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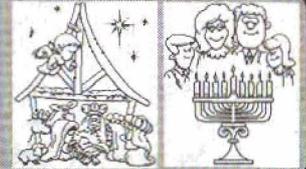
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*From the publisher ...* In spite of suspicions that the fire that destroyed KHNC-1360 (see last week's DXN), the origin of the fire apparently was a hot plate that had been left on. Bill Hale has more in DDXD on page 4.

I finally got up the nerve to use a newer word processor, Microsoft Word 6.0.1, for this issue, and those of you with sharp eyes will spot some subtle improvements in page layouts. For anyone who cares, I recently upgraded to Mac OS 8, and of course some of the old standbys I used for DXN wouldn't work anymore, most notably WordPerfect 3.1, which wouldn't print. Nevertheless, although Word works wonderfully on the Mac, I reserve the right to tell Bill Gates jokes!

*From Mark Henning ...* I want to let all who love radio know of the passing of premier Buffalo broadcaster Clint Buehlman at the age of 85.

Clint was the morning man and the soul of Buffalo radio at WBEN from March of 1943 till his retirement in 1977. He also hosted a show on WGR from 1931 to 1943. Morning radio shows in Buffalo honored him this morning, 12/4/97, with clips of old shows and a telephone interview with "Buffalo" Bob Smith aka Howdy Doody, who worked with Clint at WBEN before he did his historic TV show back in the late '40's. Clint was also part of the star-filled years at 'BEN working with personalities such as Jack Parr who went on to host the first Tonight Show on NBC and Jeff Kaye who worked at WKBW and today does the voice-overs for NFL films. His legacy is well-known throughout western New York and southern Ontario. He set the standard for morning radio in Buffalo and will be missed by all.

*Welcome to these new members ...* Richard C. Evans, West Columbia, SC (rejoins); Tom Beaman, Clinton Township, MI. I mailed out 743 copies of DXN last week; we could stand to have a little promotion here and there, and if you have any kind of gathering in the near future, feel free to request sample copies of DXN to be distributed to those in attendance. There are plenty of DXN's on hand for all!

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## DX Time Machine

*From the pages of DX News:*  
50 years ago ... from the December 13, 1947 DXN: Norm Maguire, Albuquerque, NM; Stan Morris, Bradford, MA; and Al Maley, Highland Falls, NY reported reception of the DX program from VP4RD-1295 on Dec. 1.

25 years ago ... from the December 16, 1972 DXN: Frank Wheeler, Erie, PA reported new catches in WLCY-1380, Sept. 11; WQTE-560, Oct. 5; WEXT-1550, Oct. 7, KYMN for #1,638, and KXJK-950 on Nov. 15.

10 years ago ... from the December 14, 1987 DXN: Ray Moore, Walpole, MA, reported what he thought to be the last appearance of 2RPH-1692 Australia on November 18, peaking at 1129-1242 UTC.

# 2 AM Switch

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

### CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old call	New call
1390 WVPA VA Arlington	WZHF*

\*Note It would appear that this station is playing musical calls, having dropped the recently assigned WVPA to return to WZHF.

### APPLICATIONS/GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS None

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### APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

860 WACB NC Taylorsville: modify existing application to show 1000/130 U2  
910 WRKL NY New City: modify existing application to show 1000/800 U4  
960 WJCM FL Sebring: to 1050 kHz with 1000/11 U1 (move will facilitate the upgrade of WFLA)  
970 WFLA FL 25000/11900 U4  
1080 WNWJ IN Valparaiso: 1900 D1, city of license to Oak Lawn, IL  
1450 KMCA CA Burney: 260/250 U1, city of license to Shasta, CA  
1570 CKTA AB Taber: to 1090 kHz with 10000/5000 U3, city of license to Lethbridge, AB (somehow on its trip through the electronic jungle this item left this computer on 1570 kHz, but by the time you received Issue #8 it had magically moved to "1900 kHz". Disregard the entry shown there, this is correct.) (Probably the detour via my fingers moved it up the dial -pls.)

### GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

600 CJWW SK Saskatoon: 25000/8000 U4, relocate transmitter

### OTHERNESS

540 CBKO BC Coal Harbor: license CANCELLED, call DELETED (this and the other deleted Canadian relay stations below result from their programming moving to FM)  
540 CBXQ BC Ucluelet: license CANCELLED, call DELETED  
620 KBZS CO Grand Junction: listing in Log (and MSJ) showing 5000/800 U2 for this station is incorrect, Ken Pilling, Chief Engineer writes that they are actually 5000/85 U1 (the FCC database confirms this)  
630 CBKU BC Sayward: license CANCELLED, call DELETED  
680 KBRD WA Lacey: silent station is ON THE AIR  
860 CBKJ BC Gold River: license CANCELLED, call DELETED  
950 WPEN PA Philadelphia: CP to relocate transmitter is on  
990 WPRA PR Mayaguez: CP for 910/910 U1 is on  
1010 KTUR UT Tooele: CP for 50000 (3100 CH)/13 U1 has been DISMISSED (however, KTUR reports this facility is already on the air, so another FCC mystery rears its ugly head; more if it happens)  
1170 CBUX BC Port Alice: license CANCELLED, call DELETED  
1230 WAYX GA Waycross: license CANCELLED, call DELETED (the FCC continues not to renew the licenses of stations that have been silent for more than a year; this is the case of WAYX and all the other cancelled US stations shown below)  
1240 KMCL ID Donnelly: CP to move here (ex-McCall) with 1000/1000 U1 is on  
1240 CBXP BC Tahsis: license CANCELLED, call DELETED  
1380 WHEW TN Franklin: silent station is ON THE AIR  
1410 WTIM IL Taylorsville: owners have announced WTIM will become SILENT in December now that their new FM station is on the air at 97.3  
1430 WFOB OH Fostoria: CP to relocate transmitter is on  
1450 WIZA GA Savannah: license CANCELLED, call DELETED  
1450 WJER OH Dover: CP to relocate transmitter is on  
1540 WXZE GA Sylvester: license CANCELLED, call DELETED  
1570 WTQX AL Selma: license CANCELLED, call DELETED

It is interesting to note that the FCC continues incorrectly to cancel the licenses of stations that are presently operating, certainly a nasty surprise to those stations. The numerous past cases of this have been resolved to the stations' satisfaction, and we assume these will likewise be corrected, but just for your interest those stations in the latest round of surprise cancellations are  
1220 WABF AL Fairhope  
1240 WBHB AL Fitzgerald  
1310 WBRO GA Waynesboro  
plus a handful of FM stations.

THANKS: Ed Krejny, Wayne Heinen, Shawn Axelrod and MSJ  
73 and Good DX, Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

*Jim & BKF*

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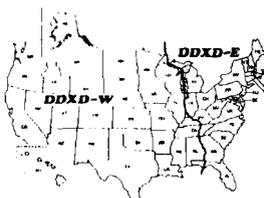
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## DDXD-West

### MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- We welcome new member and first-time reporter **John Tow** of Pinson, Alabama to our family this week. A 40-year shortwave and medium wave DXer, **John** has a new Lowe HF-150 and an old Tilted Terminated Folded Dipole to grab those distant signals. It's good to have another Alabama reporter in our midst. Also reporting for the first time in many-a-moon is **Lou Buehler** of Winfield, Missouri (just up the Mississippi from St. Louis a mite). He says he drifted away from the hobby after hosting the 1980 (or about) NRC Convention in St. Charles. Good to have you back, **Lou**.
- Word in from **Gary Jackson** (our California TIS reporter): "Just talked to the head of CalTrans. New TIS/HAR superstation to go on 530 kHz at Lake Tahoe, Nevada in next couple of weeks. A superstation gets out 15-20 miles. Also new TIS/HAR [on] 1610 kHz at Clear Lake, California at Highways 101 and 20."
- **Gary Houdek** of Munden, Kansas reports hearing the TV show *60 Minutes* on WCCO-830 // his local CBS-TV station, although they ran their own commercials. I believe the CBS owned and operated stations have been doing this since the TV season started. And some other CBS affiliates have picked up on it, too. And . . . just back from sharpening his curling broom, **Shawn** says: "The postal strike continues to mess up my life and DX time but it will be over by Friday (12/5). Then I get my revenge by sending 130,000 pieces of mail to them I have been storing. Hope they have fun!!! NOT!!!!"
- As most of you are aware, the studios of KHNC-1360 Johnstown, Colorado was hit by a fire on the evening of Saturday November 27th. According to the *Denver Post* article forwarded here by **Wayne Heinen**, the station was associated with the right-wing Patriot movement and also claimed to be on short wave. **Wayne** reports: "Monitoring on 11/30 indicates KHNC-1360 is silent, as well as KTMG-1370 Deer Trail, Colorado, which relayed KHNC's programming. The current FCC data base shows that the station's license was canceled in May, 1997 and was operating while a petition for reconsideration was awaiting a hearing." A follow-up report from **Wayne** states that as of Monday (Dec 1): "Colorado Bureau of Investigation agents spent much of Sunday investigating a fire that destroyed a controversial radio station here Saturday night, but it appears the blaze was accidental . . . Reports on Denver's Channel 7 and Channel 4 10 PM newscasts indicate that the station will return to the air soon. Those in the Denver metro area may wish to take advantage of the lull on 1360 and 1370 before KHNC returns. The AM Radio LOG P.O. Box address for KHNC will probably still be good, but there are doubts of immediate QSLs when they return. KHNC has been a poor verifier in the past."

