

DX News

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CPC Test Calendar			
KFAY	1030	Oct. 30, 1995	0300-0400
HCJB	690	Nov. 5, 1995	0100-0115
KVON	1440	Nov. 5, 1995	0300-0330
WSEZ	1560	Nov. 6, 1995	0100-0130
WVAM	1430	Nov. 13, 1995	0130-0200
KNXN	1470	Nov. 13, 1995	0200-0230
KATD	990	Nov. 13, 1995	0300-0330
WDCS	1190	Nov. 20, 1995	0000-0030
WOON	1240	Nov. 20, 1995	0100-0200
KLCL	1470	Nov. 20, 1995	0330-0400
WJYM	730	Nov. 27, 1995	0000-0030
WPWA	1590	Dec. 11, 1995	0000-0030
WCGW	770	Dec. 18, 1995	0100-0130

HCJB-690 - Quito, Ecuador, will conduct a DX test between 1:00 and 1:15 am EST on Sunday, November 5, 1995. The test will include Morse code IDs and "other unique items". Correct reception reports will be verified with a special QSL card. According to the station, if you hear code, you must report EXACTLY when you heard it and what characters you heard. Tape recordings are welcome but cannot be returned. Please include one international reply coupon (IRC) or first class postage in U. S. or Canadian stamps for a reply to your reception reports, which may be sent to: Mr. Rich McVicar (HC1JMN), Frequency Manager - Attn: 690 DX Test - c/o English language service HCJB - Casilla 17-17-691 - Quito, Ecuador. Arranged by Mr. Rich McVicar of HCJB for the benefit of all DXers; information provided by the IRCA CPC.

WDCS-1190 - Cobleskill, NY - P.O. Box 778 - Cobleskill, NY 12043 will conduct a DX test between 12:00 and 12:30 am EST. The test will be run at a power of 1,000 watts and will include Morse code IDs. Reception reports may be sent to: Mr. Kevin Smith, Owner. Arranged by the NRC CPC.

If you'd like to communicate directly with NRC CPC chairman Jeff Tynan, his address is 10359 Severance Dr. - Parker, CO 80134-9104.

From the publisher ... Alphonse Tobia says that he has been hearing a new station testing during the day with a strong signal during the last month on 1120 khz. He's near San Jose, CA. The station is listed in the NRC AM Log as KSJL, San Martin. They were playing R&R oldies during the test. "Will be interesting how well they will get out at night since KPNW-1120 in Eugene, OR has a strong skywave signal in this area at night," he adds.

I haven't sent out any "replacement" copies of #3,

because it wasn't mailed until Wednesday, October 18, but if you are reading this and haven't received it yet, let me know and we'll replace it.

As always, replacement copies are sent at no charge to you. If your copy is received in unacceptable condition, feel free to take it to your local post office and complain. We've received several returned copies recently marked "no such address" which, unless the building was forcibly removed, we know are good addresses, and we've sent them right back. Seems that the Canadian postal force has more trouble finding existing buildings than U. S. workers in blue, and our local post office agrees. By the way, my criteria for stopping delivery to DX'ers suffering returned copies is two returned DXN's in a row, and we do occasionally have NRC'ers who move and NEVER provide a forwarding address. Finally, if you allow your subscription to lapse, send in a renewal check, and request that your sub pick up from where it was terminated, please let Ron know which issues you did not receive ("from where my subscription ended" does not cut it; give us the issue numbers!) as we have no record of the exact date; when Ron says "sub expired", that's it; you're TERMINATED and there's no trace left!

Welcome to these new members ... John Simonoski, Warren, MI; Paul Bienkowski, Shelton, CT; Gil Morgan, Lebanon, MO (rejoins). We're still mailing about 750 copies of *DX News* out each week, so if you have a friend who might like to find out more about DX'ing the AM bands (local AM station personnel are good candidates!), let us know and we'll send them a sample copy. Also, we'll send you a pack of sample DXN's if you go to swap meets or hamfests where you could leave them on the freebie table. Give us about two or three weeks notice before the event, as these will be sent out under the slower Printed Matter rate.

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the Nov. 3, 1945 DXN: The DX program from CFPR-1240 on Oct. 31 was not heard in the east because of thunderstorms, but several days earlier Ernie Cooper, Brooklyn, NY heard Wales-804, his first early-evening reception of a TA station.

25 years ago ... from the Nov. 7, 1970 DXN: Howard Fountain reported that the final copy for the new "Latin American Log" was almost complete.

10 years ago ... from the November 4, 1985 DXN: Tom Joyner was commuting between Dallas and Chicago to DJ on KKDA and WGCI.

AM Switch

Jerry Starr
c/o WHOT Radio
4040 Simon Road
Youngstown, OH 44512-1320

Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC and listeners

CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old call	New call		
760 WKNL	TN	Knoxville	WMEN
1110 WHIM	RI	Providence	WPMZ
1540 WPTR	NY	Albany	WDCD

APPLICATIONS/GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

None

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

1320 KLWN KS Lawrence: relocate transmitter site

OTHERNESS

760 WMEN TN Knoxville: new station is ON THE AIR
1370 WKFD RI Wickford: silent station scheduled to return to the air in November 1995
1660 WJDM NJ Elizabeth: testing has been heard on this frequency at good strength in Ohio with music modulation but no IDs heard; but it is a fair assumption that this is WJDM since no other expanded band stations are authorized yet.

THANKS: Wayne Heinen, Ed Krejny, Al Hemmalin, and MSJ

73 and Good DX, *Denny & BKF* Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

Professional Barry S. Finkel BSFINKEL@ANL.gov

Sports Networks 10314 S. Oakley
Chicago, IL 60643-2409
Network listings for team sports stations

One NHL network list this week plus this NFL information. Chris Cuomo reports that the Pittsburgh Steelers (NFL) announcers are Bill Hilgrove, Myron Cope, and Merrill Hoge. The Sunday night and Monday night games on CBS Radio are carried on 1410 KVQ-PA in Pittsburgh. As is usually the case, when the Steelers are playing in these evening games, then the game is carried only on the flagship stations WTAE/WVTY in Pittsburgh. And one item to remember - I cover ONLY professional sports in my column. College sports (i.e., "quasi-professional") are covered by Rick Dau in his column. I have forwarded one sheet of college football information to Rick. (Send college sports info to Rick at 1703 Hill Avenue - Spirit Lake, IA 51360-1252 -pls.)

Toronto Maple Leafs (NHL) 1995/96 (from Pocket Schedule via Mike Brooker)

550 CHNO-ON	630 CFCO-ON	930 CKNS-ON	1290 CJBK-ON	1470 CHOW-ON
560 CJKL-ON	730 CJNR-ON	1070 CHOK-ON	1340 CKNR-ON	
570 CKGL-ON	900 CHML-ON	1250 CHWO-ON	1420 CKPT-ON	107.1 CILQ-ON *
580 CKAP-ON	910 CKLY-ON	1270 CJTN-ON	1450 CHUC-ON	

Archived Publications ... are still available and listed in the "NRC Archived Publications List". If you're interested in oldertechnical articles, computer programs, receiver reviews, bandscans, station profiles, and foreign DX information, order ZAL-1 (40¢ with your next reprint order over \$2.00, 90¢ by itself). From NRC Publications. (NY residents, add sales tax)



Domestic DX Digest

West: Bill Hale billhale@micron.net

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863 Allabands Mill Road - Wyoming, DE 19934-9523

DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-hr. ELT

(Division line is between East and Central time zones)



DDXD-West

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- Welcome to new reporter **Charlie Gaharan** of Thibodaux, Louisiana, who says he is mostly a shortwave listener, but has begun to explore the AM band more.
- The top-rated AM stations for the summer (12+) for Minneapolis-St. Paul, courtesy of Jon Ellis, are as follows: 1- KQRS-FM/AM 92.5/1440 12.8 (Classic Rock); 2- WCCO/830 11.9 (News/Talk); 10 - KSTP/1500 3.8 (Talk), 13 - KFAN/1130 1.5 (Sports); 15 KLBB/1400 1.4 (Nostalgia); 16 - WIMN/1220 0.6 (Nostalgia).
- Once again, this reminder for E-Mailers... my Prodigy membership is history, so please direct all electronic reports to me at the Micron address.

REPORTERS

JT-MO	John Tuddenham Joplin GE Superadio II/Ford caradio
CG-LA	Charlie Gaharan Thibodaux GE Superadio III or Collins R390A + longwire
FA-ID	Frank Aden Boise modified FRG-7, modified TRF, Sony SRF-42; 45' N-S longwire, 180' L-longwire, 4' box loop
DS-TN	Doug Smith Pleasant View
KW-WI	Kent Winrich Waukesha
BBM-TX	BB McClurkan Irving Kenwood R-2000 + KIWA Loop or *TRF
KO-IL	Ken Onyschuk Joliet
KGS-BC	Gray Scrimgeour Victoria caradio
JE-WI	Jon Ellis University of WI-Superior GE SRIII
JE-IA	Jon Ellis Pella Dodge caradio
BK-CA	Bob Karchevski Sunnysvale Radio Shack TRF with internal antenna
RD-IA	Rick Dau Spirit Lake Kenwood R-1000 + Radio West Loop
TB-TN	Tom Bryant Nashville
CK-CO	Chris Knight Northglenn GE Superadio III w/internal loopstick (barefoot)
Ed-ID	Editor Meridian ICF-2010 w/short wire



SPECIAL

- 640 WMFNMI Zeeland - 10/2 1400 & 1500 - Noted with AM 640, *The Fan* on *The One-on-One* network. Very good, driving on I-94 in Chicago. Not WBYY as listed in AM Switch. Call letters only at :00, which stand for Western Michigan's FaN. WMVP-1000 carrying all baseball playoff and World Series games from CBS. (KO-IL)
- 710 KXMR ND Bismarck - The 710 operation in Bismarck looks like it's well on its way toward completion. There are five in-line towers aimed directly at downtown Bismarck located at the NIGHT transmitter site, about 8 miles south of Mandan and just to the west of highway 1806. A third tower is being added at the present 1130 site 10 miles east of Bismarck (at Menoken) and that will become the day pattern array for 710. 1130 will drop to 10kw non-directional daytime and approximately 25 watts non-directional nighttime from a tower at their studio location on the west side of town (the night operation already runs from this setup). (TB-TN)
- 950 KJJO MN St. Louis Park - Will change to SMN Urban Oldies sometime in October. Tom Loyner will be carried in the morning. New calls are expected. (JE-WI)
- 970 KXTP WI Superior - Picked up NBC News when sister station WDSM dropped NBC for CNN. (JE-WI)
- 1200 CKXM BC Victoria - 10/10 2300 - 1200 CKXM *Country* now on the air, Ex: CKDA. A very clean, FM-like sound. *Canada's Hottest Country* slogan, with phone number 475-CKXM (2596). Picking up a few ads as of 10/15. (KGS-BC)

- 1320 KNRQ OR Eugene - 10/10 1745 - New Rock 95-3 N-R-Q (KNRQ FM 95.3/KNRQ AM 1320) hit the airwaves in the Eugene/Springfield, Oregon market. Its sister station is heritage rocker 96.1 KZEL Oregon's Classic Rock, which programs an uptempo 70's based classic rock format. (Internet via DS-TN)
- 1330 WMNNMN Minneapolis - These calls went into effect on 9/16, after owner Minnesota Public Radio leased it to its subsidiary, the Minnesota News Network (MNN). The format is still AP All News Radio, with the addition of MNN News, Metro Traffic, and commercials. New slogan is 1330 *NewsRadio*. (JE-WI)
- 1490 KXLQ IA Indianola. New format is **Bloomberg Information Radio** (business news) with various syndicated sports shows including ESPN's Sports Babe and One-on-One Sports. (JE-IA)
- 1550 WCTZ TN Clarksville - 9/9 - Noted with local and network talk. No longer // WYQC 102.9 or WQZQ 102.5. (DS-TN)

UNIDs and UNID HELP

- 640 UNID ?? - 10/9 0107 - With at 05:07 *Greenwich Mean time It's BBC World Service*. 0110 talk about trouble around the Black Sea. (KW-WI) [Probably WOI Ames - Ed.]

