears much more likely

from California than from further north.

Next, totals were made of days of each month over  $20\frac{1}{2}$  years that TAs from different zones were heard, and the probability of hearing TA's in each month was calculated. Total quality of reception (using the system described above) for each month over  $20\frac{1}{2}$  years was also calculated. Table IIa and IIb below speak for themselves. Probability of receiving any TA of any strength in Zone A seems best in October, followed by March, September and November. Best strength TA's in zone A were in October, then in March, November and September. November seems the best month for Zone 4 and Zone 1 receptions however. In Zone B, October also seem the most probable month for receiving TAs with good strength, but November and December follow in order of likelihood. March is way down in total days when TA's were received, but Jim Young cleaned up on March 6, 1977 which pushes the quality up for that month. Jim's loggings on December 3 and 4, 1976 also pushed up December's quality ratings considerably. Like we said, a statistician would be horrified... Zone 4 and Zone 1 seem to be favored in California in November, and in general, Zone 4 is best November through February.

Table IIa -- Daily probablity for WCNA TA reception by month

		<u> </u>			F	COTTON TOT W		P CEC.				
			of days				Possible	F	robab	ility	(%)	
1 1			s heard	from	zone	of TA	days over		zones			1
	Month	1	2	3	4	reception	20월 years	1	2	3	4	total
•	Jan	1	3	0	3	6	620	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.5	1.0
1	Feb	0	0	0	0	0	565	0	0	0	0	0
₽.	Mar	1	15	3	3	22	620	0.2	2.4	0.5	0.5	3.5
Φ	Apr	_0_	no <sup>1</sup> TA	2000	n+: 3 1	in May. Ju	n, Jul, or	Aug	0.2		0.5	0.7
1 8	Sep	1	14	Tece	:Derous							
N	Oct	1		ز	Ţ	16	630	0.2	2.2	0.5		2.5
ı	NOC L	7	28	3	7	35	651	1.1	4.3	0.5		5.4
1	Nov	7	10	3	8	20	630	1.1	1.6	0.5		3.2
L	Dec	3	7	0	3	9	651	0.5	1.1	0	0.5	1.4
	Jan	0	8	4	5	13	620	0	1.3	0.6	0.8	2.1
	Feb	0	1	1	7	- 9	565	0	0.2	0.2		1.6
	Mar	0	2	2	3	6	620	0	0.3	0.3		1.0
124	Apr	0	0	0	ó	0	600	l ō	0	0	0	0
9	Sep		no TA	rece	ptions	in May, Ju		Aug		•		
ő	Sep	1	6	0	4 1	7	630	0.2	1.0	0	0.6	1.1
12	Oct	6	23	5	6	28	651	0.9	3.5	0.8		4.3
1	Nov	4	14	í	8	27	630	0.6	2.2	0.2		4.3
	Dec	2	9	2	13	18	651	0.3	1.4	0.3		2.8
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Months	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Zones 1 2 3 4 Total	73 14 0 6 23	0 0 0 0	1 116 12 <u>13</u> 142	0 1 0 4 5	2 104 8 3 117	18 130 4 <u>13</u> 155	19 37 5 <u>16</u> 77	25 one A 4 40
Zones 1 2 3 4 Total	0 15 5 <u>8</u> 28	0 2 2 <u>17</u> 21	0 13 13 _5 31	0 0 0 0	1 21 0 <u>7</u> 29	7 77 11 <u>12</u> 107	13 23 2 25 81	2 Cone B 14 E 22 103

Table IIb -- TA reception quality (in points) per month

Scrimgeour stated in his article that a period of low geomagnetism was associated with each of the TA receptions that he had observed in 1965. Was this true of all TA receptions over the 20½ year period? In general, the answer must be yes. However, extremely low geomagnetism didn't seem to be necessary for TA's to reported on WCNA. Incidentally, different A-indices had to be used for different periods over the 20½ years. Richard Eckman kindly supplied the planetary A-indices for dates up to 1970, Fredericksburg indices were used up to 1979, and Boulder indices up to 1981.

First of all, the mean of all A-indices corresponding to dates when TA's from a certain zone were reported, was calculated and appear in Table IIIa. The mode (A-value occurring most frequently) is also indicated. A number of dates of TA reception showed reasonably high A-indices (in the 10-20 range) which leads us to Scrimgeour's suggestion that the higher geomagnetism appeared after TA's were heard on those dates. So, a new A-index was calculated for each reception; this one was the average of the A-index of the reception date with the A-indices from the two previous days. Then the mean and mode A-index for reception from each zone was claculated again and appears in Table IIIb.