### REPORTERS

- JT-AL** John Tow Pinson Lowe HF-150 and Tilted Terminated Folded Dipole  
**GJ-CA** Gary Jackson Sacramento Yaesu FRG 8800 + Kiwa Loop  
**KDF-IL** Karl Forth Chicago Drake R8, lcom IC-R70, HQ-160, long wire, spiral loop  
**WH-CO** Wayne Heinen Aurora R-390A w/4' NRC Loop, Kiwa MAP Unit <nrclog@aol.com>  
**JB-TX** Jim Boehm San Antonio (site of '98 NRC Convention!!) ICF-2010  
**LB-MO** Lou Buehler Winfield DX-390 on a lazy susan  
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**RS-MO** Randy Stewart Springfield Yaesu FRG-100; Sanserino 15" amplified box loop <jrs555t@wpgate.smsu.edu>

- SA-MB** Shawn Axelrod Winnipeg ICOM R-70 w/filter mods and PLAM board, Drake R8 + 4' box loop/Quantum Loop/130' long wire <saxelrod@mb.sympatico.ca>  
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**TRH-CA1** Chasing TIS stations around San Diego County Delco car radio

### SPECIAL

- 610 **KSKE** **CO** Vail - 11/10 - Adds *Michael Reagan Show* per program today. Also adds *The Rush Limbaugh Program* per Rush website. Is this station no longer C&W? (**DP-HI**) [Negatory. See DDXD-West, Special, Issue 8. Also noted back in Issue 3 and another prior to that - Ed.]
- 620 **KEWS** **OR** Portland - Per the Portland Radio Guide on the Internet, station adds *The Rush Limbaugh Program*. If I recall, the show used to be on 750 KXL. (**DP-HI**)
- 990 **KIKI** **HI** Honolulu - 11/20 - Noted airing C&W music with live DJs, instead of the urban contemporary format that was // KIKI-FM 93.9. Per spokesman, format change happened earlier this week. Uses slogan *AM 9-90, Hawaii's Country*. This is Honolulu's first C&W station since KDEO-AM/FM switched formats in 1994 and the first new C&W station since KKOA-FM 107.7 Volcano/Hilo went CHR. (**DP-HI**)
- 1110 **KBND** **OR** Bend - 11/17 - Adds *Michael Reagan Show* per program today. PD is Bob King. (**DP-HI**)
- 1330 **KWLO** **IA** Waterloo - 12/1 0124-0131 - Noted NOS music with many generic *Stars 1330* slogans. At least one was *Waterloo's Stars 1330*. So add that slogan to your LOG. (**WH-CO**)
- 1390 **KLTX** **CA** Long Beach - Re: JS-AZ's request for this station's address in DDXD-W Volume 65 Number 5 . . . as I mentioned earlier, when I was in L.A. recently, I heard them announce **PO Box 29023, Glendale 91209-9023** as its address for a contest. And to confirm this, I visited the Long Beach address on Atlantic Avenue, which was vacant. However, the information operator for the 818 area code has no listing for the station. Station slogans include *AM 13-90 K-Light, The Light in Los Angeles, Your Source for Light, and The Light of Your Life*. (**DP-HI**) [And their chief announcer is Mr. Magoo, hi - Ed.]
- 1550 **KLFJ** **MO** Springfield - 11/10 - Adds *Michael Reagan Show* per program today. (**DP-HI**)
- 1650 **KGXL** **CA** Costa Mesa - 11/25 0622 - Testing with OC, no tone. S9-to-S20 signal. They should be on the air soon. (**GJ-CA**)



Cedar Rapids

### DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 600 **KGEZ-** **MT** Kalispell - 12/1 0157-0303 - Nothing heard that resembled a test, no Morse code heard. Just KOGO, with bits of suspected CKBD & KNRO. (**BK-CA**)
- KGEZ-** **MT** Kalispell - 12/1 0200-0220 - Listened 20 minutes nothing but presumed WMT with USA Talk and KIIX with NOS. No sign here. (**WH-CO**)
- KGEZ-** **MT** Kalispell - 12/1 0200-0300 - Nothing heard that sounded like a test. KNRO dominant. (**FA-ID**)
- 600 **KGEZ-** **MT** Kalispell - 12/1 0100 - Not heard, only WMT and CJWW. (**SA-MB**)

### TIS & OTHER STUFF

- 530 (**WNSB415**)**CA** South San Diego - CalTrans station has been silent for about a month, presumably the latest victim of XEBACH's killer signal. Transmitter and signs are still in place, however. To my knowledge, all 530 kHz TIS stations in SD County are now off the air . . . but most (all?) still have their signs up. (**TRH-CA1**)
- 530 **UNID** ?? - 11/21 0630 & 1730 - Occasional airport and weather info, during Turks and Caicos fades. (**JT-AL**)
- 890 **KPB792** **CA** San Diego - 12/3 1500 - These are the correct calls for the Cabrillo National Monument TIS, not KPB890 as the station used to announce. The "890" was just a reference to their frequency. They're giving correct IDs now. (**TRH-CA**)
- 1610 (**WNDQ665**)**CA** Descanso-Cuyamaca State Park - 11/28 1850 - Station is silent, and signs appear to have all been taken down. (**TRH-CA1**)

- 1610 KGB528? CA Mt. Laguna (Cleveland National Forest) - 11/28 1830 - Tentative, using car radio along California 79 near Mt. Laguna turnoff. Misc. camping-related info (availability of propane, etc.). Didn't have time to drive closer to investigate. (TRH-CA1)
- 1610 WNP405 CA San Diego - After months of silent periods and distorted signals, this station is back and getting out better than ever. Tape loop usually includes male and female voices, and is updated daily. (TRH-CA)
- 1610 TIS UT Panguitch - 12/4 0430 - Noted this station fighting through local WNUB568 and WNP405 as well as some UNIDs. Good with message that begins "Welcome to Bryce Canyon Country" and goes on to mention Bryce Canyon National Park, Grand Staircase-Escalante NM, and most of all, Scenic Byway 12 (which is a great scenic drive). This station, which is a Garfield County Tourism Office station in Panguitch, is what most of us across the Western US and Canada are hearing, not KOP798 (KOP798 is the station at Bryce Canyon NP; its message is mostly about park safety). This station was silent in early September but they're sure back now! Almost a pest now. (TRH-CA)
- 1610 TIS UNID ?? - 12/4 0520 - Who runs corny 60s-style "computer tones" at the end of their tape loop? Couldn't pick out the station mixing with WNUB568, WNP405, and Panguitch. Yosemite station seemed to be in briefly tonight as well. (TRH-CA)
- 1613.3 House MB Winnipeg - 11/29 0608 - Talking house with ad for Century 21 Real Estate. This one was about 1 mile from the house. (SA-MB)
- 1620 KNNN868 CA Santa Ana - 12/4 0415 - Fair, through local pests WJ51 and "KCR" (San Diego State University) with ... *CalTrans travelers' information station for Orange County* ... 1620 AM. Noted several times, along with road conditions for Irvine area. New. (TRH-CA)
- 1640 WQO767 TX Dallas/Fort Worth IAP - 11/24 0630 - Arrival gate info, TCs, ID by female. Rapid fire. (JT-AL) [John, these are correct calls - Ed.]
- 1680 WQO767 TX Dallas/Fort Worth IAP - 11/24 0630 - Departure gate info, TCs, ID by female. (JT-AL)
- 1700 (WRV829) CA San Diego - Station has not been noted for several months, but signs are still up. If they do come back, they probably won't be calling themselves "K-Murph" anymore, as *The Murph* is now *The Q* (Qualcomm Stadium). (TRH-CA)
- MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS in the Garden of DX
- 540 WDAK GA Columbus - 11/25 0140 - Weak signal, mostly on top of SS station and others. Sports/talk. ID at 0158 in addition to a SID. (LB-MO)
- 600 KNRO CA Redding - 12/1 0200 - Sports Overnight America, *Newstalk 600*, KNRO into NBC News. Most dominant station on frequency. (FA-ID)
- 620 WTMT KY Louisville - 11/25 0253 - Very good for a while, with *Sports Radio AM 620 WTMT*. 1-On-1 Sports. (LB-MO)
- 660 KTNN AZ Window Rock - 11/23 0535 - Good signal, with slight fading and QRN. C&W music from IRN. 0600 ID *Serving the Navajo Nation and all of Western America from the Capital City of the Navajo Nation, this 50000 watt KTNN window Rock into NBC News.* (LB-MO)
- 690 KOAQ NE Terrytown - 11/17 0121 - Good, with KOAQ CLs, trade school ad momentarily, on top of CBF. (KDF-IL)
- 850 KOA CO Denver - 11/17 0650 - Public affairs program with male host and female guest on phone from New Jersey regarding holiday gift ideas, PSA on reading to kids, IBM Aptiva/Radio Shack ad, local tire chain ad, promo, ID *Newsradio ?*, KOA Denver [probably Newsradio 85 - Ed.] and woman with news, man with 5:05 time check and into morning show, mentioning *Denver Broncos* player Shannon Sharpe. Poor-to-fair. KAIM-870, which usually slops over, on a now-rare SP this MM. (DP-HI)
- 960 KLTF MN Little Falls - 11/23 0701 - Weak signal, in and out. *KLTF Weather Watch* and ads. (LB-MO)
- KZIM MO Cape Girardeau - 11/25 0730 - Weak signal in the mess. *Paul Harvey* and ID as *The Voice of Cape Girardeau*, 960 KZIM. (LB-MO)
- 1000 WMVP IL Chicago - 11/27 0750 - Ads for Chicago area, sports talk. In phase null of KTOK-OK. New here. (JR-OK)



- 1050 WDZ IL Decatur - 11/27 0655 - On top for a while, with RFD Illinois agricultural program; weather. ID as *Farm radio 1050 WDZ Decatur*. ABC News. (LB-MO)
- 1090 KRPMt WA Seattle - 11/21 0746 - Music by *Chumbawamba*, *Counting Crowes*, anct ... Tacoma ... K???-FM ... 106.1. Songs by Robyn, Paula Cole. Missed ID before more music. Per *Seattle Times*, KRPM is now // KBKS-FM 106.1. When did the format switch from C&W occur? Poor; KWA1-1080 QRM. (DP-HI)
- 1140 KSOO SD Sioux Falls - 11/21 0746 - Fair signal, on top momentarily, with 11-4-0 KSOO birthdays and anniversaries. Both local and 888 phone numbers. (LB-MO)
- 1240 KWAK AR Stuttgart - 11/23 0600 - Fair, with what sounded like a sign-on. Heard *KAWK-FM* and 105.5 mention, then into *Wooly Bully*. (KDF-IL)
- WIAN MI Ishpeming - 11/16 0300 - With ID as *WIAN Ishpeming-Negaunee*. Also a mention of 1320 (WDMJ Marquette). (KDF-IL)
- 1250 WTMA SC Charleston - 11/26 0630 - Strong signal for about 20 minutes. Sung and spoken IDs, news, weather. Caught me by surprise, as thought it was usual WTAE. (LB-MO)
- 1260 KWYR SD Winner - 11/26 0700 - Fair signal, on top with no sign of usual WIBV, with sung and spoken IDs *Country 1260* is KWYR followed by ABC News, then weather. (LB-MO)
- 1270 WXGO IN Madison - 11/20 0630 - In and out, with *Oldies 1270 WXGO*. (LB-MO)
- WKZT KY Fulton - 11/20 0700 - Up on top, with fading, with C&W music, ID as *This is WKZT Fulton, Kentucky-South Fulton, Tennessee.* (LB-MO)
- 1280 WBIG IL Aurora - 11/26 0727 - On top for a while, with weather and ID as *The BIG one, 1280 WBIG Aurora-Naperville.* (LB-MO)
- 1290 WIRL IL Peoria - 11/20 0740 - In and out, mostly on top, with local news and weather. ID as *News Talk 1290*, WIRL. Ads for local businesses. (LB-MO)
- 1460 KKTK TX Waco - 12/1 0750 - Waco area ads, fading with QRM from SS station. (JR-OK)
- 1490 KNDC ND Hettinger - 12/1 0747 - Fair signal, with sign-on with Star Spangled Banner by a male chorus. (SA-MB)
- 1550 KIWA IA Sheldon - 12/1 0741 - Fair signal, with country music and KIWA ID in a mess. (SA-MB)
- 1560 KKA A SD Aberdeen - 11/30 0730 - C&W music, call ID: *KK double A*. Good signal with some QRM. (JR-OK)
- 0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT
- 1220 KOMC MO Branson - 11/29 0807 - Call ID, Missouri Net news. Last heard a year ago. (JR-OK)
- 1350 KSLQ MO Washington - 11/20 1515 - Weak signal, with ID as *Continuous Hits 104.5 KSLQ*, ads. // 104.5. (LB-MO)
- 1490 CJSN SK Shaunavon - 12/1 0801 - Local and national news broadcast. (SA-MB)
- 1560 KABI KS Abilene - 11/29 1435 - Call ID, NOS music and news. New here. (JR-OK)
- 1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT
- 970 WINF VA Waynesboro - 11/21 2106-2110 - Good, with news format, ID and *weather on the mines*. (KDF-IL)
- 1020 KJJK MN Fergus Falls - 11/23 2125 - Fair-to-good, mixing with KDKA and Caribbean Christian Radio, with oldies music, canned promos: *Another great oldie from AM 1020, KJ-Oldies*. Legal ID 2200: *AM 1020 KJJK Fergus Falls, Minnesota*. New log. (RS-MO)
- 1130 WBBR NY New York - 11/22 1755 - Good, with traffic and weather for the NY metro area. Man with ID at 1800: WBBR New York, then woman with *All the numbers, all the time--AM 11-3-Oh, Bloomberg News Radio*. New log for me. Never logged the NYC station on 1130 before. (Wasn't this WNEW for many decades?) (RS-MO)
- 1210 WPHT PA Philadelphia - 11/28 2000 - Talk, call ID. Fading, heard in phase null of SS station. New here. (JR-OK)
- 1360 KGME AZ Glendale - 11/30 2027 - Faded up with local *Cardinals* post-game show and local SPT. Needed call change. (WH-CO)