TIS & OTHER STUFF

- 1490 "KRXC" CO Denver (Regis University) - 10/2 1415 - Good with female DJ, TC, *Lunch Time Jam*, mentioned no school on Friday, into new-wave and raggaie mix. ID: *Thank you for tuning in to KRXC, extreme radio, studio phone # given as "5396", "If you're not in class you'd better get there. It's 12:20". Thanks to tip from John Wilkins. Local KBKS silent.* (CK-CO)



DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 560 KLZ+ CO Denver - 10/2 0200-0300 - Heard CIDs starting at 0206:30, mixed with modern Christian music. Good signal, as expected. (FA-ID)
- 590 KID+ ID Idaho Falls -10/14 - 0207-0237 - Faded up loud enough to hear a voice say "5,000 Watts non-directional". Very good signal for 15 minutes, fighting KAQQ ?? and KSZZ ?? . Nulled the South Lake Tahoe station, which dominates frequency here. (BK-CA)
- KID- ID Idaho Falls - 10/14 - Not heard here. Wish it had been . . . I need ID! (TB-TN)
- 1320 WOBL- OH Oberlin - 10/5 1200-1230 - Nothing heard that could have been a test. (FA-ID) [Especially at noon! - Ed.]
- 1460 WZEPt FL DeFuniak Springs - 10/7 0530-0600 - Tentative. Heard some tones and code, but was only able to make out "N". Expected it would be off due to hurricane. (FA-ID)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 600 KTBB TX Tyler - 9/27 0725 - With *Morning Magazine*, sponsored by Tyler Bank and Trust. (CG-LA)
- 610 KILT TX Houston - 9/27 0710 - Good, with *First Team* sports program. (CG-LA)
- 680 KWKA NM Clovis - 10/7 0029 - Good, in KNBR null with local ad, ad for advertising events on KWKA, giving station address, into OLD. (CK-CO)
- 710 KNUS CO Denver - 10/5 0306 - Atop, with slogan *K-News* after weather forecast. First time logged anywhere, and just one of many Denver-area stations I logged this morning as new entries in the Spirit Lake Logbook. (RD-IA)
- 860 KAPN UT Salt Lake City - 10/6 0610 - Fair, over XEMO, with regional news, ID: *All news 8-60 KAPN*. (CK-CO)
- 960 WERC AL Birmingham - 9/28 0718 - Good-to-very good with *Mid-South Sports* program. (CG-LA)
- 990 WEIS AL Centre - 10/5 0449 - Fair, with 99 *Country WEIS* ID, and much discussion about Hurricane Opal. (RD-IA)
- CBW MB Winnipeg - 10/4 0215 - ID, mentioning CBC Network. KNIN nulled. (BBM-TX*)
- 1110 KFAB NE Omaha - 9/20 0631 - Good, with Jerry Hudson with the news. (CG-LA)
- 1170 WACV AL Montgomery - 9/20 0722 - Very good, with *Daybreak Edition* with Melanie and Gary. (CG-LA)
- 1230 WBFX IN Terre Haute - 10/7 0429 - Fair, with WZZQ ID after *Where The Streets Have No Name* by U2. Never heard the WBFX calls used once. (RD-IA)

- 1250 KNEU UT Roosevelt - 10/5 0304 - Fair, with nice ID: *Variety makes the music better, and we have it on KNEU 1250*. First time heard since December '90 logging from Oakland (IA). (RD-IA)
- 1390 WXTC SC Charleston - 10/3 0015 - Close of Monday Night Football, ID and . . . *thank you for listening to WXTC AM 1390 Charleston*. First time heard. Maybe on day pattern. New. (JT-MO)
- 1400 KSIM MO Sikeston - 10/6 0001 - With ID, then faded into jumble. (BBM-TX)
- 1460 KCKX OR Stayton - 10/7 0530-0600 - Heard under KMWX, with *The Most Country*. New. (FA-ID)
- KMWX WA Yakima - 10/7 0530-0600 - Running oldies. Most dominant on frequency. (FA-ID)
- 1500 CKAY BC Duncan - 10/12 0730+ - Many AM 1500 and . . . *The Valley* . . . mentions between soft AC/ oldies. Local news at 0800, with the lead story being about a local couple being victims of the earthquake in Mexico. Another slogan heard was *The Valley's Best* ????. New. [Ed-ID]
- 1530 KFBK CA Sacramento - 9/15 0205 - Call letters mentioned after local ads. Station #400 in Spirit Lake Logbook. And a nice surprise, to boot. (RD-IA)
- 1550 WBZQ NC Greenville - 9/14 0358 - ID as Z-102 *Classic Rock* and legal ID a minute later. The '94 NRC Log shows this as *Silent*. (RD-IA) [Yeah, and "REL" format, too - Ed.]
- WCTZ TN Clarksville - 9/14 0459 - Atop briefly, with ID as *Talk Radio 1550*, WCTZ Clarksville. (RD-IA)

0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

- 690 KRGS CO Rifle - 10/11 0922 - Fair, with C&W music, *The Valley's choice for country music and light rock favorites*, KRGS, into more C&W. **Ex-810 kHz**. (CK-CO)
- 810 KBHB SD Sturgis - 10/11 0930 - Good with ad for *Gold Pan Pizza in Sturgis*. ID: *It's 7:30 now at KBHB*. (CK-CO)
- 980 WAPF MS McComb - 9/26 0821 - Very good, with Community Bulletin Board. (CG-LA)
- 1320 KCNR UT Salt Lake City - 10/11 0945 - Local ads, ID: *Supertalk 13-20 KCNR*, mentioned Art Bell, into local talk show. (CK-CO)
- 1360 KUIK OR Hillsboro - 10/9 0936 - Poor, fighting with (probable) KKMO with real EZL stuff, with *It's 6:36 at KUIK (fade) degrees on the Oregon Coast*. [Ed-ID.]
- 1490 KBSR MT Laurel - 10/11 0959 - Weather forecast for Montana, 2 CL IDs, into ABC News. (CK-CO)
- 1540 KDYN AR Ozark - 10/4 0805 - Local and Arkansas news. Ozark and Clarksville. New. (JT-MO)

WKIP

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

- 550 KRAI CO Craig - 10/4 2349 - Good, with ID as *Colorado's 55 Country*. KOY took over a few minutes later. (RD-IA)
- 570 WKYX KY Paducah - 10/9 1709 - Ad for the *Breakfast Club On AM 5-70 WKYX*, followed by . . . what else . . . satellite program on the Simpson trial. (KW-WI)
- 580 KUBC CO Montrose - 10/4 2353 - Fair, with 580 KUBC ID sneaking through amongst satellite oldies. (RD-IA)
- 680 WJCE TN Memphis - 9/29 2000 - ID and R&B oldies. New. (JT-MO)
- 970 WFLA FL Tampa - 9/20 2045 - Good, with call-in program to Bruce ? [Probably Bruce Williams - Ed.] for advice. (CG-LA)
- 1010 CFRB ON Toronto - 9/9 2232 - Calls & local news. (DS-TN)
- 1020 KCKN NM Roswell - 10/6 2053 - Fair, with CLs during high school football broadcast. (RD-IA)
- 1030 WXSS TN Memphis - 9/9 2230 - Black gospel, calls. (DS-TN)
- 1110 WTIS FL Tampa 9/19 2023 - Ad for Larry King Live show, Thursday night at 10:30. (CG-LA)
- 1290 KKAR NE Omaha - 9/29 2235 - ID as K-KAR *Omaha*. Brief discussion of upcoming Big 8 Conference football games. New. (BBM-TX)
- 1330 WNIX MS Greenville - 10/2 2353 - With ID, and PSA for the local YMCA. New. (BBM-TX)
- 1380 WELE FL Ormond Beach - 10/2 2130 - ID, the religious talk. New. (BBM-TX)
- WYNK LA Baton Rouge - 10/2 2031 - In briefly with ID, then faded. New. (BBM-TX)
- 1390 WHMA AL Anniston - 10/5 2235 - ID, then C&W music. New. (BBM-TX)
- 1430 KQLL OK Tulsa - 10/6 2030 - Over/under WRTH, with Tulsa Union high school football. (RD-IA)

- 1460 **WXOK LA** Baton Rouge - 10/6 2038 - ID, then female announcer gave weather report. WACO nulled. (BBM-TX)
 1480 **WTHI IN** Terre Haute - 9/9 2206 - *WTHI NewsTalk 1480 Forecast.* (DS-TN)
 1500 **KSTP MN** St. Paul - 9/9 2200 - Legal ID. (DS-TN)
 1510 **WWHNL** Joliet - 9/1 ~1900 - Over local WLAC, with black oldies and partial-data signoff. (DS-TN)
 1540 **KXEL IA** Waterloo - 9/9 2200 - Legal ID. (DS-TN)
 1560 **WQEW NY** New York - 9/9 2200 - Legal ID. (DS-TN)
 1570 **WZCC IN** New Albany - 10/6 1914 - Good, with New Albany high school football. (RD-IA)
KMYZ OK Pryor - 9/28 1715 - With *Radio Oz*. New format. Local KQYX-1560 QRM. Heard in car 15 miles outh of Joplin. New. (JT-MO)
 1590 **KWBG IA** Boone - 9/9 2204 - Calls, local furniture ad. New here. (DS-TN)

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

The following Graveyard stations' records have recently opened up. If you have logged any of these stations and believe the distance from your location and the station, send in the logging, along with your name and location when logged. These are all post-1960 logs.

1230:

Kingman, AZ

1240:

Geneva, NY
 Elizabeth City, NC

1340:

Hanover, NH

1400:

Moultrie, GA

1490:

Manistique, MI



ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD

/ :parallel to :00: on the hour AC:Adult contemporary AP:Associated Press BBD:big band BRN:Business Radio Net C&W:country & western CCR:contemporary Christian radio CHR:contemporary hit radio CID:code ID CL:call letter EZL:easy listening EE:English FF:French GOS:gospel IRN:Interstate Radio Net LSR:local sunrise LSS:local sunset NBA:National Basketball Assn NFL: National Football League NPR:National Public Radio OC:open carrier POL: political PRI: Public Radio International PSRA:pre-sunrise authority PSSA:post-sunset authority QRM:man-made interference QRN:natural interference QTH:location PRI:Public Radio International REL:religious ROK:rock 'n' roll RS:regular schedule \$:stereo SID:singing ID SRS:sunrise skip SS:Spanish SSB:Star Spangled Banner SSS:sunset skip TC:time check TT:test tones UC:urban contemporary UPI:United Press International

DDXD-East

NEWS AND VIEWS

Welcome to first time reporter Jim Leder from Cincinnati. Jim mentioned that he tried to send e-mail reports twice last year that didn't get through. Looks like we're off to a better start this year! Jim says he has been a licensed ham for 33 years and a DXer for most of that time. Good to hear from you Jim.

Denis Picard sent along a copy of the TIS list that was included in the October 1995 issue of *Popular Communications*. If anybody wants a copy of it, an SASE to me will get one on its way.

Russ Horton asks why he would be receiving an image of CKOC-1150 on 1440. My best guess would be mixing with 860 (1150x2-860=1440) or it is actually a spur. Anyone else with ideas?

Mark Burns sent along some pictures of his setup from an overnight DXpedition in September...in a field...protecting himself from "varmints".

