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**DX TEST**

Starting Tuesday, November 30th, 730 WLTQ (Charleston, SC) will start Program Testing on the new CP for 5000 Watts into a 88.1 Meter Tower in a Salt Water Tidal Marsh. It will start around 10 AM and last 7 Days. The programming will be EWTN Global Catholic Radio with local inserts. It will parallel 1300 WCKI (Greer, SC). Mediatrix Radio does verify correct reception reports!

Please send them to:

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Engineering Department  
PO Box 905  
Greer SC 29652-0905

or you may email them to [kraper@mediatrixsc.org](mailto:kraper@mediatrixsc.org)

.mp3 files of actual reception are welcome.

Remember, Mediatrix Radio will also verify reception of 810 WQIZ and 1300 WCKI as well.

On the World Wide Web, you can also access DX Test information at [www.dxtests.info](http://www.dxtests.info) any time.

**NEW MEMBER UPDATE**

The International Radio Club is proud to welcome back John Leonardelli of Maple, ON, Canada (SDXM). Report your DX as much as you can to your editors!

**FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF**

It's hard to believe that Christmas is just three weeks away! 2010 is going by so fast!

**IRCA Web Site**

The IRCA Web site is available 24 hours a day. Our Web site contains plenty of information on our club and this hobby. The IRCA Web site can be accessed at [www.ircaonline.org](http://www.ircaonline.org)

**2011 IRCA Convention – Colorado Springs, CO**

The convention will be held June 23-25, 2011 at the Airport Value Inn (<http://www.airportvalueinn.com>) located on the east side of Colorado Springs at 6875 Space Village Avenue, Colorado Springs 80915. IRCA has set aside a special block of rooms with a special reservation rate of \$69.99/night (regularly \$79.99/night during the summer months), please call the hotel directly at (719) 596-5588 or toll-free (800) 596-5588 to book the special rate (the special rate is only available over the phone), views of the rooms can be seen on their website. The Colorado Springs Airport is located about 5 miles south of the hotel and is a relatively easy drive from the airport to the hotel (taxis are available at the airport, the hotel doesn't have a shuttle). Convention registration is \$30, please send registrations to: Robert Wien 2910 North Powers Boulevard, #106, Colorado Springs, CO 80922. If you wish to donate items for the auction, they can also be sent to this address as well, all AM radio-related donations are welcome. The convention will include radio station tours (specifics to be announced later), an AM transmitter tour around the city, DX quiz with prizes, business meeting, banquet, and the traditional Saturday night auction. The banquet will be held at the Golden Corral Buffet located on 1970 Waynoka Road (near Powers/Palmer Park Blvd., about 4 miles NW of the hotel) Saturday night 6/25/11 at 6 PM (we will have a room reserved at the Golden Corral, it is a 'pay-your-own-way' all-you-can-eat-buffet, cost is approximately \$10/person (NOTE: COST OF BANQUET IS SEPARATE FROM CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEE), beverage extra, to see the menu, go to <http://www.goldencorral.net>), with the auction to occur in the hotel meeting room after the banquet at approximately 8 PM. (Thanks to Mike Sanburn, KG6LJU, for the information.)

**Winterfest 2011 – Collinsville, IL**

It's not often that a DX club puts in a blurb about a Hamfest. These are great places to find wire and other materials for an antenna or other project, or even a good new or used receiver. (I should know, I picked up my current shortwave receiver, a Sangean ATS-803A, at a Hamfest, as well as my HF Amateur Radio transceiver, an ICOM IC-745.) The St. Louis and Suburban Radio Club (W0SRC/W0DCW), of which your Editor-in-Chief is a member, presents **Winterfest 2011**. The Hamfest will be held at the Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville, IL (Interstate 55/70 at Illinois 157; you can also use the Horseshoe Lake Road exit off of Interstate 255) on Saturday, January 29, 2011. For more information, go to [www.slsrc.org](http://www.slsrc.org)