KSCJ	IA	Sioux City - 11/30 2011-2040+ - One pest gone this one returns, dominant E-W with CBS Sports (Broncos vs Chargers). (WH-CO)
KRYS	TX	Corpus Christi - 11/30 2037 - Faded up with loud call ID and Local KID type spots. Unneeded, but rarely heard. (WH-CO)
KAHZ	TX	Ft. Worth - 11/30 - Ahhs World Countdown. Local PSA sponsored by Big Bowl in Mesquite at 2035-2040. Needed call change. (WH-CO) (All 1360s above on the heels of the KHNC fire.)
1410 KRWB	MN	Roseau - 11/14 1925-2000 - Fair, over/under WIZM, with heavy rock, several IDs, PSA and news at 1955. New. Band was mostly dead at this time. (KDF-IL)
1420 WACK	NY	Newark - 11/21 2015 - Good, with many local ads, mostly for businesses in nearby Clyde, New York. ID as Sports radio 1420, WACK, the talk of the town. First time here, and kind of a surprise. (KDF-IL)
1430 KNSP	MN	Staples - 11/14 2317 - Briefly on top with KWAD ID (920), central Minnesota high school football scores. Rarely heard. (KDF-IL)
1450 KGFF	OK	Shawnee - 11/22 2051 - With ___ and national coming up next on 1450 KGFF AM into beginning of unID ad and into jumble. (JB-TX)
1700 WCMQ	FL	Miami Springs - 11/21 & 11/22 1730 - SS music and news. Local addresses given. Mentioned Keys several times. Armchair quality! (JT-AL)

## DDXD-East

## WBBF 95AM

Deadlines for DDXD-East are on Tuesdays, weekly from December 30.

## STATION NEWS

850 WJAC	PA	Johnstown - Now // WVSC-990 overnights, heard ID as "Oldies Radio WJAC Johnstown and WVSC Somerset." Seems over nights only, as WVSC was heard in the evening with no mention of WJAC. (SK-PA)
1310 WDCT	VA	Fairfax - New address: 3231 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax VA 22030. (SK-PA)
1390 WXTC	SC	Charleston - New address: 4995 Lacross Rd., Charleston SC 29406. (SK-PA)
1480 WISL	PA	Shamokin - United Stations Network (ex-PRN) TLK programs have been replaced with TLK/SPT, G. Gordon Liddy, the Don & Mike Show from 1500-1800, then One on One Sports. (SK-PA)

## UNID and UNID HELP

830 UNID	—	— - 11/28 1715 - Very strong signal, Idingas "The News Station" (some sort of satellite news feed), no local material, sudden power cut at 1715. Could be Eden NC? (JR-NY) [Yes, and "The News Station" ID's are AP Network News. - DY]
960 UNID	—	— - 11/26 0207-0240 - Playing hits from 70's-90's (no currents) back to back. No ID, ads, or talking. Poor to fair, over./under WELI. Some kind of brief station promo "tune in Monday through Friday" going into fade at 0240. (SK-PA)
1060 UNID	—	— - 11/24 1741-1745 - C&W music, ID at 1743 as "Q-93." Ideas? (EK-OH)

## LOGGINGS: 0000-0800

1400 WILI	CT	Willimantic - 11/24 0419 - "That's Peter Cetera on 14 WILI with non-stop music," in mix with the music standing out. (SK-PA)
1600 Wbfd	PA	Bedford - 11/27 0710 - Fair over WWRL with local weather report, ended with "currently outside our studios in Bedford, it's 37 degrees." QSLed as WAYC in 1978. (MB-ON)
WPDC	PA	Elizabethtown - 11/29 0121 - Briefly heard under WWRL with WPDC SID during sports show. Listed 79 watts. (JR-NY)

## LOGGINGS: 0800-1600

1160 WBOB	KY	Florence - 11/19 0806 - Poor under WSCR, WCCS with ad for Sears, promo for "Law and Order" on NBC, time check "8:07 at 1160 Bob" into Cincinnati traffic report, mention of I-71. (MB-ON)
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## LOGGINGS: 1600-2400

560 WQAM	FL	Miami - 11/19 1815-1846 - Poor to fair in WFIL null with sports call-in show, ID's as "Sports Radio 560 QAM," ads for Gold Coast Volvo dealers, channel 33 UPN TV, Peter Glin's Skis and Sports, and Tamiami Chrysler/Plymouth on 8 <sup>th</sup> Street. Recheck on 11/20; barely heard. (JH-NJ)
WFRB	MD	Frostburg - 11/20 1744 - Common Sense Radio program with Ollie North, several callers interviewed on topic of Arlington Cemetary scandal. My second regional station from MD; very good to apparent power cut at 1800. (RCP-IN)
580 WCHS	WV	Charleston - 11/24 2200 - Monday Night Football on CBS network, ID "WCHS Talk Radio 58," over/under presumed Puerto Rico. (DZ-NY)
590 WMBS	PA	Uniontown - 11/24 1855 - Weather report, mention of Uniontown. (WM-MD)
650 WKKQ	MN	Nashwauk - 11/19 1701 - News at top of the hour with Kelly James, frequent ID's and WKKQ jingle, very good for ten minutes or so. WSM barely heard. (RCP-IN)
730 WFMC	NC	Goldsboro - 11/24 1805-1807 - Very good with local news, weather, and a funeral notice. Spot for Cash Express, then into GOS. Certainly not 90 watts; somebody forgot the switch again! (EK-OH)
810 WAPB	TN	Murfreesboro - 11/24 1834-1840 - Like a ton of bricks with NOS, "Golden Radio" with Todd McBride. Spot for the Music Shop and Terrace Pharmacy. Lost at 1840 when someone apparently remembered they were a daytimer! (EK-OH)
820 WYPA	IL	Chicago - 11/25 1743 - "Your Personal Achievement Station," followed by traffic for Chicagoland area. Fair but mixing badly with WBAP and another station. (RCP-IN)
850 WTAR	VA	Norfolk - 11/26 1656 - News atop hour, several call ID's. First time since move from 790, fair signal. (RCP-IN)
920 WHJJ	RI	Providence - 11/24 2126-2140 - In nicely with talk, plenty of spots and ID's. (EK-OH)
930 WNZS	FL	Jacksonville - 11/26 1814-1842 - Good with WEOL nulled, One on One Sports, spots for Burger King, Bayer aspirin, and Jim Martin Tire and Auto Centers, among others. Some fading, but strong and dominant most of the time. (EK-OH)
970 WINF	VA	Waynesboro - 11/26 1754-1802 - Atop with "Planner's Bank Financial News," "Business Update," and "Community Update," weather, and a promo for the "Sonny Randle Show." Also AP News. No sign of WWSW. (EK-OH)
1000 KTOK	OK	Oklahoma City - 11/26 1817 - Drivetime report for Oklahoma City, several routes and interstates mentioned, "KTOK news time 5:20," very good. (RCP-IN)
1020 WRIX	SC	Homestead - 11/17 1717 - Religious talk by preacher, call letters, then religious music, to 1730 sign-off without SSB. Fair to poor, new. (RCP-IN)
1080 WPGR	PA	Pittsburgh - 11/26 1714 - Noted way under WTIC with sign-off announcement, calls, 50 kW power. (JR-NY)
1090 WAQE	WI	Rice Lake - 11/28 1725-1801 - Stronging with "Classic Country AM 1090" ID's, older C&W music, local and state news at 1747, finishing with funeral announcements at 1752, then more music until sign-off 1801 with call ID. One of my unID's from last week. (JR-NY)
1130 WCLW	NC	Eden - 11/26 1840-1907 - Strong with NOS music behind WBBR, ID 1900, weather 1906 into Bruce Williams Show — was this them or someone else? NOS music back at 1922. (SK-PA)
1170 WMRH	WI	Waupun - 11/20 1626 - Fair and alone on channel, no sign of WWVA, with promo for "Packers' Preview" in Friday edition of the Recorder newspaper, PSA for safe driving from Wisconsin Department of Transportation, ID "the music of your life on WMRH." QSLed as WLKE in 1980. (MB-ON)
1200 WSML	NC	Graham - 11/25 1651 - Mentioned listening to the John Higgy Today program "Mondays on WSML," also other ads for stores in Graham. Great signal, but only briefly. (RCP-IN)
WBZY	PA	New Castle - 11/21 1730 - Several oldies back-to-back, followed by ads for Grand Book and Bible Store and New Honda in New Castle. Fair to good, no sign of WOAI. (RCP-IN)

