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Batavia: NRC 2004: Convention Update ...
From Scott Fybush: "Hard to believe, but we're just a few weeks away from the NRC's historic return to Western New York for the Batavia convention - and here are some important updates. First, and most important: Registration is NOW OPEN. Jerry Bond is handling this piece of the action, and you can register in two ways: by mail (\$40 check payable to "National Radio Club") to Jerry Bond, 143 Burwell Road, Rochester NY 14617 - or by credit card/PayPal at <http://www.nrcdxas.org/convention/04nrcon/>

"Your registration covers all of the following: informative, educational convention packet (gotta get to work on the packet!); refreshments in the convention room from Thursday afternoon through Sunday morning; pizza/drinks at Jim Renfrew's place Friday night and the banquet Saturday night. You're on your own (for payment, anyway) for Thursday lunch in Toronto, Thursday dinner in Batavia, Friday lunch in Buffalo and Saturday lunch in Rochester. Registration for member spouses (banquet only) is \$20.

"PLEASE register ASAP, as it's important for us to try to get an accurate count of attendees. If you'd be so kind as to let us know which of the special events you'll be taking part in (Toronto trip on Thursday, Buffalo station tours Friday, Rochester tours Saturday, Antique Wireless Association Museum tour Sunday afternoon), that would be super, too. And if you're still going to be in town Sunday night and you're interested in a minor-league baseball game (Rochester Red Wings vs. Buffalo Bisons), please let us know ASAP so I can look into group ticket rates!

"Second, we've now confirmed that the Rochester tours on Saturday will include the big I-A clear channel flamethrower of the region, WHAM 1180! (Thanks to Craig Kincaid at Clear Channel Rochester for being our host for this tour). Rochester tours will also include WXXI 1370 and WHIC 1460, and perhaps a few more to be named shortly. We're still nailing down the last of the Buffalo details, but expect some "flamethrowing" announcements there too in the days to come.

"We've also confirmed our banquet speaker,

Bob Savage, owner of WYSL 1040 in Avon NY and former DJ at WKBW 1520 and CKLW 800, just to name a few. Bob will share his stories of the glory days of top-40 AM radio and of the struggles and successes of being a small station owner today.

"Third, Jim Renfrew's still collecting auction and door-prize material. Send it along to Jim at 6988 Bank Street Road, Byron NY 14422.

"Fourth, several of you have asked about activities for spouses/significant others. Lisa Fybush is planning a visit to the Genesee Country Village & Museum for Saturday, I think. In any case, if you're interested in spousal tours, drop her a line at lisa@fybush.com.

"And finally, if you haven't booked your room at the Days Inn yet, what are you waiting for? 585-343-1440 is the number to call. Do it today!

"There's lots of information already available at the Batavia 2004 website, <http://www.nrcdxas.org/convention/04nrcon/> - but if you have questions that aren't answered there, I'm happy to answer them here or by phone or e-mail. See you - soon - in Batavia!" -Scott Fybush (for the NRC 2004 Team: Jerry Bond, Saul Chernos, Greg "newlywed" Coniglio, Rick Lucas, Jim Renfrew and Nolan Stephany).

From the Publisher ... See inside for announcements of the 25th edition *NRC AM Log* and the 3rd in the series of *NRC Antenna Reference Manuals*. The new *Log* will ship around Labor Day. Also: p. 15 for the annual *Madison DX GTG*.

DXXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 71

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DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the August 14, 1954 DXXN: Announcement of the new BCB log, published by Carroll Weyrich, Baltimore, MD, listing all BCB stations in the U. S., Canada, West Indies, and Central and South America; price, \$1.25.

25 years ago ... from the August 13, 1979 DXXN: The 1979 Cuban Station list, compiled by Chuck Hutton, appeared in this DXXN.

10 years ago ... from the August 15, 1994 DXXN: The NRC was the fourth-largest club in ANARC, with RCM, NASWA, and AOSC counting more members.

AM Switch

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old Call	New Call
540 WDMV MD Pocomoke City	WGOP
660 WCIX PA Wilkensburg	WPYT
700 WGOP MD Walkersville	WDMV
700 KCAF TX Wylie	KHSE [new station, not yet on the air]
850 WDJC AL Birmingham	WXJC
850 WMCD GA Statesboro	WPTB
860 KBEE UT Salt Lake City	KKAT
920 WAFS GA Atlanta	WGKA [switches to a talk format]
940 WRFX FL Miami	WINZ
960 WKVN PR Quebradillas	WCHQ
980 KJOX WA Selah	KBBO
1010 WQYK FL Seffner	WBZZ
1010 KIQN UT Tooele	KCPW
1060 WBRE OH Canton	WILB [WBRE lasted about a week]
1090 WBZB NC Selma	WTSB
1140 KVSP OK Oklahoma City	KRMP [as "The Touch", with Urban AC]
1190 WGKA GA Atlanta	WAFS [now with a talk format]
1190 WXBH NY Cobleskill	WSDE
1220 KSFB CA Palo Alto	KNTS
1250 WKNX MI Bay City	WNEM
1270 WKZT KY Fulton	WFUL
1300 KBZC CO Colorado Springs	KKML
1340 WINZ GA Augusta	WSGF
1340 NEW WV Welch	WELA
1370 KITT HI Pearl City	KFIF
1390 WHPB SC Belton	WLUA
1390 KBBO WA Yakima	KJOX
1400 WJGC FL Fort Walton Beach	WBAU [now programming Adult Standards]
1420 KREL MO California	KRLI
1500 WDEN GA Macon	WWFN
1590 WWWN CT Oakville	WKKK
1620 WBUB FL Gulf Breeze	WNRP

NEW STATIONS ON THE AIR

870 KJMP	CO	Pierce - Reports indicate this new station is testing with 70s rock music and infrequent IDs. They were originally licensed for U4 5000/246 in 2000, but received an OK to change that to U4 1200/320 in March of this year. We assume they are using this latest power setup.
1400 KENT	UT	Parowan - New station with U1 800/800 is on the air.
1680 KTFH	WA	Seattle - Original license to operate has been issued. Facilities are U1 10000/1000 with religious programming.

CPs ON THE AIR

640 WVLG	FL	Wildwood - CP for U1 930/860 is on the air.
890 KLFF	CA	Arroyo Grande - CP for U2 5000/5000 is on the air.
980 KBBO	WA	Selah - CP for U4 5000/5000 is on the air.
990 KMSR	TX	Farmersville - After several attempts to come up with an acceptable set of facility parameters, the FCC has approved their current operation of U4 7000/920 from a three tower site at N33-07-01 W96-16-47.
1020 KYXE	WA	Union Gap - CP to build two new 180' towers at N46-34-17 W120-27-15 with U5 4000/400 and change city-of-license from Selah is on.
1040 KGGR	TX	Dallas - CP for D1 3300/0 CH 2800 is on the air.

1230 KYVA	NM	Gallup - CP for U1 920/920 is on the air at corrected coordinates of N35-32-02 W108-42-18.
1270 WCGC	NC	Belmont - CP for U4 10000/500 is on the air.
1370 WWLG	MD	Pikesville - CP for U4 50000/7700 is on the air.
1390 WKPA	VA	Lynchburg - CP to move here (Ex: 1170), to increase day power and add night service as U1 4700/34 at corrected coordinates of N37-27-52 W79-07-21 is on the air. [Added data]
1400 WSGC	GA	Elberton - Coordinate correction to N34-06-50 W82-52-52.
1410 KDBS	LA	Alexandria - CP to decrease night power to become U1 1000/30 and erect a new 191' tower at N31-16-25 W92-25-43 is on.
1550 KIWA	IA	Sheldon - CP for U1 283/6 is on.

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

550 WGR	NY	Buffalo - Coordinate correction to N42-46-11 W78-50-37.
550 WDEV	VT	Waterbury - Coordinate correction to N44-21-17 W72-45-07.
560 WGAI	NC	Elizabeth City - Coordinate correction to N36-20-16 W76-14-49.
560 WNSR	TN	Brentwood - CP granted to increase day and night power levels to become U5 4500/75.
710 WROM	GA	Rome - Coordinate correction to N34-15-11 W85-09-19.
710 WFNR	VA	Blacksburg - Coordinate correction to N37-08-01 W80-21-18.
730 KULE	WA	Ephrata - Coordinate correction to N47-19-01 W119-33-46.
810 WJJQ	WI	Tomahawk - CP granted to add nighttime operation as U1 980/13.
850 KICY	AK	Nome - CP granted to increase nighttime power to become U10 50000/50000 CH 50000.
900 WYCV	NC	Granite Falls - CP granted to increase daytime power to become U1 2500/251.
910 KNEW	CA	Oakland - CP granted to increase daytime power to become U4 20000/5000 at adjusted coordinates of N37-53-45 W122-19-25.
930 WLSS	FL	Sarasota - CP granted to increase nighttime power to become U4 5000/3000.
930 WRVC	WV	Huntington - Coordinate correction to N38-24-03 W82-29-42.
960 WABG	MS	Greenwood - Coordinate correction to N33-33-18 W90-12-20.
990 WNOX	TN	Knoxville - Coordinate correction to N36-02-33 W83-53-59.
1130 WQIS	SC	Camden - CP granted to add night service. When operational will become U1 1000/7.
1150 KSAL	KS	Salina - Coordinate correction to N38-53-03 W97-31-02.
1150 WHBY	WI	Kimberly - Licensed for U4 5000/5000, station has a CP to increase both day and night power levels from a new 5-tower site to become U4 20000/25000. An amendment was submitted, and granted by the FCC, to add an additional tower from slightly different coordinates at N44-08-20 W88-32-46.
1160 WYLL	IL	Chicago - CP granted for U4 50000/50000. The station will erect a new six-tower site approximately 28 miles south of the present day/night site for night operations, making them another two-site operation. The new night pattern is directed north toward 003 degrees.
1180 WXLA	MI	Dimondale - CP granted to increase daytime power and add CH operation. When built, will be D4 10000/0 CH 2000.
1230 WABN	VA	Abingdon - CP granted to relocate to new 195' tower at N36-44-03 W81-58-18. Facilities remain U1 1000/1000.
1250 WMTR	NJ	Morristown - CP granted to add one tower to their current three in order to increase nighttime power. When built will become U4 5000/7000.
1260 KWEI	ID	Weiser - CP granted to increase daytime power to become U1 10000/60.
1270 WHGS	SC	Hampton - Coordinate correction to N32-50-38 W81-07-32.
1380 WKJG	IN	Fort Wayne - CP granted to slightly alter the night pattern to where the peak of the lobe is at 334 degrees as opposed to the former 340 degrees. This "may" affect some DX.
1380 KMUS	OK	Muskogee - CP granted to erect six new towers about 15 miles north of their current site at N36-15-59 W95-58-15 with U4 7000/250 and change the city-of-license to Sperry.
1400 KWLA	LA	Many - Coordinate correction to N31-34-30 W93-29-47.
1450 WBHF	GA	Cartersville - CP granted to move to new 296' tower at N34-11-09 W84-48-13. Station remains U1 1000/1000.
1470 KYYW	TX	Abilene - Coordinate correction to N32-29-32 W99-45-07.



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 1520 WVOZ PR San Juan - CP granted to increase night power to become U4 25000/25000.
 1530 WVBF MA Middleborough Center - CP granted to increase daytime power and to add CH operation. When built, will be U1 2200/2 CH 940.
 1560 KABI KS Abilene - CP granted to add night operation as U1 250/58.

