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CPC Test Calendar

WRIB	RI	1220	daily	0255-0305
WNTP	PA	990	12/11	????
WFIL	PA	560	1/8	????

Tests ... Sorry, no further details on the two Philly tests listed above other than that they were arranged by Lynn Hollerman, IRCA, and both will run Friday night/Saturday morning.

From the Publisher ... The position of DDXD-West editor remains open; please e-mail the publisher soon with your application for the position. And - I'm about to go into battle with the USPS over bad addresses not updated in a timely manner by members who move, as the USPS manages to delay reporting new addresses by as much as three weeks, which now they say they are going to charge us for (I've been paying for the first notice and refusing the rest). Unless I can get them to back off to their original agreement, I'm going to start lopping off subscriptions in a commensurate amount, as I don't expect the rest of the membership should have to subsidize a few members' bad habits of not updating new addresses in a timely manner.

Flash alert system ... Les Rayburn has agreed to set up a paper-based DX Test alert system for those who don't have access to electronic systems, such as the NRC/DXAS Listserv. Les says, "Members will receive notice of DX Tests, radio station outages, and any other special events that I receive with at least a two-day notice. Less than 48 hours, and I won't even try. Those wishing to subscribe need to send self addressed and stamped postcards to my work address below. I would like to receive 10 cards minimum. When the member has five cards left, I'll include a notice to renew. No guarantee is made that cards will be received or even mailed for that matter. With many DX tests coming on short notice, I think the service could be more valuable now than it was in the past."

-Les Rayburn, director, High Noon Film - 100 Centerview Drive Suite 111 - Birmingham, AL 35216-3748.

DXChange ... Tim O'Hare is looking for a "desktop" loop. Says he, "I had a "Spacemagnet" made by Worcester Electronics way back when that worked very well. Has anyone used one of those palomar loops? Does anyone have one for sale (rea-

sonable) or any small loop?" Contact him at stohare-retired@webtv.net or 509-325-4338.

Midwest Fall DX GTG ... From John Tudenham: "This year the Midwest fall DX GTG will be held at Springfield, MO on Friday Nov 12-Sunday Nov 14 2004. [at the] Budget Inn 2455 N Glenstone Springfield, MO, phone number 417-866-7400. Exit 80 I-44, South about 3/4 of a mile on west side of street. Across from North Town Mall. Very reasonable price, close to eating places, shopping, etc. Possible tours of KTOZ AM 1060, the all-volunteer station, the only station located on Rt 66. Also FM College station KSMU 91.1 where DXer Randy Stewart is Music director, and Public TV station KOZK Ch 21. Bring your veries, logs, and other DX equipment. See how reception is from the Ozarks. Since this is an informal GTG all DX gatherings will take place in motel Rooms, and nearby restaurants. For more information contact John Tudenham at 417 624 8058, or w0jrp@earthlink.net."

DXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 72

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7.	Nov. 5	Nov. 15	19.	Feb. 4	Feb. 14
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DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the October 30, 1954 DXN: It was reported by Ernie Cooper, Brooklyn, NY that WVOP-970 signed on Sunday AM's at 0556 with the playing of "Dixie", and that WKIN-1320 signed on Sundays at 0600 ... from the November 6 DXN: Bill Prater, Grimsley, TN reported reception of a Frequency Check from WKSJ-930, Milford, DE (2nd Tuesday of each month, 0105-0120). Their verie noted that his report was the most distant to date.

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	<u>Old Call</u>		<u>New Call</u>
610	WCEH	GA	Hawkinsville WJFN
670	KSXX	NV	Las Vegas KBTB
800	XEMMM	BCN	Tijuana XESPN*
1150	WSPZ	AL	Tuscaloosa WJRD

* - Reported, but not verified as of the deadline

CPs ON THE AIR

1260 W13XSO PR Aguadilla - CP for U5 2500/850 is on. This is a synchro of WISO.

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

540 WDAK GA Columbus - CP granted to reduce both day and night power levels and relocate to the WHAL-1460 tower at N32-25-58 W84-57-02. New facilities will be U1 4000/38. Both stations are owned by Clear Channel.

550 WGR NY Buffalo - Coordinate correction to N42-46-11 W78-50-37.

930 KHJ CA Los Angeles - Coordinate correction to N34-02-26 W118-22-14.

950 WQTK SC Moncks Corner - CP granted to erect 6 new towers in order to increase both daytime and nighttime power levels. Will become U4 10000/6000.

950 WORD SC Spartanburg - Coordinate correction to N34-58-53 W81-59-14.

1010 WCST WV Berkeley Springs - CP granted to increase daytime power from a shortened tower. New facilities will be U1 267/17. [The FCC lists WCST as 'silent'.]

1120 KLIM CO Limon - CP granted to change city-of-license to Security and increase day power and add night service from a new tower site. When built will be U4 17500/3.

1640 KDZR OR Lake Oswego - CP granted to add two towers to their set-up in order to increase nighttime power. When built will be U2 10000/10000.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

1300 KAZN CA Pasadena - Applies for a power increase to become U4 17000/4200 from the antenna site of KMRB-1430 San Gabriel, California at N34-07-08 W118-04-54. KMRB has an application to increase their daytime and nighttime powers to become U4 50000/11000 by adding three towers to their current three. KAZN proposes to use all six of those towers for both day and night operation. If KMRB's application isn't approved, KAZN will have to look elsewhere for a site if they want that increase.

1510 KCUV CO Littleton - Licensed for U4 10000/1300, KCUV has several applications and CPs on the books. This latest application now asks for U4 50000/25000.

AFTER FURTHER REVIEW...

1570 WBGX IL Harvey - In Issue 4 we reported that WBGX had applied to increase their daytime power from 1000 to 5000 Watts with the addition of a fourth tower to their current three. It seems that this fourth tower is already standing at the WBGX transmitter site but is currently not used. **Garrett Wollman** pointed me to pictures he has taken of the site which shows the fourth tower off to the east of the three which are in use. So, it appears WBGX either had once used this tower or possibly moved to the 4-tower site and utilized only the three in-line towers. Now the engineers said "Hey, we can do something with this", and have applied for U4 5000/500 with the new day pattern headed NNE. As always, we appreciate inputs from you, the readers, to keep the correct information flowing.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS SUBMITTED

550 WASG AL Atmore - Licensed for U1 3400/143, WASG has a CP for a power increase to

be U1 10000/143. They have a pending amendment to change their city-of-license to Ensley, Florida along with that daytime power increase and a tower relocation. Now they have applied for U1 10000/143 from a different transmitter site with a city-of-license change to Daphne, Alabama.

1390 WLUA SC Belton - Licensed for D1 1000/0, WLUA holds a CP for U1 1000/17. This amendment asks to move the transmitter site to a new location.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

1240 KBLL MT Helena - [Update from last issue] Licensed for U1 1000/1000, KBLL has an application to decrease nighttime power to 850 Watts from a new 290' tower, then another amendment asks to change the city-of-license to East Helena with those U1 1000/850 facilities. This amendment puts the city-of-license back at Helena, and changes the facilities to U1 1000/890 from the same site, but now the tower is only 193'.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

1450 NEW NV Lovelock - Application is for U1 1000/1000. Lovelock is on I-80 between Reno and Winnemucca.

1520 NEW GA Savannah - Application is for U4 50000/1100.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES DISMISSED

930 WHLM PA Bloomsburg - Applied to add a second tower in order to increase nighttime power to become U2 1000/125.

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

750	WWKK	MI	Petoskey	1460	WBRN	MI	Big Rapids
1080	WOAP	MI	Owosso	1490	WABJ	MI	Adrian
1110	WJML	MI	Petoskey	1520	WMLM	MI	St. Louis
1110	WGNZ	OH	Fairborn	1520	WHHQ	TN	Elizabethton
1430	WION	MI	Ionia	1550	WXOL	OH	Delaware
1450	WBYU	LA	New Orleans	1580	WILA	VA	Danville

