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### DX CALENDAR

Michigan City, IN Sun. Mar. 25 WIMS 1420 5kw/500w 0430-0530 EST NRC/CCM Mon. Apr. MAAM 630 St. Marys, WV 1kw 0400-0430 EST NRC/CCM 720 Pisgah Forest, NC 1kw 0430-0500 EST NRC/CCM Mon. WGCR WIMS-1420, 685 K. 1675 North, Michigan City, IN 46360 will conduct a Special DX Test on 3/25/90, 0430-0530 EST. The test will be conducted with a newly installed Harris SX-5A transmitter. The test will be 0430-0445 500w day pattern (large ellipse, major lobe SE), 0445-0500 5kw day pattern, 0500-0515 5kw night pattern (figure 8, major lobes NE/SW). The test will include Morse Code IDs. Thanks to fellow DX enthusiast Mr. Robert J. Schilling, CE. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the NRC. WYYM-630, P. O. Box 374, Saint Marys, WV 26170 will conduct a special DX Test on 4/2/90, 0400-0430 EST. The test will be made using 1kw ND and will consist of tones, IDs, and some music. Thanks to National Radio Club member Mr. Bob Eddy, Pres., for this test. -NRC/Colorado CPC Machine WGCR-720, P. O. Box 720, Pisgah Forest, NC 28768 will conduct a special DX TEST on 4/9/90, 0430-0500 EST. The to Mr. Randy C. Bartoon, GM. -NRC/CCM

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- MEXICO, UNID 3/4 0533 Ranchera mx and "Radio Mexicana" slogan men-1240
- tioned twice. Possibly needed XECG. (TRH-CA2)
  MEXICO, (?) 3/4 0744 SS "juventud" (teen CHR) format, "Radio Fiesta" slogans, GMT -6 TCs on East wire. Might also be a domestic. (TRH-CA2)
- MEXICO, Agua Prieta XEFH 3/4 0218-0434 fair through local XEC with 1310 local ads for a produce market and a racetrack. Faded up nicely for ID and "F-H" slgans. New XE #175. (TRH-CA2)
- MEXICO, San Luis Rio Colorado-XELB1 3/4 1307 XE anthem and s/on with ID and "Radio Centro" slogan. (TRH-CA2) 1350
- MEXICO, UNID 3/4 1100 XE anthem noted on East wire. XERPU probably 1370 the most likely to be signing on at this hour. (TRH-CA2)
- MEXICO, Tecate-XEKT 3/4 now signs off around 0500. Like its sister 1380 station XEBG-1550, now leaves OC on afterwards. (TRH-CA2) MEXICO, UNID 3/4 1242-1251 Poor u/KTSM w/several ads, GMT-6 TCs and "Radio Sensacion" slogans. Mentioned San Luis Potosi at 1305. (TRH)
- MEXICO, Caborca XEUK 3/4 0249 huge signal o/local XERCN, basically 1470 alone on channel with SS adCon mx, IDs and "La U-K" slogans by woman. (TRH-CA2)
- CAYMAN ISLANDS? 3/4 0509 presumed the beautiful mx program. Nice 1555
- mignal at times, but as usual no IDs. (TRH-CA2)
  MEXICO, Hermosillo-XEDM 3/4 0940 Noted with Radio Hacil AN program
  // UNID station on 870. Man listed XEDM-1580 and XEIu-990 Oaxaca, as 1580 well as affiliates in Monterrey and Durango. (XEE as been reported on 1580, ex 590 with this slogan. Be careful on this freq.) TRH-CA2)

#### THANKS TO THIS REPORTER

- TIM HALL-350 G STREET F-1-CHULA VISTA, CA. 92010-4559 TRH-CA
  - ICF-2010, Radio West Loop
- TIM HALL AND NEIL KAZAROSS TRH-CA2 DXing at beverage site at Poway,Ca. 1700' Aimed East, 1400'

SE (both terminated).



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## **DX Worldwide - West**

Time: UTC phone (503) 861-3185

DEADLINE-TUESDAYS

Tim Hall saved the day this week. Not too much DX these days here or other places it seems. Received a post card this week from Paul Ormandy-New Zealand. More New Zealand MW stations are leaving MW for FM. 1XA-1476 should now be on FM. Also 1XG-1251-Radio Rhema will be 24 hours. 2ZF has moved from 1539 to 1584. 4ZB-1044 and 4XO-1206 will also go to FM on July 1, 1990. 3XA-1260 will probably go about the same time. It wish a bunch of U.S. stations would do that! We can dream can't we? Anyway on with the column.

### PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- MEXICO, UNID 2/25 1315 XE station, possible "La F-O" mention, so may
- have been needed XEFO. (TRH-CA)

  MEXICO, UNID 3/4 1150 XE anthem and GMT -6 TCs between huge KCBS TTs. 740 Possibly new XEVAY Puerto Vallarta "Radio Vallarta", which we believe is our "Radio Bayapas" UNID from a few months ago on same antenna. SE wire is aimed at Puerto Vallarta. (TRH-CA2)

MEXICO, UNID 3/4 1200 XE anthem. See above log. (TRH-CA2) 780

- MEXICO, Autlan XELD 3/4 1159 XE anthem and s/on with "Radio Costa" slogan. Almost caught me off guard--they were a few minutes early this morning. Finally caught this one, XE #177. (TRH-CA2) MEXICO, UNID 2/25 1202 XE anthem very weak, man mentioned Jalisco. Almost certainly XELD, which Neil Kazaross has recently logged from
- the beverage site at LSS. (TRH-CA)

  MEXICO, UNID 3/4 1105 XE anthem. (TRH-CA2)