- 1220 **WKBK** NH **Keene** - 11/28 1625 - Ad for Davis Oil in Keene, call letters, QRM from WKNR, presumed WRIB in SS. (JR-NY)
- 1230 **WECK** NY **Cheektowaga** - 11/23 2300 - ID in mess, then NBC news. (WM-MD)
- 1270 **WLIK** TN **Newport** - 11/28 1745-1810 - Poor and mixing with WJBR with C&W music, ID at 1800, into CNN News and weather for eastern Tennessee. Faded out by 1810. (JH-NJ)
- KESS** TX **Fort Worth** - 11/21 2100 - Presumed with mentions of "La Fabulosa" and Texas cities, over/under second SS station. (SK-PA)
- CFGT** PQ **Alma** - 11/29 - Presumed; sat on this frequency all evening and was hearing an FF talk station occasionally in and out with WTSN. At one point they may have been broadcasting Canadiens hockey. (RWT-MA)
- 1300 **WJFK** MD **Baltimore** - 11/26 2005 - ID and promo for Baltimore TV station, then gone. (DZ-NY)
- 1320 **WGET** PA **Gettysburg** - 11/28 2038-2100 - New, with Arizona-Arizona State football from Westwood One. Occasionally very good, but much fading and severe QRM from CJMR, WOBL, though no sign of WJAS. Positive ID. (EK-OH)
- 1360 **WKYO** MI **Caro** - 11/28 2000 - Popped up for an ID, lost thereafter although snatches of C&W afterwards were possibly them. New for MI #100. (EK-OH)
- 1370 **WTAB** NC **Taber City** - 11/28 1903-1930 - Some kind of pre-game show, into local football game. Spots for Colemans Drive-In and the Pond(?) House. Severe fading and a constant rumble of QRM, but faded up every now and then with a nice signal — only 109 watts! (EK-OH)
- 1420 **CKPT** ON **Peterborough** - 11/24 1800 - ID, Canadian hourly news, mention of Vancouver. (WM-MD)
- 1440 **WEZJ** KY **Williamsburg** - 11/23 1710 - "Win the Turkey contest" on "EZ Country on WEZJ," faded up briefly then gone. (RCP-IN)
- 1470 **WHRD** WV **Huntington** - 11/23 1657-1710 - Good with Cincinnati Bengals football game. (EK-OH)
- 1580 **WDMF** TN **Knoxville** - 11/23 1726-1729:30 - Sign-off announcements, poor to fair at best. (EK-OH)

**TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS**

**REPORTERS**

- MB-ON Mike Brooker Toronto ON - RF-2200, RFB-45
- JH-NJ John Hanz Old Bridge NJ - Realistic 12-650A
- SK-PA Steve Kennedy Coal Township PA -
- EK-OH Ed Krejny Strongsville OH -
- WM-MD William McGuire Cheverly MD - DX-380
- RCP-IN Robert Pote Greenwood IN - R8A, Quantum loop
- JR-NY Jim Renfew Rochester NY - R8, Radio West loop, Dodge Van radio
- RWT-MA Rick Turner North Dartmouth MA - STA-300, Palomar loop
- DZ-NY Dan Ziolkowski Hamburg NY - Sony 2010, Kiwa filters, Kiwa pocket loop

**ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD**

/ / :parallel to :00: on the hour AC:Adult contemporary AP:Associated Press BBD:big band 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 LSR:local sunrise LSS:local sunset NFL: National Football League NBA:National Basketball Association NHL:National Hockey League NPR:National Public Radio OC:open carrier PRI: Public Radio International PSRA:pre-sunrise authority PSSA:post-sunset authority QRM:man-made interference (power lines, etc) QRN:natural interference (lightning, etc) 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 VID:voice ID

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**Geomagnetic Summary August 29 1997 through October 21 1997**

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

Date	FLUX	A	K	SA	GEO	OTHER
8/29	92	12	1	moderate	quiet-active	-
30	92	9	1	low	quiet-active	-
8/31	96	4	2	low	quiet	-
9/ 1	93	4	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
2	92	2	2	moderate	quiet	-
3	93	16	5	low	quiet-mis	-
4	93	14	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
5	96	4	2	low	quiet	-
6	98	9	0	low	quiet-unsettled	-
7	102	3	0	low	quiet	-
8	119	10	2	moderate	quiet-active	-
9	116	14	3	low	quiet-active	-
10	115	16	3	low	unsettled-active	-
12	109	13	3	low	quiet-unsettled	-
13	108	9	2e	low	quiet-unsettled	-
14	z	z	z	z	z	-
15	98	9	3	low	quiet-unsettled	-
16	95	6	1	low	quiet-unsettled	-
17	z	8	4	moderate	quiet-active	-
18	88	16	2	low	quiet-mis	-
19	88	3	1	low	quiet	-
20	88	5	1	low	quiet-unsettled	-
21	85	11	4	low	quiet-active	-
22	89	8	1	low	quiet-active	-
23	92	3	1	low-mod	quiet	-
24	93	3	0	high	quiet	-
25	89	1	0	low	quiet	-
10/ 3	86	7	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
4	82	3	0	very low	quiet	-
5	z	z	z	z	z	-
6	84	3	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
7	84	6	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
8	83	12	4	very low	quiet-active	-
9	84	19	3	very low	quiet-mis	-
10	84	22	6	very low	quiet-mas	-
11	86	24	1	very low	quiet-mas	-
12	89	5	2	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
13	z	z	z	z	z	-
14	z	z	z	z	z	-
15	87	2	0	very low	quiet	-
16	88	2	0	very low	quiet	-
17	88	1e	1	very low	quiet	-
18	87	2	0	very low	quiet	-
19	z	z	z	z	z	-
20	83	5	1	very low	quiet-active	-
10/21	85	1	2	low	quiet	-

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And away we go ...

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

Jim

- 531 ALGERIA, Ain-El-Beida, NOV 23 2327 - // 549 with plucked strings & AA vocal; mixed with Spain & Madeira. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 540 MOROCCO, Sidi Bennour, NOV 23 2331 - bits of female AA vocal sounded // to powerhouse 612. QRM'ed by CBT and other domestics. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 549 ALGERIA, Les Trembles, NOV 23 0330 - fast AA talk by man & woman, several short musical segments; fair. [Connelly\*H-MA] NOV 23 2326 - plucked string music; excellent. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 576 PORTUGAL, R. Renascenca, Braga, NOV 23 2324 - likely this with bits of music // 594; mixed with Algeria & Spain, poor. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 585 SPAIN, RNE1, Madrid, NOV 23 2322 - man & woman in SS; to fair peak through VOXM/WEZE-590 slop. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 594 PORTUGAL, R. Renascenca, Muge, NOV 23 2320 - // 963 with light instrumental music; excellent. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 603 SPAIN, RNE5, Sevilla / Palencia, NOV 23 2317 - man & woman in SS; good / dominant. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 612 MOROCCO, Sebaa-Aioun, NOV 23 0500 - AA talk at low audio level. [Connelly\*H-MA] NOV 23 2307 - // 819 with woman, then man, reading news in AA; local-like. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, NOV 23 0458 - SS talk by woman, background of piano jazz; fair. [Connelly\*H-MA] NOV 23 2308 - man with news in SS; loud. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 639 SPAIN, RNE1, La Coruña et al., NOV 23 0334 - woman in SS; to fair peak. [Connelly\*H-MA]
- 648 SPAIN, RNE1, Badajoz et al., NOV 23 2310 - // 684 with SS news; fair. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 666 PORTUGAL, RDP, Lisboa, NOV 23 2313 - female vocal of "America the Beautiful"; poor to fair. NOV 23 2318 - soul / jazz vocal; good. Not // Azores-693 at the time. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 684 SPAIN, RNE1, Sevilla, NOV 23 0457 - fair with pop vocal that sounded like "Solitary Man" by Neil Diamond. SS talk by woman followed. [Connelly\*H-MA] NOV 23 2310 - // 648 with SS news; HUGE. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 693 AZORES, RDP, Santa Barbara, NOV 23 0338 - // 837 with female jazz vocal; excellent. NOV 23 2348 - // 837 with "Strangers in the Night" by Frank Sinatra; excellent. Al Merriman was hearing this at the same time in VA. [Connelly\*H-MA]
- 693 SPAIN, RNE synchros NOV 30 0215 - Good; Spanish vocal // 684. [Conti-MA]
- 711 WESTERN SAHARA / LIBYA, NOV 23 2311 - two AA programs at equal strength; low-pitched growl resulting. [Connelly\*P-MA] NOV 30 0440 - RTM excellent! Arabic music parallel weak 207 kHz. [Conti-MA]
- 747 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, NOV 23 2312 - SS news; slightly atop jumble. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 747 BURKINA FASO Radiodiffusion Nationale du Burkina, Ouagadougou NOV 29 2250 - Afro-pop/highlife // 4815, through RNE-Canary Islands. [Conti-MA] Good one! I could not hear this, even on a big wire aimed right at the bulge of Africa. We had this wire at the quarry site that you and Neil discovered last year. [Burnell-NF]
- 765 SENEGAL, Dakar, NOV 23 2305 - Afro-FF talk by man; dominant. [Connelly\*H-MA] NOV 29 2230 - Good; talk in French and African music, Switzerland motorboating in by 2250. [Conti-MA] Yes, nice signal here, too. [Burnell-NF]
- 765 SWITZERLAND, RSR Sottens NOV 30 0225 - Good; classical music. [Conti-MA]
- 774 SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, NOV 23 0502 - SS news by man & woman; to good peak. [Connelly\*H-MA]