HEAR AND THAR

FINES: The owners of WSAO-1140 Senatobia, Mississippi has been fined \$21,000 for violating the FCC rules covering their failure to register its antenna structure, failure to maintain operational Emergency Alert System (EAS) equipment, and failure to make available all required public file documents during regular business hours. Inspectors from The New Orleans District Office inspected WSAO and found the EAS equipment was not functioning because the encoder/decoder unit was not connected to any operating receivers that would have monitored incoming alert signals and tests. Station personnel were unable to produce any logs of EAS tests sent and received, or notation that the unit had been removed from service. In addition, the station's antenna structure, which is 205 feet in height, had no registration number displayed at the base of the structure. Then, a box of loose papers was presented to the agent as comprising the station's public inspection file. The box contained only the station's contour map and licensee renewal information . . . The FCC has issued a Forfeiture Order (read that monetary forfeiture) in the amount of \$17,000 to Ward F. Dean of Pensacola, Florida for operating a radio station on 103.7 MHz without Commission authorization and refusal to allow an inspection of his radio station by Commission agents. FCC Field Agents, using direction-finding techniques, determined that the radio station was operated from a single-family residence in Pensacola. An FM broadcast antenna was mounted on a tower attached to the side of the residence. The agents knocked on the front door of the residence, and an adult male identified himself with a State of Florida picture identification as Ward F. Dean of the same address. Mr. Dean neither acknowledged nor denied operating the radio station and twice refused the agents' request to inspect the radio station at the residence. The agents warned Mr. Dean of the unlicensed operation. Shortly after departing, the agents observed the unlicensed radio station at Mr. Dean's residence ceased operating.

Reported to be silent: KUND-1370 Grand Forks, North Dakota. Back on: KZGX-1600 Watertown, Minnesota (with Spanish programming).

Thanks to Shawn Axelrod, Perry Crabill, and Wayne Heinen for contributions this issue.

What? You missed another short-notice DX test because you forgot to sign up for the NRC/DXAS online reflector? Proceed directly to www.nrcdxas.org and follow the indicated links to join up. It's free!

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DDXD-West

RANDOM STUFF

- Two things happened this week that we haven't seen since 1918: 1) the Red Sox win the World Series, and 2) Paul Swearingen contributes to DDXD-W!! (I would make a joke about "the curse of the Sanserino" finally being broken, but that would be too obscure a reference, so I won't. . . .)
- Chris Knight of CO reports the domestic DX catch of the season by a western DXer this week, and Jon Horen of Alaska reports a terrific graveyard reception too. Look for their reports below!
- Reporters this week from Alaska and Hawaii all the way to Kentucky! Does this column get around or what???
- Why don't you let other NRCers know what you're hearing? Please submit items 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. Be sure your submissions include the date, time, and call letters of the station you heard; there were some loggings I couldn't use this time because those data points were missing.
- Lots of contributors and loggings this time—thanks to all of you!

REPORTERS

- BK-CA** Bob Karchevski, Sunnyvale. Drake R8A, two longwires, MFJ-1026 phaser.
BK-CO Chris Knight, Fort Lupton. Drake R8, 17x38 ft NE Flag antenna terminated, 110 ft random wire, Quantum Phaser.
DP-HI Dale Park, Honolulu. Sangean ATS-818CS, Terk AM1000 loop.
JFB-IL James F. Borek, Niles. Ford Focus 2004 car radio.
JH-AK Jon Horen, Fairbanks. Drake R8B, 500-foot random wire.
JJR-WI John J. Rieger, South Milwaukee. Icom R-75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner-preamp.
JV-KY John Vervoort, Madisonville. Grundog YB400PE. (Welcome! Ed.-TX)
JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge. Drake R8, 4-foot box loop.
PG-CO Patrick Griffith, Westminster. Drake R8, Kiwa loop.
pls-KS Paul Swearingen, Topeka. Kenwood R-1000 with Sanserino/Martens loop. (Who's this guy?? Where did he come from?? What does he want??? Ed.-TX) (Chocolate! -pls.)
SA-MB Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg. Drake R8, Iconm R-70, 4-foot unamplifier loop, Kiwa loop, 155 and 100 foot wires, MFJ1026 phasing unit.
WH-CO Wayne Heinen, Aurora. Drake R8B, N/S and E/W flags, SuperPhaser II, and a few random wires.
Ed.-TX Your Editor, Wimberley. Sony ICF-2010 with Kiwa filters, Quantum loop.

DX TEST RESULTS

- 1420 WRCG GA Columbus. 10/23 0002. Poor signals under KTOE but heard clear Morse Code IDs at 0002 and again 0008. NEW! (SA-MB) 10/22 0005-0030. Surfacing many time during this time with continuous Morse code loop. Mixed with WOC, KJCK, KULY and KTOE. (WH-CO) 10/23 0000-0100. Frequency a jumble. No Morse Code heard. (BK-CA)

UNID, HELP REQUESTED, ETC.

- 1260 ???? ?? ??? 10/17 0700. Station noted with religious program, into spot for Moody video; male announcer: "The world of sports is filled with magic and excitement each Saturday here on WJCG, ???-Chicago, offering you news and scores from ??? Hi, this is Chuck Schwartz, ?? for Sports Spectrum every Saturday at 11 am Central time here on WJCG." Into religious testimony program. The clear letters were clear; the dual-city ID was not (??? sounded like "Waneen"

in the apparent dual-city ID); there's no WJCG in the Log or AM Switch nor any city close to Chicago with a station on 1260 except maybe for WPNW, Zeeland, MI, which I also heard several times 10/17 with the WPNW calls. Help! (pls-KS) If I were you, Paul, I'd see a doctor about that rash; I wouldn't try to treat it myself. (Ed.-TX) (Oh - you know all about them rashers? -pls.)

STATION CHANGES, LOG UPDATES, ETC.

- 1010 KCPW UT Tooele. 10/21 2029. Heard with a plea for money, sounding much like PBS stations at pledge drive time. Good signal, so this long-silent station is back on the air, ex-KXEM. (JW-CO)
 1150 KNRC CO Englewood. 10/23 2030. Totally OFF with transmitter problems leaving KSAL Salina 2037 and KSEN Shelby at 2042. Wish they'd turn it off! Heavy metal music at 5 air miles from my QTH. (WH-CO)

REGULAR DX LOGGINGS (times in ELT)

- 550 WKRC OH Cincinnati. 10/20 2146. "The Savage nation" syndicated talk followed by "55 KRC" ID; steady signal but some mixing with unID. (JV-KY)
 560 KWTO MO Springfield. 10/20 2152. "Catch Rush Limbaugh at 11:00 am on 56 KWTO." Moderate signal but mixing with unID music station. (JV-KY)
 570 CKSW SK Swift Current. 10/21 0734. C&W mx, call IDs, mention of on-line website. Fair o/u KLIF. (JW-CO)
 570 WWNC NC Asheville. 10/20 2159. "This is western North Carolina's talk station, 5-70 WWNC." Fair and some QRM from WKYX. NEW. (JV-KY)
 640 KFI CA Los Angeles. 10/18 0159. Phil Hendrie promo; liner "Southern Calif.'s KFI with news on the hour, on the half and when it breaks," into local and national news. Note that "Los Angeles" was not part of the ID, unless they do the ID long before the TOH. (And yes, it's a contest logging.) Fair; heavy KHNR-650 QRM. (DP-HI) "KFI Los Angeles" is frequently used by announcers on their local programs, like the John and Ken show. (Ed.-TX)
 660 CFFR AB Calgary. 10/21 0400. "Ladies and gentlemen you're listening to the greatest rock and roll of all time on Calgary's radio station..." and jingle "6-60 CFR." Old format dominant this morning. (WH-CO)
 660 KSKY TX Balch Springs. 10/22 0359. Quick "NewsTalk 6-60 K-sky" in CFR null. Rare appearance here! (WH-CO)
 680 CJOB MB Winnipeg. 10/21 0500. Brief ToH ID mixing with KWKA w/OLD and KNBR w/SPT. (WH-CO)
 690 KGGF KS Coffeyville. 10/23 0804. Fair at 20 over S9. ABC news, weather, ads, calls, over others. (JJR-WI)
 730 KWOA MN Worthington. 10/27 0815. News with Darryl, local ads, "Tri-state weather," tractor ad, fertilizer ad. Generally fair with some fading and not too much QRM. Got enough for a report. (JW-CO)
 730 WFMW KY Madisonville. 10/16 1956. Poor with legal ID, C&W song. Not common. (JJR-WI)
 740 CHWO ON Toronto. 10/25 2105. Surprising strong at SSS is KVOR null with NOS and "AM 740 Toronto" slogan. (WH-CO)
 790 KXXX KS Colby. 10/21 2346. Poor under CIGM. "K triple X" C&W music. 24 watts? (JJR-WI)
 810 KTBI WA Ephrata. 10/26 2058. Out of a REL program, with multiple-station ACN (American Christian Network) ID at 2059:15; five stations were listed, including KTBI-810, KYAK-930, and 3 others, which I think are FMs. Fair signal, and into another REL program at 2100. (JW-CO)
 860 CBKF2 SK Saskatoon. 10/21 2158. Radio Canada ID and program notes; ID at 2159:50 "Ici Radio Canada...de la premiere chaine, CBKF Saskatchewan. Il est vingt heures [CST time check]" and into CBC FF news. Good signal on peaks. (JW-CO)
 890 KBGI AK Homer. 10/15 0859. Ending NNC News Hour, "serving the southern Kenai Peninsula" ID, generally loud and clear with some fading. (JH-AK)
 900 WKDW VA Staunton. 10/20 2330. Poor in nice fade up o/CHML. Calls, OLD C&W. 122 watts. (JJR-WI)
 940 CJGX SK Yorkton. 10/21 2303. Poor but steady with ten minute newscast, then C&W. "GX94" ID. (JJR-WI)

