

WIMA Director of Engineering Mark Gierhart for agreeing to conduct this test, and to Fred Vobbe for his help in putting the test program together.

KKMO 1360 kHz Tacoma, Washington DX Test

Date: Sunday morning (late Saturday night), Jan. 13, 2008. Time: 12 - 12:15 a.m. Pacific Time, 0800 - 0815 UTC. 5,000 watts using non-directional antenna pattern. From 12:00-12:10 a.m. PST, programming will consist of college football marching songs. No Morse code or sweep tones are scheduled at this time, but if this changes we will notify listeners ASAP. Reception reports may be sent to KKKM Radio, Attn: Mr. Monte Passmore, CE, 2201 6th Ave., Suite 1500, Seattle, WA 98121. E-mail reception reports may also be submitted to montep@kgnw.com. No eQSL service is being offered for this test. Recordings on disk in .mp3 or .wav format will be accepted as proof of reception. NOTE: All requests for verifications must be accompanied by return postage in order to receive a reply. Many thanks to KKKM Chief Engineer Monte Passmore for agreeing to conduct this test.

Jim Pogue - KH2AR@comcast.net, www.dxtests.info, IRCA/NRC Joint BTC Coordinator

SDXM only this time... have a nice article about "Ultralight Radio Shootout" which should make it in the printed issue next week. (space permitting of course) - pb

Notes from IRCA's President – Doug Pifer

DX Monitor editorships of "Hearing It Through the Grapevine", "Website Wanderings" and "IRCA Sports Editor" are open. Please contact IRCA's President, Doug Pifer at: 7148 Marley Ln S, Salem OR 97306, or e-mail to dxer@desert4wd.com if you're interested.

HQ NOTES

Updated Shortwave Pacific Asian Log Online

The latest database and pdf editions of Bruce Portzer's shortwave Pacific Asian Log are now online at www.radioheritage.net. All the latest changes, new stations, new formats and much more. Thousands of SW radio stations covering the entire Asia Pacific region. Online search possibilities. Access remains complimentary 24/7 for worldwide users. This is the most comprehensive listing freely available anywhere online. Well over 23,000 data entries to make your listening easier. Some shortwave countries are close to becoming extinct, with only one entry each for places like Afghanistan, Antarctica, Bhutan, and Nepal. Others have only two or three entries. However, China has 865 current entries indicating that shortwave broadcasting remains very healthy in this growing Asian powerhouse.

Whilst at www.radioheritage.net, read our new articles and stories as well. Plenty of interest for everyone wanting to know all about radio across the region. The updated mediumwave database version is already online as well. The New Zealand @ A Glance AM database now contains 200+ stations and has also been updated. The New Zealand Low Power FM Radio Guide is updated daily.

BTC Podcast #6 is ready for listening. Here's the link to the latest edition. Thanks to host J.D. Stephens for this great program with info on our three-DX-Test weekend. http://www.dxtests.info/podcasts/BTC_Podcast_6.mp3

DX TESTS – BROADCAST TEST COORDINATOR

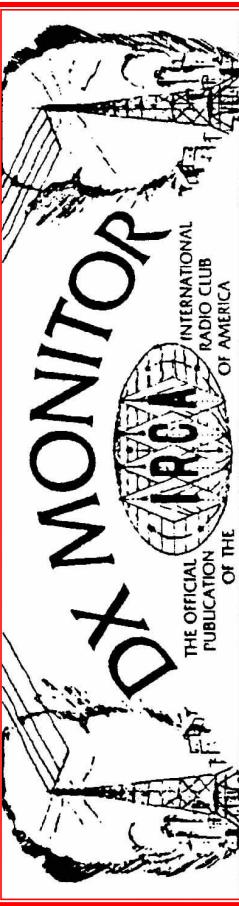
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WIMA 1150 kHz Lima, Ohio DX Test
Sat 1/ 5/08 0200-0230 1150 WIMA
Sun 1/13/08 0300-0315 1360 KKMO
Lima OH
Tacoma WA
(Gierhart/Vobbe)
(Passmore)

