

DX News

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NRC 2005, Kulpsville ... Things are moving along nicely for this years National Radio Club/ DX Audio Service Convention, and convention chairman Dave Schmidt sends along the following outline of pertinent information:

Location: Best Western "The Inn at Towamencin" 1750 Sumneytown Pike Kulpsville, PA 19443 (Lansdale) Phone: 215-368-3800, 800-277-3615 (reservations only).

Rooms: \$75 per night (mention the National Radio Club for this rate) Room sharing is limited to FOUR per room.

Registration : \$45 for convention and banquet/ \$35 for wives; \$20 for convention only, no banquet/ \$10 for wives.

Activities

Friday — Registration starting at 9 AM.

Friday evening — An illustrated tour of AM Radio in Tampa Bay including an explanation of just what "Tampa Bay" means!

Saturday morning — Tour of Philadelphia stations WFIL-560 and WNTP-990; car pools will be arranged.

Saturday afternoon — Display of radio newspapers and magazines from the 1920s and 1930s. Complete lists of radio stations from the early 20s up to the present for your review.

Saturday evening — Annual NRC/DXAS Meeting and auction of valued treasures.

Sunday morning — Wakeup quiz (you can win all sorts of candies for yelling out correct answers to important radio station trivia). Dress Rehearsal for the October DX Audio Service Travellog featuring stations operating at 930 on the AM dial. Annual official NRC Examination with a free one-year membership going to the winner.

Sunday afternoon — Dave Marthouse will entertain with his stories of how a small AM station in a small market can not only exist, but can thrive!

Sunday evening — Annual Banquet right in the meeting hotel Guest speaker is Dave McCork, operator of Internet Station WNAR-AM along with a Part 15 station in nearby Lansdale.

Monday - Departure with a pror ise to re-assemble next year!

PLEASE NOTE: A special program for the ladies is in the works and will be announced as soon as possible.

Additional program activities are always added a week or two before each convention.

Items for the auction can be mailed to: Dave Schmidt - P O Box 3111 - Scranton, PA 18505-0111 via regular mail. The Best Western has a good restaurant on site but there are lots of others in the area. Thats the info for now! For more info: e-mail Dave @ nrcmusings@aol.com.

DXChange ... Ernie Wesolowski - 13312 Westwood Ln - Omaha, NE 68144-3543 is offering the following for the cost of postage, all used and including various recordings: 37 cassette tapes of various lengths; 57 seven-inch reels (with SW programs); two seven-inch takeup reels; 25 seven-inch tapes (with varied music); 15 five-inch tapes (misc. programs); and two three-inch tapes.

From the Publisher ... If your DXN is being forwarded (with the yellow USPS sticker) or you are missing the last DXN, be sure to send your current address to the publisher, as when DXN's are returned because of "bad" addresses, your name is removed from the database immediately.

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the June 11, 1955 DXN: It was reported that 96 stations presented DX programs for the NRC during the 6-month 1954-1955 DX season for an average of 16 programs per month, coming from 33 states, 6 Canadian provinces, the Canal Zone, and Chile (CB106); thanks to Sid Rosenbaum and the CPC.

25 years ago ... from the June 16, 1980 DXN: Norm Maguire led in totals for Graveyard DX with 1,006 logged, followed by Gene Allen with 639, Stan Morss, 607, Don Kaskey, 585, and Bob Knox, 585.

10 years ago ... from the June 19, 1995 DXN: A survey in this issue requested members' input on various features of DXN and the NRC.



CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old Call	New Call
910 WGBI PA Scranton	WBZU
960 WJGJ MS Greenwood	WABG [Returns to their original call letters]
990 WNOX TN Knoxville	WNML [The "Sports Animal"]
1030 WFTK NC Wake Forest	WDRU
1170 WLGO SC Lexington	WQVA
1220 WHKZ OH Cleveland	WHKW [I know . . . they just changed to WHKZ!]
1440 WHKW OH Warren	WHKZ
1460 KIRL MO St. Charles	KHOJ

CPs ON THE AIR

740 WNOP KY Newport - CP for U4 2500/30 is on the air.
820 KUTR UT Taylorsville - New station is on the air, with a female-oriented talk format. Facilities are U2 50000/2500.
890 KDJQ ID Meridian - New station is on the air, with oldies from the 1957-1965 era. Facilities are U2 50000/250.
1020 WOQI PR Adjustas - CP for U1 1000/280 is on the air.
1150 KCPS IA Burlington - CP for U4 500/67 is on the air.
1160 KNEI IA Waukon - Their move from 1140 has taken place. The format remains sports from ESPN and they use the slogan "K-Sports 1160 AMO. Facilities are U1 880/26.
1220 WJUN PA Mexico - CP for U1 1000/46 is on the air.
1330 WMOR KY Morehead - Program Test Authority granted for their CP to increase the height of their tower using a folded unipole element, thereby necessitating a decrease in power. WMOR is now D1 570/0.
1360 WTAQ WI Green Bay - Program Test Authority granted to increase their day power to become U4 10000/5000.
1390 WEED NC Rocky Mount - CP for U1 5000/30 is on the air. This is a reduction in nighttime power and now non-DA operation.
1490 WAFZ FL Immokalee - CP for U1 560/700 from a new 205' tower at N26-24-34 W81-25-48 is on the air. [power correction from last issue]
1500 WAKE IN Valparaiso - CP for U1 1000/25 is on the air.

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

610 WFNZ NC Charlotte - Coordinate correction to N35-18-03 W80-53-18.
660 KGDP CA Orcutt - CP granted for a CoL change to Oildale, California and change powers to become U4 2500/2500. See Issue 26 for more details.
950 WPEN PA Philadelphia - [Update from Issue 25] Shortly after their CP for U4 5000/21000 was granted, the FCC granted a later application for U4 50000/5000 from two sites: Days at N40-09-11 W75-25-53 (the WWDB-860 site) and nights at N39-58-28 W75-16-19 (their original site). So it seems WPEN is now authorized for U4 50000/5000.
1000 WDJL AL Huntsville - CP granted to reduce daytime power and going non-DA as D1 1100/0. [See later item on WDJL in 'Reconsiderations for Applications']
1090 WILD MA Boston - CP granted to reduce day and CH powers from a shortened tower. When operational, WILD will be D1 4800/0 CH 1900 from a 196' tower vs the former height of 254'. Also, a coordinate adjustment to N42-24-10 W71-04-28.
1150 KBIS TX Highland Park - CP granted to increase their nighttime power to become U4 1000/1000 and to move to 1160 kHz. This action might speed their long-awaited move after numerous actions.
1220 WKMT NC Kings Mountain - CP granted to add a second tower in order to increase their daytime power to become U5 10000/106.

1250 WIPS NY Ticonderoga - CP granted to add nighttime service as U1 1000/85.
1370 KWTL ND Grand Forks - CP granted to increase their night power and decrease the height of their tower from 260' to 180'. When operational, KWTL will be U1 1000/280.
1380 KMUL TX Farwell - CP granted for U1 1100/10 on 830 kHz from a new transmitter site at N34-29-42 W103-23-39.
1420 KPOC AR Pocahontas - CP granted to add night service as U1 1000/118 from the adjusted coordinates of N36-16-38 W90-57-16.
1430 WDJS NC Mount Olive - CP granted for an increase in daytime power and nighttime authorization. When built, WDJS will be U5 10000/7 from an adjusted location of N35-12-26 W78-03-20.
1470 WBFC KY Stanton - CP granted to reduce daytime power to become U1 850/82 from the corrected coordinates of N37-53-14 W83-52-58.
1530 KPCR MO Bowling Green - CP granted to move to Quincy, Illinois with D1 1400/0 CH 290. KPCR has proposed a 190' tower at N39-55-51 W91-25-46.
1540 KXEL IA Waterloo - Coordinate correction to N42-10-47 92-18-38.
1580 WVKO OH Columbus - Licensed for U4 1000/250, WVKO was issued a CP for U4 5000/290 at a new site. They later filed for, and now have been granted, a CP for U4 2500/290.

GRANTS TO PENDING FACILITIES

720 WVOA NY DeWitt - New station, not yet on the air, has been granted U4 10000/390.
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APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

560 WGAN ME Portland - Coordinate adjustment to N43-41-24 W70-19-05.
610 WFNZ NC Charlotte - Coordinate adjustment to N35-18-03 W80-53-18.
910 WNDC LA Baton Rouge - Application is to increase day power and decrease night power. If granted, WNDC will become U4 1200/51.
1070 WKII FL Solana - Application is to decrease both day and night power levels and add CH operation. If approved, WKII will become U1 2300/199 CH 2300.
1210 KUNF UT Washington - Application is to decrease their nighttime power to become U1 10000/231 while changing their tower location.
1260 WI2XSO PR Mayaguez - Application is to increase both power levels to become U4 5000/1700.
1270 KEPS TX Eagle Pass - Application is to increase the height of the tower to accommodate their FM station KINL. Since the tower will be taller, they must decrease the antenna input power to maintain the effective radiated field. Also included in the application is a correction to their coordinates and the addition of night service. If granted, KEPS will become U1 890/32.
1330 WRAA VA Luray - Application is to increase their day power while decreasing their night power. If granted, WRAA will become U1 1100/26.
1450 KGFF OK Shawnee - Application is to decrease daytime power from an existing (taller) communications tower at N35-18-08 W96-55-06. If approved and built, KGFF will become U1 560/1000.
1460 KHOJ MO St. Charles - Application is to relocate their 3-tower array and add nighttime service. If granted, KHOJ will become U4 5000/85 at N38-59-05 W90-28-12.
1470 KUOL TX San Marcos - Station re-applies for U4 500/250 from two new towers at N29-52-49 W97-53-47. This facility was initially granted in 2001, and never built.
1480 KKCQ MN Fosston - Coordinate correction to N47-33-44 W95-43-30.
1490 KRNR OR Roseburg - Application is to relocate the transmitter site to that of KQEN-1240. KRNR would remain U1 1000/1000.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS SUBMITTED

840 KPMP CA Modesto - [Additional info to items in previous Issues] This new station, not yet on the air, is the proposed replacement for KTRB-860 which has been given FCC approval to move to San Francisco, has applied for several different antenna/power combinations. They have a CP for U4 4000/5000, but this latest amendment requests U4 5000/5000.
860 KTRB CA Modesto - [Additional info to items in previous Issues] Licensed for U4

50000/10000, KTRB has a CP to move to San Francisco with U4 50000/50000 from two transmitter sites. This amendment proposes to change the nighttime site, but the westward pattern remains the same. As a special condition to the CP, the operation of KTRB must not produce a radiation level of not more than 10 mV/m at the Livermore, California monitor station.

