

December 12, 1998 - Volume 36 - number 13 - Edition 1165 -ISSN 899-9733 *********************** IRCA WEB SITE: http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/5792/ ************** PUBLISHER'S E-MAIL ADDRESS: sanser@GTE.net **************** SOFT DX MONITOR E-MAIL ADDRESS: philip_bytheway@mukilteo.hac.com ************* IN THIS ISSUE: CPC DX Tests Summary..2, Hot Stuff..5, Broadcasting Information...6, Western DX Roundup...11, Central DX Roundup...15, Eastern DX Ruondup..17, DX Worldwide East..19, DX Worldwide West..23, Eastern DX Forum..24, Western DX Forum..25, IRCA E-mail Directory update..26. Part of the E-mail directory and Geomagnetic Indices will be in the next DXM..... *************** CLUB POSITIONS NOW AVAILABLE: CPC Chairman, "DX Techniques" editor, "Sports" editor, IRCA Almanac coordinator as well as "DX Monitor" Publisher, DX Worldwide East editor. Contact IRCA President Phil Bytheway, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334. ************** NOTICE..NOTICE..NOTICE: When renewing please do not staple or use paper clips on your renewal checks. The postal service has machines that like these two items and they grab them and chew up your envelope. Thank You ************** A DXers TECHNICAL GUIDE: Now in ts 3rd edition published in 1998, this 155 page book answers questions on receiver and antenna theory (how to improve their performance), how audio filters and loop antennas can improve DX with hints on their construction, how to build a Beverage and phasing unit, and much more. Only \$10.00 for IRCA/NRC members, \$12.00 for non-members (overseas airmail add \$2.50). Order from the IRCA Bookstore 9705 Mary NW Seattle WA 98117-2334..... ******************* 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: IRCA Reprints, c/o Steve Ratzlaff, 1885 E Bayshore Rd Sp 90, East Palo Alto CA 94303..... ******************** RENEWING: Please note the numbers above your name on the address label this is your expiration number, a 36-13 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....Pub...... ******************** PUBLISHERS DESK: Please note that there will be no DX Monitor published on December 26th as the people that publish the DX Monitor are taking Christmas week off. Publishing will resume with the January 2nd issue.. *******************

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CPC DX TESTS SUMMARY

CPC Chairman (NRC)

Bill Hale - phantom2@eaze.net

"I talked with Mr. Grover of KQTY-1490, and he said that not only did he run the code tape on the nights of November 23rd and 30th, but has every night since!! So I asked him "for how much longer?". He said "how about ?til New Year's Eve?" I said "OK!" So listen for those melodious dits and dahs at :59:46 all the way from 2359:46 to 0549:46 ET until 1999." (Bill Hale)

The entire month of December: KQTY-1490, Borger, TX CW IDs at :59:46 from 23:59:46 to 05:59:46 EST. (NRC)

Monday, December 14, 1998 - WJAS-1320, Pittsburgh, PA 1:05-1:15 am ELT. (NRC)

Monday, December 14, 1998 - WPTT-1360, McKeesport, PA 1:15-1:25 am ELT. (NRC)

Monday, December 14, 1998 - WEGP-1390, Presque Isle, ME 2:00 am ELT. (NRC)

Monday, December 14, 1998 - WFIW-1390, Fairfield, IL 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00 am ELT. (NRC)

Saturday, December 26, 1998 - WAAT-750, Olyphant, PA 12:00-2:00 am EST. (NRC)

Friday, January 1, 1999 - KSTN-1420, Stockton, CA 12:00-5:00am PST(3:00-8:00 am ELT).

E-mail:KSTN@broadcast.net

WWW:http://members.spree.com/paulshinn/

Monday, January 4, 1999 - WGAI-560, Elizabeth City, NC 1:00-1:30 am ELT. (NRC)

Monday, January 4, 1999 - WJVA-1620, South Bend, IN 6:00-7:00 am ELT.

(NRC & IRCA)

E-mail:WHLY@aol.com

WWW:http://members.aol.com/mike1580

Monday, January 4, 1999 - KXTA-1150, Los Angeles, CA 4:00-8:00 am ELT.

www:http://www.hottips.com

Saturday, January 30, 1999 - KSL-1160, Salt Lake City, UT 12:00-2:00 am MST (2:00-4:00 am ELT). (IRCA)

E-mail: QSL@KSL.com WWW:http://www.ksl.com

Saturday, February 6, 1999 - CHUC-1450, Cobourg, ON 12:00-6:00 am ELT.

(NRC)

E-mail: jton@eagle.ca or chuc@eagle.ca

(ELT = Eastern Listening Time, i.e. the local time in the Eastern time zone). Please remember, what's listed as being on, say, Monday *may* be what you think of as Sunday night!

DETAILS:

KQTY - 1490, Borger, Texas will test on Monday, November 23, 1998 AND Monday, November 30, 1998. Code IDs will accompany their normal top-of-the-hour station ID at their allocated network ID breaks at 59:46 past the hour from 0159:46 to 0559:46 Eastern Time on both dates. KQTY is an SMN/Real Country affiliate. They will be using their normal 1000 watt non-directional signal.

Reception reports should be sent to:

KQTY DX Reception Mr. George Grover, Station Manager PO Box 165 Borger, TX 79008-0165 (Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.)

WJAS-1320 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania will broadcast 15-second long 1 kHz tones, march music, Morse code IDs, and a little history of the station from 0105-0115 Eastern Time on Monday, December 14, 1998. WJAS will be utilizing their daytime facilities of 5000 watts non-directional.

Reports may be sent to:
Mr. Phil Lenz, Chief Engineer
WJAS-WPTT Radio
900 Parish Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15220
(Arranged by John Malicky for the NRC CPC.)

WPTT-1360 McKeesport, Pennsylvania will broadcast 15-secong long 1 kHz tones, march music, Morse code IDs, and station history from 0115-0125 on Monday December 14, 1998. They will be on their nighttime facilities of 1000 watts, directed due north. But possibly for the test will be on 5000 watts, non-directional for a short time.

Reports may be sent to:
Mr. Phil Lenz, Chief Engineer
WJAS-WPTT Radio
900 Parish Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15220
(Arranged by John Malicky for the NRC CPC.)

WEGP-1390 Presque Isle, Maine will broadcast a Morse Code ID, along with their regular on-the-hour ID at 0200 Eastern Time on December 14, 1998. WEGP will be utilizing their regular 5000 watt nighttime signal, a kidney-shaped pattern directed primarily to the north and southeast.

Reports may be sent to: Mr. Wally Babbidge WEGP-AM

3 State Street Place
Presque Isle, ME 04769-2323
(Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.)

WFIW-1390 Fairfield, Ilinois will broadcast a Morse Code ID, along with their regular on-the-hour ID at 0200, 0300, 0400, 0500 and 0600 Eastern Time on December 14, 1998. WFIW will be utilizing their daytime authorization of 710 watts non-directional. Fairfield is about 20 miles east of Mount Vernon, IL.

Reports may be sent to:
Mr. Kirk Wallace
WFIW-AM
Box 310
Fairfield, IL 62837-0310
(Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.)

WGAI-560 Elizabeth City, NC will broadcast Morse Code IDs, various station jingles and "test" announcements from midnight to 0030 hours Eastern Time on Monday, January 4, 1999. WGAI will be utilizing their regular nighttime power of 500 watts and normal directional pattern (they are U3).

Reports may be sent to:
Mr. Bob Carter, PD/OM/Engineer
WGAI-AM
Box 179 Lovers Lane
Elizabeth City, NC 27909
(Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.)

WJVA-1620 South Bend, Indiana will broadcast Morse Code IDs during their regularly scheduled programming from 0600 to 0700 (correct) Eastern Time on Monday, Jamuary 4, 1999. At this time, they will be broadcasting on 'experimental' power of 10 kw non-directional. They have requested the new calls WHLY, and may be using them by then. They plan to switch calls with their 1580 facility.

Reports may be sent to:
Mr. Larry Humphrey, CE
WJVA-AM (or WHLY, as the case may be)
2010 South Michigan
South Bend, IN 46613
(Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.)

KXTA-1150 Los Angeles, California will broadcast Morse Code IDs at 13 wpm at the top of each hour from 0400 to 0800 hours Eastern Time on Monday, January 4, 1999. Because the KXTA studio feeds multiple transmitters, the code will also be heard on KAVL-610 Lancaster, KLYF-850 Thousand Oaks and KCKC-1350 San Bernardino, all California. They have an automation system that triggers their IDs on command from Los Angeles. All stations will air their separate, individual IDs at approximately:55 past the hour.