  MEXICO, UNID 3/4 1202 XE anthem and s/on. Possible "Radio Alegria" 810 slogan, this seems to be XERSV now signing on an hour earlier than before. (TRH-CA2) MEXICO, Rio Grande XEZC 3/4 1209 HUGE signal obliterating KGO with
  - XE anthem and sign-on. Several IDs, also mentioned 1KW power. Slogan is now "Radio Felicidad" change your logs. New XE #178. (TRH-CA2) MEXICO, Santa Barbara XESB 2/25 1241 now uses "Radio Sensacion"
- 820 slogan. Only patriotic songs heard, so unsure of format. Note s/on is now earlier than listed 1300. (TRH-CA)
- 840  $\underline{\text{UNID}}$ , 3/4 0327 weak SS talk way u/KVEG on East wire. Noted again at  $\overline{\text{1030}}$ , 1130, 1230 rechecks. (TRH-CA2)
- MEXICO, UNID 3/4 0932 man giving list of affiliates to some sort of "Radio Hacil" (or phonetically similar) AN network program. See XEDM-1580 log below. (TRH-CA2) 870
- MEXICO, Los Mochis XEPNK 2/25 1305 XE anthem, male DJ mentioned 5KW 088 and juventud format (SS teen CHR), and slogans "Canal 88" and "La Joven's, also "La Superestacion". (TRH-CA)

  MEXICO, Tijuana XEKAM 2/25 0400. Was off the air most of this week
- 950 before returning with new SS CHR format (some U.S. hits mixed in, metrice returning with new SS charlos (Some 5.3. hixed in, all anmts in SS). New slogans are "Radio 95 de California" and "El 95 del Cuadrante de tu radio." (TRH-CA)

  MEXICO, Hermosillo XEPB 2/25 0418. Huge signal, now with "Radio Amor" slogan, romantic mx format and 10 KW. Anmts implied they may be coowned with XEFA-950. ID "Con diez mil watts de potencia efectiva y alta fidelidad en AM, XEPB Radio Amor transmite desde el corazon del Estado de Sonora." Thx to Neil Kazaross for the phone tip about power/format change. (TRH-CA)
- MEXICO, Cuauhtemoc XEER 3/4 "Radio Formula" now signs off around 990 0600. Noted OC afterwards tonight. (TRH-CA2)
- MEXICO, Cd. Juarez XEFV 3/4 "La Rancherita del Aire" now signs off
- around 0600. Change your logs. (TRH-CA2)
  1080 tCUBA?, 3/4 0620-0900 Vy good at times on East wire with male and female ancrs, vy distinctive time check tones (the same two notes made by a cookoo bird or a doorbeel) and it was repeated three times. Cuba would be most likely, CMCU logged here sometime back.
- MEXICO, Mexicali-XEMX 2/25 0447 faded up nicely at times (TRH-CA2) with live remote of a ballroom dance contest at "Salon Mexicali" WRTH-90 lists them as XEMIJ, but we seem to be hearing XEMX. (TRH-CA)
- MEXICO, Monterrey-XEMr 3/4 1000 poor but faded up on top of channel briefly for ID. New XE #176. (TRH-CA2) continued bottom of Front Page 1140



### WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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WDXR deadlines: Mondays April 9, April 23, May 14. Use Eastern time. REPORTERS FOR THIS ISSUE:

(pb) Phil Bytheway-9705 Mary NW-Seattle, WA 98117 (TRH) Tim Hall-350 G St. #F-1-Chula Vista, CA 92010

ICF-2010, Radio West loop (TRH-CA2) DK'ing at Poway (San Diego), CA Beverage site ICF-2010, 1700° wire aimed E, 1400° aimed SE Gary Larson-2806 Lincoln-Burbank, CA 91504 (GL)

GE Superadio II (RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118

GE Superadio, GE long-range portable, SM-2

550 KUZZ

 $\underline{CA}$ , Bakersfield 2/28 0100 C&W music, brief ID between songs. On top of 550, nothing else there. No sign of usual KOAC. (pb) NM, Las Cruces 3/4 0823-0835 finally caught them at SRS with 570 KGRT quick ID & promo followed by time check "K-Great time is..."
After a few C&W tunes, pre-recorded promo "Hi! This is Earl
Thomas Conlee and you're listening to K-Great..." New here. (TRH-CA2)

600 (KKLQ) CA, San Diego Th 2/22 0408-0530 totally off, as was FM. No test tones, so probably installing studio equipment. Back at 0530. Very rare SP. (TRH-CA)

KIIX CO, Wellington 2/22 0436-0500 poor under KROD with Talknet,

legal ID on the hour & NEC news. New, CO #45. (TRH-CA)
TX, El Paso 2/22 0409 long ad string, ID, then faded. On top
of weak channel in KKLQ's absence--where was KSJB tonight? KROD (TRH-CA)

610 KZSS NM, Albuquerque 2/22 0520 poor with rock music, requests, FM 94

Simulcast. (TRH-CA)
UT, Logan 2/22 0502 Ai news, back to Talknet. (TRH-CA)
NY, North Las Vegas 3/3 2230 has dropped FBN for BRN business KVNU 840 KVEG news. XEKAM also dropped FBN this week. Is FBN kaput? (TRH-CA2)

WA, Seattle 2/22 0448 fair on top with ID into what sounded like a tape-delay of Supersonics BKB. Local XEKAM was off much of this week before returning to the air with Spanish CHR. 950 KJR (TRH-CA)

BCN. Tijuana 3/3 0554 noted carrying English & Spanish rock XEKAM music vice FNN network. Format change? (RW-CA)

960 KNEZ CA, Lompoc 2/25 0820 noted in passing with Spanish announcements and "La Grande" slogan. (TRH-CA)
1020 (KTNQ) CA, Los Angeles 3/5 0545 noted off. (GL-CA)
1060 KBGN ID. Caldwell 2/25 2014 huge signal at LSS with hymns, male announcer talking about upcoming 30th anniversary. Stayed on

at least 10 minutes after sunset. (TRH-CA)

CA, Pasadena 3/5 0528 noted with "hum" OC. (RW-CA)

3/5 0540 various tones, faint Spanish under occ. wavering KRLA 1110 \*KRLA\*

OC (KFIF?). (GL-CA)
1180 ?KGOL? TX, Humble 3/4 0801 USA news followed by hymns & country/gospel music. Quick ID at 0819 but tape recorder malfunctioned so I couldnot confirm what I heard. No other reasonable possibilities. Call to KERI confirms that they were not on the air at this time. (TRH-CA2)