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960 CFFX ON Kingston. 10/17 0635. Poor in WSBT null. "Kingston's Oldies 960." (JJR-WI)
960 WERC AL Birmingham. 10/19 2121. Poor with quick "WERC" with WSBT. (JJR-WI)
990 CBW MB Winnipeg. 10/25 2159. Ending a music feature with Winnipeg PSAs and "Radio Canada Winnipeg." Good with local KRKS phased. (WH-CO)
1010 CBR AB Calgary. 10/24 0000. "Radio Canada Calgary" into CBC News. Nice northern conditions this evening. (WH-CO)
1010 KXXT AZ Tolleson. 10/21 2032. Traffic, ads, call letter IDs, then back to Randy Rhodes on Air America network. Very good signal, mixing with KCPW and KSIR. Disappeared at 2059, presume SS power cut. Ex-KXEM. (JW-CO) 10/24 0002. Ending news promo with quick "NewsTalk KXXT" ID and faded. (WH-CO)
1050 KLOH MN Pipestone. 10/20 2040. Blasting in with HS football, Pipestone Area Arrows vs. Redwood Valley Cardinals. Obviously using 9380-watt daytime power. (JW-CO)
1070 CBA NB Moncton. 10/21 2159-2306. Nil to good with instrumental music to top-of-the-hour, right into CBC News, non-ID by woman at 2306: "This is CBC Radio News," into program called "Northern Lights" which consisted of lite classical music. Not //540, 990, or 1010. Occasionally clobbered by Trans-Atlantic carrier on 1071 kHz. At 2300 ID for "CBC Radio One" and into CBC News, caught part of weather forecast by woman at 2305: "...Looking now to northern New Brunswick. Tonight, periods of drizzle and showers and a low of 4. For tomorrow, cloudy with sunny periods. Seventy percent chance of drizzle and showers and a high 9. This is CBC Radio One, 90.5 FM Hamilton-(3 syllables)," back to "Northern Lights." Have it taped. New! New Brunswick #1 and one of my better DX catches! (CK-CO) In technical terms, this is what is known as "a helluva catch." Congratulations! (Ed.-TX)
1130 CKWX BC Vancouver. 10/24 2237. Strong with news liners and call ID in northern conditions. (WH-CO)
1130 KBMR ND Bismarck. 10/23 2054. C&W format and call ID. (WH-CO)
1130 WDFN MI Detroit. 10/21 0759. Ad for ?? ("eight Michigan locations"); Toyota ad, then legal ID at 0800:12 "Your station for breaking sports news first is Sports Radio 11-30 WDFN Detroit"; baseball playoff results followed. Fair in QRM; this station pops thru occasionally each season in this narrow SR window. (JW-CO)
1130 WISN WI Milwaukee. 10/21 0804. Area news, frequent call letter IDs. Fair, mixing with WDFN and others. (JW-CO)
1180 KERI CA Wasco-Greenacres. 10/25 2100. Ending "Focus on the Family" to ToH ID and more REL. Armchair copy. (WH-CO)
1180 WHAM NY Rochester. 10/23 0658. "...the only Rochester station that can be heard in Florida, 50000-watt...WHAM..."; a program note or event announcement was followed by another call ID. Fair, mixing with KYDZ. Last heard here in December 1997. (JW-CO) Remember back when WHAM had such great jazz programming? (Ed.-TX)
1220 CJRB MB Boissevain. 10/23 0757. Two versions of "Love is Blue"; ID by man at 0800:50 "The time is 7:00; this is CJRB news" with Matt. Fair in null of local KLVZ. (JW-CO)
1240 KWIK ID Pocatello. 10/21 0910. "AM Idaho news time is now 7:10...on NewsRadio 1240 KWIK and NewsRadio 590 KID" and into weather. Poor in the mess. (JW-CO)
1260 KSSL ID Idaho Falls. 10/27 0859. Out of "Daybreak USA", with legal ID at 0859:50 "We are NewsRadio 1260 KSSL Idaho Falls, ...K??? Blackfoot," then ABC or CBS news (mixing with KPOW and KWYR). Ex-KIZN here. (JW-CO)
1350 KCHK MN New Prague. 10/23 2017-2030. Loud with "Real Country" format, local spots and call ID. First time here for this one. (WH-CO)
1350 WGAD AL Gadsden. 10/20 2229. "Oldies 13-50, WGAD" fading in and out but good on peaks. (JV-KY)
1400 KART ID Jerome. 10/20 0435. "Real country KART" ID into song "Elvira." (JH-AK)
1420 KITTI WA Centralia-Chehalis. 10/23/04 0000-0017. No ID heard. Tentative based on circumstantial evidence. Heard football play-by-play in and out of a jumble of stations. "Black Hills 26-0" vs. "Tigers"; "...raining...turf at (Tumwater?) Stadium..." I did a search on the Internet. I found out that there is a Black Hills H.S. in Tumwater WA, they play their home games at Tumwater Sta-

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dium and on 10/22 they defeated the visiting Centralia Tigers 26-0. Since the announcer wanted to "...get this thing over with..." and referred to "Black Hills" vs "Tigers" I assume it was a Tigers broadcast. (BK-CA) Your circumstantial evidence is good enough for a conviction, Bob! (Ed.-TX)
1420 KSTN CA Stockton. 10/23/04 0021-0100. In and out of a jumble of stations with Oldies and frequent VIDs. Not needed. (BK-CA)
1440 WJLLNYNiagara Falls. 10/17 0611. Poor but alone with local ads, calls, Oldies. 215 watts. (JJR-WI)
1500 KSTP MN St. Paul. 10/21 1925. Sean Hannity discussing John Kerry. Very good signal. (JFB-IL)
1540 KXEL IA Waterloo. 10/17 0400. "The flagship station of UNI football" in and out but clear as a bell on peaks. (JH-AK)
1660 KQWB ND West Fargo. 10/12 0830. Many mentions of North Dakota, then "1-94," in and out with KRZX. (JH-AK)
1660 KRZX TX Waco. 10/12 0758. Ad for a "luxury car wash," then "Waco" mention at top of the hour, in and out with KQWB and KXOL. (JH-AK)
1660 KXOL UT Brigham City. 10/20 0435. "Oldies KXOL" fair to poor. (JH-AK)
1680 KRJO LA Monroe. 10/20 2251. "KRJO 16-80 AM" ID, good signal and alone on frequency. (JV-KY)

DDXD-East

REPORTERS

MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig YB-400PE; Panasonic RF-2200.
BC*PA Bruce Collier, mobile on I83 between York and Baltimore, Mitsubishi 2004 Premium Audio System
BC*MD Bruce Collier, mobile on Maryland's Eastern Shore from Pocomoke City to Easton, Mitsubishi 2004 Premium Audio System.
AJF-NY Ariel Fybush, Rochester, 13 months old, randomly spinning the dial of Daddy's Drake R8A
BDM-ON Barry McLarnon, Ottawa - Icom R75, 1 m air-core loop, 40 m inverted-vee, MFJ-1026
IEN-GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - AIWA CSD-FD89
FV-OH Fred Vobbe, Lima – 1992 Buick car radio on drive to work.