- 774 SPAIN / EGYPT, NOV 23 2304 - SS / AA talk mix. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 774 EGYPT, ERTU Abis NOV 30 0230 - Fair; Arabic music over/under Spain. [Conti-MA]
- 819 MOROCCO, Rabat, NOV 23 2307 - // 612 with AA news by woman; fair over others. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 837 AZORES, RDP, Pico da Barossa, NOV 23 0338 - // 693 with jazz vocal; fair, over Canaries-Spain. [Connelly\*H-MA] NOV 23 2303 - PP news evenly mixed with Canaries-Spain. NOV 23 2348 - // 693 with Frank Sinatra song; loud. [Connelly\*P-MA] NOV 29 2315 - Fair; futebol in Portuguese // 9570. [Conti-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, COPE synchros, NOV 23 2315 - SS talk; well over Azores. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 855 SPAIN, RNE1, Murcia et al., NOV 23 0343 - woman in SS; fair. [Connelly\*H-MA] NOV 23 2302 - // 864 with SS news; very good. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 864 SPAIN, RNE1, Socuellamos, NOV 23 2302 - // 855 with SS news; good. [Connelly\*P-MA] NOV 30 0250 - Talk in Spanish // 684, rising in strength over Egypt. [Conti-MA]
- 864 EGYPT, ERTU Santah NOV 29 2325 - Weak; Koranic recitations through atmospheric noise. [Conti-MA]
- 873 SPAIN, SER R. Zaragoza, Zaragoza, NOV 23 2339 - SS newstalk by man & woman, then interval music. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 873 SPAIN, SER synchros NOV 29 2330 - Good; telephone sports talk. [Conti-MA]
- 882 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, NOV 23 2301 - good with SS news & telephone interview. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 891 ALGERIA, Algiers, NOV 23 0504 - flute music; to fair peaks. [Connelly\*H-MA] NOV 23 2301 - AA news by woman; excellent. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 918 SPAIN, R. Intercontinental, Madrid, NOV 23 2340 - SS talk atop apparent AA group vocal (Syria ?); tough CJCH/WHJJ slop. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 954 SPAIN, R. España, Madrid, NOV 23 2259 - SS teletalk mentioned Estados Unidos; excellent. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 963 PORTUGAL, R. Renascenca, Seixal, NOV 23 2239 - PP talk by man; good. NOV 23 2320 - // 594 with instrumental music; good. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 981 ALGERIA, Algiers, NOV 23 2258 - AA flutes & vocal; fair to good. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 999 SPAIN, COPE, Madrid, NOV 23 2257 - SS political talk/teletalk; to good peak. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1008 CANARY ISLANDS, Las Palmas, R. Las Palmas / RadioVoz, NOV 23 2343 - non-SER SS talk; dominant over others. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1044 MOROCCO, Sebaa-Aioun, NOV 23 2249 - AA talk; about equal to Spain. NOV 23 2342 - weird rustic Afro-AA group vocal; monster signal, way over Spain. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1053 MOROCCO, Tanger, NOV 23 2334 - // 612 with female vocal; mixed with buzz-type jammer of unknown origin. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1116 SPAIN, SER synchros, NOV 23 2347 - SS teletalk; fair. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1125 MADEIRA, Centro Regional RDP, Ponta do Pargo, NOV 23 2352 - Streisand-Sinatra duet // Azores-693; under Spain. Station is only running 1 kW! First US reception? [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1125 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, NOV 23 2350 - // 603 with SS talk; mixed with Madeira. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1134 SPAIN, COPE synchros, NOV 23 2345 - SS teletalk; over Croatia. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1179 SPAIN // CANARY ISLANDS, SER synchros, NOV 23 2346 - SER SS teletalk; fair to good. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1215 SPAIN, COPE synchros, NOV 23 2353 - SS talk; poor to fair over probable UK. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1251 LIBYA, Tripoli, NOV 23 2354 - music at light audio level on huge carrier. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1269 SPAIN, COPE synchros NOV 30 0130 - Fair; telephone talk in Spanish. [Conti-MA]
- 1287 SPAIN, SER synchros, NOV 23 2354 - SER newstalk; poor in jumble. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1296 SPAIN, COPE, Valencia, NOV 23 2355 - fast SS talk by man & woman; fair. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1305 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, NOV 23 2355 - SS talk; in growl. [Connelly\*P-MA]



- 1314 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, NOV 23 2356 - // 1305 with muffled SS talk by man; poor. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1349 MAURITANIA, R. Mauritanie, Nouakchott, NOV 23 2356 - chanting; poor to fair. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1359 SPAIN, Arganda, NOV 23 2356 - SS talk & het. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1413 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, NOV 23 2357 - man in SS; poor to fair. [Connelly\*P-MA] NOV 30 0140 - Fair; talk in Spanish // 1314. [Conti-MA]
- 1467 FRANCE, TWR, Roumoules, NOV 23 0507 - GG-sounding talk; to fair peak. [Connelly\*H-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA Duba NOV 29 2215 - Good; Arabic music and talk // 9555. [Conti-MA]
- 1530 SÃO TOME E PRINCIPE, VOA Pinheira NOV 30 0258 - Excellent! "This is the Voice of America, Washington DC, signing on," Yankee Doodle IS, and news, over unID het and WSAI. [Conti-MA]
- 1544 ALGERIA R. Nacional Rep. Arabe Saharai Dem., Tindouf NOV 29 2210 -Good; talk in Arabic. [Conti-MA]
- 1575 SPAIN, SER synchros NOV 30 0155 - Fair; telephone talk with echo between synchros, // 1584. [Conti - MA]
- 1544 ALGERIA - CLANDESTINE, Tindouf, NOV 23 2359 - folk vocal & guitar; fair. [Connelly\*P-MA]
- 1584 CEUTA RadiOle, Ceuta NOV 30 0205 - Talk in Spanish and music under SER-Spain. [Conti-MA]
- 1602 SPAIN R.Euskadi/Vitoria, Vitoria NOV 30 0157 - Fair; oldies and rock music. [Conti-MA]
- 1620 NETHERLANDS, PCH Scheveningen NOV 30 0020 - Good; alternating code ID and data. [Conti-MA]

*Jean speaks:* "We had relatively poor TA reception generally this time. We ended up spending most of our time chasing southern stuff."

*Mark speaks:* "These logs represent receptions made at the same time the 1997 Newfoundland DXpedition was in progress. Al Merriman, Bruce Conti, and some others also listened during this week: they've submitted some interesting loggings. Now we're all eagerly awaiting the results of Jean's and Neil's excellent NFDX adventure."

*Bruce speaks:* "Results of DXing parallel the Newfoundland DXpedition, from home in New Hampshire and the Rowley, MA Parker River NWR site: Transatlantic DX was dominated by Spain at the Rowley site, while LA DX (mostly Cuba) dominated efforts at home as TA DX was practically nil inland."

#### PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 580 PUERTO RICO WKAQ San Juan (presumed), NOV 25 0245 - fast Latin American music with male DJ who gave slogan of "Radio Mundo" several times. Was good for a short time then faded under NFL football game. Slogan matches Radio Log 18, but format doesn't. (Ziolkowski NY)
- 610 COLOMBIA, RCN Bogotá NOV 29 0155 - Poor; mention of nacional de Colombia and Peruvian flute instrumental. DEC 1 0120 - Fair; again with nacional de Colombia mentions, and Colombian music festival, in WGIR null. [Conti-NH] I don't know if this is really RCN. It wasn't // other RCN stations, and I heard an ID for "Radio Nacional de Colombia desde el Departamento de Amazonas." R. Nacional is not RCN, but I neglected to // with R. Nac. de Colombia on SW. [Burnell-NF]
- 620 CUBA R.Rebelde, Colon NOV 29 0225 - Fair; sports discussion with mention of "la liga nacional" and ID "Rebelde, una emisora para..."; // 1180 & 5025. [Conti-NH]
- 640 CUBA R.Progreso NOV 29 0255 - Fair; "...alegria, ritmo!" ID and program of Cuban "canarios" over Guadeloupe and CHOG-Toronto. [Conti-NH] Guadeloupe was the major signal under CBN here. [Burnell-NF]
- 670 CUBA R.Rebelde, Arroyo Arenas NOV 29 0305 - Fair; deportivos report // 5025. [Conti-NH]
- 780 VENEZUELA Ecos del Torbes, San Cristobal NOV 29 0325 - Fair; "rumbos por Ecos del Torbes" and Latin big band music, over/under WBBM. [Conti-NH] Nice! Coro is a menace here when Dartmouth is phased. Neil heard British Virgin Is. again, which is tough here. [Burnell-NF]
- 789.8 unID (likely BARBADOS), NOV 23 0340 - bad het growl against RI's WSKO "The Score" on 790. [Connelly\*H-MA]
- 789.8 unID NOV 30 0235 - Het on low side of 790, not enough audio to ID, Barbados likely. [Conti-MA] This is almost certainly Barbados. I measured Mitre at exactly 790.00 kHz, and Barbados at 798.80 kHz. [Burnell-NF]

- 810 COLOMBIA, CARACOL Bogotá NOV 29 0330 - Fair; Caracol Colombia IDs and news in WGY null. [Conti-NH]
- 820 MEXICO XEMBS? Mexicali BCN, DEC 4 0426 - Still trying to get the call letters 100%, but other DXers are right, there has definitely been a call change to coincide with the slogan change to "Radio Lobo." Station gets out well, but at home I have too much slop from XEMMM-800 and XEMO-860 to get a clean ID and power. Station seems to ID regularly at the BOTTOM of each hour. [Hall-CA]



- 830 ST.KITTS & NEVIS Charlestown NOV 29 0340 - Fair; lively gospel music // KTBN-7510, in local WCRN null. [Conti-NH]
- 880 VENEZUELA Mundial, Puerto Ordaz NOV 30 0420 - Fair; punta music and Mundial mentions in WCBS null. [Conti-MA]
- 880.06 MEXICO XEV, Chihuahua (TENTATIVE), NOV 24 0203 - numerous "Cadena Radio Formula" network IDs but no local IDs or mentions that I could tell. Looped southwest. [Stewart-MO]
- 890 CUBA CMDZ Santiago de Cuba, NOV 17 2240 - fair in nulled WLS with assortment of pop/dance tunes, including a SS version of the Beatles' "Yesterday", ID by woman at 2300: "Radio Progreso, transmitiendo desde Habana, Cuba". [Brooker-ON]
- 1020 TURKS & CAICOS Caribbean Christian Radio NOV 30 0400 - Good; Brother Jeffrey Hayes Radio Program and Superpower 1020 ID. [Conti-MA]
- 1100 COLOMBIA HJAT CARACOL Barranquilla, NOV 24 0157 - LOUD with "CARACOL Colombia, mas compania" ID. [Stewart-MO]
- 1100 MEXICO UNID, 12/4 0440 - UNID Mexican noted here u/KFAX, KCCF with regional music (sounded Sinaloa). Very little talk, no ID noted. [Hall-CA]
- 1160 BERMUDA, VSB3 Hamilton NOV 30 0325 - Good; BBC World Service "Sports Roundup" // 6195. [Conti-MA] With a long wire (near Trepassy) pointed right at Bermuda, we had beautiful, huge signals from every Bermuda outlet two hours after our local sunrise, and 1160 was audible on groundwave.
- 1180 CUBA R.Rebelde, Villa Maria NOV 29 0135 - Fair; talk in Spanish // 5025. [Conti-NH]