1310 KEIN MT, Great Falls 3/5 0634 good in KDIA null with ID "The new

oldies 13, KEIN, Great Falls, "ex-C&W. (RW-CA) CO, Pueblo 3/5 0644 finally logged this call change, ex-KRYT. Promo for wearing o' the green party, ID "AM 1350, KGHF," NOS 1350 KGHF music. Fair under KRLC in KSRO null. (RW-CA)

pre-recorded slogan/ID "The best country, KACT AM & FM" and "America's music - KACT AM & FM." Thought I'd have a taped report, but tape recorder was malfunctioning throughout. TX, Andrews 3/4 0515-0523 poor through local KPOP with SMN C&M, 1360 KACT

CA, El Centro 3/4 0519 ID by man "AM 14-30 KAMP" into 1970's 1430 KAMP oldies (Carpenters, etc). Apparently now NSP. (TRH-CA2)

- CA, San Jose 3/3 KSJO ID at 0329, simulcasting FM. (pb-WA)
  CA, Bakersfield 3/4 0349 now NSP (AAAAAAARGHI) with CNN News 1500 KSJX 1560 KPMC feed. Promo announced format change & used slogan "Your new spot on the dial for news." This used to be the best DX channel by far in Southern California. (TRH-CA2) +3/5 0507 noted AN 3 nights in a row now with unID satellite
- news network. NSP now? (RW-CA)

  AZ, Tempe-Phoenix 3/5 0556 faint with C&W, ment. of "KCW" into more music. KDAY off. (GL-CA) 1580 KCWW \*KDAY\* CA, Santa Monica 3/5 0504 noted with OC. (RW-CA) (KDAY)+3/5 0555 off. Faint KCWW. (GL-CA)

### DX TESTS

CA, S. Lake Tahoe 3/12 0400 code & march music (sounded like 590 KTHO college fight songs!), heard "...resuming normal broadcasting"

right after. Mixing with KUGN. (pb-WA)

LA, Denham Springs 2/26 0530+ tones, code and sweep tones, 1210 WBIU repeating. In/out with KBSG nulled. 3 of 4 call letters in

code heard. (pb-WA)

1250 ?KILK? CA, Willits 3/12 0444 some code that sounded like "SF" in KKFX null. That was all that was heard in ½ hour of listening. (pb-WA)

1300 (KWCK) AR, Searcy 3/4 0300-0330 tried for at Beverage site, not heard. (TRH-CA2) +3/4 0300-0330 tried, nothing audible under KYNO/KROP/KAZN/KMPS. thought code IDs might come through. Was this even on? (RW)

#### UNIDs

3/4 0845 CNN news noted briefly through XEPRS. (TRH-CA2) 3/4 0816 heard bits of Spanish talk & music, faded up twice for "Radio Variedades" slogan. Does anyone know if KFHM uses this 1090 1160

1160

slogan? (TRH-CA2)
3/4 0756 oldies music, faded out during announcement by male annor.
just before the top of the hour. (TRH-CA2)
3/3 2336 - 3/4 0103 station poking through local KSON with NMSU
Aggies BKB // KTSM-1380. Faded out during every station break. KAMQ
is most likely, but one ad seemed to give an Albuquerque phone number 1240 -- maybe a format change for KALY, whose Spanish format was conspicuously absent tonight. (TRH-CA2)

WDXR deadlines will continue to be Mondays through May ... after that we will have to see! If you live (or visit) the Mountain or Pacific time zones send your DX to WDXR. We'd love to hear from you.

Bulletin Schedule
Future bulletins will be dated March 31 and April 7 to complete the weekly issues, then Apr. 21, May 5, May 26, June 16, July 14 and Aug. 11, 1990. As we go toward monthly issues, it is important both members and editors watch the deadlines carefully. As always, a bulletin dated on a Saturday above is put together beginning 7 days prior to that date and delivered to the printer on Tuesday morning, 4 days prior to date of issue, with the exception of holiday weeks.

### In This Issue

All sections except DXWW-East are in this issue. This bulletin is being prepared on the regular schedule. Those mailing material for DXM are reminded that we continue to use Saturday, 7 days before the date of issue, as the deadline for ALL columns and plan to continue through the season. Columns received later will be used in the following bulletin. - Don Erickson, IRCA Editor-in-Chief

Filler Material and Special Feature Articles Being held is less than 2 pages of material and a couple of various clippings. We continue to publish in 4-page increments and badly need pertinent filler material. Now that the club financial situation is dramatically improved, there is no reason not to publish 24page bulletins every issue. It can be expected that the recently announced postal rate increase to 30 cents for the first oz. will not require a dues increase though it will delay the club's long-term goal of getting the net worth into the positive column. The policy of publishing only as many sheets as are required to run DX-oriented material will continue and there will be NO April Fool's issue, a decision your editor realizes will not be universally popular. -Don Erickson, IRCA Secretary-Treasurer

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### FOR THE RECORD

All times are Eastern. Deadlines: 4/7, 4/21, 5/12, 6/12, 6/30, 7/28. RIDING GAIN

[SA-MB] = Shawn Axelrod, 30 Becontree Bay, Winnipeg, MB R2N 2X9

ICOM IC-R70, 3' box loop, 140' longwire, Mini TUN-3.
[JcJ-MT] = Your editor using an ICOM IC-R71A with a 23" ferrite bar loop. DX TESTS

590 KTHO CA South Lake Tahoe, 3/12 code IDs weak in mess w/KAQQ, KSUB, KID, and KCSJ. 0400-0430. Heard only the call letter IDs sent in code. Very slow code by the way. Much needed here, report sent. CA#126. [JcJ-MT]

1210 WBIV LA Denham Springs, 2/26 poor. 0531 w/TT, code IDs. New for me, LA#3. [SA-MB]

DOWN THE DIAL

570 WNAX SD <u>Yankton</u>, 3/11 strong w/KISN nulled. 0315 with a very long (10 minutes) weather forecast for surronding states. 0320 promo for a WNAX contest. Not needed. [JcJ-MT]

590 KSUB UT Cedar City, 3/12 good w/KAQQ nulled. 0359 w/PI spot and ID "KSUB AM and KSUB FM Cedar City" into AP Network News. 0405 with C&W music. Not needed, but slightly rare. [JcJ-MT]

890 CJDC BC <u>Dawson Creek</u>, 3/12 briefly strong w/WLS nulled. 0325 with light rock music (sounded like a satellite feed). IDing as "The Peace Connection, CJDC Radio 8-90." Two spot clusters during period logged. Needed for a f/up. [JcJ-MT]

1190 KRDS AZ Tolleson, 3/12 weak to good in KEX null. 0315 with ID "KRDS, share it with a friend. out of a rap song. Rock continued.

