

September 06, 1997 - Volume 35 - Number 01 - Edition 1124-ISSN 899-9733 ************ IN THIS ISSUE: Broadcasting Information..2, DX Worldwide West..6, DX Worldwide East...8, Press Release for Tropical Band Survey...15, West-Central DX Roundup..20, Eastern DX Roundup..21, ern DX Roundup..16, Eastern DX Forum..22, Back Page Club Officers and Addresses..... *********** RENEWALS: David Braun of Wyoming DE, R Messenger of Riverview Canada, Gary Penley of Rochester WA, Greg Hall of Dallas TX, Don Fraker of Electra TX, T Krecic of Zurich Switzerland, Jim Weber of Colton CA, Chris Knight of Firestone CO. Thank You All Very Much You Make It Go.. ********** CLUB POSITIONS NOW AVAILABLE: CPC Chairman, "Hearing it Through the Grapevine" editor (anyone want to keep this going - let me know), "DX Techniques" editor, IRCA Almanac coordinator as well as "DX Monitor" Publisher/Editor-in-Chief. Contact IRCA President Phil Bytheway, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334 (email: Philip_Bytheway@atk.com) *********** 1998 IRCA CONVENTION: Anyone interested in hosting IRCA's 1998 convention please contact Phil Bytheway, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334. *************** RENEWING: Please note the numbers above your name on the address label this is your expiration number, a 35-01 means your membership in the IRCA will expire with this issue. I will rubber stamp a reminder on the front page of your DXM and I will try to remind you 2 issues before you expire. If you have not renewed on time your name will be removed from the address list, so please try to renew early...Thanks..... *********** 1997 M STREET RADIO DIRECTORY The IRCA Bookstore is proud to announce that the 'M Street Corporation' has agreed to offer a discount on their 1997 'M Street Radio Directory'. The Directory contains a complete listing of over 15,000 radio stations (AM/FM, US/Canada) including the following information: facilities, ownership, formats, LMAs, station personnel, phone numbers (and FAX), addresses, ratings, as well as information on almost 400 radio markets in the US and Canada. Stations are listed by location (complete info), frequency (frequency, call, location, power and pattern) and call (call, frequency, location) and market (frequency, call, location, rating, format). It also includes a former call reference (old call, location and current call). Major network information (addresses/phone numbers/etc) and several interesting radio articles are included as well. The price to US and Canadian members ordering through the IRCA Bookstore is \$44.95 post paid (UPS address required). The book is expected to be out by the end of May (usual disclaimer on date 'cause we can't be sure!). Retail will be 55.95. Europe - add \$5.00 for surface, \$19.20 for airmail delivery. Australia/New Zealand - add \$5.00 for surface, \$27.25 for airmail delivery. IRCA Bookstore, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334 Please make checks payable to: Phil Bytheway.

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<u>DEADLINES</u>: 2nd & 4th Saturdays. Compiled: 8/16/97 Much of this information is compiled from <u>M Street Journal</u>, DXM, and various other sources.

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

NV. Sparks

1400 khz. 350/350 ND

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

GA. Albany

WJYZ-960 changes to DA-2

KS. Beloit NY. Avon KVSV-1190 adds 90-N, DA-2 WYSL-1030 moves to 1040 khz., 2500/500 DA-2

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

CA. Bakersfield

KAFY-970 dec. to 1000-N, DA-2

CO. Monument

KCBR-1040 inc. to 5000-D, 2000-CH, ND

BC. Vernon CICF-1050 inc. to 4000-N

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

KS. Abilene

KABI-1560 add 100-N, ND

AB. Banff Canmore CFHC-1340 move to 106.5 FM CFHC-1450 move to 106.5 FM

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

AK. Seward

new-1240 becomes KFSH

CA. San Mateo

KOFY-1050 becomes KTCT "The Ticket" (ed-per

call to station 8/15, has been KTCT

for 'more than a month')

FL. Fort Pierce

wyFX-1400 requests WIRA new-1340 becomes KETO

ID. Rupert KS. Pittsburg

KNHN-1340 requests KSEK

MI. South Haven NY. Rochester WCSY-940 becomes WGMY WCMF-990 becomes WDCZ

NC. Statesville

Norfolk

WIST-550 becomes WTLI "Total Network" WELL-1380 becomes WDLW

OH. Lorain
OR. Troutdale

KZTW-860 becomes KPAM (CP)

SC. Easley VA. Arlington

WRAH-1360 becomes WELP WZHF-1390 requests WDBI

WNIS-850 becomes WTAR WTAR-790 becomes WNIS

WNAH/1360

44 Music Square East Nashville TN 37203

FORMAT CHANGES (SECTION 1):

AZ.	Sierra Vista	KNXN-1470	was reg. Mexican, adds JSN reg. Mex.
CA.	Crescent City	KFVR-1310	was ABC oldies, adds talk (6AM-6PM)
	Petaluma	KTOB-1490	was gold-based AC, now reg. Mex//KMXN
co.	Durango	KIUP-930	was stds., talk, now JSN AS
FL.	Fort Pierce	WIRA-1400	was WYFX, ABC urban AC, now ABC stds.
GA.	Valdosta	WFVR-910	was travel info, now talk
KS.	Pittsburg	KSEK-1340	was KNHN, talk//KPHN, now JSN clas C&W
KY.	Cythiana	WCYN-1400	was country//FM, adds JSN CD C&W//FM
MD.	Annapolis	WYRE-810	was urban, talk, drops talk
MI.	Royal Oak	WEXL-1340	was rel., adds black gospel
MS.	Wiggins	WIGG-1420	was country, now s. gospel
MO.	Joplin	KWAS-1230	was As, rptd. silent (to be back Aug.)
NJ.	Trenton	WT1M-920	was nx/talk/religion, now sports
			"Sportsfan 920"
NY.	Rochester	WDCZ-990	was WCMF, rock//WCMF-FM, now
			re1//WDCZ-FM
OH.	Bryan	WQCT-1520) was talk, now JSN AS
	Cleveland	WRMR-850	was AS, adds JSN stds.
OR.	Hood River) was country, adds Radio 1 country
WV.	Hinton	WMTD-1380	was classic rock//FM, now nx/talk

FORMAT CHANGES (SECTION 2):

AL.	Anniston	WHMA-1390	was C&W/talk/gospel, now 1 on 1 sports
CA.	Carmel Valley	KIEZ-540	was silent, now urban "Power 540" (car-
			ries nostalgia during day-ed)
	Salinas	KTOM-1380	was country//FM, now sports "The Dude"
			(per call to station 8/15, still C&W,
			to be sports soon, no call change-ed)
KS.	Salina	KSAL-1150	was nx, talk, adds sports (local sports
			talk, SportsFan net evenings)
LA.	Denham Springs		was Xtian country, now 1 on 1 sports
	Morgan City		was sports, now black gospel
MI.	Monroe		was oldies/sports/SS, now religion
	South Haven		was WCSY, soft AC//FM, now WWI AS
NV.	Reno		was SS contemp., now reg. Mexican
NH.	Manchester	WKBR-1250	was AC, talk, rptd. silent (to return
			soon under new owner)
NC.	Carolina		was silent, now contemp. Xtian
PR.	Ponce	WLEO-1490	was WZBS, SS talk, now SS nx, talk
sc.	Easley	WELP-1360	was WRAH, children's, to be JSN class.
			C&W (Sept.)
TN.	Rogersville	WRGS-1370	was JSN class C&W//FM, adds s. gospel
			(splits from FM f/gospel 9AM-3PM)
۷A.	Woodstock	WAMM-1230	was country, now WW1 70's oldies

Dennis Gibson of Goleta, CA. and Tim Hall of Chula Vista, CA. pass on the following tip:

CA. San Diego KPB-890 new TIS on air.

Ye editor confirms earlier info on KTCT-1050, KTOM-1380, and passes on following tip:

CA. Palo Alto KDFC-1220 now on air w/Personal Motivational Radio, came on air 8/13, not KBPA yet.

DX season is slowly creeping upon us, keep those tips coming! 73's.

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NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

CA. Arroyo Grande	890 khz.	1000/1000 DA-2
Barstow	880 khz.	250/250, DA-D
Indio	880 khz.	250/250, ND-N
Sheridan	890 khz.	5000/250 DA-2

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

IN. Portage WNDZ-750 inc. to 5000-D, DA

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

MD.	Baltimore	WBMD-750	inc. to	1200-D,	DA
SC.	Easley	WELP-1360	inc. to	5000-D,	ND
TY.	Wichita Falls	KWFT-990	dec. to	2700/36	1 na_2

WA. Tumwater KVSN-1500 move to 1340 khz., 1000/1000 ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

	Tallahassee Douglas	WHBT-1410 d		
	Sycamore	WSQR-1560 f	inc. to	210/210 DA-2
NC.	Burgaw	WVBS-1470 d	dec. to	880-D, ND
PR.	San Juan	WUNO-1320 1	inc. to	2300-N, ND

TX. Hemphill KAWS-1240 becomes KPBL

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

CA.	Chico	KNSN-1290-	becomes KPAY
		KPAY-1060	becomes KNSN (note: this station
			is silent & bankrupt-ed.)
	Indio	KUNA-1400	requests KESQ
	Los Angeles	KIIS-1150	becomes KXTA "Extra Sports"
FL.	Fort Pierce	WYFX-1400	becomes WIRA
	Jupiter	WMLZ-1000	becomes WJHW (CP)
IN.	North Vernon	WKRP-1460	becomes WNVI
KS.	Wichita	KQAM-1410	requests KMYR
KY.	Winchester	WINH-1380	becomes WMJR "Magic 1380"
MO.	Fredericktown	KFTW-1450	becomes KYLS
	Sikeston	KMPL-1520	becomes KRHW
NY.	Rensselaer	WQBK-1300	becomes WTMM "The Team"
ND.	Grand Forks	KFJM-1370	becomes KUND
NC.	Raleigh	WLLE-570	requests WRDT
OR.	Coos Bay	KRSR-1420	becomes KMHS
	Portland	KOTK-620	becomes KEWS (K-news-ed.)