And from Phil Greenspan: "Trying out my Hong Kong purchase of a Sony 7600G with and without Select-a-tenna. Any ideas to increase reception would be appreciated (JRCM99A @ prodigy.com).

As a reminder, if you want your mailing address or e-mail address listed in the credits, please

let me know with each report. Looks like the season is taking off the last couple of weeks, a good group of logs this time...

SPECIAL

- 550 **WPNW RI** Pawtucket - 9/19 0703 - On the air, ex-WICE, IDed as from Pawtucket-Providence with *Bloomberg* news. (CRB-NY)
 640 **CHOG ON** Richmond Hill - On 10/11 the station will officially adopt the monicker "Talk 640", jettisoning the Top 40 format it has followed for years. "I think we were one of the best Top 40 stations in the country" says station boss Danny Kingsbury, "but there doesn't seem to be any way to be successful with the format on the AM band" (*Toronto Sun*). As a sign of the times from the jocks, afternoon drive jock "Tarzan Dan" was heard asking for another job...on the air! (RH-ON)
 960 **WPMR Mt.** Pocono - 10/4 - Noted on during business trip through Mt. Pocono, relays WILK-980 and is part of the "WILK Netowrk" which also includes WXPX- 1300 and WGBI-910. Has an extremely bad signal. Becomes audible at 7 miles from Mt. Pocono and gets fadey again about 3 miles south of town. (HJH-PA)
 1430 **CKYC ON** Toronto - Since 10/4 I have noticed occasional segments of Chinese talk, music and Toronto area ads integrated with the usual satellite-fed CW. A possible format change in the works? I believe I heard somewhere that *Telemidia, Inc.*, who also own CJCL-590, had until November to sell this outlet or take it off the air. Their original intent to sell it to the owners of CIAO-530 to create a new outlet in order to serve the area's growing Asian community apparently fell through. (MS-ON) (Or they've found another way to serve them - db)
KSID RADIO
 Box 37
 Sidney, Nebraska 69162
 1460 **WWWG NY** Rochester - 10/7 0557 - Noted with sign-on at 0557, then SSB, while looking for WZEP test. (DB-DE)
 1490 **WMRC MA** Milford - 10/2 2300 - Sign-off at this time with slogan "First Class Radio" and owned by *First Class Radio Broadcasting Company*. SSB at sign-off. Heard next night with promo for *Red Sox* coverage. Needed one and finished MA for me on this freq. (HJH-PA)
 1590 **WERA NJ** Plainfield - Now with Midnight Country 1900-0000 sign-off. Everthing else is the same. Glad to mess up everyone's new Log. (JH-NJ)
 1660 **WJDM?t NJ** Elizabeth - 10/10 2030 - First noted at this time with rock. Carrier cut at 2041, back after 2100 with periods of OC and some rock music. From 2130 to after 2200 only one very brief period of OC. No ID heard but this seems likely. Peaked at about 10/S9. Am I the first? (Assuming it was WJDM). (AM-VA) (So far, anyway - db)
WJDM?t NJ Elizabeth - 10/13 2036 - Had noted OC here one day earlier in the week, this time heard *The Eagles' Desperado*. Not as good a signal as I had expected, if it was them. Had to leave, but nothing noted at 2100 check. (DB-DE)

DX TESTS

- 560 **KLZ CO** Denver - 10/2 0200-0230 - Not heard. (SF-TN) ...Not heard, just CJKL, CFOS and splash from CKGL. (RH-ON) ...Not heard in the crowd including UNID CW and WHND which has been NSP for the last month or two. (JeL-OH)
 1320 **WOBL OH** Oberlin - 10/5 0000-0030 - Three weak code periods heard during the last six minutes, the strongest at 0026. Earlier, only heavy QRM from WAGG, WJAS and others. (SF-TN) ...Not heard, just wall to wall CJMR with its "Golden Horseshoe Radio", not even WJAS was making it this night! (RH- ON) ...Not heard - only Pittsburgh and UNID UC. (JeL-OH)
 1460 **WZEP FL** DeFuniak Springs - 10/7 0530-0600 - Code IDs every fe3w minutes, nearly atop on peaks. QRM from WCMB and many satellite UNIDs. (SF-TN) ...Not heard, just WCMB, AC/CW UNID, and WWWG sign-on at 0557. (DB-DE)

UNID AND UNID HELP

- 1240 **UNID** 10/8 0238 - "From the 'T', Sports Radio 1240", looped towards New England. (HJH-PA) (I'd guess they said "From The Team", WUOK-MA is shown as "The Team" - db)
 1540 **UNID** 10/10 1900-2000 - Ethnic station dominant with WPTR off. Language sounded oriental, perhaps Chinese, Vietnamese or Cambodian. Perhaps CHIN? (RWT-MA)

1540 UNID 10/10 2224 – Someone carrying Indian programming, presumably from *All India Radio*, including mentions of addresses in Bombay. Thought this would be WNWR, but they have been noted signing-off at LSS (see below). (DB-DE)



WRGA
AM 1470

0000 to 0800 ELT

550 WGR NY Buffalo – 9/18 0608 – Heard slogan "News Radio 55", ads for *Greyhound* and *Kinko*, traffic, weather. (CRB-NY)

KTSA TX San Antonio – 9/20 0051 – *Rangers vs. Seattle* baseball game. Ninth inning, Jeff Russell pitching to Joey Cora got the grounder to end the inning with the score tied 4-4. (CRB-NY)

CHNO ON Sudbury – 10/3 0643 – Oldies format, played *The Twist* by *Chubby Checker*. Very good reception until WCKY moved in. (RCP-IN)

560 WQAM FL Miami – 10/8 2100 – *Flames vs. Panthers* NHL hockey game, ID. (WM-MD)

WEBC MN Duluth – 09/14 0020 – Very good, some splash from WCKY-550 but was able to null with loop. Stayed in a long time. "News Talk 56". (JiL-OH)

KWTOMO Springfield – 10/08 0727 – Very good. Weight management ad with local phone number. Good ID right before news at 7:30. (JiL-OH)

CJKL ON Kirkland Lake – 10/2 0153 – Station running *Country Music Radio*, several local inserts of "AM 560 CJKL", national spots for *Cantel* and *Quality Records*, local spot for *Northern Mobility*, heavy downfades. (RH-ON)

CFOS ON Owen Sound – 10/2 0220 – Running *GTO*, heard ID through the mess "Oldies 560" as a local insert. CJKL was running *GTO* last year...I guess they switched to *Country Music Radio* in the last year. (RH-ON)

570 KLIF TX Dallas – 10/08 0716 – Excellent. Two "good ole boys" talking sports mainly Texas football. (JiL-OH)

600 WREC TN Memphis – 10/4 0530 – Discussion of aftermath of O.J. Simpson's acquittal. Much fading, first time here, usually WMT. (RCP-IN)

610 CKTB ON St. Catherine's – 10/13 0625 – ID. Report that Niagara needs a new bomb truck at cost of \$61,000. They had to tow the truck to the last emergency! Syndicated *Letterman Top Ten List* and weather read by female "Kim". Signal strong over WGIR. (PG-MA)

640 KFI CA Los Angeles – 10/08 0721 – Fair. I have been trying for this one for 3 years. At last! Talk about living in LA county. LA weather and a good solid ID. Without loop I could only hear WGST and a very loud Cuban (*Radio Progreso?*). (JiL-OH)

WFNC NC Fayetteville – 10/7 0110 – Tornado safety PSA, ID. (WM-MD)

670 WWFE FL Miami – 9/18 0621 – Lots of "Radio Fe" IDs and "a todos oro". (CRB-NY)

710 WZRS TN Smyrna – 10/5 0720 – Poor with "right here on WZRS...Smyrna, Tennessee..." under WTPR and WPNR. WOR and Cuban pest faded out. (SF-TN)

720 WWII PA Shiremanstown – 9/27 0633 – Slogan heard "Love 720", ad for *Casablanca* restaurant, birthday greetings to young Kristin Bauer, song for Kris, ad for *Chevy Blazer*. (CRB-NY)

840 KWPN NE West Point – 9/30 0705 – Wiping out nulled WHAS with local news, detailed weather with long rundown of temperatures across NE, IDed as "KWPN news time is 9 minutes after 6 o'clock". (MB-ON)

900 WLSI KY Pikeville – 9/30 0658 – Poor in CHML null with PSA for *Medic Alert*, southwest KY weather from "clear channel 900 WLSI". (MB-ON)

940 WKGM VA Smithfield – 10/1 0201 – Fair in CBM null with ID as "You're listening to WKGM Smithfield, Norfolk, Virginia Beach" into Gospel music. (MB-ON)

1190 WSDQT TN Dunlap – 10/2 0705 – Fair-poor with local news, weather, ads and obituaries. many mentions of Sequatchie County. Lost to WOWO at 0720. (MB-IN)

1240 WSKI VT Montpelier – 10/8 0300 – Fair at times, ending *Bentles* tune. Slogan "This is your home for good times and great oldies, WSKI Montpelier". (HJH-PA)

1250 WTMA SC Charleston – 10/6 0632 – Report on Sen. Ravenel (of SC) indictment. Fading in and out with WARE. Heard as the remnants of Hurricane Opal were heading up through the Ohio Valley. (PG-MA)

1280 WHTK NY Rochester – 9/27 0730 – Fair in CFYZ (Toronto Airport TIS) null, fighting 2nd harmonic of CHOG-640 and UNID with *Imus*, ID as "Rochester's most entertaining radio, Hot Talk 1280, WHTK". (MB-ON)

1320 WJAS PA Pittsburgh – 10/5 0006 – BBD/NOS type music. Received it, WMSR and WKIN while waiting for WOBL test, which wasn't heard. (RCP-IN)

WKIN TN Kingsport – 10/5 0011 – News, talk, signal mixed with much else. (RCP-IN)

WMSR TN Manchester – 10/5 0009 – Heard station ID, not much else. (RCP-IN)

1380 WIZO TN Franklin – 10/5 0700 – Fair in fight with semi-local pest CKPC with local weather, announcement "A complete weather update following CNN news on AM 1380 WIZO, it's 6 o'clock" into CNN news. (MB-ON)

1390 WEOK NY Poughkeepsie – 10/6 0650 – ID "Hudson Valley's only radio station". Weak signal. (PG-MA)

WRTK OH Youngstown – 9/26 0711 – Good with ID as "Real Talk 1390 WRTK" into ad for *Youngstown Glass and Mirror*. (MB-ON)

1430 WMYS IN Indianapolis – 9/26 0404 – Noted with Adult Standards/NOS format, *Moody River* by *Pat Boone*, *Johnny Mathis's* version of *Misty*. Very polished male announcer in with "AM 1430 WMYS" then into *The Fleetwoods!* CKY or whatever it is now was all over them. I wish they would go away! (RH-ON)

1440 WMKM MI Inkster – 10/3 0402 – Female preacher with exciteable delivery, between programs male in with clear ID "1440 WMKM Inkster-Detroit", then into another religious program. (RH-ON)

1460 WCMBPA Harrisburg – 9/15 0616 – Heard *Imus's* nonesense, ad for *Ford*. (CRB-NY)

1470 WTKO NY Ithaca – 9/27 0710 – Fair in CHOW null with ID as "WTKO news time is 7:10" into local news with lead story about the Tomkins County Board of Representatives. (MB-ON)

1540 KXEL IA Waterloo – 10/10 0616 – Slogan heard "America's Memory station", song by *Anne Murray*. (CRB-NY)

1550 WSHNt MI Fremont – 10/2 0105 – CW songs and at 0130 "Today's hot new country and your all time favorites, 100 FM, ... Michigan's country music leader". There is a WSHN-FM on 100.1 per *FM Atlas*. Heard in CBE silent period, mixing with WCTZ and an UNID rock station. (DP-PQ) (*AM Log* 15th edition shows it as //101.1 FM, mistakenly, I believe, plus it's the only MI station on 1550! - db)