STATION NEWS

710 CJRN ON Niagara Falls – once again will have a program of prayers, Koran readings, etc. in EE and Arabic daily at local sunset during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan. They've been doing this Ramadan broadcast regularly for the past several years on CJRN. Otherwise, they're little more than a glorified TIS. (MKB-ON)

PRESUMED/TENTATIVE/UNID

690 UNID 10/28 0640 - Country music behind CINF, which had talk on at the time. (FV-OH)
750 CKJHp SK Melfort – 10/21 2228 – Oldies, e.g., Elton John's "Levon", under a mix of WSB and YVKS. Seems to be only likely candidate, especially given the great conditions to the west. (BDM-ON)
1270 UNID 10/19 0710 - What sounded like adult standards and calls sounded like WCHN, also heard calls like WYPA—web and NRC book no help. Ideas? (BC*PA)
1450 WKXWp NJ Atlantic City – 10/26 1925 – in graveyard mess under CHUC (are they ever going to move to 1580?) with ads for newjerseyhelpwanted.com, and McCullen Golf Shop, mentioning a 609 area code. (MKB-ON)
1580 WVKOt OH Columbus - 10/18 1803 - "Rejoice" on end of phone number, heard "Rejoice" again—not WPGC, they are "Heaven 1580". Only slogan match at 100000watts is KXZZ, Lake Charles, LA at 1kw day and night—would be a great catch, but bad news, a Yahoo search turns up Rejoice 1580 WVKO, Columbus, OH, much more likely, but maybe on high power a bit late? On Rt 50 east of Salisbury, MD. (BC*MD)
1620 UNID 10/18 1806 - heard mention of Bloomberg Radio—any ideas? On Rt 50 west of Salisbury, MD. (BC*MD)

STATION LOGGINGS

- 550 WKRC OH Cincinnati - 10/25 0704 - Clear calls twice in news intro - first time heard here. New! (BC*PA)
- 560 CFOS ON Owen Sound - 10/20 0700 - has been in every morning since 10/20, I was sitting on 560 twice at 0700 when they hit day pattern and it sounded like a local had signed on! Whatta signal! "CFOS newstime..." This is also the UNID I had playing oldies a week ago, "The Oldies You Want" slogan. Good sounding slogan! NEW! (BC*PA)
- 570 WKYX KY Paducah - 10/25 0710 - Calls for two-station simulcast (I believe the other was 790), clearly heard WKYX twice and mention of Paducah. NEW! (BC*PA)
- 600 WBWL FL Jacksonville - 10/25 1850 - Radio Disney fare. Scratchy, but steady, weak signal. This signal went silent around 1900 allowing WREC to come through. ID as "AM 600 Radio Disney, Jacksonville's Radio Disney, AM 600". (IEN-GA)
- WREC TN Memphis - 10/25 1900 - Local news, weather and traffic. Weak, but steady signal. This came up when WBWL shifted gears. Slogan "Newsradio 600". (IEN-GA)
- 620 WJHX AL Lexington - 10/25 0720 - Had STRONG Mexican music here, then into break at 0720. My Spanish is nil, and I was about to give up when I clearly heard the word "Lexington". When I got to work I punched in 620 at 100000watts, and imagine my pleasant surprise to find regional Mexican-formatted WJHX licensed to Lexington AL! NEW! (BC*PA)
- 730 WACE MA Chicopee - 10/21 0700 - Heard calls WACE or WAZE, then heard Catholic Radio promo. They are listed as EWTN/Rel, good enough for me—NEW! Car DXing is fun right now, as I'm in the car at sunrise and sunset, and for the 0700 and 1730 power changes. Plus the radio in this new Mitsubishi is HOT! (BC*PA)
- 760 WVNE MA Leicester - 10/15 0716 - heard religion w/"New England's New Difference", since WVNE is the ONLY New England station licensed to 760 and the format fits, it's NEW! Has been heard several times. (BC*PA)
- 790 CIGM ON Sudbury - 10/28 0630 - Weather forecast and several mentions of CIGM. Spot for local business, jingle, and into C&W music. (FV-OH)
- 830 WCRN MA Worcester - 10/20 1720 - playing the Hollies "Bus Stop" then liner "True Oldies", only slogan match at 100000watts is WCRN. NEW! (BC*PA)
- 840 KXNT NV North Las Vegas - 10/8 0045 - Talk under partly-nulled WHAS, ads, incl. one for hearing aids from Kent Davenport at 369-1321, then station break with two IDs, ending with "now back to Mike Gallagher on The Talk Station, AM 840 KXNT". Heard much better on Oct. 19 and 21. New. (BDM-ON)
- 980 WILK PA Wilkes-Barre - 10/27 1848 - George W. Bush political ad, "The No Spin Zone with Bill O'Reilly", calls at 1849 (AJF-NY) (Ariel's father Scott notes: *Just as well that she was playing with the radio...she helped me log a new one!*)
- 1000 KOMO WA Seattle - 10/20 0034 - Seattle area traffic report, mentioning I-405, bridges, etc., with references to "KOMO 4". Also weather forecast, news and sports updates, as per website schedule. Heard intermittently for about an hour in WMVP null. Thanks to Chuck Hutton for confirming the ID - new! (BDM-ON)
- 1040 WJTB OH North Ridgeville - 10/23 0759 - over CHUM slop with *The Word Today* gospel program, local weather "for the WJTB listening area", top of hour ID: "this is your inspiration station, WJTB". (MKB-ON)
- 1180 KOFI MT Kalispell - 10/21 2043 - Amazingly strong, over partially nulled WHAM, with "1180 Newstalk Oldies KOFI" ID, and into "Old Fashioned Love Song". Disappeared promptly at 2045 on pattern change. Much better than the first time heard on Oct. 10. (BDM-ON)
- 1100 WHLI NY Hempstead - 10/18 1735 - Very loud from 1735-1800 on Rt 13 from Pocomoke City to Salisbury. (BC*MD)
- 1190 WHMT TN Humboldt - 10/15 0600 - Sports talk, then ID floated up between WOWO and WLIB: "Sporting News Radio, WHMT AM 1190, the radio home of the Humboldt (?)". New. (BDM-ON)
- 1200 WOAI TX San Antonio - 10/25 2030 - Local weather forecast. Good signal with a little