FORMAT CHANGES (SECTION 1):

	Birmingham		was country//FM, now ABC AS
CA.	Carmel Valley	KIEZ-540	was urban AC, now sports/urban AC
			(WW1 Ferrall, On the Bench, runs Prime
			Sports most of day)
CT.	Greenwich	WGCH-1490	was JSN soft AC, now JSN smooth jazz
	Old Saybrook	WLIS-1420	was soft AC, now gold AC//WMRD
DE.	Milford	WYUS-930	was SS contemp, adds HSN SS contemp.
FL.	Wauchula	WAUC-1310	was reg. Mexican, adds HSN SS contemp.
GA.	North Atlanta	WCNN-680	was sports, now nx/talk (local/CNN nx
			and Dr. Toni Grant/Gordon Liddy)
IL.	Chicago	WSCR-1160	was sports, adds Fan sports
	Chicago Heights	WCGO-1600	was talk, now ABC AS
KS.	Atchinson	KAIR-1470	was JSN CD C&W//FM, now JSN
			classic C&W//FM
NY.	Babylon	WNYG-1440	was tropical, adds HSN SS contemp. nites
OR.	Portland	KEX-1190	was talk, return to full-service AC, tlk
		KEWS-620	was KOTK, talk, now nx/talk
PA.	Allentown	WHOL-1600	was religion, now talk/relig./SS (HSN)
TX.	. Midland	KWEL-1070	was reg. Mexican, adds JSN reg. Mexican

FORMAT CHANGES (SECTION 2):

AL. Den CA. Chi	ico	KNSN-1060	was talk, blk gospel, adds Daybreak USA was KPAY, rptd. silent (is silent-ed) was KNSN, remains nx/talk (KPAY's calls move to 1290, formerly KNSN, which had simulcast KPAY, will continue 1060 format on 1290)
Inc	iio	KESQ-1400	was KUNA, reg. Mexican, now nx/talk/ sports
Pal	lo Alto	KBPA-1220	was KDFC, class//FM, now ABC Motivation- al (note: still KDFC as of 8/21-ed)
Sal	linas	KDON-1460	was dance CHR//FM, rptd. silent (note: this outlet was only temp. STA on 1460, never 'officially' on air, 102.5 FM ID no longer includes ment. of AM, so assume silent-ed.)
IN. No.	rth Vernon	WNVI-1460	was WKRP, stds., now talk
KY. Ca	diz	WKDZ-1110	was country//FM, to be Reach s.gospel (by 9/1)
Lei	banon	WLEN-1590	was AC & C&W//WLSK, to be JSN soft AC// WLSK (WLBN airs full-service AC before noon and then sim. WLSK rest of day-ed)
Wi	nchester	WMJR-1380	was WINH, Xtian C&W, now 70's oldies "Magic 1380"
MD. In	dian Head Bch	WNTL-1030	was silent, to be WWGB, blk gospel (Sep)
MS. Be	1zoni		was variety//WVRD, to be urb. AC (Sept)
MO. Ke			was nx, talk now s. gospel (still broad-casts Limbaugh)
NH. Ma	nchester	WKBR-1250	was silent, now altern//WXRV (to debut new format this fall)
NC. Ra	leigh	WLLE-570	was urban/gospel/talk, to be WRDT, religion (Sept.)
PA. Ma	rtinsburg	WJSM-1110	was religion, to be Xtian C&W (Sept)
	lantic Beach		is new, travel info.
TN. Ba			was SS, nx, now all SS (HSN 9PM-6AM)

My dad had a heart attack last Tuesday (8/19) and is undergoing open heart surgery this morning (8/26) to correct 5 blockages in his heart. Please wish him all the luck and keep him in your prayers. 73's.

WAAX/WQEN



DX Worldwide - West

PAT MARTIN PO BOX 843 SEASIDE, OR 97138 Phone (503) 861-3185 Time: UTC

Well Winter is about on its way, DXwise that is. I know the Sun is probably shining where you are and the temps are in the 80s! But once we get towards September/October DX is generally here! We have reports this time around from John Bryant for OXpedition to in Washington and also a report from Larry Godwin. I would like to thank all who voted for me for the BOD. It was really a surprise to get re-elected by write-in votes! I also would like to thank all who voted for me for the TVA. Again that was really a surprise also.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

UNID, Possibly Nevis, with weak voice 8/3 0255-0310. Couldn't ID 895 Language. (LBG-MT)

8/9 (JB-GRAY-DX)

- TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP RUSSIA, Komsolmolsk/Petropavovsk w/RR programming at good levels 153 (180) to weak (153) 1215 UTC 8/2 (JB-ORCAS) *Also noted fair with RR pops and man ancr at 1019 8/24. (PM-OR) RUSSIA, Petropavlovsk w/RR programming at good levels (180) to 180 weak (153) 1215 UTC 8/2 (JB-ORCUS) *Also noted best of the LWers at 1020 8/24 //153 w/RR pops (PM-OR) RUSSIA, weak Clas. mx, not // 180 with woman ancr 1022 8/24 (PM-OR) 189 RUSSIA, fair //180 with RR pops at 1023 8/24 (PM-OR) 234 RUSSIA, Angarsk presumed w/RR lang. Radio play at monerate level 1215 UTC. 8/9/97. (JB-ORCUS) NEW ZEALAND/AUSTRALIA, a mix here of 1XPI/2MC with man in Samoan 531 (1XPI) and Aussie accented ancr with 2MC call here at 1123 8/23(PM) UNID, Chinese w/trid opera noted at 1302. WRTH lists both Shandong 594 and Fujian prov. No time to pursue before fade out. NUTS! Good level 8/10. (JB-ORCUS) (Good catch, John. I would guess that Shandong would be the most likely, as the one on 918 Khz is quite common here in the fall here. PM) JAPAN, Tokyo-JOAB w/NX in JJ 1301 fair signals 8/9 (JB-ORCUS) 693 JAPAN, Akita-JOUB, noted weak audio in JJ 7/31 1220 UTC, very strong 774 8/2 1157-1210 in JJ. (JB-ORCUS) JAPAN, Akita JOUB w/JJ lang by M&F at 1139. Exc. (JB-GRAY-DX) JAPAN, Osaka-JOBB, exc. level noted 1100-1230 in JJ 8/9 (JB-GRAY-DX) 828 UNID, KK audio by male speaker 1220 8/2 (JB-ORCUS) 864 AUSTRALIA, Adelaide SAN presumed in Aussie EE w/Aust. National Nx 891 noted 1203 8/9 (JB-GRAY-DX) +Also noted w/ABC Nx across Australia 1303, as the ban faded out on 8/10. (JB-GRAY-DX) REPUBLIC OF KOREA, jammer noted w/good level 1230 8/9 (JB-GRAY-DX) 1053 UNID, w/Pacific Island pop mx and closing anmts in EE giving what 1098 seemed like cricket scores. No ID hrd. Off air w/choral anthem at 1130 UTC 8/9. Presumed either Fiji or Majuro, Marshall Islands on
 - as they are quite common here, and the format fits. PM) AUSTRALIA, Armidale-2AD good with man ancr giving nx on Murder 1134 Trial in NSW and other nx at 1301, at 1306, ID as "1134 2AD". Good signals, o/UNID presume NZ on 8/11. (PM-OR)

UNID, Beautiful prog of uninterrupted island mx by woman choras from 0946 to 1038 fade out. Presume this like 8/9 log, either Fiji or Majuro 8/10. (JB-GRAY-DX) (John, my thoughts would be with Majuro

- JAPAN, Tokyo JOQR presumed in JJ 1235 Good level 8/10 (JB-GRAY-DX) JAPAN, Kyoto JOBR 10/9 at 1302 fair w/NX in JJ (JB-GRAY-DX)
- 1143 UNID, at 1310 August 9. Pop/Rock mx show hosted by a "very With It" American male ancr. Could this be VOA-Poro? 8/9 (JB-GRAY-DX) (Yes, I think it prob. was, as they do move back and forth between 1147.5 and 1143. PM)
- AUSTRALIA, Wagga Wagga 2WG, good on top of channel w/man ancr with 1152 pop mx "2WG, playing mx from the 60s to the 90s". At 1318 on 8/11 Best hrd in a long time. (PM-OR)
- JAPAN, Sapporo-JOHR man and woman in JJ good level 1225 8/2.(JB-1287 ORCUS)
 - +Also noted in JJ 1236 8/10. (JB-GRAY-DX)
- REPUBLIC OF KOREA, Uljin HLSV presumed w/KK language noted in pro-1305
- gramming 1237 8/10. (JB-GRAY-DX)