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1340 WELA WV Welch - CP granted for new station with U1 1000/1000.

GRANTS TO PENDING FACILITIES

1480 WTOX VA Glen Allen - New station, not yet on the air, has had a number of applications and amendments on the books since 2001. Their latest attempt has finally been approved. When built, they will be U4 6300/1500 from 4 towers at N37-40-56 W77-33-50.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

620 WGCV SC Cayce - Application is to increase daytime power to become U1 2500/126 at corrected coordinates of N33-57-34 W81-02-28.
 640 WMFN MI Zeeland - Application is to add one tower and raise the day power to become U5 2500/230.
 920 WMOK IL Metropolis - Applies to build four towers at a second site in order to increase their nighttime power. When built, they will become U2 1000/750 from two sites. The proposed nighttime pattern is directed primarily to the south.
 1000 KCEO CA Vista - This application covers the addition of one tower to their 3-tower site in order to raise their daytime power. If granted and built, they would become U4 5000/250.
 1030 WUFL MI Sterling Heights - Application is to add one tower to their current two, and alter their pattern so the main lobe is aimed at 250 degrees with a smaller lobe off the back at 070 degrees. Also a coordinate correction to N42-36-17 W82-54-40.
 1120 KANN UT Roy - The application covers a slight change to both patterns, making them closer to a figure 8' than present.
 1210 KEBR CA Rocklin - This application covers a move to a new 6-tower transmitter site about 7 miles from the current facility, an increase in nighttime power to become U4 5000/1800, and a change in city-of-license to Arden-Arcade.
 1230 WAUD AL Auburn - Coordinate correction to N32-37-40 W85-27-37.
 1260 WISO PR Ponce - The application covers moving their transmitter site approximately one mile to a new top-loaded 200' tower at N17-59-3 W66-38-12. No change in power or antenna specifications.
 1280 KYRO MO Potosi - This application requests to "relocate KYRO's licensed antenna approximately 20 feet south of its current tower to an existing tower using folded unipole type excitation" (quoted from the application). Since the new tower (at N37-58-26 W90-45-50) is more efficient, they also propose to reduce the night power to become U1 500/70.
 1310 WGSP NC Charlotte - Applies to increase daytime power to become U1 5000/44.
 1430 KMRB CA San Gabriel - The application is to add three towers to their current three, although the current towers will be moved to achieve proper alignment, in order to raise both day and night power levels. They propose to multiplex the 1430 signal with that of KAZN-1300 and KALI-900. If granted, KMRB will become U4 50000/11000 from adjusted coordinates of N34-07-08 W118-04-54.
 1440 KUHL CA Santa Maria - Coordinate correction to N34-58-48 W120-27-12.
 1640 KDIA CA Vallejo - Applies to build 4 new 167' towers in a parallelogram arrangement at a second location in order to increase their nighttime power. If approved and built, they will become U2 10000/10000.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS SUBMITTED

620 WSNR NJ Jersey City - Licensed for U4 3000/7600, station has a CP to increase day and night power levels to become U4 7600/8500. This amendment is to further increase both power levels to become U4 15000/15000 from a new seven tower site at N40-48-42 W74-02-13.
 810 KLDC CO Brighton - Licensed for U5 1000/7, station has a CP to build three towers at

810 WEUS

860 KTRB

1150 WGEA

1160 WYLL

1280 KDOX

1310 WCCW

1400 WPAY

1450 WWJB

1540 KGBC

1550 WRHC

1210 NEW

1500 NEW

660 KGDG

710 WEGG

910 WFVR

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 a second site for nighttime operation to go U4 2200/227. This amendment asks to change the nighttime power and pattern of its CP. If approved, they'll be U4 2200/500, with the nighttime site at N39-50-36 W104-57-14.

FL Orlovista - New station, not yet on the air, has a CP for U4 1000/400 from 2 towers at N28-33-36 W81-30-23. In September of 2003 they filed an amendment, wanting to change to U4 6000/2000 from 6 towers at another site. This latest amendment changes things to U4 5000/400 from 3 towers at, yet, another site.

CA Modesto - Station has a CP to move to San Francisco with U4 50000/40000. This amendment asks for U4 50000/50000.

AL Geneva - Licensed for U1 1000/35, station has an application on file to raise both day and night power levels to become U1 1400/172. The application was rejected by the FCC due to the night power increase. This amendment requests that the night power increase be deleted from the application. They are now asking for U1 1400/35.

IL Chicago - Licensed for U4 50000/5000, station has a CP for U4 50000/50000 CH 50000. This amendment drops the CH designation.

NV Henderson - Licensed for U1 5000/28, station was granted a CP to increase the nighttime power to become U1 5000/48. This amendment asks to diplex their signal into the existing 249' tower of KSHP-1400 at N36-12-39 W115-09-47 and retain the 28 Watt nighttime power.

MI Traverse City - Licensed for D1 5000/0, station has a CP to build a new 3-tower site and increase daytime power and add night service to become U4 15000/130 at N44-43-18 W85-42-06. This amendment proposes to build four new towers at yet, another site in order to increase the nighttime power. If granted, they would be U4 15000/7500 at N44-40-37 W85-39-56.

OH Portsmouth - Licensed for U1 1000/1000, station has a CP for U1 1000/1000 from a new 255' tower at N38-43-45 W82-57-11. This amendment proposes U1 800/800 at N38-43-22 W83-00-05.

FL Brooksville - Licensed for U1 1000/1000, station had a CP for U1 620/620 from a new tower site at N28-33-04 W82-25-02. This amendment asks to increase the power at that new site, which would return them to U1 1000/1000.

TX Galveston - Licensed for U2 1000/250, station has a CP to erect three additional towers to its lone stick and increase day power to become U4 2500/250 and correct the coordinates to N29-18-55 W94-48-19. This amendment asks to further increase that daytime power to become U4 5000/250 at N29-18-53 W94-48-18.

FL Coral Gables - Station has a CP to change city-of-license to Kendale Lakes, Florida with U4 25000/5000 and change frequency to 1560 from a new site. This amendment changes the coordinates of the proposed site, plus slightly alters the day and night patterns. If granted, they will retain the power and antenna parameters listed above, but from N25-41-58 W80-28-33.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

IL Cedarville - Application is for U4 2000/250. Cedarville is about 5 miles north of Freeport. An Auction 84 application which has made it this far!

NV Winchester - Application is for U2 1500/1500. Winchester is a suburb of Las Vegas.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

CA Orcutt - Licensed for U4 10000/1000, station has a pending application for U4 50000/1000. This amendment applies to decrease the day power level and increase the night power level from a new 4-tower site. If approved and built, they would become U4 2500/8000 and change the city-of-license to Oildale, California.

NC Rose Hill - Licensed for D1 250/0, station has a pending application to increase the power to become D1 2500/0. This amendment adds CH operation. If granted, they will become D1 2500/0 CH 2500.

GA Valdosta - Licensed for U2 5000/5000, station has a pending application to build five new towers at N30-16-35 W82-47-35 (a move of about 35 miles),

and change the city of license to Wellborn, Florida with U4 50000/5000. This amendment calls for another new site (N30-12-59 W82- 51-39), this one with seven towers, again with Wellborn as CoL, but with U4 35000/5000.

- 980 KICA NM Clovis - Licensed for U1 1400/172, KICA submitted an application to increase their daytime power to become U5 50000/172, but the FCC denied the request citing coverage overlaps with KSVP-990 and KMSR-990. This amendment alters the proposed directional pattern to alleviate the overlap.
1010 KCPW UT Tooele - Licensed for U8 50000/13 CH 3100, station has a CP to increase night and CH powers to become U8 50000 days/178 CH 35000. This amendment asks to change the city-of-license to Magna, to build two new towers at a different site, and become U8 50000/225 CH 35000.
1030 NEW CA Elk Grove - This application, not yet approved, had applied for U4 50000/50000. This amendment lowers the nighttime power, making the application read U4 50000/10000.
1140 NEW FL Ensley - This application, not yet approved, submitted several amendments to their initial application for, and finally decided to go with U2 10000/250.
1430 WATB GA Decatur - Licensed for D3 1000/0, station has an application to add one tower to the current three, raise daytime power, and add nighttime service to become U5 50000/160. This amendment slews the daytime pattern from 172 degrees to 182 degrees, giving better protection to several co- and adjacent-channel stations.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES REINSTATED

- 1640 KDZR OR Lake Oswego - Licensed for U1 10000/1000, station applied for U2 10000/10000 which was initially turned down by the FCC. The owner (ABC, Inc.) asked that the request be reinstated and the FCC returned the request to 'pending' status.

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR APPLICATIONS

- 1050 KCHN TX Brookshire - Licensed for D3 410/0, they applied to build a new 4-tower site and add nighttime service as U4 410/2500 from two transmitter sites, but were turned down by the FCC. This amendment decreases the nighttime power level with a small pattern change. If granted, they will become U4 410/650.
1540 WADK RI Newport - Licensed for D1 1000/0, station applied to add two towers to their single stick and add nighttime service to become U2 1000/20000, but was turned down due to unacceptable interference to co-channel KXEL and WDCD. They have petitioned the FCC to reconsider the application, this time with 5000 Watts as the proposed power.

APPLICATIONS FROM PENDING STATIONS

- 1330 KSNA CA Shasta Lake City - New station, not yet on the air, has a CP for U3 1000/1000. On file are two amendments, both changing the antenna configuration to U4. This latest amendment asks for U4 1000/1000 at corrected coordinates of N40-40-48 W122-16-01.

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

Table with 3 columns of license renewal information including call letters, state, and city for various stations like WJQI TN Clarksville, WMIK KY Middlesboro, WNSR TN Brentwood, etc.

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1510	WLAC	TN	Nashville	1560	WSEZ	IN	Paoli	1580	WPKY	KY	Princeton
1520	WKVI	IN	Knox	1560	WRIN	IN	Rensselaer	1580	WZZJ	MS	Pascagoula-Moss
1520	WLGC	KY	Greenup	1560	WQXY	KY	Hazard				Point
1520	WRSL	KY	Stanford	1560	WKDO	KY	Liberty	1570	WTRB	TN	Ripley
1520	WNWS	TN	Brownsville	1560	WPAD	KY	Paducah	1580	WLIJ	TN	Shelbyville
1530	WDAP	TN	Huntington	1560	WBOL	TN	Bolivar	1590	WNTS	IN	Beech Grove
1540	WADM	IN	Decatur	1560	WMRO	TN	Gallatin	1590	WRCY	IN	Mount Vernon
1540	WLOI	IN	La Porte	1570	WIL0	IN	Frankfort	1590	WLBK	KY	Lebanon
1540	WMCB	IN	Martinsville	1570	WLBK	IN	New Albany	1590	WATX	TN	Algood
1540	WAKY	KY	Greensburg	1570	WLBQ	KY	Morgantown	1590	WKTP	TN	Jonesborough
1540	WBRV	TN	Woodbury	1570	WGLL	IN	Auburn	1590	WDBL	TN	Springfield
1550	WOCC	IN	Corydon	1570	WKKS	KY	Vanceburg	1600	WOTO	IN	Linton
1550	WCVL	IN	Crawfordsville	1570	WNKX	TN	Centerville	1600	WARU	IN	Peru
1550	WNDI	IN	Sullivan	1570	WCLE	TN	Cleveland	1600	WALA	KY	Beaver Dam
1550	WBCV	TN	Bristol	1580	WCNB	IN	Connorsville	1600	WTSZ	KY	Eminence
1550	WCTZ	TN	Clarksville	1580	WAMW	IN	Washington	1600	WMQM	TN	Lakeland

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR DISMISSED AUCTION 84 APPLICATIONS

880	NEW	AK	Anchorage - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.
1200	NEW	AL	Calera - Application was for D1 1000/0.
1240	NEW	CO	Carbondale - Application was for U1 250/250.