KXTA has a Web Site that shows some photos of the construction of their new 50 kW plant. Check it out at http://www.hottips.com

Reports may be sent to: Mr. Mike Callaghan KIIS Radio 3400 Riverside Dr., # 800 Burbank, CA 91505 (Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.)

Saturday, January 30, 1999 - KSL-1160, Salt Lake City, UT will conduct a DX test from 12:00-2:00am MST(2:00-4:00am EST). The test will consist of Morse Code IDs on the hour and half-hour inserted into regular. Their format will be "The Road Gang Show", basically C&W music for truckers.

WWW: http://www.ksl.com/ E-mail: QSL@KSL.com

Reception reports may be sent to:

Rod Arquette Program Director KSL-AM 55 N. 300 West Salt Lake City, UT 84180

(Arranged by Ragnar Danneskjold for the IRCA CPC.)

CHUC-1450 Cobourg, ON will conduct a DX test on Saturday, February 6, 1999 from Midnight to 6:00 am EST. The test will include march music and Morse code IDs.

Reception reports may be sent to: Mr. John Ton - Engineer CHUC-1450, P.O. Box 520, Cobourg, ON K9A 2L3 Canada

E-mail: jton@eagle.ca or: chuc@eagle.ca

(Arranged by JD Stephens for the NRC CPC.)

Also, if you hear a test, PLEASE, PLEASE let me know, via e-mail or the the newsgroup! And, if you send a reception report to a station, please remember to include return postage with your report...

HOT STUFF

NOTICE OF UPCOMING ELECTIONS
ALL MEMBERS SHOULD KEEP A COPY OF THIS NOTICE

All IRCA members are hereby advised that elections for President, Secretary-Treasurer, and all seven Directors of the Board for the period September 15, 1999 through September 14, 2001 are about to begin.

The following timetable and conditions will be followed:

Nominations for President, Secretary-Treasurer, and the seven Directors will open December 1, 1998 and close January 15, 1999. Each IRCA member can only nominate one person for President and one for Secretary-Treasurer; up to a maximum of seven may be nominated for Director. A member may nominate him/herself. Only members in good standing shall be eligible. This means the nominee must have held one year's continous membership in the IRCA as of April 15, 1999. All

nominations must be submitted in writing and be received by the Election Committee Chairman (ECC) by January 15, 1999. Faxes and e-mails which clearly identify the sender will be accepted.

As soon as possible after January 15, 1999, the ECC will send to the Secretary-Treasurer a list of all nominees; the Secretary-Treasurer will return the list to the ECC as soon as possible indicating which nominees have been members in good standing for the requisite one-year period.

The ECC will notify all eligible candidates concerning their nomination by February 1, 1999. All nominees must reply in writing (again, e-mail and faxes will be permitted) if they accept the nomination, except that those who may nominate him/herself will be presumed to be accepting the nomination. Each candidate, including self-nominees, may submit a campaign statement, not to exceed 20 DXM bulletin lines, to appear in a March issue of DXM. A campaign statement is not required of any candidate. If a member is nominated for more than one office, he/she may submit a campaign statement for each or any of the offices for which he/she intends to run. If nominated for more than one office, the candidate must decide for which office(s) they prefer to run and notify the ECC of all such office(s) the will run for. This decision by a candidate is final.

Notifications of acceptance and all campaign statements must be received by the ECC by February 20, 1999. The ECC will prepare the campaign statements in alphabetical order by candidate's last name, and the ballot categorically by office and in alphabetical order by candidate's last name and submit them to the Publisher by March 1, 1999.

All ballots must be received by the ECC no later than 0001, Mountain Local Time, May 1, 1999, Again, faxes and e-mails, clearly identifying the sender, will be accepted.

The above information is a summary of Article III of the IRCA $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Bylaws}}$.

Please direct any questions to:

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BROADCASTING INFORMATION

Editor: Robert Wien - rjwmail@webtv.net

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL	Huntsville	WJDL-1000	was gospel, urban, now gospel, R&B oldies (keeps gospel AM drive, ABC Urban gold rest of the time)
AZ	Phoenix	KIDR- 740	was variety, now Unica SS talk
CA	Los Angeles	KYPA-1230	was brokered talk, now brokered variety
	_		(fills unsold dayparts w/KALI-1430 simul.)
	Pasadena	KRLA-1110	was oldies, to be talk 11/30 (Imus 3-9 AM,
			Michael Jackson 9-noon, Toni Grant noon- 3
			PM, Liddy 3-7 PM, Sports Byline 7-10 PM,
			Edy Tyll 10 PM-1 AM)
CO	Longmont	KLMO-1060	was country, adds JRN country
GA	Perry	WPGA- 980	was AS, now Radio Disney
KY	Georgetown	WTKT-1580	was urban, now AS (SAI 1580 will take
	-		pgm'ing from, but not sim. with WSAI-1530)
MA	Boston	WNFT-1150	was urban AC, now SS tropical

Dedham	WBPS- 890	was brokered variety, now SS AC
MN Luverne	KQAD- 800	was WW1 AS, now WW1 soft AC
NY Watertown	WUZZ-1410	was oldies, now ABC Urban gold
TX Fort Worth	KAHZ-1360	was variety, now Unica SS talk
WA Othello	KRSC-1400	was variety, SS, now brokered SS

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

CA Oakhurst KTNS-1090 increases to 1000-D, ND IL Chester KSGM- 980 decreases to 470-N, DA VA Colonial Heights WDZY-1290 increases to 25000-D, ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

NY Niagara Falls WHLD-1270 dec. to 143-N, DA-1

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

IL McLeansboro WMCL-1060 adds 2-N, DA-1

MA Natick WJLT-1060 mod. CP to change to DA-2, add 22000-CH

MI Three Rivers WLKM-1510 mod. CP toec. to 440-D, ND

SECTION 2:

FORMAT CHANGES:

FL	Dunedin	WLVU-1470	was ethnic, now SGN Black gospel
ID	Gooding	KRXR-1480	was country, now JRN Regional Mexican
MN	Roseau	KRWB-1410	was country, adds Branson country
MO	Kennett	KBOA-1540	was s. gospel, talk, now WW1 soft AC
NC	Greensboro	WTCK-1320	was sports, now talk //WMFR
	Hickory	WIRC- 630	was country, talk, now all country
OR	Medford	KMED-1440	was WW1 stds., adds Imus
VA	Marion	WMEV-1010	was country//FM, now ABC stds//WKPT (WME
			joints WKTP, WKPT, WOPI, WKPP's NE TN./SW
			VA. simulcast)
WI	Amery	WXCE-1260	was country, talk, now oldies

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

FL Sebring WJCM- 960 moves to 1050 khz., dec. to 1000/11 ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

CA Simi Valley KVCA- 670 modify DA

CO Denver KRKS- 990 dec. to 4200-D, DA-N

NY Syracuse WOLF-1490 mod. CP to change to ND days (currently

DA-D, ND-N)

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

AL Bridgeport WBTS-1480 becomes WKEA

FL Hollywood WLQY-1320 requests WZMZ "Z Spanish"

St. Petersburg WSUN- 620 requests WSAA

SC Barnwell WBAW- 740 requests WMXG "Mix"

Gary Jackson of Sacramento, CA. passes on the following:

CA (Alameda County) WNST-214-1610 new TIS/HAR on the air, gave phone Management district.

Roseville KRCX-1110 per call to station, new owners will take over in Feb. '99 and 'as soon as possible put the new 1690 khz. station on the air'. KRCX will also go 'brokered ethnic' per

nxpaper article sent by Gary.

Auburn KAHI- 950 per call to KAHI, will stay on air, they sold 1620 khz. (KSMH) freq. so 950 can

stay on.

Auburn KSMH-1620 per call to station, could not meet

original on-air date of Nov. due to technical pro- blems, now hopes for on air

date of 1/1/99.

Pat Martin of Seaside, OR. sends along the following:

NJ Princeton WTTM-1680 apparently heard testing with OC on 11/23/ 98. Original message from W.A. Merriman

Mike Brooker of Toronto, ON. passes on the following:

IA Cedar Falls KCNZ-1650 now on air, heared 11/22 w/ID as "KCNZ Cedar Falls-Waterloo, newsradio for Eastern Iowa", ABC nx, ESPN sports talk.

Their website is: http://www.cedarnet.org/kcnz, E-mail: kcnz@cedarnet.org

Craig Rathbone of Denver, CO. also adds the following on KCNZ-1650:

"They have ABC news and the slogan "The Talk Station", ad for Iowa Cyclone football on 11/21/98"

Shawn Axelrod of Winnipeg, MB. (via Pat Martin) also sends info on KCNZ-1650:

"Heard with local girls basketball game" on 11/20/98.