#### STATION NEWS

- AUSTRIA: Radio Austria International has been heard from 22:30 to 23:00 on 1476 kHz with programs in English. This is an unlisted program. [Juan Carlos Aragon in MediDX e-mail]
- AZORES: The reply from Radio Lajes finally came, whereby Station Director Air Force Major A.H. da Sousa Cunha informs about the following: 1. Radio Lajes started operation on 12th April 1947. 2. Telephone number is: (095) 54 27 70/1/2 and Fax number: (095) 54 22 00. 3. News bulletins every hour on the hour with Regional news at 10:00, 14:00 and 18:00 hours Hora Azores (UTC-1). 4. They operate 24h/day from which 08:30-17:00 Hora Azores are own programs, then relays Radio Renascenca "Canal 1" on 648 kHz and Radio Renascenca "RFM" on 93.5 up till 09:00 HOAZR. 5. Future plans as from January 1998 consist of airing their own programs from 09:00 to 24:00 HOAZR. Unfortunately said nothing respecting their QSL policy or own programs. (Carlos Goncalves in MediDX e-mail)
- KALININGRAD: Juan Carlos Aragón asked about the amount of stations on 1386 kHz. He heard Radio Nederland on this frequency. This "should" be impossible as Radio Nederland left that frequency a long time ago. Normally you can hear Radio Nadezhda and Voice of Russia on this frequency and from 3rd December the United Christian Broadcasters (now on 6200 kHz) should start broadcasting from the Kaliningrad facility (actually, the transmitter site is Bolshakovo). What you heard might have been a transmitter fault, as happens from time to time in former USSR. The problem with Russian transmitters is that usage changes often and it is hard to keep track of all these changes. I'll try to monitor the Kaliningrad frequencies and keep MediDX updated. [Herman Boel in MediDX e-mail]
- MALTA: The Voice of Mediterranean lists the frequency of 711 kHz, broadcasting for "the Mediterranean and Europe". Schedule is: 06.00-07.00 (Sun) English 07.00-08.00 (Mo-Thu + Sat) Arabic 06.00-08.00 (Fri) Arabic 07.00-07.30 (Sun) French 07.30-08.00 (Sun) German. Does anyone have any idea via which transmitter these broadcasts go? It could be Libya but with 50 kW that would not cover a large part of the Mediterranean, let alone Europe. [Herman Boel in MediDX e-mail]
- NETHERLANDS: Complete Info on MW Transmitters in Holland: Radio 1 Flevoland, 747, 400Kw; Radio 1 Hulsberg, 1251, 10Kw; Radio 5 Flevoland, 1008, 400Kw; Radio 5 Hulsberg, 891, 20Kw. Commercial Stations are: Radio 10 Gold, Lopik, 675; Hitradio Veronica, Rotterdam, 828; Hitradio Veronica, Tritelhaven, 1224; Talkradio, Mastwijk, 1395. [Juan Carlos Aragon in MediDX e-mail]

PORTUGAL: Radio Comercial Portugal Reported On 1674 kHz. Michael Hoover of Algarve, Portugal, reports he heard Radio Comercial on 1674 kHz over this past weekend. He said there is no information about it on their Web page at [www.radiocomercial.pt](http://www.radiocomercial.pt). Has anyone else heard this yet? [from the Internet via Matt Stutterheim] (maybe a harmonic, though nothing listed in Portugal on 837 kHz. It is on correct 9 kHz channel if there were an expanded band in Europe! - Jim)

#### CORRECTIONS

Some months I printed an incorrect Web page address for the AM/FM/TV Broadcast Station Location Page. The correct address is: "<http://www.jagunet.com/~kodis/station.html>". Thanks to Lex Smith for letting me know about this. (Most likely 'twas my fault; we used to use "~" as a formatting character, and it probably was converted to a hard return -pls.)

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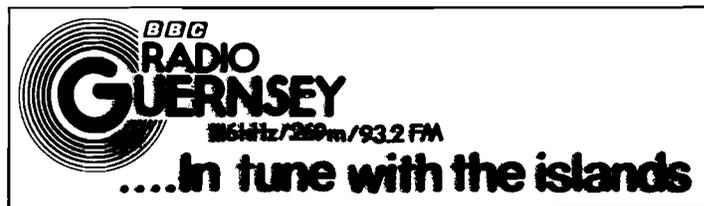
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## Expedition report from Abisko, NW Sweden

14/9 1997 to 20/11 1997

By Olle Alm

NB: Dates are written day/month

#### EUROPE

kHz	Date	UTC	Station, notes
846	13.11	1300	R Mediana, Perm with news, weather, music and a competition. Mentioned the station name only once and no ID on top of the hour. Time zone: UTC+5h
936	17.9	0110	R Orenburg, Matveyevka local prgrs // 270
1584	9.11	1239	Radio Hami, Tampere (temporary station) rather weak but easily identifiable. Hardrock music. No interference at this time due to a PCA

#### ASIA

567	16.9	1806	R Pakistan, Khuzdar with local s/off
711	26.10	1530	V. of Vietnam, apparently new high power txer // 729, both with satellite feed of Hanoi 1st prgr
774	20.9	1900	DWWW Quezon City. The new calls reported here by Finnish DXers last winter are confirmed. Talk programs
783	26.10	1530	V. of Vietnam, apparently new high power txer with satellite feed of Hanoi 2nd prgr
810	3.10	1538	BEV54 Kuo Sheng Broadc. Corp., Changhua, also on 1179
828	20.9	1900	DXCC Cagayan de Oro City with full sign on announcement
864	28.10	1413	Anhui EBS with a "vibrating" carrier frequency. BCC National Network is the dominating Chinese speaking station on this freq.
927	11.10	1601	JOFG NHK-1 Fukui sign off
954	15.10	1500	AIR Najibabad with local ID
954	9.10	1602	DZEM Quezon City with sign off, seems to have a powerful new transmitter
963	1.11	1345	China Radio International in Russian
999	14.10	1500	Liaoning EBS signing off
999	2.11	1459	HLCL CBS Kwangju with local ID at 1459.30. Normally covered by North Korea or Liaoning EBS
1035	3.10	1559	HLCP KBS Pohang good with local ID
1035	3.10	1557	DYRL Bacolod sign off
1062	15.10	1500	Zhujiang EBS, Guangzhou. ID in Cantonese "Zhugong Ginja Dinto" followed by news in Standard Chinese
1062	15.10	1452	DZEC R. Aguilar, Quezon City (Eagle Broadcasting Corp.). Mentioned an address that seems to be close to the one listed in the WRTH
1107	12.10	1655	Mor Kor, Bangkok with network ID
1125	15.10	1320	JOAD NHK-2 Okinawa, Naha with local ID
1152	22.9	1700	Ras al Khaimah BS has ID daily at this time
1170	13.10	1622	Sor Tor Ror. The number seems to be "pat" (eight), which would mean a move of Phrom Phiram (Phitsanulok) from 1161. No changwat given, but announced 1170 kHz, so that is the official frequency
1200	13.11	1459	Guangdong ED1 on this frequency, listed on 1206
1206	25.10	1500	Weihai PBS with ID and sign off before CBS started its announcements
1224	5.10	1601	JOJK NHK-1 Kanazawa local ID and sign off. This silent period on NHK-1 lasted for about a week.
1224	20.9	1659	HLAA KBS-2 Kwangju with local ID at 1659.45
1242	23.9	1630	V. of Vietnam in English until 1700. Tremendous signal when propagation is not too much disturbed
1251	13.10	1500	HLKT CBS Taegu local at 1459.30
1269	26.9	1658	Mor Kor, Songkhla with network IDs and a jingle in EE, apparently no local inserts
1296	30.9	1559	TNBS Pattani local ID
1314	13.10	1600	Mor Kor network with satellite delay. Listed site Khon Kaen
1323	often	1300	CRI now in Russian here for several hours, usually somewhat off frequency
1323	20.9	2000	DYSI Super R, Iloilo City with full sign on announcement. Tremendous signal. Power given as 10 kW. Address: Global Media Arts, Inc., GMA

Broadcast Center, Phase V Alta Tierra Village, Quintin Salas, Jaro, Iloilo City. Ex DYXX?

1350 20.9 1700 BEV50 Chung Hua Broadcasting Co, Sanchung with ID

1350 18.9 0025- AIR Jalandhar C with the standard AIR opening procedure

1368 6.10 1601 JOLG NHK-1 Tottori sign off with local ID

1368 28.9 22.29 TNBS Nan with quick ID "Sor Wor Tor Nan 1368 kHz" before switching to the national network. QSL in 10 days! A second TNBS stn in the background

1386 15.10 2308 AST Radio, Irkutsk, stable reception for half an hour

1404 13.10 1600 TNBS Songkhla with long ID, so perhaps sign off

1422 13.10 1600 The unlisted Thai station still eludes me despite several rather good ID recordings. The other station is presumed to be listed Sor Wor Por (actually 1421.98), which was // on 990, 1098 and unlisted 1179

1449 18.9 0030- V. of Maldives, Mahé with bird chirping, Koran reading. BBC wiped out by aurora

1476v23.10 1230 Huangshi PBS local ID after a 30 min newscast

1485 17.10 1258 Yangquan PBS stable reception for almost 30 min

1530 23.10 1300 Zhejiang EBS

1557 15.10 1300 Cangzhou PBS with ID

1557 2.10 1600 INTA Radio, Irkutsk with ID jingle

1575 23.10 1230 Wenzhou PBS local ID after a newscast. An unlisted PRC station has been noted on 1574.93, giving Beijing time 2200 and possible sign off at 1400

1575 23.10 1100 AFN Misawa Air Base, Japan. Located on northeast Honshu

1584 15.10 1301 Changzhi PBS as usual a little low (1583.84)

1584 11.10 1601 Relay of JOBK NHK-1 Osaka, presumed to be Kasumi site in Kobe prefecture

1586v23.10 1400 Ma'anshan PBS with sign off. Seems not to identify at other times, a practice that has also been noted on other Chinese local stations

1593 15.10 1400 Pai Yun Broadcasting Corp., Kaohsiung in Standard Chinese

1593 23.9 1715 Taiwan Area Fishery BS, Ilan, only // 1143

1593 28.9 2238 Nung Por Nor, Buriram with frequent clear IDs. Unlisted in WRTH-97, but noted in Finland last winter

1602 3.10 1500 JOZB NHK-2 Matsuyama via Uwajima. Also strong carriers from non-identifying NHK stations.

**For the record:** Xinjiang PBS: Ch on 738, 999, 1494; Kz on 1107, 1233; Mg on 1593v; Ug on 558, 845.97, 1044, 1076.6, 1413. CNR-1 via presumed Xinjiang sites on 982.7v, 1351.75, 1359. Hunan PBS 1152.

Japan: 1377 JOUC, 1467 JOID, 1512 JOZB. Philippines: DWSS 1494.

#### NORTH AMERICA

550 5.10 0448 KTRS St. Louis MO "Star Radio", talk format

590 5.10 0440 WOW Omaha NE with Country Music

870 15.10 0430 KLSQ Laughlin NV in Spanish with romantic music. Slogans "La Super Q 870" and "La más buena de Las Vegas"

920 5.10 0500 KLMR Lamar CO with full ID when CFRY paused briefly

930 21.10 0600 KSEI Pocatello ID with newstalk when CJCA had a bad night

970 6.10 0537 KTRW Spokane WA "The Score" with sports talk

1030 5.10 0425 WCTS Maplewood MN with religious talk/music

1230 7.10 0400 KZZR Burns OR

1230 21.10 0600 KVOC Casper WY "Good Time R&R"

1240 6.10 0605 KCVL Colville WA promoting a bingo event

1240 22.10 0800 KXLE Ellensburg WA with brief ID after KEJO

1240 2.10 0200 CJAR The Pas MB still IDing as CJ-1240

1240 11.10 0057 CJNS Meadow Lake SK as usual only // 1050

1240 Nov. CJCD Whitehorse NWT not heard since mid October, so may have gone to FM now

1250 7.10 0430 KWSU Pullman WA very good with NPR programs

1250 15.10 0859 KKDZ Seattle WA with R. Disney. Local ID a little early

1290 17.10 0554 KUMA Pendleton OR with NOS, excellent audio

1300 12.10 0210 KVOR Colorado Springs CO surfaced briefly with two mentions of the call letters and the city. Newstalk format

1330 19.9 0106 KFH Wichita KS surfaced briefly

1330 17.9 0306 KOVE Lander WY with C&W and frequent IDs. Had a modulation problem and may have been an irregular day power transmission. First report this fall.