AUCTION 84 APPLICATIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION DISMISSED

1500	NEW	LA	Four Forks - Application was for D1 1000/0.
1560	NEW	CA	Brawley - Application was for D1 1000/0.
1580	NEW	TX	Giles - Application was for D1 250/0.

OTHER ACTIONS

750	KHWG	NV	Fallon - New station, not yet on the air, has a CP for U1 10000/280 CH 10000. The FCC denied this amendment which asked to relocate the facility and adjust the power levels to become U1 7500/300 CH 7500.
900	WJJB	ME	Brunswick - Station had a CP to lower daytime power, but asked that it be rescinded. Station remains U1 1000/66.
1120	WNWF	FL	Destin - Station had a CP to increase power to 2200 Watts, but has asked to rescind that request. They remain D1 1000/0.
1150	WGEA	AL	Geneva - Station had applied to increase daytime and nighttime power levels to become U1 1400/172. The FCC has denied the request as of 7/26/2004. Station remains U1 1000/35.
1170	WWVA	WV	Wheeling - Capstar, the licensee of WWVA, submitted a letter withdrawing the proposed move of this station to Stow, Ohio (see Auction 84 items, DX News, Issue 24). The FCC has complied and the application has been dismissed as of July 19.
1340	WFSH	FL	Valparaiso-Niceville - Station had a CP to reduce their power level to become U1 920/920, but has asked to rescind that request. So, they remain U1 1000/1000.
1500	KIEV	CA	Burbank - As near as I can make out, interpreting FCC lawyer-speak, this unbuild station was granted an extension to their CP for U4 50000/4300 to April 25, 2002. Since it remains unbuild, the FCC has denied further extensions, including the latest petition for reconsideration.

LICENSE CANCELLATIONS/CALL LETTERS DELETED

1280	WSVE	FL	Jacksonville
1360	KFFA	AR	Helena*
1400	WJLD	AL	Fairfield*
1400	KVLA	LA	Vidalia
1460	WCRY	NC	Fuquay-Varina
1490	NEW	UT	Moab - Unbuilt station has had its CP deleted by the FCC.
1580	WEAM	GA	Columbus*

* - The FCC released a notification of license cancellation for these stations, but for unknown reasons they remain in the FCC's database.

CANADIAN NEWS

□ CHUM Limited has requested that the license of CFJR-830 Brockville, Ontario be revoked as the FM station built to replace CFJR is up and running. The CRTC was happy to oblige. So you can scratch out/white out, line out the listing for CFJR in your AM Log. You have one, don't you???

Anyway, I recall the big push to occupy the frequencies of the former 1-A clear channel stations over the past 10-15 years. Now, it seems, it wasn't such a good idea after all. They shoulda gone the FM route in the first place ... The CRTC has received the following applications: **CFFX-960 Kingston, Ontario** is asking to add a low power (50 Watts) FM station at 93.7 MHz at 48.8 metres in order to improve its signal in the downtown core area of Kingston. CFFX states that the population in the core downtown area, and in areas adjacent to it are experiencing drops in signal volume and interference. They claim the addition of an FM transmitter is the most economical way to improve the signal; **CJNS-1240 Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan** has applied to convert its facility to 102.3 MHz with 45,000 Watts ERP at 157.7 metres. They would simulcast the programming of the new FM station on CJNS for a period of six months from the date of implementation of the new station; The CBC has proposed to replace **CBXJ-860**, their 40-Watt repeater of CBX-740 Edmonton at **Jasper, Alberta** with an FM station at 98.1 MHz with 259 Watts ERP at -496.6 metres. The CBC is requesting permission to simulcast the programming of CBXJ on the AM band for a period of three months from the date of implementation of its new FM transmitter. The CBC would cease operation of AM transmitter at Jasper after this period. The Commission will only proceed with this application at the public hearing if advised by the Department of Industry, at least twenty days prior to the hearing, that it is technically acceptable; and **CKKC-880 Nelson, British Columbia** is asking to convert to 106.9 MHz with 2000 Watts at 391.3 metres. They are requesting permission to simulcast the programming of the new FM station on CKKC for a period of three months from the date of implementation of the new station. CKKC intends to operate the existing transmitters CKKC-1-FM Crawford Bay, CKZX-FM-1 Kaslo, CKBS-FM Nakusp, and CKZX-FM New Denver as rebroadcasting stations of the proposed new FM station.

HEAR AND THAR

□ **Fines** - Station executives should read this column ... if for nothing more than to see what the FCC is fining stations for. Same old story ... every issue: public records and secure tower gates. Let's see who got caught this time: **WPHX-1220 Sanford, Maine** has been levied the amount of \$13,600 for having their studio and public files housed at their office in Portland. Too far for the inspector to walk! Tack on another \$13,600 for the same violations for their FM'er. Double your pleasure! **WXM-1310 Parsippany-Troy Hills, New Jersey** has been fined \$6,300 for failing to lock the tower fences. **WSEV-930 Sevierville, Tennessee** has been fined \$2,400 for not updating their antenna structure registration information when it bought the tower. **KLEY-1130 Wellington, Kansas** has been fined \$3,200 for not powering down to their nighttime-authorized one Watt. What was the special occasion? The owner had entered into a contract to carry Nebraska University football games in their entirety and the FCC monitors just happened to be listening when the signal should have been at the 1 Watt level. And it wasn't! **WRFS-1050 Alexander City, Alabama** has been fined for not having a locked fence around its tower base. Station officials claim they fixed the fence within days after the notice reached them, and paying that amount wasn't economically feasible for them. But the FCC wouldn't let them off.

□ **Gerry Conkling of Greenbelt, Maryland** wrote saying that both 540 in Pocomoke City, Maryland [which has had a CP to change city-of-license to Damascus, Maryland with U4 1000/1000 since 1996 - Ed.] and 700 in Walkersville, Maryland [which has had a CP to change CoL to Poolesville, Maryland with D3 25000/0 since 1996 - Ed.] were both using the WDMV calls. I wrote back suggesting they were simulcasting and both had a CP and/or an application pending. **Gerry** replied: "As of today (July 3, 2004) ... both 540 and 700 are not simulcasting (separate programs altogether) ... [but] both stations are identifying as WDMV. The rest of this is pure speculation on my part ... Pocomoke City is on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. It is south-southwest of Ocean City. Walkersville is a suburb of Frederick in what is considered western Maryland and northwest of Washington, D.C. Poolesville is practically next to the Potomac River in Montgomery County and far north and northwest of Washington, D.C. Also, Damascus is closer to Frederick but east and south of it. 540 in Pocomoke City has only one tower and they have always used 500 watts, not 5,000 watts, during the daytime and if they are on the air at night I'm certain they are using a non-directional antenna with possibly 243 watts at night as is listed in the FCC data base. 700 has a three tower array in a pyramid setup in Walkersville and their signal is strictly a north-south pattern. Right now they're using 5,000 watts DA-D. I don't think anything is going to happen here unless 540 gets the construction permit to build near Damascus. If this happens then I think there will be one new transmitter site built for both stations and 700 will be 25,000 watts DA-D and 540 will be built near Damascus and will have U4 1000/1000 and will have a tight southeast pattern. At first 540 in Pocomoke City wanted to build a 4 tower site in Brinklow, Maryland, which is south and east of Damascus, but I believe that site has fallen through but the Company who owns the station wants to move their facilities from Pocomoke City to a more urban area like D.C. and 700 wants a better coverage area but why they want to pick Poolesville as their primary city of license is way

beyond me." Gerry promises to keep us informed, but as you saw in Call Letter Changes, 540 and 700 in Maryland have swapped calls. Roving reporter Jerry Starr add this insight to this situation: "To add to the comments re WDMV/WGOP, I passed thru the DC area last week and was able to hear good groundwave signals from both 540 and 700. The ToH IDs were WDMV on 540 and WDMV (DelMarVa) on 700. Both these facilities have tendered various applications to relocate, each time the proposals are killed by NIMBY [not in my backyard -Ed.] driven protests. All of their proposed sites so far have been in very affluent suburban neighborhoods. Finding enough land to build elaborate transmitter sites in the DC metro is nearly impossible due to both ultra high land values and the afore mentioned NIMBY factor.

□ Back in Issue 27 we reported that KUTR-820 Taylorsville, Utah, a new station not yet on the air, has a CP for U8 50000/2500 CH 10000, and had applied for an amendment asking to increase that CH power to 50 kW. Mike Riordan from Salt Lake City reports he has spoken with John Danelli, their chief engineer, who said KUTR has been granted that change. They plan to be testing in October, needing only a phasor for their array. Their nighttime pattern, by the way, is fairly slender using six towers and directed at 019 degrees, while the CH pattern looks like a comic strip's Otalk balloon' headed toward 347 degrees using two towers. As of the deadline, no notice of a grant has appeared in FCC notices, but we'll keep an eye out for it.

□ Stations reported to be silent since the last AMS: KCPW -1010 Tooele, Utah (remains off the air), KXKS-1190 Albuquerque, New Mexico and, WCMA-1230 Corinth, Mississippi, KFIF-1370 Pearl City, Hawaii, and WVMG-1440 Cochran, Georgia . . . but good news as WBMQ-630 Savannah, Georgia is back after about six weeks' silence. Same format: News/Talk and slogan "Newstalk 630, WBMQ"; also, WEWC-1160 Callahan, Florida, WEBO-1330 Owego, New York, WAZL-1490 Hazelton, Pennsylvania, WYMM-1530 Jacksonville, Florida (no longer Spanish, but gospel), WRSM-1540 Sumiton, Alabama (with C&W), and WSHN-1550 Fremont, Michigan (with ESPN Radio // co-owned WUBR-1490 . . . reported with either low power or an inefficient antenna) are all ba-a-ck on the air.

□ There had been a rumor circulating that KSTP-1500 St. Paul, Minnesota was operating non-directional 24 hours. But Mike Riordan once again stepped up and called KSTP's chief engineer, who quickly dismissed that information as unsubstantiated and untrue. Case closed! Who starts these rumors???

□ Radio World magazine is reporting that Entercom Communications Corporation plans to convert 80% of its stations to IBOC over the next four years. The company has six stations converted now, one FM in Boston and five FMs in Seattle. Clear Channel has also committed to converting most of its stations. Entercom has equipment on order for converting eight more stations, five in Portland and three in Denver, this year, according to John Donlevie, Entercom executive vice president and general counsel. Conversion costs for the company are running from about \$100,000 to \$150,000. The company hasn't released what additional markets it will convert, but will likely focus on transitioning its FM stations first. Entercom, an Ibiquty investor, has 104 stations.