WCNA	TA	A-in	dex
zone	zone	mean	mode
Α	1	5.0	3
	2	5.8	2
	3	5.5	4
	4	5.9	3
В	1	5.7	2
	2	5.1	2
	3	4.4	3
	4	7.9	8

Table IIIa--Zonal TA reception vs. daily A-index

WCNA	TA	A-in	dex
zone	zone	mean	mode
A	1 2 3 4	4.7 5.4 5.3 5.4	3336
В	1	4.1	4
	2	4.7	5
	3	5.0	3
	4	7.6	5

<u>Table IIIb</u>--Zonal TA reception vs. 3-day average A-index

A word here about two loggings from Zone 1. A DXer (no longer in the club) in B.C. heard Estonia-1034 (carrier) and Murmansk-656 (audio) on January 1, 1968. The daily Fredericksburg A-index at that time was 17 and the 3-day average A-index was 20. The planetary A-indices were even higher. It's entirely possible that this reception took place on the date indicated, but it doesn't fit in at all well with the A-indices of other Zone 1 receptions. If this reception is included in the Zone A/Zone 1 mean A-index the index jumps from 5 to 5.9 in Table IIIa, and from 4.7 to 5.9 in Table IIIb. There are a number of interesting receptions through the years, particularly near sunspot maxima, where good receptions took place when the averaged A-index was 8 or higher. In the choice opening of September/October 1980, the A-index hovered between 6 and 8 with one reading of 3 in the entire period. It would appear that there's more to WCNA TA reception than waiting for the A-index to coast below 5 for a week.

Days of TA reception were then grouped together according to the number of points (quality) that each day rated, and the mean of the 3-day average A-index for each group was found. The results for Zones A and B are shown below in Table IV. There seems to be quite a nice movement in the table towards lower A-indices for dates of higher quality reception, until the middle of the table is reached, when things start to go haywire a bit. Two suggestions: There were very few days of really high quality TA reception, so any mean calculated could have been skewed by one larger A-index.

Quality	Average Zone A	A-index Zone B
1 2 3-4 5-6 7-8 9-10 11-12 13-14 15-16 17-18 20+	5.506 4.00 45.0 6.7750	8.3 6.6 5.4 4.6 3.0 - 8.0 - - 4.0

Table IV--Quality of daily TA opening vs. average A-index

Were days	TA's heard one or two later?
Zone	A: yes47% no53%
Zone	B: yes41% no59%
Were days	TA's heard 25 to 30 later?
Zone	A: yes15% no85%
Zone	B: yes22% no78%

Table V

Possibly however, there is simply more to a good opening than a low A-index, and that slightly higher A-indices may actually be a prerequisite for a high quality opening, particularly near sunspot maximum. There will have to be a lot more high quality openings in order to make an educated guess.

TP DXers on the WC and TA DXers on the EC have generally found that there is a good chance that one will hear DX from a desired region in runs of two days or more, and that 25 to 30 days later there will sometimes be a repeat of a good opening. Do these observations apply to TA DX from WCNA as well? They certainly seem to; see Table V above. (These observations may be skewed if DXers made a point of DXing the next night or 25-30 days later, while not DXing at any other time.) When you realize that in the most probable month for TA DX, there's only about a 5% chance that a TA will be heard on any evening, 41 or 47% for next day DX looks pretty good. A 15 or 22% chance for TA DX in 25-30 days time doesn't look too bad either. Particularly in Zone A, it seems that the 25 to 30 day DX cycle is more predominant during years of low sunspot activity. It also seems that fairly often, a dead night for TA DXing may not mean the end of an opening; signals may be back in force the next night.

In <u>Medium Wave News</u> of April, 1981, Ken Brownless wrote an article on reception of WCNA from the U.K. All stations received there have been 50 kw ones, and they range in location from Los Angeles to Vancouver. Particularly interesting receptions were of KNX-1070 at 0610 UT on May 27, 1966 (Zone 2 TAs have never been heard on WCNA later than late March. Also, August 28, 1967 showed WCNA DX in the U.K. Earliest worthwhile opening here was Sept. 14, 1964.) and KING-1090 on February 23, 1969 after a severe geomagnetic storm on the 20th. Generally, however, the A-index has been 5 or under for WCNA reception. Times when WCNA was heard in the U.K. vary from 0145 to 0800 UT which is about the same as the times TA's have been noted in WCNA, though there were one or two as early as 0100 on this side of the water.

