

# DX News

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*From the Publisher ...* Harry Helms has resigned effectively from the editorship of "Confirmed DX'er" for health reasons; kindly contact the publisher if you're interested in taking over his column. And the best of luck to Harry in dealing with his situation.

Seems that no one reads the front page, as 100% of you nice folks as you did before are still sending me e-mail messages and .rtf documents for publication. So allow me to repeat what I printed in the last issue, but in slightly larger type: **I've endured some upgrading of computer equipment here, and luckily "rules" for contributors have simplified: no .rtf necessary any more; just send files in Word or Word Perfect format now. But - still no files in the body of e-mails.**

In other words, no .rtfs and no e-mail copy, PLEASE!

We had to hold over several articles and Musings (keep sending those to the publisher until further notice, please) because we had more than we could squeeze into 24 pages, but just not enough for 36. Sorry.

*Akron '06 ...* John Bowker says, get those reservations in as soon as possible. More details in the next DXN.

*Common Mode Chokes ...* From Fred Vobbe: "A note from Tim Duffy K3LR suggests NRCers with some technical abilities might want to read an article by Chuck Counselman W1HIS about common mode chokes. These fairly inexpensive-to-make units when installed on antenna feed lines, power cables, etc may "substantially reduce your received noise level". This very detailed article, at 42 pages, is too long for reprinting in DXN but is available as a Word or PDF download at the Yankee Clipper Contest Club web site:

<http://www.yccc.org/Articles/articles.htm>

Although this is a ham organization, this article is of interest to anyone who wants to improve receive conditions.

*BADX ...* Bruce Conti says, "The Cape Ann Amateur Radio Association (CAARA) will host the Boston Area DXers (BADX) May meeting at the CAARA clubhouse in Gloucester MA, Friday, May 19, 7:30 p.m. The meeting will feature a demonstration of various antennas and phasing for reception of transatlantic MW DX. Visit the BADX

website for more info at [www.naswa.net/badx](http://www.naswa.net/badx) and CAARA at <http://caara.net> for directions.

Finally, Steve White of the Medium Wave Circle Club in the UK invites all DX'ers to check out the many new features included on their web site: <http://www.mwcircle.org/>

*DXChange ...* Dale Park - PO Box 10640 - Honolulu HI 96816 or [dxfool@aol.com](mailto:dxfool@aol.com). Radio Shack is offering a TRF 12-656 MW analog receiver, 520-1620 kHz coverage with a broken power switch and loose face plate for \$10 or best offer, and a Select-A-Tenna loop antenna, brown case, with a loose tuning knob, for \$15 or best offer.

Herb Newberry - 107 Trojan Circle NE - Milledgeville, GA 31061-6421 or (ppd) 478-452-7976 after 1800 EDT is selling a 3-year-old Quantum Phaser from RadioPlus+ Electronics, including the AC adaptor, instruction sheet, phaser box, and sales brochure and receipt. You'll need to add a coax jumper, PL-259 to PL-259 to run the output to your receiver. \$65 ppd, USPS MO only, please.

### DXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 73

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### DX Time Machine

#### From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the April 28, 1956 DXN: Charlie Conley, Lemoyne, PA reported that his verie total had reached 1,224, while Frank Wheeler, Erie, PA reported that his verie total was 1,234 ... from the May 19 DXN: Steve Walbridge, Pointe Claire, Quebec, noted that he tried listening on the "household" radio and found that he could hear some stations on it, without an antenna, that he couldn't hear on his Hallicrafters WITH an antenna.

25 years ago ... from the April 20, 1981 DXN: Ray Arruda, Acushnet, MA reported a 70% rate on verie requests, with 54 reports out and 38 back so far ... from the May 11 DXN: A number of DX'ers reported hearing the new VOA station in Antigua on 1580.

10 years ago ... from the May 20, 1996 DXN: Morris Sorenson, Scarborough, ON reported his first AM verie in some time from WJDM-1660 and offered to exchange Canadian stamps for USA stamps.



# AM

# Switch

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

### CALL LETTER CHANGES

	<u>Old Call</u>		<u>New Call</u>
660	NEW	FL White Springs	WNFS [See new station info below]
690	KSLJ	ID Blackfoot	KBLI [Reverts to their original call]
950	WQTK	SC Moncks Corner	WJKB
1110	WUHN	MA Pittsfield	WUPE
1260	KSSL	ID Idaho Falls	KBLY
1340	NEW	MT Kalispell	KQJZ [CP is for U1 1000/670]
1440	KITA	AR Little Rock	KTUV
1490	KYFO	UT Ogden	KOGN

### CPs ON THE AIR

660	WBHR	MN	Sauk Rapids - Program Test Authority (PTA) granted to increase their nighttime power and to adjust that pattern. <b>WBHR is now U4 10000/500.</b>
800	WNNW	MA	Lawrence - License to cover granted to increase their daytime power to become U1 3000/244.
930	KBAI	WA	Bellingham - License to Cover accepted for filing for a slight change in coordinates to N48-47-53 W122-28-01.
980	WPGA	GA	Perry - WPGA had two Construction Permits (CP): one for U1 2600/80 and the other for U1 1000/88 with a change in City-of-License (CoL) to Macon, Georgia. They are now licensed for U1 2600/80, with the CP for U1 1000/88 and the CoL change awaiting the station's action.
1080	WFTD	GA	Marietta - PTA granted for D4 50000/0 CH 30000 along with a slight coordinate adjustment to N34-01-24 W84-40-05.
1190	WIXE	NC	Monroe - CP for U1 5000/70 CH 5000, adding night operation and increasing their CH power is on the air.
1240	KBLL	MT	Helena - CP for U1 1000/850 is on the air from a new, slightly taller, tower.
1300	WKCY	VA	Harrisonburg - CP for U1 5700/22 is on the air. See Volume 72 Issue 28 for more details.
1340	WTAN	FL	Clearwater - License to Cover granted to relocate to a new transmitter site at N27-58-21 W82-47-48. WTAN remains U1 1000/1000.
1450	WVAX	VA	Charlottesville - PTA for this new station has been granted for U1 1000/1000 at N38-02-54 W78-28-12.
1460	WRVK	KY	Mount Vernon - License to Cover issued for U1 1200/93, increasing their daytime power.
1480	WCIN	OH	Cincinnati - PTA granted for U4 4500/300 from a new 4-tower (3-day/4-night) site at N39-12-43 W84-29-20.
1490	WJJM	TN	Lewisburg - Coordinate correction to N35-27-03 W86-46-57.
1570	KBCV	MO	Hollister - PTA granted for U4 5000/3000 from 4 towers (4-day/3-night) at N36-36-52 W93-12-49.
1590	WZUM	PA	Carnegie - PTA granted to add night operation as U4 1000/24 at the adjusted transmitter coordinates of N40-25-28 W80-05-05.

### GRANTS

560	KLVI	TX	Beaumont - Coordinate correction to N30-02-43 W93-52-15.
590	KSUB	UT	Cedar City - Coordinate adjustment to N37-41-50 W113-10-59.
760	KTBA	AZ	Tuba City - CP granted to change frequencies (from 1050 kHz) with U1 250/60.
770	WTOR	NY	Youngstown - CP granted to increase power to become D3 13000/0.
790	WRMS	IL	Beardstown - CP for U[4] 500/55 is on the air. [Correction from last issue]
790	WQSV	TN	Ashland City - CP granted to increase their daytime power to become U1 2000/35 from the adjusted coordinates of N36-17-08 W87-05-00.
870	KFJZ	TX	Fort Worth - CP granted for D1 1300/0 from a new transmitter site at N32-

45-42 W97-18-49.