WCTZ TN Clarksville – 10/2 0105 – ID "Talk Radio 15-50 WCTZ, Clarksville" at 0200, in the aforementioned mess. (DP-PQ)

1570 WANR OH Warren – 10/2 0731 – Fair in WFLR null with ID as "The winner is Warren, 1570 AM WANR" into inspirational talk. (MB-ON)

0800 to 1600 ELT

620 WHEN NY Syracuse – 10/8 0845 – Station ID as "Talk Radio WHEN and Hit Country 108." City council meeting in progress at University College. (DC-ON)

630 CFCO ON Chatham – 10/8 0916 – Station ID as "GTO Home of the Good Time Oldies." Commercial for *Coulter's Furniture* in Essex and Kent counties. Strong interference here from CHOG on 640. (DC-ON)

1200 WCHB MI Inkster – 10/8 1400 – Singing station ID "WCHB" and station ID "AM 1200 News Talk Radio." Phone in show with callers talking about O.J. and race issues. (DC-ON)

1230 WECK NY Cheektowaga – 10/8 1420 – Station ID "WECK, the music of your life - AM 1230 WECK." (DC-ON)

1240 CJCS ON Stratford – 10/8 1500 – A hockey game between Listowel and Stratford was in progress. ID as "GTO - Good Time Oldies." *Grays Restaurant* in Stratford commercial. (DC-ON)

1600 TO 2400 ELT

540 WWZN FL Pine Hills – 10/10 2152 – Sung ID "540 The Team", *Braves* network baseball, local ID "Sports Radio 540 The Team, WWZN..." (DB-DE)

WZER WI Jackson – 10/1 1835 – Christian and ethnic format, playing German music evenings. Makes it here on regular basis. Hard to believe it's 400 watts. (RCP-IN) (The difference a frequency makes - db)

550 WDUN GA Gainesville – 10/1 1820 – Female host talking about sports medicine with WCKY in background. (RCP-IN)

580 CKWW ON Windsor – 10/7 2057 – Fair-good with some CJCL-590 splatter. "Music of Your Life" type NOS music. ID at 2000 as "Serving Windsor and Detroit, this is 580 Memories CKWW". CFRA/CKAP which are more usual here were absent this evening. (MS-ON)

640 WHLO OH Akron – 10/5 2340 – Religious talk show, ad for Bible study course. (WM-MD)

730 WVFN MI East Lansing – 10/7 2148-2207 – Poor-fair in CBL splatter with sports talk, ESPN mentions, national ads, college football and NFL scores, PSAs for *Junior Achievement*, etc. Usual CKAC missing. (MS-ON)

- 900 WEAS GA Savannah - 10/7 2234 - Slogan heard was "Sports Radio Network, AM 900". Sounded like *Skip Caray* with *Braves* post-game show. (CRB-NY)
- WEAS GA Savannah - 10/10 2118 - *Braves* network baseball game, *Bobby Cox* with "WEAS" ID. AU conditions, or didn't power down? (DB-DE)
- 910 WALT MS Meridian - 10/3 2035 - Good with "Power T-91" ID, AC music, ad for upcoming fair at MS-AL State Fairgrounds. (MB-IN)
- CKLY ON Lindsay - 10/2 2005 - Hockey game between *Leafs* and *Sabres* in progress. Station ID as "Toronto Maple Leafs hockey on 910 CKLY." (DC-ON)
- 920 WHJJ RI Providence - 10/9 2135 - Talk show about improving New York subways. Host Bruce Williams. Station ID "Talk Radio 92 AM WHJJ." (DC-ON)
- 950 WWJ MI Detroit - 10/2 2023 - Station ID "WWJ Detroit." OJ jury reaches a verdict was the top story. (DC-ON)
- 960 CIAM ON Cambridge - 10/2 2039 - The slogan "GTO - Good Time Oldies" was used. Station is only 50 miles away but was weak with considerable interference. (DC-ON)
- 1110 WBCA AL Bay Minnette - 10/1 1929 - Good with sign-off announcement, call letters. Address given matches *Log*. Filler music until 1934 then carrier off. Some WWWE slop. (MB-IN)
- 1150 CKOC ON Hamilton - 10/1 1950 - *Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald* by *Gordon Lightfoot*, ID. (WM-MD)
- 1230 WECK NY Cheektowaga - 10/7 1912 - Up very strong at this time. "You're listening to the original hits station, WECK" slogan after *Bobby Vinton* tune. Needed one. (HJH-PA)
- WIGS NY Gouverneur - 10/7 1910 - The one assumed with ad for store in downtown Potsdam. *NRC Log* says this one repeats WSLB-1400-Ogdensburg. (HJH-PA)
- WLFH NY Little Falls - 10/7 1905 - CW music. Program called *Saturday All Request Show* // WBUG-1570. (HJH-PA)
- WITI PA Easton - 10/8 1800 - Ex-WODE noted using these calls and "Lehigh Valley's Sports Radio". (HJH-PA) (Harry, *Log* shows them as WIPi - db)
- 1240 WJTN NY Jamestown - 9/28 2159 - On top mostly with ad for *Jamestown Auto Club, Parkside Lincoln Mercury*, and at 2206 a *Buffalo Bills* promotion was noted. CBS news at :00. I think they were running *Dr. Joy Brown* before 2200, the next hour heard "The Sports Voice - WJTN". Fair-poor. (RH-ON)
- WVOS NY Liberty - 10/7 1733 - Weather report into AC music. Fair signal thru a very weak WBAX which is having transmitter problems again. (HJH-PA)
- WVKZ NY Schenectady - 10/6 2305 - News update, mention of Unabomber. (WM-MD)
- WATNNY Watertown - 10/7 1936 - Up very strong at times with "1240 WATN" ID after *Jolinn Mathis* song. Needed. WBAX non-existent at this time. (HJH-PA)
- 1260 WMIH OH Cleveland - 10/4 1905 - Describing the Pope's arrival at Sacred Heart Cathedral and a discussion of the theme of his trip. (DC-ON)
- WRIE PA Erie - 10/8 1700 - Station ID as "Music of your life 1260 WRIE." Lots of interference on this frequency. (DC-ON)
- 1280 WADON NY New York - 10/5 1850-1910 - Carrying audio of Papal Mass in EE from Meadowlands Sports Complex in real time // WCTC-1450 with 5 second delay. (JH-NJ)
- 1290 CJBK ON London - 10/7 1725 - Sports scores then "This is CFN Sports Radio." After the news station IDed as "All news 1290 CJBK" and as "Oldies 1290 CJBK." (DC-ON)
- 1300 WOOD MI Grand Rapids - 10/8 1845 - A *Browns and Lions* game was in progress. Station singing ID "WOOD". Considerable fading but otherwise a strong signal. (DC-ON)
- WXRL NY Lancaster - 10/9 0758 - Local news from WGRZ TV channel 2. Announced a WXRL and WGRZ news simulcast. Then "RL country weather" and station ID as "Super Country WXRL." (DC-ON)
- 1330 WEYZ PA Erie - 10/9 1600 - ABC News. *Flagship* call-in show 835-1330. Station ID "You're listening to Flagship 1330." (DC-ON)
- 1340 WYCB DC Washington - 10/7 1956 - In good with invitation for listeners to send a CD to "Local Gospel Artist Spotlight". (HJH-PA)
- WSTJ VT St. Johnsbury - 10/7 2328 - ID followed by music by *The Buckinghams*. Second new catch and within 15 minutes of WSSJ. (PG-MA)
- 1390 WLCM MI Charlotte - 10/8 1759 - Good with Gospel music, ID as "Great Christian music is playing on WLCM Charlotte-Lansing. 1390 AM is Lansing's Christian Messenger" into *USA Radio* news at 1800. (MB-ON)

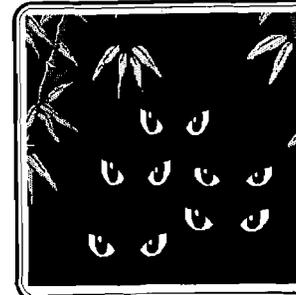
- 1450 WTSA VT Brattleboro - 10/3 2220 - Ending weather and ID at this time. (HJH-PA)
- 1470 WWWM OH Toledo - 10/1 1948 - IDs as "Magic Radio 1470" playing soul, black- oriented music. Fair reception while it lasted. WMBD usual dominant here. (RCP-IN)
- 1490 WPOR ME Portland - 10/3 2140 - ID heard under mess of others. Haven't heard this one in a while. (HJH-PA)
- 1540 KXEL IA Waterloo - 10/10 2000 - Brief fade-in with WPTR off "You're listening to musical memories from the heartland, KXEL, Waterloo, Iowa." (RWT-MA)
- WNWR PA Bala Cynwyd - 10/12 1834 - Sign-off "Thank you for listening to WNWR, The Voice of the Delaware Valley". Boy, you've just gotta love it when a clear station like WPTR is off the air! (RWT-MA)
- 1570 WXLN IN New Albany - 10/4 1958 - Fair with instrumental music, ID for "WXLN- FM(?) and 1570 AM New Albany-Louisville". Into *USA Radio Network* news. (MS-ON)
- WBUGNY Amsterdam - 10/10 2313 - ID "Real Country" 101.1. Weak signal. (PG-MA)
- WQTW PA Latrobe - 10/6 1830 - Fair with ID by man as "Prime Sports Radio WQTW Latrobe-Greensburg". (MS-ON)

OTHER STUFF

- 1610 WPAN997 NY Buffalo (or suburbs) - 10/1 2111 - "This is the New York State Thruway Authority Highway Advisory Radio Station WPAN997...broadcast on 1610 kiloHertz" giving 1-800-1-LOVE-NY and 1-800-CALL-NYS numbers, weather for western NY, info about interchange #45 on the Thruway, etc. Per October 95 *Popular Communications* there are 6 transmitters: 2 in Buffalo, 1 in Blasdell (south suburb), 1 in Bowmansville (east suburb), 1 in Niagara, and 1 in Tonawanda. Weak. (DP-PQ)

REPORTERS

- CRB-NY C.R. Bernth, Eastport, NY:
- MB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto, ON: Panasonics RF-2200, RFB-45
- MB-IN Mark Burns, Terre Haute, IN: R-8, Quantum Loop, 80' longwire
- DC-ON Don Cassel, VE3BUC, Bramalea, ON:
- SF-TN Steve Francis, Alcoa, TN: Realistic TRF
- PG-MA Phil Greenspan, Marshfield, MA: Sony 7600G, Select-a-enna
- JH-NJ John Hanz, Old Bridge, NJ: Panasonic Worldboy RF850HB
- HJH-PA Harry J. Hayes, Wilkes-Barre, PA: GE Superadio II, Superloop
- RH-ON Russ Horton, Acton, ON: Realistic DX440, 50' longwire dipole (Thanks for the sticker! - db)
- JiL-OH Jim Leder, K8CXM, Cincinnati, OH: NRD-535/LE (Lowe edition), Quantum Loop, 135' longwire
- JeL-OH Jeffrey Less, Toledo, OH: Fisher Series 80 Tuner, 1-foot loop
- WM-MD William McGuire, Cheverly, MD: DX-380
- AM-VA Alan Merriman, Chincoteague, VA: Drake R8A, 175' sloper
- DP-PQ Denis Picard, Trois-Rivieres-Ouest, PQ: R-5000, Quantum Loop
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Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELT, subtract 5 hrs.

There was no IDXD last week because I spent the week as a participant in Newfoundland #4 DXpedition. It was a fantastic experience, and you will have a chance to read our report as a separate article in *DX News*. I heard almost 90 countries in one week, including such rarities as India 1566, Paraguay 920, and South Africa 846. How is this kind of DX possible? We were right on the beach with extremely long beverage antennas aimed over open water at Europe, Africa and eastern Brazil, and local interference in this isolated place was at a minimum.