It's often assumed that DX reception is reciprocal on MW (if interference conditions allow). However, many of the openings noted in Brownless'

Table VI

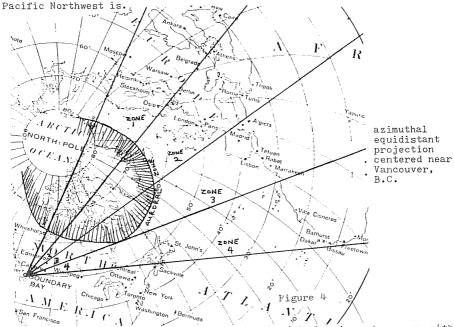
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Zone 2
                 Zone 1
                                           * Eire-566
* BBC-647
* Murmansk-656
                      (A - 6; now 657)
                                                                   (A-2; now 567)
 Lithuania-665
                      (A,B-3; now 665)
                                                                   (A, B-26)
                                             BBC-648
  Bulgaria-774
                      (A - 1)
                                                                   (A - 3)
                                            tDDR-657
* Lebanon-836
                      (A - 1; now 837)
                                                                   (A - 2)
                                            tBBC-693
                      (A - 2; now 873)
                                                                   (A - 1)
 Leningrad-872
                                           *tAndorra-701
  Turkey-1017
                      (A, B-4)
                                                                   (B - 1)
* Estonia-1034
                                             Holland-747
                                                                   (A - 8)
                      (A,B-8; now 1035)
*<sup>t</sup>Lithuania-1106
                                             W. Germany-756
                                                                   (A - 12)
                      (A - 2; now 1107)
#<sup>t</sup>Egypt-1106
                                           * Andorra-819
                      (B - 1: now 1107)
                                                                   (A, B-6)
                                            tItaly-846
 Sweden-1178
                      (A - 1; now 1179)
                                                                   (A, B-5)
*tHungary-1187
                                           *<sup>t</sup>France-863
                      (A - 1; now 1188)
(A - 1)
                                                                   (A - 2, now 864)
 tPoland-1206
                                              AFN-873
                                                                   (A, B-6)
                                             BBC-882
* Estonia-1214
                      (A,B-2; now 1215)
                                                                   (A, B-24)
                                             W. Germany-1017
                                                                   (A - 2)
                                           * Austria-1025
                                                                   (A - 1; now 1026)
                 Zone 3
                                              DDR-1044
                                                                   (A,B-15)
                      (A - 4; now 531)
(B - 4; now 666)
* Algeria-529
                                            tBBC-1053
                                                                   (A,B-2)
 Portugal-665
                                           * BBC-1088
                                                                   (B - 1; now 1089)
  Portugal-782
                      (B - 1)
                                           * Czechoslovakia-1097 (A - 1; now 1098)
                      (B - 2; now 819)
* Morocco-818
                                           * AFN-1106
                                                                   (A - 1; now 1107)
*tMorocco-827
                      (B - 1; now 828)
                                              VOA-1197
                                                                   (A,B-17)
                      (B - 2; now 837)
(B - 1; now 855)
 Canary Is.-836
                                                                   (A, B-21)
                                              France-1206
*<sup>t</sup>Spain-854
                                           * BBC-1214 (to 1215)(A,B-47, mostly CA)
                      (A - 3)
  Algeria-891
                                                                   (B - 5; now 1215)
(B - 1; now 1269)
                                           * Albania-1214
                      (B - 1; now 936)
* Morocco-935
                                           * Germany-1268
* Portugal-1034
                      (A,B-8; now 1035)
                                           *<sup>t</sup>France-1277
                                           *<sup>t</sup>France-1277 (A,B-2; now 1278)

*<sup>t</sup>Czechoslovakia-1286 (B - 1; now 1287)
* Morocco-1043
                      (B - 1; now 1044)
                                                                   (A,B-4; now 1377)
                                            * France-1376
                  Zone 4
                                                                   (B-1; now 1422)
                                             W. Germany-1421
  Dakar-765
                      (A,B-47,mostly CA)* Albania-1457
                                                                   (A - 1; now 1458)
                                                                   (A - 4; now 1467)
 Sierra Leone-1205 (B -13)
                                           ₩ Monaco-1466
  Guinea-1403/4
                      (A,B-15,
                                             France-1554
                                                                   (A,B-3; now 1557)
                          mostly CA)
                                           * W. Germany-1586
                                                                   (A,B-2; now 1593
                                           W. Germany-1593
* W. Germany-1602
                                                                   (A - 1)
(B - 1)
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article show no corresponding opening on WCNA, especially in the '60s. This may simply mean that here were few WCNA DXers actively searching for TA's. In the peak 64-65 season, only about 5 DXers sent in TA loggings to the DX bulletins, and only Roy Millar was living north of San Francisco.