 PR CHINA, CRI Jilin prov w/RR programming from 1147-1157 then dead air until 1200 when CRI "East is Red" interval signals plus multi-1322.9 lang. IDs were noted following more RR lang prog. Fair to good levels 9/10 (JB-GRAY-DX) +Also noted, now souldn't closer to 1323 KHZ but still a slight growl on channel, man in RR with "East is Red" at 1158 8/24 (PM-OR)
- JAPAN, Nagoya-JOSF, in JJ 1240 8/10 (JB-GRAY-DX) 1332
- JAPAN, Fukuoka JOIF w/JJ prog Good level briefly at 1150 8/9 (JB-GRAY-1413 DX)
- JAPAN, Yokohama "Radio Nippon" noted w/exc level 1238 8/10-JORF 1422 Also at 1250 8/9. (JB-GRAY-DX)
- MALAYSIA, Radio TV Malaysia-Kota Kinabalu in Tagalog? programming 1475 on the "wrong" frek noted w/good level 1130-1300, tune out (JB-GRAY-
- REPUBLIC OF KOREA, Cheju Island HLAZ noted w/talk my man in CC, His 1566 CC was so poor that even I could tell he was from the Southern part of the USA! Very powerful (S9+) 1251 8/9 (JB-GRAY-DX)
- THAILAND, Bangkok-VOA with programming in SE Asian language. Full IDs in EE including mail address noted 1215 and 1230. Fair to good levels 1575 8/10 (JB-GRAY-DX)
- tAUSTRALIA, Nerang Q. 4ADR possibly the weak station w/up-beat, fast 1620 tempo inst. mx 1205-1211 8/16. At 1207 there seemed to be a cut from a comedy album w/male and female voices. I don't have much, but I sent a taped tent. report w/my fingers crossed. (LBG-MT) (It sounds like you had both 2AM and 4ADR there. The upbeat Disco/Dance mx was likely 4ADR and the comedy stuff sounds more like 2AM . PM)
- AUSTRALIA, Kingsgrove-2MM Greek Radio 1216 UTC trid. Greek mx pgm 1665 7/29 and 7/31 (JB-ORCUS)
- AUSTRALIA, Earlwood Radio Club AM presumed the Middle Eastern sound-1683 ing mx, cont. 1240-1259 UTC 7/29 (JB-ORCUS) AUSTRALIA, also noted "Radio Club AM" prob the weak station with Greek sounding mx 1220 8/16 (LBG-MT)

VERIFICATIONS

AUSTRALIA, Parramatta, NSW-2ME with cordial letter from Syd Merhi-1638 Director after follow up report for reception on 6/8. Emvelope shows return address as 5 Phoenix Street, Castle Hill NSW 2154, but letterhead shows Macquarie News Bldg-5 Macquarie St-Parramatta NSW 2150. I am very happy to have this one since KXBT has returned to 1640. (LBG-MT) (Good catch and QSL Larry.PM)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

- JOHN BRYANT-P.O.BOX 261-EASTSOUND, WA 98245
 JB-ORCUS DXing at home with NRD-525, 300' random wire JΒ JB-GRAY-DX-DXing at Grayland, WA with NRD-525, 2 Beverage antennas
- w/Guy Atkins at 240 and 260 degrees, running 1800'. LARRY B. GODWIN-2390 CLYDES DALE LANE-MISSOULA, MT 59804 LBG-MT lbg@sclway.umt.cdu. Using Hammarlund HQ-150, Sanserino air-core box loop
- YOUR EDITOR PM-OR Drake R8, 200' "U" antenna, 900' NNW Beverage, 1500' East Beverage w/Ground system and TUN4 unit.



"Retiring" Editor (see announcement): Mark Connelly, WAlION

ANNOUNCEMENT: New DXWW-E editor !
Brandon Jordan is replacing me as the editor of this column.
Let's send him a bumper crop of loggings for his first column.

From now, until further notice, please send your reports to: Brandon Jordan 375 River Rhodes Holly Springs, MS 38635

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This column is for international DX loggings (no US/Canada station logs by US/Canada DXers) by members in the time zones from Central (winter: UTC-6) eastward to UTC+6. Others: report to Pat Martin's DX Worldwide West.

Please report in the format I've used for my DXWW-E reports. Times are UTC. Dates should use 3-letter month abbreviations (rather than all numbers).

Before going into my stuff, let's have a look at Trans-Pacific DX courtesy of Ray Moore.

[Moore-FL] Ray Moore 1288 River Bend Drive La Belle, FL 33935 (941) 675-2923

Receivers: Kenwood R-1000 (modified), Drake R8 Antenna: #108 24" spiral loop

*** TRANS-PACIFIC DX ***

1098 MARSHALL ISLANDS, V7AD, Majuro (t), AUG 13 1046-1102 - must be the one taped at the time. Fair signal w/ "island" music, no announcements heard. DF bearing 290 deg., right on for Marshall Islands. Best signal ever from this one. This has been the strongest and most consistent TP carrier all summer. [Moore-FL]

Ray comments "TP's very poor this spring and summer. 1548, 1512, and 1098 put in weak carriers almost daily and occasionally there are traces of audio. The above is the best TP reception since moving to La Belle last Christmas. I have had traces of audio on 1638 several times in April and May. Also 1665 shows decent carrier on occasion."

Now my stuff ...

Mark Connelly E-mail = WAlION@ix.netcom.com

[Connelly*H-MA] = East Harwich, Cape Cod, MA (GC= 70.02 W / 41.71 N) (near junction of Routes 39 & 137: pitch pine forest 2 km from ocean)

[Connelly*P-MA] = Plymouth, MA (GC= 70.68 W / 41.98 N) (Robbins Road - Holmes Field, N of Nelson Street Beach) [Connelly*R-MA] = Rockport, MA (GC= 70.60 W / 42.636 N) (Pebble Beach: Penzance Road, E of South Street)

Receiver: Drake R8A

Antenna systems: 27 m wire at 70 deg. (s. Europe), 27 m wire at 160 deg. (Caribbean); wires phased with MFJ-1026 phasing unit - Also used RL-1 remotely-tuned loop, RW-1 active whip, DCP-2 dual controller / phaser, Mini-MWT-3 regenerative preselector

Reports this time include the Plymouth MFJ-1026 Field Test (JUL 26-27) and a trip to a new Rockport site having good Latin American exposure.

*** TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ***

- ICELAND, RUV, Gufuskalar, AUG 17 0056 mellow pop vocals w/ no announcements; good strength (similar to LW TA's on 162, 198, 234, and 252). Some QRN from T-storms in NJ (about 300 km distant). [Connelly*P-MA]
- ALGERIA, Les Trembles, AUG 7 0215 man in AA w/ news interview or 549 teletalk show; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- + AUG 17 0053 AA vocal; to fair peak. [Connelly*P-MA] IRELAND, RTE R.1, Tullamore, AUG 7 0214 man & woman in EE; in slop at first, then it got better. [Connelly*R-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE1, Madrid, AUG 17 0049 // 684 w/ SS female vocal, then 585 SS talk: through static & tough WEZE-590 slop. [Connelly*P-MA]
- IRELAND, Athlone, AUG 17 0048 pop music, bits of man in EE; poor, 612 barely o/ jumble. [Connelly*P-MA]
- MOROCCO, Sebaa-Aioun, AUG 7 0016 man & woman in AA; poor to fair 612 over presumed Ireland. [Connelly*R-MA]
- CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, RNE1, AUG 7 0022 news in SS delivered by man in a monotone "just the facts" style; slopped. [Connelly*R-MA] 621 + AUG 17 0045 - SS talk over likely Egypt; somewhat noisy w/ T-storm QRN. [Connelly*P-MA]
- EGYPT (t), AUG 17 0045 AA music; under Canaries-Spain. 621 [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE1, La Coruna et al., AUG 17 0044 man in SS; just getting 639 by tough CBN slop. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE1, Sevilla, AUG 7 0029 male SS vocal & guitar, the 684 announcer talked about the performer, then teletalk followed. Good w/ WRKO-680 phased. [Connelly*R-MA] + AUG 17 0043 - man in SS; fair w/ WRKO looped. [Connelly*P-MA]
- UNITED KINGDOM, BBC, Droitwich et al., AUG 17 0041 EE talk; 693 slightly over Azores / Spain mess. [Connelly*P-MA]
- unID's, AUG 17 0038 about 3 audios battling it out under a huge 711 W. Sahara open carrier. [Connelly*P-MA]
- WESTERN SAHARA, Laayoune, AUG 7 0033 AA violins, drums, & vocal; 711 to good peak w/ WOR in easy phase null. [Connelly*R-MA] SPAIN, RNE1, Oviedo et al., AUG 17 0037 - // 855 w/ man in SS; poor,
- 729 slightly over others, pestered by static crashes and WJTO slop left over after nulling CKAC. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE1, Barcelona, AUG 17 0034 man in SS; poor to fair 738 through tough CHCM (NF) slop. [Connelly*P-MA]
- CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, AUG 17 0032 woman in SS; fair, over 747 others. [Connelly*P-MA]
- NETHERLANDS, Flevoland, JUL 27 0115 mellow Dutch female vocal; 747
- fair over others. [Connelly*P-MA] GERMANY, Deutschlandradio, Braunschweig/Ravensburg, JUL 27 0114 -756
 - excellent w/ classical violins & piano. [Connelly*P-MA] + AUG 7 0043 classical music; fair to good, bouncy fades, bits of Spain under. [Connelly*R-MA]
- + AUG 17 0031 opera; over / under Spain. [Connelly*P-MA] SPAIN, R. Euskadi, Bilbao, AUG 17 0031 - SS talk; mixing w/ 756
- Germany. [Connelly*P-MA] SWITZERLAND, RSR, Sottens, JUL 27 0114 - classical music; good 765 to excellent. + AUG 17 0030 - "spring like" classical music