Shawn also passes on info that KKWY-1630 WY. is on air (see below)

Jeff Kadet (location unknown) via Pat Martin also sends info on KCNZ-1650:

"ID as KDNZ Cedar Falls-Laporte City-Waterloo" on 11/20/98.

Pat Martin sends along the following info:

WY Cheyenne KKWY-1630

on air w/CNN nx on hour, half hour, AS format, per call to station came on 11/17/98, rpts. should go to: KKWY, 110 East 17th St. #205, Cheyenne, WY. 82001.

Rich Toebe of Fairfield, CA. confirms earlier info in column that KSMH-1620 will be on 1/1/99 (per GM of KSMH Dave Vacheresse)

Dave Gordon of San Jose, CA. confirms earlier info in column on KRLA-1110 CA.

Dave also passes info that he heard KDON-FM Salinas ID as "KDON-AM & FM", but KDON-AM not on per trip to Salinas! (1460). (they have been granted calls KTXX-ed.).

Pat Martin passes on the following info:

IN Hollywood WHLY-1620 w/"1620 AM, Radio Hollywood" ID's. (thought they were WJVA??-ed.)

Mike Stonebridge of Fox Creek, AB. passes on the following:

AB High Level CKHL- 530 will move to FM in June 1999, per call to station.

Pat Martin also sends along the following:

WA Quincy KWNC-1370 back on the air, ex-silent, w/All Nx, AP
Net nx on hour, 39 watts night, ID "KWNC
1370 News and Sports." Pest for Pat now!

Tim Hall of Chula Vista, CA. passes on the following:

CA Lost Hills ????-1610 CalTrans mobile HAR broadcast about major oilwell fire near junction of I-5 & CA-46.

Getting out well. Heard on 11/27/98.

Dale Park of Honolulu, HI. passes on the following:

He confirms earlier info on KIDR-740 AZ.

CT	Meriden	WMMW-1470	now AS (format/DJ's shared with WSNG- 610 CT., WWCO-1240 CT., and WDRC- 1360 CT.) per Scott Fybush on Usenet 11/6/98.
ΗI	Ha-Iku	KUAU-1570	silent as of 11/14/98.
	Honolulu	KHNR- 650	nx weekdays, nx/talk weekends, adds ABC "Moneytalk With Bob Brinker"
	Honolulu	KHVH- 830	is nx/talk, adds Salem's "Common Sense Radio With Oliver North", drops "John & Ken Show"
IL	Chicago	WMVP-1000	now O&O by ESPN 10/12/98 per Business Wire via AOL
KS	Leavenworth	KKLO-1410	is gospel, adds ESPN radio nights, per Rob Zerwekh on Usenet 11/3/98
	Mission	KUPN-1480	was brokered days, danceclub "Beat Radio" nights, sports as KCAZ, now Christian programming, CRN network, per Rob Zer- kweh on Usenet 11/3/98

Earlier info on WBPS-890 MA. confirmed, per Scott Fybush on Usenet 11/6/98 Earlier info on WNFT-1150 MA. confirmed, per Scott Fybush on Usenet 11/6/98

OK Oklahoma City	WKY - 930	adds Premiere's "The Michael Reagan Show"
		102/6/98 per show, airing 1806-2200 ELT.
TX Edinburg	KURV- 710	adds Premiere's "Coast to Coast AM with The New Art Bell" 11/2/98 per show
Grande Prairie	KKDA- 730	
Grande Francie	14011 750	times R&B' per Frank Provasek on Usenet
		10/31/98

Earlier info on KAHZ-1360 TX. confirmed per Business Wire on AOL 10/27/98

Longview	KFRO-1370	adds "Coast To Coast AM with The New Art
-		Bell" 10/28/98 per show
Laredo	KLNT-1490	is nx/talk, ex-Tejano as KDOS, not KVOZ
		(sorry!), adds "Coast To Coast AM with The
		New Art Bell" 10/28/98 per show
VT Middlebury	WFAD-1490	
		The New Art Bell" 11/9/98 per show
Springfield	WCFR-1480	now WNBX, per Scott Fybush on Usenet
		11/6/98
WA Ellensburg	KXLE-1240	re-adds Premiere's "The Michael Reagan
		Show" 11/2/98 per show

Also, there is a new show called "On A Roll" via Talk America Network talking about disability-related issues on Sundays at 9 PM, EST. The following is a list of affiliates carrying this program (AM only, there are additional FM affiliates not listed in here):

KZNG-1340 AR., KFNN-1510 AZ., KYET-1180 AZ., WWLO-1340 FL., WODX-1480 FL., WFVR-910 GA., WHBU-1240 IN., KFRM-550 KS., KEEL-710 LA., WTME-1248 ME., WKTQ-1450 ME., WMKT-1270 MI., WKMT-1360 MI., WMOC-1010 MS., KDRG-1400 MT., WAGC-1320 NC., WEWO-1450 NC., WVOT-1420 NC., KICA-980 NM., WBZA-1410 NY., WIOW-1010 OH., KBNP-1410 OR., WQNT-1450 SC., WMTN-1300 TN., WZNG-1580 atn., WREL-1450 VA., WIGM-1490 WI., WETZ-1330 WV., WLTP-1450 WV., KGAB-650 WY.

One more contribution from Dale (whew!):

CA	Los Angeles	KLAC- 570	drops "Imus in the Morning" after 11/27 per 11/12/98 LA. Times newspaper Earlier info in column on KRLA-1110 confirmed via 11/12/98 LA. Times newspaper
CT	Waterbury	WATR-1320	adds "Online Tonight With David Lawrence" per show 11/17/98
FL	Miami	WIOD- 610	adds "Kim Komando Computer Show" 11/21/98
			per show
IL	Alton	WBGZ-1570	adds "Online Tonight" per show 11/17/98
KS	Salina	KFRM- 550	adds "Online Tonight" 11/17/98 per show
OK	Tulsa	KOKC-1300	was nx/talk, now SS AC as of mid-Nov. per
			"Chip K." on the Internet
PA	Easton	WEEX-1230	adds "Kim Komando Computer Show" 11/21/98
			per show
TX	Austin	KVET-1300	was nx/talk, now sports "The Zone" as of
			10/6/98 per "Chip K." on the Internet
	Weatherford	KZEE-1220	adds "Online Tonight" show per show 11/
			17/98
	Gladewater	KEYS-1430	adds "Kim Komando Computer Show" 11/21/98
			per show
	Tyler	KYZS-1490	adds show above (KEYS/KYZS are co-owned)
	Lexington		adds "Online Tonight" per show 11/17/98
WV	New Martinsvill	e WETZ-1330	adds "Online Tonigh" 8/26/98 per show

Bill Harms - wharms@erols.com

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WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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- (LG) Larry Godwin-2390 Clydes Dale Lane-Missoula, MT 59804 lbg@selway.umt.edu Hammarlund HQ-150, Sanserino air-core box loop & KIWA loop
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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

1630 KDNZ IA, Cedar Rapids heard talk under KKTR 11/21 0035 so assuming it was KDNZ, I called them. They started testing today. Person I spoke to was on-air on the FM and said no one was at the AM studio (just at transmitter). Wasn't sure if testing with 1kw or 10kw. Will be news/talk. Will have Art Bell starting at 0100 nightly. 1650 will //1250 when testing is complete. (PT-WA) +10/25 in with local weather at 2255 and call ID at 2300. Usually KKTR dominates here. (LG-MT)

- 530 CKHL AB, High Level 11/25 2100 Broadcast news on the hour, followed by sports & weather. At 5 past every hour (approximately, as it does vary) full ID for all stations on the network as follows: The YL Country Network. 610 CKYL Peace River; 530 CKHL High Level; 92.1FM CKLA La Crete; 92.1FM CFFC Fox Creek and 93.1FM CJRA Rainbow Lake. According to yesterday's Peace River Gazette, and confirmed by call to CKYL earlier today, CKHL moves to 102.1FM next June. So if you need it, get it while you can. (MJS-AB)
- 550 KOAC OR, Corvallis 11/23 0750 jazz, NPR headlines and business news. HUGE signal to the hour, then dropped into the mix. (AB-CA)
- 590 KGLE MT, Glendive 11/21 popped up with announcement "This is Gospel Radio, KGLE, Glendive" at 0800. Rare here. (LG-MT)
- 600 ?KVNA? AZ, Flagstaff 11/23 0854 tentative under KOGO, KNRO nulled.
 Sports, football scores, heavy emphasis on AZ (talk about Phoenix, Mesa, Tucson, AZ's 45-42 win over Redskins), faded out before anything definite. Tentative call change ex-KCLS, I believe station was silent for a long time, too.
 690 Flagstaff is off the air, they were KZKZ at one time.
 (RW-CA)
 - KNRO CA, Redding 11/23 0848 strong in KOGO null again with "Giant Country 600" ID's, but no legal ID's! Called station Wed. 11/25, still KNRO, application for KGNT calls still under review by FCC. (RW-CA)
- 640 KFI CA, Los Angeles 11/24 1252 Rush Limbaugh Show with KFI ID at 1254 and ad for milestone pave stones. (RD-AZ)
- 660 KTNN AZ, Window Rock 11/24 1300 with native Americans playing rap & jazz into NBC news. (RD-AZ)
- 700 KWLW UT, Salt Lake City 11/24 1302 oldies music, playing Credence Clearwater Revival "Who'll Stop The Rain." Very weak.