Perhaps we can start to tie together some conclusions from all this. First, (and of some importance to the DXer) in Table VI above, is what has been heard from various zones. In parentheses after each station is the zones of WCNA from which it has been heard and the number of loggings over  $20\frac{1}{2}$  years. Stations no longer on the frequency have been noted with an asterisk. Where a station was shifted only a kHz or two in the 1978 switch to 9 kHz spacing, its new frequency is fiven if it has been heard on the new frequency. Otherwise, the old frequency is given. A t indicates a tentative.

One point to note in this list of receptions is the relative lack of TA's heard above 1300 kHz in spite of a number of high powered stations on those frequencies. Another point to note is that Guinea-1404 in particular, has been received in California quite a bit more often than noted here. DXers over the years have made comments like "fairly regular" in their reports without giving specific dates. The almost complete lack of Zone 3 loggings from Zone A is particularly interesting in light of the fact that Iberia and Morocco are most common from the northeastern U.S. Relative distance is probably one reason, as Iberia is considerably further away from, say, Seattle, than northern Europe is. However, Zone 3 loggings are more common in California, which is even further from Iberia than the



Perhaps a propagation expert can take the data herein and come up with a reasonable explanation for the TA reception patterns noted from WCNA. In the meantime, here is a possibility. East Coast DXers have usually regarded the <u>southern</u> edge of the auroral zone as the barrier to high latitude DX. Indeed, this seems to be true for DX from West Africa to WCNA. Usually, signals from Iberia to WCNA will be absorbed by the auroral zone, just as are signals from Sweden to ECNA. Why, then, do WCNA DXers hear higher latitude signals when Iberian and Moroccan or even West African signals are blocked? Well, the auroral zone is shaped more like a doughnut than a cap (see Figure 4 above for an approximation of the zone during an extended quiet period), and it seems likely that signals can skip under or over the auroral zone into the clear area, and then skip under or over the other side of the zone. See R.J. Edmunds' "Transpolar DX" (NRC reprint P17) for a detailed discussion of this possibility. So, the <u>northern</u> edge of the auroral zone would concern WCNA DXers a great deal. It would be interesting

to hear from a propagation expert just what variations occur in the northern

edge of the auroral zone during changes in geomagnetic activity.

This hypothesis may help to explain why California DXers have heard Portugeuse stations when Washington DXers have not--the signals are passing south of the auroral zone for Californians, but are being absorbed for more northerly DXers. Possibly Californians hear fewer northern Europeans because a) they're further away, and b) the more southerly path makes it more likely that signals will not successfully skip through the center of the auroral ring. In 1965 Roy Millar said in DX News that in Washington state "Dakar is the only true Trans Atlantic, others are Trans Arctic". As we move further north in western North America, it's likely that DXing conditions would become closer to what Brian Vernon and other Arctic DXers have experienced, i.e. that TA DX would become more common.

So it would seem that the WCNA DXer isn't in quite the same boat as the ECNA DXer when it comes to receiving TA's. He will certainly need a good receiver and loop (though a modified TRF and Shotgun loop have received West Germany-756 out here), and he needs a period of geomagnetic quiet in the fall for the best TA possibilities. But TA's also appear under mildly unsettled conditions in years other than the sunspot minimum, so it would seem that quiet geomagnetic conditions are not everything. In the Pacific Northwest particularly, the most likely TA's (northern Europeans) are quite unlike the most likely TA's in the northeast U.S. (Iberia, Morocco etc.). However, TA openings seem to have runs of a few days and occasionally repeat after 25-30 days just as they do in the east.

In a letter to various WCNA DXers about a year ago, Bob Foxworth suggested another approach to TA DX. For a few weeks around the winter solstice, sunrise in WCNA corresponds with sunset in north central and north western Europe. The great circle signal path follows the terminator quite closely at this time (keeping in mind that Arctic areas are in darkness) so it would appear that DXing for TA's around WCNA sunrise might also be a possibility, if conditions are right. There have been TA openings around the winter solstice during years of sunspot minimum, so it might be worth a try, especially for TA's further to the east and north. There have been a few tentative loggings of Murmansk-656 (now 657) around local sunrise from WCNA and Colorado; a NE-SW carrier was heard in Victoria on 756 on Jan. 14, 1982 when TPs were good, but it's possible that New Zealand was making a weak appearance rather than West Germany. So if good TP DX is in around December and January, why not swing the loop around and see if something is cooking on the other side of the globe?