- splatter from a Hispanic station on 1210. "San Antonio's official weather station". (IEN-GA)
- 1210 WPHT PA Philadelphia - 10/25 2035 - Local weather forecast. Very good signal, only to fade under Hispanic dance music from somewhere. Slogan "The big talker, 1210 WPHT". (IEN-GA)
- 1270 WLBR PA Lebanon - 10/22 1916 - over usually-dominant WHLD and WXYT with Mannheim Township v. Cedar Crest high school football, ID at end of first quarter: "back with second quarter action on 1270 WLBR" into ad for Custom Real Estate. (MKB-ON)
- 1280 WGBF IN Evansville - 10/18 1800 - TOH ID "Newstalk 1280 WGBF Evansville". Wish they could all be so clear! NEW! (BC*MD)
- 1370 WLTC NC Gastonia - 10/26 2200 - Gospel music. Very good signal. "WLTC, Gastonia/Charlotte". (IEN-GA)
- 1410 KQV PA Pittsburgh - 10/25 2040 - Sports talk show about Notre Dame football. Good signal. "1410 KQV" ID. (IEN-GA)
- WIQR AL Prattville - 10/25 2300 - Sports stories. Decent signal, but subject to deep fades. "The Sports Station, 1410, WIQR, Prattville/Montgomery". (IEN-GA)
- 1450 WHLS MI Port Huron - 10/19 0200 - dual ID for WHLS and WHLX-1590, then into CNN news. New. (BDM-ON)
- 1470 WEMM WV Huntington - 10/26 1900 - ex-WHRD with country-gospel song, top of hour ID: "you're listening to WEMM Huntington". (MKB-ON)
- 1480 WLEA NY Hornell - 10/25 1659 - over WHBC with Jimmy Buffett's *Margaritaville*, top of hour ID: "you're listening to the news authority, WLEA Hornell", into ABC news. (MKB-ON)
- WADR NY Remsen - 10/19 0720 - Heard end of promo "listen to WADR". NEW! (BC*PA)
- 1520 KMAV ND Mayville - 1520 KMAV ND Mayville - 10/10 2303 - ESPN heard under WWKB from 2240, then finally an ID in fade-up at 2303: "You're in tune with ESPN 1520 AM, KMAV Mayville". Should not be on at this time. New. (BDM-ON)
- 1530 KFBK CA Sacramento - 10/21 2116 - Went hunting for this after noting good conditions to the west, and caught a clear ID at 2116, with intermittently heard talk thereafter, poor in shaky WSAI phase null, gone after 2130. New. (BDM-ON)
- 1580 KDOM MN Windom - 10/16 2330 - Country music, ID with musical jingle, "KDOM Total Radio, Windom", good, not likely on 2W night power! (BDM-ON)
- KMIK AZ Phoenix - 10/21 2058 - Radio Disney mention by kid, then an ad for Lou Grubb Chevrolet in Phoenix ("one block west of the I-17"), good, dominating the channel, gone after 2100. (BDM-ON)
- 1690 WWAA GA Avondale Estates - 10/25 2000 - CNN newscast. Good signal. Slogan "1690, Air Atlanta". (IEN-GA)

Ariel must be the youngest reporter in NRC's 71-year history. If a 13-month old baby can contribute to DDXD-E, you big boys and girls have got no excuses for not sending in your loggings! 73...Mike

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Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELI, subtract 5 hrs (summer: 4).

"How can you not like the Drake?" - Seinfeld. The Drake R8A/B is indeed the receiver of choice as evidenced here. Giddy up!

Transatlantic DX

- 153 ALGERIA *Rdf Sonore*, Béchar OCT 23 2344 - Pop-style vocal music. Noise and another weak audio there. [Frodge-MI]
- 162 FRANCE *France Inter*, Allouis OCT 21 2203 - Very strong. Man with news in French. Arm-chair copy. [Black-MA] OCT 23 2338 - Man and woman talking in French; played Bill Haley & the Comets tune; about the best ever heard, without the noise crashes, would have been great. [Frodge-MI]

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171 **MOROCCO** *R.Medi Un*, Nador OCT 21 2205 - Fair; man interviewing in Arabic. [Black-MA] OCT 23 2350 - Vocal music parallel 9575. Sorry about the lousy log; I got carried away with finding the parallel and moved on. [Frodge-MI]
- 177 **GERMANY** *DLR Zehendorf* OCT 23 2352 - Presumed; man and woman discussion in German. [Frodge-MI]
- 183 **GERMANY** *Europe No.1*, Felsberg OCT 21 2207 - Fair; man reading news in French. [Black-MA]
- 189 **ICELAND** *INBS Gufuskálar* OCT 24 0435 - Not new, but the first time heard this season. Strong signals as well from the "usual suspects" on 153, 162, 171, 183, 198, 207, 216, 234 and 252 (Ireland). Nothing new here, so I headed over to MW. [Renfrew-NY]
- 198 **ENGLAND** *BBC Droitwich* OCT 23 2355 - Man in English with ID. Poor with NDBs. [Frodge-MI]
- 207 **ICELAND** *Ríkisútrovarp*, Eidar OCT 23 2356 - Man and woman talk - not AR (?); Glenn Miller's "Moonlight Serenade." 189 Iceland not up at this time to check parallel. Poor, covered by NDBs. [Frodge-MI]
- 207 **MOROCCO** *RTM Azilal* OCT 21 2210 - Poor; Middle Eastern music. [Black-MA]
- 216 **FRANCE** *RMC Roumoules* OCT 25 2101 - Light but clear copy in French about even with CLB beacon. [Black-MA]
- 234 **LUXEMBOURG** *RTL Junglinster* OCT 24 0000-0008 - Presumed; woman in French, then man in French intro'ing pop music; copiable under NDBs. [Frodge-MI]
- 252 **IRELAND** *RTÉ Clarkstown* OCT 24 0008 - Presumed; woman announcer in possibly English with operatic vocal music. Another audio there. Poor under NDBs but one nice peak. [Frodge-MI]
- 531 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Ain-El-Beida OCT 23 2233 - Parallel 549 with Arabic talk; low audio level, mixed with others. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 531 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 25 2327 - Parallel 855 with Spanish talk; over Algeria and slop from RVC. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 549 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Les Trembles OCT 20 2305 - Excited Arabic talk by woman then man, interspersed drum music; over others. + OCT 23 2233 - Parallel 531 with man in Arabic; good. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2256 - Parallel 153 with woman in Arabic; excellent. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 558 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 26 0030 - Parallel 855 with Spanish talk by woman; in bad WGAN slop. [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 26 0200-0300 - Some sort of interview program, with occasional music breaks. I was listening to the same program, about three seconds delayed on web audio from the station, and even with some Spanish skills I couldn't figure out what they were talking about, perhaps religion, because I heard "la interpolación de los textos." At 0222 there was a distinct tune from Spyrogyra that cut through the noise. Finally, at 0300 I heard a clear over the air ID "Radio Nacional de España" before the news. On recheck, it was still there at 0540. A new one! Although audio signals were weak, they were all over the dial for digging. Audio from 1134 Croatia, (and 1125), 1089 UK, 1206 France (possible parallel with 792), 1215 UK. Still trying to get audio in the strong het on 1251 kHz. [Renfrew-NY]
- 567 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 25 2324 - Parallel 855 with man and woman in Spanish; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 576 **CANARY ISLANDS** // **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 25 2324 - Parallel 855 with man and woman in Spanish; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 585 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Madrid OCT 25 2257 - Parallel 855 with man and woman in Spanish; very good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 594 **MOROCCO** *RTM Oujda* OCT 25 2258 - Parallel 612 with instrumental music, then female Arabic vocal; very good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 603 **FRANCE** *Lyon* OCT 25 2323 - Parallel 1206 with male vocal; under Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 603 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 25 2323 - Parallel 855 with Spanish talk; to good peak, over France. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 612 **MOROCCO** *RTM A*, Sebaa-Aioun OCT 20 2304 - Parallel 819 with man in Arabic; to fair peak. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2238 - Parallel (huge) 207 with Arabic talk, then male vocal with strings and something like cowbells; good. + OCT 25 2258 - Parallel 594 with female vocal; local-like. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 621 **CANARY ISLANDS** // **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros, Santa Cruz de Tenerife et al. OCT 25 2259 - Parallel 855 with talk; excellent. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 639 **SPAIN** *RNE1* La Coruña OCT 23 2251 - Parallel 1107 with music, woman in Spanish; fair during fades of strong CBN on similar bearing. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2322 - Parallel 855 with woman in Spanish; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 648 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA Jeddah* OCT 25 2321 - Parallel 1521 with woman in Arabic; to good peak over others. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 657 **ITALY** *RAI R. Uno* synchros OCT 25 2317 - Music, then Italian talk by woman; over Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 657 **SPAIN** *RNE5* Madrid OCT 25 2317 - Spanish talk; under Italy. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 666 **PORTUGAL** *RDP Antena 1*, Lisboa OCT 25 2314 - Bits of Portuguese talk; in mess with Spain and Germany. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 675 **LIBYA** *R.Jamahiriya*, Benghazi OCT 25 2313 - Parallel 1449 with Arabic group vocal and violins; dominant and loud. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 684 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Sevilla OCT 25 2312 - Parallel 855 with group discussion; excellent, nearly equal in strength to 50 kW local 680 WRKO (just a 45 minute drive away). [Connelly*R-MA]
- 702 **MOROCCO** *RTM Sebaa-Aioun* OCT 25 2310 - Probably this with Arabic talk, teletalk; fair to good. Couldn't parallel this to anything else. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 711 **FRANCE** *Rennes* OCT 23 2228 - French talk; battling Western Sahara. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 711.04 **WESTERN SAHARA** *RTM Laayoune* OCT 23 2228 - Moaning vocal; over / under 711 France. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 729 **SPAIN** *RNE* synchros OCT 25 2306 - Spanish talk, music; in CKAC slop. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 738 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Barcelona OCT 25 2306 - "Radio Nacional de España" ID by woman, then a bell ring; breaking over slop from strong CHCM. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 747 **CANARY ISLANDS** // **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 25 2305 - Spanish talk; fair, over others. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 756 **GERMANY** *DeutschlandRadio*, Braunschweig & Ravensburg OCT 20 2310 - End of song, then man in German; to fair peak. + OCT 23 2239 - Two announcers in German; good. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 26 0013 - Parallel 1422 with music; mixed with Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 756 **SPAIN** *R.Euskadi*, Bilbao OCT 25 2305 - Spanish news; over Germany. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 765 **SWITZERLAND** *RSR Sottens* OCT 20 2312 - Folk-style (resembling that of Gordon Lightfoot) French vocal; good. + OCT 23 2242 - Female folk vocal; very good. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 0117 - Good; three French popular songs at decent quality before fading. [Black-MA] OCT 26 0150 - Music program, probably RSR, but unable to work on a parallel before it faded. DXTuners didn't offer a good signal, and the RSR web page refused to let me into the web audio. By then what had been a strong signal was faded. [Renfrew-NY] OCT 28 2145 - Good; "Option Musique" jingle, French and English pop vocals. [Conti-NH]
- 774 **EGYPT** *Abis* OCT 23 2226 - Group Arabic vocal and orchestra; over Spain. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2302 - News by woman in Arabic; under Spain. + OCT 25 2329 - Arabic vocal; now over Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 774 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros OCT 25 2302 - Parallel 855 with news in Spanish; excellent, over Egypt. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 783 **MAURITANIA** *R.Mauritanie*, Nouakchott OCT 20 2313 - Parallel 4845 with man in Arabic with public speech; good. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2300 - Woman in Arabic, musical fanfare, then man with news; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 792 **FRANCE** *Limoges* OCT 20 2316 - Parallel 1206 with reggae music; fair. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2253 - French talk parallel 1206; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 819 **EGYPT** *ERTU Batra* OCT 23 2225 - Parallel 12050 with male vocal and strings; 819 kHz of the strength of local 850 WEEI! [Connelly*B-MA]
- 819 **MOROCCO** *RTM Rabat* OCT 20 2304 - Parallel 612 with man in Arabic; fair. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 828 **unID** OCT 25 2251 - Arabic-sounding vocal in jumble and growl of slightly-off-channel carriers; tough WCRN slop. Libya, Morocco, and Syria listed. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 837 **FRANCE** *Nancy* OCT 18 0004 - Fair to poor; French popular song. [Black-MA] OCT 20 2316 - Parallel 1206 with reggae music; good. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 837 **CANARY ISLANDS** // **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros OCT 25 2249 - Parallel 1296 with Caribbean-style music, then two men in Spanish; over France, others. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 855 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros OCT 25 2221 - Discussion of the economy; huge, within a few dB of the strength of local 850 WEEI! [Connelly*R-MA]
- 864 **FRANCE** *Paris* OCT 20 2318 - French female pop vocal; excellent. + OCT 23 2243 - Romantic French vocal; good, over Egypt. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2246 - Old-style male French vocal; dominant. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 864 **EGYPT** *Holy Koran R.*, Santah OCT 23 2224 - Koranic male vocal; over France's pop music. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 873 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros OCT 25 2245 - Parallel 1116 with Spanish news/talk; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 882 **CANARY ISLANDS** // **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros OCT 25 2244 - Parallel 1143 with man in Spanish; over UK, others. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 890.98 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Algiers OCT 20 2319 - Parallel 549 with vocal and strings; fair with WAMG phased. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 26 0026 - Arabic vocal at low audio level. [Connelly*R-MA]