This week we witness the return of some of our regulars from last year, and we've gotten reports from 16 states and 2 provinces so far this season.

Please, friends, follow the exact format that you see below when submitting your loggings. E-mail reporters, don't indent, and let your text wrap around.

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 153 ALGERIA, SEP 29 0015 and SEP 30 0520 - Strongest VLF broadcaster with Arabic chanting; obviously Algeria. [Stutterheim-NY]
- 162 UNID, SEP 29 0518 - Man in unid language, non-descript music; heavy local noise. [Stutterheim-NY]
- 171 UNID, SEP 29 0016 - Man in language; not Russian, fair signal. [Stutterheim-NY]
- 183 UNID, SEP 30 0017 - Western-style pop music, FF DJ; "People are People". [Stutterheim-NY]
- 207 UNID, SEP 30 0020 - Woman in language (maybe French), strong. [Stutterheim-NY] (Probably Radio Medi Un - Jim)
- 227 UNID, SEP 30 0907 - Barest traces of audio; music followed by man's voice; gone 10 mins later. Asian? Heavy QRM from CW beacon. [Stutterheim]
- 234 UNID, SEP 30 0025 - Rock music; heavy rhythm, no talk between cuts. [Stutterheim-NY]
- 252 UNID SEP 30 0010 and 0514 - Lively middle eastern music; FF talk; underneath was second station with American style pop/rock, probably Ireland. [Stutterheim-NY] (I noticed this station under Ireland while in Newfoundland - Jim)
- 549 ALGERIA Les Trembles, OCT 1 0304 - AA violins; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 684 SPAIN, SEP 30 0040 - Music; probably Spain, didn't wait for ID. [Stutterheim-NY]
- 738 SPAIN Barcelona, SEP 27 0410 - spirited SS vocal; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 747 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, OCT 2 0350 - bits of SS talk; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 756 SPAIN / GERMANY, SEP 26 0403 - fast news in SS by man; excellent over GG talk. [Connelly-MA]
- 765 SWITZERLAND Sottens, SEP 26 0359-0401 - light classical music, then FF news by man & woman; strong peak before fade. OCT 2 0343 - classical music; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 774 SPAIN synchros., OCT 2 0342 - SS talk; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 792 SPAIN Sevilla, SEP 27 0404 - man & woman in SS; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, SEP 27 0403 - woman in SS; pronounced echo present. [Connelly-MA]
- 864 FRANCE Paris, SEP 24 0529 - cool jazz // 945; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 864 EGYPT Santah, OCT 2 0355 - bits of Koranic AA chant. [Connelly-MA]
- 891 ALGERIA Algiers, OCT 1 0320 - rock-influenced AA vocal, then AA talk by woman; good, S9+20: best TA. Most TA's were mediocre at the time. [Connelly-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN, OCT 2 0329 - fast SS talk; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1134 SPAIN, OCT 2 0326 - female SS vocal; good. OCT 8 0244 - man & woman in SS; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1314 NORWAY Kvitsoy, OCT 2 0405 - Norwegian talk, folkish vocal music; mixed with Spain, some CKEC slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1386 unID (probably Kaliningrad), OCT 3 0410 - bits of soul/pop music; poor to fair in slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1422 GERMANY Heusweiler, OCT 3 0405 - news by man in GG, then music; to strong peaks, but jumpy. [Connelly-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA Duba, OCT 8 0304 - Koranic a cappella vocal by man; excellent, S9+20. [Connelly-MA]
- 1530 SÃO TOME, VOA, OCT 3 0358-0400 - Afro-service // 7405: end of "Science in Special English" program, electronic music theme, "This is the Voice of America" ID, then news;

atop WSAI! OCT 8 0309 -EE news about Space Shuttle Columbia; good with WSAI phased, Vatican knocked out by mild aurora. [Connelly-MA]

John speaks: "Actually heard audio on 1314 in September, probably Norway, but not enough to "assume" anything yet, much less get an ID. Also pre-sunrise carriers on 819 and 738 (Down Under), and 747, 774, 693 and 828 (Japan). Maybe this will be the year to ID some of these."

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 532 TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS RVCI South Caicos, BWI, OCT 14 0252-0302 - good, clear signals looped toward the southeast, first ID by male announcer at 0256, "Radio Vision Cristiana, Apartado Postal P. O. Box 2908, Paterson, Nueva Jersey, 07509." Numerous praise choruses between announcer chat, another good ID at 0300, "By satellite to the world ... this is WWRV ... 1330 ... Radio Vision Cristiana Internacional ... 535 kilohertz ... South Caicos ... Turks & Caicos Islands, British West Indies" by male announcer. [Ponder-TX]
- 535 GRENADA, SEP 30 0938 - Music, woman DJ, 532 splatter in what has to be busiest 5khz in radio), with 530, 532, 535. The Kahn AM-sideband system is used by 532 to boost apparent signal strength; that is most of the audio is upwards from carrier; that's why the Canadian 530 is readable. [Stutterheim- NY] (In Newfoundland we also had to contend with TAs on 531! - Jim) OCT 14 0006 - VOA news, VOA ID, fair in RVC-532, WLIX-540 slop. [Yocis-CT]
- 580 MEXICO XEMU Piedras Negras, OCT 01 0218-0301 - Extremely strong signals with numerous "La Rancherita del Aire" ID's (both live and taped), also spots for Coca-Cola "Siempre Coca-Cola" and "Casablanca en Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico"; heard a complete ID in both Spanish and English at 0258, "Ésta es XEMU, la Rancherita del Aire, el nuevo impulso ... comunicacion santiana ... 580 kilohertz, 5000 watts de potencia en Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico" and "You are listening to Radio Station XEMU, Country Girl of the Air, Post Office Box 196, Eagle Pass, Texas, 78852". [Ponder-TX] (This is the one which WIBW has complained to the FCC about for not powering down at SSS-pls)
- 640 CUBA, R. Progreso, OCT 1 0308 - Progreso ID, then jazz-based Cuban music. [Connelly-MA]
- 680 CUBA, CMJV R. Rebelde, Ciego de Avila, OCT 14 0030 - Theme music, talk by woman // 710, poor under WAPA. [Yocis-CT]
- 680 PUERTO RICO, WAPA, San Juan, OCT 14 0027 - Puerto Rican news magazine, many local ads, call ID in SS, dominant. [Yocis-CT]
- 700 MEXICO XEGD Hidalgo del Parral CHIH, OCT 8 0159 - Farmacia and ferreteria ads, mention of program name "Buenas Noches Mexicanas", then Mexican music. Generally fair, very little QRM with loop pointed N/S. [Wilkins-CO]
- 710 MEXICO XEDP Cd. Cuauhtemoc CHIH, OCT 7 0415 - PSA Comision Nacional de Derechos Humanos; "La Ranchera de Cuauhtemoc" jingle, music at 0419, a time check for 10:25 and 16 degree temperature. Fair with local KNUS off (thanks Chris Knight for the tip). [Wilkins-CO]
- 720 VENEZUELA, R. Cadena Mundial, SEP 30 0930 - With ID, then used a logo/jingle which sounded a lot like ABCV news intro. On top of channel. [Stutterheim-NY]
- 740 MEXICO XEQN Torreón COAH, OCT 7 0502 - Legal ID, the slogan "Radio Capullo te da los suyos"; PSA, then another "Radio Capullo tiene la única cuenta que cuenta". Program notes, time check, then lite pop music. Generally fair in the QRM, pretty regular here. New slogan is "Radio Capullo"; which translates "cocoon", "bud", or "acorn cup". Doesn't make much sense, unless I'm hearing it wrong. [Wilkins-CO] (And the fourth meaning listed in one of my Spanish dictionaries is anatomical, so no ideas here, either. Maybe "cápsulo", or "capsule"? -pls.)
- 740 CUBA Radio Progreso, OCT 21 0229 - Coming in unusually strong in CBL null, with "RP" IDs, and a deep-toned bell. [Renfrew-NY]
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES PJB3 Bonaire, SEP 30 0145 with "Trans-World Radio" ID and religious programming. Good signals, even with splash from local KKBQ-790. [Ponder-TX] OCT 21 0331 - heard through normally dominant Canadians with SS ID as "Bonaire. [Renfrew-NY]
- 820 MEXICO XEYX Mexicali BCN, OCT 17 1257 - Excellent signal with Mexican anthem, sign-on by male announcer (power. address match WRTH), 1300 SIS Notisar, a short 2 minute newscast. Halfway through the newscast a "KOHF Tucson, emisora SIS Notisar: was thrown in. The day before at the same time I heard "XNPA San Francisco" ID, so it seems this network tosses in an ID of a different affiliate each day. Might explain some of the IDs I've heard on various frequencies in the past that aren't listed, or don't "fit". Back to local programming at 1302 with program "Madrugadores del Valle". [Wilkins-CO]

- 870 MEXICO XETAR Guachochic CHIC, OCT 16 1211 - Rustic fiddle music, male announcer with announcements in Indian language, then announcements in SS until 1221, then back to Tarahumara language. At 1221 a timecheck 6:26 and -4 degrees temperature. This burg is situated high in Mexico's Sierra Madre Occidental range. Very good signal on peaks. [Wilkins-CO]
- 885 MONTERRAT R Montserrat, OCT 2 0034-0044 - Poor with pops talk EE talk. [Moore-IA]
- 890 CUBA CMHB Camagüey, SEP 30 0219 with "En Radio Progreso, la onda alegría" ID by male announcer, time check, and into talk show with female announcer. [Ponder-TX]
- 960 CUBA, CMDJ R. Reloj, Guantánamo, OCT 14 0118 - Usual format, ID, no sign of Colombian, good. First time heard on channel; had been on 957 kHz for a time last winter. [Yocis-CT]
- 970 MEXICO XEO Matamoros, OCT 1 2232-2306 with numerous "Radio Gallito" and "XEO" ID's, good ID at 2257 "Escuchando Radio Gallito en estereo, canal 970, Matamoros." No sign of usual co-channel KIXL, but some splash from KMPQ-980 in Rosenberg; male announcer gave Matamoros area weather at 2305, then into "Concierto para la Amorado" at 2306. [Ponder-TX]
- 1000 COLOMBIA RCN Cartagena, SEP 28 0036-0043 - On top with Bon Ami coffee ad, various anmts, & sports pgm about Italian soccer. No ID, but Bon Ami is a Colombian brand. [Moore-IA]
- 1050 MEXICO XEQOO Puerto Morelos, OCT 9 0332-0407 - extremely strong over usually-dominant XEG-Monterrey, numerous "Radio Pirata" ID's, good ID at 0436, "Esta es XEQOO, 1050 AM y XHQOO FM, 90.7 megahertz, Radio Pirata." Heard on two consecutive nights, strong signals each night. Another good ID with studio address at 0406, "Esta es XEQOO, 1050 kilohertz, AM estereo, con 35 mil watts, y XHQOO, 90.7 megahertz, FM estereo con 3 mil watts de potencia, transmitiendo desde las estudios a Avenida Rojo Gomez 801, Puerto Morelos, Quintana Roo, Mexico, Radio Pirata." Apparent sign-off around 0400 nightly (10 PM local time in Quintana Roo), taken from IDs at 0405, "...transmite Radio Pirata...10 de la tarde...esperamos aqui..." and at 0406, "Radio Pirata...a 4:00 de mañana... 1050 AM, en su radio." [Ponder-TX]
- 1080 MEXICO XEDY San Luis Rio Colorado SON, OCT 2 0259 - ID, time ("Ocho en punto") and temperature (76 fahrenheit), music; 0205 slogan "Radio Gallo cantado fuerte"; more music. Several ads noted between 0300 and 0315, all for different car dealerships. Generally fair with QSB in KRLD partial null. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1350 MEXICO XETB Torreon COAH, OCT 11 0447 - Lite Mexican music, "Radio Laguna" and other slogans, call IDs. Fair over/under KGHE. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1500 MEXICO XEAI Mexico City, OCT 8 0321-0404 with numerous "Radio A-I" station ID's, clear ID at 0333 "Desde la Ciudad de Mexico transmite con 50 mil watts de potencia XEAI Radio A-I 1500 kilohertz amplitud modulada una emisora de la Organizacion Radio Formula con los estudios en Privada del Horacio numero 10 en la Colonia Polanco ... Radio A-I la Capital de la musica tropical." Heard on two consecutive nights, strong signals each night. Second good ID at 0403, same one as 0333. [Ponder-TX]
- 1540 BAHAMAS ZNS-1 Nassau, OCT 16 0030-0100 - EE religious program "Insight". Good in absence of WPTR. [Turner-MA]
- 1646.13 unID - FF teletalk by man & woman; poor. [Connelly-MA] (Strange frequency for a harmonic, maybe a spur? - Jim)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 594 JAPAN JOAK Tokyo, OCT 10 1403 - Man speaking JJ, sounds like news, fair signal. [Woods-OR]
- 693 JAPAN JOAB Tokyo, OCT 9 1333 - Fair with EE language lesson // 747. [Woods-OR]
- 702 AUSTRALIA 2BL Sydney, OCT 10 1421 - Fair with call-in talk show, questions and answers, example: "What river flows over Victoria Falls?". [Woods-OR]
- 747 JAPAN JOIB Sapporo, OCT 9 1331 - Fair with EE lesson // 693 and 774. Also OCT 10 1418 with music from "SOUTH PACIFIC", // 873. [Woods-OR]
- 774 JAPAN JOUB Akita, OCT 9 1250 - Readable on ICF-2010 using its internal loop. Strong signal should be heard in much of North America, best bet for Japan. [Woods-OR]
- 873 JAPAN JOGB Kumamoto, OCT 10 1413 - Good with world news in EE. This is the news program broadcast by Radio Japan on shortwave (Foreign Service), // 774. [Woods-OR]