We are now looking forward to a sunspot minimum in about 1986. If there is a 22 year DX cycle to correspond with the sunspot cycle, then we will be in for a repeat of the 1964-65 season when many interesting TA's were heard on the west coast. Ken Brownless of Medium Wave Circle feels (from observing past cycles) that DX should start picking up in the autumn of this year, so don't wait until 1986 to start hunting for TAs. Now, where are the California TA DXers? Some sort of TA warning phone network should be set up, so that DXer A will phone DXer B and so on all up and down the coast. The calls should be cheap as few enthusiastic DXers will stay on the line to chat once told that TA's are coming in! If you're interested, contact Nick Hall-Patch, 1538 Amphion St., Victoria, B.C. V8R 426, Canada (phone 604-595-7666 if the TAs are in!) and we'll try to set something up. Who will be the first to log Estonia-1035?

(Special thanks to Richard Eckman, Ken Brownless, and Roy Millar for their assistance in the preparation of this article)

#### CUBANS THREATHEN TO FLOOD FLORIDA

By: W. George Elliott

A radio station in Vancouver, British Columbia could find itself competing with English-language broadcasts from Radio Moscow if Cuba decides to go ahead with a threat to flood Miami, Florida with the programs.

The station, CJOR, broadcasts with ten-thousand watts but at night the station will receive interference from the huge five-hundred-thousand watt Cuban transmitter.

CJOR General Manager, Ron Vandenberg, says the Cuban signal would be heard from Cuba to Alaska because of it's strenth. The Cubans threatened to flood Florida radio stations with Russian propaganda broadcast on the frequency of 600 kilohertz.

The Vancouver station also shares the frequency and Vandenberg says they have two choices. The station could boost it's power to fifty-thousand watts if the station in Cuba does cause problems. Or CJOR could change frequency, but Vandenberg notes that the move would cost a great deal of money.

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### EASTERN DX FORUM

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Greetings. With the sudden arrival of 6 DXMs in the last week, I find myself once again tempted to write a forum; new Canadian postal rates not withstanding. DX has certainly slowed down here lately, due mostly to a lack of time. Particularly as I leave for work before SR and return after SS. Unfortunately, didn't find out about the minicontest until a couple of days ago, and it's almost over. Several nice LA openings last week around 2000 ELT, but just couldn't get an ID from stations on either 840 or 880. Guess one just keeps trying, hi. Have even tried some DXing in the car while going to/from work. This has resulted in 2 new stations, plus knowing what freq. to check when I arrive home. I understand a new AM station is due for Ottawa this spring. Also interesting to note that someone in Calgary has applied for a station on 1580; that could become a good Alberta freq. if it goes through. Hilites of December DX were finally logging Sask. (CBK) and Algeria (for my first TA from Ottawa). Would guess from the reports in DXWW that TA conditions are not that good this year. At the rate I've been logging them I hope that is the case. Totals as of 1/14/82 are 377/31/7/15. 73s.

Karl J. Zuk, 224-04 Stronghurst Avenue, Queens Village, New York 11427 I am increasingly disgruntled about the entertainment value of BCB radio, and all media. The networks and local broadcasters have reached the peak in diminishing returns, and the deregulation of the FCC hasn't helped. Many stations give you the feeling that they are doing you a favor now and then by playing music. I worked at a 1kw day/250w night station in the suburbs of NYC in 1977 and their drive-time shows had no less than the maximum 18 minutes of commercials, and they pushed it to 20 or more. When you include five minutes of network news and commercials and local news, weather and traffic, there wasn't much time for anything else. Maybe one record, if you squeezed it. We were weaned off creative programming from radio's "golden age" when it was more than a place to sell.ads. Now it's reached the point of all ads and no entertainment, if they feel like it. Some stations are now going to automation and satellite services featuring mechanical voices from far away that no one human can relate to. Management thinks if you spend the least amount you possibly can and still sell the ads it's very costeffective. I have just about stopped watching TV and listening to radio because of such smart thinking. No one is willing to take chances in programming because the almighty ratings might fall. WABC in NYC is a prime example. They were a top rocker for 20 years, started to play it safe with only music you knew by heart and the ratings plummitted. They concluded that rock no longer makes it, so they wimp-out and go talk with music filler. (Sound familiar?) The industry refuses to believe that poor programming is their problem, so they write it off because they don't have stereo, or whatever. Take chances and don't be greedy, radio. Otherwise, the listeners will leave like birds in the winter. Hand me that "Walkman". Enough said!