- 1010 KCPW UT Tooele - Licensed for U1 50000/13 CH 3100, KCPW holds a CP for U8 50000/178 CH 35000. This amendment requests U8 50000/175 CH 39000.
1160 KBIS TX Highland Park - Licensed for U4 1000/6, KBIS was recently granted a CP to move to 1160 kHz and increase power to become U4 35000/1000. But now, it seems they have scaled back their aspirations and requested U4 1000/1000.
1300 KKOL WA Seattle - KKOL has recently been granted a CP to increase day and night powers to become U4 50000/50000 from a new 4-tower array at N47-24-53 W122-16-42. This amendment requests U4 50000/47000.
1330 WEBY FL Milton - Licensed for U1 5000/79, WEBY holds a CP to increase their daytime power to become U5 25000/79. This request is for U5 25000/790. Maybe they missed a decimal point the first time around?
1430 WDJS NC Mount Olive - Licensed for D1 1000/0, WDJS holds a CP for U5 10000/70. This amendment requests U4 10000/3000.
1560 KILE TX Bellaire - Licensed for D1 800/0, KILE has a CP to construct six new towers at N29-19-37 W95-33-00 in order to increase their power to be D3 50000/0. This amendment requests to add 2500 nighttime Watts to their operation from a second site.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

- 960 KOVO UT Provo - Licensed for U2 5000/1000, KOVO has submitted a number of applications/amendments since January of 2004. The latest request is for U7 50000/940 CH 50000.
970 KTRW WA Spokane - Licensed for U2 5000/1000, KTRW has applied to relocate to a new site and go non-DA by reducing the night power as U1 5000/35. This amendment further decreases the nighttime power. If granted, KTRW will become U1 5000/22.
1180 KGOL TX Humble - Licensed for U4 50000/1000, KGOL has a number of applications and amendments on file. The latest (prior to this filing) is for U2 10000/4700 CH 10000. This amendment requests U4 50000/3000 along with some tower and pattern adjustments.
1220 KNTS CA Palo Alto - Licensed for U1 5000/145, KNTS has a pending application to add two towers to their single stick in order to increase their nighttime power to become U2 5000/1500. This amendment requests U4 50000/50000 from a new 4-tower site.
1250 WNEM MI Bay City - Licensed for U4 1000/129, WNEM has been trying to come up with a combination of powers and antenna configurations to the FCC's liking. Their latest amendment is for U4 5000/1100 with a change in CoL to Bridgeport, Michigan.
1300 KAZN CA Pasadena - [Update] Licensed for U4 5000/1000, KAZN applied for U4 23000/4200 from the proposed 6-tower site of KMRB-1430 at N34-07-08 W118-04-54. The FCC questioned the proposed overlap with co- and adjacent channel stations including three Auction 84 proposals in Hawaii. This amendment makes adjustments in the coverage areas and pattern plots using more accurate ground conductivity measurements.
1490 NEW MT Malstrom AFB - Original Auction 84 application was for U1 1000/570. This amendment requests U1 1000/580.
1500 KBRN TX Boerne - Licensed for D1 250/0, KBRN applied for U5 1900/20. This amendment requests U5 1900/15. [See below]
1540 NEW AK Anchorage - Original Auction 84 application was for U1 50000/50000. This amendment requests U1 50000/10000 CH 50000.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

- 540 NEW MN Sauk Rapids - Application is for U4 250/250.
1010 NEW MN Sauk Rapids - Application is for U4 1700/240.
1120 NEW ME Richmond - Application is for U4 1000/600.

- 1240 NEW MT Whitefish - Application is for U1 460/460.
1400 NEW GA Clayton - Application is for U1 1000/1000.
1400 NEW NC Jacksonville - Application is for U1 1000/1000, sharing the tower of WJNC-1240 and LP TV station W22CJ.
1440 NEW NV Elko - Application is for U2 2500/250.
1440 NEW VA Hamilton - Application is for U4 1000/5000.
1450 NEW NV Lovelock - Application is for U1 1000/1000.
1450 NEW NV Tonopah - Application is for U1 1000/250.
1450 NEW NH Lancaster - Application is for U1 1000/1000.
1450 NEW TX Iola - Application is for U1 1000/175.
1450 NEW VA Charlottesville - Application is for U1 1000/1000.
1490 NEW MI Ironwood - Application is for U1 250/250.
1490 NEW SC Cameron - Application is for U1 1000/1000.
1520 NEW GA Savannah - Application is for U4 50000/3000.
1590 NEW TX Kerrville - Application is for U2 920/200.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES DISMISSED

- 1050 KCAA CA Loma Linda - Application was to add night service as U4 1400/164.
1090 WWGC AL Albertville - Licensed for D1 500/0, WWGC had asked for CH 500, but that has been dropped. The CP for D1 500/0 from a new transmitter site is still pending.
1430 KMRB CA San Gabriel - Station requested U4 50000/9800.
1550 WAZX GA Smyrna - Licensed for U4 50000/500, WAZX applied for U5 33000/14, but that has been dropped. Their application for U5 50000/16 from a new 4-tower site is still pending.
1600 KRVA TX Cockrell Hill - Licensed for U4 5000/930, KRVA applied for 25 kW daytime with a slight adjustment to their day pattern parameters.

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR APPLICATIONS

- 1000 WDJL AL Huntsville - WDJL requested to go non-DA as D1 1100/0. [See earlier item on WDJL]
1480 WKGC FL Panama City Beach - WKGC requested a change in CoL to Southport and to move the transmitter site to a new 190' tower with U1 5000/74.
1500 KBRN TX Boerne - Station requested U5 1900/20. [See above]

AUCTION 84 APPLICATIONS REINSTATED

- 650 NEW AZ Casa Grande - Application is for U4 250/250.

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

Table with 4 columns of station call letters, state abbreviations, and city names. Includes entries like 550 KFRM KS Salina, 580 WIBW KS Topeka, 600 KSJB ND Jamestown, 610 KCSR NE Chadron, 640 WWLS OK Moore, 660 KCRO NE Omaha, 690 KGGF KS Coffeyville, 690 KOAQ NE Terrytown, 730 KLOE KS Goodland, 740 KRMG OK Tulsa, 750 KMMJ NE Grand Island, 760 KCCV KS Overland Park, 780 WJAG NE Norfolk, 780 KSPI OK Stillwater, 790 KXXX KS Colby, 800 KQCV OK Oklahoma City, 840 KTIC NE West Point, 880 KRVN NE Lexington, 890 KTLR OK Oklahoma City, 900 KSGL KS Wichita, 900 KSJK NE Columbus, 910 KINA KS Salina, 910 KVIS OK Miami, 930 KOGE NE Ogallala, 930 WKY OK Oklahoma City, 940 KVSH NE Valentine, 950 KJRG KS Newton, 960 KNEB NE Scottsbluff, 960 KGWA OK Enid, 970 KJLT NE North Platte, 970 KCFB OK Tulsa, 990 KRSL KS Russell, 1000 KTOK OK Oklahoma City, 1030 KBUF KS Holcomb, 1050 WDW IL Decatur, 1050 KKRX OK Lawton, 1050 KGTG OK Tulsa, 1060 KNLV NE Ord, 1110 KFAB NE Omaha, 1140 KRMP OK Oklahoma City, 1150 KSAL KS Salina, 1150 KNED OK McAlester, 1180 KYDZ NE Bellevue, 1190 KVSF KS Beloit, 1210 KGYN OK Guymon, 1220 KOFO KS Ottawa, 1220 KTLV OK Oklahoma City, 1230 WBBZ OK Ponca City, 1230 KTNC NE Falls City, 1230 KHAS NE Hastings, 1230 KADA OK Ada, 1240 KIUL KS Garden City, 1240 KFOR NE Lincoln, 1240 KODY NE North Platte, 1240 KOKL OK Okmulgee, 1250 KTFJ NE Dakota City, 1260 KIMB NE Kimball, 1260 KWSH OK Wewoka, 1270 KSCB KS Liberal, 1270 KRVT OK Claremore, 1280 KSOK KS Arkansas City, 1280 KCNI NE Broken Bow, 1280 KPRV OK Poteau, 1290 KWLS KS Pratt, 1290 KKAR NE Omaha, 1300 KBRL NE McCook, 1300 KAKC OK Tulsa, 1310 KFLA KS Scott City, 1310 KGMT NE Fairbury, 1310 KNOX ND Grand Forks, 1310 KCLI OK Clinton, 1320 KOLT NE Scottsbluff, 1340 WSOY IL Decatur, 1340 KCKN KS Kansas City, 1340 KSEK KS Pittsburg, 1340 KHUB NE Fremont, 1340 KGFW NE Kearney, 1340 KSID NE Sidney, 1340 KIHN OK Hugo, 1340 KEBC OK Midwest City, 1340 KTFX OK Sand Springs

1350	KMAN	KS	Manhattan	1420	KULY	KS	Ulysses	1500	KPGM	OK	Pawhuska
1350	KBRX	NE	O'Neill	1420	KGJS	OK	Hobart	1510	KNNS	KS	Larned
1350	KPNS	OK	Duncan	1430	KRGI	NE	Grand Island	1510	KTTT	NE	Columbus
1360	KAHS	KS	El Dorado	1430	KTbz	OK	Tulsa	1520	KOKC	OK	Oklahoma City
1360	KBYO	LA	Tallulah	1440	KMAJ	KS	Topeka	1530	KQNK	KS	Norton
1370	KALN	KS	Iola	1450	KWBW	KS	Hutchinson	1530	KXTD	OK	Wagoner
1370	KNGN	NE	McCook	1450	KWBE	NE	Beatrice	1540	KLKC	KS	Parsons
1370	KAWL	NE	York	1450	KWHW	OK	Altus	1550	KDCC	KS	Dodge City
1370	KGNO	KS	Dodge City	1450	KGFF	OK	Shawnee	1550	KICS	NE	Hastings
1380	KCNW	KS	Fairway	1450	KSIW	OK	Woodward	1550	KMAD	OK	Madill
1380	KUVR	NE	Holdredge	1450	KNSI	MN	St. Cloud	1550	KYAL	OK	Sapulpa
1380	KXCA	OK	Lawton	1460	KKOY	KS	Chanute	1560	KABI	KS	Abilene
1380	KMUS	OK	Sperry	1460	KXPN	NE	Kearney	1560	KOCY	OK	Dell City
1390	KNCK	NE	Concordia	1470	KAIR	KS	Atchison	1570	KNDY	KS	Marysville
1400	KAYS	KS	Hays	1470	KYUU	KS	Liberal	1570	KTAT	OK	Frederick
1400	KBRB	NE	Ainsworth	1470	KVLH	OK	Pauls Valley	1570	KMUR	OK	Prior
1400	KCOW	NE	Alliance	1470	KITO	OK	Vinita	1580	KAMI	NE	Cozad
1400	KLIN	NE	Lincoln	1480	KCZZ	KS	Mission	1580	WNPZ	TN	Knoxville
1400	KWON	OK	Bartlesville	1480	KLMS	NE	Lincoln	1590	KVGB	KS	Great Bend
1400	KTMC	OK	McAlester	1490	KTOP	KS	Topeka	1590	KTCH	NE	Wayne
1400	KREF	OK	Norman	1490	KKAN	KS	Phillipsburg	1590	KWEY	OK	Weatherford
1410	KKLO	KS	Leavenworth	1490	KMFS	OK	Guthrie	1600	KMDO	KS	Fort Scott
1410	KGSO	KS	Wichita	1490	KBIX	OK	Muskogee	1600	KRFS	NE	Superior
1410	KOOQ	NE	North Platte	1500	KSTP	MN	St. Paul	1620	KOZN	NE	Bellevue
1420	KJCK	KS	Junction City								

LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATIONS REINSTATED

980	WAAA	NC	Winston-Salem [Was a Red-Light dismissal]
1150	KWKY	IA	Des Moines

NORTH OF THE 49th

□ The move of **CHUC-1450 Cobourg, Ontario** to FM (107.9 MHz, 1.03 kW) has been approved by the CRTC. So another Canadian Graveyarder bites the dust. Not only is CHUC a Graveyarder, they are a 'Superpower' GYer with U4 8000/1000 and one of the few directional GYers. Also, the CRTC has revoked the license of **CKCQ-920 Quesnel, British Columbia**, as the FM station scheduled to replace it has taken to the airwaves at 100.3 MHz with 1800 Watts. **CBRB-860, CFRB's** low-power relay in **Banff, Alberta** will be soon be replaced by an FM station on 96.3 MHz with 1180 Watts ERP at minus 222.1 Metres, as the CRTC has approved that CBC request.