 (RD-AZ)
- 720 KDWN NV, Las Vegas 11/24 1305 with ID and phone for a call in talk program 382-3855 (?). (RD-AZ)
- 750 KOAL UT, Price 11/18 2000 legal ID followed by ABC news. (AB-CA)
 CJVR SK, Melfort in at nice level 11/23 0020-0035 over/under KXL

- so never take DA patterns too seriously. (PT-WA)
- 760 ?WJR? MI, Detroit presumed with Red Wings hockey 11/22 0050 but isn't this a little late? With KFMB & KTLK nibbling away and KNWX thrashing next door, reception was marginal.
 - CFLD BC, Burns Lake weak but all alone at 0900 11/24 with oldies, then BV-LD News with Chris Peterson. Good signal for 1kw so far away (near Price Rupert). New. (LG-MT)
- 770 KKOB NM, Albuquerque 11/24 1310 Rush Limbaugh. (RD-AZ)
- 780 KAZM AZ, Sedona 11/24 1312 ID "The mighty 780" playing "I Live For Loving You" by Gloria Estefan. (?) (RD-AZ)
- 780 WBBM IL, Chicago 11/22 2322 news even with KKOH at times.
 (PT-WA)
- 790 KNST AZ, Tucson 11/24 1313 Rush Limbaugh. (RD-AZ)
- 850 (KHHO) WA, Tacoma noted off 11/26 1800 thru at least 11/27 0200 but back on at 0330 (very splattery; they must have put some new gear in). Nothing but KOA and CKMA (// 1270) noted.
- (PT-WA)

 860 KTRB CA, Modesto loudest ever heard 11/26 1959. All news format;
 dual KMPH/KTRB ID. KHHO off; slight CFPR but no KPAM.

 (PT-WA)
 - KCNR UT, Salt Lake City very loud and dominant 11/26 2100 with Radio Disney. Still good 11/27 0145 so I set up to tape a clean 0200 ID. Not to be, as they cut power at 0155 and descended into a CFPR, KPAM and probably KTRB morass.

 (PT-WA)
- 930 KAGI OR, Grants Pass live ID 11/24 0100. Much of the time it carries foreign broadcasters' English programs with on-hour ID's frequently absent. Dual ID with KSJK. In a lot for 123w. Usually accompanied by KSEI, CJCA and KTKN. (PT-WA)
- 940 KCEE AZ, Tucson 11/24 1320 oldies music, ID "KCEE the number one listened to station by mature audiences as rated by Arbitron." (RD-AZ)
- 990 KTKT AZ, Tucson 11/24 1325 talk show with John McGee of the Coronado National Forest discussing the Tucson Rod and Gun Club. (RD-AZ)
- 1080 KGVY AZ, Green Valley 11/24 1330 playing Paul Whiteman's "I've Got Rhythm" into news and ID. (RD-AZ)
- 1110 KJTT WA, Oak Harbor noted taking requests 11/25 0015 so I called.

 They had an STA to stay late due to the flooding in their area. About even with KBND but seemingly gone by 0100.

 (PT-WA)
- 1130 (KRDU) CA, Dinuba 11/23 0640 with open carrier, only KSDO audible underneath, nothing more exotic, CKWX nulled. (RW-CA)
- 1190 KVSV KS, Beloit moderately strong at s/on with instrumental SSB at 0800 Sun. 11/22. Weekday s/on likely earlier. (LG-MT)
- 1200 WOAI TX, San Antonio preaching and religious music 11/22 2330 and finally a readable ID 11/23 0100. CKXM has a null toward me unfortunately. (PT-WA)
- 1230 CJNL BC, Merritt with CHNL ID 11/22 2300 (PT-WA)
- 1240 KJAA AZ, Globe 11/10 2139 coming out of song, ID "K-J Country," into spot by YL. (MS)
 - KNRY CA, Monterey "Voice of the Central Coast" dual ID (with KIEZ) 11/24 2200 and lengthy weather forecast. There was possibly a third set of call letters in the ID. Its annual visit, I guess. (PT-WA)
 - KSUE CA, Susanville good ID 11/24 2300 "Serving the community for 50 years." (PT-WA)
 - KQEN OR, Roseburg took its turn atop the heap 11/26 2200 with pre-news ID. (PT-WA)

- 1260 KGIL CA, Beverly Hills 11/8 1522 noted with spot for K-Traffic 1650 kHz. ID and song "Memories" by Elvis at 1524.
- (MS-CA)

 1290 *KAZA* CA, Gilroy 11/23 0636 running loud, 'humming' open carrier, distorting KKDD-1290 underneath them. (RW-CA)
 - KUMA OR, Pendleton 11/19 2244 "K-U-M-A" ID followed by song by the Carpenters. (AB-CA)
- 1340 KVOY CA, Mojave 11/8 1500 coming out of spot for Lucky & Savon.

 ID "KVOY is KAVC Mojave." KAVC jingle, into religious
- program from Community Church in Palmdale. I don't think I can count this as a call change yet, as they are still KVOY. (MS-CA)
- 1400 KSRR UT, Provo 11/4 0435 good with message from Ad Council, jingle "KSRR K-Star," song "Tracks of my Tears." KFSO QRM.
- (MS-CA)

 1420 KMOG AZ, Payson 11/23 0634 strong over XEXX with KVVN-1430 off.

 ID as "AM 1420, KMOG." This station gets out very well.

 Long unneeded. (RW-CA)
 - ?KRSR? OR, Coos Bay 11/23 0930 tentative over KITI with strange alternative rock-type music, didn't sound like KUJ, XEXX subdues, KSTN nulled, strange 'whistle' like a het...
- Looped N-S. (RW-CA)

 1430 (KVVN) CA, Santa Clara 11/23 0627-1000+ totally off, KFIG/KLO fighting it out mainly, KYKN came in later in morning. Still off at 1000 recheck but back on Monday night
- re-check. (RW-CA)

 1460 KMWX WA, Yakima 11/23 0630 strong way over KCKX with ID, "Chain Gang" song, good conditions to NW this morning! (RW-CA)
- 1490 ?KRTK? ID, Chubbock 11/23 0515 tentative again loud on top thru KSJX-1500 splash looping ENE with David Essel motivational health program, phone 1-800-743-8000. Went on Internet and checked their website, says they are on WWI network, went to WWI website, you need a password to see their affiliates! Tried calling KRTK but number is disconnected (old number). Can any Idaho DX'ers help me on this one?
- (RW-CA)

 1550 KUAT AZ, Tucson 11/25 1332 playing jazz. This is the Arizona U.

 station. It carries NPR. (RD-AZ)
 - KCCF WA, Ferndale believed to be the one here with heavy religious-oriented chorale music 11/1 0000 (not discernable ID), atop KVAN and KYCY. Station says they changed calls & format about "a month ago." Very rare here. (PT-WA)
- 1580 KGAL OR, Lebanon noted 11/23 0006 with repeated "CBS Radio Network Channel 45" and tone. Cops! (PT-WA)
 - CBJ PQ, Chicoutimi amazingly strong atop KGAL & KCWW at 2300 11/22 with "Radio Canada" and call ID in French. This one will soon move to FM, and is the only PQ I hear with any regularity. (LG-MT)
- 1610 WNST614 CA, Newark 11/23 0620 noted good thru Radio Saratoga TIS
 (off for unknown reason) open carrier. "Radio Newark"
 ID's, mentions of Alameda County, call ID WNST-614. Heard
 before but not for a long time! (RW-CA)
- 1620 WJVA IN, South Bend 11/24 fair with KYIZ off with Adult Standards format and "Radio Hollywood" ID's. At 0259:50 heard "WHLY AM & WJVA South Bend" into net news. (PM-OR)
 - (KYIZ) WA, Renton off at 0800 11/24, leaving frequency blank. Noted back on at 0900. (LG)
- 1630 KKWY WY, Cheyenne and KCJJ Iowa City, IA under/over each other fighting it out. 2343 KCJJ playing the Go-Go Girls "We've Got the Beat" and KKWY playing the Fifth Dimension "Last