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**CALL LETTER CHANGES**

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY	NEW CALL
1490	NEW	Malmstrom AFB, MT	KGFR

**FORMAT CHANGES**

FREQ	CALL	CITY	OLD INFO	NEW INFO
610	KVLE	Vail, CO	Business News	Reported Silent
1370	WOCA	Ocala, FL	Talk	Talk // 96.7 xlator
1470	WNBL	Huntington, WV	S. Gospel	AC
	WNBL	Huntington, WV	S. Gospel	Moves to 1200 khz
1570	WNSH	Beverly, MA	Talk	Spanish Tropical // WNNW 800
1580	KNIM	Marysville, MO	Standards	Country
1590	KLFE	Seattle, WA	Religious	Talk

**SLOGAN – IMAGE CHANGES**

FREQ	CALL	CITY	NEW INFO
1590	KLFE	Seattle, WA	"Freedom 1590"

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Drake R8 with a 4 foot box loop

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- 540 CBK SK, Regina 11/25 0030 song ended then "It's time now for an information update here on CBC Radio 1 and Sirius Satellite 137, but there's still more to come after the break." Good signal with moderate interference from 2 different Spanish language stations. (GS-CA)
  - 550 KOAC OR, Albany 11/25 0130 "Tell Me More" program with interview by Allison Keyes with Inverna Lockpez about her novel on her experience as a teenager during the Cuban revolution followed by "... for more information go to NPR.org and cThankslick on..." The program continued with interview with NASCAR driver Sergio Pena's story. Interference from KUZZ Bakersfield and unID Spanish. (GS-CA)
  - 570 KVI WA, Seattle 11/25 0151 oldies song ended then "KVI, oldies on AM the way it was meant to be on the powerful KVI..." then into another song. Weak but readable under KLAC Los Angeles and KACP Salt Lake City." (GS-CA)
  - 580 KUBC CO, Montrose 11/22 0824 weather report & "The Voice of the Valley KUBC." (BB-AZ)
  - 1300 KROP CA, Brawley 11/21 2035 with "KROP Brawley, California." (BB-AZ)
  - 1330 KJLL AZ, South Tucson 11/20 1900 with "KJLL South Tucson." (BB-AZ)

- 1350 KDZA CO, Pueblo 11/21 0100 faded in to hear "KDZA AM Pueblo," then into sports news. After the news the Ben Mallor Show started. Moderate to heavy QRM. (GS-CA)
- 1390 KENN NM, Farmington 11/21 0200 "Brought to you by... and the ad council... information leader, Newstalk 1390 KENN, Farmington and Newstalk 740 KESB... (city name unreadable and I find no info on KESB)" and into ABC news. Moderate to heavy QRM with several unID stations. (GS-CA) (Garry, your KESB is actually KVFC in nearby Cortez, CO, as KVFC simulcasts KENN.—NJ)
- 1460 KTYM CA, Inglewood 11/19 0901 with "KTYM Inglewood." (BB-AZ)
- 1490 KOWL CA, South Lake Tahoe 11/22 2008 good with spot for real estate office in South Lake Tahoe followed by ID. (MS-CA)
- 1550 KIVA NM, Albuquerque 11/21 0835 "AM 1550 for Progressive Talk Radio KIVA." (BB-AZ)
- 1620 WTAW TX, College Station 11/20 2357 Aggie football followed by "WTAW College Station live." Moderate to heavy QRM with KSMH nulled and Spanish fading over/under. (GS-CA)

Thanks to Bill, Mike, and Garry for sending WDXR reports this week! Nancy 11/26 2100

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 GE Superadio III with built-in loop.