□ **Shawn Axelrod** took a break from managing Mega-Watts on the Manitoba Grid to say: "(Flight 1280) Pearson International Airport in Toronto has been suspended until further notice by Greater Toronto Airports Authority. The transmitter is still on, but the station's audio is dead and has been for a few weeks now. The reasons for the suspension are unknown at this time. The station was/is used for flight time info, traffic to and from the airport, and info on the airport."

HEAR AND THAR

□ **Perry Crabill** sends an update on WSVG: "WSVG-790, Mt. Jackson, VA, returned to the air on the morning of May 30, Memorial Day, with a local morning program until 10:00 AM. The station will sign off around 6 or 7 PM during the first week of operation, but will go to 24/7 after that. Music is Big Band, and further program details will be developed as time goes on while network and Internet connections are being established. The telephone number is 540-477-4443, and the E-mail address is wsvg@shentel.net. Studios are at the transmitter site, 543 Hawkins Road, Mt. Jackson, VA, 22842-9559, and their postal address is PO Box 425, Mt. Jackson, VA, 22842."

□ What is it with all these formats named after people?? Bob. Charlie. Jill. Tom. Frank, etc. What happened to Easy? Rockin'? Smokin'? I've heard a couple that should be called "Stinky"!

□ It has been reported that **WAML-1340 Laurel, Mississippi** (with a black gospel format and "Power Gospel 1340 slogan), and **WDXQ-1440 Cochran, Georgia** (with a Classic Hits format and slogans as "96Q WDXQ-FM") have all returned to the airwaves; OFF, but then back ON: **WBMD-750 Baltimore, Maryland, WBGR-860 Baltimore, Maryland** (with Family Radio), and **KIRL-1460 St. Charles, Missouri** (with Eternal Word Network); but **WBVA-1450 Bayside, Virginia**, and **WVAB-1550 Virginia Beach, Virginia** have turned the Plate Voltage to OFF. Also OFF, but due to extenuating circumstances, is **WCBG-1380 Waynesboro, Pennsylvania**, whose tower came tumbling down. Remember when the city of Chambersburg took the land of (the former) **WCBG-1590**, making it go off the air? Well, the owner of the 1590 facility bought the 1380 station and moved the calls there. Now his tower falls down. The guy must have broken a mirror or opened an umbrella indoors. Eh? Anyway, the 1380 facility should return when a new tower is constructed.

□ **David E. Lewis** of Kansas City, Missouri writes to inquire about the status of a couple of stations which haven't appeared in the "Renewals" sections of AM Switch. First, **WEPP-1400 in Virginia, Minnesota**. I called the number listed in the latest AM Log, and it did not answer. So, I called **KRBT-1340** in nearby **Eveleth**. After confirming all of **KBRT's** listed information I asked about **WEPP**. They confirmed 1400 was off the air, and had 'closed up shop'. But the FCC continues to list them. Concerning **WCOX-1450 in Camden, Alabama**, the FCC files show a renewal application was filed on January 12, 2005 but was dismissed. No reason is given. And no petitions for reconsideration are on file. Can anyone confirm the status of **WCOX-1450 in Camden, Alabama**? This might have been one of those "Red Light" license cancellations. If you're in the area, how about giving them a call and ask what the status of their license is.

□ **M.B. Communications, Inc.**, the owner of **WYLF-850 Penn Yan, New York** has been assessed a fine in the amount of of \$11,000 to for operating station **WYLF** with power in excess of the station's authorization during daytime, post sunset, nighttime hours, and other violations. The FCC has revoked the license of **WSTX-970 Christiansted, U. S. Virgin Islands** for violations including non-functioning EAS equipment, and failures to respond to FCC correspondence.

□ Thanks to **Frank Aden, Shawn Axelrod, Perry Crabill, Bill Dvorak, Bill Harms, Wayne Heinen, Deane McIntyre, Mike Riorden, Jerry Starr**, and a cast of tens.

Some thoughts on DX Tests in general, and issues with QSL's...

By Les Rayburn, NRC/IRCA Broadcast Test Coordinator

At least during the recent past, both clubs have always offered to provide QSL services to any station that does not wish to handle the chore. To date, only two have taken us up on the offer.

In the future, we'll try to more "strongly suggest" that stations take that option. However, I am always reluctant to see posts that complain about the lack of a QSL response on the e-mail lists. I think that anything that comes across as a complaint or a demand on the part of DX'ers makes it more difficult to get stations to test at all.

My goal as Broadcast Test Coordinator is to make it as easy as possible for a station to say "yes" to a test request. Like any negotiation that means making as few demands on the other party as possible.

Members can rest assured that we always start off requesting tests with plenty of advance notice, daytime power/pattern, clear QSL routes, etc, etc. Sometimes we end up with tests that don't meet our "perfect" scenario, but remain grateful for whatever the station can provide.

I strongly believe that "beggars cannot be choosers". And encourage members to treat stations with kid gloves when approaching them about tests, QSLs, or suspected problems. Try to be good ambassadors for our hobby at all times.

Likewise, I want to encourage all members to adapt to the changing landscape of radio. DX'ers have to use new tools, technology and techniques.

While IBOC, fewer tests, more stations per channel etc. all make DXing more difficult these days, we also have a bevy of new tools to combat those problems.

If you're not a member of the NRC "DX Tips" e-mail list, for instance, shame on you! My cell phone routinely goes off in the late evenings with tips from my fellow DX'ers. Alerting me to many new stations that I otherwise might have missed.

When I'm at the dials, I also try to bring up #mwdx at www.starchat.net. Identifying a station halfway across the country is easy when you can compare notes with someone closer to the station in real time. Plus it's just tons of fun!

I use Total Recorder to capture TOH ID's every night of the week, and www.1000000watts.com to help identify those recordings the next day. Think of what our members of 20 years ago could have accomplished with these tools.

And most importantly, be thankful to those hard working, under paid station engineers who put up with our hobby. We're blessed to have many of them on this list, and never want our comments to be misunderstood.

I'd also like to thank the many members who have approached their personal contacts within the broadcast industry to help arrange for tests. If you're interested in trying to set up a test in your area for next season, please contact me first. We can provide any interested member with all kinds of tools including form letters, test material, and QSL's. Our goal is to make it as easy for the station as possible.

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FROM THE VAST WESTLAND

- * After an incredible almost 10-page column last month, this month's DDXD-W is back to a more normal size. One doesn't have to listen long to note that the AM band has gone into a more summer-like mode. Still, there is some good stuff to hear out there, and loyal Vast Westland reporters are hearing it. Thank you very much for sending in your loggings!
- * Dale Park wears three hats in this month's DDXD-W— as a reporter from Hawaii, as a reporter from California, and as the source for some great station news. Well done, Dale!
- * By now, special events station CJML 580, described in last month's DDXD-W, has come and gone. See "Station News" below for Morris Sorensen's logging of this station. Also, it is worth noting the equipment that Morris was using while listening to it (see "Reporters" below). Talk about getting "In the Mood" (in more than one way) for this forties memories station!
- * DDXD-W readers may remember this from last month. In my intro, I quoted word-for-word an amusing ID from then-stunting WCPT 850. If anybody is interested in hearing this ID, it is up on the NRC website. Please use this URL to access it: <http://www.nrcdxas.org/audio/>. 73 Bill

Reporters

- DB-IA Doug Beard, Springville. Wife's 1969 Motorola portable.
 DBJ-TN David B. Jones, Springfield. Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.
 DP-HI Dale Park, Honolulu. Sangean ATS-818CS, Terk AM1000 loop.
 DP-CA1 Dale Park, DXing in Palo Alto. Sangean ATS-818CS.
 DP-CA2 Dale Park, DXing in Aptos. Sangean ATS-818CS.
 DP-CA3 Dale Park, DXing in Fairfield. Jeep radio.
 DP-CA4 Dale Park, DXing in Santa Clara. Jeep radio.
 EW-NE Ernie Wesolowski, Omaha. Station news.
 GH-IL Greg Harris, Park Forest. FRG100B, Quantum loop or indoor shielded loop with MFJ956 coupler; RS DX-398 or GE SRIII with internal antennas.
 JS-MN John Sampson, Grand Rapids. Collins R388 with Kiwa Loop.
 JV-KY John F. Vervoort, Madisonville. Grundig YB 400PE (battery powered).
 JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge. Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
 MR-UT Mike Riordan, Salt Lake City. Station news.
 MS-MB Morris Sorensen, Winnipeg. Hallicrafters S-38 plus indoor wire or tube model Zenith Trans-Oceanic with Zenith Wave Magnet antenna.
 PG-CO Patrick Griffith, Westminster. Drake R-8 and Kiwa loop
 RT-MN Rick Turner, Bemidji. Grundig YB400PE, Select-A-Tenna 541.
 Ed.-WI Your editor, Madison. Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.

Station News

- 580 CJML MB Winnipeg. 5/2 1130-1205. Good but not great signal for a local with 1937-1939 music and nostalgia sponsored by "Peak of the Market." 99 watts and on until May 14 with war era plus pre-war and post-war memories and music in celebration of 60th anniversary of VE (Victory in Europe) Day. Per station, schedule is approximately 0700-2200 CDT daily from Deer Park Lodge in west end of city. (MS-MB)
- 610 KFRC CA San Francisco. 5/4 1738. A's baseball vs. Detroit, jingle "KFRC"; full ID at 1805: "The 2005 Oakland A's on 6-10 AM KFRC San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose." Also noted with religious call-in show "Open Forum with Dr. Harold Camping," not // sister station KEAR-FM 106.9 which had different "Open Forum" edition. However, noted on 5/9 // FM. Per visit to station (located

at 290 Hegenberger Rd., Oakland 94621-1491) 5/9, spokesman did not know when KFRC-AM will officially become KEAR, but eventually all programming will move from FM to AM. AM mostly runs "Open Forum." (DP-CA1) (Dale first reported KFRC's ownership change to Family Radio in DDXD-W #72-26. Thanks for the detailed follow-up, Dale! Ed.-WI)