- (similar to Beethoven's "Pastorale"); excellent. [Connelly*P-MA]
- EGYPT, Abis, JUL 27 0113 Koranic vocal; good, initially over 774 Spain.
 - + AUG 17 0027 AA female vocal; huge, totally burying Spain ! [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, JUL 27 0113 woman in SS; starting to overtake the co-channel Egyptian.
 - + AUG 16 0339 old-time "torch song" style SS female vocal in a somewhat operatic style. [Connelly*H-MA] + AUG 17 0028 + bits of Elvis Presley song (// 855); way under Egypt. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SYRIA, Tartus, AUG 17 0029 AA vocal; mixed w/ 2 others. 783 [Connelly*P-MA]
- JORDAN, R. Jordan, Ajlun, AUG 17 0025 AA vocal; under Spain. 801 [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, AUG 17 0025 // 855 w/ "Suspicious Minds" 801 by Elvis Presley. Jordan was slightly under . [Connelly*P-MA]
- EGYPT, Batra, JUL 27 0112 Koranic male AA vocal; very good, 819 bulldozing the 820 domestics.
 - + AUG 17 0022 typical Koranic vocal; over apparent Morocco / Spain. [Connelly*P-MA]
- AZORES, RDP, Pico da Barossa, AUG 7 0109 Steely Dan style 836 jazz-rock song, then man in PP; fair to good, better than adjacent Canaries-837. [Connelly*R-MA]
 - + AUG 17 0020 PP teletalk; fair to good, splittable from 837. [Connelly*P-MA]
- CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, COPE synchros, AUG 17 0020 woman in 837
- SS mentioned a trip to Miami, excellent. [Connelly*P-MA] ITALY, Rome, JUL 27 0112 talk by woman, then light classical 846 music; good.
 - + AUG 17 0019 old-time Otis Redding soul song, then man in II; excellent. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE1, Murcia et al., JUL 27 0111 SS talk by man & 855 woman; quite strong, but only slightly over a second station that had operatic vocals. The music station was most likely Romania; I couldn't find anything to which to parallel it,
 - + AUG 17 0017 man in SS; excellent. [Connelly*P-MA]
- EGYPT, Santah, JUL 27 0110 typical male a cappella AA vocal; 864 to good peak. There was a weak het of undetermined origin on the low side (approximately 863.8).
 - + AUG 17 0015 man w/ Koranic vocal, sermon; huge signal. [Connelly*P-MA]
- unID, AUG 17 0015 C&W style vocal (France ?) briefly 864 surfacing over generally-dominant Egypt. Was not parallel to Spain-855. [Connelly*P-MA]
- GERMANY, AFN, Frankfurt, AUG 17 0024 bits of US EE talk slipped 873
- out from behind Spain. [Connelly*P-MA]
 SPAIN, SER R. Zaragoza, Zaragoza, AUG 17 0013 SS newstalk 873 by man & woman; well over pop music station that was probably AFN Germany. [Connelly*P-MA]
- UNITED KINGDOM, BBC Wales, Washford, JUL 27 0107 EE talk, 882 atop Spain-Canaries; in tough WCBS slop.
 - + AUG 17 0011 EE talk, then '70s oldies including Elton John; good, atop Canaries-Spain SS. [Connelly*P-MA]
- ALGERIA, Algiers, JUL 26 2348 flute & string music; fair w/ 891 WBPS phased.
- + AUG 17 0008 AA guitar & violin, then talk by woman followed by flute music; excellent. [Connelly*P-MA] GAMBIA, AUG 17 0007 - het only. [Connelly*P-MA]
- UNITED KINGDOM, BBC, Moorside Edge et al., AUG 17 0005 -909 EE talk mentioning the United States; to fair peaks over others, some WABI slop. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, AUG 16 0339 old-style semi-operatic 936 SS female vocal; good, actually better than // 774. [Connelly*H-MA]
- + AUG 17 0002 SS news by woman; to good peak. [Connelly*P-MA] SPAIN, R. Espana, Madrid, AUG 17 0001 SS news by woman, then
- 954 teletalk; fair to good, over other. [Connelly*P-MA]

- unID, AUG 17 0001 Middle Eastern sounding music (Qatar or 954 Turkey ?); under Spain. [Connelly*P-MA]
- PORTUGAL, R. Renascenca, Seixal, AUG 16 2359 woman in PP; 963 to good peak (but audio somewhat mushy), some CHNS-960 slop, WYNZ-970 QRM was held off by N-S loop null. [Connelly*P-MA]
- ALGERIA, Algiers, AUG 16 2356 Koranic-style AA music; good to excellent at S9+20 dB. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, COPE, Madrid, AUG 16 2355 SS news / discussion; to 999 good peak, some QRM from fiddle music on CKBW. [Connelly*P-MA]
- CANARY ISLANDS, R. Las Palmas, AUG 16 2350 SS teletalk 1008 (non-SER); atop SER-Spain. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, SER synchros, AUG 16 2350 // 1026, 1044 w/ female vocal; 1008 under the non-SER Canary Islands station. [Connelly*P-MA]
- GERMANY, Rheinsender, JUL 27 0104 GG news by man; fair to 1017 good, over others. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, AUG 16 0342 SS talk; poor. [Connelly*H-MA] SPAIN, SER synchros, JUL 27 0013 SS news mixed w/ unID other 1017
- 1026 station; in tight phase-null of local WBZ. [Connelly*P-MA]

 - + AUG 16 0458 // 1044 w/ SS teletalk; poor. [Connelly*H-MA] + AUG 16 2348 SS vocal // 1044; in tight null of WBZ. [Connelly*P-MA]
- MOROCCO, Sebaa-Aioun, JUL 26 2352 AA male vocal; to good peak, 1044 dominant over Spain.
- + AUG 16 2345 AA vocal; evenly mixing w/ Spain. [Connelly*P-MA] SPAIN, SER synchros, JUL 27 0102 - scratchy-audio SS telephone 1044 interview, then announcer in studio with much better audio fidelity; good signal. [Connelly*P-MA]

 - + AUG 16 0458 // 1026 w/ SS teletalk; fair. [Connelly*H-MA] + AUG 16 2345 fast SS talk by man; in even mix w/ Morocco. [Connelly*P-MA]
- UNITED KINGDOM, Talk Radio synchros, Start Point et al., 1053 JUL 27 0101 - LOUD ! (stronger than // 1089): news about a Jordanian test pilot killed at an air show.
 - + AUG 17 0114 // 1089 w/ mention of overseas embassies, "good morning, you're on Talk Radio", then a listener talked about how much he missed the great Top 40 shows from Radio Luxembourg.
- Mixed w/ Spain, others; good w/ WEVD phased. [Connelly*P-MA] FRANCE, France-Inter, Lille et al. (t), AUG 16 0455 bits of FF vocal that seemed // 1206; poor w/ severe CBA slop. [Connelly#H-MA]
- SPAIN, EI, Bilbao, AUG 16 2343 SS folk male vocal & guitar; 1071 fair w/ some CBA slop. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, SER synchros, AUG 17 0113 // 1044 w/ disco-revival 1080
- female vocal music; under WTIC. [Connelly*P-MA] unID, probably ANGOLA, JUL 27 0100 - weak to fair het appeared 1088 against Talk Radio; it jumped around in strength in a way that suggested that the transmitter or antenna was being adjusted (rather than the signal just fading up and down). [Connelly*P-MA]
- ALBANIA, Durres, AUG 17 0111 Tirana mention, eastern European 1089 language talk by man, trumpet flourish; coming up to a strength comparable to that of strong co-channel Talk Radio. [Connelly*P-MA]
- UNITED KINGDOM, Talk Radio synchros, JUL 27 0100 man in EE 1089 talked about proposals to change some laws, then news was read by a woman; fair to good signal. [Connelly*P-MA]
 - + AUG 7 0157 man & woman in EE talking about police issues; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
 - + AUG 17 0110 promotions for upcoming programs "on Talk Radio", then mentions of economic issues; very good. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SLOVAKIA, Nitra, JUL 27 0054 "Eurodisco" dance music in the 1098 style of Technotronic; loud, well over Spain. [Connelly*P-MA] + AUG 7 0157 - "Muzak" type instrumental; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, JUL 27 0053 SS talk; poor to fair in 1107 slop. [Connelly*P-MA]
- CROATIA, HR, Deanovec, JUL 27 0052 // Zadar-1134 w/ female group folk vocal w/ balalaika or mandolin accompaniment; slightly over 1125 Spain and just making it through the residual splash from tightlyphased WBBR. [Connelly*P-MA]
- CROATIA, HR, Zadar, JUL 27 0015 Slavic male folk vocal in a 1134

- somewhat operatic style (Italian-influenced); huge signal, well
- over Spain w/ WBBR-1130 phased. [Connelly*P-MA] + AUG 7 0158 '40s-era female vocal; atop Spain SS talk.
- [Connelly*R-MA] + AUG 16 2338 - mellow vocal; mixed w/ Spain. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, COPE synchros, AUG 16 2338 woman in SS; mixed w/ 1134
- Croatia. [Connelly*P-MA] SPAIN, COPE synchros, JUL 27 0049 - SS teletalk; atop an unID 1143
- music station. [Connelly*P-MA] SPAIN // CANARY ISLANDS, SER synchros, JUL 27 0013 - fast SS 1179
- newstalk; killing WHAM-1180 on the Euro-wire. [Connelly*P-MA] UNITED KINGDOM, Virgin R. synchros, JUL 27 0044 - this one 1197
- w/ rock // 1215 was among several stations piled up on this channel. [Connelly*P-MA] FRANCE, R. Bleue, Bordeaux, AUG 16 0446 - female FF vocal (a 1206
- version of the 1966 ecology hit "Tar and Cement"); very good. Faint Caymans-1205 het in the background. [Connelly*H-MA] UNITED KINGDOM, Virgin R. synchros, JUL 27 0019 - hard rock, then
- 1215 EE talk; over Spain. [Connelly*P-MA]
- + AUG 7 0201 woman in EE, then R.E.M. song; fair. [Connelly*R-MA] + AUG 17 0107 metal / hip-hop fusion music; strong. [Connelly*P-MA] LIBYA, Tripoli, JUL 26 2358 AA vocal; slopped. [Connelly*P-MA] + AUG 7 0204 AA shouting (political or religious speech). [Connelly*R-MA]
 - + AUG 16 2327 sedate AA talk by man, then an excerpt from an emotional speech; excellent / huge, way over S9. There was a very weak low het from something on 1250.8. [Connelly*P-MA]
- GERMANY, Neumunster, JUL 27 0040 GG talk; in tough CJCB/WTSN 1269 slop. [Connelly*P-MA]
- unID's, JUL 27 0039 jumbly mix of audios here w/ France & Ireland most likely, based upon previous logs. [Connelly*P-MA] 1278
- SLOVAKIA (/ CZECH REPUBLIC ?), JUL 27 0038 Slavic-language rock vocal, overriding Spain's SER SS talk; low growl present. 1287 [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN, COPE, Valencia, AUG 16 2325 fast SS talk; to fair peak 1296
- during fade-up. [Connelly*P-MA]