□ In addition to those mentioned in text above, we thank Shawn Axelrod, Phil Boersma, Perry Crabill, Wayne Heinen, Herb Newberry, Al Ogrizovich, Dave Schmidt, and Fred Vobbe.

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

* indicates record held by DXer from North America (excluding Alaska)

1230 kHz:				Miles	
KDAC	CA	Fort Bragg	Pete Taylor	Tacoma, WA	*549
1240 kHz:					
KSQR	CA	Sacramento	Pete Taylor	Tacoma, WA	606
1340 kHz:					
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WSDO	FL	Sanford	Pete Taylor	New Smyrna Beach, FL	24

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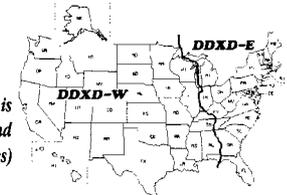
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RANDOM STUFF

- As you can see, I have yet another new address and e-mail! An interesting confluence of circumstances and events has brought me to Wimberley. My (still relatively) new wife is a Texan, and wanted to return. Las Vegas didn't agree with me (or Dianna); too much heat, traffic, smog, etc.—it's starting to remind me a lot of Los Angeles, and I don't mean that as a compliment. And finally the Las Vegas real estate market has gone insane over the past several months, with some nice gains available before the bubble bursts. We decided to git while the gittin' was good. In the words of noted social philosopher Steve Miller, "Go on. Take the money and run."
- Wimberley is about 30 miles southwest of Austin in the rolling "hill country" of Texas. DX should be much better there, as I'll have almost an acre, 30 mature oak trees, and no antenna restrictions. Longwire heaven! I look forward to seeing how well the Quantum Phaser can do in a low RF environment, as its front end can't handle the signal loads in an urban or suburban area. And I might finally get active on 160 meters after 30+ years of being a ham. For a little more about Wimberley, surf over to <http://www.visitwimberley.com>.
- One of the first DX-related things I'll be doing in August is listening around my "new" band to get a feel for what's normally heard at night—in other words, figuring out which stations are common and not DX. If you're anxious for the new fall DX season to start, that's a very productive way to spend August. This should be a very interesting DX season upcoming. We will likely see many more IBOC stations, and a strong possibility of our first regular night IBOC operation. We are entering a period of BIG transition for MW DX!
- Because of moving, I had to close this column on July 23, so why not help my first DDXD-West from Texas to be a big one? Please submit your loggings in the format you see below, including enough details to help your fellow NRCers log the station. Please use Eastern local time (ELT) for all times, regardless of your local time zone. ELT is now Eastern daylight time, so you need to add the appropriate number of hours to your local time (one for Central daylight, two for Mountain daylight, and three for Pacific daylight) for all loggings submitted to this column.

REPORTERS

JEL-MO	J. E. Lewis, Kansas City. Sony ICF-2010, Select-a-Tenna.
KR-AZ	Kevin Redding, Phoenix. 2004 Gold Saturn Ion while on vacation in Arkansas.
MR-UT	Mile Riordan, Salt Lake City. Grundig YB400PE, Panasonic RFB300, DX440, Select-a-Tenna.
MR1-UT	Mike Riordan DXing from Park City. Grundig YB400PE, Select-a-Tenna.
RA-NV	René Auvray, Henderson. Antenna, receiver.
SP-WI	Sheryl Paszkiewicz, Manitowoc. Icom R8500, AOR LA-350 loop.
Ed.-NV	Your Editor, Las Vegas. Drake R8B, Sony ICF2010, Quantum loop and phaser.

STATION NEWS, LOG UPDATES, ETC.

820	KUTR	UT	Taylorsville. Per conversation with chief engineer, station has been granted U8 50000/2500, 50000 CH and will be testing in October. (MR-UT)
TIS, HAR, ETC.			
1610	WPUW403	AR	Lonoke. 7/18. HAR giving traffic conditions for construction up ahead on I-30 south of Little Rock. (KR-AR)
1680	WPTA599	AR	Texarkana. 7/18. Another HAR giving traffic conditions on I-30 to the north of Texarkana. This one REALLY gets out. Surprising being so close to KRJO in Monroe, LA. (KR-AR)

DAYTIME DX

530	TIS	UT	Antelope Island. 6/30 1715. Good signal. (MR-UT1)
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660 **KTNN AZ Window Rock.** 6/30 1720. Faint but audible signal. (MR-UT1)
 770 **KKOB NM Albuquerque.** 6/30 1725. Faint, audible signal with News/Talk format. (MR1-UT)
 940 **KNNZ UT Cedar City.** 6/30 1730. Faint with CNN feed, occasional slop from KMER. (MR-UT1)
 1030 **KTWO WY Casper.** 6/30 1700. Station ID and into news. (MR-UT1)
 1200 **TIS UT Salt Lake City Airport.** 6/30 1735. Good signal. (MR-UT1)
 1620 **KBLI ID Blackfoot.** 6/30 1740. Fairly good signal with baseball game. (MR-UT1)

REGULAR DX LOGGINGS (times in ELT)

610 **KAVL CA Lancaster.** 6/27 0846. Mentioning auto sale at Antelope Valley Nissan; extremely weak. (RA-NV)
 640 **CFMJ ON Richmond Hill.** 7/1 2238. Ad with 416 area code, "Coast to Coast on AM 640 Talk Radio for Guys, Mojo Radio." TLK. new. (SP-WI)
 680 **KFEQ MO St. Joseph.** 7/8 2315. Station ID followed by Bill O'Reilly show; KNBR briefly faded out. (MR-UT) Nice one! (Ed.-NV)
 680 **KWKA NM Clovis.** 7/9 0058. "Glad All Over" by Dave Clark Five under partial KNBR null. (MR-UT) Did you manage to catch an ID, mention of Clovis, or some other clue to identify this as KWKA? (Ed.-NV)
 830 **KFLT AZ Tucson.** 7/14 into 7/15. Station in unusually loud and clear all night with religious programming; apparently was running day power. (MR-UT) Sometimes I think the FCC should just drop the concept of reduced night power altogether since it seems to be so poorly observed and just let stations run the same power day and night. (Ed.-NV) I'll say it again: if you're not cynical when it comes to the FCC, you don't understand the situation correctly. (Ed.-NV)
 950 **KMWE WY Kemmerer.** 7/4 into 7/5. Apparently running day power all night with oldies; loud and clear. (MR-UT)
 1030 **KFAY AR Farmington.** 7/3 0817. Noted with OC only, over three UNIDs (one with GOS). Probably on night power and pattern (broad lobe SE). Likely cause storms from previous night that caused flooding and a tornado. Tulsa PBS TV off along with 106.5 that morning. (JEL-MO) Not trying to be a wiseguy, but how did you know it was KFAY if there was only OC? (Ed.-NV)
 1200 **WOAI TX San Antonio.** 6/28 0003. Mentioning weather in Bexar county (rain and flooding), weatherman Scott Landis, "at 11:03, it's 76 degrees." Fair to weak. (RA-NV)
 1260 **KSRP CA Beverly Hills.** 6/27 0905. Contemporary version of "Till There Was You" by Beatles, call ID. Fair signal, new logging. (RA-NV)
 1420 **KMOG AZ Payson.** 6/27 2400. Call ID followed by ANC News. New logging. (RA-NV)
 1420 **KSTN CA Stockton.** 6/28 0007. Call ID into music; some QRM. New logging. (RA-NV)
 1430 **KWST CA El Centro.** 6/27 0900. Country and western music followed by call ID. Fair to poor; new. (RA-NV)
 1360 **KPXQ AZ Glendale.** 6/27 0856. Commercials with QRM from KPOP in San Diego. RA-NV)
 1500 **KSJX CA San Jose.** 7/17 0715. In with Asian programming as KSTP faded out; this one rare in my area. (MR-UT)

DDXD-East

REPORTERS

MKB-NY Mike Brooker, on the Coney Island Boardwalk, Brooklyn - Grundig YB-400PE.
BC-PA Bruce Collier, York - Drake R8B w/450° NE/SW bog phased against Hygain 18AVT trapped ham vertical or 220 degree bog w/MFJ 1025 phaser.
JF-ON Jeff Falconer, Clinton - AOR AR7030+, 130° east EWE / 130° west EWE or Drake R8B with 45° GAP vertical, MFJ-1026 phaser, etc.
MH-NC Mike Hardester, on the road in Eastern North Carolina - Camry Car Radio and Imbedded Antenna.
AK-MA Art Krugaluk, Wilmington - Grundig Satellite 800, Palomar Loop, 80 ft Long Wire, MFJ-989C Tuner-preamp.
IEN-GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - AIWA CSD-FD89.
HN-GA Herbert Newberry, Milledgeville - Unknown Equipment.
DP-HI Dale Park, Honolulu - Station News.
DS-TN Doug Smith, Pleasant View - UNID Help.

DT-ON Don Trelford, Toronto - Sangean ATS 818, short indoor long wire E-W.
MJW-MA Martin Waters, on the road in Westport - Superadio III, barefoot.

STATION NEWS

940 **WINZ FL Miami** - 7/12 - Per South Florida Sun-Sentinel, station has flipped formats from Fox Sports Radio to liberal-leaning talk, featuring Air America Radio. Among the shows is one hosted by ex-Floridian Randi Rhodes. Station slogan is "South Florida's Progressive Talk." Was tipped off by "The Al Franken Show" welcoming WINZ. (DP-HI)
 1250 **WNEM MI Frankenmuth** - 8/4 1340 - fair with news headlines, weather, and traffic info, "Mid Michigan's News Leader" slogan, will rebroadcast all newscasts from its sister WNEM TV CH 5. Ex WKNX. (JF-ON)
 1360 **WYOS NY Binghamton** - Adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" per program 7/17; station slogan is "Talkradio 13-60 AM." (DP-HI)
 1400 **WHMP MA Northampton** - 7/12 - Adds Air America Radio 7/5, per "The Al Franken Show" 7/12. (DP-HI)
 1420 **WRMR OH Cleveland** - Per WCLV-FM website and Business Wire, WCLV-FM has sold its sister station WRMR to its previous owner, Salem Communications, which originally sold the station in 2001. Salem is to change the station's format from adult standards to conservative talk (William Bennett, Laura Ingraham, Dennis Prager, Michael Medved, Hugh Hewitt) on 7/12 and bring back its old callsign, WHK, along with the slogan "NewsTalk 14-20." (DP-HI)
 + 7/27 1156 - poor in the usual splatter from CKSL with Laura Ingram, ID "News Talk 1420, WHK, Cleveland". Back to these heritage calls, ex WRMR. 1220 Cleveland is now WHKW. (JF-ON)



UNID HELP

Herbert Newberry writes that Ira New's UNID on 710 kHz, reported in the last issue (DXN 7128) is WUFF in Eastman, GA. "Obviously, they were on after hours... they simulcast with WUFF-FM 97.5 using slogan 'Big Woolf Radio'. I've heard them here mixing well with WOR and WAQI. A daytime regional regular."

Also in Issue 7128, Herb states that John Hunter's presumed KSAH was correct. "Most likely they just powered up to their 10,000 daytime authorization... I think their pattern comes toward the southeast and northwest to provide some protection to WGN during critical hours."

Doug Smith writes that Ira New's UNID on 920 is WTCW, sister station to WXKQ-103.9.