- Night I Couldn't Get to Sleep at All." KCJJ gave ID at end of Go-Go Girls 2345. This combination of music was almost enough to overload my brain. (RD-AZ)
- 1640 KDIA CA, Vallejo 11/21 2342 playing Black 50's music "I'm So Proud." (RD-AZ)
- 1650 KKTR CA, Costa Mesa 11/21 with Los Angeles traffic reports ad nauseam and weather at 2341 with a number to report wrecks on the "Trooper Line 1-800-CAR-3693." (RD-AZ)
- 1660 KXOL UT, Brigham City 11/8 0000 loud with slow fading. Legal ID

 "KXOL Brigham-Logan-Ogden-Layton-Salt Lake City." Oldies
 by Neil Sedaka, Everly Brothers, Paul Anka, etc. Jingles
 sounded like P.A.M.S. re-records. (MS-CA)

 +11/21 blasting in as usual with, believe it or not, a song
 by Walter Brennan, "Old Rivers." Believe me, he couldn't
 sing. ID at 2339. (RD-AZ)
- 1670 WNML GA, Warner-Robins 11/21 2336 talking about game between Miss. State and Arkansas and last second field goal that allowed MSU to win. (RD-AZ)
- 1690 KAYK CO, Arvada 11/21 2335 playing "Stand by Me" sung by Timon of the Lion King to Pumbaa. (RD-AZ)
- 1700 KBGG IA, Des Moines 11/21 with business news 2331-2334 into a 10 second fade. Talking about Nashville, TN and monetary donations to not-for-profits. (RD-AZ)

LOCAL NEWS

- 1110 KRCX CA, Roseville called KRCX this AM. They have been sold. I was told new owner will take over in February and that they will put a station on 1690 as soon as possible (6 months to a year?). (GJ-CA)
- 1510 KKHI CA, San Rafael per 11/26 San Francisco Chronicle, this station (plus their sister FM) will drop their classical music format at 2000 on 12/5 and replace it with adult standards of 50's, 60's and 70's. They also plan to change their calls to KJOI "The Joy of San Francisco." (BP-CA)

DX TESTS

- 730 *KLOE* KS, Goodland 11/16 0500-0700 fair to good during test.

 Several periods of Morse code ID's. QRM from XEX and
 KCBS-740. New for me. Thanks to NRC CPC. (MS-CA)
- 1400 (KLCK) WA, Goldendale 11/9 0300-0400 DX test tried for, but not heard. (MS-CA)
- 1490 (KQTY) TX, Borger 11/23 0555 DX test tried for top of hour code ID, but not heard (though clear in that direction). Heard other stuff instead! (RW-CA)

HELP WITH UNIDS

540 Curtis McMenamin's unID talk station at 1355 10/5 may have been KNAK-UT, frequently heard here. (LG-MT)k

The holidays are here. I hope you are all finding time to DX!

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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RIDING GAIN

[LH-LA] Lynn Hollerman, Lafayette, LA gmhollerman@mindspring.com YB-400 with internal antenna.

[JJR-WI] John J. Rieger, South Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Drake SW2 with Palomar loop and amp, Drake SW8, FRG 100 with Kiwa Loop and MFJ 959B pre-amp, DSP-599zx Audio Noise Reduction Filter. And sometimes my 1972 DX machine, Panasonic RF-1150.

[JRT-MO] John R. Tudenham, Joplin, Missouri. w0jrp@juno.com [JcJ+NJ-MT] Your editor and wife Nancy on I-90 between Billings, MT and Sheridan, WY DX'ing with the 1998 Mustang car radio.

[JcJ-MT] Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A, "Radio West" Loop.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 550 KBOW MT, Butte. 11-21 good, no sign of KFYR. 1824 with call ID after PSA. [JcJ+NJ-MT]
- 700 KWLW UT, North Salt Lake. 11-28 poor to good mixed with noise.

 0955 out of spot cluster with "KODJ Salt Lake City, KWLW
 North Salt Lake" ID into rock oldies. Many "Oldies 94.1"
 slogans. Needed for call change. EX-KFAM. [JcJ-MT]
- 1050 KLOH MN, Pipestone. 11-21 good. 1844 with call ID into country music. [JcJ+NJ-MT]
- 1060 WLNO LA, New Orleans. 11-22 fair o/Mexican. KYW totally off. 0045 with "AM 10-60 The Light" slogan and religious promo.
 [JJR-WI]
- 1210 KLDI WY, Laramie. 11-22 fair and loud (S-9) through WPHT. 0106 with "KLDI.. great oldies. Cool 12-10." [JJR-WI]
- 1640 KKJY OR, Lake Oswelo. 11-26 o/KDIA. 1901 ID into religious program. [NJ-MT]
- 1650 KDNZ IA, Cedar Falls. 11-21 good. 0200 with TC and "News radio for the metro" slogan into ABC News. NEW!! [JJR-WI]
- +11-21 fair to good signal. 2200 with "KCNZ your information station, Cedar Falls, Waterloo. [TRT-MO]
- +11-22 with some interference, but fair signal. 2155-2200 with music then suddenly off at 2158. 2159 with spots for AT&T, Fairfield Inn, then ID "KDNZ Cedar Falls, Waterloo" into news. Interference completely wiped out signal by 2202. [LH-LA]
- 1670 WTDY WI, Madison. 11-21 with good signal. 1800 with "WTDY Madison" ID. [JcJ+NJ-MT]
- +11-26. 1859 with spot, 1900 ID into ABC News. [NJ-MT] 1700 KBGG IA, Des Moines. 11-21 good signal. 1815 with news
- programming. [JcJ+NJ-MT]
 +11-26 all alone, loud and clear. 1903-1905 with SRN News.
 1905 "The Big 17- hundred, KBGG" mentioned in contest
 promo. Local spots. 1907 with "Consumer Hotline" on
 Business News Network. [NJ-MT]

UnIDS

1340 unID 11-27 briefly up through mess. 2100 with "This is the Catholic Radio Network." Heard on the 1995 Mustang radio. [NJ-MT]

1650 unID 11-21 with very strong TT and tone sweeps. No ID's.
 Completely dominates 1650 when on. Might be KBJD Denver, CO
 testing? Also heard 11-22 when back in Billings. [JcJ+NJ-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

December 8, 1973 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Mike Plumb of Papillion, NE said he was 18 and had DX'ed since 1971 ... Karl Forth of Villa Park, IL said his totals were 1023 heard, 539 verified. 45 states with 44 verified ... Richard Eckman of Philadelphia, PA said he was 15 and said his best catch so far was OETF-Lille 1376 ... John Zondlo of Muncie, IN logged 2 new states, KUUU for WA and KKIM for NM.

OPEN MIKE

Business is like riding a bicycle--either you keep moving or you fall down. Christmas is less than 2 weeks away! Have you made out your list for Santa yet? 73, John.