 SPAIN / unID, JUL 27 0021 a jumble here w/ SS talk slightly over 1296 several other stations, one of which had decidedly Middle Eastern sounding music. That unID may have been Sudan or perhaps Radio
- XL, UK. [Connelly*P-MA] NORWAY, NRK, Kvitsoy, JUL 27 0036 - man in Norwegian, then song "Return to Innocence" by Enigma; good. [Connelly*P-MA] 1314
 - + AUG 7 0205 oldies music; fair. [Connelly*R-MA] + AUG 17 0103 - news by man & woman in Norwegian; good, over
- Spain. [Connelly*P-MA] NORTHERN IRELAND, BBC, Lisnagarvey, JUL 27 0021 - woman in EE;
 - poor to fair, in slop. + AUG 17 0102 bits of EE talk; over other (SS ?); murky audio w/ necessary 1.8 kHz filter in use. [Connelly*P-MA]
- MAURITANIA, R. Mauritanie, Nouakchott, JUL 26 2359 AA talk by 1349 woman at poor audio level on a strong carrier. + AUG 16 2315 - a cappella AA vocal, then talk by man; strong
 - carrier, weak audio. [Connelly*P-MA] NETHERLANDS, Lopik, JUL 27 0007 - man & woman w/ teletalk in
- 1395 Dutch; fair to good. Hearing this was quite an achievement in phasing: WPLM-1390 is less than 3 km from the receiving site used. [Connelly*P-MA]
- GERMANY, Deutschlandradio, Heusweiler, JUL 27 0004 man w/ news 1422 in GG; fair. Likely Algeria was slightly under and a 1.6 Hz SAH resulted.
 - + AUG 17 0101 woman in GG; fair. [Connelly*P-MA] unID, AUG 17 0101 - strong mess / growl. [Connelly*P-MA]
- 1458
- SAO TOME & PRINCIPE, VOA, Pinheira, AUG 16 0435 // 7370 w/ dance music, then PP talk by man; atop Vatican / WSAI mix. [Connelly*H-1530
 - + JUL 27 0026 possibly this at this early time EE talk sounded like typical VOA news, channel very messy. This is routinely audible from 0300-0430 UTC, seldom earlier. [Connelly*P-MA]

- unID (Middle East clandestine ?), JUL 27 0024 het and a hint of music. [Connelly*P-MA]
- ALGERIA CLANDESTINE, Tindouf, JUL 26 2359 shrill AA female 1544 vocal; fair through WDCD slop. + AUG 16 2317 - female vocal popped up over WMYF/WDCD/WADK-1540 slop. [Connelly*P-MA]
- KUWAIT, VOA, Kuwait City, JUL 27 0031 VOA program w/ man in US 1548 EE; fair on peaks, but taking long fades into the "mush".
 - + AUG 16 2318 US EE talk by man & woman; coming up in strength. [Connelly*P-MA]
- SPAIN / ITALY, JUL 27 0033 SS talk & II vocal evenly mixed. 1575
- [Connelly*P-MA] VATICAN, R. Vaticana, AUG 16 0410 - religious music, Slavic talk 1611 by man & woman; loud. [Connelly*H-MA]
- NETHERLANDS, Scheveningen, PCH, AUG 17 0100 repeated cycle of 1619.5 "PCH" Morse code ID and 8 data bursts; excellent. [Connelly*P-MA]
 - *** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***
 - BAHAMAS, ZLS, Stella Maris, AUG 16 0317 "ZLS" code beacon; 526 good. [Connelly*H-MA]
 - TURKS & CAICOS, R. Vision Cristiana, AUG 16 0329 SS sermon about God and family, then "alleluia"; loud. Weakly hetted on the low side by "F9" beacon (New Brunswick). [Connelly*H-MA] GRENADA, GBC, St. George's, AUG 7 0014 excellent (near local sunset) w/ VOA-produced program discussing the recent cooperative 530
 - 535 business arrangement between Microsoft and Apple Computer.
 - [Connelly*R-MA] + AUG 16 0315 - reggae song "All I Want is You"; excellent.
 - [Connelly*H-MA] MEXICO, XEWA, Monterrey, AUG 16 1003 - phone numbers given, then 540 slogan "la grande cadena W". [Connelly*H-MA]
 - VENEZUELA, Mundial, YVKE, Caracas, AUG 7 0123 // YVYM-880 550 w/ man & woman in SS; in co-channel mess. [Connelly*R-MA] ST. KITTS & NEVIS, ZIZ, Basseterre, AUG 7 0019 - fast soca music;
 - 555 to good peak. [Connelly*R-MA]
 - CUBA, R. Rebelde, CMQ, Arroyo Arenas, AUG 16 0325 woman in SS (// 710); dominant. [Connelly*H-MA] 670
 - VENEZUELA, R. Rumbos, YVLL, Caracas, AUG 7 0026 salsa music, ID 670 "Rumbos, la Emissor de Venezuela"; good / dominant. [Connelly*R-MA]
 - CUBA, R. Rebelde synchros, AUG 16 0325 // 670 w/ woman in SS; 710 over WOR. [Connelly*H-MA] VENEZUELA, YVQE, Porlamar, AUG 7 0037 - booming ID "R. Oriente,
 - 720 Musica de Venezuela", then energetic group vocal, xylophone, drum; good w/ CHTN in loop null. [Connelly*R-MA]
 - VENEZUELA, YVKS, Caracas, AUG 7 0039 Caracas news in SS; over 750 second SS station (probably Colombia) that had sports. [Connelly*R-MA]
 - + AUG 16 0332 SS baseball report including mentions of "Mets de Nueva York" and "Rockies del Colorado"; also "grande liga venezolana". Ad for "Banco Provincial" followed. Huge & dominant signal. [Connelly*H-MA]
 - COLOMBIA, HJÁJ, Barranquilla / VENEZUELA, YVQQ, Puerto la Cruz AUG 7 0044 even "dogfight" between these two; both had 760 sporting events in SS. [Connelly*R-MA]
 - COLOMBIA, RCN, HJJX, Bogota, AUG 7 0045 SS sportstalk; 770 over (!) WABC. [Connelly*R-MA]
 - NETHERLANDS ANTILLES, Trans-World Radio, PJB, Bonaire, AUG 7 0100 SS announcer mentioned "la biblia dice" ("the Bible speaks"), 800 then a Miami address and the ID "Esta es Radio Transmundial"; huge, crushing CJAD/others. A slight Spain-801 het was present.
 - [Connelly*R-MA] COLOMBIA, CARACOL, HJCY, Bogota, AUG 7 0055 - program entitled "Esta es su casa." (= "This is your house."); economic issues 810 were mentioned; atop mix of CJVA, WGY, & others. [Connelly*R-MA]
 - CUBA, R. Reloj, CMBL, Arroyo Arenas, AUG 7 0115 code "RR's" and 860 SS newstalk; in a big Latin American pile-up on this channel. [Connelly*R-MA]

- 860.2 unID, AUG 7 0113 Colombian-style accordion music, SS vocal; somewhat splittable from the 860.0 crowd, but the 200 Hz growl garbled things up badly at times. [Connelly*R-MA]
- VENEZUELA, Mundial, YVYM, Puerto Ordaz, AUG 7 0123 // YVKE-550 880 w/ man & woman in SS; over second South American and under WCBS. [Connelly*R-MA]
- ST. KITTS & NEVIS, VON, Bath Village, AUG 7 0125 mellow US soul 895 vocal by man; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- CUBA, R. Reloj, AUG 7 0128 Reloj SS news / time show; slightly 940 over a mix of likely Venezuela & Colombia; CBM phased. [Connelly*R-MA]
- CUBA, R. Reloj, AUG 7 0131 Reloj SS news, code "RR's"; mixed w/ 960 Colombia, CHNS, others. [Connelly*R-MA]
- COLOMBIA, RCN, HJAQ, Cartagena, AUG 7 0130 RCN ID; over others w/ CKBW in loop null. [Connelly*R-MA] 1000
- TURKS & CAICOS, Caribbean Christian Radio, AUG 7 0134 US EE 1020 preacher w/ talk about Adam & Eve and "the devil's junkyard"; way over YVRS/KDKA. [Connelly*R-MA]
- VENEZUELA, R. Carabobo, YVLB, Valencia (t), AUG 7 0137 probably 1040 this w/ Venezuelan news in SS; over others. [Connelly*R-MA]
- CUBA, CMDX, Baracoa, AUG 7 0140 usual mushy and overdriven audio 1060 on this one, noted at the time w/ a combination of traditional Cuban folk music and some more modern uptempo pop selections; atop KYW. [Connelly*R-MA]
- COLOMBIA, CARACOL, HJAT, Barranquilla, AUG 7 0140 was // 1170 1100 w/ SS talk about Colombia; in jumble w/ other Latin Americans. [Connellv*R-MA]
- 1110
- VENEZUELA, YVQT, Carupano, AUG 7 0155 brassy music, Carupano mention; over CKTY w/ WBT in loop null. [Connelly*R-MA]
 BERMUDA, VSB3, Hamilton, AUG 7 0151 // 5975 w/ BBC documentary about the history of a wartime naval convoy; poor to fair in a 1160 mix w/ SS Latin Americans and assorted domestics. [Connelly*R-MA]
- COLOMBIA, CARACOL, HJNW, Cartagena, AUG 7 0148 // to 1100 w/ 1170 SS talk about the political situation in Colombia; excellent / dominant. [Connelly*R-MA]
- ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON, RFO, AUG 7 0206 FF version of Dusty 1375 Springfield's "Son of a Preacher Man". [Connelly*R-MA]

Boston-Area DX outing: Tuesday, AUG 26, 1997

The participants in the "TuesDX" get-together on AUG 26 were visitor Brandon Jordan (of Mississippi) as well as local BADXers Tom Walsh and Mark Connelly. We met for supper at the Weathervane seafood restaurant in Lynnfield and then headed out to Granite Pier in Rockport.