PRESUMED AND UNID

1370 **KUNDp ND Grand Forks** - 7/10 2115 - Jazz or near jazz music, poor under WWCB and WSPD. (DT-ON)
 1400 **WTCY PA Harrisburg** - 7/9 2115 - Urban contemporary or gospel, poor, interference from 3 unidentified. (DT-ON)

STATION LOGGINGS

560 **WMIK KY Middlesboro** - 6/30 0012 - mixing with WVOC, holding its own with ads for local businesses. Good, if WVOC was observing a silent period. (HN-GA)
 610 **WIP PA Philadelphia** - 7/19 1058 - over WSNR-620 slop with usual sports talk about the Eagles training camp. (MKB-NY)
 640 **WWJZ NJ Mount Holly** - 7/19 1256 - blasting in with Radio Disney juvenile junk, // WQEW-1560. Thought this was a WQEW spur at first! (MKB-NY)
 680 **WJCE TN Memphis** - 6/30 0030 - noted at BOH break in NOS music with "E-Z 680, WJCE." (HN-GA)
 730 **WJTO ME Bath** - 8/3 1751 - Weak signal just above noise. Music, ID "WJTO Memories 730." (AK-MA)
 760 **WCIS NC Morgantown** - 6/28 0610 - on suddenly wiping out WJR. Fair on random wires/phaser. WGCC on in background, mixing at times. ID'd by slogan, "Powerhouse 76, North Carolina's gospel powerhouse." Weather, then back to music. Fading up and down, very good at peaks. (HN-GA)
 790 **WAEB PA Allentown** - 7/19 1230 - fair-good with ad for Becker Subaru and ID as "78 degrees at news-talk 790 WAEB" during break in Rush Limbaugh show. (MKB-NY)
 810 **WMGC TN Murfreesboro** - 7/2 0000 - Sports talk from WNSR in Nashville, then into ABC News at TOH. "810, WMGC, Murfreesboro, TN." (IEN-GA)

- 850 WREF CT Ridgefield - 7/19 1220 - fair-good with slogan "true oldies 850 WREF" into *The Lion Sleeps Tonight* by the Tokens. (MKB-NY)
- 900 WKDW VA Staunton - 6/30 0040 - after "Stand By Your Man", male DJ banter, then singing ID "W-K-D-W", into ads. WLSI in background. Fair at peaks. (HN-GA)
+ 7/18 2134 - Heard quick calls in promo "on WKDW" with local 910 WSBA phased to kill splatter. 127 watts, and I no longer question these - the 220 degree BOC has brought in too many low power stations to the SW for them ALL to be cheating! (BC-PA)
- WURD PA Philadelphia - 7/19 1136 - fair-good with gospel talk, Ad Council PSA for www.focusonlearning.org, into promo for local advertisers: "Be part of the WURD family...proud to be the source of information for Philadelphia's fast-growing African-American community". (MKB-NY)
- 910 WEPG TN South Pittsburg - 7/18 0057 - Rolled out a 450' Bog tonight, but it's uphill toward Europe and I hear only a weak het on 1215... however, with WSBA phased to nil, heard classic country and then clear WEPG calls in promo. New! So it works off the backend... (BC-PA)
- 920 WPHY NJ Trenton - 7/19 1215 - over WPAT-930 slop with Jim Rome show, Skip Bayliss filling in for Rome. (MKB-NY)
- 940 WMIX IL Mt. Vernon - 7/18 2236 - had Canadian phased to nil - heard clear "on AM 940 WMIX" at end of promo, then Neil Diamond's "America". Tried to phase 740 Canadian, but no dice. (BC-PA)
- 950 WPEN PA Philadelphia - 7/19 1133 - in like ton of bricks with promo for upcoming ball game on "WPEN, the home of the Phillies". (MKB-NY)
- 970 WTBF AL Troy - 7/2 0715 - farm commodities report, then Braves v. Red Sox promo (WTBF is a Braves affiliate). Ad for beef from the Alabama Beef Council. New. (HN-GA)
- 1070 WKMB NJ Stirling - 7/19 1259 - fair-poor with ad for *Secret Place* gospel rock album by Generation J, top of hour "WKND Stirling" ID into gospel talk. (MKB-NY)
- 1090 WBAL MD Baltimore - 7/19 1243 - over WHLI-1100 slop with promo for Orioles baseball, ID as "WBAL Baltimore, where the news comes first", into Limbaugh. (MKB-NY)
- 1110 WNAP PA Norristown - 7/19 1248 - over WHLI-1100 slop with slogan "The word of God reigns supreme on Gospel Highway 11" into "Insight from the Word" program. (MKB-NY)
- 1210 WQLS AL Ozark - 6/28 0703 - full legal ID: "1210 WQLS, Ozark, Alabama", back to UC:GOS music. Armchair level on random wires/phaser. (HN-GA)
+ 7/30 0002 - poor to fair on west wire with SS:AC music format. Give quick SS ID at 0002 "Double-coo-elay-essay, Ozark, Enterprise, Dothan... Radio Punto Latinas" and abruptly went off the air. This one was on 1200 for a while but is back on 1210 again. Probably on day power. New! (JF-ON)
- WPHT PA Philadelphia - 7/25 1840 - Weak but steady, sounding like 100% groundwave. Local medical talk show with Dr. David Stein. Voice ID at 1849: "The big talker, 12-10, WPHT." (MJW-MA)
- 1260 WBUD NJ Trenton - 7/19 1147 - fair with slogan "Jersey memories 1260 WBUD" into *Five o'clock World* by the Vogues. (MKB-NY)
- 1320 WMSR TN Manchester - 6/30 2328 - MLB, Braves & Marlins. A decent signal, but with deep, heavy fades. "You're listening to Braves Baseball on the Groove, 1320, WMSR." (IEN-GA)
- WAGY NC Forest City - 7/20 2309 - While playing with phaser, tuned across 1320 and noticed WJAS a little shaky, so tried and was able to phase it out and heard Johnny Paycheck's "Friend, Don't Take Her, She's All I Got", then thought I heard "WAGY, Forest City". Into short break, then weather and again I heard this time "WAGY". So I checked the NRC log and sure enough, there they are with 500 watts! New! (BC-PA)
- 1340 WMID NJ Atlantic City - 7/25 1900 - Caught just the calls from an 890-watt TOH voice ID, 250 saltwater miles away. Was way, way, way behind very local WNBH, booming out 1kW from its 244-degree (!) tower. (MJW-MA)
- 1370 WDEF TN Chattanooga - 6/30 2341 - MLB, Braves & Marlins. Tenth-Inning Show... post game wrap-up. A decent signal, with deep, heavy fades. "Home of the Braves and ESPN Radio, 1370, WDEF." (IEN-GA)
- 1400 WSTC CT Stamford - 7/19 1100 - good with dual ID: "1400 WSTC Stamford, 1350 WNLK Norwalk...depend on it" into local news. //1350 also noted. (MKB-NY)

- 1410 WHTG NJ Eatontown - 7/19 1202 - good with slogan "Great gold 1410 WHTG, no one gives you more great memories than Monmouth County's oldies station" into *The Letter* by the Box Tops. (MKB-NY)
- 1470 WTKO NY Ithaca - 7/6 2222 - Older popular music, weather, ID as "right here on WTKO". Poor. (DT-ON)
- 1490 WBCB PA Levittown - 7/19 1105 - over WZRC-1480 slop with USA Radio Network news, PSA from Pennsylvania Higher Education Foundation, ID as "WBCB news time is 11:05" into local news. (MKB-NY)
- 1520 KRHW MO Sikeston - 6/30 0015 - Classic country. Very good signal at times, but subject to fading. 1/4 drop was like listening to a local station! "The classic country station, 1520, KRHW." A great catch for me at my place as 1520 is usually is mish-mash of bleed(s) from WLAC on 1510 in Nashville, TN and/or WSAI on 1530 in Cincinnati, OH. (IEN-GA)
- 1560 WAGL SC Lancaster - 6/30 0912 - "memories of your life, let WAGL take you there." New format with NOS, lots of 50s style doo-wop music. Very good with fades. New with this format. (HN-GA)
- 1680 WDSS MI Ada - 7/5 2118 - Disney network show, short ID as "WDSS 1680", poor, some interference from WTM. (DT-ON)
- 1690 WHTW IL Berwyn - 7/3 2307 - Older popular music, mostly older rock, ad for State Farm Insurance giving Chicago area agents' names and addresses. (DT-ON)
- 1710 Pirate NY Brooklyn - 7/19 1152 - Lubavitcher pirate in at poor, fluttery level with EE talk about home schooling interspersed with Talmud verses. (MKB-NY)
- TIS/HAR
- 590 WFPF980 NJ - 7/19 1056 - blasting in at almost roadside level with NJ Turnpike construction announcements, ID as "This is the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Highway Advisory Radio WFPF980, 590 on your AM dial". (MKB-NY)
- 1640 WPXX NC Benson - 7/17 1600 - noted while on I-40 West just entering Johnston County. Rebroadcast of NOAA Weather Radio station KXI72. Intermittent IDs by male announcer for what sounded like WPXA 16-40, also operating agency given as North Carolina Department of Transportation. FCC database lists call sign as WPXX. Approximate distance between transmitter site and logging site (I-40 at Johnston County line) 21 miles. Good signal. (MH-NC)

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Transatlantic DX

- 153 GERMANY *DeutschlandRadio*, Donebach JUL 1 0048 - Classical music; over probable Algeria. [Connelly-MA]
- 162 FRANCE *France-Inter*, Allouis JUL 1 0043 - Experimental electronic keyboard / organ music; excellent. [Connelly-MA]
- 171 MOROCCO *R.Mediterranee Internationale*, Nador JUL 1 0047 - Pop-style Arabic music; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 177 GERMANY *DeutschlandRadio Berlin*, Oranienburg JUL 1 0047 - Elvis Presley hit "I Want You, I Need You, I Love You"; good, slight T-storm noise. [Connelly-MA]
- 198 ALGERIA Ouargla JUL 1 0046 - Arabic female vocal, drums; dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- 234 LUXEMBOURG *R.Luxembourg*, Junglinster JUL 1 0050 - Rock music; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 252 IRELAND RTÉ R.1 Clarkestown JUL 1 0051 - Parallel 567 with slow religious-sounding vocal; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 531 ALGERIA *Chaîne 1*, Ain-El-Beida JUL 19 2216 - Man chanting, sound of some kind of musical horn, male announcer, few seconds of Arabic music and woman talking. This pattern continued until 2230, alternating man and woman talking with music between; good, clobbered CIAO who don't have a good signal in the east end of Toronto at night. [Trelford-JMC] JUL 23 0050 - Parallel 153, 549, 890.98 with Arabic music; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 531 MADEIRA *RDP* Porto Santo JUL 1 0106 - Parallel 693 with Portuguese news; slightly over others. [Connelly-MA]
- 549 ALGERIA *Chaîne 1*, Les Trembles JUL 23 0050 - Parallel 890.98 with Arabic music; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 567 IRELAND RTE R.1 Tullamore JUL 1 0051 - Parallel 252 with religious-sounding music; poor. + JUL 1 0058 - Now good with male and female vocals from "My Fair Lady." [Connelly-MA] See International News.
- 585 SPAIN RNE1 Madrid JUL 23 0020 - Poor; bits of talk in Spanish, the low end of the band poor overall. [Conti-MA] JUL 23 0048 - Parallel 1107 with a woman in Spanish; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 594 PORTUGAL *R.Renasença*, Muge JUL 1 0057 - Portuguese female vocal; through 590 VOCEM/WEZE slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 603 FRANCE *France Bleu*, Lyon JUL 1 0055 - Parallel 1206 with a cover version of the Supremes' "Stop In the Name of Love"; fair. + JUL 23 0052 - Parallel 1206 with "Jammin'" by Bob Marley; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 612 MOROCCO RTM A Sebaa-Aioun JUL 1 0033 - Man in Arabic mentioned several countries including Saudi Arabia; loud. [Connelly-MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE1 synchros, Santa Cruz de Tenerife et al. JUL 1 0041 - Talk parallel 639 and 684; fair over WZON slop. + JUL 23 0048 - Parallel 639 with Spanish; fair through WZON slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 639 SPAIN RNE1 La Coruña JUL 1 0035 - Parallel 855 with Spanish talk, blues guitar interlude; fair. + JUL 23 0047 - Woman in Spanish; fair through CBN slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 666 GERMANY SWF-4 Rohrdorf JUL 1 0150 - Man in German; fair, in messy mix with what sounded like Spain and Portugal. [Connelly-MA]
- 675 NETHERLANDS *Arrow Classic Rock*, Lopik JUL 1 0105 - Rolling Stones "Sympathy for the Devil"; to fair peak through WRKO slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 684 SPAIN RNE1 Sevilla JUL 1 0038 - Guitar music and Spanish talk about it, mention of "CD"; good with WRKO phased. + JUL 23 0053 - Parallel 585, 774, et al. with "Yesterday" by the Beatles; good, getting by WRKO. [Connelly-MA]