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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STARS OF THE WEEK

(LF-FL) your editor

Drake R-8A / HQ180A, Potomic FIM-41

KIWA Loop, 75' 1.w. N/S

(RCE-AL) Rick Evans

DX'ing in Dale County, near Ozark, AL

LOGGINGS

- 550 WAYR FL Orange Park. 11/26 1750-1800 fair with religion. (rce)
- 570 WVMI MS Biloxi. 11/26 2045-2100, fair-strong with Univ. of Miss/Mississippi State football. (rce)
- 610 KILT TX Houston, 11/25, 2310-2400, Texas Longhorn Sports Network, fading in and out. (rce)
- 630 WBMQ GA Savannah, 11/26 0000-0005, CBS news, strong (rce)
- 680 WJCE TN Memphis. 11/26 0020-0025, soul music, poor mixing with WCNN in Atlanta. (rce)
- 710 WUFF GA Eastman. 11/28 0950-1000. Fair to poor w/C&@. No sign of semi-local WGZS-700.
- 720 WRZN FL Hernando. 11/28 2140-2300+, big band/swing music, no ID heard at 2200, ABC Nx, followed by The Dance Party (Sarah Vaughn, Artie Shaw, Doris Day, Les Brown and his band of renown). Good in WGN null, some fading, no ID heard at 2300 either. (rce)
- 810 WNSI AL Jacksonville. 11/26 1120-1132, Paul Gonzalez talk show on aging, strong. (rce)
- 950 WNZZ AL Montgomery. 11/26 1139, nostalgia "Montgomery's Memory Station", strong with very slight QRM. (rce)
- 1090 WNVY FL Cantonment. 11/26 1142-1144. weak to slightly moderate with Brother Harley religious pgm (rce)
- 1210 WQLS AL Ozark. 11/26 1148-1153, weak (at 13 miles). many spots for

- places in Dothan, soft rock, simulcasting FM 103.9. Heard later after dark as well. (rce)
- 1550 WWWN GA Vienna. 11/27 21w45-2205+, fair to very poor with Dooly County football. Bulldogs vs. Wildcats. (rce)
- 1560 WPAD KY Paducah, 11/25 2045-2050. "The station with the original hits", good to strong at times. (rce)
- 1570 WFRL IL Freeport. 11/27 2118-2122 with sports wrapup. Fair/poor, plenty of local spots about 2120. (rce)
- 1620 WPHG AL Atmore. 11/25 2055-2104. Preaching, followed by USA
 Network news, poor to start, then stronger, lots of QRN.
 (rce)
- 1630 KCJJ IA Iowa City. 11/25 2108-2111 (ex-KCJK), adult contemporary music, strong and clear with QRN (rce)
- 1640 WKSH WI Sussex. 11/26 2150-2200, fair with David Wilkerson sermon. (rce)
- 1650 KDNZ IA Cedar Falls. 11/25 2125-2135. Tom Likey (sp?) Show. Local news and weather on half hour, fair w/QRN. (rce)
- 1660 WQSN MI Kalamazoo. 11/25 2135. Sports statistics. 2135, strong
- 1670 WNML GA Warner Robins. 11/25 2155-2200 with ESPN sports. Strong. (rce)
- 1690 WMBM MD Lexington Park. 11/25 2203-2207, ABC news, local PSA, Jim Bohanon show, strong for new state, #26 (rce)
- 1700 WCMQ FL Miami Springs, 11/25 2220-2300, strong with SS music and SS, mentions of towns in lower FL about 2256, ID in EE at 2300.

 (rce)

UN-IDEN:

1550 ????IN? 11/27 2145-2100. Very poor, fading in and out with Lafayette/Greenwood football game mixing at times with the high school football game on WWWN. As sumed to be Indiana because of the school names and the announcers having a northern accent. (I used to live in Indiana so I am used to the softer accent in central and southern Indiana.

(Rick-I checked the web site of the Lafayette/Indianapolis and New Castle, IN papers and could find no mention of Laff/Greenwood game. Basketball has already started in IN, but the FB playoffs were finishing up. Normally WMDH would do only New Castle games BUT could have been doing a playoff FB game. I would suspect WMDH as they get out better than any other station in IN with the exception being WOWO, and a few Indy stations. Their directional beams SE and SW of New Castle with DEEP nulls to the NORTH. You might give them a call at 317-529-2600. I don't think the area code has changed sine I left. (I used to be their PD/ENG/etc.-ed)

SPECIAL

2480 ???? MS Word is of ANOTHER "Harmonic" showing up here. I have heard some audio, but not enough for an ID yet.. Word is, that it is a MS station. Let me know if you can hear this one. (This would be a "2nd" harmonic from 1240 khz.)

THANKS to Rick for giving us a column this week. Been buzy here working on the new office, hopefully making some more room in the "shack".....

Let us here from you !!!.... 73's and all the best.......fresh

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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).

[Connelly*H-MA] = East Harwich, Cape Cod, MA (GC= 70.021 W / 41.713 N) (near junction of Routes 39 & 137: pitch pine forest 2 km from ocean)

[Connelly*Y-MA] = South Yarmouth, Cape Cod, MA (GC= 70.20 W / 41.65 N) (Windmill Beach: River St. at Willow St.)

Receiver: Drake R8A

Antenna system: cardioid array with BBL-1 broadband loop & APW-1 active whip; Superphaser-1 phasing unit

*** COMMENTS ***

The great auroral conditions noted in the second week of November have continued past the middle of the month, at least with receptions during the early part of each evening. Those seeking big signals from northern Europe may be disappointed, but sometimes the sacrifice is worth it because of the availability of enhanced Latin American DX.

*** TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ***

- 693 AZORES RDP, Santa Barbara, NOV 23 0019 woman in PP; poor to fair. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 765 SENEGAL Dakar, NOV 22 2206 African-FF talk and teletalk; to fair peak.
 - + NOV 22 2341 African music (stick banging, shrill vocals, drumming); LOUD, by far the strongest TA. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 765 SWITZERLAND RSR, Sottens, NOV 22 0349 "If You Leave Me Now" by Chicago; fair to good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, NOV 22 0401 woman in SS; slightly over music from Azores. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE1, Murcia et al., NOV 22 0402 woman with SS news and telephone interview; to good peak. [Connelly*H-MA]

*** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***

- 450 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC PPA, Puerto Plata, NOV 22 0255 "PPA" code beacon; fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 526 BAHAMAS ZLS, Stella Maris, NOV 22 0254 "ZLS" code beacon; very good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 530 TURKS & CAICOS R. Vision Cristiana, NOV 22 0254 local-like with SS preaching. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 535 GRENADA GBC, St. George's, NOV 22 2318 EE talk; poor, in

- R.V.C. slop. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 540 MEXICO XEWA, San Luis Potosi Monterrey, NOV 22 1109 romantic SS female vocal // XEW-900; over WQTM-FL.
 - SS female vocal // XEW-900; over WQTM-FL.
 + still a usable signal here on NOV 22 at 1140 UTC: man & woman in SS. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 550 CUBA R. Rebelde synchros, NOV 22 0253 // 1180 with SS coverage of Cuban sporting event; over/under YVKE/WLKW. [Connelly*H-MA]
- of Cuban sporting event; over/under TVKE/WEW. [Connerty 4-FK]
 550 VENEZUELA Mundial, YVKE, Caracas, NOV 22 0303 salsa music,
- then Mundial ID; atop Cuba and WLKW. [Connelly*H-MA]
 555 ST. KITTS & NEVIS ZIZ, Basseterre, NOV 22 0256 soca music;
- good carrier, light audio. [Connelly*H-MA]
 560 COLOMBIA HJPF, Maicao, NOV 23 0004 // 810 with "gooooal!"
 shout as Cali team scored; good with WGAN phased.
- [Connelly*Y-MA]
 570 CUBA R. Reloj, NOV 22 0257 R. Reloj program; over WMCA.
- [Connelly*H-MA]
 580 CUBA R. Rebelde, Mantua / Baracoa, NOV 22 0325 // 600 with SS sportstalk; over WKAQ, WTAG, others. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 580 PUERTO RICO WKAQ, San Juan, NOV 22 2317 SS talk about a governor, Puerto Rico, and the US; excellent. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 600 CUBA R. Rebelde, CMKV, Urbano Noris, NOV 22 0300 Cuban
- sporting event (// 1180); over growl. [Connelly*H-MA]
 607.85 CUBA R. Rebelde outlet, unknown city, NOV 22 0305 Cuban
 drifter here with SS talk; poor. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 620 ANTIGUA (t) ABS, St. John's, NOV 22 2315 most likely this with Carib-EE talk, soul vocal; initially dominant, then it sank into a total jumble with Cuba, Colombia, and other SS Latin Americans. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 620 CUBA R. Rebelde, Colon / Moa, NOV 22 0306 SS sports coverage // 1180; over NJ/ME/VT domestics. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 630 PUERTO RICO WSKN, San Juan, NOV 22 0309 Puerto Rico and US mentions; over WPRO. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 640 CUBA R. Progreso, Guanabacoa / Las Tunas, NOV 22 0321 R. Progreso ID, SS talk (// 890); over others. [Connelly*H-MA] + NOV 22 2311 // 890 with SS talk, folk vocal; good.
 - + NOV 22 2311 // 890 with SS talk, folk vocal; good. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 650 unID NOV 23 0011 R. Nueva Veinte Estereo (?) ID; over presumed Colombia. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 660 CUBA R. Progreso, CMHG, Santa Clara, NOV 22 1041 running the Reloj service at this time; over/under WFAN. The 640 and 890 Progreso outlets were also noted with R. Reloj. [Connelly*H-MA]
- Progreso outlets were also noted with R. Reloj. [Connelly*H-MA 670 VENEZUELA R. Rumbos, YVLL, Caracas, NOV 22 2210 fast talk, Rumbos mention; to fair peak. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 680 PUERTO RICO WAPA, San Juan, NOV 22 2308 man and woman in SS with Puerto Rico news and sports; atop WRKO ! [Connelly*Y-MA]
 - 690 COLOMBIA HJCZ, Bogota, NOV 22 2310 R. Recuerdos ID popped up out of a stew of Latin Americans. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 - 705 ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES Kingstown, NOV 23 0020 EE preacher; good. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 720 VENEZUELA R. Oriente, YVQE, Porlamar, NOV 22 2305 Oriente slogan, "venezolana" and local event mentions by woman in SS; well over CHTN groundwave. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- music; good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 750 VENEZUELA RCR, YVKS, Caracas, NOV 22 2255 SS sportstalk mentioning Caracas and Copa Mundial; good. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 760 COLOMBIA RCN, HJAJ, Barranquilla, NOV 22 1049 SS talk about things going on in Cali, Santa Marta, and Cartagena; very good. [Connelly*H-MA]
 - + NOV 22 2304 // 770 with RCN ID, SS sportstalk. [Connelly*Y-MA]