DX conditions seemed reasonably good, especially above 750 kHz, with many very strong Trans-Atlantics. First I did a run-through of the usual "powerhouse" foreign DX stations for the benefit of Tom (new to MW DX in general) and Brandon (a seasoned MW DXer, but from a different geographic area).

Once we had checked out the usual barn-burner signals from Libya-1251, Norway-1314, UK-1089, Croatia-1134, a gaggle of Spaniards, etc. we moved on with a quest for something more exotic. After much diddling and fiddling with a tough null on WQEW-1560, we were rewarded with some Koranic chanting from Iran on 1566. There were others just behind it: perhaps by October or November, India will appear. VOA Kuwait-1548 was really solid throughout the 2330-0230 UTC time slot, so Persian Gulf area propagation is picking up. The low end of the dial was sluggish with just the typical Spaniards and Algerians. Egypt-774 roared over Spain, Azores-836 was local-like (killing 837), and many TA channels were multi-station jumbles at times (rather than having a single clear dominant). Southerly propagation was unimpressive; not much of note besides the typical Caribbean splits on 535, 555, and 895 along with some of the bigger Venezuelans and Colombians.

Iceland-189 had a great signal with back-to-back US oldies including "Respect" by Aretha Franklin. Most of the usual LW TA's were putting in good signals despite some summer static.

I used the Drake R8A with the car-roof loop / whip set-up. As I was more interested in the group aspect of the DX outing, I didn't bother to log all the stuff that was coming in, especially if I'd heard it in the last couple of months. Brandon and Tom will probably have their own stories to tell from the

DX get-together.

Mark Connelly - WAlION

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This, together with the very varying propagation conditions of these, often low powered stations, makes DX-ing in the tropical bands

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(CM-CA1) DX'ing in Costa Mesa, CA with Sony ICF-2010 and Select-Antenna

(MS) Mike Sanburn-P.O. Box 1256-Bellflower, CA 90707.

Sony 2010

GE Superadio II, Sony SRF M40W, Lincoln car radio

(PT) Pete Taylor-6002 Bayview Dr. NE-Tacoma, WA 98422-1227

(PT-WA1) Driving in Mt. Rainier National Park

(RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118 rjwmail@webtv.net GE Superadio II, GE long-range portable, Select-Antenna

(RW-CA1) DX'ing from Costa Mesa, CA (IRCA convention)

(RW-CA2) DX'ing on trip to/from Costa Mesa, CA using car radio

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

620 KEWS OR, Portland 8/4 1236 still ID'ing as "Supertalk KOTK" but female announcer cut in 2 or 3 thimes an hour "K-E-W-S." Apparently they have changed call letters, but are still using old slogans. Still talk but with new call letters. Maybe a change to "all news" and talk. Jacor now owns KOTK and KEX. (PM-OR)

1060 (KPAY) <u>CA</u>, Chico is off the air and bankrupt per call to KNSN-1290 Chico, CA on 8/18. Nice to have 1060 wide open again! (RW-CA)

1100 KCCF AZ, Cave Creek 7/25 0350 poor under KFAX, male announcer with ID. (CM-CA1) +7/25 0425 good over KFAX at convention, with AdCon music, ID "1100 KCCF." Per convention goers, power is 50kw days, 4kw nights (not 1kw as I had listed). (RW-CA1)

+7/26 0555+new station booming through KFAX with NOS/AdCon music by Fleetwood Mac, Neil Daimond, etc., IDs and jingles. Anyone know their address?? (MS-CA)

1590 KIHM NV, Sun Valley-Reno 8/18 0859 good on hour in KLIV-1590 null with ID "You're listening to AM 1590, KIHM, Sun Valley-Reno," faded out, back up later with program about Jesus, soft classical music in background, over/under KXSP at this time. Call change, ex-KSRN for me. (RW-CA)

540 XETIN BCN, Tijuana 8/4 0800 strong atop CBK with classical music, promos and weather in English, and ID as, simply, "X-Bach." If there has been a call change, no evidence of it at this time. (LG-MT)

560 KBLU AZ, Yuma 7/27 0436 very good with ID. (CM-CA1)

KSFO CA, San Francisco 7/27 0500 coming in good with ID. (CM-CA1)

570 KISN UT, Salt Lake City 8/4 0418 noted simulcasting KRKR-FM now "Sunny 107.9," ex-sports. Don't know if changed calls, will keep checking.... (RW-CA)

- 610 KRTA OR, Medford 8/11 0428 officially logged ex-KYJC in KFRC null with ID "Aqui, en KRTA, la rancherita..." romantic SS music. (RW-CA)
- 620 WPFN414 <u>CA</u>, Inglewood 7/19 1900 mentions of Great Western Forum and Hollywood Park. IDs on the hour only. (MS-CA)
- 680 KBRD WA, Lacey noted back on 8/16 1330 with opera. The next day it had classical, Broadway medleys and more opera. ID's injected hourly on top of whatever music is being played. Signal seems weaker than it was before. (PT-WA)
 - KOMW WA, Omak the reverse of Murphy's Law: I tuned in at 2259:5 on 8/16, heard the end of a tune, a complete ID an then the news. Good signal (no KNBR); loop used to null KIRO. (PT-WA)
- 730 KULE WA, Ephrata 8/7 ID'd as "Hot talk 730, KULE-AM" at 0755. (LG-MT)
- 890 KBBI AK, Homer 8/5 fair on top with jazz, 0604 ID by man "KBBI Homer Alaska." (PM-OR)
- 930 KTKN AK, Ketchikan 8/5 0616 fair with pop music and promo for "The Storybook Lady" (children's program) daily on KTKN. (PM-OR)
 - KAFF AZ, Flagstaff 8/11 0414 fair under KKHJ with ID "The best country, on 93 FM, Calf Country." (RW-CA)
- 940 ?KCEE? AZ, Tucson 8/11 0325 possibly the one fading up with nostalgia music for about 30 seconds in CJIB/KGRL/KWBY null, then faded out, replaced by XEQ and 2nd unID Spanish. Could also have been KIXZ-TX, looped ESE. (RW-CA)
 - (KFRE) CA, Fresno 8/11 0315 totally off, back on at 0335 recheck. Had 2 Spanish stations and an unID EZL in there! (RW-CA)
- 960 KSRA ID, Salmon 8/14 s/on (no anthem) at 0759:30. (LG-MT)
 - KLAD OR, Klamath Falls (not heard) is currently off the air (as of 8/20) with technical problems; expected back on in a few days. Normally 24 hours. (LG-MT)
 - KOVO UT, Provo ended a nostalgia cut at 2300 8/18 and gave legal IDs for itself and KDYL. New. (LG-MT)
 - KALE WA, Richland on top at 0800 & 0900 8/20 with ID "The music of your life is AM 960, Richland-Kennewick-Pasco," then CBS news. Format at this hour is nostalgia music. (LG-MT)
- 970 KAFY <u>CA</u>, Bakersfield 7/24 1700 good while driving near Bakersfield to convention, on car radio. ID on hour, uses "La Zeta" slogans. Wonder if tied into the Z network? Back on air for sure! (RW-CA2)
- 980 KCHT WA, Yakima 8/3 0741 good in KFWB null with ID "Classic rock from the 60's, 70's and the 80's on 98.7, The Hawk." Per call from Pat Martin, this is their FM. Call change, ex-KUTI. (RW-CA)
- 1050 "KOFY" CA, San Mateo 8/13 1500 per call to KOFY-TV channel 20, person I talked to is "absolutely sure" the station is now KTCT. I may have reported them as KTCT a month or so ago, but they were actually still KOFY at the time, per updated monitoring. I will still check to make sure they are KTCT! (RW-CA)
- 1060 CKMX AB, Calgary 8/11 0405 very good with BN news, ID "You're listening to great songs, and great memories, on AM 1060, CKMX." (RW-CA)
- 1100 KNZZ CO, Grand Junction 7/25 0355 fair under KFAX with newstalk. (CM-CA1)
- 1130 KFAN MN, Minneapolis 8/4 2259 had a sports talk show. Man with very raspy voice gave legal ID, then into ABC news. New, atop CKWX. (LG-MT)
- 1140 KCMJ CA, Palm Springs 8/2 2153 ID "Memories 1140 AM." (MS-CA)
- 1210 KRSV WY, Afton 8/10 2252 strong & dominant with "KRSV, Star Country USA" ID. (LG-MT)
- 1220 KQEQ <u>CA</u>, Fowler 8/18 0337 good in KDFC null with for promo "The Box" music video program, simulcast with channel 26 in Fresno. (RW-CA)
 - KDFC CA, Palo Alto 8/13 1000 noted on air with new motivational talk radio format ala KYPA-1230 Los Angeles, using "KBPA-1220" slogans. But, I have heard a legal "KDFC" ID during top of the hour, so don't know if they changed calls yet, doesn't sound like it! (RW-CA)
- 1230 KDIX ND, Dickinson 8/21 2332 dominated with ad for Dakota Rubber Stamp and ID ingle. (LG-MT)
- 1240 KASL WY, Newcastle 8/21 2323 caught with call ID while tuning past, then C&W song. (LG-MT)

- 1290 KMRZ CA, San Bernardino 8/2 2035 ex-KMEN. Songs "Sleepwalk" by Sato & Johnny, "Cast Your Fate to the Wind" by Sounds Orchestral. ID at 2040 "The greatet hits, the greatest music, 1290 memories, KMRZ." (MS-CA)
- 1330 TIS