- 693 AZORES *Centro Regional da RDP*, Terceira JUL 1 0105 - Portuguese news, interview; loud. [Connelly-MA]
- 711 FRANCE Rennes JUL 1 0149 - Parallel 1206 with woman in French; over others. [Connelly-MA]
- 747 NETHERLANDS Flevoland JUL 1 0148 - Celtic group vocal (Bothy Boys or similar); excellent, stronger than adjacent 750 CBGY. [Connelly-MA]
- 756 GERMANY *DeutschlandRadio*, Braunschweig & Ravensburg JUL 1 0147 - Modern dissonant symphonic music; excellent. [Connelly-MA]
- 765 SWITZERLAND RSR Sottens JUL 1 0147 - Folk vocal and guitar; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 774 SPAIN RNE1 synchros JUL 23 0053 - Parallel 684 with "Yesterday" by the Beatles; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 783 MAURITANIA *R.Mauritanie*, Nouakchott JUL 23 0045 - Parallel 4845 with fast Arabic talk; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 792 FRANCE Limoges JUL 1 0146 - Parallel 1206 with tropical style music; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros JUL 1 0031 - Parallel 1215 with echoey Spanish talk, teletalk; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 837 FRANCE Nancy JUL 1 0110 - Parallel 1206 with light classical music; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE1 synchros JUL 1 0028 - Parallel 1107 with cabaret style vocal, then a man in Spanish; to good peak (though choppy fades). [Connelly-MA]
- 864 FRANCE Paris JUL 1 0025 - Piano, guitar, and bluesy vocal that sounded like Eric Clapton; fair, over Egypt. Not parallel 1206. + JUL 1 0111 - Loud with disco music. [Connelly-MA]
- 873 SPAIN SER synchros JUL 1 0024 - Parallel 1044 with Ferrante & Teicher type piano music occasionally spoken over by a woman; fair, over some 870 Maine slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 882 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros JUL 1 0023 - Parallel 1215 with woman in Spanish; good, dominant. + JUL 23 0043 - Spanish talk; over others. [Connelly-MA]
- 890.98 ALGERIA *Chaîne 1*, Algiers JUL 1 0021 - Pop style Arabic vocal and strings at light audio level on big carrier. + JUL 23 0043 - Group Arabic vocal and orchestra; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 909 UNITED KINGDOM BBC R.5 synchros JUL 1 0112 - Mentions of golf, Australia; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 945 FRANCE Toulouse JUL 1 0014 - Parallel 1206 with gypsy style violin music and orchestra, woman in French; fair. + JUL 23 0055 - Parallel 1206 with piano jazz; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 981 ALGERIA RTVA *Chaîne 2*, Algiers JUL 1 0019 - A cappella Arabic male vocal; loud, way over something else (probably Portugal). [Connelly-MA]
- 999 SPAIN COPE Madrid JUL 1 0009 - Parallel 1296 with interlude of carnival type music, phone numbers were read, then into Spanish teletalk; good. + JUL 23 0056 - Parallel 1296 with man and woman in Spanish; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1017 SPAIN RNE5 synchros JUL 1 0006 - Musical interlude then woman said "Radio Nacional España"; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1044 SPAIN SER synchros JUL 1 0003 - Parallel 1080, 1116 with SER net Spanish news by a man and woman; fair. + JUL 1 0115 - Teletalk; like a local. [Connelly-MA]
- 1053 UNITED KINGDOM *TalkSport* synchros JUL 1 0116 - Announcer on topic "working class people enjoy themselves more than middle class people"; excellent signal. [Connelly-MA]
- 1062 ITALY RAI R.Uno synchros JUL 1 0116 - Italian opera; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1080 SPAIN SER synchros JUL 1 0003 - Parallel 1044, 1116 with SER Spanish news; poor to fair through phased WTIC. [Connelly-MA]
- 1089 UNITED KINGDOM *TalkSport* synchros JUL 1 0119 - Parallel 1053 with talk about the working class; good. + JUL 23 0058 - Talk and bits of songs played as part of a CD advert; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1089 unID JUL 1 0119 - Koranic chant; slightly under UK. Albania? [Connelly-MA]
- 1107 EGYPT Batrah JUL 1 0145 - Pop Arabic female vocal, then Arabic talk; over Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN RNE5 synchros JUL 1 0001 - RNE news by woman; good. + JUL 23 0041 - Spanish talk with echo; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1116 SPAIN SER synchros JUL 1 0003 - Parallel 1044, 1080 with SER Spanish news by a man and woman; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1125 MADEIRA *Centro Regional da RDP*, Ponta do Pargo JUL 1 0004 - Excited Portuguese talk by a man; slightly over jumble with Spain, Croatia, others. [Connelly-MA]
- 1134 CROATIA *Hrvatski R.*, Zadar JUN 30 2359 - Instrumental "muzak" with piano and strings; huge, way over Spain. + JUL 1 0000 - *Hrvatski Radio* ID, then news. + JUL 1 0133 - Now at least 20 dB stronger than WBBR! + JUL 23 0040 - Slavic talk by man; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1152 SPAIN RNE5 synchros JUN 30 2358 - Spanish talk mixing with something that had AC ripple on carrier. [Connelly-MA]
- 1169 unID JUL 23 0022 - Maybe the Iranian moved from 1171? Bits of audio and het against WFPB. [Connelly-MA]

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1171 **IRAN** JUL 1 0134 - Talk, probably Farsi; good. [Connelly-MA]
unID JUL 1 0136 - Sweden suspected here with operatic vocal music, then classical orchestra; over *SER*. [Connelly-MA]
1188 unID JUL 1 0139 - Mary J. Blige and other US pop music; more likely Belgium than Hungary. [Connelly-MA]
1206 **FRANCE** Bordeaux JUN 30 2356 - Parallel 1557 with African-influenced vocal, French talk, then disco oldie "I Will Survive" by Gloria Gaynor; to good peak. + JUL 1 0140 - Now absolutely local-like with salsa-influenced music; slopping adjacent domestics. [Connelly-MA]
JUL 23 0027 - Good; French pop vocal. [Conti-MA] JUL 23 0038 - French talk, tropical music; good. [Connelly-MA]
1215 **SPAIN** COPE synchros JUN 30 2353 - Parallel 1296 with Spanish talk by man; good. [Connelly-MA]
1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Virgin R.* synchros JUL 1 0109 - "Every Breath You Take" by Police; loud, over Spain. + JUL 1 0140 - Good with "One Hand in My Pocket" by Alanis Morissette. [Connelly-MA]
1242 **FRANCE** Marseille JUL 1 0015 - Parallel 1206 with bits of violin music; tough WBUR slop. [Connelly-MA]
1296 **SPAIN** COPE Valencia JUN 30 2353 - Man in Spanish parallel 1215; fair. + JUL 23 0056 - Parallel 999 with a man and woman in Spanish; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
1332 **ITALY** *RAI R. Uno* synchros JUL 1 0141 - Parallel 1062 with orchestral music; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA]
1341 **NORTHERN IRELAND** *BBC R. Ulster*, Lisnagarvey JUL 1 0143 - Man and woman in English; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
1359 **SPAIN** RNE Arganda JUL 1 0144 - Spanish newstalk; fair. + JUL 23 0030 - Spanish news; fair. [Connelly-MA] JUL 23 0115 - Good; two men in Spanish, loud het against 1360 kHz. [Conti-MA]
1377 **FRANCE** Lille JUL 1 0018 - Parallel 945, 1206 with Temptations or similar US soul group; fair through WMYF slop. [Connelly-MA] JUL 23 0108 - Poor to good, widely variable signal; music parallel a now strong 1206 signal. [Conti-MA]
1413 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros JUL 23 0105 - Good; man in Spanish, synchro echo. [Conti-MA]
1422 **GERMANY** *DLF Heusweiler* JUL 23 0056 - Fair; flute instrumental parallel 6190, over an unID station likely Algeria. [Conti-MA]
1431 **DJIBOUTI** *R. Sawa*, Arta JUL 1 0155 - Arabic dance club music and US pops; fair, starting to fade. [Connelly-MA] JUL 23 0053 - Good; R&B vocal, announcement, then an Arabic almost Bollywood-like pop vocal. [Conti-MA]
1521 **SPAIN** *SER* Castellón JUL 1 0158 - Parallel 1044 with Spanish vocal; well under Saudi warm-up blank carrier (that was running S9+30!). [Connelly-MA]
1550 **ALGERIA** *RASD* Clandestine, Tindouf JUN 30 2347 - Parallel 7460 with very rustic music with group vocal, accordion, and ram's horn (shofar or similar); fair with WNTN phased. [Connelly-MA]
1557 **FRANCE** Nice JUN 30 2341 - Upbeat children's type of song with male vocal; fair. + JUL 23 0005 - Music parallel 1206; fair. [Connelly-MA]
1584 **CEUTA** *RadiOlé*, Ceuta JUN 30 2343 - Female folk-pop Spanish vocal and guitar; good. + JUL 23 0001 - Spanish talk, music; well over *SER* stations. [Connelly-MA] JUL 23 0001 - Fair, improving to good; the first transatlantic signal noted as local sunset approached. [Conti-MA]

Bruce speaks: The annual Boston Area DXers "DX Clams" DXpedition on July 22/23 was fun as always, a rare opportunity to showcase antennas, equipment, and talk shop. The group meets once every summer for a clam dinner followed by DXing from Granite Pier in Rockport, Massachusetts, overlooking the Atlantic. Overall conditions were down although still not bad for mid-summer. Most notably absent were Latin American signals with Canada dominant when US signals were phase-nulled out, for example 750 kHz had CBGY in clear with WSB nulled out, no sign of YVKS. Normally this would be an indicator of a good northern latitude transatlantic opening, but nothing really materialized. However it could be a sign of things to come as the current solar cycle is finally winding down and MW DX conditions typically improve dramatically during August.