- 770 COLOMBIA RCN, HJJX, Bogota, NOV 22 2304 // 760 with RCN ID, SS talk about Cali versus Cartagena 'futbol' match; totally over WABC ! [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 780 VENEZUELA R. Coro, YVMN, Coro, NOV 22 2249 SS talk by man & woman, Coro mentions, then old-fashioned SS vocal.

 [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 790 CUBA R. Reloj, Pinar del Rio, NOV 22 2354 Reloj station mixed with WSKO-RI. Barbados-789.8 growl under. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES Trans-World Radio, PJB, Bonaire, NOV 22 2244 - EE sermon, mention of the Pacific Garden Missions program; alone on channel.
 - + NOV 22 2303 PP talk; huge. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- BIO BAHAMAS ZNS3, Freeport, NOV 22 1100 anthem that sounded a bit like a variation on the Canadian one, then Caribbean-EE announcer said "This is the Bahamas Radio Network ... Now it's time for the Amazing Grace broadcast.", into gospel vocal followed by preaching; excellent with loop pointed south. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 810 COLOMBIA R. Net, HJCY, Bogota, NOV 22 2302 R. Net ID, mentions of "deportiva" and the Cali team; atop WKVM/WGY. [Connelly*Y-MA] 810 PUERTO RICO WKVM, San Juan, NOV 23 0000 SS religious program,
- 810 PUERTO RICO WKVM, San Juan, NOV 23 0000 85 religious program, man mentioned "para Puerto Rico"; over HJCY for a little while.

 [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 860 unID's NOV 22 2239 stew of Latin Americans included one with sportstalk mentioning Barquisimeto (maybe YVOL), possible Dominican Republic, and the Cuban Reloj station. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 870 unID NOV 23 0018 maybe Puerto Rico here with "ocho siete" slogan, folkish SS vocal music. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 880 VENEZUELA Mundial, YVYM, Puerto Ordaz, NOV 22 2357 high speed dance music, Mundial ID; way over WCBS. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 890 CUBA R. Progreso, CMDZ, Santiago de Cuba, NOV 22 0320 "R. Progreso" and "Onda de la Alegria" slogans; loud, over WBPS. [Connelly*H-MA]
 - + NOV 22 2311 // 640 with SS talk, then folk vocal; local-like, completely dominant. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- completely dominant. [Connelly*Y-MA]

 895 ST. KITTS & NEVIS VON, Bath Village, NOV 22 2347 bits of
 music; slopped by YVMD-900. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 900 MEXICO XEW, Mexico City, NOV 22 1109 // XEWA-540 with female SS vocal; over Cuba and Canadians. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 900 VENEZUELA R. Mara Ritmo 900, YVMD, Maracaibo, NOV 22 2234 woman said "aqui en Maracaibo"; dominant over a deep pile-up.
- [Connelly*Y-MA]
 910 VENEZUELA RQ-910, YVRQ, Caracas, NOV 22 2233 many Caracas
 mentions; dominant. Another Latin American was under; it had
 military-style music. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 940 COLOMBIA RCN, HJGB, Cali, NOV 22 2346 // 760 & 770 with reverberated SS sportstalk; mixed with likely YVNN.
- [Connelly*Y-MA]
 960 COLOMBIA CARACOL, HJOP, Magangue, NOV 22 2344 CARACOL mention
- and sports promo.; in mess. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1000 COLOMBIA RCN, HJAQ, Cartagena, NOV 22 2343 // 770 with SS
- newstalk; slightly over jumble. [Connelly*Y-MA]

 1020 VENEZUELA R. Margarita, YVRS, La Asuncion, NOV 22 2231 SS news about Nueva Esparta; loud. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1039.6 unID NOV 22 2339 SS vocal in and out of the slop. I think this is Barranquilla, but in over a year of noting this, I haven't seen any DXer definitively ID this. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1040 PUERTO RICO WZNA, Moca, NOV 22 2338 Puerto Rico local SS adverts; dominant, well over other LA's and WJHR-NJ. Hetted at times by possible Colombian on 1039.6. [Connelly*Y-MA]

- 1060 CUBA CMDX, Baracoa, NOV 22 2230 "Guantanamera" instrumental, SS talk mentioning Cuba, then lively tropical music.

 [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1090 VENEZUELA Union R., YVSZ, Caracas, NOV 22 2225 SS news about the president of Venezuela; no trace of WBAL. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1110 VENEZUELA YVQT, Carupano, NOV 22 2222 "en Carupano" mention, then festive music; over several others. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1140 VENEZUELA La Voz del Caribe, Porlamar, NOV 22 2334 ID
 "Porlamar ... La Voz del Caribe !", brassy dance music; loud.
 Second SS station under was probably Puerto Rico.
 [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1160 BERMUDA VSB3, Hamilton, NOV 22 2216 // 5975 with BBC EE talk about Islamic groups in Bangladesh; fair through the domestic jumble.
 - + NOV 22 2325 operatic performance with Victoria de Los Angeles; then EE talk by woman; local-like. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1180 CUBA R. Rebelde, NOV 22 0300 // 600 with SS sports; over WHAM. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1190 PUERTO RICO WBMJ, San Juan, NOV 22 2332 EE religious program (as noted here on other occasions); good. An SS station mixing in was probably HJCT. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1280 BERMUDA VSB2, Hamilton, NOV 22 2324 religious talk, soft instrumental music; good, well over WADO. 1160 was huge at the time. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1410.5 unID NOV 22 0409 AC-modulated carrier. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1610 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, NOV 22 2321 EE talk (black Baptist church service); to good peak. TIS stations were just a low growl in the background. [Connelly*Y-MA]

Summary of DX from Rockport, MA outing on 2-3 DEC 1998 (UTC). Full-detail logs, with some subsequent additional receptions, will be issued later.

The weather was fair with a full moon through some high haze over the ocean. The temperature was relatively mild by December standards (about 5 C / 41 F). Still, severe winter weather could be upon us at any time, so this will be the last of the after-work midweek car DXpeditions until March except, perhaps, for some brief equipment-testing runs to freshwater marshes near home (Concord River in Carlisle-Bedford, Shawsheen River in Billerica). I'll still do a bit of mobile "real DX" from coastal sites in conjunction with weekend trips to my mother's house on Cape Cod (generally twice per month, weather permitting).

Receiver: Drake R8A

Antennas: cardioid array using BBL-1 Broadband Active Loop and APW-1 Active Whip on roof of car

Accessories: prototype DXP-1A "DXpedition phasing unit"

Site: Granite Pier (GC= 70.622 W / 42.667 N) In my opinion, this is still the best general purpose DXing site in the metro-Boston area.