- 900 WKDA TN **Lebanon - CP granted for N1 0/100 for an auxiliary transmitter located at the [WCRT-1160] site at N36-09-49 W86-42-55. [Correction from last issue. I cited the data from the application, which obviously preceded the call-letter two-step that took place there]**
- 950 CHER NS **Sydney - The CRTC has approved an FM station on 98.3 MHz with 100 kW at 51 metres to replace CHER.**
- 960 CHNS NS **Halifax - The CRTC has approved the move of CHNS to 89.9 MHz with 100 kW. CHNS, which went on the air in 1926 with 100 watts, is the oldest station currently operating in Nova Scotia.**
- 980 KSVC UT **Richfield - CP granted to increase their daytime power as U2 10000/1000 from two new towers at N38-47-17 W112-00-42.**
- 1030 KCWJ MO **Blue Springs - CP granted to increase their daytime power and make an adjustment to that pattern. When operational, KCWJ will become U13 5000/500 CH 5000. [U13 = same pattern days and CH; different pattern nights]**
- 1160 KMGS TX **Highland Park - Coordinate adjustment to N33-10-37 W97-40-36. This is in conjunction with their new facilities of U4 35000/1000.**
- 1170 KCBQ CA **San Diego - CP granted for U4 50000/2900 from six new towers at N32-53-42 W116-55-31, made possible by the KHCM move (below).**
- 1180 KHCM HI **Honolulu - CP granted to change frequencies (from 1170 kHz) with U1 1000/1000 at adjusted coordinates of N21-26-18 W157-59-29. One of the provisions of the CP is subject to the condition that the field strength produced by the new facility shall not exceed 40 mV / m as measured at the FCC's Waipahu, Hawaii monitoring station. They also have been issued a Special Temporary Authority (STA), the details of which are not stipulated. We have heard of an unsubstantiated report that KHCM has made the move, but as of our deadline there is no more documentation at the FCC's web site which can support that claim. We can only guess that they are now in the testing phase on 1180.**
- 1190 WAMT FL **Pine Castle-Sky Lake - CP granted to increase the height of the tower and decrease daytime power, while adding nighttime operation. When built and operational, WAMT will become U1 2200/136. The station had another application for U1 2200/105, which has been dismissed.**
- 1190 KPHN MO **Kansas City - CP granted to increase nighttime power and eliminate their Critical Hours (CH) designation. When built and operational, KPHN will become U2 5000/500.**
- 1200 WRTO IL **Chicago - CP granted to increase day and night power levels to become U4 20000/4500 from a new six tower site (4-day / 6-night) at N41-39-43 W87-37-48. This is near the intersection of 127<sup>th</sup> Street and Halstead for you local tower hunters.**
- 1460 WRVK KY **Mount Vernon - CP granted to increase day power to become U1 1200/93.**
- 1580 WTTN WI **Columbus - CP granted to change CoL (from Watertown, Wisconsin) with U16 4700/6 CH 460 from four new towers (4 day / 1 night and CH) at N43-20-04 W89-09-58. [U16 = directional days; non-DA nights and CH]**

#### GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

- 660 WNFS FL **White Springs - CP granted for U4 50000/250 from seven towers (7 day and night) at N30-19-43 W82-49-35. White Springs is in northern Florida, close to the intersection of I-10 and I-75. The obvious target market is Jacksonville as one of the two major day lobes goes due east toward J'ville.**
- 1160 KCTO MO **Cleveland - New station, not yet on the air, has been granted a CP for U4 500/230 at N38-40-26 W94-36-28.**
- 1450 NEW AK **Unalaska - CP granted for U1 4200/4200 at N53-51-36 W166-30-26. I can see the GY enthusiasts getting their Beverages ready for this one! But, alas, they will have a short (95') antenna, making things more interesting.**

#### APPLICATIONS

- 740 WMBG VA **Williamsburg - Applies to relocate to a new transmitter site and reduce their night power by ONE Watt. If approved and built, WMBG will become U1 500/7.**
- 890 WAMG MA **Dedham - Applies to increase their nighttime power to become U4 25000/6000.**

930	KBAI	WA	<b>Bellingham</b> - Coordinate correction to N48-47-53 W122-28-01.
1050	KSIS	MO	<b>Sedalia</b> - Coordinate correction to N38-44-03 W93-13-31 while remaining U1 1000/86.
1100	KDRY	TX	<b>Alamo Heights</b> - Coordinate correction to N29-33-28 W98-22-32.
1170	WPLX	TN	<b>Germantown</b> - Licensed for <b>D1 1000/0</b> , WPLX submitted an Auction 84 application to add a second tower and move to 1180 kHz with U7 2500/9 CH 2500 along with a CoL change to Capleville, Tennessee. They later amended the application for U7 5000/26 CH 2800 at a new 2-tower site. This amendment requests U7 5000/85 CH 3500 on 1180 at the new site adding a third tower, but back at Germantown.
1210	KQEQ	CA	<b>Fowler</b> - Applies to increase daytime power to become U5 5000/370 from three adjacent towers to their present operation.
1230	KDIX	ND	<b>Dickinson</b> - Applies to build a new 200' tower using a 3-wire folded unipole antenna system. KDIX would remain U1 1000/1000.
1260	KWNX	TX	<b>Taylor</b> - Applies to increase day and night power to become U4 2500/400 from a new five tower site.
1380	CKPC	ON	<b>Brantford</b> - Applies to increase day and night power to become U4 25000/25000. Both patterns would continue to be headed northerly. Oddly enough, it seems the CRTC granted CKPC a boost to 25 kW back in 1990, but the station failed to follow through with the upgrade. Let's see if they're serious this time.
1450	WVLD	GA	<b>Valdosta</b> - Applies to shorten and relocate their tower and increase the power level to become U1 1000/1000.
1450	WNBY	MI	<b>Newberry</b> - Applies to construct a new tower to replace one which has collapsed. The new tower will be 168' vs the old tower height of 216'. Coordinates will remain at N46-18-48 W85-30-38.
1490	KOMJ	NE	<b>Omaha</b> - Coordinate correction to N41-13-59 W95-58-02.
1520	WDCY	GA	<b>Douglasville</b> - Applies to increase their power levels to become D4 50000/0 CH 50000 by building four new towers at a new location.
1520	WKVQ	GA	<b>Eatonton</b> - Applies to move to 1540 kHz along with an increase to their day power and the addition of Critical Hours operation as D1 10000/0 CH 1650.
1550	KKJY	NM	<b>Albuquerque</b> - Applies to move to a new tower location and increase their nighttime power to become U1 5000/27 at the current transmitter site of KKIM-1000 and KRKE-1600. An application is concurrently being filed (see 1600 below) for the relocation of KRKE to a tower used by KXKS -1190, which is necessary to accommodate the operation on KKJY on the KKIM tower. [Confused? Me, too. But maybe this, paraphrased from the KKJY and KRKE applications, will help.] KKJY is required to relocate as the tower currently employed for KKJY is licensed to KABQ-1350, and the licensee, <u>Clear Channel</u> , wishes to employ IBoC on KABQ. This will render the use of the tower, which is one element of a directional antenna system, impossible to reasonably use for the KKJY operation only 200 kHz separated from the KABQ digital operation on 1350 kHz. KABQ is operating under an STA to allow non-directional operation during its construction. To accommodate the construction process at KABQ, KKJY has requested an STA to use the shorter of two towers at the KABQ site pending the grant of this application. As the owner of the current KKJY tower, <u>Clear Channel</u> is operating under an STA pending the completion of construction of its IBoC directional antenna system. That construction cannot be completed until KKJY no longer occupies the site, and <u>Clear Channel</u> has requested that KKJY move to its new location as soon as possible so as to resolve the STA. Expedited processing of this and the KRKE applications will enable <u>Vanguard Media</u> (KKJY and KRKE's owner) to continue providing uninterrupted broadcast service to its community of license by both KKJY and KRKE. [Whew!!]
1600	KMDO	KS	<b>Fort Scott</b> - Having lost their current transmitter site, KMDO is applying to increase day and night power levels as U1 770/48 and move the lower 160' of the current tower and the base insulator to a new site.
1600	KRKE	NM	<b>Albuquerque</b> - Applies to move to the tower site of KXKS-1190 and increase their nighttime power to become U1 10000/175. [See KKJY-1550 above for all the details.]