## DOWN THE DIAL

- 660 WXQW AL, Fairhope. 11-26. 17:41 with promo for an Alabama church. New logging for me, AL#19. [JT-MO]
- 960 KTLF MN, Little Falls. 11-25. 23:48 with weather read by a woman, calls, Thursday night football scores, talk show. [SP-WI]
- 1030 KDUN OR, Reedsport. 11-26 poor through nulled KTWO. 19:00 with ID. [NJ-MT]
- 1060 KDYL UT, South Salt Lake City. 11-22 good with CKMX nulled. 19:05 with '50s music. ID "Your real oldies station. AM 10-60 KDYL." New for me. [NJ-MT]

## 25 YEARS AGO

Date issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Gerry Thomas** of Pensacola, FL started a new business, Radio Plus+ Electronics ... **Pat Martin** of Seaside, OR logged Hong King 864, Harbin, China 873, 2XL, B01, 1PHF, 4AY and a lot of other stations ... **John C. Johnson** of Billings, MT mentioned his local KGHL 790 had just won Billboard's Small Market Country Station of the Year award.

## OPEN MIKE

Are you still stuffed from Thanksgiving? How about those Black Friday and Cyber Monday specials? This column was typed 11-27-10. 73, John

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## WESTERN HEMISPHERE

**ARGENTINA:** (via Medium Wave Circle, sources as noted)  
 830 R. del Pueblo, CF Buenos Aires (CF24) – ex. 750 Conexión GRA  
 1070 R. Las Naciones, Monte Grande (BA186) – ex. 1260 Conexión GRA  
 1140 R. La Luna, El Palomar BA – new station Conexión GRA  
 1280 R. Punto, CA Buenos Aires (CF41) – ex. 830 Conexión GRA  
 1410 R. Fundación – new "no oficial" station – Address: Calle General Lavalle 2307, (B1847BQW) Rafael Calzada, Partido de Almirante Brown, BA – web:  
[www.am1410radiofundacion.org](http://www.am1410radiofundacion.org) - e-mail: [infoa@am1410radiofundacion.org](mailto:infoa@am1410radiofundacion.org)  
 Marcelo A. Cornacioni  
 1430 R. Victoria, La Plata, BA (BA152) – ex. 1460 Arnaldo Slaen via Condiglist  
 1520 AM Fortaleza, Ezeiza (BA161) – ex. 1610 Conexión GRA  
 1540 R. AM Líder, Martínez (BA100) – ex. 1510 Conexión GRA

1620 R. Sión, Monte Grande (BA54) – ex. R. Vida Arnaldo Slaen via Condiglist  
 1660 AM Revivir, Isidro Casanova (BA156) – ex. 1680 Conexión GRA  
 1672 R. Bethel, Villa Fiorito (Banfield) (BA167) - is observed moving around between 1670 and 1680 kHz. Marcelo A. Cornacioni  
 1680 R. Hosanna Tropical (BA166) – ex. 1660 Marcelo A. Cornacioni

**BAHAMAS:** Efforts by the Broadcasting Corporation of the Bahamas (BCB) to get its AM 1540 radio station back up suffered a setback yesterday morning when thieves attempted to steal more copper wire from its South Beach transmitter site. BCB Chairman Michael Moss told The Nassau Guardian that the matter is in the hands of the police. The BCB had earlier foreshadowed that the station would be up and running by Monday. But Mr. Moss said with this recent incident the corporation is now pushing for next Tuesday.

In September, two employees of the Bahamas Electricity Corporation (BEC) were arrested shortly after they allegedly stole a large amount of copper wire from the South Beach site, knocking out the transmission signal of the 1540 radio station. It is understood that yesterday's incident will cost the corporation thousands of dollars to restore radio services and take measures to hide as much of the copper as possible to prevent further theft.

Mr. Moss also disclosed that prior to yesterday's attempted theft, there was another situation that hampered 1540 radio services. However, he said that the corporation is not sure whether the damage suffered was intentional. "We had tested our transmission signal and we had an okay transmission signal, however, when we went back the following day to carry out a similar test on the transmission signal we found we had a defect on the major transmission cable," he said. "We are not sure if that particular one was an accident or it was an attempt at theft."