Not needed here. [JcJ-MT]

1300 KVOR CO Colorado Springs, 3/12 good w/CJME nulled. 0307 w/ID "KVOR Colorado Springs" into audio portion of CBS-TV's "Nightwatch"

program. Not needed, just unusual. [JcJ-MT] 1400 WEUZ WI Eau Claire, 3/6 poor. 0630 with "WEUZ" ID into local news.
Finally heard after 1 1/2 years of trying. WI#67. [SA-MB]
WHLB MN Virginia, 3/4 fair. 2358 with BBD music. IDing as "You're listening to the classic AM, 1400 WHLB." Into SNN. [SA-MB]

1580 KCWW AZ Tempe, 3/5 poor u/WKKD (W/C&W also), mixing w/KOKB. 0717 w/

C&W format. New for me, AZ#7. [SA-MB]

UNIDS 1340 unID 3/4 poor. 0645 w/SS talk, LA music, heard what might be an ID: "elle, acka, elle." Any ideas? [SA-MB]

1340 unID 3/7 poor. 0530 w/dual ID in mess. Sounded like "K-?-?-? and K-(B?)-H-J." Any ideas? [SA-MB]

25 YEARS AGO

March 23, 1965 issue of DX Monitor....Membership reached 357... Nick Hall-Patch logged 25 stations in 3 days...The DX Forum was split at the Mississippi River, reports from East Coast were to go to Park Barton, West Coast to Don Erickson...C. M. Stanbury was at the top of the March 1965 DX Records.

OPEN MIKE

Please all and you will please none. It's been awhile since I've heard a DX Test! Nice catch. The KLLK-1250 DX Test was not heard here due to too much KUUS-1240 splatter. The season's not over yet!! 73, John.

Courtesy Programs Committee IRCA has not been active in the arranging of DX programs but can thank Wayne Heinen of NRC not only for arranging virtually all CPC programs for NRC but for doing such a fine job of keeping IRCA informed, often at great expense to himself. IRCA might want to consider a revitalized CPC for the 1990-1991 With today's computer-driven printers, much of the drudgery of previous decades is replaced with only the need to feed the computer with the parameters and the paper and to pay for the costs of postage for mailing the requests. Before doing so, however, we need to insure that there will be sufficient listeners to justify making a very special request of the station. Please contact President Karl Zuk with your thoughts.



### Eastern DX Roundup

### Ray Bauernhuber 141-12 243rd Street Rosedale, NY 11422

DEADLINE:	Honday's at my OTH for ALL winter issues
(WPT-DC)	William Townshend, 4500 Connecticut NW, Apt. 901, Wash, DC -20008: Sonu 2010
(GH-PA)	Gary Heisey, Box 310F RD 1, Osterburg, PA - 16667
(MB-ON)	Mike Brooker, 99 Wychcrest Ave., Toronto, ON M6G 3X8 Panasonic RF-2200, Sony ICF-7600D
540 WGTO	FL, CYPRESS GARDENS 2/23 1940 BRIEFLY FAIR w/"WGTO Blasting Central Florida with 50,000 Watts" into oldies. Not heard in 10 years! (GH-PA)
670 WIEZ 910 WPLA	PA, LEWISTON 2/18 1600 FAIR w/ID, ABC nx by f/ann. (WPT-DC) FL, PLANT CITY 2/23 1818 FAIR w/"You're Listening to Florida Vacation Radio, WPLA", into travel and promo info. (GH-PA)
940 WECO	TN, WARTBURG 2/17 1815-1816* FAIR-GOOD in CBM null w/basketball game, s/off annet cut in while game was still in
	progress; mentioned WECO-FM 101.3; no SSB (the SSB played at the start of the game might make up for the lack of it after their s/off.). Heard in 1980 on an equipment test. (MB-ON) AL, ROBERTSDALE 2/20 1845 VERY WEAK w/s/off by m/ann,
1000 WXWY	mention of Robertsdale; played "God Bless America", mention of
1010 WELS	NC, KINSTON 2/19 1830 FAIR w/ID, oldies songs, AP Network  News read by m/ann (who could barely read the news!). (GH-PA)
1040 WYFX	FL, BOYNTON BEACH 2/21 1935 POOR w/UC mx; ID by f/ann.
1070 WHYZ	SC, GREENVILLE 2/18 1800 FAIR w/ID and mention of Greenville
1140 WQBA	FL, MIAMI 2/19 1759 FAIR u/WRVA w/EE ID by m/ann; rest of
1270 WHYD	GA, COLUMBUS 2/20 2005 BRIEFLY FAIR w/"Highway 1270, WHYD, Columbus-Phenix City", religious mx, USA Network News. (GH-PA)
1320 WTOW	NC, WASHINGTON 2/18 1744 FAIR-GOOD w/ID by m/ann, c/w.
1330 WMLT	GA, DUBLIN 2/21 1920 POOR w/"You Hear All of Dublin's Favorites Here on WMLT" into soft AC mx. (GH-PA)
1340 WRHI	SC, ROCK HILL 2/21 1912 FAIR w/"WRHI News Time", many mentions of Rock Hill and "Springs Industries." This is my longest graveyard catch! (GH-PA)
1350 WLLY	NC, WILSON 2/19 1710 POOR w/ID, into "Washington Report"
1350 WRWH	GA, CLEVELAND 2/21 1808 POOR w/"WRWH, Cleveland" by m/ann
1360 WSAI	the same ages management of the same and sales
1550 WAMA	FL. TAMPA 2/20 1832 FAIR SS talk by m/ann. (WPT-DC)
1550 WNTA	GA, AUGUSTA 2/20 1813 FAIR w/business nx and ID by m/ann.
1580 WOXR	AL, OXFORD 2/21 1846 FAIR w/"EZ Listening Music on WOXR AM, 1580, Oxford" by m/ann; into adult standard song. (GH-PA)
1590 WPSL	
	5.0 4.04. (on)