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

- 540 WXNH NH **Jaffrey** - New station, not yet on the air, has a **CP for U4 250/330**. This amendment requests U4 250/280 from a new site.
- 700 KHSE TX **Wylie** - KHSE has a **CP for U4 1500/920** from 6 towers (6 day & night) and was testing back in January, 2006. Some of the power measurements didn't adequately protect adjacent and co-channel stations so they are proposing the augmentation of both day and night patterns.
- 750 KHWG NV **Fallon** - New station, not yet on the air, has a **CP for U1 7500/250**. They submitted an amendment asking for U1 10000/250 CH 10000, but this latest request is for U1 10000/250, dropping the CH operation.
- 1450 NEW NM **Ruidoso** - New station, not yet built, has a **CP for U1 1000/1000**. This amendment requests to diplex their signal into the tower of KBUY-1360.
- 1510 KYOL CO **Littleton** - Licensed for U4 10000/1300, KYOL has a **CP for U4 9500/19000**. This amendment is for U4 10000/25000. These guys seem to come up with a new application every month!
- 1550 WAYI FL **Bunnell** - New station, not yet on the air, has a CP for U4 9300/200. They submitted an amendment asking for U2 9500/520 CH 9500, but this latest filing deletes the CH portion of the request.
- 1550 WAZX GA **Smyrna** - Licensed for U4 50000/500, WAZX has a **CP to decrease their nighttime power and go non-DA at night as U5 50000/16**. This amendment requests the relocation of one of their towers to accommodate local zoning requests, thus adjusting their coordinates and slightly altering their daytime pattern.
- 1560 WSQR IL **Sycamore** - Licensed for U1 198/18, WSQR has a **CP to move to 1180 kHz with D1 900/0**. This amendment requests to add nighttime operation along with the move as U1 900/1.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS

- 640 NEW WI **Rhineland** - Initial Auction 84 application was for U2 500/300. This amendment requests U2 620/420.
- 730 NEW TX **Big Spring** - Initial Auction 84 application was for U2 500/500. This amendment requests U4 230/250.
- 1030 KCWJ MO **Blue Springs** - Licensed for U4 1000/500, KCWJ applied for U7 5000/500 CH 5000, but now the CH part of that application has been deleted. The new antenna designation would be U4.
- 1070 WKII FL **Solana** - Licensed for U1 3100/260, WKII recently applied for U1 2700/233. This amendment requests U1 1800/233.
- 1100 NEW MN **Albert Lea** - Initial Auction 84 application was for U4 1000/260. This amendment requests U4 850/230.
- 1130 NEW OR **Mount Angel** - Initial Auction 84 application was for U4 3000/250, then amended to U4 15000/250. This amendment requests U4 25000/500.
- 1450 NEW HI **Hilo** - Initial Auction 84 application was for U1 250/250. This amendment requests U3 5000/5000. Judging from the pattern (kidney-shaped heading southeast) and the location of Hilo on the island of Hawaii, the pattern will serve very little of the island's land mass.
- 1540 KGBC TX **Galveston** - Licensed for U2 1000/250, KGBC applied for U4 2500/250 by adding two new towers to their site. However, complications placing one of the new towers has forced them to seek the relocation of that tower, an adjustment in the proposed daytime pattern, and a coordinate adjustment to N29-18-55 W94-48-19.
- 1560 KLTI MO **Macon** - Licensed for D1 1000/0, KLTI applied to change their CoL to Springfield, Missouri and change frequency to 660 kHz with U5 1500/44. This amendment requests U4 1500/44.

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION

- 870 NEW PA **Reading** - Back in Issue 23 we reported that the listing for this Auction 84 Application had been deleted from the FCC's database. Now, it appears the applicant, Impacto Latino, Inc., has re-applied for the same facilities (U4 850/225) from a different 6-tower (6-day/2-night) site.
- 1340 KTMP UT **Heber City** - Apparently this station was denied a renewal way back in 1999 for reasons we cannot ascertain from on-line documents, but was granted an

STA along the way. Now they are applying for a 'full' license as U1 1000/1000.

1450 KIOV ID **Payette** - Licensed for U1 1000/1000, KIOV applied to move their CoL to Notus, Idaho and build a new transmitter site with U1 1000/1000, but the FCC said 'no'. They have resubmitted the application addressing the items which the FCC cited as factors for the dismissal.

1600 WMCW IL **Harvard** - Licensed for U1 500/18, WMCW applied to change frequencies to 1180 kHz and move to Weston, Wisconsin (a suburb of Wausau) with D1 35000/0 CH 3100 which the FCC turned down. They have resubmitted the application addressing the items which the FCC cited as factors for the dismissal.

#### CONSTRUCTION PERMITS REVOKED

1070 WCSZ SC **Sans Souci** - Has had a CP to increase their nighttime power to 1800 Watts for what seems like forever. It has been dismissed and the station remains U4 50000/1500.

#### APPLICATIONS DISMISSED

1080 NEW WI **Ashwaubenon** - Auction 84 application for U4 1000/2500 has been dismissed per the applicant's request.

1170 WWLE NY **Cornwall** - Application to change frequencies to 1150 kHz with U4 2500/500 is dismissed. **WWLE remains D3 800/0.**

1550 WLOR AL **Huntsville** - Licensed for U4 50000/500, WLOR had a CP to decrease their nighttime power to 400 Watts but that has been dismissed for inaction.

1560 KILE TX **Bellaire** - Licensed for D1 800/0, KILE has a CP for D3 50000/0 and had two applications on file: one to add a 100 Watt night facility; and another for 1000 Watts nights. This action deletes the 100 Watt application at the applicant's request.

#### APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

700 NEW FL **Gibsonia** - Applies for U4 2500/250. Gibsonia is just north of Lakeland.

#### LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

550	KMVI	HI	Wailuku	1220	WPHX	ME	Sanford	1450	KLBM	OR	La Grande
567	KGUM	GU	Agana	1230	WNUZ	AL	Talladega	1480	WLPH	AL	Irondale
670	KPUA	HI	Hilo	1230	WESX	MA	Salem	1490	KYCA	AZ	Prescott
850	KHLO	HI	Hilo	1290	KUMA	OR	Pendleton	1490	KBKR	OR	Baker
860	KTRB	CA	Modesto	1310	WLOB	ME	Portland	1580	KKKK	CO	Colorado Springs
900	KBIF	CA	Fresno	1310	KACE	MO	Birch Tree	1600	KRVA	TX	Cockrell Hill
900	KNUI	HI	Kahului	1340	WYVC	CT	New Haven	1670	KHPY	CA	Moreno Valley
1050	WBNC	NH	Conway	1340	WVNR	VT	Poultney	1670	KNRO	CA	Redding
1090	WILD	MA	Boston	1370	KAST	OR	Astoria	1700	KVNS	TX	Brownsville
1170	WDIS	MA	Norfolk	1390	KLTX	CA	Long Beach				
1210	KZOO	HI	Honolulu	1450	WCUM	CT	Bridgeport				

#### LICENSE CANCELLATIONS/CALL LETTERS DELETED

1240 CJAV BC **Port Alberni** - The FM station on 93.3 MHz with 6 kW is now in operation in Port Alberni and the license of CJAV has been revoked.

#### APPLICATIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION

880 KPOE TX **Midland** - Station was issued a CP for U4 2000/500 in 2000, but was never built. The FCC cancelled the license and deleted the calls in March, but the owners are asking for more time.

960 WFIR VA **Roanoke** - Dismissed applications to move to the WVBE-610 tower with U2 10000/4650 and an amended request for U2 10000/4890 have been appealed by the licensee.

#### HEAR AND THAR

☐ Fines: WLTH-1370 **Gary, Indiana** has been assessed \$4,000 for tower lighting violations. And also on 1370, WWCB in **Corry, Pennsylvania** has been fined \$8,000 for 'repeated violations' of not maintaining their Emergency Alert System.

☐ One of the first shortwave stations I remember hearing was HCJB, 'The Voice of the Andes'. On May 6<sup>th</sup>, per the station, they aired their final English-language broadcasts on international shortwave. The Christian station's English Language Service, the organization said, is shifting its em-

phasis toward teaching English as a second language. "English was one of the first two languages, along with Spanish, to air when the station began broadcasting in Quito on Christmas Day, 1931," it said in a statement. It quoted station Director Doug Weber calling the move a refocusing or "taking some of the resources that we've been using on the broadcasts and focusing that into English-as-a-second-language (ESL) things-programming that will go out on our other (mostly Spanish) outlets." The statement continued: "We've had a very loyal audience and we're grateful to them," Weber said of the nearly 75 years of relationship via the radio. "And we're grateful to the Lord as well for the opportunity to be able to minister to so many people through our English-language broadcasts for so many years." - [From Radio World Online]

☐ Back on: **KMIA-710 Black Canyon City, Arizona** with a Spanish sports format; **WVOV-970 Danville, Virginia** with Southern gospel; **WJWK-1280 Seaford, Delaware**; **KACE-1310 Birch Tree, Missouri**; **KWDJ-1360 Ridgecrest, California** with a talk format; and **WGIV-1370 Pineville, North Carolina** with black gospel.

☐ Silent: **WOAP-1080 Owosso, Michigan**; **KLIB-1110 Roseville, California**; **WHWH-1350 Princeton, New Jersey**; and **KMDO-1600 Fort Scott, Kansas**.

☐ Thanks to **Shawn Axelrod, Perry Crabill, Wayne Heinen, Deane McIntyre, and Doug Smith**.

### GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

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

# indicates record held from Alaska or Hawaii

#### 1230 kHz:

				<u>Miles</u>	
KGEO	CA	Bakersfield	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2445
KXO	CA	El Centro	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2596
KLXR	CA	Redding	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2409
KWG	CA	Stockton	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2388
KKEE	OR	Astoria	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2551

#### 1240 kHz:

KPOD	CA	Crescent City	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2367
KJOP	CA	Lemoore	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2427
KNRY	CA	Monterey	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2321
KPAC	CA	Sacramento	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2395
KEZY	CA	San Bernardino	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2515
KSON	CA	San Diego	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2505
KSMA	CA	Santa Maria	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2357
KSUE	CA	Susanville	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2487

#### 1340 kHz:

KCBL	CA	Fresno	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2434
KOMY	CA	La Selva Beach	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2325
KIST	CA	Santa Barbara	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2390
KBBR	OR	North Bend	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2428

#### 1400 kHz:

KVTO	CA	Berkeley	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2333
KKJL	CA	San Luis Obispo	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2354
KKZL	CA	Santa Paula	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2421
XEPF	BN	Ensenada	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2525

#### 1450 kHz:

KVEN	CA	Ventura	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2411
KOBO	CA	Yuba City	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2404
XECU	SI	Los Mochis	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2954

#### 1490 kHz:

KWAC	CA	Bakersfield	Richard E. Wood	Hilo, HI	#2444
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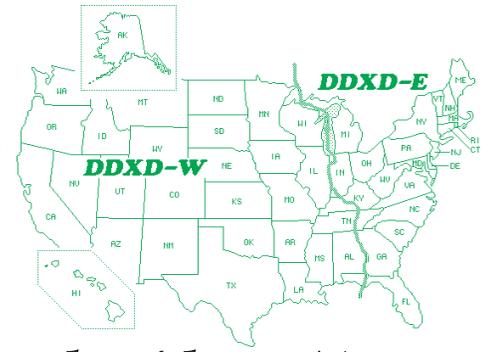
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## DDXD-West

FROM THE VAST WESTLAND

- ❁ A warm welcome (or should I say “Aloha?”) to veteran DXer **Richard E. Wood** of Keaau HI. Richard recently rejoined the NRC, and plans on reporting often to DDXD-West. We’re glad to have you on board, Richard, and look forward to your reports!
- ❁ Hard as it may be to believe, I made a mistake in the last edition of DDXD-W. As you may recall, **Doug Smith** reported receiving the text ID “WOWO” on his Boston Acoustics HD radio display. I reported that this catch was 500+ miles, when in reality it was only 330 miles. This month Doug reports getting a text ID from WOAI, and this time I can correctly say that it was 800+ miles— see WOAI 1200 in “Regular Loggings” below. Thank you very much, Doug, and please continue reporting on your experiences with the HD radio.
- ❁ Because *DXN* editorial deadlines are weeks apart in the summer, it is impossible to keep loggings as timely as they are in winter without excluding good loggings bagged early in the reporting period. I would, however, like to ask one favor of all reporters—please make sure that all loggings for the previous month are in by the current month’s deadline. In other words, please have all May loggings into your faithful Editor by June 8, June loggings by July 6, etc. This way we will keep them current to the previous month and no earlier.
- ❁ If you think you suffered *DXN* withdrawal symptoms from having to wait four weeks for this latest issue, wait until you have to wait five weeks for the next issue! CUN35! 73 Bill

### Reporters

DP-HI	<b>Dale Park, Honolulu.</b> Sangean ATS-818CS, Terk AM1000 loop.
DP-HI*	<b>Dale Park, DXing in East Honolulu.</b> Honda car radio.
DS-TN	<b>Doug Smith, Pleasant View.</b> Boston Acoustics Radio Receptor HD, 320-foot center-fed antenna.
GH-IL	<b>Greg Harris, Park Forest.</b> Icom R75/Quantum Loop.
JJR-WI	<b>John Rieger, South Milwaukee.</b> Icom IC-R75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner-preamp, GE Superadio III, Terk AM 1000 loop.
JV-KY	<b>John F. Vervoort, Madisonville.</b> Sangean ATS 818ACS/Radio Shack loop antenna.
JW-CO	<b>John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge.</b> Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
KO-IL	<b>Ken Onyschuk, Joliet.</b> Sangean CC Crane I radio.
LK-SD	<b>Lewis “Rusty” Kruger, Sioux Falls.</b> Station news.
RA-NV	<b>René Auvray, DXing in Henderson.</b> Grundig Yacht Boy 400PE.
REW-HI	<b>Richard E. Wood, Keaau.</b> Yaesu FRG-100, 350’ longwire to NE, 175’ longwire to NNE.
RT-MN	<b>Rick Turner, Bemidji.</b> YB400PE, Select-A-Tenna 541.
SA-MB	<b>Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg.</b> ICOM IC-R70, Drake R8, 4 foot unamplified box loop, Quantum loop, 155 foot outdoor wire, 100 foot indoor wire, MFJ 1026 phasing unit.
WH-CO	<b>Wayne Heinen, Aurora.</b> Drake R8B, modified 4’ NRC Altazimuth loop, N/S Flag, E/W Flag, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo w/ 2 BUF-F amplifiers, Mini-DXP5, DX Engineering RPA-1.
Ed.-WI	<b>Your editor, Madison.</b> Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.