- 820 KUTR UT Taylorsville. Station hit airwaves on 5/9 with talk format, women's issues. Station was testing all night from 5/3 to 5/8 with night pattern and night power, as per conversation with station's chief engineer. (MR-UT)
- 1110 KFAB NE Omaha. Is in the process of replacing the last of its three original self-standing towers (the other two were destroyed in a 1975 storm). While this project is going on, the station has an STA to run 5 kw non-directional at night from the center tower of its three-tower array (it continues to be 50kw non-directional daytime). During this time, it should be easier to hear KFAB in the East. (EW-NE)
- 1160 WYLL IL Chicago. Per Chicago Sun-Times and Billboard Radio Monitor, station upped its nighttime power from 5 to 50 kW 4/7. According to Billboard, "The daytime signal covers all of the Chicago metro area with a "city grade" signal that reaches as far north as the outskirts of Milwaukee, about 40 miles to the west (about halfway to Rockford, Ill.) and as far as South Bend, Ind., to the east. A city grade signal represents the coverage area where most radios (including portable Walkman-type) should provide good reception. The larger protected signal contour for WYLL, within which better-quality radios and most car radios can pick up the signal, extends north of Milwaukee both day and night. At night, the new signal contour is reduced somewhat to the south while the signal remains strong in the direction of Milwaukee. Salem said in a press release the daytime signal covers more than 9 million people and that the nighttime coverage trims back that coverage area by about 300,000 people." (DP-HI)
- 1160 KNEI IA Waukon. 5-17 1659. Local ads, ID, ESPN. Fair, well over WYLL. Now here, ex-1140. Per phone call, announcer said they've been here about two weeks, and are 24 hour. FCC and radio-locator.com say they are U1 880/26. (DB-IA)
- 1160 KSL UT Salt Lake City. As per conversation with station's chief engineer, KSL will be going to IBOC. ARF!!! (MR-UT)
- 1230 KCUP OR Toledo. Adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" per program 5/28; format change? (DP-HI)
- 1350 KABQ NM Albuquerque. Adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" per program 5/28. (DP-HI)
- 1440 WLWI AL Montgomery. Adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" per program 5/28. (DP-HI)
- 1550 KYCY CA San Francisco. Per Contra Costa Times, station dropped all its syndicated and paid programming 5/16 in favor of all-podcasts, calling itself "KYOU Open Source Radio." (DP-HI)
- 1640 WKSH WI Sussex. Is now broadcasting its Radio Disney format in IBOC. Thanks to Madison DXAS member Glenn Schroeder, who called on 5/10, informing me of this development. (Ed.-WI)
- Tentative and UnID
- 670 UNID IDed RA-NV's unID "Radio Uno" in issue 72/26 is undoubtedly XESOS in Agua Prieta, Sonora, which uses this slogan and puts in a good signal throughout the southwest. Ex-1140. (JW-CO)
- 930 KSEIt ID Pocatello. 5/9 0227. Ad for Buzzard Company appliance store on Second Street in Pocatello, back to Fox Sports Radio // KTCT 1050. Fair to poor. (DP-CA1)
- 960 UNID 5/6 0412. Sounded like Sean Hannity underneath KQKE-CA running Randi Rhodes; KKNT-AZ? Poor. (DP-CA1)
- Regular DX Loggings (times in ELT)
- 540 KXME CA Carmel Valley. 5/7 0958. SS Semi-local station with long station promo mentioning traffic coverage, woman giving ID "Escuecha...kah-ehkes-emme-eh, Carmel Valley..." Radio Visa promo, ad for Production Auto Painting in Salinas. No EE ID heard. Last heard as KSRK last year. Ironically, callsign belonged to a hip-hop FM station in Honolulu until early this year. (DP-CA2)

NEWS
TALK **940**
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540 WFLF FL Pine Hill. 5/15 0300. Spot for Rush Limbaugh, ID as "WFLA." (DBJ-TN)
 580 CKPR ON Thunder Bay. 5/6 0106. "One hit after another, the music you love, the music you remember, AM 580", followed by CKPR jingle into Hall and Oates "Maneater". Took turns with WKTY pinning the signal strength indicator. (RT-MN)
 580 WKTY WI La Crosse. 5/6 0200. "Western Wisconsin's sports leader, AM 580 WKTY La Crosse" into ABC news (per NRC Log, they are CBS). (RT-MN)
 590 KCSJ CO Pueblo. 5/16 0400. Very strong at times with local ads at TOH (followed by news and return to "Coast to Coast") during auroral conditions that included a pipeline to Colorado; mixing with the junk that the former WOW is now broadcasting. (JS-MN)
 600 KOGO CA San Diego. 5/6 0501. ABC news, at 0502 slogan "...24 hours a day, this is Newsradio 600 KOGO," into San Diego news, sports, weather and Metro Traffic, with plug for Channel 4 coverage of Padres baseball. Tagline "San Diego's News Talk and Weather Station, The Big One, KOGO," into "Coast to Coast AM" re-feed. Fair; unID music underneath, KFRC 610 QRM. (DP-CA1)
 620 KPOJ OR Portland. 5/6 0507. Noted in passing with "Rachel Maddow Show" from Air America, 5 seconds behind // KQKE 960, KTLK 1150. Poor, KFRC 610 QRM. (DP-CA1)
 630 KPLY NV Reno. 5/9 1410. Noted in passing with ESPN Radio's "Dan Patrick Show." Poor; over/under KIDD (which incidentally was // KCTC-1320). (DP-CA3)
 630 KJSL MO Saint Louis. 5/15 0840. "Shout-aloud on AM630 KJSL" by a male announcer. Some slight splatter from WTMJ 620, medium strength signal, no fading and slight summer static. (GH-IL)
 650 CKOM SK Saskatoon. 5/13 0100. "News Radio 650 CKOM Saskatoon. It's 11 o'clock" into news. Lost to WSM carrying Fox news, instead of CBS per NRC Log. (RT-MN)
 660 CFFR AB Calgary. 5/14 0106. "Hard Day's Night" by The Beatles, followed by "66 CFR" slogan ID. (RT-MN)
 690 KOAQ NE Terrytown. 5/17 0206. "On Broadway", "We'll Sing In The Sunshine" followed by AP Network News and local weather, "The Oldies Station, KOAQ". 65 watts per NRC Log. (RT-MN)
 730 KWOA MN Worthington. 5/30 0100. "This is the tri-state's information source since 1947, AM 730 KWOA Worthington." Into CBS news, then ESPN sports. Solid for about 10 minutes then back under CKDM. Distance is 548 miles from me - listed as 159 watts ND. (PG-CO)
 770 CHQR AL Calgary. 5/25 0100. "AM 770 CHQR Calgary" into news. Kate Smith's "God Bless America" noted underneath. (RT-MN)
 770 WABC NY New York. 5/26 0000. John Batchelor Show, "WABC, New York" jingle into ABC news. Faded shortly thereafter. (RT-MN)
 770 KATL MT Miles City. 5/26 0005. Up briefly with callsign ID into 80's style music. Lost to splatter from WBBM. (RT-MN)
 830 KOTC MO Kennett. 5/14 2000. C&W music, ID "Cotton Country 830." (DBJ-TN)
 850 WPFM TN Fairview. 5/12 0900. C&W music, spots for local businesses, and promo for "the new 850 WPFM" (they got a new solid state transmitter). (DBJ-TN)
 870 WQRX AL Valley Head. 5/17 2030. Spanish religious songs and preaching in Spanish by a man. No sign of WWL. (DBJ-TN)
 870 WHCU NY Ithaca. 5/20 0059. Poor to fair in WWL null, distant thunderstorm static, with AP Radio News, legal ID into CBS news at TOH. Uses slogan "Newsradio WHCU. NEW! (Ed.-WI)
 880 WCBS NY New York. 5/7 2305. "WCBS Newstime is 11:05" by male announcer. Bad WLS 890 slop. (GH-IL)
 920 KLMR CO Lamar. 5/16 0415. Local weather, announcement promoting their agricultural news and into C&W music. Quite strong at times, mixing with semi-local KWAD Wadena. First time heard here. (JS-MN)
 930 WKCT KY Bowling Green. 5/7 0203. "Newstalk 93 WKCT" by a male announcer. (GH-IL)
 930 WTAD IL Quincy. 5/13 0159. "TalkRadio 930 WTAD" by a male announcer. Sort of surfaced under WAUR. (GH-IL)
 940 KPSZ IA Des Moines. 5/7 2106. Christian music and ID as "Praise 940 KPSZ." Pleas-

ant surprise as sends little power this way during the day; surfaced all alone briefly. (JS-MN)
 940 KWRU CA Fresno. 5/9 1358. Noted in passing listing stations in the network including Santa Maria, KDBV Salinas; network ID "Radio Vida, La Cadena... Cristo, el centro Cristiana...." Fair to good. (DP-CA3)
 940 WSPZ MI South Haven. 5/18 1159. Joint ID with 103.7 FM by a man. (GH-IL)
 950 KTNF MN Saint Louis Park. 5/23 0300. Quite strong at times; good SIDs, of the order "KTNF, Saint Louis Park, Minneapolis, Saint Paul, Air America Minnesota." Heavy QRM from CFAM Altona MB. Very unusual to hear either station very strong here at night; generally 950 is dominated by WWJ, who was a distant third during this logging. (JS-MN)
 970 KCFO OK Tulsa. 5/19 0100. Legal ID "AM 970 KCFO Tulsa." Blasting in; Log says U4 2500 1000. (DBJ-TN)
 970 KCFO OK Tulsa. 5/31 2315. Right Here On KCFO" by male announcer. No sign of normally dominant WMAV. (GH-IL)
 980 WONE OH Dayton. 5/7 2130. Arena football game (Columbus Destroyers Radio Network), IDed as "980 Homer" and "the sports animal"; surprisingly strong. (JS-MN)
 990 WCAZ IL Carthage. 5/15 1859. "WCAZ Carthage" by male announcer. Bad QRM from WMVP... the Quantum comes through again! I listened to these guys from 1754 until 1900, and heard no ID's at 1800 or 1830. I'm sending them a reception report... will address it to the general manager and mention this "no ID" thing. Doesn't seem right. (GH-IL)
 1010 CFRB ON Toronto. 5/13 0206. "You're on Newstalk 1010 CFRB" by a woman. Call-in political show, many IDs. WMVP splatter. (GH-IL)
 1010 KXEN MO Festus-Saint Louis. 5/14 1900. Gospel music program. Legal ID by a woman at 1915. No sign of CFRB. (DBJ-TN)
 1130 KRDU CA Dinuba. 5/28 0756. "Haven Today" hosted by Charlie Mack plugging its series of KidsPraise CDs; dead air or faint praise music, ID at 0759 "...radio station, KRDU Dinuba...1130 AM." Feature "Our Community" about Memorial Day followed. Poor to very poor; probable CKWX underneath. (DP-HI)
 1140 WVLE IL Pekin. 5/6 1108. "For the masses... (unreadable) WVLE AM and FM." (GH-IL)
 1150 KSAL KS Salina. 5/15 0200. Local Salina weather forecast, ID as "1150 Newsradio KSAL" into "Coast to Coast AM." (DBJ-TN)
 1150 KSAL KS Salina. 5/27 0046. "Newsradio 11-50 KSAL Salina." Over WLOC. 1150 kHz #5. (JV-KY)
 1150 WLOC KY Munfordville. 5/27 0047. "WLOC" jingle ID. Listed as 61 watts at night. Mixing with KSAL. (JV-KY)
 1150 CKOC ON Hamilton. 5/30 0321. "World's Greatest Oldies, Oldies 1150 CKOC" by male announcer. (GH-IL)
 1160 WYLL IL Chicago. 5/18 0230. Religious music and preaching. Severe QRM from WAMB, a semi-pest here, not powering down. (DBJ-TN)
 1210 KGYN OK Guymon. 5/8 0628. "Don't miss the KGYN Coffee Shop" by a male announcer. Decent signal, but with some QRM and some slop from WRTO 1200. (GH-IL)
 1270 WXYT MI Detroit. 5/28 2305. "ESPN 1270 WXYT Detroit" by a male announcer. (GH-IL)
 1290 WIRL IL Peoria. 5/14 1854. "Classic Country 1290 WIRL." Was able to pull their signal through heavy "mush" from Radio Disney station WRDZ 1300; would never have done it without the loop. Note: these guys are ex-WWFS. (GH-IL)
 1300 WOOD MI Grand Rapids. 5/22 2251. "Newsradio 1300 Wood (pronounced as a callsign not as a word). Got it under WRDZ 1300 Chicago. (GH-IL)
 1310 WDXI TN Jackson. 5/21 2230. "This is 1310 WDXI." (GH-IL)
 1320 WJAS PA Pittsburgh. 5/27 0023. "There is no music like our music, 13-20 WJAS." Mainly dominating the frequency, but with WTTL 1310 splatter. (JV-KY)
 1320 WILS MI Lansing. 6/1 2300. "Unforgettable 1320 WILS" by a male announcer, and nostalgic music. (GH-IL)
 1330 WLOL MN Minneapolis. 5/7 2050. Catholic programming, IDing as "Relevant Radio for the Twin Cities" and mentioning that it was listener supported. Very strong here at night but subject to quite a bit of slop from local KOZY 1320. (JS-MN)
 1330 WYRD SC Greenville. 5/22 0001. ID "1330 / 950 Word" by a woman after weather forecast. Note: calls pronounced as a word, not individual letters. First SC... once

again the Quantum antenna pays off. (GH-IL)