Mike Sapp, 1902 York Drive, Woodbridge, Virginia 22191

Although I haven't DXed much in the last 2 years, since I have been married, I have started to spend more time at the dials. A new GE Superadio/cassette combo has helped rekindle my interest. 15 newies have been added to the log in the last week. Have been doing some DX while driving to and from work on the Toyota's car radio. As far as car radios go, there is a big difference in their performance. The best for BCB DX I have used, have been the Philcos in Ford products. A 1970 Mustang Mach I had a top performing AM only radio, as did my parents 1969 Ford Galaxy. The AM/FM radio in both my 1974 Mustang II and 1978 Mercury Monarch were very good, but the antennas were shorter, thus maybe contributing to slightly less sensitivity. I have never had a GM car that had a good radio, from a DX standpoint. Maybe this is due to the in-the-windshield antenna. Chrysler cars I haven't had much experience with, but the radio in my uncle's 1965 Plymouth was outstanding, while the one in my parents 1970 Dodge was mediocre. The radio in my Toyota is lousy. Has anyone tested any of the aftermarket radios for DXability on the BCB? None of the ads say much about BCB performance. Hope everyone gets their most wanted station.



# Western DX Forum

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IRCA-Serving the Broadcast Band DX'er Since 1964

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Greetings. Not much in the way of DX to report. However, I've changed my DX location slightly. After living in an appartment on the grounds of Western State Hospital for eight years (where my wife and I are employed), we now have a new mobile home in the town of Ft. Supply. Actually it's a move of only a mile-and-a-half. Any IRCAns passing through are welcome to stop. Our address is 516 S. Sheridan (four blocks south of the town hall; not all the streets have signs.) (Gee, sounds just like my area, only it's in a forest; great finding homes at night, hi-RtH.)

DX equipment consists of the Hammarlund NQ-145A and a spiral loop. Have a

Drake ŚW4A in storage in Euffalo.

I've done some listening and have been picking up some extended groundwave

in the daytime such as the Chicago stations (WMAQ and WGN).

Ft. Supply is a historical town dating back to 1868 when it was a cavalry outpost. Generals Sheridan and Custer were here at intervals and Ft. Supply was Custer's base of operations when he marched to the Washita River and fought a battle there in 1868. Western State Hospital is located on the grounds of the old fort and several of the original buildings are still stand-

ing (Custer's house and the guardhouse, for instance).
Well, IRCA will soon be celebrating another anniversary. I'm a charter member myself (joined in April 1964). I've been DX'ing since 1962 and have 575+
veries on the BCB. Am 33 and have been married since July 1980. Donna and I

are expecting an addition to the family in May. 73 and best wishes.

RANDY TOMER, 1969 27th ST., ARCATA, CA 95521

Some hot news for Drake SPR-4 owners: Good audio may become a reality. Sherwood Engineering will install totally re-designed detectors, audio amplifier, and a quieter power supply for \$150; quite a bit less \$\$ if you want to install them yourself. They also have a new steep-skirted crystal filer for the SPR-4 and SW-4A that's supposed to be a big improvement over the stock one. I phoned Mr. Sherwood and he is a total believer in Drake receivers and is real-

ly into hot-rodding them. Address is 1268 S. Ogden St., Denver, CO 80210.
A strong point in Drake receivers is their excellent overload resistance, even my HQ-180 is thoroughly outclassed by the SPR-4 when it comes to DX'ing close to locals. Ric, your HQ-129 wouldn't stand a chance, hi. (Ya had to bring it up, hi. Are you offering a free overhaul? hi-RtH.) By the way, can somebody come up with specific reasons why you can't use a radio in an airplane? I'm very curious. (Aside from screwing up the radar, I can't think of any reasons either, hi-RtH.)

Still hopping around after my recent knee surgery, hopefully someday soon I can go back to work. Then you can have a break from my deluge of contributions to DXM this winter, I'll have other things to keep me occupied.

Art Peterson dropped by on Super Sunday. We watched the 49'ers do their thing. We're both glad we're also longwave DX'ers; it's something to turn to

during the crummy cx we've had this winter.

Most interesting DX of the season award goes to Pat Martin for his midday
Alaskan receptions, actually no where near as impossible as it sounds, given good midday skip conditions, and here on the West Coast we have some clear channels that are actually "clear."

I'm amused at the way the topic of car radios has been really snowballing recently; they were hardly discussed at all before. After reading John Clemmer's recent forum on the excellence of his Pioneer Supertuner I should reiterate somewhat on my stand that AM/FMs are N.G.; I remember now someone telling me a few years back that Supertuners have a pretty gppd AM section with good selectivity for a car receiver.

Some surprise DX was heard this last MM 24 January. KTWO 1030 was off and WBZ Boston was really blasting in with tele-talk. I haven't heard WBZ in four years at least. I didn't DX any further than that; couldn't stay awake. Take care and 73 de RET.