Date: Saturday morning (late Friday night), Jan. 5, 2008. Time: 2 - 2:30 a.m. Eastern Time, 0700 - 0730 UTC. 1,000 watts using non-directional antenna pattern. Programming will consist of special voice announcements by our own Fred Vobbe of NRC's DX Audio Service, music by the Ohio State Marching Band, Morse code and 1,000 Hz tones. Reception reports may be sent to WIMA Radio, Attn: Lima Engineering, 667 West Market St., Lima, OH 44801. E-mail reception reports may also be submitted to lmaengineering@clearchannel.com. No eQSL service is being offered for this test. Recordings on disk in .mp3 or .wav format will be accepted as proof of reception. More information is available at www.667westmarket.com/engineering/wima/test/dxtest.html. This great and historic station has long been DXer friendly, having previously tested in 1992 and 2005. NOTE: All requests for verifications must be accompanied by return postage in order to receive a reply. Many thanks to

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

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BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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CALL LETTER CHANGES

NEW CALL

820	new	Masonboro, NC
820	WAIT	Willow Springs, IL
850	WCPT	Crystal Lake, IL
920	KBNU	El Paso, TX
1230	WCDS	Glasgow, KY
1240	KSMX	Santa Maria, CA
1260	KOTF	San Francisco, CA
1290	KMM	Pratt, KS
1290	WQMC	Sumter, SC
1300	WTMM	Rensselaer, NY
1440	WCDS	Glasgow, KY
1450	new	Lancaster, NH
1490	WLRT	Hampton, VA
1590	KIXC	Hilo, HI

FORMAT CHANGES

OLD INFO

820	classic country	Tijuana, BCN
820	country	Lenoir City, TN
850	religious teaching	Willow Springs, IL
920	Spanish oldies	Largo, FL
1230	talk	Birmingham, AL
1240	silent	Greenville, RI
1260	silent	Galena, AK
1290	regional Mexican	Summerville, GA
1300	business news	Barnesboro, PA
1440	oldies	Spring City, TN
1450	regional Mexican	Dora, AL
1490	southern gospel	Alexander City, AL
1590	silent	Franklinton, LA

CITY

540	YESURF	Tijuana, BCN
730	WLIL	Lenoir City, TN
820	WAIT	Willow Springs, IL
820	WMGG	Largo, FL
850	WXIC	Birmingham, AL
900	WALE	Greenville, RI
910	KIYU	Galena, AK
950	WGTA	Summerville, GA
950	WNCC	Barnesboro, PA
970	WXQK	Spring City, TN
1010	WCOP	Dora, AL
1050	WRFS	Alexander City, AL
950	WNMN	Franklinton, LA
1130	KTMR	Edina, TX
1150	WJRD	Tuscaloosa, AL
1150	WXKO	Ft. Valley, GA
1230	WIKB	Iron River, MI
1230	WKTO	Corinth, MS
1230	WWKU	Glasgow, KY
1260	WSFB	San Francisco, CA
1270	WMLC	Monticello, MS
1270	WMPM	Smithfield, NC
1280	WDNT	Dayton, TN
1290	WCBL	Benton, KY
1300	WNQM	Nashville, TN
1300	WTMM	Rensselaer, NY
1340	KWLE	Anacortes, WA
1340	WBAC	Cleveland, TN
1370	KUPA	Pearl City, HI