1340 KCQL NM Aztec. 5/27 0159. Legal ID at 0159:52 "KCQL Aztec - Farmington - Durango, Fox Sports 1340," then Fox National Sports Report at exact TOH. Fair in KCFR null. (JW-CO)

1340 KVRH CO Salida. 5/27 0400. Out of oldies song and into ID at 0200:04: "KVRH Salida - Buena Vista - Leadville, AM 1340, the only station in the upper Arkansas valley." AP news followed; the same ID/news sequence also occurred at 0502 and 0601. Fair at best in null of local KCFR. (JW-CO)

1360 WTAQ WI Green Bay. 6/2 0332. "Newsradio 1360 WTAQ" by a male announcer. (GH-IL)

1370 KWTL ND Grand Forks. 5/8 1300. EWTN programming, SID as "Grand Forks' 24 hour Catholic Radio Station." All alone but quite weak and subject to considerable splatter from KKBJ 1360, who's about 60 miles from me but right in line with Grand Forks. (JS-MN)

1370 WLLM IL Lincoln. 5/9 1001. "On WLLM AM" by male announcer. Usually strong WLTH was momentarily and inexplicably silent, allowing this one to sneak through. Moments later they came up, wiping WLLM out. (GH-IL)

1380 WTJK IL South Beloit. 5/10 1125. "ESPN Radio 1380 AM WTJK" by male. (GH-IL)

1410 WLAQ GA Rome. 5/23 2030. Rome Braves minor league baseball. Ad for Rome Insurance Agency. (DBJ-TN)

1450 KYNT SD Yankton. 5/26 0602. ID barely pushing thru the muck at 0602:20 "We're your Home Team, AM 1450 KYNT Yankton..." followed by ABC news. (JW-CO)

1460 KABL CA Salinas. 5/7 1557. Semi-local station with Rosemary Clooney song "That Old Devil Moon"; ID "KABL Salinas-Monterey-Carmel, part of the Cable Radio Network, presided over by the Chairman of the Board," snippet of Frank Sinatra song. Slogan "14-60 The Paisano, Now that's Music." DJ Mark Herman mentions "Home of America's Best Music." Last heard from Hawaii as KION; unable to ascertain if // KABL-FM 92.1 Walnut Creek. (DP-CA2)

1460 KDMA MN Montevideo. 5/23 2200. Briefly on top of the frequency with C&W music, into ABC News; mixing with KKAQ, rarely heard here. (JS-MN)

1460 WBRN MI Big Rapids. 5/27 2255. "Right Here on WBRN Big Rapids" by a male announcer. Bad slop from local WCSJ 1470—I could null out some but not all of it. (GH-IL)

1470 WMBD IL Peoria. 5/8 0425. "1470 WMBD" by a male announcer. Through local WCSJ. (GH-IL)

1490 KXRA MN Alexandria. 5/7 1320. Death and Funeral Notices, followed by MNN News, difficult in the null of KQDS; rapid and deep fades made listening difficult. (JS-MN)

1510 KCUV CO Littleton. 5/16 0445. Almost local strength with rock music, normally dominant WLAC totally absent. (JS-MN)

1520 WHOW IL Clinton. 5/12 0920. "WHOW Community Calendar" by a woman. (GH-IL)

1530 KZNX TX Creedmoor. 5/8 0159. ESPN promos, joint legal ID with KWNX 1260, into "Sports Center." Poor to fair under WCKY. The FCC database lists this station as a daytimer, with a CP for 12 watts night. NEW! Thanks to several postings on the NRC list for this one, as station is suddenly being widely reported. (Ed.-WI)

1530 KZNX TX Creedmoor. 5/13 0100. Spurs vs. Supersonics NBA playoffs. ID ESPN 1530/1260. (DBJ-TN)

1540 WLOI IN La Porte. 5/19 1100. Local "swap shop" call-ins and ID "AM 1540 WLOI" by a man. (GH-IL)

1550 WXOL OH Delaware. 5/31 0529. "1550 WXOL" in EE by Hispanic man, then into SS talk. (GH-IL)

1580 WWSJ MI Saint Johns. 5/27 2125. "...Joy1580 WWSJ" by a woman followed by a female vocal song. Station fought for "1580 supremacy" with an ESPN outlet on frequency (suspect WDND). (GH-IL)

1600 KZGX MN Watertown. 5/7 1245. SS, many mentions of "Double X", quasi English SID at 1300; all alone during the day and fairly strong, but fades sounded more like skywave than groundwave. (JS-MN)

1600 WFIS SC Fountain Inn. 5/10 2030. Braves vs. Rockies baseball, ad for a local catfish restaurant. (DBJ-TN)

1660 KXOL UT Brigham City. 5/26 2100. Oldies music and mentions of Utah. (DBJ-TN)

TIS, HAR, Etc.

530 WNPZ947 CA San Jose. 5/10 1830-1900. Mineta San Jose International Airport station noted off the air while rushing there; two other TIS heard but weakly. (DP-CA4)

DDXD-East

REPORTERS

MKB-NY Mike Brooker, DXing from Central Park, New York City - Grundig YB-400PE.

HJH-PA Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre - Zenith Trans Oceanic, Kiwa Pocket Loop.

RJ-NC Russ Johnson, Lexington - Sony 2010, Panasonic RF-2200, Degen 1103, Palstar R30, long wires.

JK-MD Joe Kureth, Uniontown - RS DX-398.

IEN-GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - 1981 Panasonic AM/FM/TV Portable.

IEN+GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - 1981 Panasonic AM/FM/TV Portable and Select-A-Tenna.

IEN*GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - Sangean ATS 909 and Select-A-Tenna.

IEN#GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - Sangean ATS 909.

IEN**GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - 2003 Isuzu Rodeo In-Dash Audio System.

IEN++GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - 2002 Nissan Sentra GXE In-Dash Audio System CY310.

JR-NY Jim Renfrew, Byron - Drake R8B, beverages, and Quantum Phaser.

PRESUMED AND UNID

1290 WFBGp PA Altoona - 4/22 0650 - presumed with male and female talk show hosts making fun of Gov. Ed Rendell of Pennsylvania. WFBG is only PA station on 1290. (RJ-NC)

1530 KZNXp TX Creedmore - 5/8 0034 - over/under WCKY with ESPN. Ad for dating service in Austin with 512 area code. Overboard. (JK-MD)

STATION LOGGINGS

620 WKHB PA Irwin - 4/10 0715 - Bellview Knights of Columbus sponsoring reading of Rosary. Then classic 60's / 70's jingles for WKHB. Pittsburgh weather. (RJ-NC)

640 WGOC TN Blountville - 5/18 2036 - Classic country. Good signal. "... AM 640, WGOC". (IEN*GA)

660 WLFJ SC Greenville - 5/14 2030 - Urban Contemporary Gospel. Good, steady signal. "Christian Talk 660". (IEN#GA)

840 WHGH GA Thomasville - 5/11 2030 - Urban type music and sign-off. Good signal with fades. "WHGH...Clear Channel AM". (IEN#GA)

970 WGTK KY Louisville - 5/18 2045 - Louisville Bats Baseball. Good signal mixed with splatter from WRFC on 960 just up the road in Jefferson, GA. "... Bats Baseball on Newstalk 970, WGTK". (IEN*GA)

1170 WAVS FL Davie - 5/10 2055 - Hot Talk with The Duke of Earle... News and Happenings in the Caribbean. Good signal with slight fading and nearby lightning crashes. "The Duke of Earle on the Caribbean Connection" and "WAVS". (IEN+GA)

1230 WODI VA Brookneal - 5/1 0030 - Morse code ID and sweep tones as part of DX test. (RJ-NC)

1240 WEKR TN Fayetteville - 5/7 2105 - "This is WEKR - Fayetteville." Male announcer. (RJ-NC)

WTWA GA Thomson - 5/8 0559 - "15 years of ?? tradition, AM 1240 WTWA, in the heart of..." (RJ-NC)

1250 WBRM NC Marion - 5/11 2333 - Country music. Decent signal on top of the mix. "McDowell's own AM 1250, WBRM". (IEN-GA)

1260 WYDE AL Birmingham - 4/22 0738 - Traffic update for Birmingham. Weather report for Central Alabama. References to // 101.1 FM. (RJ-NC)

1280 WHVR PA Hanover - 4/22 0707 - WHVR news update. Ad for Adams County Bank. Promo for WHVR Country Club Card. (RJ-NC)

1290 WHKY NC Hickory - 5/8 2015 - IDs during promotional announcements, weak. (HJH-PA)

WJCV NC Jacksonville - 5/8 2028 - Very good with Gospel programming. Promo: "Listen to 'A Time For Freedom' right here on inspirational AM WJCV". New. (HJH-PA)