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Zzzzzzz. . .oh! Howdy all and Happy 1982. I suppose many of you thought I had died because I had not forumed in a few weeks, huh? Sorry, no such luck. I was performing my annual January rite of reading all the Sherlock Holmes stories by Sir Arthur Doyle.

This has been one of the best DX seasons for me. The following DX tests were heard here: WRIB 1220, KJNP 1170, WKLB 1290, WHEO 1270, WKDW 900, KHND 1540, KBYE 890, WJCM 960, KHYM 1060 and WBLT 1350. All but the last are

veried.

My goal for this DX season was to hear 500 stations and verify 400 by June ny goar for this DA season was to near 500 stations and verify 400 by Jun 1982. As of 27 January, I've heard 494 with 408 veries. That shoots my goal to smitherines. To be safe I'll now set a goal of 600 heard/500 veried by December 1982. If I don't make this goal I'll renew Ric Heald's membership for three years. Fat chance, Ric. (I'll send the IRCA muscle, Bruno, to collect, hi-RtH.)

I just did in Rob Girardi. He demanded I send him some reports for his veries cimmers column. So I cont him 121 veries cimmers. Heaveyer, I was reveil.

verie signers column. So I sent him 121 verie signers. However, I was merciful as I did only the veries from the last three months, hi. Hmmmm, three

more veries came in today too.

How many people watched the Stupid Bowl? I had no desire to watch it. (Just because the St. Louis - whatever they are - couldn't cut the mustard is no reason for not watching, hi-RtH.) A meeting of the local DX'ers was transpiring at the time. Rich Overmann turned out to be part glutton/part human. Piggy Overmann gobbled 15 zingers (cokes), guzzyled 2 quarts of vodka (A man after my own, hi-RtH.), ate four or five ham sandwitches and didn't belch once. Amazing. He also conned me out of 50 document protectors for his QSLs for 100 feet of copper wire. I got took. (No you didn't; have you checked

the price of copper, hi-RtH.)
More junk (ex-collectables) have been received for the 1982 auction. Please vote for St. Louis for IRCA's '82 convention. Why? Becuase I'll have to rent a U-Haul trailer to cart all the stuff up to John Clemmer's Quad Cities. For the best IRCA convention in recent memory vote for and support St. Louis' bid for the '82 convention.

Now it's contest time. I want to see more people forum so I take it upon myself to offer an incentive. All persons who have a forum in the April Fool's issue (what other issue, huh?) will receive FREE from me three stickers from my trade-box or a photo of myself. You choose and state what you want me to send you in your forum and I'll not send anybody a Double Country sticker, either, hi. (Take the stickers folks, not the photo, hi-RtH.) Now get busy and write some juicy piece of insanity and send it to your forum editor for my favorite issue. . .April Fools. (Continued next week-RtH.)

STEVE MC GREEVY, 45 ELDA DR., SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903

Hello everyone. Not too many interesting items to report, because DX appears to have seemingly dropped off here, especially the TPs and such. The last real TP opening worth mentioning was on 03 January. Otherwise, just hets

and some weak audio now and then in this ghastly TP DX location, hi.

I've not been DX'ing very much on the domestic side. My latest was KALL 910.

Instead I've been concentrating on the frequencies 2 and 5 mHz "tropical bands," with lots of interesting stuff heard there, including the Air Force transmissions from McClellan AFB Sacramento at 0530 GMT on 4740 SSB. I've evesdropped on Air Force flights (ground to air transmissions) from Nellis AFB Las Vegas to Luke AFB Phoenix, and a flight from Dover, Delaware to Frankfurt, West Germany (which was faint). I do enjoy a change now and then

from the usual broadcast fare.

I enjoyed meeting Sheldon Remington and truly admire his DXing Post. I guess your QTH is as lousy as mine for TPs, but your tapes of the longwave beacons from the Pacific and MW TPs and DUs at Pt. Reyes were fascinating. It's interesting how well TPs are heard just using the built-in ferrite antennas in portable radios on the immediate coast, but Beverages are really something else. Equally fascinating were your graphs on various stations and the solar eclipse's effect on ionospheric propagation. It would make a very interesting article in a future DXM.

Reth, when are you on the air at KPLS? (Sat/Sun CSOO-1200 PLT-Reth.) I'd like to hear you since your move from the "Mighty 1190."