 CA, San Jose 8/4 0325 new TIS in San Jose giving info on downtown San Jose events, KLBS audible in null during the day, KWKW in null at night. Per call to city, address for reports is: Yves Zsutty c/o San Jose Dept. of Streets and Traffic, 4 North 2nd St., San Jose, CA 95133. Phone is 408-277-4945. (RW-CA)
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 TIS + 8/18 0342 noted with open carrier vice regular broadcasting. Wonder if it's going off the air? (RW-CA)
- 1380 KTOM CA, Salinas per discussion with Jim Hilliker at convention, KTOM going all-sports shortly (still C&W as of 8/4). (RW-CA1)
- 1410 KWYO WY, Sheridan moderately strong with nortalgia music at 2309 8/4. Man said "KWYO, your music source...great memories." I doubt it was running listed night power of 500 watts. (LG-MT)
- 1460 KDON CA, Salinas per discussion with Jim Hilliker at convention, will be coming on air with 10kw soon, currently off air, only on 1 day per month for FCC license requirements (not on as of 8/4). (RW-CA1)
- 1470 KKFO <u>CA</u>, Coalinga 7/28 1715 off air for sure. Checked while driving into Coalinga. Per discussion with editor of Coalinga Record newspaper (newspaper is in building where studio used to be), xmtr was dismantled. They came back on air one day this year about February just to keep FCC license alive. Hoped to come on air again sometime. (RW-CA2)
- 1490 KMET CA, Banning 8/3 1130 ID "Catch the Dodgers on all sports radio 1490 KMET." Ex-C&W, ex-business etc.... (MS-CA)
 - KJET WA, Hoquiam 7/30 1530 noted with new country format, "1490 Country is a Gray's Harbor Original" & "Harbor Country, 1490 stereo." "Your brand of Country" net format (sounds the same as the net KVAS-1230 runs AN. KGHO-920 is still oldies. (PM-OR)
- 1500 WPIE851 <u>CA</u>, Beverly Hills 7/24 1800 newest addition to Southern California TIS family.

 Parking information given by Beverly Hills Police Dept. Has signs near Museum of Television & Radio on Beverly. (MS-CA)
- 1530 KHPY <u>CA</u>, Moreno Valley 8/3 1100 legal ID/jingle "KHPY Moreno Valley" into relig. program "Bible Answers Live." (MS-CA)
- 1550 KXEX CA, Fresno 8/3 0000 faded up at top of the hour for ID and jingle mentioning Fresno. Haven't heard these guys for a while. Still Spanish. Over XEBG, KYCY. (MS-CA)
 - KYCY <u>CA</u>, San Francisco 8/2 2259 ID "The Bay Area's country music station is KYCY 93.3 FM and AM, San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose." Into country tunes. Ex-KPIX, KKHI. (MS-CA)
 - +8/4 0341 usual fair-good signal, garbage underneath, with several spots, PSA, legal ID on hour, "93.3 FM Young Country" slogans. Ex- KPIX for me. (RW-CA) +8/13 battled KVAN at 0759. Man referred to "The Bay Area's ... KYCY AM and FM, San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose." (LG-MT)
 - KNTR WA, Ferndale apparent s/on 0859:30 8/17. Carrier suddenly appeared and man gave legal ID. (LG-MT)
- 1570 CA, Irvine 7/26 1300 talking house with one minute tape loop with obnoxious laughing child. Mentions of Jamboree exit to Culver in Irvine. Heard well at our convention site in Costa Mesa. (MS-CA)
- 1610 KOD769 <u>WA</u>, Mt. Rainier Nat. Park West Entrance usual TIS info noted in car 7/26 1400. Didn't carry far into park. (PT-WA1)
 - KOD717 WA, Mt. Rainier Nat. Park Paradise area TIS at tourist center, 7/26 1430. Intermittent coverage in car (not much conductivity on the mountain); also this never overlaped with West Enterance TIS. (PT-WA1)
- 1620 ?TIS? CA, Pebble Beach 8/10 0950 maybe the one with spot for hotline phone number 408-399-KIDS. Area code fits. Also mentioned "Bay Area" at 0953. There were at least 3 announcers, 1 man and 2 women. I called announced number, but it's disconnected. (LG-MT)

- KNNN868 <u>CA</u>, Santa Ana 7/20 1500 easily logged at home with Lakewood TIS silent. Have been using this call sign for about 3 months now. Strong! (MS-CA)
- (WPGG527) <u>CA</u>, Lakewood 8/2 my closest local has been silent since late July and into August leaving Santa Ana TIS dominant. Don't know if they're doing maintenance or switching frequencies. (MS-CA)
- WGBR528 CA, Los Angeles (?) 7/19 1930 tape loop TIS with info for Santa Monica Freeway corridor. (MS-CA)
- 1640 WQO688 CA, Irvine 7/26 1900 very good with City of Irvine Information Station. (CM-CA1)
 KXBT CA, Vallejo had open carrier only from 0750-0900 both Sat. 8/16 and Sun. 8/17.
 Weak music underneath, maybe "KWJC" pirate in Greenacres, WA. (LG-MT)

UNIDS

- 930 8/4 0353 unID C&W just under KKHJ, looping SE. Faded out. Suspect KRKY-CO. Other ideas? (RW-CA)
- 1060 8/11 0815 unID SS fading up with KPAY off, over KUKQ, with loud laser blasts between songs. Faded out about 0825. Looped ESE, suspect KFNA-TX. Other ideas? (RW-CA)
- 1130 8/4 0005 station under/over CKWX with oldies rock, Motown oldies, etc. Promos, no ID. RW-CA thinks it might be KCIB Milan, NM, now oldies on low night power. (PM-OR)
- 1210 8/11 0412 unID TT good over mess looping east, over about 0415. Think it may have been KONY-UT, as heard an ID for them at this time and then regular programming (oldies). (RW-CA)
- 1400 KMHP? 7/31 0055 briefly on top with ID "Washington Huskies exclusively on AM 1400 KMHP." Promo for show Firday at 2pm. Into talk show. Calls sounded like KMHP, KMHV. (MS-CA)
- 1410 At 0751 8/8 announcer said "Less talk... 103.5." QRM from KBNP and KFUN. (LG-MT)
- 7/30 0415 off eastern Beverage repeated message for HAR witrh female announcer "... the time is...the date is..." then other info buried under static crashes. Is this the new Chicago area HAR/TIS? Barely there 7/31, conditions not nearly as good. (PM-OR)
- 1650 Station with fair signal played non-stop nostalgia music (e.g., Bing Crosby) 8/16 and 8/17 from 0750-0802; no break on the hour. Also noted at 0752 8/22 through KXBT-1640 splash. Is anyone else hearing this? Could this be a pirate? (LG-MT)

As you may have noticed, John and I have moved! The townhome sold on August 14th, and we had to be out by August 15th at 5pm. Needless to say, we were unable to give anyone advance notice of the address change. If you sent WDXR or CDXR reports about that time and they are not in this bulletin, they will be included in the next DXM. Pete Talyor sent along a note that a KNOB-540 staff person told him that the KNOB power is 5kw-D, 1kw-N (not 5kw-N). The 1997-98 IRCA contests began on September 1st. I hope that many of you will join in the fun this season!

IRCA Reprints

The IRCA maintains a large file of articles which have appeared in past issues of DX Monitor. These articles cover a wide variety of topics, including: antenna theory and construction, tips for the foreign BCB DXer, how to improve your DXing skills, history of DXing and broadcasting, lists of stations by subject, construction projects and receiver modification, receiver reviews, medium wave propagation, and more. Copies are available for a nominal charge. For a list of reprints, send \$1.00 to:

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FOR THE RECORD

E-Mail: John_Johnson@prodigy.net Mail: 265 Waterton Way, Billings, MT 59102-7755 Next deadline: 9-20. Please report all times as Eastern. Keep tips to less than a month old. The new season has started, so time to remind everyone to be sure to report your interesting loggings to everyone. Avoid reporting the 50,000 watt clear channel stations that everyone can hear unless there is a format change, call change, etc. For unID stations, try to include the format, spots heard, announcer names, etc. to make it easier for someone to help ID your unID.

RIDING GAIN

John J. Rieger, South Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Winner98@webtv.net FRG 100 with Kiwa Loop and MFJ 959B pre-amp.

[RS-MO] Randy Stewart, Springfield, Missouri. JRS555T@wpgate.smsu.edu Yaesu FRG-100 modified by EEB with 6-kc Collins filter, 4-kc filter.

DOWN THE DIAL

1170 WWVA WV, Wheeling. 8-3 fair to good w/KVOO and occasionally well atop KVOO, a rare occurrence here. 2259 with ID "Number one for country music and news, AM 11-70 WWVA Wheeling, St. Clairsville." Into "Whole Truth Gospel Network from the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith." Used to hear this years ago on XERF! [RS-MO]

1220 KQMG IA, Independence. 8-18 fair in fade up. 0655 with male announcer and slogan "The all new Q-95.3." Verified by phone call to KQMG. Apparently a format change from oldies to Top 40 music. [JJR-WI]

1380 **KBWD** TX, Brownwood. 8-3 fair atop frequency. 2245 with Dallas Cowboys preseason game. ID as "KBWD Brownwood is the all-new Magic 13-80. Home of the Dallas Cowboys." [RS-MO]

1390 WRTK OH, Youngstown. 8-21 in good with WGCI super weak in null. 0600 at end of "America in The Morning" with national spot, full ID and local news. Slogan was "Real Talk." Best I've ever heard this rare one! EX-WMFJ, WHOT. [JJR-WI]

1490 KTTR MO, Rolla. 8-3 poor. 2230 with promo for Kansas City Royals baseball "...on your sports voice of mid-Missouri, newsradio KTTR 14-90 AM." Never logged this before, not even on groundwave due to KDMO and KDRO. [RS-MO]

25 YEARS AGO

September 9, 1972 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" _ Bill Nittler was in first place in the Domestic Heard Contest with 1158 points _ Jerry Peek of Los Alamos, NM told of Albuquerque's new 10kW station KKIM-1000 _ Larry B. Godwin of Boulder, CO told about his 850° antenna wire on the roof of his apartment building _ Tom Jasinski of Mokena, IL said he graduated in June from Joliet Jr. College _ George C. Kesteven of Calgary, AB told of his visit to CA and studios of KRED where got to go on the air on the Buck Buchanan Show.