1340 19.10 0800 KTCR Kennewick WA with newstalk format

1340 6.10 0600 CIBQ Brooks AB with full local ID

1350 25.9 0200 KGHF Pueblo CO with NOS. KRNT also IDed, also with NOS

1360 17.10 0800 KOHU Hermiston OR with C&W and CBS news. Good signal after KKMO sign off - must be a pattern/power change

1360 15.10 0400 KKMO Tacoma WA in addition to the usual Spanish programming now has a few hours of Korean programmes of "kitchen" production quality

1370 23.9 0100 KDTH Dubuque IA is a good IDer

1380 15.9 0051 WKXX St. Louis MO with C&W simulcasting WKXX-FM Granite City, IL 106.5

1390 5.10 0529 KBBO Yakima WA "Today's Christian Radio"

1400 7.10 0600 KART Jerome ID sign off

1400 30.10 1200 KART Jerome ID now 24h with NOS

1410 26.9 0400 KRWB Roseau MN with several IDs

1410 20.10 0017 KWYO Sheridan WY now NOS, "your memories station"

1420 28.10 0104 KULY Ulysses KS "southwest Kansas' sports leader" surfaced briefly over XEWE with this slogan, the call letters and a mention of its sister KFXX-FM. No trace of WOC at this time

1440 15.10 0904 CFCP Courtenay BC with "Coast Radio" slogan and call/freq/location for 1440/1490/100.1

1450 22.9 0300 KGRE Greeley CO with full ID in Spanish. Remains a frequency dominant with Mexican programming. Sign off at 0600

1450 19.10 0758 KIOV Payette ID with a jingle ID

1450 19.10 0800 KLBM La Grande OR, apparently a local ID, otherwise at this time "Supertalk 1450 and 1490"

1480 7.10 0200 KPHX Phoenix AZ with ID in EE and SS, Norteña music

1480 17.10 0600 KGOE Eureka, CA except for local ID on the hour only relays KGO 810

1480 3.10 0306 KYOS Merced CA still audible

1480 6.10 0500 KSDR Watertown SD seems to be using full power throughout the night. Oldies format

1490 6.10 0559 KICO Calexico CA with full ID jingle in English, otherwise Spanish. Calexico is located near the border with Mexico

1490 22.9 0305 KNDC Hettinger ND was the frequency dominant in September. Has local weather report at 5 past the hour after Ai news.

1490 often 0300 KCID Caldwell ID now easily distinguishable by its new Real Country format. Now 24h

1490 3.10 0200 KUGR Green River WY, again 0205 with weather

1550 20.9 0252 KYCY San Francisco CA new calls and now playing C&W

1560 13.11 0740 WRHC Coral Gables FL with ID only as "Cadena Azul". Telephone conversation, Cuban music. The frequency is 30 Hz low.

1570 29.10 0115 KCVR Lodi CA in SS with the usual Fiesta Mexicana slogan

1580 13.11 0745 WSRF Fort Lauderdale FL, "south Florida's information station, entertainment radio". The frequency is slightly high

1590 17.10 0629 KLIV San Jose CA with TV news simulcast and a traffic report

1590 2.10 0156 KIHM Sun Valley NV now rlg, good signal

1600 14.11 0739 WPOM Riviera Beach FL "Power 16"

1600 17.10 0400 KWOM Watertown MN still about 28 Hz off frequency to the lower side

1640 25.9 0344 KXBT Vallejo CA good on its "new" frequency

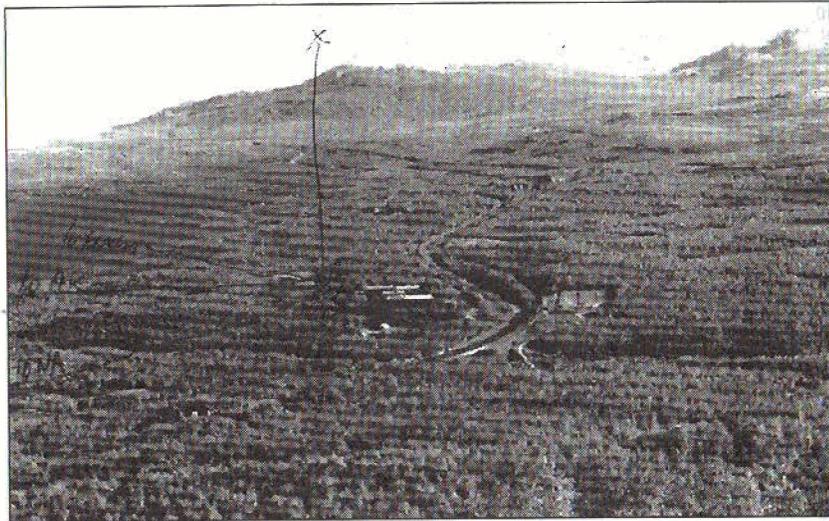
1700 14.11 0754 WCMQ Miami Springs FL barely identifiable

#### For the record:

550 KFYR, 760 KFMB, CKQR, 770 KNWX, 920 KDHL, KXLY, CFRY, 940 CJIB, 970 KDWG, WDAY, 980 KFWB, KKMS, CKNW, CKRM, 1020 CKVH, 1030 KTWO, 1050 CJNB, 1100 KNZZ, 1150 KSAL, CKFR, CKOC, 1210 CKWA, 1230 CJOK, 1240 KWIQ, KLTZ, KEJO, KTX. 1270 KTFI, KIML, CHAT, 1280 KDYL, 1330 WMNN, CJYM, 1340 KLOO, KWOR, CJCM, 1360 KSCJ, KUIK, WGEE, KRKK, 1380 KRKO, KOTA, 1390 KSLM, 1400 KQMS, KWNA, 1410 WIZM, KCOL, 1420 WOC, KTOE, KITI, 1430 KEZW, KLO, 1450 KKXO, KONP, KPOW, 1470 KWSL, KBSN, CJVB, 1480 KBMS, WTDY, 1490 KBKR, KEYG, 1590 KVGB, KLFE, and many more.

## LATIN AMERICA

- 800 17.10 0509 XEROK R Cañón, Ciudad Juárez, Chih.  
 1030 5.10 0510 XEMPM R Fama, Los Mochis, Sin.  
 1110 22.10 0930 XERED R. Red, México, D.F. with full ID  
 1420 28.10 0106 XEWE Irapuato, Gto. with "R Irapuato" slogan, ending "Radionoticias WE" at this time  
 1480 29.10 0600 ZYJ488 R Mauá Solimões, Nova Iguaçu RJ has a tendency to show up when reception is badly disturbed  
 1570 19.9 0300 HIAJ R Amanecer Internacional Santo Domingo with sign off. Frequency lower than nominal.  
 1590 19.9 0358 YV.. R Deporte 1590, Caracas sign off. Mentioned a call that cannot be copied off the air: Y-V-U/O-B/V



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We have a fine turn-out again this month. Thanks to all those who are sending in their reports. Keep them coming. --Ken

NORTH AMERICA  
 CANADA

- ONTARIO, CHML, 900, Hamilton, p/d QSL card, stickers, tourist brochures. This was a duplicate verie in 1,253 days for a 1993 report! (Tiara--NC)  
 ONTARIO, CIGM, 790, Sudbury, p/d letter, map and sticker in 62 days. V/s Scott Sloan, Dir. Eng. (Tiara--NC)

## USA

- ARKANSAS, KARN, 920, Little Rock, letter and schedule in 67 days after f/up. V/s Jodie Lavanga, Admin. Asst. (Pote--IN)  
 ARKANSAS, KOSE, 860, Osceola, letter in 64 days. V/s Ed White, Music Mgr. (Trelford--JA)  
 CALIFORNIA, KCKC, 1350, San Bernardino, ppd/card in 31 days. (Wilkins--CO)  
 CALIFORNIA, KNSE, 1510, Ontario, ppd/card and sticker in 7 days. V/s M. Hernandez (Wilkins--CO)  
 CALIFORNIA, KXBT, 1630, Vallejo, f/d personal handwritten letter, map, sticker in 54 days. V/s Ralph Jones, Asst. Eng. (Tiara--NC)