### Station News

- 890 **KDJQ ID Meridian.** 5/2 0719. Noted with oldies music and “89 DJQ” jingles. Monitored until 0803 and heard no announcements whatsoever, until legal ID (“KDJQ Meridian”) at 0803. Dominating 890, obviously on day power. Ex-Spanish. (JW-CO)
- 1180 **KHCM HI Honolulu.** 5/1 0507. Noted here for first time, ex-1170, with C&W music and slogan “AM 11-80 KHCM, Hawai’i’s Country Music.” Rippled fading (tower

is near Pearl City). Station spokeswoman says move occurred around 4/24. Surprised station moved here, considering how strong KSSK 590's second harmonic of 1180 is in Honolulu. Sister station KUPA 1370 still off the air; they both share a tower. **(DP-HI)**

- 1260 KLDS TX **Falfurrias. 4/19 0100.** Long multi-station ID for La Cadena Radio Cristiana, including legal ID for these guys. *Now the question is, is KTUE Tulia TX, which is also on 1260, still Cadena Cristain.* Call change for me; last logged as KPSO in 1976. **(WH-CO)**
- 1310 WIBA WI **Madison.** Now carries news and features from the Wisconsin Radio network (listed as "Wi" in your NRC AM Log). National news comes from Fox. **(Ed.-WI)**
- 1330 KLBO TX **Monahans. 4/30.** This noted at night with EE oldies jingles but SS Music and dual SS/EE call IDs. Had been noted earlier in the week with oldies. Maybe part time SS or a format change? **(WH-CO)**
- 1380 KDXE AR **North Little Rock.** Per *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* and *Billboard Radio Monitor*, station drops ESPN Radio on 5/1 and switches to liberal talk featuring Air America Radio, which has a couple of its founders leasing the station. **(DP-HI)**
- 1440 KTUV AR **Little Rock.** This station recently changed to these calls, ex-KITA, and to a Spanish AC format, ex-Urban Gospel. New slogan is Potencia Latina. Thanks go to **Mike Hardester** and **Scott Fybush** for posting this information on the NRC reflector. **(Ed.-WI)**
- 1520 KSQB SD **Sioux Falls.** According to the *Sioux Falls Argus Leader*, is being sold, along with two FM stations, by Fuller Broadcasting to Backyard Broadcasting, pending FCC approval. Fuller is selling out its radio operations, leaving Backyard and Cumulus as the only two commercial radio station owners in the Sioux Falls market (with eight stations each). Among Backyard's current stations is KWSN 1230, with an ESPN sports format. Since KSQB is currently Fox sports, I can foresee an upcoming format change for one of these stations. **(LK-SD)**
- 1540 KZMP TX **University Park.** Has changed formats to Indian, Pakistani and other Indian Subcontinent communities, ex-Spanish. The station uses the slogan "Radio Salaam Namaste 1540 AM." Programming is mostly in English, but according to their website [www.radiosalaamnamaste.com](http://www.radiosalaamnamaste.com), programs are currently available in four languages, with more on the way. Streaming is also available through this website, so if you enjoy music from the Indian Subcontinent this website is a must. Thanks go to **Bill Hale** for helping me gather information on this station's new format. **(Ed.-WI)**
- 1620 WWLV IN **South Bend. 4/8 0305.** Poor to fair signals fading in and out, with love songs from the 1980's and '90's. "Love Songs 16-20" slogan. New calls (ex-WHLY; see AM Switch #73-25 Ed.-WI), format and slogan. **NEW (SA-MB)**
- 1620 WWLV IN **South Bend. 4/16 0555.** "Welcome to Love Songs 1620" and other slogan and jingle IDs. Medium strength, not as strong as they should have been. Listened for one hour and 15 minutes and heard no TOH or any other callsign ID. New callsign, ex-WHLY. **(GH-IL)**
- 1620 WWLV IN **South Bend. 4/21 0057.** Heard with songs from the 60s and 70s; a Google search described their format as "soft AC" (ex-nostalgia, per NRC Log). No callsign ID heard in three hours of listening. Instead, they use slogans like "You're listening to the all-new Love Songs 1620", and "South Bend's newest radio station." In and out with an ESPN station, probably KOZN. Previously logged as WHLY. **(RT-MN)**

#### Corrections

- 600 WMT IA **Cedar Rapids.** Reported in DDXD-W #73-25 IDing as "Newsradio 610 WMT." Should have been "Newsradio 600." **(REW-HI)** (Thanks, Richard— my fault for not catching this. Ed.-WI)

#### DX Tests

- 1020 KCKN NM **Roswell. 4/3 0217-0300.** Fair to poor through overwhelming KTNQ. Call letter Morse code ID and sweeps; male voice heard at times but no voice ID heard; C&W music including Hillbilly at 0252. A good test, and thanks to Don Niccum who verified promptly by QSL card. First DX test heard since I

reactivated in Fall 2005. Previously logged (at louder strength) as KSDS. **(REW-HI)**

1020 **KCKN NM Roswell. 4/3 0242.** Very poor but sweep tones cut through. Logged as KSWs in '68. **(JJR-WI)**

#### Presumed, Tentative, UnID

910 **UNID 4/4 0935.** Noted a "Radio Mexicana" ID. Never heard this one before. Where? **(RA-NV)** (My IRCA Mexican Log 10<sup>th</sup> Edition lists XEAO Mexicali BCN using the slogan Radio Mexicana; 1 kw days, 250 w nights. Ed-WI)

1110 **KDISt CA Pasadena. 4/23 0136.** Radio Disney programming dominant over semi-local KAOI. Fair. **(DP-HI\*)**

1130 **UNID 4/4 0935.** Station saying what sounded like KRUU. Must be new with religious programming. Over what may have been KSDO. Where? **(RA-NV)** (Probably KRDU Dinuba CA. Ed.-WI)

1170 **KFAQt OK Tulsa. 4/23 0119.** Art Bell discussing CFRA 580 Ottawa, seven seconds ahead of KEX 1190, before fading out. Very poor; KHCM off (?), heavy local QRM. Also noted KHCM's sister station KUPA 1370 off. **(DP-HI\*)** (See also Dale's entry for 1180 KHCM in Station News above. Ed.-WI)

1250 **UNID 4/4 0941-0942.** Station mentioning news in Salt Lake City and Utah. Very weak. A new one? **(RA-NV)** (Could be KNEU Roosevelt UT, U1 5000 129. Ed-WI)

1490 **UNID 4/7 0100.** Up briefly at the ToH with callsign ID, which sounded like "WGED." Probably WGEZ WI, but also possibly WGCD SC. **(RT-MN)**

1650 **UNID 4/4 0950-0956.** Air America Radio carrying Jerry Springer. Did not hear KFOX. Losing strength. Who carries Air America Radio on this channel? **(RA-NV)** (KHRO El Paso TX. Ed-WI)