HARMONICS

- 2100/3150 GUATEMALA La Voz de los Cuchumatanes continues to be heard here daily with sign-on sometime between 1030 and 1100. Signals quite good some days. These are

- second/third harmonics of 1050. Two years ago they QSLed for me quite promptly. [Moore-IA]
- 4020 ECUADOR LV Amigo around 1115 10/6 with ballads, brassy ads incl one for an electronics store, and definite ID with fundamental of 1340 mentioned. This a third harmonic. Weak. Thanks to Rich McVicar for the tip. [Moore-IA]

AUSTRALIA EXPANDS AM BAND

ITU zone 3 (that's Oz), have been given an expanded MW band from 1602 to 1701 kHz, in usual 9 kHz steps. SMA (Spectrum Management Authority) issued licences for the freqs concerned and many have already been allocated. 2AM on 1620 is among these. There's a limit of 5 kW for stations wanting to use this part of the band. All the ones I know of wish to be 5 kW but as yet, none will appear to be. As bidding for the freqs (of course no one will prefer 1638 - 1701 as most radios here end at 1629) is rather competitive, I don't wish to elaborate too much more in case it plays havoc with this particular groups plans. All will be revealed soon! It's kinda hard to believe that we down here will have an expanded AM band (so it seems) before the U. S. does! [David Martin (OZDX)]

Here is an update on the new tourist info station mentioned in the latest International DX Digest. The bad news for you guys over there is the low power (at least initially): 2AM Sydney on 1620 is due to open in mid November. They will use 400 watts initially but hope to increase this. Programs will be tourist info, and Australian music (mainly country). Address is Tourist Radio, PO Box 202, Caringbah NSW 2229, Australia. [Keith Ashton/David Martin in OZDX via Michael Rolph e-mail]

UNIDS, ETC.

Some further comments on George McLachlan's 1107 logging from David Martin and Andy Gardiner (via Werner Funkenhauser): Whadya know, 1107 2EA doesn't bcst in Spanish at 1200 UTC. However the SBS National prgr (1485, 1584 & capital city FM except for Melbourne & Sydney) does have Spanish at that time on at least two nights a week! However, I've monitored 1107 at 1200 religiously since seeing your post Werner, and SBS have been sticking to there sked, being Macedonian & Brit languages like Gaelic, Doric, Welsh etc. I thought Doric had virtually died out in my parents' generation! Anyway, it's perhaps best if a tape of reception were sent to 2EA. T'nae w'y (Doric for 'hard luck'!) [David Martin] His memory served him correctly. 2UW 1107 vacated the frequency (it's now on FM only) and the ethnic station 2EA moved to there from 1386. It ran 5kW on 1386 so is probably running the same on 1107. If you're looking for 2EA or 3EA in Australia's country listing in the WRTH, it's in a totally separate entry for the "Special Broadcasting Service" right at the end of the Australian listing. Go figure. [Andrew Gardiner]

STATION NEWS

- NETHERLANDS: Veronica Nieuwsradio started program tests on 1395 kHz from 0500 on SEP 18. These will be low power (20 kW) for a few weeks until the 120 kW transmitter is ready. They will be on only 0500-1700, moving later to 24 hour operation. [Andy Sennitt and Steve Whitt, OCT 95 *Medium Wave News*]
- VENEZUELA: The new Radio Nacional 1240, is not so super-powered. According to a report in *Play-DX* and repeated by Glenn Hauser on World of Radio (#817), this station is only running 50 kW right now.

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International DX veries/taped totals listed by continents

Year Started	DX'er	Location	Last Update	NA	Ctries	Total Veried	Foreign	Af	SA	Eur	AS	OC
1962	Edmunds, R. J. (taped)	NJ	1993	845	43	897	56		37	14	1	
1933	Cooper, Ernest	NY-MA	1980	528	79	4142	760	6	131	88		7
1933	Geary, Kermit	PA	1993	512	107	6190	988	23	243	147	2	61
1964	Sorensen, Morris	ON/MB	1975	375	13	537	385		1	9		
1963	Stringeour, Gray	CA/ON	1971	354	47	526	440	1	10	18	26	31
1946	Holbrook, Hank	MD	1993	303	103	2876	640	26	103	156	3	49
1952	McIntosh, Eric	NZ	1965	301	63	686	635	4	2	45	81	253
1938	Anderson, Roger A.	VA/NY/PA	1993	227	105	1448	514	28	78	128	5	48
1940	Morss, Stan	MA	1993	218	84	3922	424	14	65	221	3	1
1958	Merriman, Alan	VA	1994	212	93	1615	368	14	47	88	4	3
1952	Millar, Roy	WA	1993	154	81	2031	369	1	34	18	63	99
1954	Starr, Jerry	OH	1974	134	51	1209	194	3	34	20		3
1969	Karchevski, Bob	MA/CA	1975	112	24	204	141					6
1964	Reynolds, Bruce	MO	1977	111	28	1103	121		6	2		2
?	Dellit, Sam	Australia	1978	109	37	362	218	1		5	23	80
?	Heinen, Wayne	NY	1981	109	18	882	116		2	5	1	
1931	Steele, Sid	IL	1993	103	35	3071	298		12	2	1	8
1947	Luton, Relfe	NC	1973	102	23	1049	142		4	3		33
1946	Moore, Ray	MA	1993	95	104	245	245	24	52	59	7	8
1958	Dangerfield, Ben	PA	1995	85	120	424	325	31	44	149	8	8
1976	Froemming, Gary	AZ	1994	85	17	338	92		7			1
1960	Rugg, Andy	QC	1993	83	69	1672	203	6	48	65		
1955	Palmer, Richard D.	IL	1993	77	33	822	94	1	4	10		2
?	Callarman, John	?	1970	72	90	740	138	3	20	17	6	20
1934	Gustafson, Hilding	IL/FL	1995	69	118	860	314	24	34	114	13	61
1931	Wheeler, Frank	PA	1993	68	25	1885	78		7	1		2
1941	Kruse, Len	IA	1971	61	15	4080	77		3			13
1958	Wesolowski, Ernie	NE	1995	53	24	2001	69	1	7		1	7
1931	Holland, George B., Jr.	NY	1993	46	18	884	57		5	3	1	2
1974	Knitter, Mike	WI	1983	45	17	936	53		8			
1976	Renfrew, Jim	NY	1993	44	35	331	51		7			
1975	Swearingen, Paul (taped)	KS	1994	41	23	715	93		16			
1962	Musco, Ron	CT	1995	33	40	1226	41	1		7		
?	Sampson, John	NJ	1965	23	54	445	72	3	6	38	1	1
1958	Taylor, Pete	CA	1993	22	26	375	58		4		19	13
1973	Mount, Paul	NJ	1995	22	6	230	25		2			
1958	Phillips, Dan	TN/AL	1974	21	26	567	40	1	9	5		3
?	Fela, Joseph	NJ	1965	19	24	738	35	1	4	11		
1977	Wolfish, Niel	ON	1977	14	11	397	20		4	2		
1962	Edmunds, R. J. (paper)	NJ	1994	10	7	266	13		3			
?	Erickson, Don	CA	1982	8	6	442	9					1
1964	Whatmough, Dave	ON	1994	6	13	1014	15		1	2		6
?	Falconer, Jeff	ON	1976		49		1175		44			
1963	Straus, Elliot	NJ	1993	33	890	41		5	13			
1965	Long, John	CT	1968	29	101							
1960	Lynch, Don	MA	1980	9		157						
1968	Bytheway, Phil	WA	1982	9	457	20						
1975	Bartek, Daniel, Jr.	NE	1976	2	23							

Thanks to Paul Mount and George Holland for recent updates. Why not add your totals to this list? Remember, only taped or paper veries are counted, and U. S. and Canadians are not included in NA totals. Include your best catch from each continent when reporting. Our next column will feature Asian veries.



Formats

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Changes in programming status; reported by listeners

Ken Onyschuk, of Joliet, IL., wrote that WISZ-640, Zeeland, MI, which is audible in Joliet, has dropped Radio Aahs childrens' programming for One on One Sports Talk. One on One is yet another sports network! And Phil Boersma, who rejoins NRC after a three year absence, adds that WISZ-640 and WBYY-810, Rockford, MI., have swapped frequencies. Both are owned by the same company which wanted the sports talk on the stronger 5000/250 watt U-1 channel, to compete with WBBL-1340, which also airs sports talk. Radio Aahs is a non-factor in this market, so it goes to the 500 watt daytime frequency. Phil also included two dial scans, the first of which is for Grand Rapids. Here we go:



640	WBYY	Zeeland	- Sports satellite talk.
810	WISZ	Rockford	- Childrens' programming.
1140	WKWM	Kenwood	- Soft urban contemporary.
1230	WCUZ	Grand Rapids	- Drops country music for satellite talk.
1260	WWJQ	Zeeland	- Religion and satellite talk.
1300	WOOD	Grand Rapids	- Talk, mostly satellite-fed.
1340	WBBL	Grand Rapids	- Sports, mostly satellite fed.
1410	WGRD	Grand Rapids	- Alternative rock//WGRD-FM-97.9.
1450	WHTC	Holland	- Small town talk and adult contemporary, very local.
1480	WGVU	Kenwood	- NPR non-commercial tlak and some jazz, //WGVU-FM-88.5 about 50% of the time.
1530	WYGR	Wyoming	- Big band music and Chuck Harder weekday PM's.
1570	WFUR	Grand Rapids	- Religion, mostly //WFUR-FM-102.9.

Phil's second dial scan, from Muskegon, MI, includes tower information for those of us who like to visit and photograph station facilities.