Mr. Moss expressed concern that these incidents have again set back the corporation's radio link to several southern Family Islands, particularly given that Tropical Storm Tomas, which is expected to strengthen into a hurricane, is forecast to impact those islands by the weekend. "They will not be able to get our broadcast signal directly via air. For those in Inagua, because of an arrangement we had put in place with the local broadcaster on Inagua, persons are able to receive our broadcast information via that broadcaster," he said.

For others they would have to rely on the internet or on cable television service. For the time being our broadcast direct into the air will continue to be limited to New Providence and Grand Bahama and surrounding islands. A few islands that are particularly in the vicinity in the northwest are able to pick up the broadcast signal because it is rebroadcast in the Grand Bahama area in order to cover islands such as Bimini and Abaco."

Yesterday, Progressive Liberal Party Chairman Bradley Roberts slammed the government over its failure to get the station back up. "The public will recall that ZNS AM 1540 went off air on September 7 of this year following the theft of copper wire from its South Beach tower. The copper was said to be valued at some \$1,314. The management of the Broadcasting Corporation later announced that AM 1540 would return to service on October 7, 2010. To this date this promise has not been fulfilled," Mr. Roberts said. Source: (Freeport News via RN Media Network weblog, 5 Nov)

## ASIA AND PACIFIC

**AUSTRALIA:** Updated expanded band list. This has been put together from the observations from the members of the ARDXC inc. This list will contain errors (no doubt), but every attempt has been made of the ACMA database and the internet means. These are the stations that are known to be operating, as of September 27th 2010. I hope to be able to update the list thru the amendments from members around Australia. - I particularly thank: Ian Stanley, Al Kirton, Graham Dawe, Eric Croker, Roger Boyd, Jack Wachterhauser, Martin Greer, John Smith Paul Thwaites and the Sydney members of the club.

1611 "Traffic 1611". Western Sydney. 400w. This replaces the Goanna Country Western music network reportedly heard on 1611, 1620, 1629, 1638, 1647, 1701. Website was <http://www.thegoanna.com.au> Traffic 1611 address as 5 Macquarie St, Parramatta 2124 NSW. This was the same address for 2NTC. It appears The Traffic 1611, now replaces The Goanna, and the Goanna had taken over the 2NTC facilities.

1611 Radio Goanna, Grafton. // as above details. Not reported of late  
 1611 Radio Goanna, Tamworth // as above details. Not reported of late  
 1611 Hot country, Goodiwindi. Network is hot country as ID's. Contact is giddyup@hotcountry.com.au or 1300 305 918 phone.

1611 2???. Gold AM 1611, Wee Waa, NSW. 50 watts? Takes syndicated shows e.g. 2GB Rugby League. Address 94 Balonne St, Narrabri 2390 NSW. Not heard since May 2009.

1611 7RF, Launceston. Tasmania (new station) 400w, Launceston Italian programming.

1611 2RF, Rete Italia, Griffith NSW, 2RG. 400w. Italian programming.

1611 6 Gold MX. 400 watts Albany WA. PO Box 1994, Albany WA 6331.

1611 3UCB, ID's as Radio Vision Network". Hoppers Crossing Vic. Address is Radio Vision Network, Locked Bag 3, Springwood QLD 4127.