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KGIL 1260 WAIT 820 KWNQ 1110 WOMN 1110 WFTU	Tijuana, CA Willow Springs/Chicago IL Rensselaer/Albany NY Franklinton LA Tuscaloosa AL	Tijuana, CA Willow Springs/Chicago IL Rensselaer/Albany NY Franklinton LA Tuscaloosa AL	540: XESURF 540 Tijuana/San Diego CA flipped on Tuesday 11/27 from "Zoo" country to talk, simulcasting KGIL 1260 Beverly Hills/Los Angeles CA. 820: WAIT 820 Willow Springs/Chicago IL flipped from Catholic religion to progressive talk on Sunday 11/25; the WCP-T calls will follow, as the format moves from 850 Crystal Lake IL. 820: WMGG 820 Largo/Tampa FL flips from Spanish oldies "Mega Clasica 820" to Spanish adult hits "La Preciosa." 1010: KCPW 1010 Tooele/Salt Lake City UT flips from NPR news/talk (still heard on sister station KCW-FM 98.3 Salt Lake City) to 24-hour-a-day BBC World Service programming. 1110: WOMN 1110 Franklinton LA returns to the air with country, simulcasting WUUU-FM 98.9 Franklinton LA. 1150: WJRD 1150 Tuscaloosa AL flips from talk to standards as "Timeless Classics 1150."	THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH, Progressive talk radio will return Monday to the Columbus airwaves. THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH, language content, will switch to a format featuring liberal talkers Bill Press, Stephan Miller and Ed Schultz -- barring last-minute engineering issues. The format is similar to what the former WTPG aired before switching to conservative talk under the call letters WYTS (1230 AM), said WVKO General Manager Gary Richards. The new WVKO lineup includes Press from 6 to 9 a.m., Miller from 9 to noon and Schutz from noon to 3 p.m. Plans for the rest of the day remain tentative, but probably will include AM talkers Bill Press, Stephan Miller and Ed Schultz -- although they're not at liberty as yet to say what will happen, he said. "We're going to do a lot of news and local sports, talk too. Our studios are a block from the Statehouse; I'm always surprised there isn't more political talk on the radio locally," WVKO-AM went off the air in May 2006 after the investment firm D.B. Zwin Special Opportunities Fund took possession in a bankruptcy auction. It returned to the air in July, broadcasting a Spanish format with sister station WVKO-FM 103.1 FM. WVKO-FM will keep that format. The AM station -- Spanish form in the black community for 40 years before its bankruptcy -- moves to a format that struggled in its

previous incarnation but was loved by its listeners. When WTPG dropped progressive talk in January, fans gathered more than 1,000 names on a petition to keep the programming in place, to no avail. Richards hopes those listeners tune in the new WVKO-AM.

"Especially with AM stations, you're kind of limited in what you can do," he said. "Music is a losing proposition on AM, and we had to find a niche, and we think there is one in political talk -- especially with something big" (the 2008 election) going on next year." tfran@dispatch.com (DP-HI)

Pat Martin sends along the following re CJCH-920's move to FM dated 11/30/07:

Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2007-410 Ottawa, 30 November 2007 CTV Limited, Halifax, Nova Scotia Application 2007-0198-9, received 6 February 2007, Public Hearing in Kelowna, British Columbia, 30 October 2007

CJCH Halifax - Conversion to FM band

The Commission approves an application by CTV Limited (CTV) for broadcasting licence to operate a new English-language FM radio programming undertaking in Halifax to replace its AM station CJCH, subject to CTV's sale of its voting interest in Metro Radio Group Inc., the licensee of CKUL-FM Halifax. CTV Limited (CTV) filed an application for a broadcasting licence to operate a new English-language commercial FM radio programming undertaking in Halifax, Nova Scotia to replace its AM station CJCH. The proposed FM station would operate at 101.3 MHz (channel 267C1) with an effective radiated power of 100,000 watts. (EDITED FOR LENGTH-YE ED). (PM-OR)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Dan Sys of Vancouver, BC dated 11/18/07:

<http://kelowna.castanet.net/editorial/news-story-35282-11-.htm#35282>

Will you miss CKOV-AM? by Castanet Staff - Story: 35282, Nov 17, 2007 2:36 pm

The Okanagan's longest-running AM radio signal went silent today. At 1 pm, the CKOV-AM transmitter was turned off permanently, after 76 years of service in the central Okanagan. For the past three months, programming on the 'new' B-103 legally CKOV-FM has been available at 103.1 on the FM dial, but federal regulations have also kept our AM transmitter in service. That time of simulcasting is now ending, and the 630 AM frequency will be turned back over to the CRTC. CKOV went on the air in 1931, and three generations of the Browne family kept the station alive and thriving before it ultimately was purchased by its current operators, the Jim Pattison Broadcast Group. (PM-OR)

Pat Martin also sends a list of recent CRTC changes from Dan Sys of Vancouver, BC for November, 2007. Unfortunately, I couldn't use the list in the column due to the format it was in, but thanks for sending along, Pat! (PM-OR)

Dave Gordon sends along the following dated 12/11/07:

AM 1260 (KOTIKSFB San Francisco CA-y ed) here is now Immaculate Heart Catholic radio. I read on a message board the change occurred at noon today. (Additional Email-y ed: They were still KOT on Saturday when I last heard them down here, assume they still are? (DG-CA)

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Tim Noonan, Oak Creek, WI (TN-WI)
Dale Park, Honolulu, HI (DP-HI)

DATE OF COLUMN: 12/16/07. Still looking for work now after 3 months, nothing solid at this time, hopefully things will pick up after the holidays. Merry Xmas and hope everyone has a good start to 2008. 73.s.