#### Regular DX Loggings (times in ELT)

570 **WNAX SD Yankton. 4/9 1450-1500.** Poor, with Twins baseball vs. Cleveland. Heard while walking on quiet Cherry Hill Road near my home. Moved down the dial to 568 and the signal improved by about 50%. Indians player got a run-scoring hit and heard the crowd booing. Fair ID at around 1500. **(KO-IL)**

590 **KSUB UT Cedar City. 4/4 0956.** List of events taking place in Cedar City and vicinity. QRM from KTIE. **(RA-NV)**

590 **KID ID Idaho Falls. 4/12 0816.** Sports results "...on Newsradio 590 KID". Fair signal but mixing with other NewsTalk stations on the frequency. **(JW-CO)**

620 **KTAR AZ Phoenix. 4/4 0958.** Mentions of Fast Track Charity Auction, along with KTAR calls. Weak, fighting through QRM. **(RA-NV)**

630 **KFXD ID Boise. 4/9 0201.** ID by a man "AM 6-30 KFXD" over/under an unID SS. **(REW-HI)**

650 **KMTI UT Manti. 4/4 0957.** Utah news items. Fair. **(RA-NV)**

670 **KBOI ID Boise. 4/4 0959-1000.** Ken Weaver and Chris Walters discussing upcoming news events. Call ID noted. First time noted in recent memory. **(RA-NV)**

680 **KNBR CA San Francisco. 4/23 0700.** "KNBR 680 San Francisco, America's Favorite Sports Station" by a male announcer. Good signal. Some QRM from un-ID Fox sports station. New! **(GH-IL)**

710 **KEEL LA Shreveport. 4/12 0648.** Fair to good with local news, web info, "Keel" slogans. Never this good! **(JJR-WI)**

710 **KIRO WA Seattle. 4/19 0658.** Talk show hosted by a man (Bryan Styble per station website); ID "This is Newsradio 7-10 KIRO Seattle," into CBS news. Broke away for local news at 0704. Poor; over/under possible KSPN. **(DP-HI)**

770 **KKOB NM Albuquerque. 3/31 0134.** Civic promo "La Villa de Albuquerque, 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Albuquerque. Visit Albuquerque300.org." ID by a man "This is Newsradio 770 KKOB," into music. Good. **(REW-HI)**

780 **KAZM AZ Sedona. 5/3 0305.** Weak with call sign ID in WBBM null. **(WH-CO)**

790 **WSGW MI Saginaw. 4/30 0711.** "Newsradio 790 WSGW" by a male announcer. Weak; WBBM "slop." **(GH-IL)**

850 **WKNR OH Cleveland. 4/7 0744.** "7:44 on WKNR" and PSA for Ohio National Guard. Momentary good signal under WCPT. New! **(GH-IL)**

860 **KTRB CA Modesto. 4/6 0130-0205.** Vietnamese language, traditional Vietnamese music, into legal ID in EE by a man at 0200: "Throughout the Valley and in North and Central California, KTRB Modesto." CNN News followed. Note change

of format (at least at this time) from Newstalk to Vietnamese. Good, over/under XEMO. (REW-HI) (Brokered programming? Ed.-WI)

- 930 WTAD IL Quincy. 5/1 0030. "Talkradio 930 WTAD weather...." Weak and interference-ridden. (GH-IL)
- 940 WMIX IL Mount Vernon. 4/8 0731. "940 AM WMIX" IDs. At times a strong signal. Slight WNTD 950 "slop." New! (GH-IL)
- 950 KAHI CA Auburn. 3/29 2305. ID by a man "Kay-high," into Doo-wop music, oldie "One Summer Night." Good over/under XEKAM. (REW-HI)
- 970 WATH OH Athens. 4/2 0647. Poor with ad, WATH jingle, weather to fade out. Rare! (JJR-WI)
- 980 KFWB CA Los Angeles. 4/4 0914-0915. News about diabetes and obesity in the Crenshaw district of Los Angeles. "KFWB newstime is 6:15," into sports. Fair, slight carryover of local KNUU 970. (RA-NV)
- 1010 CFRB ON Toronto. 3/29 0035. Man with "the news on CFRB." Items from Toronto and the *Globe & Mail*. At 0036 "Reserve your bumper stickers," and later a discussion of foster care in Ontario. Quite good, over/under KCHJ and another SS, probably KIQI. Heard in the '80s, great to hear it again. (REW-HI)
- 1010 KIQI CA San Francisco. 3/29 0058. Ending sponsored show in SS on health and the body. At 0059 thanked listeners, "hasta el proximo martes....," named sponsoring doctor "aquí en los 10-10," then at 0100 ID given by a man "KIQI San Francisco and KATD Pittsburg." This was followed at 0101 by a similar show "un programa patrocinado por el Dr... con música y pensamientos de las seis a las doce de la mañana." Powerful for listed 500 watts. (REW-HI)
- 1030 KBUF KS Holcomb. 4/12 0828. Ad for a pesticide guaranteed to control alfalfa weevils; program notes, then Paul Harvey at 0830. Fair in KTWO null. (JW-CO)
- 1070 KVKK MN Verndale. 4/8 0700. Poor in WTSO null with legal ID, AP news, C&W. (JJR-WI)
- 1100 KAFY CA Bakersfield. 3/24 2310. Romantic music, then at 0320 man with "La Favorita" ID. Good through KFAQ; nice for listed 800 watts. (REW-HI)
- 1100 WTAM OH Cleveland. 4/19 2004. ID by a man "The Big One, Newsradio 11-00 WTAM Cleveland." Good over/under KFAQ and KAFY. (REW-HI)
- 1130 KWKH LA Shreveport. 4/8 0655. Good at 30/9 in local WISN null. Calls, C&W. (JJR-WI)
- 1180 WLDS IL Jacksonville. 4/29 0742. "55 degrees here at WLDS" by male announcer, plus many local ads. Medium strength signal, no QRN. (GH-IL)
- 1200 WOAI TX San Antonio. 4/13 0230. Radio captured the WOAI "text ID." Thanks to Bruce Winkelman in Oklahoma for noting WOAI's HD was on tonight. Text ID only, no digital audio. (DS-TN)
- 1230 KYVA NM Gallup. 4/12 0900. "On Target News" headlines; Paul Harvey at 0901. Fair in the mix. (JW-CO)
- 1260 KKGO CA Beverly Hills. 4/4 0937-0939. Carpenters' "Close to You." DJ was Nick Gerrard. Mention of Opening Day of Dodgers and Angels baseball season. Reception improving. (RA-NV)
- 1260 KWEI ID Weiser. 4/15 0759. "KWEI" [laser sounds] "La Consencita." (WH-CO)
- 1260 KIMB NE Kimball. 4/15 2000. Out of oldies with "KIMB Kimball, Nebraska" to network news. Weak in full daylight. (WH-CO)
- 1260 KSSL ID Idaho Falls. 4/19 0700. KSSL ID up briefly under KTRC. (WH-CO)
- 1270 KRVT OK Claremore. 4/15 0650. Poor, with "The River KRVT 1270" into ads, repeated after ads at 0654. Nostalgia. NEW! Oklahoma #23. (JJR-WI)
- 1290 WIRL IL Peoria. 4/15 0648. Poor, with calls, contest info. In with three others. Local WMCS off! (JJR-WI)
- 1290 WHKY NC Hickory. 4/26 2339. Heard ID twice. Blasting in on 50kw day power. NEW; 1290 #6, NC #9, new log #295. Thanks go to J.D. Stephens in north Alabama for the tip. (JV-KY)
- 1290 WHKY NC Hickory. 5/1 2359. Fade-up into legal ID by a man: "WHKY Hickory, talk radio for the greater Hickory metro and beyond," into ABC news. Lots of QRM from WKLJ, supposedly running 59 watts night power. Had heard weak ESPN sports (its night format) earlier, but cannot say with certainty that this was from WHKY. NEW! Thanks to J. D. Stephens for his original post on this station, and to John Vervoort for reminding me to look for this one (see above). (Ed.-WI)
- 1320 WILS MI Lansing. 4/16 2252. "Home of the Timeless Classics, 1320 WILS." Surfaced