- FLORIDA, WZTM, 820, Largo, letter, map and station profile in 77 days after f/up. V/s Drew Rashbaum, Pres. (Pote--IN)  
 GEORGIA, WSAF, 1180, Trion, f/d letter, schedule, sticker other promo items in 32 days. V/s Terry R. Adams. (Tiara--NC)  
 ILLINOIS, WROY, 1460, Carmi, letter, profile, 3 stickers, business card, maps for AM & FM n 14 days. [They must have cleaned out the closet! --Ken]. V/s John Strader, Sales Manager. (Pote--IN)  
 INDIANA, WILO, 1570, Frankfort, station profile and map with note in 2 days. V/s Russ Kapar, Manager. (Pote--IN)  
 INDIANA, WOWO, 1190, Ft. Wayne, letter with apology, map and fridge magnet in 240 days after f/up. V/s Jack Didier, Dir. Eng. (Pote--IN)  
 LOUISIANA, WGSO, 990, New Orleans, letter in 30 days. V/s Charles Travis, Op. Mgr. (Trelford--JA)  
 LOUISIANA, KWKH, 1130, Shreveport, letter, sticker, map and schedule in 181 days after second f/up. V/s Traci Myers, Programming Dept. Asst. (Pote--IN)  
 MARYLAND, WKDB, 1570, Towson, n/d letter, stickers in 4 days. V/s Brian Edwards, OP. MGR. (Myers--VA)  
 MASSACHUSETTS, WRCA, 1330, Cambridge, ppd/card THREE YEARS after f/up. V/s S.G. Moates, CE (Holbrook--MD)  
 MICHIGAN, KTGG, 1540, f/d letter in 15 days, key fob, schedule and college brochure. V/s Lewis Munn, CE. [I am suspicious of that call--most "K" calls are west of the Mississippi--Ken] (Tiara--NC)  
 MINNESOTA, KKOJ, 1190, Jackson, letter and map in 24 days after second f/up. V/s Doug Potter, Eng. (Pote--IN)  
 MISSISSIPPI, WAKK, 1140, McComb, f/d letter and promo folder in 20 days. V/s Richard Watts, CE. (Tiara--NC)  
 MISSISSIPPI, WAPF, 980, McComb, f/d letter and promo folder in 20 days. V/s Richard Watts, CE. (Tiara--NC)  
 MISSISSIPPI, WVMI, 570, Biloxi, profile, schedule and letter in 86 days. V/s Gary Michiels, GM. (Pote--IN)  
 MISSOURI, KATZ, 1600, St. Louis, letter in 5-6 weeks. V/s Daryl McQuinn, Eng. (Holbrook--MD)  
 MISSOURI, KATZ, 1600, St. Louis, f/d letter and map in 47 days. V/s Daryl McQuinn, Eng. (Tiara--NC)  
 MISSOURI, KHMO, 1070, (city?) f/d letter and map in 27 days. V/s Greg Blanchard, CE. (Tiara--NC)  
 MONTANA, KATQ, 1070, Plentywood, ppd/card in 47 days. V/s Jay Fanning, GM. (Wilkins--CO)  
 NEBRASKA, KFAB, 1110, Omaha, QSL card in 469 days after two f/ups. V/s Mike Shane, Test Eng. (Pote--IN)  
 NEW YORK, WBBR, 1130, New York City, verie letter and stickers in 10 days. V/s Betsy Haubenstock. (Pote--IN)  
 NEW YORK, WWLZ, 820, Horseheads, letter in 24 days. V/s Dennis Ryan. Address: The Battleship, 2205 College Ave., Elmira, NY 14903. (Trelford--JA)  
 NORTH CAROLINA, WIST, 550, Statesville, f/d letter, map and rate sheet in 8 days. V/s Larry Boltz, GM. (Tiara--NC)  
 NORTH CAROLINA, WKYK, 940, Burnsville, n/d letter, business card, key chain in 7 days after f/up. V/s Michael Sink, VP-GM. (Myers--VA)  
 NORTH CAROLINA, WSPC, 1010, Albermerle, p/d letter in 6 days. V/s Bill Norman, Pres. GM. (Myers--VA)  
 OHIO, WBNN, 1030, Union City, letter and map in 45 days after f/up. V/s Joe Hardin, GM. (Pote--IN)  
 OHIO, WHLO, 640, Akron, letter and map in 92 days. V/s David Johnson, CE. (Pote--IN)  
 OHIO, WHLO, 640, Akron, f/d form letter, sticker, map, program guide in 63 days. V/s Davis S. Johnson, CE. (Wilkins--CO)  
 OHIO, WTAM, 1100, Cleveland, f/d letter and key ring in 21 days. V/s K. Meg Yarham, programmer. (Tiara--NC)  
 PENNSYLVANIA, KYW, 1060, Philadelphia, folder with station profile, map, key chain and calendar in 12 days. (Pote--IN)  
 PENNSYLVANIA, WEST, 1400, f/d form letter, map and keychain in 11 days. V/s Robert Kratz, Eng. (Tiara--NC)  
 PENNSYLVANIA, WPHT, 1210, Philadelphia, form letter, postcard of xmtr site in 31 days. V/s Sam A. Vigello, Tech. Supt. (Trelford--JA)  
 PENNSYLVANIA, WPHT, 1210, Philadelphia, f/d form letter and WCAU/WOGL post card in 10 days. V/s Sam Vigello. (Tiara--NC)

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 SOUTH CAROLINA, WRAH, 1360, Easley, p/d letter & radio Ahhs newsletter, membership card and logo in 13 days. V/s Edwina McCall, Bus. Manager. (Tiara-NC)  
 SOUTH DAKOTA, KSOO, 1140, Sioux Falls, p/d hand written letter in 10 days after f/up. V/s Vince Fuhr, CE. (Tiara-NC)  
 TENNESSEE, WPWT, 870, Bristol f/d letter plus sticker, ruler, magnetic emblem, calendars in 226 days (I guess it was worth the wait!). V/s Kenneth Hill, GM. (Tiara-NC)  
 TEXAS, KGGR, 1040, Dallas, sticker in 118 days after f/up. (POTE-IN)  
 TEXAS, KUNO, 1400, Corpus Christi, letter in 67 days. V/s Paul Easter. Address: P.O. Drawer 4722, 78469. (Trelford-JA)  
 VIRGINIA, WVNS, 670, Claremont, p/d letter, station info, mouse pad in days. V/s Pat Murphy (NRC member). (Myers-VA)  
 WISCONSIN, WOKY, Milwaukee, f/d letter in days after f/up. V/s Phil Klingler, Tech Dir. (Myers-VA)  
 VIRGINIA, WRVA, 1140, Richmond, QSL card in 79 days after f/up. (Pote-IN)

#### OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES

ANGUILLA, (Caribbean Beacon?) 690, The Valley, card in 537 days (a record?). V/s Monsell Hazell, CE. (Trelford-JA)  
 COLOMBIA, HJCY, 810, Bogotá, card, sticker in 160 days. (Trelford-JA)  
 CUBA, CMDH, 1490, Mayar, letter, post card in 59 days. V/s Ana Isabel Ramirez. (Trelford-JA)

#### OTHER GOOD STUFF

CALIFORNIA, WQ0808, 1650, Culver City, Letter in 5 days. V/s Bandi Joseph. (Jackson-CA)  
 DELAWARE, KDT-386, 1390, Bear, QSL card. V/s Carl Shulak. (Holbrook-MD)  
 GEORGIA, HAR, 530, Atlanta, QSL card, letter, info. V/s Marion Water, PE. (Holbrook-MD)  
 KENTUCKY, WPAB-672, 1610, Corbin, QSL and brochure. (Holbrook-MD)  
 NEW YORK, JFK TIS, 1630, Jamaica, p/d letter in 16 days. V/s Marianne Pellegrino. (Myers-VA)  
 NORTH CAROLINA, KPC-711, 1610, Manteo, confirmation. (Holbrook-MD)  
 NORTH CAROLINA, KPC-755, 1610, Bodie Island, QSL letter. V/s Robert Wood. (Holbrook-MD)  
 NORTH CAROLINA, TIS, 530, Durham, QSL, letter and magazine. V/s Vicki Isley, Dir. of Comm. (Holbrook-MD)  
 SOUTH CAROLINA, WPJQ-401, 530, Myrtle Beach, ppd/QSL. V/s J. Neff. (Holbrook-MD)  
 TENNESSEE, KCP-286, 1610, QSL letter. V/s Larry Condon, Ex. Dir. (Holbrook-MD)  
 TEXAS, WQO767, 1640, Dallas-Ft. Worth International Airport, f/d folder in 50 days. V/s Joe Blair, Comm's. OP. (Wilkins-CO)  
 UTAH, KOP298, 1610, Bryce Canyon National Park TIS, letter in 8 days. V/s Larry Nielson, Chief. (Jackson-CA)  
 VIRGINIA, KIE651, 1610, Cape Charles, WSL, letter, brochure. V/s James Kenyon. (Holbrook-MD)

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## You're Caller 23, and other radio lies

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Your mother told you not to believe everything you hear. On radio, you'd do better not to believe anything you hear. Here are some radio myths and the facts behind them: My sources are people working for radio stations who have spoken on the promise of anonymity. I'm not going to name stations, so let me say that not all stations do all of the things I'm about to list. But, with some exceptions, many stations do many of them.

#### 1. "Caller No. 23, you've just won!!!!"

More commonly, DJs pick someone who sounds nice. Or, more important, fits their target demographic, such as women ages 18-25. "One thing to remember, though: You never pick the first caller. That's too suspicious. They were on the phone before the contest started."

#### 2. You can get a request played on the air.

"Ha! We never, ever play requests," says a guy who ought to know. "If they call and request something we were going to play anyway, we may put that call on the air. Otherwise, we try to talk them into another song."

#### 3. DJs actually pick what discs to play.

Almost all commercial radio is tightly formatted. The DJ reads off a computer printout and

almost always plays what is on the list. On some stations, computers play the music. "I hate it, but it makes sense," says one DJ. "You don't know what the guy before you and after you has played. You don't want to play the same obscure song right after he played it."

#### 4. DJs love the music they play.

Rarely. Most don't even listen while they are playing it on the air. What they are doing while the song is playing is taking phone calls and carefully editing them. If you win a contest, they will call you off the air and tape it. Sometimes they will ask you to sound more convincing, to scream and shout the station's call letters.

#### 5. Those shocking prank calls really ruin people's lives.

In radio, if it sounds too good to be true, it is. I once asked a DJ if I could watch him do prank calls. He hemmed and hawed. I found that some of his calls were the exact ones used by DJs in other states. Turns out there are morning radio services that tape actors' responses to wild scripts. The DJs then fill in their own voices. There actually is some good acting there. Some of them may be real, but they are laced between the fake calls. Keep this in mind: [sic] It is against the law to put someone on radio without getting their permission beforehand. Major corporations have millions invested in stations. They don't like to risk their investment by breaking the law. The same goes for supposed "experts." DJs can't afford slow time or boring authorities. Most DJs have friends, family members and other accomplices who play these parts on the air. One DJ used to end his show by thanking people for appearing who never did, such as Madonna, Michael Jackson or David Letterman. Most people don't hear the whole show, so they assumed they had missed some great things.

#### 6. DJs get suspended for things they do on the air.

If you hear that a DJ has been punished, it usually means one of a few things: The DJ overslept that morning, or he had other plans and needed a day off. To heighten a sense of drama, some act as if they are in the middle of a major firestorm and facing a showdown with their bosses.

#### 7. DJs are often out doing these great charitable works and keeping in touch with people they've helped on the air.

More often, a DJ will put someone on the air and milk, milk, milk their tragedy to show how much he or she can help. It sounds good the day it airs, and may help for a short time. But a week later, when the person calls back to talk to his new best buddy, he can't get through.

#### 8. Everything on-air is impromptu, and some of the funniest

DJs are really naturally funny. Even Howard Stern has his writers in the room with him. Others use joke services or work from scripts. The most casual-sounding bits are often very carefully orchestrated.

#### 9. DJs don't care about ratings.

This may be the biggest lie of all. They live for them, and they get bonuses when they reach target goals. It's a trickle-down effect: Stations can charge advertisers more as their ratings go higher. But don't be fooled if a DJ claims to be No. 1. Ratings are measured for all kinds of categories and age groups. A DJ who says he is No. 1 may be No. 1 with dogs, cats and people on steroids.

#### 10. Stations actually compete with others in the same format.

This is a recent development, as corporations gobble up stations. More often than not, local stations airing the same types of shows are owned by the same people. When one station claims to be "giving fits to that other station," keep in mind that the hosts sit within a few yards of one another and work for the same boss.

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