1310 WDKD SC Kingstree - 5/8 2104 - Multi ID "95.5 WZRC, WIDD, WFIN-92.7 and WDKD."

- 1320 WCOG NC Oldies format, ad for store in Bishopville. (HJH-PA)
Greensboro - 5/11 2300 - Radio Disney fare. Good signal, but would fade to mix with Merle Haggard from somewhere from time-to-time. "Radio Disney, WCOG Greensboro". (IEN*GA)
- 1350 WZNN NC Black Mountain - 4/25 2059 - "NewsTalk 1350 WZNN, Black Mountain-Ashville and now CNN news." (RJ-NC)
- WNNG GA Warner Robins - 4/26 0705 - "Time is 5 minutes after 7, 62 degrees, here is your news Warner Robins from AM 1350..." (RJ-NC)
- 1390 WHMA AL Anniston - 4/22 0743 - "Best deals on FORds in Talladega are at Jim Preuitt Ford Mercury." (RJ-NC)
- WRSC PA State College - 5/7 2033 - Turned on the RF-2200 and was rewarded with an immediate ID of "1390 - WRSC." (RJ-NC)
- WLUA SC Belton - 5/27 2353 - Oldies. Decent signal fading in and out of the mix. "At 1390 on your AM Dial, this is WLUA... Anderson". (IEN*GA)
- 1400 WLTA GA Alpharetta - 5/18 0803 - Religious programming and ads. Decent signal in the morning static. "... on 970 and 1400 AM" & "Atlanta's Christian Talk, WNTV, 970 and 1400 AM". (IEN++GA)
- 1470 WBTX VA Broadway - 4/22 0758 - Female announcer "...for 1470 WBTX." Promo for cake sale fundraiser. (RJ-NC)
- WMBD IL Peoria - 5/7 2205 - ABC News, Rush Limbaugh ad, local weather forecast into The Best of Art Bell. Good signal with slight fading. "1470, WMBD". (IEN-GA)
- 1480 WYZE GA Atlanta - 5/16 0750 - Gospel music and ads for upcoming concerts. Atlanta area weather and traffic. Decent, steady signal along with the morning static. "Atlanta's Gospel Voice". (IEN++GA)
- 1500 WDPC GA Dallas - 5/15 1800 - Gospel music. Good, steady signal with Oldies buried underneath. "You're listening to WDPC in Dallas, Georgia. You're spending your day with the Lord." (IEN**GA)
- WGHT NJ Pompton Lakes - 5/29 1121 - fair with promo for WGHT's polka show, slogan "North Jersey's 1500 GHT", local weather ending with "right now it's sunny and 68 GHT degrees". (MKB-NY)
- 1520 WTRI MD Brunswick - 4/22 0806 - "1520 WTRI." Then NOS music (Englebert or Tom Jones... I always confuse those two). (RJ-NC)
- KRHW MO Sikeston - 5/22 0030 - over/under WWKB. "Classic country KRHW" slogan between most songs. Patsy Cline, Ronnie Milsap, etc. Good also on 5/17 0302. Weekend staff forgetting the night pattern switch? New. (JK-MD)
- 1530 KZNX TX Creedmore - 5/8 0035 - NBA Playoffs. Dallas Mavericks 116, Houston Rockets 76. Strong over WCKY in Cincinnati, Ohio with slight fades. "Austin's ESPN Radio". (IEN*GA)
- WYNE PA Northeast - 5/18 2150 - heard on 1529.96, classical music pounding WCKY, parallel to WMCE-FM web audio. New with these call letters. Some isn't pulling the switch at the right time. (JR-NY)
- 1570 WCLE TN Cleveland - 5/28 0011 - Baseball game. Decent signal fading in and out of the mix. "This is 1570, WLCE Cleveland". (IEN*GA)
- 1580 WXRA KY Georgetown - 5/14 2040 - Cincinnati Reds Baseball. Decent signal with fades. "Cincinnati Reds Baseball on La Pantera, 1580 AM". (IEN#GA)
- 1590 WAIK IL Galesburg - 5/7 2212 - ABC News, Chicago White Sox spot into oldies. Decent signal in the mix with fades. "... on WAIK". (IEN-GA)
- 1710 Pirate NY Brooklyn - 5/29 1150 - crappy modulation with usual EE Talmudic commentary and talk about the Lubavitcher Rebbe (rabbi) and the Moshiach (Messiah). (MKB-NY)
- TIS/HAR
- 550 WPQB670 NY - 5/29 1126 - over WMCA-570 slop with ID as "this is the New York State Department of Transportation Highway Advisory Radio station WPQB670, operating on 550 on your AM dial", promo for www.dot.state.ny.us website. (MKB-NY)
- 590 WPPF979 NJ - 5/29 1156 - fair to nil with road conditions, ID as "This is the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Highway Advisory Radio WPPF979, 590 on your AM dial". (MKB-NY)
- 1640 WPLT248 NY - 5/29 1135 - poor-nil with New York State Thruway construction updates, ID as "WPLT248, operating on 1640 on the AM dial". (MKB-NY)

International DX Digest

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Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELI, subtract 5 hrs.

The Summer 2005 WRTH update is now available for free at www.wrth.com as a pdf download, a nice companion to EMWG and PAL for your personal computer reference library.

Just when you thought it was safe to turn on the radio, the Earth took a direct hit from the Sun, producing visible aurora with the K-index max'd out at 9 on May 15th. It wasn't necessarily a bad thing as some DXers could be heard yelling "Gooooooal!" after they tuned to 1100 kilohertz.

Remember, the new DX season begins when the previous season ends, on the longest day of the year.

Transatlantic DX

- 603 SPAIN RNE5 synchros MAY 5 0024 - Parallel 855 with Spanish talk by woman; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 612 MOROCCO RTM A, Sebaa-Aioun MAY 5 0015 - Parallel 207 with male Arabic vocal, strings, and back-up group; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE1 synchros, Santa Cruz de Tenerife et al. MAY 5 0028 - Parallel 855 with Spanish teletalk; way over other station. [Connelly-MA]
- 684 SPAIN RNE1 Sevilla MAY 5 0036 - Parallel 855 with Spanish newstalk; very good with WRKO phased. [Connelly-MA]
- 693 AZORES Centro Regional da RDP, Terceira MAY 5 0007 - Parallel 837 with man and woman in Portuguese; at low audio level on fat carrier. [Connelly-MA]
- 711.06 WESTERN SAHARA RTM Laayoune MAY 4 2300 - Arabic talk by man; through 720 CHTN slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 774 SPAIN RNE1 synchros MAY 5 0038 - Man and woman in Spanish; loud. [Connelly-MA]
- 783 MAURITANIA R.Mauritanie, Nouakchott MAY 5 0004 - Rustic North African group vocal with drums and blues guitar, then woman in Arabic; loud! At 0041 bluesy vocal and guitar plucking; strongest TA - bombing in at S9+25 dB! [Connelly-MA]
- 801 SPAIN RNE1 synchros MAY 5 0043 - Parallel 774 with woman in Spanish; in 800 PJB slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 819 MOROCCO RTM Rabat MAY 5 0028 - Parallel stronger 612 with flute music, talk by woman; at low audio level on good-strength carrier. [Connelly-MA]
- 837 AZORES Centro Regional da RDP, Pico da Barrosa MAY 5 0001 - Portuguese news; mixed with others. [Connelly-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE1 synchros MAY 5 0024 - Parallel 603 with woman in Spanish; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 864 FRANCE France Bleu, Paris MAY 5 0054 - Romantic male-female duet vocal; fair. [Connelly-MA] MAY 13 0225 - Loud and clear; nostalgic French vocal. [Conti-NH]
- 873 SPAIN SER synchros MAY 5 0055 - Parallel 1116 with phone interview; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 890.98 ALGERIA Chaîne 1, Algiers MAY 5 0056 - Man yelling in Arabic; huge. [Connelly-MA]
- 945 FRANCE France Info, Toulouse MAY 5 0059 - Parallel 1377 with tropical music; fair to good. [Connelly-MA] MAY 13 0240 - Good; piano instrumental parallel 1206 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 981 ALGERIA RTVA Chaîne 2, Algiers MAY 4 2305 - Arabic vocal; over unID talker; to fair peak with WCAP phased. [Connelly-MA]
- 1008 CANARY ISLANDS Punto Radio, Las Palmas MAY 5 0111 - Non-SER Spanish talk; atop Holland and Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 1008 NETHERLANDS R.10 Gold, Flevoland MAY 5 0110 - "The Beat Goes On" by Sonny & Cher; briefly atop Canary Islands and Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 1017 SPAIN RNE5 synchros MAY 5 0112 - Spanish teletalk; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1044 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aioun MAY 4 2308 - Rustic Berber style music; noted in tight phase null of WBZ IBOC glop that was spread all the way from 1034 to 1046 kHz. Nulling the WBZ crud didn't allow me to put full null on 1050 WEPN at about a 50° bearing difference. A bit of 1040 CJMS chatter after knocking out 1050 was all I ever had to worry about pre-IBOC. [Connelly-MA]
- 1044 SPAIN SER synchros MAY 5 0122 - Parallel 1116 with Spanish teletalk; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1071 SPAIN Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao MAY 5 0136 - Parallel 1197 with Spanish talk by woman; through bad CBA slop. [Connelly-MA]

- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros MAY 5 0128 - English teletalk; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1098 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros MAY 5 0129 - Parallel 774 with echoey Spanish talk; loud. [Connelly-MA]
- 1116 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros MAY 5 0055 - Parallel 873 with Spanish teletalk/interview; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1125 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros MAY 4 2312 - Spanish talk; barely over others. [Connelly-MA]
- 1134 **CROATIA** *Glas Hrvatske, Zadar* MAY 4 2250 - Slavic talk by man and woman; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1143 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros MAY 4 2349 - Parallel 1224 with Spanish talk, teletalk; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1152 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros MAY 4 2350 - Parallel 1503 with folk Spanish duet with acoustic guitar; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1170 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** *R.Farda, Al Dhabiya* MAY 14 0120 - Good in WWVA null; pop music parallel 1575 and 9805, no sign of off-frequency 1169 Iran. [Conti-NH]
- 1179 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** *SER* synchros MAY 5 0134 - Parallel 1116 with light music; excellent. [Connelly-MA]
- 1196.7 unID MAY 4 2355 - Angola the probable off-channel station here, creating het against 1197 Spain/others. [Connelly-MA]
- 1197 **SPAIN** *Euskadi Irratia, Vitoria* MAY 5 0136 - Parallel 1071 with woman in Spanish; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1206 **FRANCE** *France Info, Bordeaux* MAY 4 2247 - French discussion, interview; fading up. [Connelly-MA] MAY 13 0240 - Excellent; piano jazz instrumental. [Conti-NH]
- 1224 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros MAY 4 2349 - Parallel 1143 with Spanish teletalk; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1287 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros MAY 5 0138 - Parallel 1116 with jazz, talk by woman; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1296 **SPAIN** *COPE* Valencia MAY 5 0140 - Spanish interview and teletalk; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1359 **SPAIN** *RNE* Arganda del Rey MAY 5 0143 - Parallel 1098 with woman in Spanish; loud. [Connelly-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** *France Info, Lille* MAY 5 0059 - Parallel 945 with tropical music; to fair peak through 1380 WMYF slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1404 **FRANCE** *France Info* synchros MAY 13 0232 - Fair; woman in French with news parallel 1206 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1422 **GERMANY** *DLF Heusweiler* MAY 5 0144 - Classical music; excellent. [Connelly-MA] MAY 13 0215 - Good; classical music, woman in German, parallel 6190 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1431 **DJIBOUTI** *R.Sawa, Arta* MAY 5 0145 - Arabic vocal, talk by man and woman; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1503 **IRAN** *IRIB Sarasary, Bushehr* MAY 14 0052 - Good; Koranic vocal. [Conti-NH]
- 1503 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros MAY 4 2350 - Parallel 1152 with Spanish folk vocal and guitar; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1512 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA* Jeddah MAY 13 0205 - Fair; presumed with *Call of Islam* per WRTH and EMWG. [Conti-NH]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA* Duba MAY 4 2232 - Parallel 9555 and 9870 with man in Arabic; fair to good, more than an hour before sunset. [Connelly-MA]
- 1548 **KUWAIT** *R.Sawa, Kuwait City* MAY 14 0042 - Fair; Middle Eastern pop music. [Conti-NH]
- 1575 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** *R.Farda, Al Dhabiya* MAY 12 0102 - Good with pop and rock songs, vocals mostly by females, announcements in Farsi by woman and man and news. Parallel to 9805, 9615 and 9865 kHz. ID and web site given. So far, attempts to get a report through, either by e-mail or snail mail, are unsuccessful. [Dangerfield-PA] MAY 13 0120 Good; pop music parallel 9805. + MAY 14 0040 - Good, fading up to local-like by 0050; Arabic music parallel 9805 kHz. [Conti-NH] MAY 14 0024-0121 - Fair with pop music, news, man and woman in Farsi or Arabic, several IDs, parallel to 9615, 9805 (best), and 9865 kHz. Country #93 heard from Massachusetts. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 1584 **CEUTA** *RadiOlé, Ceuta* MAY 14 0015 - Poor; Spanish pop music, the only transatlantic signal at this time. [Conti-NH]
- 1593 **KUWAIT** *R.Free Iraq, Kuwait City* MAY 13 0145 - Fair; Middle Eastern music parallel www.iraqhurr.org Internet broadcast. [Conti-NH]

Ben speaks: May has been mostly a poor month for both TAs and LAs but those brief flurries can be fun. Around May 11th and 12th good old *R.Farda* appeared again with enough for another try for a verie. As I have chronicled previously all my attempts to make a contact have been unsuccessful. This time I had some clear reception of 1575 backed up by the SW parallels which I learned are the summer

schedule while the 2005 WRTH seems to list only winter. I now have a listing of the *R.Farda* summer SW stations. Then I sent an e-mail to the address given in the 2005 WRTH which promptly bounced but I made a print-out and sent it to the Washington DC address from the same WRTH. Mike Hardester next gave me an e-mail address of the *R.Farda* director which I sent and it did not bounce - but then he hasn't replied as yet. So I'm still waiting. Then came the auroral conditions and thanks to Marc DeLorenzo's DX-tip I logged 1100 *R.Globo*, São Paulo after phasing WTAM. And a little later I checked 1220 and logged *R.Globo*, Rio de Janeiro. Both had the same football game in Portuguese. I think I also had 1000 *R.Record* but the frequency was too jumbled to tell.