Mark speaks: The 2004 Boston Area DXers "Clams" gathering was a good time as usual. Before the Granite Pier DX festivities, Gary Thorburn and I met for dinner at Woodman's Restaurant in Essex, MA. The clams were excellent, of course. By 7 p.m., five of us - **Bruce Conti** and friend Winnie Morales, **Chris Black**, Gary Thorburn, and I - assembled at the pier site in Rockport. Much of the time was spent in conversation, setting up and testing antennas and receivers, picture taking, and chatting with some of the locals who were out there to take in the sea view on a pleasant late afternoon. As sunset came, some actual DXing commenced. Conditions weren't as good as they'd been on my solo visit to the same site two weeks earlier, but

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some of the more common transatlantics were heard. Static wasn't too bad considering the time of year. I tried out the Micro-Ewe antenna design for the first time; subsequent tests have shown even better cardioid pattern results with a "Micro-Flag" design. DXers attending this annual event (and the occasional South Shore version in OCT/NOV) often bring out some new antenna, accessory, or receiver idea. These get-togethers are always fun, even when conditions aren't the best.

Pan-American DX

- 670 **VENEZUELA** YVLL *R.Rumbos*, Caracas JUL 1 0103 - Mentions of "beisbol venezolano"; over others. [Connelly-MA]
840 **CUBA** CMHW *Doblevé*, Santa Clara JUL 24 0500 - "Doblevé" with music and talk, WHAS off. [Renfrew-NY]
1020 unID JUL 1 0114 - French-sounding talk; mixed with Venezuela, KDKA totally phased out. Haiti or the Florida domestic perhaps? [Connelly-MA]

Jim speaks: My only international DX of note lately (other than CMHW) has been 94.9 and 106.1 FM Bermuda!

Transpacific DX

- 576 **AUSTRALIA** 2RN Sydney JUL 11 1226 - Noted in passing with pop music show hosted by female. Good level. [Bryant-WA]
594 **AUSTRALIA** 3WV Horsham JUL 10 1311 - Heard with 'Saturday Night Country' at end of dawn enhancement. Fair level to band fade. See also 702 kHz and others. [Bryant-WA]
594 **JAPAN** JOAK *NHK1* Tokyo JUL 11 1157 - Noted in passing at fair to good level with Japanese talk by man. [Bryant-WA]
612 **AUSTRALIA** 4QR Brisbane JUL 11 1230 - Heard with typical Metro Service Aussie talk by males at good level. [Bryant-WA]
657 **AUSTRALIA** 8RN Darwin JUL 11 1200 - Very tentative; Aussie signal noted here with seeming *R.Australia* ID and into news parallel to 9580. Threshold opening for about two minutes. Not an official log, but very promising. [Bryant-WA]
675 **AUSTRALIA** 2CO Albany JUL 11 1235 - This presumed the one here with talk by females at poor level. [Bryant-WA]
684 **AUSTRALIA** 2KP Kempsey JUL 11 1238 - Heard parallel 2CO and also mixing with another Aussie, possibly 8RN Tennant Creek. Both at fair to poor level. [Bryant-WA]
702 **AUSTRALIA** 2BL Sydney JUL 10 1248 - Sydney Metropolitan Service noted here with 'Saturday Night Country' an 'ABC Local Radio' (RR network) program. From the numerous ABC Local Radio promos, it was clear that much of all three ABC networks join ABC Local Radio for this program for most of Saturday night... probably from about 10 p.m. local time, in a rolling join-up from east to west. Signal was excellent at times. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]
738 **AUSTRALIA** 2NR Grafton JUL 10 1116 - Both 2NR (ABC RR Service) and several Metropolitan Service stations carrying a sporting event where one team represented Auckland, NZ. Possibly soccer. Fair signal parallel 774 and others. [Bryant-WA]
738 **TAHITI** *RFO R. Tahiti*, Mahina JUL 9 0438 - Rapidly building signal, first heard at 0430, then throughout the night. Very good by 1200. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]
774 **AUSTRALIA** 3LO Melbourne JUL 9 1111 - Poor at this time but building throughout dawn enhancement. Typical Aussie talk ABC Metro Service programming. Also noted July 10, 11. [Bryant-WA]
774 **JAPAN** JOUB *NHK2* Akita JUL 10 1158 - Here at fair level briefly on top of Aussie. Japanese talk by male. Fade at top of hour. Fair to good level. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]
783 **AUSTRALIA** 8AL Alice Creek JUL 11 1243 - Tentative this one with music show hosted by female. Not parallel 2310 kHz. Poor as band began to fade. [Bryant-WA]
792 **AUSTRALIA** 4RN Brisbane JUL 10 1201 - Here after top of hour at good level with ABC International/National News. Male and female news readers. [Bryant-WA]
828 **AUSTRALIA** 3GI Sale JUL 9 1148 - Presumed; noted here parallel 774 (unusual) with part of a sports event. Poor level, but clearly parallel 774 and 891. Also noted July 10. [Bryant-WA]
828 **JAPAN** JOBB *NHK2* Osaka JUL 11 1131 - Noted briefly mixing with or dominating 3LO, with Japanese talk and possible language lesson. Fair level. [Bryant-WA]
891 **AUSTRALIA** 5AN Adelaide JUL 9 1156 - Noted with the sports event parallel 774 and 828. Fair level. Also noted July 10. [Bryant-WA]
1035 **NEW ZEALAND** 2ZB Wellington JUL 11 1250 - Presumed; brief log at band fade with two men talking in DU accents. This the only DU station listed. Fair to poor and then gone, due to dawn at Grayland. [Bryant-WA]
1062 **AUSTRALIA** 4TI Thursday Island JUL 10 1302 - Noted with Saturday Night Country program at good level parallel others. [Bryant-WA]
1098 **MARSHALL ISLANDS** V7AD Majuro JUL 9 1122 - Heard at good level with

- island music and presumed Marshalese lang by male host. Best number was a gonzo Melanesian version of 'Blue Bayoo' on traditional instruments. Whadda hoot! [Bryant-WA]
- 1116 **AUSTRALIA** 4BC Brisbane JUL 9 0948 - First noted at 0948 with good signal. A talk show with male host. Noted throughout the expedition as the most reliable Aussie on the band. This was true last season, as well. What makes this remarkable is that 4BC, like all Aussie commercial outlets, is limited to 5 kW, while some ABC coastal outlets - such as 576 2RN and 702 2BC in Sydney and 612 4QR Brisbane - run 10 times that amount. [Bryant-WA]
- 1287 **JAPAN** JOHR Sapporo JUL 10 1140 - Heard at threshold level in definite Japanese, building to fair signal during part of max dawn. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]
- 1332 **AUSTRALIA** 4BU Bundaberg JUN 20 1410 - End of Roy Orbison song; man with today in world and Australian history, birthdays and deathdays; ad string including one for "Bundy's Sports Superstore"; ID "Classic Gold 1332 4BU," at 1418 taking call from man on phone. Very poor to poor. [Park-HI]
- 1386 **JAPAN** NHK 2 synchros JUL 10 1130 - First Japanese of DXpedition. Noted at poor to fair level with male speaking in Japanese. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]
- 1475 **MALAYSIA** (Western) RTVM Kota Kinabalu JUL 9 1106 - Noted here with threshold audio. This Muslim propaganda station still broadcasting straight north to the Philippines in Tagalog on the non-standard 1475. [Bryant-WA]
- 1503 **JAPAN** JOKU NHKI Akita JUL 10 1145 - Japanese modern popular music show at good level from this powerhouse throughout dawn enhancement. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]
- 1566 **AUSTRALIA** 3NE Wangaratta JUL 10 1215 - Presumed; from first tune-in at 1215 until 1248 (the heart of dawn enhancement.) HLAZ was dominated by an Aussie station playing 1950s / early 60s US rock and roll with a male DJ. Likely 3NE Wangaratta, a commercial outlet with 5 kW. The only other DU station listed is a 200 watter in Queensland. Will send tentative report. [Bryant-WA]
- 1566 **SOUTH KOREA** HLAZ Cheju Island JUL 10 1215 - Heard with usual FEBC religious programming throughout dawn enhancement. Very unusual reception in that this normal powerhouse was dominated through much of dawn enhancement by a furball of two other stations. HLAZ was fair at times. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]
- 1575 **THAILAND** VOA Ayutthaya JUN 20 1528 - Man announcing website, end of program; instrumental interlude "The Way We Were," into program with woman saying "Welcome to a half-hour...VOA..." man with news in special English. Very poor. [Park-HI]
- 1593 **CHINA** Heilongjiang News Station JUL 10 1155 - Presumed; commentary / discussion with male Chinese announcer fair to poor at 1155, fading to nothing at the top of the hour, naturally. Only Chinese of DXpedition for me. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]

John speaks: MW conditions on July 9th during a brief DXpedition to Grayland, Washington, were among the worst encountered in my 18 years of DXing from the Pacific Northwest, with only the staunchest of old friends making a showing, largely at max dawn. The 10th and 11th saw conditions improving somewhat. The usual mid-summer pattern of most reception being from Down Under continued. The only remarkable loggings were several very tentative logs to Australia-Northern Territory: Darwin, Katherine and Alice Springs and a presumed logging of 1566 3NE Wangaratta on top of the HLAZ FEBC mega-powerhouse on Cheju Island, Rep. of Korea.

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International News

ANDORRA: 2004, le retour de *Radio Andorre*... Après plus de 22 ans dans la nuit du silence, *Radio Andorre* va-t-elle à nouveau émettre sur l'Europe? La lumière va renaître au coeur de l'obscurité, pour raviver la tradition de la radio et éclairer l'avenir. Emissions-tests en AM depuis un territoire périphérique. Emissions en AM 702 kHz les 16, 17, et 18 Juin 2004 de 16h00 à 22h30 GMT (600 kW) et de 22h30 à 0h00 GMT (300 kW). [www.radioandorre.com via Nolan Stephany and Jim Renfrew]

COLOMBIA: *R@adionet* ceased operation on May 31, 2004. From the beginning, the network consisted of 10 AM frequencies (Medellin 590, Cali 700, Santafé de Bogotá 850, Barranquilla 1040,

Cúcuta 1090, Duitama 1150, Cartagena 1200, Neiva 1210, Bucaramanga 1270, and Valledupar 1380). At the time of closure, just Medellín, Cali and Bogotá aired the program. [Henrik Klemetz, dxing.info, and Ray Crawford, July *New Zealand DX Times*, NZRDXL]

FRANCE: *RMC Info* is now in the air at 1584 kHz. First heard RMC on 25 June 2004 at 1930 with football France-Greece on location in the south of Belgium. Good reception also on daytime, transmitter Strasbourg and/or Mulhouse? Here in the Netherlands this evening on June 27 also fair reception at daytime. Transmission is parallel 216 kHz. [Ge Huijbens, *MWC E-Mail News*, via July 5 *ARC Info Desk*]

IRELAND: *RTÉ's* Medium Wave service will close between July and November 2004, when essential maintenance work will take place on the MW transmitter at Tullamore. The transmitter and the mast are thirty years old and badly in need of an overhaul. This means that *RTÉ Radio 1* will not be available on MW 567 (500 kW) from July 19th. The lower power 729 (10 kW) at Cork remains on. *RTÉ Radio 1* is also available on stereo FM and Long Wave 252. [www.rte.ie]