2 DEC / 2329-2359 UTC: Algeria-549, Spain-684, Spain-657, Spain-603, Canaries//Spain-621, Spain-648, Spain-639, Western Sahara-711.04, Spain-729, Spain-738, Canaries//Spain-747, Spain-756, Senegal-765, Spain-774 o/AA station, Spain-792, Canaries-837, Canaries-882, Italy-846, Spain-855

3 DEC / 0000-0059 UTC: Algeria-891, St.Kitts-Nevis-895, unID-945, Spain-954, Algeria(t)-981, Spain-873, Spain-1044, UK-1089, Spain-1098, Spain-1107, Spain-1116, Spain o/u Croatia-1134, Spain-1143, Spain-1152, Canaries//Spain-1179, Azores-837, Spain-1215, Spain-1224, Spain-1287, Azores-693, Spain-585, Grenada-535, Canaries//Spain-576, Spain-1296, Spain-1305

3 DEC / 0100-0159 UTC: Vatican-1530, Kuwait-1548, unID-1560.4 (weak het on WQEW), unID-1583.6 het, Spain-1584, Spain-1575, Spain-1602 and another on off-channel 1601.9, Anguilla-1505, AFN Azores-1503, Venezuela-1500, Venezuela-1470, unID-1429.13 (weak het on WXKS/WNJR), Venezuela-1420, CIGO Canada still on 1410.5 (blasting WPOP with a rough het having some AC ripple), Spain-1413, St. Pierre-1375.02, Norway-1314 o/ Spain, Azores-1259 hetting WPZE/CIHI, Libya-1251 strong (with something weak on 1250.75 causing a background het)

3 DEC / 0200-0309 UTC: Venezuela-1140, Colombia-1130, Colombia-760, Portugal-963, Portugal-594, Venezuela-940, Spain-918, Spain-864, Neth. Antilles-800, unID SS-731.2 (this was previously drifting in the 733-735 range), St. Vincent-705, Puerto Rico-630, UK-1053, Spain-1197, Spain-1071, Spain-1125, PCH Netherlands-1619.5, Anguilla-1610, unID-1631.03 hum-modulated carrier pretty much tearing up 1630, Colombia-1000, Venezuela-750

A FEW WEB SITES TO CHECK:

Newfoundland DXpedition #7 (October 1998): "http://home.inforamp.net/~funk/nfx.html"

DXpeditions #1 [1991] to #6 [1997] may also be found on this site.

The VERY first Newfoundland DXpedition (December 1901): "http://www.alpcom.it/hamradio/atlantic.html "

DX WORLDWIDE - WEST

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Hello everyone. It has been a rather poor season here for me. By the number of reports coming in alot of others also haven't heard a whole lot either. We do have some LA DX to report and some other TP and QSLs, so away we go.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 690 MEXICO, Fresnillo XEMA 0418 to 0447 11/10. Hrd nulling XETRA.

 These guys were playing "musica se amor", good and soothing mx.

 Gave ID about every 15 minutes. (RD-AZ)
- 892.5 UNID at 0138 11/7. SS lang station fair to good w/easy listening tunes, most. inst. hosted by man. Listened at 0208 w/no ads and host spoke only twice, neither of which sounded like an ID, no call letters. Had to leave by 0208, no trace the following night. (NB-AB)
- 970 MEXICO, UNID w/slogan that seemed "Radio Zeta" at 0359. Gave address and phone number, but much QRM to copy. Maybe XEEZ.

(LG-MT)

- 1090 MEXICO, Rosarito, XEPRS at 1248 11/10 w/ads for places in LA & Mexicali, SS music, one sharp fade lastinf 5 sec every 5 min. (RD-AZ)
- 1390 MEXICO, Tecate XEKT 11/15 0335. Good o/KLTX in KVIN null w/ID as "En Tecate, este es la trece-novente, equiswh-kah-teh" (In Tecate, this is the 1390, XEKT), faded u/KLTX. Finally nabbed a clear ID on this. New. (RW-CA)
- 1600 MEXICO. Tecate?? XETCT, 11/21 2030-2130 station is using new slogan "K-doble-T, La Trenenda" about every couple of songs. Not sure if licensed calls are still XETCT. Gets out very well, seemed to have increased power. (TRH-CA1)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

1620 UNID, mixing w/KYIZ at 1300 11/7. There were at least 8 or 9 pips on the hour. But these might have come from KYIZ? (LG-MT) (I hrd that WPHG has been running some stuff that sounded like pips. Nothing noted here. PM)

VERIFICATIONS

- 620 AK, HOMER-KGTL sent fantastic full color card in 16d for taped report. Already had this QSL'd from 1984, but hrd they had a QSL card. It is an view of the Homer arera. V/S: David F. Becker-GM & owner. Address: P.O. Box 109-Homer AK 99603 (PM-OR)
- 1089 ENGLAND, Talk Radio. QSL cd in 240 d for mint stamps. (NP-AB)
- 1341 P.R. CHINA, China Radio International sent cd in 27d fot taped report on the EE service. V/S: Ying Lian. Address: China Radio International, Beijing, P.R. China 100866. (FM-OR)
- 1539 AUSTRALIA, Adelaide, 5TAB sent Red & white QSL cd in 44 d. V/S: Elio Tedesco-CE. (NP-AB)

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R. C. Watts, 4109 Graf Drive, Louisville, Kentucky 40220-3016 A special report from Calvary Evangelistic Mission says that Hurricane Georges put WIVV-1370 off the air for 3 1/2 days. Tower needs repair or maybe replacement. Sister station WBMJ-1190 had intermittent cut-outs and lost 28 hours air time due to generator problems. Lots of other facility damage at both stations. The report says (in PR) 28 radio stations and 4 TV stations had towers down! New station here is SHE-93.1. Can HE be far behind? Radio Yesteryear, Box C, Sandy Hook, CT 06482-0847 has CD or cassette of the KDKA 50th anniversary program, 'The Little Box That Talked', of Nov. 2, 1970. One hour CD \$12.95 or \$4.98 cassette plus \$4 postage and handling per order. Very little DXing here except no joy on the tests and checks of the X-band a couple times per week. Have trouble staying awake these long evenings. Thanksgiving tomorrow so I hope you all had a good one. And to all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Col. DX.

Rick Evans, 237 Laurel Meadows Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169-2312 I made it down to Alabama all right, but I sure didn't want to come back so quick after the DX sessions I had there. Some QRN but nowhere near what I have been having here, even though the temps there were in the 80s. When I plugged in the Hammarlund and the Quantum Loop there on 11/25, I had heard a total of 163 stations. When I turned it off for the last time Saturday night, I had 201 heard, including one new country (Bahamas) plus two new states (Maryland and Wisconsin). I had never heard any X-banders from any location before. I now have 9 heard down there. This was either the 5th or 6th time I have taken the HQ-100 down there with a loop (either the air-core or the Quantum) but I didn't have results like this. A report went out to Lee last night for the EDXR column so it should be in either this week or next. An example of what it was like Friday night were two high school football games at one time on 1550. One turned out to WWWN-1550 Vienna, GA and I suspect strongly that the other one was WCVL-1550 in Crawfordsville, IN, but I wasn't able to pull an ID on it. That game was between Lafayette and Greenwood. Most of the unIDs I had were SS and I have been in the habit of ignoring them for the most part since I don't have any reference material there for the Latin American and Caribbean stations and I don't speak SS anyway. Unless something happens on the job front, we should be back down there for the Christmas holiday and the radio will go back with me. Don't forget, we do skip one week at that time with the bulletins. 73.

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[11/28] Greetings! Did anyone notice unusual DX conditions during the meteor storm 11/17? They were very poor here, but I think it was due to the snowstorm in the area. In late October I finally logged my 1,000th AM station from Missoula, but since then I've decided to eliminate call changes from my total. When one of my single women friends gets married and changes her name, I don't count her again as a new one. I was surprised to find I'd logged 108 call changes since 1991 so I'm again poised to hear my 900th station. I hope everyone has a DX-filled Christmas, and I'll make this my "official greeting", as I'm not sending cards this year. 73 from Missoula.

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First, a Happy Holiday thank you to all who keep IRCA moving, like Larry Godwin, who stepped forward to host the convention; multitasked Phil Bytheway (I have to ask where you put all the stuff you bought at the convention! - cleaverly stacked - pb); and Ralph, Nancy, John, Mark, Reid, Steve, Patrick and the other editors who make the bulletin a "must read" each week. Also a special thanks to Pat Martin, certainly a consummate DXer, whose tips have been great and whose ears have helped me ID many of the stations on tapes I have sent him, and Nick Hall-Patch, Tech Guide editor (I can actually understand some of it Nick, and my 17 year old son has translated much of the rest). And also, thanks to Mike Sanburn, the T-shirt king, whose slide show was a great addition to the convention. Secondly, after two years here, I can say that domestically, Tacoma has been a very interesting place from which to DX. In SF, reception was pretty consistent (few surprises), but here, it's different almost every night. For instance, two nights ago, there were only two stations on 1240, KNRY and KGY, equal strength at different loop directions -amazing! The X-banders have certainly helped, as have my faithful Palomar and brand new Kiwa loop (I can now hear stations under KVI and KJR). It's a fascinating hobby and I am grateful for the work so many people do to keep the rest of us informed and motivated.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah and here's to a splitting earful of splendid DX in 1999! Adios & Aloha, Pete

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