850	WKBZ	Muskegon	- AC//FM-95.3 during AM drive and weekends, otherwise satellite fed talk. This is a commercial station, owned by Grand Valley University, which uses four towers for its U-3 signal.
1090	WMUS	Muskegon	- Country music//FM 106.9.
1370	WGHN	Grand Haven	- AC and local news and information//FM 92.1. The single tower is 110 feet tall!
1490	WEFG	Whitehall	- All hits of the 1970's, //FM 97.5.
1520	WQWQ	Muskegon Heights	- SMN Adult Standards, nine tower array, three rows of three, three towers are used days and all nine at night. (I would like to see this one - TF).
1550	WSHN	Fremont	- Country music//FM, 130 foot high tower.
1600	WSFN	Muskegon	- "The Sports Fan", all sports, mostly satellite-fed. Four in line towers.

Phil, thank you very much, and welcome back to the NRC! Good to have you back! Several years ago Phil contributed greatly to a Station Profile for CKLW-800.

Here in Connecticut, WSNB-610, Torrington has jumped on the country music bandwagon, the third station to do so here in less than six months - with "Hot Country". Up in Rhode Island, WHIM-1110 has dropped its country music for Spanish programming.

And mostly from the *M Street Journal*, here are format changes from the rest of the country!

570	WVMI	MS	Biloxi	- WW-I CNN News and talk.
730	WJTO	ME	Bath	- Talk, dropping // with WLAM-870 and WZOU-1470.
750	WPDX	WV	Clarksburg	- Soft AC//WMQE.
760	WMEN	TN	Knoxville	- MGS Christian Country,
880	KEYQ	CA	Fresno	- Sports and oldies//FM.
980	WRNE	FL	Gulf Breeze	- R and B oldies, gospel and Spanish weekends.
980	KUPI	ID	Ammon	- Adult standards and One on One Sports.

18	980 WBZK	SC	York	- SMN Oldies.
	990 WCAZ	IL	Carthage	- News, talk, country music.
	1090 WCRA	IL	Effingham	- Country music, talk, adult contemporary.
	1160 WERD	GA	East Point	- R and B oldies, has dropped rap at night.
	1230 KSZL	CA	Barstow	- Talk.
	1240 WBHB	GA	Fitzgerald	- Oldies.
	1260 KKER	AZ	Casa Grande	- Country music.
	1260 KNNS	CA	Beverly Hills	- News // KNWZ.
	1350 KCKC	CA	San Bernardino	- News, talk, One on One Sports.
	1350 WINY	CT	Putnam	- JSN Soft Adult Contemporary.
	1350 WDJS	SC	Darlington	- Black Gospel.
	1390 WRSC	PA	State College	- News, talk, sports.
	1410 KVKK	AL	Prattville	- Country music "Kick".
	1420 WVJS	KY	Owensboro	- All news.
	1450 WSPB	FL	Sarasota	- Bloomberg News.
	1450 KIOV	ID	Payette	- Rock and talk.
	1470 KTCB	MO	Malden	- AC / FM, southern gospel 7:00pm to midnight.
	1490 KSPE	CA	Santa Barbara	- Ranchero music.

With thanks to our contributors, this is it! Do get your contributions in to your Formats column. And good DX to all!

Domestic Bandscan from Eastern Newfoundland by Mark Connelly

The following is a list of easily-heard night-time domestics logged from 12 to 15 October, 1995 by Mark Connelly during the Newfoundland DXpedition. Some of the stations were heard from the DXpedition site in Cappahayden; others were noted on the car radio when driving on Route 10 between Cappahayden and St. John's.

Predictably, the stations from eastern Canada, New England, and New York were strongest. WWWE and WWVA were the loudest non-East Coast stations and WOWO was also good.

Most domestic DX was best in the 3-hour period before dawn. This was especially true of midwestern stations. Boston and New York stations were reliable throughout the hours of total darkness; most other US stations were badly hammered by Trans-Atlantic, Brazilian, and other foreign interference until quite late at night.

Many more domestics would have been logged if more time was available. The focus of the trip was international DX and the comprehensive foreign DX report by the six DXpedition participants (Jean Burnell, David Clark, Mark Connelly, Bruce Conti, Neil Kazaross, and Jim Renfrew) is being issued as a separate article.

NF DOMESTIC BANDSCAN (night)

530 - 590 kHz
530: CIAO (ON); 540: CBT (NF) o/ CBGA1 (PQ); 550: CFNB (NB); 560: CHVO (NF); 570: CJEM (NB) o/ WMCA (NY); 580: CJFX (NS); 590: VOXM (NF-local)

600 - 690 kHz
600: CBNA (NF) / CKCL (NS); 610: CHNC

(PQ); 620: CKCM (NF) / WZON (ME); 630: CFCY (PI); 640: CBN (NF-local); 650: CKGA (NF); 660: WFAN (NY); 670: CKXB (NF); 680: CKXG (NF) / WRKO (MA); 690: CBF (PQ)

700 - 790 kHz

700: CHSJ (NB); 710: CKVO (NF) o/ WOR (NY); 720: CHTN (PI); 730: CKAC (PQ); 740: CHCM (NF-local); 750: CBGY (NF) o/ WSB (GA); 760: WJR (MI); 770: WABC (NY); 780: CFDR (NS); 790: CFNW (NF) o/ WLKW (RI)

800 - 890 kHz

800: VOWR (NF-local); 810: CJVA (NB) o/ WGY (NY); 840: WHAS (KY); 850: WEEI (MA) o/ CKVL (PQ); 860: CJBC (ON); 880: WCBS (NY); 890: WLS (IL)

900 - 990 kHz

900: CKDH (NS); 910: WABI (ME); 920: CJCH (NS); 930: CJYQ (NF-local); 940: CBM (PQ); 950: CHER (NS); 960: CHNS (NS); 970: CBZ (NB) o/ WZAN (ME); 980: CBV (PQ); 990: CBY (NF)

1000 - 1090 kHz

1000: CKBW (NS) o/ WMVP (IL); 1010: CKXD (NF) o/ WINS (NY) / CFRB (ON); 1020: KDKA (PA); 1030: WBZ (MA); 1050: WEVD (NY) / CHUM (ON); 1070: CBA (NB); 1080: WTIC (CT); 1090: WBAL (MD)

1100 - 1190 kHz

1100: WWWE (OH); 1110: WBT (NC); 1120: KMOX (MO); 1130: WBBR (NY); 1140: CBI (NS) o/ WRVA (VA); 1150: CHGM (PQ); 1160: WSKW (ME) / WOBN (NJ); 1170: WWVA (VA); 1180: WHAM (NY); 1190: WOWO (IN)

1200 - 1290 kHz

1200: WNSW (ME) / CFGO (ON) / WKOX

(MA); 1210: VOAR (NF-local) o/ WGMP (PA); 1220: CKCW (NB); 1230: CFLN (NF); 1240: CKIM (NF) o/ WUOK (MA); 1250: CBGA (PQ); 1260: WEZE (MA) / CIHI (NB); 1270: CJCB (NS); 1280: WADO (NY); 1290: CHRМ (PQ)

1300 - 1390 kHz

1310: WLOB (ME); 1320: CKEC (NS); 1330: WRCA (MA) / WWRV (NY) / prob. CKLD (PQ); 1340: CJLS (NS); 1350: CKAD (NS); 1360: CKBC (NB); 1370: WDEA (ME); 1380: prob. CFDA (PQ); 1390: WPLM (MA) or WEGP (ME) (jazz)

1400 - 1490 kHz

1400: CBG (NF) / CJFP (PQ); 1410: CIGO (NS); 1420: CKDY (NS); 1430: WJNR (NJ); 1440: WLPZ (ME) o/ WWTM (MA); 1450: CFAB (NS); 1460: CKRB (PQ); 1470: WZOU (ME); 1480: CHRД (PQ) / WSAR (MA); 1490: WPOR (ME)

1500 - 1600 kHz

1500: WTOP (DC); 1510: WNRB (MA); 1520: WWKB (NY); 1530: WSAI (OH); 1540: CHIN (ON) o/ KXEL (IA) (WPTR silent); 1550: CBE (ON); 1560: WQEW (NY); 1580: CBJ (PQ); 1590: WARV (RI); 1600: WUNR (MA)

PIRATE Radio ... by John D. Bowker

Part I

Breathes there a man with soul so dead who has never craved to be on the air with his own radio station? Yeah, I suppose so ... but they are few and far between in the National Radio Club!

Who among us has never yearned to play our favorite records for our neighbors and be the envy of all who hear us broadcasting with our own equipment. There must be a pedestal somewhere for each of us to stand on who have done this .. I chimed in with my first station in 1946. Unfortunately, the wood in my pedestal became a paddle that was used on my behind.

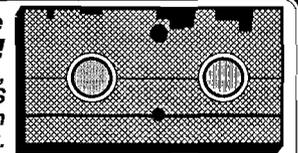
I was in the hills of Vermont at the time .. not known for its metropolitan population clusters .. and still they found me! (A ham operator turned me in.) The telegram from the FCC read "Cease and Desist .." and I did. Forty years later I received another letter from the FCC commending me on excellence in representing my employer (RCA/NBC) to them. So I have been on both sides now. And I want to share with you some thoughts.

First of all, the FCC may be lax in some of their enforcement practices. Lord knows we all see this every day of the year what with stations not giving proper IDs, or leaving their carriers on at night. But let me draw the analogy of the IRS .. the tax people. Lord also knows many people bend their rules from time to time. Put another way, people cheat! And most of the time they get away with it. But heaven help them if they get caught! It is the same with the FCC.

So here are some thoughts about keeping out of jail or running up a big fine.

The FCC is not stupid. They know pirates

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Musings
of the Members

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Greetings. Well, I missed the reintro issue; guess I'll have to wait til until next year to miss it again. First, a big THANK YOU for the beautiful award that was presented to me at the CO Convention. It was certainly a surprise and very much appreciated. Thanks to WAYNE HEINEN for putting on a great convention in an equally excellent venue. As I sit here at 8:15PM on 10/10, there is a booming 30 over 9 signal on 1660khz with somewhat distorted music modulation. There have been no IDs but I suspect this is probably WJDM tuning up the new rig. If this is WJDM, they should have coast-to-coast coverage at night until other stations begin operating on the same frequency. Since the FCC got the expanded band allotment program all screwed up, WJDM may stand alone on the new band for quite some time. Hopefully they won't be so swamped with reports they elect not to verify them. I imagine a local operation like WJDM has a very small staff that is probably overworked as it is. Speaking of 1660, I've only seen 1 report of a verification from the Las Vegas experimental station KUSA. Has anybody received any sort of reply for their report? If so, to which of their many addresses did you send your report? I heard them the first night, called the telephone number they gave and got an address directly from the person operating the station. So far, not a thing in return for my report and tape. My local TIS on 870 is gone, I mean literally! There is now just an empty spot behind the PA Visitor Center where the unit used to be. I won't miss it. A good looking sked of DX TESTS so far. I've polished my wires and waxed my pole. Now if the QRN will subside I'll be ready. Congrats on the new job, Dave, we'll have to look you up next time we get to Darlington. And Homer sez "817". 73 and Good DX! (Yeah, 824 back at 'em-DWS)

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Good to see all the old timers reporting in! Only about 50% reply rate on last season's reports, but many are hold outs from previous years like WBBR, WKDR. Outstanding letter verie from KUSA after 5 reports to 5 different addresses; this came from Chip Morgan, Broadcast Engineering. The DX TESTS from

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WZZZ-1300, WPIE-1160, RVC-535, WPWA-1590 all verified. As an 'Old Timer', I'll also do a reintro, work as a fulltime farmer, 71 years old and an NRC member since 9/41, veries total about 4200. At one time, Don Meyer, Hal Schrock, and I were the only farmers in the club, don't know if there are any others at present. Have the space to run beverages but have never gotten to it, too many hours, working from April through December, too cold the rest of the time. I use an HQ180A, HQ150 and have a Worcester Radio Labs set as a backup. Started in DX by buying a copy of *Radex* in 1936 but unfortunately didn't start to verify stations until 1940. Have a complete set of *Radex* magazines from Sept. 1930 until their end in 1942, nearly a complete set of Victory Radio Club bulletins, the club Ray LaRocque started when *Radex* folded (Ray is a writer for Outdoor Publications in NH at present). WPTR noted off a few nights with CHIN/KXEL/ZNS all noted, no chance at sunset and I hope the new owners don't take over too soon! (Could read the writing fine, STAN, no problem there! Thanks for your report!-DWS)

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It's open season on DX! The CPC has certainly been busy, the schedule looks good! So far, tried for and didn't hear the WOBL-1320 test but did get the WZEP-1460-test with code ID's only, didn't hear any tones. Maybe the CPC should contact JOHN VODENIK at WICO-1320 and see if he would be interested? (John left there a couple of months back, he's back in OH-DWS) Lastly, did anyone ever hear from the WREN-1250-Test? As a quick reintro, I've been DXing off/on since '78 (tollating about 10 years), current totals: states



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37/36, provinces 6/6, countries 18/17 and 561 veries. Looking forward to the expansion of the AM band and hope to get some pirates in there before it gets clogged. Anyhow, best of DX to all and keep listening!