1611 6UCB (ID's as Radio Vision Network), Margaret river WA. Same address as above.  
 1611 8RF, Rete Italia. Darwin NT (reportedly on air according to website, not confirmed yet). 400 W.  
 1611 4KZ, Karumba Qld., 300 W, same address as for 4KZ.  
 1611 6GS, Wagin WA. Also // 1422. 400 W. Address is Great Southern Broadcasters, PO Box 280, Wagin 6315 WA.  
 1611 6RF, Rete Italia, Esperance WA.  
 1611 Croydon QLD (500 km west of Innisfail QLD). 50 watts of power!!! Relays 4KIK country programme. Address is C/o Al Kirton, same address as 4KZ.  
 1620 4KZ, Taylors Beach Qld. 500 W. Taylors Beach, Ingham Qld. Address c/o Al Kirton at 4KZ.  
 1620 1RF, Rete Italia, Italian programming. Canberra ACT.  
 1620 3YGO, Bayswater Vic, 400 W now relays Chinese, also // 87.6 & 88FM.  
 1620 4RF, Rete Italia programming. Caloundra location QLD? 400 watts, likely Italian programming.  
 1620 6??, Perth WA, unID Chinese language station also relays China Radio Int'l in English. (new listing). Needs more research.  
 1620 2KM??, Arabic language station. Leased from Radio 2KY Broadcasters, GPO Box 4168, Sydney 2001 NSW, 400 W  
 1620 2??, Radio Goanna, Hobart, Tasmania, Country Western music. See 1611 for address; // 1620 // 1629 // 1638 //. Not reported of late.  
 1629 2HRN, Hospital Radio Network, Newcastle NSW. 100 W. Oldies programming. 70 Dawson St, Cooks Hill, 2300 NSW.  
 1629 The Goanna, Bathurst NSW. Relay // 1611 // 1620 // 1638. See 1611 for address. Not reported of late.  
 1629 The Goanna, Dubbo NSW. Relay // 1611 // 1620 // 1638. See 1611 for address. Not reported of late.  
 1629 6RF, Rete Italia, Perth WA. Italian programming, 400 W.  
 1629 6ABN, Busselton WA. Relays 3ABN (Three Angels Broadcasting Network [Seventh Day Adventist --- gh]), 400 W via Optus D2 satellite.  
 1629 3CW, Williamstown relay of 1341, 3CW Geelong (Leopold), Chinese programming.  
 1629 3RF, Rete Italia, Shepparton Vic. Italian programming, presumed 400 W.  
 1629 5RF, Adelaide SA, 400 W Italian programming.  
 1629 4RF, Brisbane QLD, 400 W, Italian programming.  
 1638 Radio Goanna, Hobart Tasmania. See // 1611 // 1620 // 1629. See 1611 for address. Not reported of late.  
 1638 Radio Goanna, Armidale NSW. See // 1611 // 1620 // 1629. Not reported of late.  
 1638 Radio 2ME, Sydney NSW. Arabic station address is 5 Macquarie St, Parramatta 2150 NSW.  
 1638 3ME, Melbourne Vic. Arabic. Station address is same as above, Parramatta NSW.  
 1647 Radio Vision Network (UCB), Mackay QLD. See 1611 for address.  
 1656 The Voice of the Australian Chinese. Sunnybank QLD. 400 W, Chinese language. Address is The Voice of the Australian Chinese, 46-48 Pacific centre, 233 Callam road, Sunnybank QLD 4109.  
 1656 ???, The Axe. 50 watts, Broken Hill NSW. 622 Beryl St, Broken Hill 2880 NSW. Carries // Hype FM programming.  
 1665 2MM, Mars Media. Greek language station. Address is Locked bag 888, St Peters 2044 NSW. 400 W.  
 1683 Radio Club AM. (New relocation of station), 400 W. Revesby NSW. address 4/9 Mavis St, Revesby NSW 2212.  
 1692 Vision Radio Network, Nanngo QLD. ID [sic] operates thru UCB, see 1611 for address.  
 1701 3VMV, 400 W, Somerton Vic (new station) on air since Sept 08 with all Arabic programmes. (Address is Union road & King St, Somerton 3063 Vic).  
 1701 2??, Arabic station in Sydney Heard 20/7, good level and again 21/7. English ID as "you are listening to 1701 kilohertz to God's word, the voice of charity, the voice of God's word."  
 1701 Radio Tirana? [sic], Brisbane QLD. 400 W, Hindi language station. Address is 5 Cheviot Pl, Sinnamon Park 4073 QLD (John Wright, Oct Australian DX News via DXLD)