I'm interested to hear more on IRCA's policy on taping catches for proof of reception versus a verification from a station. I myself sledom write for a QSL as I rely on taping and filing these catches. I find more enjoyment of actually hearing an actual recording of a catch than on paper. However, tapes can be copied (as per controversy over trading "airchecks" between members), but often times reception reports are falsified and stations have been known to verify these, especially SW stations. I guess the only absolute proof is to have the station manager or engineer beside you when you hear the station, hi. I'd like to have input on this matter. 73

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I'm still around. Since my last forum a lot of DX has passed through my receiver. The most exicitng DX was over the Christmas break while up in Spokane. From 20 December to 02 January I heard over 200 stations on the day-time DX mode. (My definition of daytime is two hours after LSR to two hours before LSS), While most day signals are heard on groundwave, some signals still come in from a distance on "residual skip" (as I call it) all day on a good day. For example, on 22 and 29 December, many North Dakota and Saskatchewan stations and some from Manitoba were bombing in at high noon as loud as locals. I think my best catch was KDOM 1580 Windom, Minnesota, topping the channel with farm news at 1300 PLT and when they began to fade, KLOQ decided it was their turn. The CE at CJVR 1420 in his QSL thought it was interesting that I could receive them so well midday with KUJ being so close (100 miles away). Of course, a good Beverage helps too, hi. What was interesting to me was that later in that week I heard KITI all day with what sounded like someone doing contour measurements (Renton?) and KYNG the next day. In all cases I didn't even hear a whimper from KUJ.

Latest veries received includes (d-denotes daytime reception) KFYR 550d, KGEZ 600d, KSWB 930d, KWRC 940d, KYES 950d, KINS 980, CKRM 980d (CE said mine was first report from Washington) (Must be a new CE, hi-RtH), KBND 1110d, KAPA 1340d, CFUN 141Cc (just never got around to verifying them before, hi), KLTC 1460d (again, first report from Washington), KITI 1420d, KORL 650 and

CJVR 1420d. All from Washington.

The following from Utah: KRN 984-530, KBOI 670d, KPDQ 800, KWHO 860, KFWB 980, KFAM 680, KANN 1090, KSL translator 1100 in the Marriott Center, Provo, KLVR 1340 and many others. (Condensed per ByLaws-RtH.) Most of the reports were sent from Washington when I had a lot of time with all my relatives and in-laws at work. I'll write more about my Beverage experiences next time. Until then, 73 de WJH.

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Greetings. First off, Nancy Hardy, in issue 607, as you must know by now, you were had. The report regarding KFIA 710 changing format and calls was totally fradulent, and I doubt the existance of one John Thomas Hardy, and if he does exist, he's not a member of IRCA that I know of. And if he is, his days in IRCA are numbered. KFIA is still KFIA and still REL/GOS. Why people do this is beyond me; guess he thought he was being funny, not realizing the number of IRCAns within KFIA's listening range. To me it's 10-year-old humor, if that.

Enjoyed talking with Steve McGreevy yesterday, 03 February. Steve, why don't we get a North Bay/Redwood Empire DX'pedition going out by Jenner? Klasek, you flunked the basic rules of journalism in your convention bid. Who, what, when, why and how? When is the convention? Where is it (hotel)? How much? Is there a banquet? That's like asking us to sign a blank check, hi. Of course, if someone would like to pass one on to me for a couple grand

I won't stop you, hi.

Have had little time for dial spinning, but did some DX SM, 31 January before getting ready for work. Heard faint C&W on 1560, just enough that I could recognize songs, but voice modulation wasn't there. KKAA? I also find it hard to believe that the Zaragosan on 1560 is 1 kw. They come in like a semi-local. Nothing else noted of any significance. KCBS was testing and did hear the het on 747.

I do live in a rotten area for DX as proved last evening while driving home. While stopped at a mjor downtown intersection, I listened to WLS, KRVN and WWL on the car radio, this just after LSS. I can't do that in Guerneville, or at least as well.

Remember gang, no long lists of DX catches and only a brief list of your

recent veries; it's quite specific in the ByLaws.

From torrential rains and floods to three straight days in the '70s. This winter has been truly weird. Almost as strange as Jaisun's music, hi. That'll do it for this week. See you in 7 and 73 de RtH. .

BRUCE PORTZER - 6546 19th Avenue NE - Seattle, WA 98115

Hi. I've finally finished a tape of the DX I recorded in Europe. Anyone wanting a copy of it can have it by sending a C-90 cassette and return postage. It contains most of the stations listed in my article in the 11/28DXM, including airchecks of BBC2, R. Luxembourg, and R Monte Carlo. The latter even has an ad for the Italian version of "Raiders of the Lost Ark". Rick Overmann--your station on 750 was YVKS in Caracas, Venezuela, which plays mostly EE language rock & pop mx. Congrats to Brian Vernon on hearing India-1134...a really remarkable piece of DX! Time to go, see ya next week.

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