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GE Superstar 2, Select-A-Tenna

970 KBET NV Winchester 12/9 1159 with "KBET" ID. (BB-AZ)

940 CJGX SK Yorkton 12/8 0840-0855 good for several minutes at a stretch, no sign of KWVRU

(off air?), XEWV nulled out, a few other stations underneath them. CJGX dominant with Saskatchewan hockey scores, ID as both "GX '94" and "GX 9-40," several mentions of Yorkton, ad for Quizno's Subs of Yorkton, then started fading, gone by

0855. Verified from San Jose (heard twice there), but first time heard in S. California. 940 is a good frequency down here! (RW-CA)

970 KBUL MT Billings 12/8 1726 with "KBUL" ID. (BB-AZ)
1050 CJNB SK North Battleford 12/12 2014 C&W music, YL with CJNB and CJNS ID's. (AB-ID)
1270 KAUG CA Tulare 12/7 1955 with ads for Visalia and ID "KJUG 1270 and 106.7." (BB-AZ)
KFCL TX Thousand Palms 12/7 2159 with ID "KFUT Thousand Palms." (BB-AZ)

KFLC TX Fort Worth 12/7 2056 with "KFLC" ID. (BB-AZ)
KWSX CA Stockton 12/7 1951 with "KWSX" ID. (BB-AZ)
KCUB AZ Tucson 12/7 1747 with traffic and weather. (BB-AZ)
KOUU D Pocatello 12/7 1740 with "Country Cow." (BB-AZ)

KGYO MT Missoula 12/7 1734 with "KGVO" ID. (BB-AZ)
KOWB WY Laramie 12/8 1759 with ID KOWB. (BB-AZ)
KLIX ID Twin Falls 12/10 0908 with ID "310 KLIX." (BB-AZ)
KOVE WY Lander 12/7 0758 with sion. (BB-AZ)

KPGE AZ Page 12/7 0847 with "Lake Powell County." (BB-AZ)
KWRM CA Corona 12/14 0923 with "Radio Mexico Corona." (BB-AZ)
KXTL ML Butte 12/13 0853 with "You're listening to 1370 KXTL." (BB-AZ)

KZIZ WA Sumner is now on full time with the presumed 5000/900 DA-N (U-2) plus 3300-CH. It's been on at least a week and a half. There remains no sign of KVAN-1560

1560 KLV WA, Burkburnett, TX (PT-WA)
1590 KLV CA, San Jose 12/6 1937 with "KLIV Newsline 4:37." (BB-AZ)

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DOWN THE DIAL

580 WKTY WI, LaCrosse, 12-13 fair over WILL. 17:54 with live spot mentioning Holmen, WI into sports talk. [EB-MO]
790 WAYY WI, Eau Claire, 12-13 fair to poor in WKRD null, severe digital interference from WBBM-780. 17:45 noted with weather, local spots. [EB-MO]
880 WMEQ WI, Menomonie, 12-13 good to poor in WIJR null. 17:25 with local spots, weather, history note. [EB-MO]
1190 CFSL SK, Weyburn, 12-8, 23:05 with spots for Weyburn and an ID at the end of a hockey game. "Red Wing Radio AM 11-90." [NJ-MT]
KVSV KS, Beloit, 12-12 fair with KEK nulled. 20:00 with "KVSV AM 11-90 and FM 105.5" into ABC News. 20:06 with school closures, weather, another ID. [NJ-MT]
1210 CFYM SK, Kindersley, 12-8 very strong with others nulled. 23:01 with local spots, mention of "Classic Hits 12-10 CFYM" into Kindersley, Junior Clippers Hockey. [NJ-MT]
1400 KRLN CO, Canon City 12-13 fair through others. 22:00 with News radio "Canon City" ID. [NJ-MT]
1450 KBFI ID, Bonners Ferry, 12-11 surfaced above everyone. 20:30 with "14-50 KBFI." [NJ-MT]

unID 1190 unID 12-10 unID at 19:58 with "AM 11-90, a Golden West Radio Station" into religious song. I suspect this may be CFSL. [NJ-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