**CHINA:** CRI Burmese has been relayed since 16 Oct 2009 for listeners in Burma by Dehong PBS 594 kHz. In Yunnan Province, with three daily transmissions of one hour each at 0200, 0700 and 1400 UTC (source: [www.dehong.gov.cn/en/localnews/2009/1109/en-29501.html](http://www.dehong.gov.cn/en/localnews/2009/1109/en-29501.html)). I can confirm hearing the 1400 UTC transmission on 9 Sept 2010. (Alan Davies, ARC)

A strong signal in Tibetan on 1098 kHz was noted in early Sep 2010, parallel with Xizang PBS Lhasa 594 kHz. It's possible that 1098 is a new Xizang PBS frequency, or that it's something else and both it and Lhasa happened to be relaying CNR in Tibetan when I heard them. Perhaps 1098 could be Golmud relieved from jamming duties and shifted from 1134, now that AIR's Mogra transmitter on 1134 kHz is inactive and no longer carrying AIR External Services in Tibetan. (Alan Davies) -1098 noted at 1955 and 2145 with CNR1 and audio in reasonable synchronism with Golmud 4800. Also from 2155 and at 1530 with CNR11 in Tibetan, not in parallel with Lhasa shortwave. I agree with Alan that this seems to be Golmud ex 1134. The Russian stations in the Vologda region on this frequency seem to be off the air. (Olle Alm, ARC) 1134 The 1200 kW CNR-1 transmitter on 1134 kHz at Golmud

seems to have been inactive for several months at least. My last note of hearing it is from September 2009. (Alan Davies, ARC)

**HAWAII:** A new 24-hour sports radio station KHKA (ESPN), 1500-AM, which launched last Friday, will provide broadcasts of Major League Baseball playoff games, college football and Hawaii high school football. Also featured are ESPN Radio national programming as well as encore performances of sister station KKEA (ESPN), 1420-AM's "The Bobby Curran Show" and "The Sports Animals" programs. (Honolulu Star Advertiser 6 Oct)

**INDIA:** Frequency schedule effective from 31st October, 2010 to 27th March, 2011 is now available at <http://www.allindiardio.org/schedule/fqsch.html> (Alokesh Gupta, hcxdx 29 Oct)

**INDONESIA:** 855 RRI Medan now appears to be inactive, but RRI Medan Pro 4 is now heard in local evenings with strong signals on 801 kHz and it seems their 50 kW transmitter has moved from 855 to 801. RRI Medan used to have a 1 kW transmitter carrying Pro 1 on 801 kHz in local daytime only, but I'm not sure of the current status of the 1 kW unit. (Alan Davies, ARC)

**MYANMAR (BURMA):** MW Schedule of MRTV (Radio Myanmar) monitored in early September: . National (Main Sce) on Yangon 576 kHz (200 kW) and Naypyidaw 594 kHz (200 kW): 0030-0730, 0930-1630. English prgr: 0230-0330, 0700-0730, 1530-1630. Yangon audio is delayed a second or two behind Naypyidaw. . Music Sce (Padauk Myay Sce) on Naypyidaw 711 kHz (400 kW): 2300-0130, 0730-1000, 1130-1530. Also on Yangon 576 kHz 2300-0010v. The Naypyidaw transmitter must be the one first reported by Jose Jacob in February on 693 kHz, now shifted to avoid interference with Dhaka. . Yangon Sce (I'm not sure what the official name of this service is) on Yangon 729 kHz: 2330-0530, 0730-1500. I haven't seen any confirmation of the power for this transmitter, but the signal is similar in strength to 576 kHz so may well be 200 kW also. At 1330-1500 729 kHz carries distance learning programmes in parallel with 5915 kHz. (Alan Davies)