LIBYA: A strong signal from *Voice of Africa* observed on 27 June at 1449 kHz at 2305 tune-in (presumably there at least two weeks before this date as per a log made by a German listener on 13 June in the July *MWN*). News in English at 0024, then French. Also heard on 29 June at 2035 with news in English. Though there is an existing low powered transmitter in Libya on 1449, Anker Petersen commented that when he was in Malta at the end of October 2003 he did not hear this transmitter at all during his stay. New transmitter or ex-1251? Assuming 1449 is on air throughout the day, news in English and French should be heard at the following approximate times, give or take several minutes: 2030, 2120, 2230, 2330, 0020, 0120, 0215, 0310. [Tony Rogers, *Aug UK Communication*, BDXC, via *World of Radio*, Aug 3 *DX Listening Digest*]

NETHERLANDS: *Radio 10 Gold* has moved from 1395 to 1008 kHz. First heard on 1008 in the early evening of June 30. It seems 1395 will stay on in parallel until the end of July. [July 5 *ARC Info Desk*]

Waianakarua Winter Solstice Trail 2004

DXpedition report compiled by Paul Ormandy, July *New Zealand DX Times*

Stu Forsyth, Steven Greenyer, and Paul Ormandy braved the wintry weather (Actually, the weather was pretty good for mid-winter!) to spend two nights at Waianakarua, and were rewarded with some very good reception on both shortwave and mediumwave. The most significant reception on MW came from low-power Brazilians on several frequencies, and while not strong enough for logs, the absence of the usual Brazilian powerhouses, made their reception all the more unique. On SW, the 60 metre band was open all day, with amazing reception of Mauritania and India around midday (0000 UTC). We'll be back again next year!

- 770 **COLOMBIA** RCN Bogotá 0645 - Very good signal; news stories.
 840 **ARGENTINA** *R.General Belgrano*, Buenos Aires 0339 - Up nicely with ID, weather and temperature in Buenos Aires, then flute version of "El Condor Pasa."
 920 **VENEZUELA** *R.Nueva Esparta*, Porlamar 0759 - Up briefly with canned ID, time check, and pops.
 980 **BRAZIL** *R.Nacional do Brasil*, Brasília 0704 - Up briefly with ID and talk but soon disappeared.
 1280 **BRAZIL** *R.Tupi*, Rio de Janeiro 0501 - Fair; jingle ID, peaking nicely for a period.
 1310 **VENEZUELA** *R.Nacional de Venezuela*, Barcelona 0622 - Poor to fair with talk.
 1310.2 **ARGENTINA** *R.Nacional*, Gualeguaychu 0335 - Good; talk, ID, and flute music.
 1380 **CHILE** *R.Corporación*, Santiago 0333 - Dominant with religion program.
 1420 **VENEZUELA** *R.Marabina*, Maracaibo 1019 - Briefly dominating the channel with ID and dance music.
 1540 **BAHAMAS** *R.Bahamas*, Nassau 0410 - Fair and in the clear with investment advice.
 1570 **BRAZIL** unID 0500 - Jingles, weather, "bom dia" calls, actually measured frequency as 1569.85 kHz. This is a graveyard channel of mostly 250 watters, similar signals heard on 1450, 1520, 1580, and 1590 kHz!
 1630 **ARGENTINA** *R.Buen Ayre*, Buenos Aires 0416 - Presumed; poor signal with talk in Spanish.
 1660 **UNITED STATES** KQWB Fargo, North Dakota 0932 - Poor-fair over mix with talk format, carrying CNN news, ID, "North Dakota's news leader... KQWB."

73 and Good DX!

How to host an NRC Convention

Have you considered hosting the annual NRC Convention? Those weekends are the high point of the year for many members. There are lots of ways to host an NRC Convention, but here are some guidelines assembled by earlier hosts that simplify the whole process. Try it!

1. SUBMIT A BID FOR A CONVENTION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Address: National Radio Club, PO Box 164, Mannsville, NY 13661-0164

Your bid should give an idea about local hotel room rates and confirm that there is a hotel that can reserve about 25 rooms plus a couple of meeting rooms for our weekend. You should also give an idea about food services both in the hotel and nearby. If you have had any experience in attending a convention of this sort, mention that to your bid. Tell about others in your community who will actively help you put on the convention. Include your phone number and e-mail address if you have one.

You may want to start at your local Convention and Visitors Bureau or local Chamber of Commerce to tell them about the convention. Often those organizations can help with hotel and restaurant suggestions and give you information about the local area. They may alert you to community events planned for those same days that would interest some of our attendees.

Do not sign any commitment on your own or on behalf of the National Radio Club. You must be at least 21 years of age to sign any contracts. If your bid is accepted by the NRC Board, you will receive more information about how to work with hotels, food services and other local organizations that will make your convention one of the best.

2. AFTER YOUR BID HAS BEEN ACCEPTED:

There are logical steps to follow once you are confirmed by the NRC as the official host for an upcoming convention. The NRC Board Chairman may appoint one of the Board members to work with you directly and you will receive both a letter and a phone call with that information. He will work with you on each of the following points.

a. Secure a hotel reservation immediately.

You should ask for 25 rooms to be set aside for attendees and two meeting rooms for 3 days in the hotel for our meetings. Be sure the prices they quote you include all taxes and gratuities.

b. Secure a date and time for the annual banquet (usually held Saturday evening). If the banquet is to be held in the hotel, fine! If it is in another building, give some thought about transportation between the hotel and the restaurant.

c. Determine the cost we must charge for attendees. This would include a share of the two meeting rooms (but not their sleeping rooms), the banquet, share of the beer and soft drinks. Get okay from hotel that we can have our own such drinks.

d. Canvass the immediate area around the hotel to learn of other places our members might go for breakfast, lunch or whatever.

e. Plan a tour of a local broadcasting station if possible. Note that many stations just don't have a staff in place on weekends, so this may become a Friday event. Decide if their transmitting site would be an interesting tour.

Your Board Member "consultant" will discuss these things with you other amenities about publicity, maps, collecting items to be auctioned on Saturday night, goodies to give attendees, transportation between the hotel and airports, bus terminals, etc., and activities for spouses if possible.

A lot of work? Sure, but spread out over most of a year, you'll be amazed at how easily the pieces all fit together. So send in a bid and we'll get back to you shortly! Thanks!!

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Network listings for team sports stations

Here is some Major and Minor League Baseball information. And it is time to start gathering National Football League (NFL) and Canadian Football League (CFL) network information.

Douglas Smith sent me a Detroit Tigers network that was on the back page of "Radioguide 2004"; the list matches the Tigers list that I published in a previous column.

Montreal Expos (EE) 2004 Elliot Price, Mitch Melnick

From pocket guide via Mike Brooker
98.5 CKOO-PQ* (no network)

Montreal Expos (FF) 2004 Jacques Doucet, Marc Griffin

From pocket guide via Mike Brooker

990 CKGM-PQ*

102.1 CFEL-PQ

99.9 CFVM-PQ



CLEAR CHANNEL
RADIO

93.7 KKRW • 94.5 KTBZ • 95.5 KHMV • 99.1 KODA
101.1 KLLO • 740 KTRH • 790 KBME • 950 KPCC

102.9 CJOI-PQ

Minor League Baseball's **Northern League** from www.northernleague.com (via James Borek)

Fargo-Moorhead Redhawks 970 WDAY-ND Gary Southshore Rail Cats 1230 WJOB-IN

Joliet Jack Hammers
Kansas City T Bones
Lincoln Salt Dogs
Schaumburg Flyers

1340 WJOL-IL
1340 KCKN-KS
1240 KFOR-NE
89.1 WONC-iL

Sioux City Explorers
Sioux Falls Canaries
St. Paul Saints
Winnipeg Goldeyes

1360 KSCJ-IA
1230 KWSN-SD
950 KSNB-MN
680 CJOB-MB

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Here is the NRC column where we are going to sign up for memory retention lessons and show everyone they really do work! When sending your items along, please keep them radio and DX'ing related, tell us what equipment you're using, your best catches, etc. REMINDER: With the start of the new volume year for *DX Mews*, we like to have REINTRODUCTION REPORTS, where you reintroduce yourself to the membership. And if you're a new member, send along your own INTRODUCTION REPORT. Who knows, maybe even ED KREJNY will send in one this year! Musings? Here we go:

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Hello everyone!! This is my first Musing, and I've been a member of NRC for many years!! I'm 64 years old, happily single all my life, and have lived at my present location for twelve years and forty-two years in nearby Bethesda, MD. As far back as I can remember, I've always carried a radio around with me and I was mostly listening to the AM band. What really caught my interest was trying to find out why AM signals would get stronger or weaker at dusk and why and how radio stations have directional signals. Of course now I've found out the reasons why but I still find myself chasing down radio transmitter locations in other cities and how many towers these stations use in their signal patterns. The location of the transmitting towers are of great interest to me as well. Not so much so is the DX part of it but I was amazed one February night in the 1960s when I heard and logged KNX on 1070 kHz in Los Angeles, CA. My first radio was the Hallicrafters DX-38. Soon after that I bought a National NC-188, and I still have it today. I have three Grundig sets, the YB-400, T-5000, and the Millennium 800. I own a Sony 2010, and Two Icom receivers, the IC-R70, and the IC-R7000, and one Sangean set, and there are others. I still try every night for new stations although I now live in a restricted antenna area. My newest find was radio station WTAG on 580 kHz in Worcester, Massachusetts. The only radio experience I ever had was when I helped recreate the Brooklyn Dodgers baseball games in the early 1960s for the United Broadcasting Company from the studios of radio station WOOK, in Washington, D.C. Out of that experience I met many radio personalities in the D.C. area. I've been an Amateur Radio operator since 1988. I look forward to hearing from all of you and I'll try to be a more active member to NRC. (And thank you Gerald for your report, and we hope you'll check in with us from time to time-DWS)

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Back in my early days of belonging to the NRC there were a number of Latin American stations operating in the cracks between the keys, so to speak; that is, spaced 5 kHz from the standard 10 kHz channel increments of US stations. Most of these were in Central America, and with a receiver with good selectivity, DXing such stations was relatively easy. Nowadays there are only a few such opportunities. I remember that Surinam once had a 50 kW station so situated; I believe it was on 725 kHz, and it was a South American catch you could count on. Then there was Bermuda on 1235 kHz, often relaying the BBC; I understand that they moved to their present 1230 kHz spot to eliminate the 5 kHz whistle from the adjacent channel US stations. They were another easy catch despite their modest 1.0 kW power; now they are lost in the graveyard clutter. I lived in the Washington, DC area until our move to Winchester in 1982, and found being 75 miles further inland and on the west side of the Blue Ridge mountain was a real obstacle to DXing TAs. Before the move I often copied a German station (Mainflingen?) somewhere above 1500 kHz regularly with entertainment quality signals. I also remember getting Radio Senegal for my first African TA. Surprisingly, some of the LWBC stations in France and Germany do make it over the mountain to my current QTH more often than those in the standard BCB. When DX Tips reports that listeners in the NE US and Canada are hearing BCB TAs that I can't even detect as carriers, 162 and 183 kHz often produce France and Germany, respectively, with readable audio.

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