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Although I get plenty of soapbox space in IDXD, every so often I get motivated to do a MUSING, about once a year I think. I'm 41 years old, which means I'm about 25 years removed from DXing under the blanket with a transistor radio and a flashlight when my parents thought I was asleep. My DXing is still somewhat of a guerilla activity because the rest of the family continues to think I'm crazy for doing it, and generally thinks that reaching for the dial is just another way of saying I love all of them less. Fortunately, I spend quite a bit of time in the car, and I do most of my DXing on the ride home at sunset. The only problem is that the Dodge Caravan lacks a 'Nulling Knob' or 'Selectivity Switch' on the dashboard. I usually use the Hammarlund HQ180 and Radio West Loop while I'm working up in the attic on the Sunday sermon on Saturday night. I'm a Presbyterian minister working for a city church and a country church. I suppose that astute listeners can tell whether I spent too much time trying to dig out St. Vincent-705 based on the quality of the preaching the next morning? I usually hope for a killer aurora or TA quiet and nothing in-between on those nights. But I usually hear from other reporters that the best night for listening was earlier in the week. In any event, from this location in 19 years, I've heard nearly 1533 stations from 44 states and 49 countries, so it's never easy to hear something new anyway. I've started adding my E-mail address to my reception reports, and I wonder what all of you might think about E-mail verifications? Rapid responses become possible by E-Mail, but there would be no letterhead, signature or postamrk to lend authenticity to the verification. Plus, there is nothing quite as nice as a letter from some distant place in the mailbox covered with strange stamps. By the way, I have a 70% response rate on MW stations, 74% response rate from SW stations, 80% from FM stations and 85% from TV stations. These figures include follow-ups. Dave, glad to see you've entered the computer age!

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Well, after a personal 4-month silent period, it is time to get back to the ol' hobby

once again, and I think it's going to be a good one. On 10/3, I was finally able to log my 1st trans-Atlantic station and I sent the details to JIM RENFREW/IDXD. Nothing much has happened here this summer except for when a near-hit (or near-miss?) during a thunderstorm fried the modem in my computer and fried my Realistic DX390. It was replaced by a Realistic DX440 and already the results are much better than on the old radio, so I guess blessings do come in disguise. I also have sent a CPC request to WAYNE HEINEN in the hopes of getting a DX TEST set up for WPEP-1570. The owners expressed an interest in doing one. Also, please note my new Email address and for those interested, my telephone # is 508-996-2948 (no collect calls, please). Hope to get to RAY ARRUDA's Thanksgiving get-together but if I have to work, I may not be there til about 6. 73's and the best of DX this season to all. (No, Rick, no Email Musings yet, once we get things up to speed in SC then we'll likely have something. Please double space your reports - thanks!-DWS)

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Recently returned to our Englewood, NJ AM DX haunts where we DXed BCB 1951-63, though after '59, concentrated mostly on FM. With patience, our 1960 Zenith Royal 500E 8 transistor portable still pulls 'em in. For example, even with WBBR (nee WNEW-AM) closer than its former Kearny digs, by carefully holding the Zenith in a certain position, can still null 1130 enough for KMOX-1120 to get through. Managed to hear Sudbury, ON-550, and putting a null on WSKQ-620, WVMT made it through as well as the French Canadian on 630, quite strong. We started out with all-American 5 stuff, biggest thrill was getting KFI one morning in '55. Later found a EH Scott All-Wave 12 (used until its "wunderlich" tube died) and an RCA Radiola 80, which did somewhat better in a high RF environment. With WABC a few miles away and other 50kw powerhouses in the Meadows, just lowering the intense RF levels is a battle. Only a few NYC locals are still using their 1963 facilities, the year we left and moved to the midwest. But still see plenty of DX opportunities there for those with patience and the equipment. On a contemporary note, we now own and operate AM and FM stations in Columbia, MO and were pleased to meet JOHN MALICKY, enroute to the CO convention. We were pleased to give him a stem-to-stern tour of KFRU, celebrating its 70th year with the same call letters. This now-graveyard news/talk station began with 500 watts on 780 1/17/25 and received

reception reports from all over the world, even from E H Scott still living in his native New Zealand and just starting his tinkering with superhets (which RCA alone produced for commercial sale). Stephens College bought KFRU 8/25, moving it to Columbia, where it was re-established on 600 (sharing time with WMC-Memphis), airdate here was 10/4/25. Most reception reports these days come from N Europe, folks with longwire Beverage antennas. Have not received a report from the US in years! The rig is a new Broadcast Electronics AM1 into a series-fed Lehigh self-supporting tower, lots of skywave but 1400 is very crowded and since '85, very very noisy at night. Listener reports are always welcome as are station tours. We enjoy reading *DX News* and someday may get back into DXing but now the hours are occupied with running several stations. (Thanks for the report, Al, maybe we can talk you into a DX TEST some AM from KFRU?-DWS)

JOHN TUDENHAM - 2824 MISSOURI AVENUE - JOPLIN, MO 64804-2755

This is my 1st report in quite a long time. Attended the NRC Convention for the first time since Topeka '89. It was nice to see many old friends again. WAYNE HEINEN did a great job. Speaking of Wayne, I have a neighbor 2 doors away that moved here from the Denver area. He had lived here for a year but I really didn't know him too well. A few days before the convention, he drove by and saw my magnetic ham call sign on the car. He stopped, we talked a bit and found out he was interested in AM and SW listening. I also mentioned that I was going to attend the convention in Denver. When I returned, I was speaking with him and mentioned WAYNE's name, and it turns out he is a good friend of WAYNE and had been to his home many times! It would be nice to have another member here in Joplin! (Sign 'im up! -pls) On the local scene, KQYX-1560 and WMBH-1450 are now under the same ownership. They are simulcasting the news/talk format that KQYX carried, now 24 hours on WMBH. They carry mostly BRN plus Rush Limbaugh. I have been doing a lot of FM and TV DXing this summer but just now have gotten back on the AM dial. On 10/6-8, it is our annual mid-west DXers fall get-together, this year to be held in the small town of Cuba, MO, 70 miles SW of St. Louis. Will give a full report with the next MUSE. By the way, Cuba has only one station, on 1410. 73 til next time.

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Hello fellow DXers, it's once again time for another DX season. I wonder what it will

bring. Octobers CPC sked looks great! I had ideas of attending the CO convention this year, but I was unable to. I have relatives in Englewood and the Aurora area, so I thought I could visit and attend the convention site, but it never materialized. Well, wait til next year! I just took a 1 day trip to RI, and thought I would be too busy for any listening. As it turned out, I wish I had brought a radio along, as it was a good day for some FM tropo and AM sunset DX. I was in Newport, a good DX spot. All summer, this past year, I was really busy with FM and TV DXing, and a little SW, very little AM DXing. On 8/9, WCBS and WFAN were noted off, around 5PM, due to a fire at the transmitter site. They were both back on by 6PM, nothing new was heard. I'll be trying for those CPC tests more often this year, with the ICF2010 receiver, which is the primary unit, and a Superadio. A bit of news here in the way of receivers, is the Grundig Sat. 700, available at 'Incredible Universe' at a big discount price. I'm wondering about a loop for the Sony 2010 or Superadio, and who carries them in my area? Well, I'll be at the AM dials often this month as the DX starts to roll in, and will be reporting to *DX News* often. Good DX to all. 73's

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I would first like to start out this MUSING with a thank you, to MARK CONNELLY for answering all my questions on the MWDX4A and helping me out with some DX questions. I have been DXing for years. I am 35 years old and once got my MUSING posted in *DX News* when I was stationed at Hahn AB, Germany. My 1st TA there was KYW. It was an incredible thrill to hear my favorite radio station in the Hunsrucke mountains in Germany. I recorded this and sent it to KYW. I received a card verification. At the time, I was using an R71A and a Palomar Loop. Radio has been my life since I was 12; it still fascinates me and is my passion. When I was stationed in Shaw AFB, SC, I got up on the dorm roof and put up 5 antennas, a Super Scanner Beam, MFJ1024AA, Eavesdropper, TV antenna with rotor and a DX Sloper. All of this was guyed down, and I used it strictly for my personal enjoyment. Where there's a will, there is a way. Then the Gulf War broke out and I was sent to the UAE. There I helped the communications folks set up their antenna system, which came in 2 200lb. boxes. They allowed me to spin the dial on a RACAL. Soon after that, I got a chance to go into Abu Dhabi and buy a Sony SW7600 which, I think, cost me \$175. I was excited and when I got back to tent city, I scrounged up some wire

and a couple of poles to erect a 100-some-odd-foot longwire. It overloaded the radio but at least I got away with erecting another antenna. I have erected antennas at every place I've been including Vejle, Denmark, near Legoland, Skystrup, Denmark, Rabat, Morocco, Al Dhafra, UAE, Frankfurt, Germany. At the moment, I have an R8 and a Kiwa loop. I like to fish for TA's. I would like to hear Iceland on the BCB. My countries so far include England, Norway, Senegal, Germany, Morocco, Spain. I have learned this year that you must be patient and know how to use the controls of the radio. The Synchronous Detector is the greatest for pulling in the TA's under co-channel interference. The R* is the greatest radio I've ever owned as with the Kiwa loop. I do DX from a site; it is located in DE's most precious areas (Brandywine State Park), I can see the WDEL/WSTW array from where I DX. I welcome all to write if they like! (And welcome to the NRC, Michael, report in often!-DWS)

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This report is coming to you on time once again, but from the old location. I have to

return home once a month to handle the frequency measurement chore, and then it's back down I95 to the new haunts of Conway, SC. We sort of raided the Wilmington, NC area last week and hope to be involved with some of the stations in that area. Until then, please keep sending the mail to the DE address as my wife will forward all the club mail/Musings/etc. until I get things situated. Prior to leaving WNRK, I was shocked to receive a FAX reception report, with no program details. Why anyone would just WASTE THEIR TIME to send a report like that is far beyond my realm of thought. And they wanted a response via PHONE. No mail address was given. In this case, no reply, can't waste the time. Don't get me wrong, I wouldn't mind a report via FAX or even E-mail but to make a verification 'real', I would only send it back via ground mail. What are your thoughts on that fellow members? And as always, keep your reports comin' in, and we'll keep the NRC top in a real #1 spin! CUN7 - 73




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