**NEW ZEALAND:** A heads up for anyone who has noted NewsTalk ZB on 1017 kHz. The transmitter is located at Philpotts Road, Christchurch and is being transmitted from the Radio Rhema Christchurch site. The frequency was originally used by Radio Hauraki in paralel with their now not so new (about a year old) FM frequency. The relay of NewsTalk ZB commenced on 1017 kHz on or about the 4 September. The reason for this was that following the magnitude 7.1 earthquake that hit Canterbury at 4.35 am on 4 September, the 1098 kHz transmitter site at Ouruhia received liquefaction damage which threatened to put the transmitter off air. (Paul, mwoz, 15 Oct)

**PHILIPPINES:** 648 DYXR Radio Cebu will return to air after 10 years. Address: Doña María Luisa Building, Fuente Osmeña, Cebu City. (RN Media Network 19.9.2010 via ARC)

**TAIWAN:** Broadcasting Corp. of China recently installed a medium-wave triplexer system from LBA Technology at a challenging site in the middle of a lake. The site, according to an entry on the LBA corporate blog, "required that the triplexer operate into an electrically short tower in the middle of a lake, with only a small platform area 30 feet [about 9 meters] above the water available for the tower base and the triplexing equipment." An LBA Q-Cage broadbanding kit was specified for the tower to improve matching impedances, and the triplexer system was designed in three independent ATU-RF filter combinations, which are clustered around the tower base in weatherproof cabinets. The triplexer allows the multiplexing of three medium-wave transmitters into a single antenna; for BCC, the system operates on 531 kHz, 648 kHz and 963 kHz at 10 kW of power and 125 percent modulation for each frequency. Radio World Newsbytes 5 Oct)

#### EUROPE, AFRICA, AND MIDDLE EAST

**BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA:** 1602 The BiH telecom CRA has not renewed the license for the 1 kW xr at Sanski Most belonging to Nezavisni Radio Boston. (13 July Patrick Robic, via ARC)

**GERMANY:** 729 Die Medienanstalt for Mecklenburg-Vorpommern is announcing the frequency open for any interested to run the 10 kW transmitter on the island of Rügen. If you are interested contact Die Medienanstalt before Oct 1, 2010. The price or rent is not published. (Radiowoche via A-DX)

801 kHz is under discussion to use for Bayern Plus, a music station for elder people, instead of the currently aired on3radio, a youth station that basically is just a jukebox, with little live programming which recently has been further cut back (not that Bayern Plus would be much different in this regard). But no decision about a date for such a switch-over has been made so far. (3.7.2010 A-DX)

1485 Berlin is back with 24 hrs DRM-transmissions. Too bad... (Bengt Ericson, ARC)

**IRELAND:** In addition to the planned mediumwave outlet in Athlone on 612 kHz (100 kW), new Irish broadcaster Spirit Radio plans additional 25 kW mediumwave transmitters at Lifford on 549 kHz serving the north of Ireland, and at Macroom on 675 kHz serving the south of the country. FM transmitters are also planned, though the dates when these will come on the air have not been disclosed. (RS/Radio.NL via Andy Sennitt, Media Network 3 Nov)

**NETHERLANDS:** De Dutch Radio 10 Gold returns on Monday (10/18) on the frequency of Arrow Classic Rock 828 kHz. More info <http://www.radio10gold.nl/headlines/radio-10-gold-weer-op-am/> (Hugo Matten, mw circle 15 Oct)

TURKEY: TRT have been tentative broadcasting in the 702 kHz Istanbul Catalca transmitter The Voice of Turkey in Turkish. Then now cancelled. But now Turkish Radio and Television Corporation have medium wave stations are already served as following (times are UTC)