# DX FORUM

### EASTERN Richard C. Evans 5104 N. Lovers Lane Milwaukee, WI 53225

Reports from members living east of the Mississippi River Deadlines: 3/24, 4/7, 4/21, 5/12, 6/2, 6/30, 7/28...

Karl Jeter, 2115 Scarbrough Road, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30088 Greetings. I am pleased to report that a new plateau has been reached in my verie-collecting efforts: 1400, reached on 2/15 with a letter from WGCR-720 Brevard, NC. This station has become almost a daytime regular lately in the absence of semi-local WMXY-Hogansville, GA, which continues on an unusual Sunday-only schedule with black gospel programming. I finally have had some success with the scheduled DX tests, with the 2/4 WRSW-1480 Warsaw, IN effort making it thru well, and a weak WLUS-980 Gainesville, FL on 2/18. Although I missed the WCIL-1020 Carbondale, IL test, I still heard them on 2/8 on their regular schedule anyway, at their 1830 s/off! It looks like Chuck Hutton and I are going to set up a beverage on 3/12 for a valiant attempt at the two scheduled CA tests...stay tuned for results, hopefully favorable, as I haven't logged a new CA station since the early 70's. Our non-winter this year has resulted in a very early spring, and as a result, an increase in static and severe weather. On 2/10, some violent weather knocked both WZAL-1410 McDonough, GA and WGFS-1430 Covington, GA off the air. I have been spending some time on the so-called "clear" channels lately, trying for other signals under the dominant stations with some interesting results. For example, back on 2/18, I was tuned to 890 and heard some SS music and talk under WLS; I, at first, thought "Cuban", but the music sounded more like what a Mexican might play. Later, I began to hear EE words and expressions interspersed in the SS, so I really got interested at that point. My perserverence paid off with a nice EE ID, "KVOZ, Laredo" and some ads and promos also in EE! I was also pleased to hear NTES 570 Touristons PA on 2/24 with WMMO pulled. Therefore WIEZ-670 Lewistown, PA on 2/24 with WMAQ nulled. Thazzit.

Tom Laskowski, 1334 East Miner Street, South Bend, Indiana 46617 First of all, I'd like to thank Wayne Heinen and the Colorado CPC Machine for arranging all the DX tests. Most of them have made it here with the exception of WKMT (a no-show), WMNY (frequency mix-wp), KABI (which I forgot about), and Alaska and Puerto Rico, neither of which made it. I just received my verie for the WAGL test today. Besides the verie letter and coverage map, they enclosed a US map showing the names and locations of all the DXers who reported the test. Quite a few IRCA names are included. As of today, Feb. 25, however, no replies from WADN/WILD or WKEN. Pat Martin: I still haven't a clue to your unID on 1580. Have you come up with any possibilities? Also, does anyone have the call letters for the Chicago Expressways TIS on 1610? I have KNIG-426. Is this correct? Not too much DX here other than the DX tests. And with the season coming to an end, I've been spending most of my time on the ham bands. 73 to all.

Gary Siegel, 2728 - 106th Street, Toledo, Ohio 43611 Happy Anniversary IRCA! While it may not have been the best past year for the club in some respects I think the club is on solid ground with a fine loyal membership. As far as plans to expand the club's frequency coverage up to about 5000 kHz, I'd have to say I'm not particularly in favor of it. Beyond 2000 kHz, the characteristics of the band take on more SW aspects and besides it is no longer a broadcast (commercial) band per se. Even getting in to LW below 500 kHz, reception takes on different aspects than is noted in the regular MW spectrum. on different aspects than is noted in the regular MW spectrum. Just because the AM dial is more crowded nowadays is no reason to run from it; you just need a closer ear to the radio and develop an ability to discern the various signals. Since this is the anniversary forum, time again for a re-intro. I'm 39, single, work as the Chief Dispatcher for the Sylvania, Ohio city police department (suburban Toledo) for 12 years now, past 8 as Chief Disp.. I work a variety of shifts on varying days-such is the nature of the beast. Prior to this job, I worked 5 years in local Toledo radio at such entities as WCWA-1230, WMHE-FM 92.5 (now WVKS-FM) and WTUU/WANR both 1520 (now WVOI). I've been DXing over 25 years now on both radio & TV. My lady friend Jeannette is tolerant of the hobby though not so much for the rustle and clatter I sometimes expose her to. though not so much for the rustle and clatter I sometimes expose her to, hi. On AM to date I've heard 2955 stations from 49 states, 10 provinces, ----continued on Page 11--



### Mestern DX Forum

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(Cont. from 2 weeks ago; interrupted by Anniversary forum-Rth.) There may be more GE Superadios out there than SW-capable sets, both don't forget many of us have both. The vast majority of tropical band stations are for regional listeners and maintain their frequencies and identity much better than do US MW stations. I've heard 34 countries on 60 meters, including Burma, Botswana, Sarawak, Senegal and the Solomon Islands. But I still get back to my "first love," the MW band, to see what's coming in or to check out Art Bell on KDWN. I would consider expanded frequency coverage by the IRCA to be chocolate fudge on the Oreo. By the way, I'll be in Atlanta for the NAB convention and if anyone in that area would like to talk DX, give me a holler at 876-4365, evenings 30 March to 02 April. 73.