- out of noise long enough for the ID, then faded. **(GH-IL)**
- 1320 KCLI OK Clinton. 5/1 0602. "KCLI La Mas Mexicana" and faded. **(WH-CO)**
- 1320 KYHN AR Fort Smith. 5/2 0659. "The one you should be on for Neal Boortz Saturday mornings at 10, 1650 KWHN, KYHN 1320, kwhn.com." **(WH-CO)**
- 1330 KGAK NM Gallup. 4/25 0100. Out of Navajo chanting. KGAK calls in the mess. **(WH-CO)**
- 1330 KLBS CA Los Banos. 5/2 0706. Man with news (I think) in Portuguese; into music at 0710. Fairly good on peaks, but mixing with KNSS and, later, KGAK. **(JW-CO)**
- 1340 KOMY CA La Selva Beach. 3/25 0100. ID by a man "AM 1340 KOMY Watsonville. KOMY radio news, I'm Jeff..." Good, clear. NRC Log, 20<sup>th</sup> edition, gives CoL as La Selva Beach, but ID only mentioned Watsonville, and so do all the other sources I have consulted. **(REW-HI)** **(The online FCC Database lists it as La Selva Beach. Ed.-WI)**
- 1380 KOTA SD Rapid City. 4/20 2200. "Radio 1380 KOTA Rapid City" to CBS News. **(WH-CO)**
- 1380 KFNI TX Pleasanton. 4/20 2202. "KFNI 1380 AM Pleasanton-San Antonio" to SS religious music. **(WH-CO)**
- 1380 KLPZ AZ Parker. 4/21 0400. Out of C&W with "You're listening to the all new 1380 AM KLPZ Parker, Quartzite and Sawatch," to ABC News. **(WH-CO)**
- 1380 KSRV OR Ontario. 4/21 0802. Out of oldies with "1380 The Cruise, KSRV Ontario." New for me and taped. **(WH-CO)**
- 1400 KSRR UT Provo. 4/7 0400. "Star 1400 KSRR Provo." **(WH-CO)**
- 1400 KREF OK Norman. 4/8 0500. "KREF Norman and KADA Ada." New for me and taped. **(WH-CO)**
- 1400 KTNM NM Tucumcari. 4/26 0859. Local spot; man with ID at 0900 "You're listening to KTNM 1400 Tucumcari, New Mexico". Rough copy in the pileup. **(JW-CO)**
- 1430 KFIG CA Fresno. 3/31 0000. "California News Radio, presented by Union of California." "Fresno KFIG... Bulldogs." Legal ID at 0006 "You're listening to 14-30 ESPN Radio, KFIG Fresno." Good. **(REW-HI)**
- 1430 KYKN OR Keizer. 3/31 0001. ID by a man "14-30 KYKN Keizer," into news. Good over an SS station. **(REW-HI)**
- 1430 CHKT ON Toronto. 4/30 0001. "AM 1430 CHKT" by a male announcer. Good signal but didn't last long. **(GH-IL)**
- 1440 KUHL CA Santa Maria. 4/6 0200. ABC News, followed at 0205 by "Radio Central Coast Community Calendar... Santa Maria Parks and Recreation Department swimming classes, call 925-0951, extension 260. Report your events, call 349-0265 two weeks prior to appear on the Radio Central Coast Community Calendar... at 11:30AM here on KTME... right here on your talk station." At 0228 into talk, Michael Medved subbing for Bill O'Reilly. Good. Tried for / / KTME on 1410 but with its 77 watts at night, only CFUN and XECF heard. **(REW-HI)**
- 1450 KVEN CA Ventura. 3/25 2304. Temperature in downtown Ventura, news of senior golf. At 2306 ID by a man "1450 KVEN the Boomer." Quite good, but at 2307 SS faded up, probably XECU. **(REW-HI)**
- 1490 KRIB IA Mason City. 4/2 2322. Poor in fade up with calls, oldies. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1490 WESL IL East Saint Louis. 4/8 2351. Poor in fade up with local ad, calls, urban Gospel. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1490 WODJ MI Whitehall. 4/9 0706. Very poor to poor with local (Muskegon) Public Service stuff. Rare! **(JJR-WI)**
- 1500 WGEN IL Geneseo. 4/11 0709. "Newstalk 1500 WGEN" by a male announcer. Surfaced out of terrible QRM. KSTP came up immediately after this and wiped out the frequency. New! **(GH-IL)**
- 1510 KSPA CA Ontario. 4/4 0945. Call ID and slogan "The Spa" between songs. Fair to weak (possible KFNN QRM). First time logged since November 2001. **(RA-NV)**
- 1510 KYOL CO Littleton. 4/10 0102. Oldies format, numerous mentions of "True Oldies Channel," and ID "AM 15-10, KYOL." Fair signal with some flutter. Previously logged as KCUV back in December. **(RT-MN)** (And back then, Rick was one of the first to discover this station's format change from Americana to oldies, and to report it to DDXD-W. Ed.-WI)
- 1520 WKWH IN Shelbyville. 4/2 0603. Fair, with legal ID into USA news at :03. Over others.

(JJR-WI)

- 1540 CHIN ON Toronto. 4/23 2000. "CHIN" ID sung by a female group. Relay of China Radio International in EE. Mixed with KXEL and at times overrode it. New! (GH-IL)
- 1550 WLOR AL Huntsville. 4/10 0748. "Jammin' 1550 WLOR" by a male announcer at end of weather report. Medium strength, much interference on frequency. New!! (GH-IL)
- 1550 KSFT MO Saint Joseph. 4/29 2340. "KSFT" sung jingle and local ads. Medium strength with shallow fading. (GH-IL)
- 1560 WQEW NY New York. 3/31 0348. "Hi, I'm Danny and I had a great time at Disneyland." At 0352 "On Radio Disney, what's your name?" Then at 0401 ID by a man "Radio Disney is WQEW New York." Very good, trace of KNZR. First logging of NYC since I reactivated recently. Heard as WQXR with Classical in the '80s. Was easiest NYC back then. (REW-HI)
- 1580 KMIK AZ Tempe. 4/16 0344. "The station that makes you rich, Radio Disney." Contest. At 0349 a female with "Radio Disney, how are you?" Very good, clear, no KBLA. Easiest Arizona station here. (REW-HI)
- 1580 WWSJ MI Saint Johns. 4/17 0001. Up briefly with what sounded like UC, then "You're listening to W[?]SJ, Radio AM 15-80" then back to UC format. Weak to fair with some flutter. I found it difficult to believe that they were three watts (1000/3 U4 per NRC Log). At 0031, they had a commercial for a sign shop with a 616 area code which matched the audio stream from their website (the audio stream was about 5 seconds behind). (RT-MN)
- 1590 WAKR OH Akron. 5/1 0020. "WAKR Stormwatch..." Weak and interference-ridden signal. (GH-IL)
- 1600 KAHZ CA Pomona. 4/4 0948. Lady speaking in Chinese. QRM with fading in and out. (RA-NV)
- 1600 KZGX MN Watertown. 4/18 2200. SS Mexican music with EE ID at ToH: "This is KZGX Watertown." Not certain, but they may have announced it as Watertown-Minneapolis-Saint Paul. (RT-MN)
- 1620 KSMH CA Auburn. 3/31 0030. Religious talk. At 0055 mentioned "Breakfast Club down in Fresno," followed by talk about an insurance cooperative. Legal ID at 0200 "On Immaculate Heart Radio, KSMH Auburn." Good over/under WDHP. (REW-HI)
- 1670 WVVM GA Dry Branch. 4/8 0245. Poor signals under WTDY with Mexican music and Spanish talk. NEW (SA-MB)
- 1700 KKLf TX Richardson. 4/29 2305. Heard with numerous "KLIF" or "KLIF 570" IDs and mentions of Texas; into Coast-to-Coast, over/under presumed KBGG. KKLf is // to KLIF 570 per NRC Log. CoL has changed from Sherman (NRC Log) to Richardson (FCC online website). (RT-MN)