Istanbul/Catalca 702kHz, Radio-1, Å 04.00-08.00;  
 Izmir 927kHz, Å Radio-4, Å 07.00-16.00;  
 Diyarbakir 1098 kHz, Å Radio-6, 04.00-15.00;  
 Antalya 891 kHz, Å Regional/Radio-4, 05.00-14.00;  
 Mersin/Cukurova 630 kHz, Å Regional/Radio-4, Å 05.00-14.00;  
 Trabzon 954 kHz, Regional/Radio-4, 05.00-14.00  
 TRT Medium Wave broadcasts also via internet as following link;  
<http://www.trt.net.tr/Canli/canli.aspx?kanal=RADYO1&slv=0>  
 (Mustafa Cankurt, Turkey (4/11-2010) via mediumwave.info)

**NORWAY:** The Vigra transmitter on 630 will be turned off on 30 June 2011. Demolition of the facilities will start immediately after the closure, the station grounds are to be cleared until year end 2011. The Røst island transmitter on 675, inaugurated as replacement for the Bodø facility not before 1999, will be closed on 31 Dec 2012. <http://norkring.no/templates/page.aspx?id=500> (illustrated)

So as of 2013 the only remaining AM transmitter in Norway will be the 153 kHz longwave outlet near the Nordkapp. Unless, of course, NRK decides to drop 153 as well. I would not count on it running much longer, since I see no reason for giving up the Norwegian Sea coverage from the Vigra and Røst transmitters but keeping the longwave service for the Barents Sea. This coverage is the only reason why NRK still uses the transmitters at all. These developments also raise questions about the fate of the Kvitøy site. It is still the operational centre for Norkring's AM operations, with the 153/630/675 transmitters being remote-controlled from there.

I understand that all transmitters on Kvitøy are still being kept in operational condition, the two S 4006 units for 1314 kHz as well as the S 4005 and, probably moved in from Sveilo, also S 4105 shortwave equipment. But the mediumwave transmitters are unused for years now, after a special RNW relay as so far last transmission, and all that is left on shortwave are 30 or 60 minutes a day of DRM. So still maintaining all this equipment means basically burning up money.

The 232 metres mast on Vigra island is considered a threat to air safety, already in 2007 requests to remove it have been reported. Thus the site will be demolished immediately after the closure. [http://www.nrk.no/nyheter/distrikt/more\\_og\\_romsdal/1.4290865](http://www.nrk.no/nyheter/distrikt/more_og_romsdal/1.4290865) The antenna of the site, modernized in 1985 with a new transmitter (I assume it is a S 4002 and it is still in use): <http://www.waniewski.de/MW/Vigra/index.htm> Here are photos of the 675 kHz Røst transmitter, which reuses the mast of a Decca transmitter (127.1 kHz) that had been shut down in 1997: <http://northernstar.no/rost.htm> (Kai Ludwig, Germany via dxld yg (30/10-2010) via mediumwave.info)

**SWEDEN:** Sölvesborg 1179 kHz: The station is now available to hire airtime to private broadcasters. I'm now open to partners of starting up a new private station at the existing site with a private 50kW's TX at the same frequency. (Roy Sandgren, mediumwave.info 29/10-2010)

**TANZANIA:** The 10 kW transmitter at Chumbum on 585 kHz will be replaced by a new 50 kW Chinese unit. The transmitters fits in the following schedule: 585 at 0900-2100, 6015 at 0300-0600, 11735 at 1500-2100 UTC, on FM at 0300-2100 (Unguja 97.4 and Pemba 90.5 MHz). (WWDX-top news via mwic)

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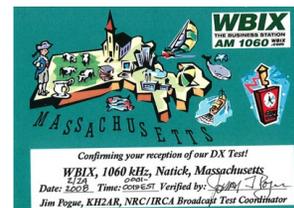
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**NOTES:** \* [For this column] =

Several of us were very pleased to have received our WBIX QSLs, thanks to Jim Pogue. Nice to have Tom, Kraig, and Patrick back this month. This column was prepared on 11/29/10. Hope everyone had a very enjoyable Thanksgiving. 73, SSH.



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