RANDY SEAVER, 1154 VIA TRIESTE, CHULA VISTA, CA 92011

Last year I wrote a forum complaining about the problem I perceived IRCA had, and suggested some changes. Some of those issues were addressed by the club leaders and editors and I thank them for taking the time to read and respond. I realize one of my suggestions - merge IRCA with NRC - was very unrealistic and I'm sorry I ever mentioned it. At that time, I was unaware of the changes that were about to take place in IRCA's publishing responsibilities. I would like to belatedly thank the Seattle publishing crew for their efforts over a long period. Likewise, I appreciate Ralph Sanserino and Don Erickson for their efforts. I think the bulletins look great, the print is dark and readable and the trvia has been greatly reduced in the interest of economy. I think the club membership and leadership needs to consider one of the changes I suggested - fewer but larger bulletins to reduce the workload and increase the reference value of the bulletins. What is the purpose of DX columns? To me, it's to use as a reference when I need to find what's new on the MW band, what others heard and when, to identify an elusive station or call change. I get little NOW value from the bulletin - but I get tremendous LATER value from the column data. I urge the editors to not cut items of true DX interest, even if they are several weeks old. A tip of rare DX is of great value to me, and should be included in the columns even if it's months old. DXM is a research journal for the hobby. Our loggings and forums will live forever in the musty stacks of libraries, in computer databases and on microfilm long after we've passed on to the great Beverage site in the sky. I do have some small beefs - I wish the columns and articles would not be continued on a back page, and I would like paragraphs in the forums. I understand why it's done, I just don't like it. (I don't either Randy-RtH.) I have some large kudos to give also - to the DX'ers who support the DXWW and DX Roundup columns and to the editors and publishers for their weekly efforts.

TIM HALL, 350 G ST. #F-1, CHULA VISTA, CA 92010 -4559 (619) 426-3584 A belated Happy Anniversary IRCA! Seems the Anniversary deadline snuck up on me this year, so this will probably run a week or two late. Quick reintro: I'm 28, single and a programmer-analyst for GE Retail Systems in San Diego. I've been DX'ing MW since 1972 and have been a member of IRCA since 1984. I'm starting my fourth year as verification signers editor this month and have enjoyed this task immensely. Totals from this area stand at 963 stations heard (no call changes) from 31 countries, 38 states plus DC and 6 Canadian provinces. The past year has been a good one DX-wise, thanks m,ostly to the Beverage DX Neil Kazaross and I have been doing here in town. Conditions were certainly topsy-turvy in 1989 - great in summer and only occasionally good in the winter. Best catches included WTOP 1500 DC, WINV 1560 FL (500 watts), WHEZ 1560 MI (250 watts), WCNW 1560 OH, KAPB 1370 LA (250 watts), KTJS 1420 OK and WAGL 1560 SC. Veries were down last year, mainly due to the lack of any vacation DX. Did enjoy some excellent TV DX however, with IRCA's own John Johnson being one of two people to verify my reception of KTVQ Billings. Every year when the anniversary issue comes out, I'm amazed at the number of members in the membership list who never report to the bulletin. How much more accurate would our network and slogan lists be if you folks pitched in? To those who do keep the information flowing, my hat is off. Special thanks to Neil Kazaross, Robert Wien, Steve Mittman, Chris Knight, Bill Hardy and John Wilkins for your thoughtfulness in sharing hot DX tips and other station information with me all

through the past year. To our editors and publishing staff, keep up the good work and hang in there. Let's not let the financial strain lead to any undue "friction." IRCA remains my #1 club affiliation. 73 and good DX to all in the upcoming year de TRH.

ROBERT WIEN, 1309 DENTWOOD DR., SAN JOSE, CA 95118
Well, time for the anniversary issue, Happy Anniversary IRCA! Just a reintro: I'm 29, work as a satellite operations engineer at Lockheed Missiles & Space Co. in Sunnyvale. I've been a member since 1976. I just got my 1000th station veried last week from WAGL 1560 SC, also state #41 veried for me. I met Roland Kunkel at his house in MOrgan Hill last weekend and had a nice DX session along with Gary Parton who I met at the convention last summer, was nice to see him again. RtH, haven't received a verie from KCTC yet, who do I complain to?-hi. (You're asking me - I only live here, hi. Write Terry Nelson-RtH.) Some hot tips: KVVQ 910 Hesperia, CA is now on the air with 1 kw daytime only, rock format, 0600 s/on, came on the air mid-February per call to station. Also, KRSO 590 San Bernardino changing calls to be (TBD) on 16 March and format from newstalk to Adult Standards on Unisys network. KVSD 1000 Vista, CA is now KCEO and KMMZ 1140 Greybull, WY is now KZMQ. Call change on 1140 should be no trouble for you, RtH, hi. (No sweat RW. Did you say next DX'pedition is to WY?-hi-RtH.) I'm now entering into my 14th year in IRCA and the last 13 have been just great. Who knows what DX'ing in the '90s will be like, but we all know IRCA will be with us and remain the great club it has since its founding. IRCA will take DX'ing into the 21st century! 73.

RICK DAU, RR2 BOX 64, OAKLAND, IA 51560
Happy 26th IRCA! It's re-intro time for this DX'er: I'm 25, single (hopefully not forever), working in Omaha as a long-distance telephone operator and have been DX'ing since the spring of '81. The 03 March GTG was a lot of fun., albeit sparsely attended. I hope to host more in the future. Those attending were current members Tim Kridel and Mark Strickert (who stayed overnight), former members Ernie Wesolowski and Murray C. Mann; NRC members Neil Zank (Lincoln, NE) and Dan Bartek (Wahoo, NE) and Omaha DX'er Curne Chadwick. Murray is now the afternoon DJ and CE for KOMJ 103.7 Omaha. KOMJ's transmitter site is only 3 miles NE of my QTH, so, naturally a tour was in order. Imagine the look on Murray's face when he discovered the key to the building wouldn't work. An attempt to pick the lock was fruitless. Someone had obviously changed the lock without telling Murray, so, with tears in our eyes, we all headed back to my QTH where we had a pizza dinner that couldn't be beat, hi. After dinner, we watched a videotape (made by Ernie) of slides taken from past NRC, IRCA, WTFDA and ANARC conventions. Everyone except Mark left around 2130. In the morning, Mark made airchecks of some local FMs. He took off around 1015. Overall, a fun weekend of DX and DX talk. Totals here as of 09 March are 963 heard, 87 verified and 131 taped. I recently had a phone call with the Quad Cities IRCA rep, John Clemmer and it sounds as if this year's convention will indeed be held in Chicago. If John can nail down a solid bid, I'll be there as the Windy City is only 8 hours from here. (But John has to send in a bid, not done as of last week per our club prez-RtH.) Hope to see many of you there. 73.