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936 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros OCT 26 0024 - Parallel 855 with cabaret-style Spanish female vocal; to good peak. [Connelly*R-MA]
945 **FRANCE** France Info, Toulouse OCT 25 2241 - Parallel 1206 with French discussion; good. [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 28 2210 - Good; woman with news in French parallel 1206. [Conti-NH]
972 **LIBYA** Libyan Jamahiriya BC, Sirte OCT 26 0023 - Parallel 675 with Arabic speech. [Connelly*R-MA]
981 **ALGERIA** RTVA Chaîne 2, Algiers OCT 25 2237 - Man and woman in Arabic; typical light audio on huge carrier, destroying WCAP. [Connelly*R-MA]
999 **MOROCCO** RTM A, Tanger OCT 25 2237 - Arabic male vocal; under Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
999 **SPAIN** COPE Madrid OCT 20 2258 - Fast Spanish talk; over others. + OCT 20 2320 - Teletalk; loud. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2237 - COPE net newstalk; huge; over Morocco and at least 30 dB(!) stronger than the jumble of stuff on 1000. [Connelly*R-MA]
1008 **SPAIN** SER synchros OCT 25 2235 - Initially in an even battle with Canary Islands station, then atop with teletalk parallel 1116. [Connelly*R-MA]
1044 **MOROCCO** Sebaa-Aioun OCT 20 2321 - Plucked-strings instrumental; huge, way over Spain; 1050 WEPN nulled. [Connelly*B-MA]
1044 **SPAIN** SER synchros OCT 25 2224 - Parallel 1116 with Spanish talk; mixed with Morocco. [Connelly*R-MA]
1053 **MOROCCO** RTM Tanger OCT 15 0115 - Tentative; weak audio, but haunting flute music, sounded like Morocco not the UK! I need this country, so I'll have to keep digging. [Renfrew-NY]
1053 **UNITED KINGDOM** TalkSport synchros OCT 25 2233 - Parallel 1089 with talk about European mainland countries taking over the UK economy; good, over Morocco and Spain. [Connelly*R-MA]
1062 **DENMARK** Danmarks Radio, Kalundborg OCT 22 0402 - Fair; American pop group doing a song possibly titled "Summertime" (not the "Summertime" we know from the Gershwin musical) then some ripple tones and into news alternating between man and woman in Danish. Again at 0505 the ripple tones into news with man and woman. [Black-MA] OCT 23 2221 - Danish talk, Neil Young type song; loud, trashing WBX. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 24 0440 - It's intriguing that I never seem to get this one, but here it was tonight with some western "twang," pop music "Looking for Love 'til I Found You," and a male DJ who mentioned "Danmark" during a music break. DX Tuners had this loud and clear with the same music. Faded before the top of the hour. New country #58. [Renfrew-NY]
1062 **TURKEY** TRT-1 Diyarbakir OCT 23 2246 - Mideast music; fair. [Connelly*B-MA]
1071 **SPAIN** Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao OCT 25 2232 - Parallel 1197 with woman in Spanish; strong, but heavily slopped by CBA. [Connelly*R-MA]
1080 **SPAIN** SER synchros OCT 25 2230 - Parallel 1116 with Spanish discussion program and teletalk, pips on the half hour; under WTIC. [Connelly*R-MA]
1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** TalkSport synchros OCT 20 2254 - Advert having "treble 2" in the phone number, then talk about appearances by famous celebrities on "1089 and 1053 AM"; to good peak. + OCT 20 2322 - Momentarily a weird echo on the audio, then back to normal. Announcer mentioned e-mail from Sarah about 1775 being the shortest year, then a phone call from a listener in Bournemouth. Very strong. + OCT 23 2258 - Absolutely huge with talk about films including "Aliens". [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 24 0550 - Strong audio with a female announcer, produced a het so strong that 1090 was unlistenable. 1215 Virgin Radio and 1314 Norway were also evident during this time. [Renfrew-NY] OCT 25 2228 - Announcer "the lines are open," then a debate about the European Union; huge, far over a weak 1090 background het. [Connelly*R-MA]
1098 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros, OCT 25 2226 - Parallel 855 with Spanish talk; loud, with four distinct echoes noted! [Connelly*R-MA]
1107 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros OCT 22 2355 - Fair; Spanish music and talk. Heavy WBT interference. [Black-MA] OCT 23 2251 - Rock music, then Spanish talk by woman; good. [Connelly*B-MA]
1116 **SPAIN** SER synchros OCT 23 2252 - Man and woman in Spanish; good signal, punchy audio. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2224 - Parallel 1044 with teletalk; excellent. [Connelly*R-MA]
1125 **CROATIA** HRT Deanovec OCT 23 2216 - Parallel 1134 with Slavic announcer; to fair peak. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2222 - Parallel 1134 with Slavic talk, music; just over jumble with Spain and a third station (Madeira?). [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 28 2120 - Over/under RNE5 Spain; pop/rock music parallel a strong 1134 kHz signal. [Conti-NH]
1134 **CROATIA** HRT Zadar OCT 17 2145 - Fair; man reading news in Croatian. Heavy interference from WBBR here on the Cape. + OCT 24 0200 - Fair; English ID "...Croatia" followed by