My April trip down the Amazon from Iquitos, Peru, with a stop in Leticia, Colombia to Manaus, Brazil was fun but a DX fiasco as I tripped and fell on the ship and broke my Kiwa pocket loop. I do have a picture of an anaconda wrapped around me taken at the Leticia zoo. And I know how to get into and out of Zodiacs.



Pan-American DX

- 580 **VENEZUELA** *YVMJ* Maracaibo MAY 5 0020 - Venezuelan adverts; over HIAF, WKAQ, and WTAG. [Connelly-MA]
- 640 **GUADELOUPE** *R.Guadeloupe, Pointe-à-Pitre* MAY 5 0127 - Man in French; over CBN, WNNZ, and YVQO. [Connelly-MA]
- 670 **CUBA** *CMQ R.Rebelde, Arroyo Arenas* MAY 5 0031 - Parallel 5025 with Cuban political speech; over Venezuela. [Connelly-MA]
- 680 **PUERTO RICO** *WAPA* San Juan MAY 5 0034 - Puerto Rican news; good with WRKO phased. [Connelly-MA]
- 750 **CUBA** *R.Progreso, Trinidad* MAY 27 0115 - Fair in WSB null; ballads parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 750 **VENEZUELA** *YVKS RCR* Caracas MAY 5 0037 - RCR ID, Spanish talk; dominant over CBGY. [Connelly-MA]
- 754.8 **CUBA** *R.Progreso* MAY 14 0145 - Poor; sounded like it was parallel 640, audio was intermittent and distorted. [Conti-NH]
- 760 **COLOMBIA** *HJAJ RCN Barranquilla* MAY 5 0107 - Parallel 1000 with RCN Spanish talk; dominant over Brazil, Venezuela, others. [Connelly-MA]
- 780 **VENEZUELA** *YVMN R.Coro, Coro* MAY 5 0042 - Coro mention; slightly over jumble of CFDR and others, badly slopped by huge signal of adjacent 783 Mauritania. [Connelly-MA] MAY 19 0136 - Big signal with South American songs, male and female vocalists. Announcements regarding Venezuela and *R.Coro*. A tip-off to auroral conditions. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 800 **NETHERLANDS ANTILLES** *PJB TransWorld Radio, Bonaire* MAY 5 0045 - Piano music, then ID in Spanish as "Radio Transmundial"; dominant over domestics. [Connelly-MA]
- 820 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** *Trinity Broadcast Network / R.Paradise, Charlestown* MAY 5 0048 - Talk mixing apocalyptic religion and politics: scriptural references and mentions of the nuclear arsenals being built in Iran and North Korea; way over WNYC. [Connelly-MA]
- 860 **CUBA** *CMBL R.Relej, Arroyo Arenas* MAY 5 0103 - "RR" code beeps in the midst of a huge pile-up of unintelligible Latin American signals. [Connelly-MA]
- 870 **CUBA** *R.Relej, Sancti Spiritus* MAY 27 0140 - Loud wobbling over WLVP and unID domestics. [Conti-NH]
- 890 **CUBA** *R.Progreso, Chambas* MAY 27 2130 - Good through some 900 WSNH splatter; "onda de la alegría" ID, discussion between a man and woman parallel 640 and 750 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 910 **VENEZUELA** *YVRQ RQ-910, Caracas* MAY 5 0057 - "RQ" (erray-coo) IDs; loud, way over WABI. [Connelly-MA]
- 942 **CUBA** *R.Progreso* MAY 27 0205 - Loud het against 940 CINW and WMAC. [Conti-NH]
- 950 **CUBA** *R.Relej, La Habana or Mayarí Arriba* MAY 28 0155 - Minute markers and RR code IDs through WROL, CKNB, and unID domestics. [Conti-NH]
- 980 **CUBA** *COCO Habana* MAY 16 0023 - Back from the dead. Good signal in WRNE Gulf Breeze null. Makes it over 970 WFLA digital roar which is 60 dB on R-390 s-meter from the beach. [Zecchino-FL]
- 1000 **BRAZIL** *ZYK522 R.Record, São Paulo* MAY 5 0108 - Fast Portuguese talk came up over the Colombian. [Connelly-MA]
- 1000 **COLOMBIA** *HJAQ RCN Cartagena* MAY 5 0107 - Parallel 760 with man in Spanish; over jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- 1020 **CUBA** *R.Relej, unknown location* MAY 5 0116 - "RR" beeps getting through YVRS, YVMX, and ZP14. [Connelly-MA]
- 1020 **VENEZUELA** *YVMX R.Calendario, Maracaibo* MAY 5 0120 - *Radio Calendario* ID momen-

- tarily atop the pile. [Connelly-MA]
 1020 **VENEZUELA** YVRS *Mundial Margarita*, La Asunción MAY 5 0115 - *Mundial Margarita* ID; rising up over ZP14, YVMX, and Cuba for a while. [Connelly-MA]
 1020.06 **PARAGUAY** ZP14 *R.Nanduti*, Asunción MAY 5 0114 - The log of the evening! A bit of Andean style music, then reverberated Spanish talk (that had an accent making it sound a bit like Portuguese), two Nanduti mentions; briefly atop the pile with a low growl from the slight frequency offset. The last time I heard Paraguay from Massachusetts was on 645 back in the '70s. [Connelly-MA]
 1080 **VENEZUELA** YVQJ *R.Barcelona*, Barcelona MAY 5 0125 - *Radio Barcelona* ID, folk style vocal; mixed with WTIC. [Connelly-MA]
 1090 **VENEZUELA** YVSZ *Unión R.*, Caracas MAY 5 0128 - *Union Radio* mention, news in Spanish; under WBAL. [Connelly-MA]
 1100 **BRAZIL** ZYK694 *R.Globo*, São Paulo MAY 5 0130 - Reverberated sports-related Portuguese talk; good with WTAM phased. [Connelly-MA] MAY 19 0025-0134 - Alone on the frequency in auroral conditions with soccer match described by two very excited men in Portuguese. The signal would fade every five minutes or so but always returned a minute later. No trace of WTAM or anything else! [DeLorenzo-MA] MAY 19 0153 - Fair with football, man in Portuguese. With WTAM phased *Globo* was alone on the frequency. Later noted parallel to 1220 *R.Globo*. First Brazil logging in many months. Back in the 1960s Brazil was fairly easy and 1180 *R.Globo* was often heard in mid-evening. [Dangerfield-PA] MAY 20 0035 - Good on south Ewe without phasing; excited talk in Portuguese, perhaps sports commentary, and signature *Globo* IDs. [Conti-NH] MAY 20 0043 - *R.Globo* made it here to Maryland with a fairly good signal in WTAM null. Heard a rapid fire male with presumed sports talk and numerous *Radio Globo* IDs. [Harms-MD]
 1110 **VENEZUELA** YVQT *R.Carúpano*, Carúpano MAY 5 0131 - Venezuela and Carúpano mentions, then Spanish version of "Alone Again Naturally"; dominant. [Connelly-MA]
 1130 **BRAZIL** unID MAY 4 2320 - Belem or Rio de Janeiro here with Portuguese talk, country-influenced vocal, "cultura" mention; in WBBR null. [Connelly-MA]
 1200 unID MAY 5 0139 - Venezuela suspected as the Spanish talker over WKOX. [Connelly-MA]
 1220 **BRAZIL** ZYJ458 *R.Globo*, Rio de Janeiro MAY 19 0232 - Fair and atop frequency with help of phasing and with the same football game by a man in Portuguese that was on 1100 kHz. [Dangerfield-PA]

Transpacific DX

- 612 **AUSTRALIA** 4QR Brisbane MAY 28 1102 - Tentative; National Rugby League game with two play-by-play men, score announced as Parramatta 26, Sharks 16; armchair quality at times, parallel 702. Fair to poor. [Park-HI]
 630 **AUSTRALIA** 4QN Townsville MAY 27 1058 - Man doing stand-up routine with audience laughing; jingle and woman with announcement, "ABC Local Radio Queensland," news theme and ABC news with woman, state weather, and "This is ABC Radio Queensland," then man with program. Very poor; local interference, deep fades. [Park-HI]

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International News

ARGENTINA: AM 1710, Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires, is now in 1710 kHz (ex-1700 kHz) with experimental program (romantic music in Spanish and IDs). The station has a web page in www.am1700.com.ar. Is possible to hear "AM 1710" in the third harmonic: 5130 kHz (1710 x 3). [Arnaldo Slaen, HCDX, via Vincent Lecler and Jim Renfrew, MWC]

73 and Good DX!

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Your successes in obtaining QSL's and other station items

Welcome to the latest edition of "Confirmed DXer." The entire NRC owes Greg Myers thanks for his terrific work over the years on this column, and it's a little intimidating to be following in his footsteps!

In addition to items about the latest veries you've received, I'd like to feature your tips and techniques for extracting veries out of stations today. For example, years ago it was standard operating procedure to send reception reports to the chief engineer at a station. But today does it make more sense to send your report to the station manager or program director? Do you get better results with a "DX hobby" report, or do you find it more effective to just pose as an ordinary "distant listener"? I'd be interested in adding your input about such matters to this column in the months ahead.

And now for the latest veries received. . . .

- 670 **WSCR** **Chicago, IL.** Partial data letter, v/s Greg Davis, Chief Engineer. Received in 10 days for mint stamps. (DBJ-TN)
 800 **CKLW** **Windsor, ON.** Partial data letter and sticker, v/s Heidi Baiden, Promo Director. Received in 21 days for \$1.00 U.S. (DBJ-TN)
 820 **WOSU** **Columbus, OH.** Full data letter and station promo items. V/s Alysia Lobert Smith, Audience Advocate. Received in 12 days for mint stamps (returned). (DBJ-TN)
 1140 **CHRB** **High River, AB.** Partial data letter and sticker, v/s Crystal Suitor, Office Administrator. Received in 27 days for \$1.00 U.S. (DBJ-TN)
 1150 **KSEN** **Shelby, MT.** Very friendly partial data letter and serial numbered window sticker in 21 days. Also returned the \$1 I enclosed for return postage. Letter mentions that this is the smallest market that Clear Channel serves. Station heard in absence of my local 1150 (KNRC) which is dark at the moment. V/s: Jim Sargent, PD. Address: 830 Oilfield Avenue, Shelby 59474. (PG-CO)
 1150 **WCRK** **Morristown, TN.** Frequency-only letter by mail, in 10 days, for written report and stamped-addressed envelope. V/s: Anisa Croxdale, Program Director. Power stated as 500 watts. Also, reported reception "... from outside Atlanta, GA." (MH-NC)
 1240 **WSDR** **Sterling, IL.** No-data letter and sticker; v/s Brian Zschiesche. Received in 11 days for mint stamps. (DBJ-TN)
 1400 **KWUF** **Pagosa Springs, CO.** Full data letter and sticker in seven days from Will Spears, Owner. (JW-CO)
 1450 **KTSP** **St. George, UT.** Full data letter and prepared card for 2000 reception of former call of KZNU. V/s Kelton Lloyd. (JW-CO)
 1460 **KTFW** **Burleson, TX.** Prepared card in ten days for follow-up. V/a Gary Moss, President. (JW-CO)
 1500 **KPGM** **Pawhuska, OK.** Note on report "You are correct—this was us" in 8 days from v/s Kevin Potter. Also received small stickers. (JW-CO)
 1610 **WPKZ221** **Fort Lauderdale, FL.** City of Fort Lauderdale TIS, full data letter in seven days after follow-up. V/s Mark Dennin, Public Info Office. (GM-FL)
 1640 **KFXV** **Enid, OK.** Frequency-only letter in 6 days from Hiram Champlin, Owner. (JW-CO)
 1660 **KRZI** **Waco, TX.** Prepared card in 11 days for follow-up. V/s illegible. Sent to and received from this address: Simmons Media Group, 220 S. 2nd Street, Suite 2B2, Waco, TX 76701. (JW-CO)

Many thanks to my first found of contributors! I'd love to have your submissions for the next edition:

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Here is more baseball information. Steve Kennedy sent me a Los Angeles Dodgers pocket schedule, which duplicates the information I had in a previous column. Both Joe Kuerth, Jr. and Jerry Conkling sent me updates on the Washington Nationals' network, so I decided to reprint the entire network (as I have it). As the team is new to the DC area, there could be other stations joining the network as the season progresses. And I found the 2005 Houston Astros' list online (the 2004 list had been online for a long time), so I have included it here.