> MIKE HARDESTER, HQCO, HQBN - BAS, 3RD MARDIV - FMF FPO SAN FRANCISCO 96602-8602

Greetings from "The Rock of Japan" - Okinawa and HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IRCA! As the tradition goes, a re-intro is in order. Having just passed the "other side" of 40, I've been a member since 1969. I'm single and career US Navy (Hospital Corpsman) with a little more than 3 years until retirement. Accurate DX totals aren't readily available, but are something like 43/43 states plus DC and 6/5 provinces. Foreign and overall heard/OSLd totals. I won't even guess. Radios are an ICOM R-70 and Sony 2010. No loop over here, but normally use a R. West 18" ferrite loop. Consequently, DX has been less than ideal. Unlike my last tour on Okinawa ('76-'79), I've had very little time to DX and except for a deployment to S. Korea, traveling around Southeast Asia hasn't been possible. I'm hopeful once I retire, I'll be able to get back to some serious DX'ing. . .something I keep expecting with every transfer, hi. I'm definitely looking forward to returning to the states and getting a shot at those beacons (MEDFERs) operating in the 1600 to 1700 kHz range, as well as the new stations as they begin broadcasting. Will be a rare opportunity to say the least. All for now. Very best of DX and 73 de Mike.

GARY PARTON, 157 ELM ST. #101, SAN MATEO, CA 94401
Yes, I'm still around. Haven't reported in a long time and I finally decided that this would be a great time to re-introduce myself. I live in San

Mateo and Jose. I work for Apple Computer at the corporate headquarters in Cupertino. I've been working there since 1984; great place to work. I've been commuting between San Mateo and Cupertino for a long time, so in the future I plan to move to the area right near work in either Cupertino, Los Altos or San Jose area. I really want to be closer to that area. I DX once in a while when I get a chance and eventually I'd like to do some SW listening. I recently had the pleasure of meeting Rolan Kunkel in Morgan Hill. He has a fantastic antenna array on the roof of his condominium. On 03 March I went down to his place and Robert Wien from San Jose was also there visiting Rolan. These are two people who are really into DX'ing. I don't keep track of all the stations like most of you do, but I'm trying to get back and become more familiar with some of the radio stations. I look forward to getting together with Rolan again to do some DX'ing in the future. Not long ago I met Steve Howe and Rolan for lunch. Hope to meet these guys again in the near future, maybe down at Rolan's place. I also stay in touch with Gary Larson down in Burbank. By the way, I use a Realistic DH 440 for my DX'ing along with a Dymak DA3 box loop as my antenna. Works fairly well. I will try to report once in a while and more often in the future. I really enjoy reading WDXF and the rest of the interesting information in DXM. After all these years its still fun tuning around and hearing distant stations, even though the dial is more crowded than it used to be. I'm glad to be reporting again and Happy Anniversary to IRCA. 73 de GP.

ROB HARRINGTON, P.O. BOX 22202, DENVER, CO 80222-0202

Dear all IRCAns. Today, 03 March, I received my DXM and to my surprise my forum got printed. Thank-you, Ric. At the time my last forum was written both Chris and I were very mad at WDXF in general. I'm truly sorry if I hurt anyone's feelings, but that's how I did feel when I wrote my last forum. We've been having this problem with the CDXR and WDXR. My suggestion is that CDXR be discontinued and there only be 2 Roundup columns. I've sent a proposal to the Prez that CDXR be discontinued. I'm in favor of having only 2 Roundup columns in IRCA to be made effective ASAP. There'll be one dividing line line, the line be MST/CST and all reports from MST and PST go to WDXR and all loggings from CST and EST go to EDXR. (Rob, read your DXM, MST/CST time zones separates WDXR from CDXR already-RtH.) WDXF has made both Chris and I feel that IRCA isn't a democratic club, but if our opinions are once again permitted to be published in IRCA, then IRCA might be able to win us back on your side. Let's put an end to this problem of the Roundup column thing, I'm also getting sick of it. And as Ric said, go on to other things. Please support the end of the CDXR column, two Roundup columns in IRCA is the answer. Now, here are the opinions of Chris Knight received via phone. Chris says that his voice has been deleted from WDXF and the inquiry as to why his forum was never printed giving his opinion on the situation was never answered. (I don't reprint personal mail and I'm a lousy correspondant. Correspondance is not included in my job duties-RtH.) Chris says he supports 4 Roundup columns, one for each time zone. We're upset because our previous forums weren't printed, thus our opinions were not known to the membership, that's why Chris and I felt that IRCA was going the route of a non-democratic club. If our opinions are printed in WDXF in the future then we will consider IRCA as a democratic club. (Everything received from Chris has been printed. Your last forum - and I was trying to save you from embarrassment, your last forum not printed was totally outside of the parameters of guidelines for forum-RtH.) Thank-you, Ric again for printing my last forum, though it was worded a little strong, that's how you made both Chris and I feel. Let's put an end to this and get on with other things. 73 from Rob Harrington and Chris Knight.