December 18, 1982 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **David Shapiro** of Griffin, GA filled us in on the local Griffin radio stations ... **Pat Martin** of Seaside, OR received a KABN t-shirt ... **Gene Martin** of Denver, CO was in Dallas for about two weeks and compared the Denver and Dallas radio markets ... **Bill Harms** of Provo, UT was preparing for graduation in two weeks.

OPEN MIKE

Pete Taylor of Tacoma, WA sent along a note about driving on US-64 toward Bowling Green KY last October 16th. While it's too old to use as a tip, we'll include mention of his hearing IDs for WHOP Hopkinsville and WCES Glasgow, KY both on 1230. WCES (ES for ESPN) is a new station that was listed as a CP with the call letters WWKU. This column was typed 12-15-07. 73, John

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Greetings everyone,
DX has slowed down a bit this week, but some stuff is still coming through. I found Radio Rossi II FE
Russia quite dominant a couple mornings this week.

TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

279 **RUSSIA**, Radio Rossi II, Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk Russian language amnits with mixed mx and nx.
Time pips at TOH with Russian ID "Radio Rossi" by F and M 0900-1100 12/15 S3-5 variable with very long fade in/out'. MP3 recorded signal at top of hour with ID (11-24) and sent to Nick. Thanks for the help in IDing this station. Also picked up two other stations on 153 and 180 kHz the last several weeks (1100-1300 UTC) ideas? (AH-NV)

(Art. two more Rossi stations 153 & 180. Try also 189 and 234 too. PM)
JAPAN, Tokyo JCAK fair 1503 12/14 man in JJ. (DV-WA)

648 **RUSSIA**, 1343 12/14 weak in Asian language (KK?) Fair at 1344. (DV-WA)

693 **JAPAN**, Tokyo JCAB 1420 12/14 weak with woman in JJ. (DV-WA)

810 **RUSSIA**, Radio Rossi fair and dominant over KGO at 1445 12/14. Man in RR. (PM-OR)
1071 **JAPAN**, Presume JQMW (hrd before) with JJ pops and man in JJ at 0915 12/15. (PM-OR)

QSLS

630 **ALASKA**, Nenana, KIAM, sent letter + pgm sked in one month, v/s Brian Blair, Station

Manager & PD (BP-WA)
S KOREA, Gwangju, HLCN (MBC), sent friendly letter in 1 month for EE rpt + CD sent to local address listed in WRTH. v/s Min Sooyung, TV PD. (BP-WA)

1170 **PHILIPPINES**, Poro VOA, sent QSL card & large glossy pgm sked in 41 days for CD report mailed to Washington DC. No v/s. (BP-WA)

1449 **JAPAN**, JOQM, sent unsigned full detail QSL card + pgm sked in one month for EE rpt + CD sent to HBC HQ in Sapporo, no v/s. (BP-WA)

SAO TOME, VOA sent QSL card with pic of Sao Tome x site in 49 days, no v/s but specific as to date/time/site/freq. QSL was sent in the same envelope as the one for 1170, even though the reports were sent a week apart. (BP-WA)

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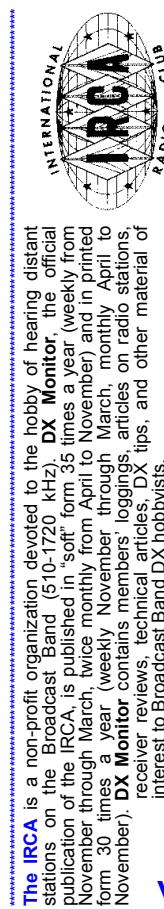
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You can join the contest at any time, so if you haven't joined already there is still plenty of time to do so. The contest rules can be found online at the IRCA website, and also in the August 4, 2007 issue of DXM. Send me a note if you have any questions. Please, report to the appropriate editor any special loggings you hear while DX'ing for the contest! The contest runs until May 31, 2008.

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