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man reading European and Croatian related news and weather in English. [Black-MA] OCT 20 2327 - Slavic vocal influenced by '60s US soul; very good. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2222 - Slavic talk by man, musical fanfare; good, over Spain. + OCT 25 2333 - Slavic news with items about Australia; stronger than 1130 WBBR! [Connelly*R-MA]
1143 **SPAIN** COPE synchros OCT 25 2220 - Parallel 1296 with man in Spanish; good, over growl. [Connelly*R-MA]
1152 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros OCT 25 2219 - Parallel 855 with very echoey Spanish talk by woman. [Connelly*R-MA]
1161 **SPAIN** Euskadi Irratia, San Sebastian OCT 25 2334 - Fast Spanish talk, female vocal; to good peak over WSKW slop. [Connelly*R-MA]
1169 **IRAN** OCT 20 2329 - Fat het, bits of talk. + OCT 23 2215 - Chanting type vocal; in R.Farda/WFPB slop. + OCT 23 2254 - Talk by woman. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2217 - Koranic style vocal; very good, almost equal strength to 1170 WFPB! [Connelly*R-MA]
1170 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** R.Farda, Dabiya OCT 20 2329 - Pop Mideast music; through phased WWVA. + OCT 23 2214 - Mideast dance club music; evenly mixed with WFPB's Celtic music. + OCT 23 2253 - Farda mention, string music; over WWVA and 1169 het. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2217 - Mideast vocal; under WFPB daytime. [Connelly*R-MA]
1179 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** SER synchros OCT 25 2216 - Spanish teletalk; dominant. [Connelly*R-MA]
1179 **SWEDEN** R.Sweden, Sölvesborg OCT 23 2210 - Woman in Swedish; over Spain-Canaries. [Connelly*B-MA]
1188 **MOROCCO** RTM B, Casablanca OCT 25 2215 - Man in Arabic; poor. [Connelly*R-MA]
1197 **SPAIN** Euskadi Irratia, Vitoria OCT 23 2210 - Spanish teletalk; over Arabic-sounding music station. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2340 - Possible Basque talk. [Connelly*R-MA]
1197 **UNITED KINGDOM** Virgin R. synchros OCT 20 2340 - Parallel 1215 with Eric Clapton song; mixed with Spain. [Connelly*B-MA]
1206 **FRANCE** France Info, Bordeaux OCT 20 2316 - Parallel 837 with reggae music; good. + OCT 20 2330 - US '50s-era showtune vocal; excellent. + OCT 23 2209 - Talk about upcoming programs; loud. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 22 2339 - Poor; French popular music. [Black-MA] OCT 29 0315 - Good; man and woman in French anchoring morning newscast. [Conti-NH]
1215 **SPAIN** COPE synchros OCT 25 2342 - Parallel 1296 with Spanish talk; way over UK. [Connelly*R-MA]
1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** Virgin R. synchros OCT 20 2337 - "Tears in Heaven" by Eric Clapton; to good peak. + OCT 23 2207 - "Everybody Wants to Rule the World" by Tears for Fears; over others. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2153 - Initially in dogpile with Albania and Spain, then atop with Eagles "Take It Easy". [Connelly*R-MA]
1224 **SPAIN** COPE synchros OCT 25 2210 - Spanish talk; over unID music station. + OCT 25 2343 - Talk parallel 1215, 1296; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
1242 **FRANCE** Marseille OCT 25 2209 - Parallel 1206 with woman talking about an upcoming program; fair over WBUR slop. [Connelly*R-MA]
1251 **LIBYA** Libyan Jamahiriya, Tripoli OCT 25 2155 - Arabic string music, Arabic talk; excellent, totally crushing 1250 CBGA/WKBR. [Connelly*R-MA]
1287 **SPAIN** SER synchros OCT 25 2345 - Parallel 1044, 1116 with plaintive male vocal; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
1296 **SPAIN** COPE Valencia OCT 25 2220 - Parallel 1143 with man in Spanish; loud. [Connelly*R-MA]
1305 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros OCT 25 2345 - Parallel 855 with teletalk; fair to good. [Connelly*R-MA]
1314 **NORWAY** NRK Kvitsøy OCT 23 2204 - Norwegian talk by man; fair. + OCT 23 2256 - Country-rock group vocal, woman in Norwegian; loud, S9+20. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 29 0320 - Good; country / folk vocals. [Conti-NH]
1314 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros OCT 25 2346 - Parallel 855 with Spanish talk; dominant. [Connelly*R-MA]
1341 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** SER synchros OCT 25 2348 - Parallel 1287 with ballad; poor to fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
1341 **NORTHERN IRELAND** BBC R.Ulster, Lisnagarvey OCT 25 2207 - Woman in English talked about music, then a female vocal was played; over slop. + OCT 26 0014 - Discussion about agriculture; very good. [Connelly*R-MA]
1359 **SPAIN** Arganda OCT 25 2156 - Man in Spanish; fair to good. [Connelly*B-MA]
1377 **FRANCE** Lille OCT 20 2316 - Parallel 1206 with reggae music; fair. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2206 - Parallel 1206 with interview; fair through WMYF slop. [Connelly*R-MA]
1385.92 **GUINEA** R.Rurale, Labe OCT 25 2350 - Briefly loud with vernacular / Arabic-dialect talk. Receded into 1380 WMYF / 1390 WPLM slop later. [Connelly*R-MA]
1404 **FRANCE** synchros OCT 25 2205 - Parallel 1206 with man in French; good. [Connelly*R-