Well, I've finally decided to start trying for veries again - just received a v/l from KKAR 1180 (in only 6 days); their CE, Allen Sherill, tells me they're gathering info to submit a day power increase request to the FCC. Reports are our currently to Dominica 595 and WBT 1110 (the latter never got QSLed by me - I suppose out of just plain laziness, hi). I was glad to see someone (named John Wilkins) got a verie out of KOKK 1210. . .I suppose I should try for them again, but all I ever seem to hear on 1210 are WCAU and various Latins. Speaking of DX, I was appalled that my meagre, mediocre loggings dominated both DXWW-E and CDXR in Vol. 27 #3 DXM - it's truly a scary thought, hi. Ray Bauernhuber's plea for more reporters in EDXR that same issue should be taken to heart by all IRCAns. . .if each column had only 2 or 3 loggings from 10 members each, DXM would be bursting at the seams. I was glad to see Rolan Kunkel seems to feel as I do regarding tropical SW band coverage in DXM. Also glad to see the Almanac is nearing completion. I definitely want to order one when they're done. Locally, just as one GY'er returns to the air (KGBX 1400), another one bites the dust: KICK

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1340, Springfield's answer to WLS in the '50s and '60s signed off at 0500 this morning (06 March) - "At least temporarily," according to the paper. This was due to insufficient ad revenues, what else? I'll keep you posted. (They'd been running a satellite oldies format and Talknet at night). If I may, I'd like to close with a comment about Rob Harrington's (swan song?) forum in Vol. 27/23: Sorry pal, but it's right there in the IRCA By-Laws for all to see, Section III-E: Column editors have the right to edit - that's their job! And Section III-B: editors have sole responsibility for the content of their columns. Obviously, I don't have any idea what RtH took out of Harrington's previous forum, but he must have had good reasons for doing it. Also, though I understand his problem with reporting mainly west coast loggings from the Denver area to CDXR, to contend that CDXR is "useless" is ridiculous. MY loggings here in MO are neither "western" nor "eastern" in nature and I'm glad to have a column in DXM that recognizes that. Speaking of editing, my substitution of "Pat" for "Gene" Martin was pretty stupid. . . Ric, I wouldn't have minded a bit if you'd chosen to edit that for me, hi. (I didn't notice it until it was typed - kept thinking, "this doesn't look right," hi-RtH.) 73.

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Greetins and welcome to "the morning after" Anniversary issue, hi. Thanks all. April Fool's issue should be next. And please watch deadline dates as next week ends the weekly DXM, bi-weekly for April and into the summer schedule. I'd like to thank all who've called and written with you support. It's appreciated. Now, my turn. First, per numerous comments, Rob, are you Chris Knight's official spokesperson? Let Chris speak for Chris. Second, what you're stating is if the club doesn't please you and doesn't operate at your pleasure then we're not democratic. That's dictatorial, exactly what you're accusing IRCA of being. This club isn't operated at the pleasure of one or two members, but instead by an elected Board of Directors. Thirdly, the boundary between CDXR and WDXR was settled months ago, if you'd read your DXM, and it's by time zones. I have the feeling it won't be settled (in your mind) until you have it your way. Well, pal, that's not how the system works. Furthermore, you've stated numerous times that you no longer DX, so what does it matter to you? Fourthly, yes, I did cut a "forum" if you can call it that; I don't consider 20 lines of medical problems with your tonsils to be forum material! I also don't consider your financial problems, job situation, etc. taking up most of a forum to be within description of a forum (content) as set down in the By-Laws. (Folks, I don't make this stuff up, hi.) Finally, I'm in receipt of the latest proposals, and for a quick summation, I've never seen such a pile of compost for proposals. If you and Chris wish to join NRC, that's your business, but don't expect to see forums with your opinions published in the Musings; it won't be allowed! Interesting to see, Randy that KICK has left the air. For some time when KIQQ Reno had an AM, they always eluded to calls, KICK, no, actually said "KICK" except for the formal, legal ID and wondered about the legit calls in use in Springfield. Too late, the FM sold their AM some time ago. After months of procrastination, have my GE Superadio back from the wilds of Eureka, and have discovered that on both AM and FM, my new, do everything, typewriter, is a noise maker. Actually reduces pick-up on the FM side, but good to hear my C&W from Reno once again (has a much broader play list than KRAK and KSAN). That's it for another week from the River City, one more weekly issue to go and hopefully a good April Fools issue. Best of DX and 73 de RtH.

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51 countries and 4 continents. I've heard over 100 stations from 11 states..my BIG 10..listing all 11 (after all if the real Big 10 can have 11 members so can I...(1) PA/160, (2) Tenn/145, (3) No.Car./139, (4) Ohio/134, (5) Mich/124, (6) VA/119, (7) KY/118, (8) GA/111, (9) II1/106, (10) NY/105, (11) Ala/102, also in the 100 heard list is Ontario, Canada at 100 even. My top crosded 11 channels w/45 or more are in order...
(1) 1340/71, (2) 1450/67, (3) 1580/64, (4) 1400/58, (5) 1570/55 (6) tie with 54 between 1240 & 1590, (8) 1550/53, (9) 1560/50, (10) 1600/47 and (11) 1490/45. Enough about states! 73's.

Apologies for the choppy appearance of this bulletin. It was one of the most difficult and time-consuming issues of its size. There just did not appear to be a good solution to formatting this issue. -DKK

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1210	WBIU	LA, DENHAM SPRINGS 2/26 0530-0600 DX TEST w/code beeps and
	DX	test tones throughout the entire test period. Very poor voice
	TEST	IDs at 0555 and 0556 under WCAU. (GH-PA)
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	DX	Oll7, "WLBK, DeKalb, Illinois, 1360 AM" by m/ann at 0128.
	TEST	Also talk of transmitter adjustments at 0136; WSAI and WEBB mixing. (GH-PA)
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	579	(WPT-DC)
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	(t)	faded under WCBS during IDs. (GH-PA)
		COMMENTS

WKFL (Bushnell, FL) and WKIQ (Eustis, FL); both are new calls;

FROM: RAY BAUERNHUBER: thanks go to this issue's reporters and special thanks to Geov Parrish for IDing those unIDs...much appreciated.

Till next time, CONTINUED GOOD DX MY FRIENDS...73 de Mr. B.

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