Houston Astros 2005 Milo Hamilton, Alan Ashby

Houston Astros (SS) 2005 Alex Trevino, Ernesto Ruiz

http://houston.astros.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/hou/schedule/radio_affiliates.jsp (06/02/2005)

740	KTRH-TX *	1240	KASO-LA C	1340	KRBA-TX	1550	KZRK-TX
760	KTKR-TX		KSOX-TX	1400	KTEM-TX	1560	WSLA-LA
910	KNAF-TX		KVLF-TX C	1420	KGNB-TX	1590	KGAS-TX C
1010	KBBW-TX	1280	KWHI-TX	1440	KETX-TX	1600	KOGT-TX
	KLAT-TX *S	1290	KIVY-TX	1450	KMHT-TX C		
1150	KZNE-TX	1300	KSYB-LA C		KCTI-TX	98.3	KULM-TX
1220	KMVL-TX		KVET-TX	1490	KBST-TX C	103.9	KMHT-TX C
	KSOX-TX	1310	KEZM-LA		KWUD-TX	104.7	KORI-LA
1230	KSIX-TX	1340	KNAL-TX		KYZS-TX C		

Washington Nationals 2005 Charlie Slowes, Dave Shea

http://washington.nationals.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/news/article.jsp?ymd=20050330&content_id=981014&vkey=news_was&fext=.jsp&c_id=was (04/05/2005)
(via Bill Harms, Jerry Conkling, and Joe Kuerth, Jr.)

740	WRNR-WV A	1200	WAGE-VA B	1400	WKAV-VA	103.9	WWVZ-DC *
1050	WFED-DC *d	1260	WTBZ-WV	1520	WTRI-MD	104.1	WWZZ-DC *

d = day games only

A = Cincinnati Reds and Washington Nationals

B = Baltimore Orioles and Washington Nationals

C = Houston Astros and Texas Rangers

S = Spanish language broadcast

Finally, Doug Beard sent me some information on Minor League Baseball broadcasts in Iowa, per his own monitoring:

Iowa Cubs (Pacific Coast League) - 1460 KXNO-IA

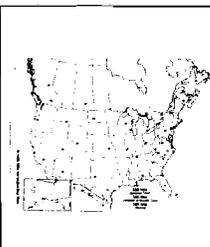
Swing of the Quad Cities, a.k.a. Quad Cities Swing (Midwest League) - 1270 WKBF-IL

Clinton Lumberkings (Midwest League) - 1390 KCLN-IA

Cedar Rapids Kernels (Midwest League) - 1600 KCRG-IA

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DX'ing 'smart', with shared tips and requests by NRC members

The items contained in this column come from recent discussions on the NRC listserv. I want to again emphasize that the contents of the answers provided below are a composite of various replies also presented on the listserv. Some are my own responses, but many are not.

Q - Is there a phasing unit which would perform similarly to the MWDX-5 commercially available?

A - Not that I'm aware of. The MWDX-5 is a passive phasing unit, using tuned LC-tank inputs and a phase-reversal transformer balanced (or phased) with a Q-spoiling pot. The Quantum and MFJ units are active.

The advantage of the passive tuned LC-tank design is that it's more efficient, low noise, no amplification required. The active units are less efficient, resulting in signal loss, requiring amplification which can produce spurs / intermod due to overload in high RF areas. However, the active units are typically easier to use, whereas the passive units will require more practice to get the feel for how they work.

Q - Which is better for trying to phase null - 2 longwires set up in opposite directions or two slopers set up the same way?

A - Two longwires or two slopers at 90-degrees to each other in theory work best. Parallel wires will work as long as there's enough distance between the wires, say upwards of 100-ft. Wires at 45 degree angles to each other work fine also.

Q - If you don't have room for two wires, would 1 wire of either type work phased with a loop?

A - Wire vs. loop works great, and is often used in car DXpeditions. Note that if using a tuned / active loop, then the loop must be Q-spoiled. A broadband loop (one large loop of wire) can be used vs. a longwire or whip successfully. The Quantum phaser can be used with a Quantum loop vs. wire/whip setup. If you don't have room for two wires, then consider the Double-Ewe antenna. It's basically two antennas in one, and it can be phased. A construction drawing is available on the BAMLog website: <http://members.aol.com/bacont/bamlog.htm>

Q - Is there a commercially-available battery-operated remote-controlled terminator unit that can be used with a longwire to make it directional?

A - None that I'm aware of. One could build one's own using a Vactrol mounted in a plastic container. Refer to Mark Connelly's WA1ION Labs website for info (<http://www.gsl.net/wa1ion/index.html>). I've found that unless working with an extremely long wire approaching Beverage length, that termination resistance has little effect. Phasing is by far more effective and versatile in producing unidirectional reception and steering or aiming the direction.

Q - I just looked at the EWE diagram on the BAMLog website (see above), and I haven't the vaguest idea how it works. Is it one piece of wire?

A - Basically, yes. It's like one huge rectangular loop of wire - a broadband loop.

Q How is it oriented?

A - Just like a loop. If the horizontals are parallel a north / south line, then the directions of reception are north / south. It produces a wide-angle cardioid pattern (like 1030 WBZ). Using the north / south example, connect to the matching transformer at the south vertical to receive south / null north. Connect to the north vertical to receive north / null south.

Q - Is it grounded?

A - No. Like a loop, it's a floating antenna and doesn't need grounding. The bottom horizontal section rests on the ground, or it can be in the air.

Q - How is it fed? It looks like there is coax from each end. Is that right?

A - Hook up the matching transformer at each end with separate 50-ohm coax cables to your radio shack. Connect one or the other directly to your receiver, or phase one against the other.

Q - Does it have to be straight across the top?

A - No. In fact it's the verticals that do all the work. It's similar to a radio station with a two-tower array like 1030 WBZ, except that it's the horizontal section across the top forcing a phase difference between the two verticals. Think of a wave traveling up one vertical, across the top horizontal, and then down the other vertical, thus out of phase with the opposite vertical. This is actually how a EWE antenna works, at least in my estimation. I simply modified the EWE antenna to provide two connections so that you could switch from one direction to the other or phase them. One could also phase one of the Double EWE connections against a wire for greater than 35 dB nulls.

Please remember to keep sending me your questions or your suggestions for future topic-oriented columns to me either via the NRCDXAS listserv, by off-line email or by regular mail! I'd like to acknowledge Bruce Conti, who provided material for answers in this column.

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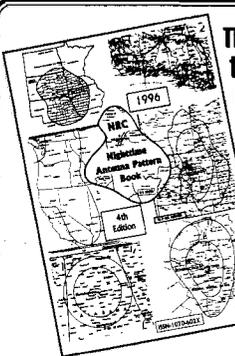
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of the Members

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Here is the NRC column that when it's missed, it's missed! When sending your items along, please keep them -and DX-related. Sorry, we do not accept coupons! Here we go:

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I haven't done any serious night DXing for a while, perhaps because of my being fed up with syndicated programs that won't identify. I like to hear music on AM radio; there are a few stations near here that play music. By the way, if you want to hear a terrific letter on local radio, DX Audio Service publisher FRED VOBBE reads one on the latest DX Audio Service tape; it's a winner. I was really surprised when BILL HALE called me on 5/3 to ask if a couple of local AM's had changed calls yet. I had read about it in the local newspaper but didn't know when it actually happened. WCSN-820 (for Chicago's Sporting News) changed to WAIT while WAIT-850 in the NW suburb of Crystal Lake changed again, this time to WCPT, for Chicago's Progressive Talk. Their 2500-watt signal covers from central WI to NW IN so Chicago gets primary coverage. We really don't need another talk station on AM here to join WIND-560 and WLS-890. With the return of WAIT to 820, which left in the 80's with its beautiful music format, which doesn't exist around here anymore, 850 got the calls and had a variety of formats. What really surprised me in the last DX NEWS was that WYLL-1160 was granted 50000 watts fulltime. I checked www.radio-locator.com and they have not listed the new power and antenna site. The former WJJD-1160 which died in 1996 had to leave the air at KSL sunset. Shortly afterwards, they were granted 4200 watts night power, which later on didn't suit the listeners of WSCR, which is why they switched it to 670 and did away with WMAQ in 2000. Sometime after that, WYPA, the Personal Achievement Station, changed to WYLL under Salem ownership. They must have a very directional pattern north, but regardless, they are still strong here at night. I can barely hear anything to the SE now, where I could hear WAMB on a regular basis in the past. I DX with a 25-year-old Superadio II, a Sangeon CCrane original, and a Radio Shack DX 392 I bought from Randy David. That's it for now.

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Already, we have received reservations for the NRC Convention this Labor Day weekend in Lansdale, PA. We are most thankful to RENE TETRO who will be opening up the facilities of 560/990 for an interesting station tour. And while in that area, look for the site of WNWR-1540; can you tell us where it REALLY is? An interesting story on the 560 and 990 set up: going back to the mid '60's when I first started listening to AM, WFIL-560 and then, WIBG-990 had one of the more interesting radio battles for listeners. WFIL was the standard ABC affiliate for years in Philadelphia, offering the local Phil Sheridan morning show, and all the network shows like Don McNeils Breakfast Club and the 2 and a half hour news blocks at night and an MoR format of music. Storer Broadcasting was the owner of WIBG at the time, and offered the area one of the first fulltime Top 40 formats but was hampered by a bad signal outside the metro Philadelphia area (their FM at the time of 94.1 filled in those places). About 1964, WFIL brought in a new, slick sounding format of TOP 40 music, and after a few years, got to be the top station. WIBG was sold a few times, even changed calls to WZZD (Wizzard 100) and went through a bunch of formats (including a year as the Phillies flagship station), finally giving way to a religious format, which it had started out as in the '30's when it was licensed to Elkins Park, PA and on 930. Now, the two stations are broadcasting from the same facilities (the old WIBG facilities in Lafayette Hill, PA). At one time, and from an old WIBG verification card I have, it showed store front studios on Walnut Street in downtown Philadelphia; does anyone remember these? For those who can tune into internet radio, Dave McCork, our guest speaker, operates WNAR on the internet (www.wnar-am.com) and as a part 15 (100 milliwatts) station on 1250. He is basically running old-time radio programs on it, including the Lone Ranger! Where have all our MUSINGS gone? We'd like to hear from you!

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