- 1413 MA]
SPAIN RNE5 synchros OCT 25 2157 - Echoey Spanish talk by woman; loud. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1422 **ALGERIA** Algiers OCT 25 2158 - Man in Arabic; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
 1422 **GERMANY** DeutschlandRadio, Heusweiler OCT 26 0013 - Parallel 756 with classical music; good, briefly over Algeria. [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 28 2140 - Fair; woman in distinct German and classical music. [Conti-NH]
- 1431 **DJIBOUTI** R.Sawa, Arta OCT 18 2342 - Fair; American pop and middle eastern music. Man reading news in Arabic at 2345. [Black-MA] OCT 25 2151 - Two R.Sawa ID's, then ballad-style Arabic male and female vocal; very good. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 28 2115 - Brief audio with modern Middle Eastern music, otherwise only a het against WNSW Asian program. [Conti-NH]
- 1440 **SAUDI ARABIA** BSKSA Damman OCT 25 2148 - Parallel 1521, 9555, 9870: Arabic talk mentioned "el Qahira" (Cairo, Egypt); under WJAE Maine. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1449 **LIBYA** Voice of Greater Arab Homeland, Misurata OCT 25 2205 - Arabic teletalk by man and woman; to good peak despite WNBP slop. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1467 **FRANCE** TWR Roumoules OCT 23 2158 - Piano music, then man in Arabic; very good with WAZN phased. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 24 2234-2245 - Nice signal with English religious program, from the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, interval signal then off at 2345, just as listed in my 2003 WRTH. A new station, and maybe this one will get me my first QSL from France. [Renfrew-NY] OCT 25 2147 - Arabic talk; huge, 20 dB stronger than 1470 WLAM/WAZN! [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 28 2055 - Good; inspirational music, a single cycle of the interval signal, and Arabic program. [Conti-NH]
- 1494 **FRANCE** synchros OCT 26 0009 - Parallel 1206 with classical music; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
 1503 **IRAN** IRIB Bushehr OCT 28 2010 - Middle Eastern music, at 2030 anthem followed by three chimes in ascending notes, and at 2158 string music, then lost to RNE5 Spain and domestic splatter. [Conti-NH]
- 1503 **SPAIN** RNE5 Piñeira OCT 25 2146 - Spanish teletalk; good. [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 28 2030 - Time pips, "Radio Cinco" and "Radio Nacional de España" network IDs, over/under Iran, dominant by 2100 before giving in to rising domestic splatter with the setting sun. [Conti-NH]
- 1512 **BELGIUM** R.Vlaanderen Int'l/R.Netherlands, Wolvertem OCT 25 2132 - English discussion program; fair through WWZN slop. [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 28 2005 - News in Dutch or German battling with 1510 WWZN splatter. [Conti-NH]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** BSKSA Duba OCT 17 2128 - Good; Arabic man talk parallel 9555 and 9870. Interestingly, OCT 18 at 2328 was not parallel to the SW frequencies. Might have something to do with Ramadan. [Black-MA] OCT 20 2103 - Parallel 9555 with Arabic news about Saudi Arabia; good. + OCT 23 2201 - News parallel 9555, 9870; loud. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2105 - News with "Saudiya" mention; local-like, totally wasting WIZZ/WWKB on car radio. [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 28 1940 - Talk in Arabic parallel 9555 and 9870; strong het against WIZZ well before local sunset! [Conti-NH]
- 1548 **KUWAIT** R.Sawa, Kabd-Kuwait City OCT 23 2258 - Pop Arabic male vocal; over UK station. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1548 **UNITED KINGDOM** unID station OCT 26 0000 - End of inspirational program with lush music, soft-spoken British male announcer; briefly atop, then clobbered by R.Sawa Kuwait. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1550 **ALGERIA** RASD Clandestine, Tindouf OCT 25 2134 - Parallel 7460 with scriptural readings by man, occasional instrumental music bridges; excellent, way over domestics. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1557 **FRANCE** France Info, Nice OCT 23 2202 - French news by woman; good. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2135 - Parallel 1206 with man and woman in French; very good. [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 28 2040 - Good; news in French parallel 1206 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1575 **ITALY** RAI R.Uno synchros OCT 25 2141 - Rock music, fast Italian talk; mixed with Spain. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1575 **SPAIN** SER synchros OCT 25 2141 - Spanish talk; over/under Italy. [Connelly*R-MA]
 1584 **CEUTA** RadiOlé, Ceuta OCT 20 2334 - Operatic female Spanish vocal; good, over SER. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1593 **KUWAIT** VOA OCT 26 0006 - VOA English news; just over jumble. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1602 **SPAIN** R.Vitoria, Vitoria OCT 26 0005 - R.Vitoria ID; over SER. [Connelly*R-MA]

Pan-American DX

535 GRENADA GBC St. George's OCT 20 2307 - Soca



- 550 music; poor. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2327 - Music; in 530 RVC slop. [Connelly*R-MA]
VENEZUELA YVKE R.Mundial, Caracas OCT 26 0525-0535 - Good; several Latin music selections. ID "Radio Nacional Venezuela" and many "Mundial" mentions by DJ. [Black-MA]
- 555 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** ZIZ Basseterre OCT 17 2255 - Good; Caribbean music. [Black-MA] OCT 20 2306 - Talk about elections. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 25 2326 - Caribbean English mention of "the family station"; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 600 **CUBA** CMKV R.Rebelde, Urbano Noris OCT 17 1034 - Good; Latin music parallel 560, 620, 670, 710, 1180 and 5025 kHz. [Black-MA] OCT 27 0013-0120 - Man with sports commentary program. "Rebelde" spot with special effects at 0049. Still sports after 0100 with "Deportivamente" spot. All in Spanish. Fair+ peaks, mixing with WMT, CKAT and others. Parallel 5025 with S20 signal. WSNL Flint off. [Frodge-MI]
- 690 **CUBA** R.Progreso, Jovellanos OCT 26 0630 - Fair; Latin music in CINF null. [Black-MA]
 750 **VENEZUELA** YVKS RCR Caracas OCT 17 2321 - Good; man in Spanish. [Black-MA]
 760 **COLOMBIA** HJAJ RCN Baranquilla OCT 24 0142 - Good; male announcing apparent sporting event in Spanish. [Black-MA]
- 790 **CUBA** R.Relej, Pinar del Río OCT 27 1020 - "Radio Relej," minute marker, "Seis veinte minutos," RR code ID, and news; well over domestics and the strongest of the Relej signals also being received at this time on 570 and 820 kHz. Given the location near the western tip of Cuba, perhaps the result of transmitter site repairs after hurricane damage? [Conti-NH]
- 830 **CUBA** R.Relej, Holguín OCT 18 1029 - Fair; man reading news under WCRN. Morse code "RR" ID noted. Parallel 570 kHz. [Black-MA] OCT 27 1025 - Minute marker and code ID heard under "The all new True Oldies Channel" unID domestic with local WCRN nulled out. [Conti-NH]
- 840 **CUBA** CMHW Dobleve, Santa Clara OCT 19 1030-1035 - Good with WHAS phased. Woman in Spanish, then religious sounding music interlude. At 1033 man with "noticias." Many mentions of Cuba and Santa Clara. [Black-MA]
- 860 **CUBA** R.Relej OCT 27 1032 - Minute marker and code ID under CJBC. [Conti-NH]
 895 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** Voice of Nevis, Bath Village OCT 26 0025 - Sports-related talk; to fair peak. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1060 **MEXICO** XEEP R.Educación, Cd. México OCT 24 0555 - Strong with KYW phased; classical music parallel 6185 shortwave. [Renfrew-NY]
 1100 unID OCT 18 0026 - Fair; festive Latin singing group. The only NRC Latin loggings for this frequency are Brazil and Mexico, but I think it was too early for Mexico here. [Black-MA] Maybe Cuba?

The Drake R8A/B Users Group

- Chris Black N1CP, South Yarmouth MA; R8B, DXP-3 phasing unit, long wires, vertical, K9AY.
 Mark Connelly WA1ION, Billerica MA; R8A, Superphaser-2, dual-feedline Flag 5 x 10.6 m, and DXing from Rockport MA; R8A, Superphaser-2, 2 x 2 m broadband loop, 1.8 m active whip. <MarkWA1ION@aol.com>
- Bruce Conti, Nashua NH; R8B, MWDX-5, 15/23/15-m Ewe antennas east and south.
 Harold Frodge, Midland MI; R8B, 85-ft/215-ft random wires, 125-ft single loop, and at the Michigan Area Radio Enthusiasts DXpedition, Brighton MI; R8B, 65-ft TTFD, 500-ft unterminated north-east-southwest Beverage. <yukon@tm.net>
- Jim Renfrew, Byron NY; R8B, 1000-ft wire, 300-ft wire, Quantum Phaser.

International News

- BELGIUM:** English, German, and French broadcasts will be terminated with the reorganization of R.Vlaanderen Internationaal in March 2005. Per the new winter schedule effective October 31 - March 26, RVI broadcasts daily in French at 1800 and 2015, in German at 1815 and 2000, and in Dutch at 0800, 1830, and 2030 on 1512 kHz (300 kW), the 2000, 2015, and 2030 broadcasts parallel 7490 kHz. [Frans Vossen, Radio World, www.rvi.be]
- IRELAND:** The MW567 service will return in November this year, when it will broadcast alongside LW252. No specific date has yet been announced for the return of the frequency, as it is contingent on the maintenance work finishing on schedule. Announcements will be made closer to the date on LW252 and you can also find up-to-date information at www.rte.ie/radio1/. [Steve Whitt, MWC E-Mail News via ARC Information Desk]
- JAMAICA:** It might be of interest that RJR94 is still being carried on all five MW transmitters. However four of the transmitters (550, 580, 700 and 770 kHz) are running at reduced power = 1.5 kW, and only one (720 kHz) is still on full power = 10 kW. All of the transmitters are on the air 24 hours a day. [Stig Hartvig Nielsen, MWC E-Mail News, ARC LA News Desk]

73 and Good DX!