OPEN MIKE

It's not heard to meet expenses, they are everywhere. Eric Bueneman sent along a note that WKBQ-1380 St. Louis, MO has been sold and the new owners want to put a talk format on the air and have requested the stations original three-letter call, KWK. Nice to see a three-letter call returning to the air! Please note that Nancy and I have moved. We outgrew the townhouse and are now in a much larger newly built house on a quiet cul-de-sac. We now have a separate office area for all of our computers, printers, etc. and a nice place for all of our receivers. Hopefully this new location, 10 miles from the old location, will bring in some new DX. 73, John.



Eastern DX Roundup

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This column is dedicated to my father, who last night lost his long battle with cancer. Dad always taught us that "the answer to ANY question OR problem is written down somewhere in a book. The secret in life is KNOWING where the books are !"

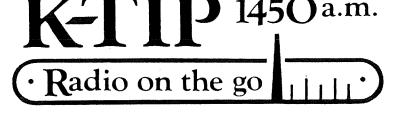
THE WEEK

STARS OF

(WW-MA) William Wyllie 93 Peck St., Franklin, MA 02038--2217

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			LOGGINGS	
920	WIRD	NY	Lake Placid 8/7 ID noted with WLPW & other.	very strong
			signal over local WHJJ. This sounds too stre	ong for 87
			watts.	(WW-MA)
1290	WNBF	NY	Binghamton 8/8 2240 Very loud signal over me	ess of
1250			stations. ID as "WNBF Newsradio 1290"	(WW-RI)
1370	WALK		Patchoque 8/8 0003 First time logging. List	ed at 102
13,0	WALLEY		watts. Noted "UPI News" Ad for a cottage and	
			Broadcast News" a WALK ID and into a talk si	
			"Joe ??"	(WW-RI)
	******		Northampton 8/6 1905 Very poor first time 1	
1400	WHMP	MA	this station. Only noted part of ID as " Ta	
			(fade)WHMP" Poor in jumble.	(WW-MA)
		****	Rochester 8/7 2014 First time logging. Good	
1460	WWWG	NY	Rochester 8// 2014 First time logging. Good	Branc begge
			mixing with other NY stn WGNA. ID noted as	"SWG RAUIU
			1460" Gospel music. ID at : 2036: Welcome b	
			radio, The best in Gospel music, 3-W-G 1460	
			Rochester."	(WW-WA)
	WGNA	ИХ	Albany 8/7 2038-2107 Good over 3-W-G & WBET	
			"Garth Brooks Live in NY" Concert. Only not	
			ID's on this. Gone by 2107.	(WW-MA)
1530	WDJZ	CT	Bridgeport 8/6 2200 Spanish programming, no	ted English
			ID: "WFMW Naugatuck 1380 & WDJZ Bridgeport	1530" Hard to
			understand with Spanish DJ.	(WW-MA)
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Thanks to William, we have a column this time around, as his info arrived yesterday. Thanks to you all. Next time we will "Hopefully" have the totals for Volume # 34. See you in two weeks !!



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Greetings from EDXR land. It's been awhile since I have contributed to ree's column, so here goes. First of all, my sincere THANKS to those of you that elected me to the IRCA BOD. I am looking forward to working with this great group of people over the next two years. Hopefully, we can do a good job of guiding the IRCA. I really believe the next couple of years will be "pivotal" for us. Our ranks seem to be shrinking and interest in AM DXing "seems" to be on a decline. I would like to have YOUR ideas and suggestions. Let's make the IRCA a "membership" supported club. When I look through the pages of DXM, I always see the same twenty names. Why don't YOU get involved and help make the IRCA a success. Now is also the time for someone to step forward and volunteer for the CPC. J.D. did a GREAT job for us the last several years. (BTW, CONGRATULATIONS to JD and his wife). Perhaps someone can step forward and get things rolling for the new DX season. Let's NOT leave it to the NRC !....I have assumed the Awards Committee post. Ralph will be publishing new Rules sometime soon. Get your totals ready to submit for a nice wall certificate. I have also put ALL the past winners in a database. If you need to know what awards you have won, just let me know. (OK, Lee, can you tell me which ones I have?-ree) Also, if you want a copy of the rules, just send me a SASE. The IRCA Convention will be coming up soon. I won't be able to make it this year, but my best goes out to Mike. I know (based on the help he gave ME last year) that the convention will be a BIG success. Hosting last years convention was a big thrill for me and my wife. See you all in the pages of DXM !!!! (Last months Forum) Sorry that ree lost my last forum (it's so RARE that I report (!) I think I may have contributed to the loss, by not giving direction to ree on the file that I "attached" to my e-mail. Speaking of E-mail, a reminder that we don't "publish" e-mail addresses in EDXR without the approval of the contributor. Would like to have ALL contributors send me a "reminder" of that with their next e-mail. I have had some good success running Netscape Navigator with A.O.L. AOL does not let you "copy" jpg & gif files from web sites. They come out as an "art" file. By running Netscape piggyback with AOL, I am able to get files for my web site. Check out the Asterisk Engineering site at:

http://members.aol.com/ifreshwate/ENGINEERING.HTM. We have added the Awards rules AND the AM Expanded band web files to the IRCA site. Local news: WTMC-1290 has finally gotten "scared". After months and moths of being "illegal" they have asked for a consultant to come in and "fix things". Looks like I am back in the AM Radio business at lest on a temporary basis. I don't think I'll give up my day job, but it might be fun. Glad to see that the convention was a success. Congratulations to Mike Sanburn. I KNOW what a large job hosting a convention is. And after last years dismal turnout, I am thrilled for both Mike and the IRCA. Is anyone going to "try" for an East Coast" site next yea??? How about somewhere in the MIDWEST ????? Looks like Chuck Harder is back in the radio business. I hear he has his own network consisting of a 3 hour call in show. The other 21 hours is filled with REPEATS. Has anyone heard this ?? Chuck has been looking at some radio stations in north Florida as he tries to "rebuild his empire". 73's and all the best..fresh

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More sales and format changes are happening in the St. Louis market. First, News Corporation's Heritage Media has sold WRTH-1430/WIL-92.3/KIHT-96.3 to Sinclair Broadcasting, which already owns WVRV-101.1/KPNT-105.7/KDNL-30. The sale will go through sometime next year. If any changes occur, they will likely come at KIHT, which has a 70's rock format that's not very popular, never getting better than a 2.7 rating, and never finishing in the top 10, with the exception of morning drive team Ron Stevens and Joy Grdnic (in the top 10 among listeners 18-34). WLW-based Jacor Communications, which already owns KATZ-1600/100.3 and KMJM-107.7, has paid \$13.2 million for WCBW-104.9, known as "The Bridge". FCC approval is pending. It's longstanding Contemporary Christian format will be dropped in favor of CHR (Top 40), should the sale go through. No word on any call letter change for the station. Jacor is also rumored to be interested in the market's top gun, KMOX-1120. American Radio Systems, which already owns KFNSsd-590/KSD-93.7/KYKY-98.1/KEZK-102.5, has traded WDAF-610/KUDL-98.1 Kansas City and KCTC-1320 Sacramento to Entercom for KLOU-103.3. No change is expected for KLOU, a popular Oldies

WFUN, I've taken an engineer's job at the station, moving from crosstown WGNU-920. And KTRS-550 has not only moved to studios in West Port Plaza (with WIBV-1260), but also added funnyman Frank O. Pinion in afternoon drive. The owners, The Dorsey Group, may be selling WIBV to a local businessman, and actively pursuing an FM sister station. The WTRS/WIBV studios are in the same complex with WKBQ-1380/WKKX-106.5. Sadly, former St. Louis morning man Grant Horton passed away in August at age 73. He was at KMOX-1120 from 1957 to 1969, and again from 1986 until his retirement in 1988. In between stints at KMOX, he was also at KSD-550 (now KTRS) from 1969 to 1977, KSCF-97.1 (now KXOK) from 1977 to 1979, WRTH-590 (now KFNS) from 1979 to 1985, and KXOK-630 (now KJSDL) in 1985-86. He helped give current KTRS midday personality John Carney his start in the St. Louis market when he was Horton's funnyman on KXOK. I'll be sharpening my antenna for the upcoming DX season...73 and good DX, Eric (NOUIH)

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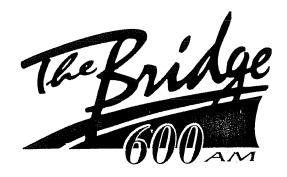
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Tabulated from WWV at -0518 GMT nightly

Geomagnetic Summary August 7 1997 through August 28 1997

GEO	-	Geomagnetic	activity	pca	-	polar cap absorption
maf	-	major flare		SA	-	Solar Activity
mas	***	major storm		aga	***	satellite proton event
mis	-	minor storm		58	-	severe storm

Date	FLUX	λ	К	SA		GEO	OTHER
8/7	78	6	2	very	low	quiet-unsettled	-
· 8	78	5	1	very	low	quiet	-
9	78	7	2	low		quiet-unsettled	-
10	78	8	2	low		quiet-active	_
11	80	8	1	low		quiet-active	-
12	81	5	2	very	low	quiet-unsettled	-
13	82	10	3	low		quiet-unsettled	-
15	78	9	2	very	low	quiet-unsettled	
16	78	4	2	very	low	quiet	_
17	76	6	2	very	low	quiet	-
18	76	7	2	very	low	quiet-unsettled	_
19	74	4	2	very	low	quiet	_
20	75	5	4			quiet-active	_
21	75	9	2	very	low	quiet-active	-
22	76	5	1	very	low	quiet-unsettled	
23	77	1	1	very	low	quiet	
24	78	4	2	very	low	quiet-unsettled	-
25	82	4	0	low		quiet	_
26	2	Z	z	Z		z	-
27	82	2	1	very	low	quiet	_
8/28	91	8	1	low		guiet-active	-



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