## DDXD-East

### REPORTERS

- MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig YB-400PE; Panasonic RF-2200.
- BC-NH Bruce Conti, Nashua - R8B, MWDX-5, 50/75/50-ft Ewe antennas east and south.
- IEN-GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - Drake R8B and 135' N/S Wire.
- IEN\*GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - Sony ICF-2010.
- IEN+GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - Sangean ATS 909 and Select-A-Tenna.
- IEN#GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - 2003 Isuzu Rodeo In-Dash Audio System 4340.
- IEN~GA Ira Elbert New, III, visiting in Valdosta - Sony ICF-2010.
- PT-VA Pete Taylor, visiting in Williamsburg - ICF 2010 and Palomar Loop, also car.

### STATION NEWS

- 900 WGAM NH Nashua - 4/24 1600 - "New Hampshire's sports radio, WKBR Manchester, and WGAM Nashua, The Game," and Fox sports, ex-WSNH and ex-ESPN. (BC-NH)
- 1250 WKBR NH Manchester - 4/24 1604 - "Sports radio WGAM, The Game," into "Home Team" local talk, Fox sports network, relays 900 WGAM Nashua. (BC-NH)

## STATION LOGGINGS

- 630 WMAL DC **Washington** - 4/6 2335 - Good, over WPRO and *R.Progreso* Cuba; "News/Talk 630 WMAL" ID in Coast-to-Coast AM promo, auroral conditions. **(BC-NH)**
- 650 WSM TN **Nashville** - 4/28 2205 - Grand Ol' Opry. Good, steady signal. "650, WSM". **(IEN~GA)**
- 670 WWFE FL **Miami** - 4/6 2314 - Good, over *R.Rebelde* Cuba; *Poderosa* ID and salsa music. **(BC-NH)**
- 690 WJOX AL **Birmingham** - 4/6 2200 - Good over UNID oldies; ESPN sports talk, "Jox 690, The Sports Monster" promos, no sign of CINF during auroral conditions. **(BC-NH)**
- 700 WLW OH **Cincinnati** - 4/28 2210 - Cincinnati Reds Baseball. Good signal with slight fading. "...700, WLW". **(IEN~GA)**
- 760 WJR MI **Detroit** - 4/28 2230 - Dr. Laura Show. Good signal with deep fades. "...760, WJR". **(IEN~GA)**
- 900 WKDW VA **Staunton** - 4/13 2143 - Classic country. Good signal with occasional deep fades. "Classic Hit Country, WKDW". **(IEN-GA)**
- 910 WFVR GA **Valdosta** - 4/28 2200 - Oldies, TOH ID and CNN News. Part of a local bandscan while visiting the area. Great local signal, but bad audio quality - sounded as though someone was holding a radio up to a microphone and then broadcasting that. "WFVR, Valdosta. Radio Free Valdosta". **(IEN~GA)**
- 960 WERC AL **Birmingham** - 4/28 2218 - 1/4-hour drop. Signal all but buried under WGOV on 950. "960, WERC". **(IEN~GA)**
- 970 WFLA FL **Tampa** - 4/28 2231 - Local news and weather. Decent, steady signal. Newsradio 970, WFLA". **(IEN~GA)**
- 1040 WWBA FL **Pinellas Park** - 4/28 2220 - Weekend calendar. Dominant signal mixed with a few others. "Newstalk 1040, WWBA". **(IEN~GA)**
- 1080 WHOO FL **Kissimmee** - 4/10 2221 - MLB, sports news and information. Weak, but steady under WKJK in Louisville, KY. "Orlando Radio 1080 AM, WHOO". **(IEN-GA)**
- 1110 WUPE MA **Pittsfield** - 4/20 0659 - ex-WUHN with ad for Save-on Heating, top of hour ID as "WUPE AM 1110 Pittsfield and FM 95.9" into "WUPE Newswatch" local news. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1360 WDRC CT **Hartford** - 4/27 0703 - over sports talker (likely WSAI) with promo for hartford.com web site, local traffic report "on the WDRC traffic watch" into local news. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1390 WYXI TN **Athens** - 3/17 1711 - Obituaries, weather forecast and Paul Harvey's News and the Rest of The Story. Decent signal above the afternoon static and a few other stations. "...up next on WYXI". **(IEN-GA)**
- WVAA VT **Burlington** - 4/10 0700 - over WNIO/WFBL mix with slogan "Progressive talk for the Champlain valley, AM 1390 WVAA Burlington" into Air America news. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1550 KLFJ MO **Springfield** - 4/6 0355 - Branson, Missouri information. Decent signal with slight fading on top of a choppy mix. "You're listening to KLFJ, Springfield, Missouri. 1550 on your AM Dial". **(IEN+GA)**
- 1590 WXRS GA **Swainsboro** - 4/14 1800 - TOH ID into ESPN Sports. Good signal with fades. "WXRS, Swainsboro. AM 1590". **(IEN#GA)**
- 1600 WMNE FL **Riviera Beach** - 4/1 0000 - Radio Disney fare and TOH ID. Decent signal with slight fading. "Radio Disney! AM 1600, WMNE, Riviera Beach". **(IEN\*GA)**
- UNID
- 1570 UNID — — - 4/26 2205 - Music of the 60's including "I Only Have Eyes For You", featuring a group with a falsetto voice lead. All the music seemed to be of this era. Faded in and out but was never "up" when there was talk. WANR Warren, OH and WQTW Latrobe, PA are listed with Oldies, but who knows. **(PT-VA)**

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## DX Digest

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

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New radio stations on the air from Algeria, Colombia, and Cuba, DX from around the world.

### Transatlantic DX

- 549 **ALGERIA** *Alger Chaîne 1*, Les Trembles (35°17'N 00°34'W) APR 7 0037 - Parallel 890.95 with dramatic male Arabic vocal; good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 576 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** *RNE5* synthros APR 6 2256 - Spanish talk; slightly over jumble with likely Algeria and Portugal. APR 7 0046 - Parallel 621 with phone interview. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 585 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Madrid (40°28'N 03°52'W) APR 7 0031 - Parallel 603, 621 with plaintive male folk vocal; to good peak with WEZE phased. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 603 **MADEIRA** *RDP Madeira*, Pico de Arieiro APR 7 0045 - Parallel 693 Azores with hard rock; mixing with Spain. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 603 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synthros APR 6 2254 - Spanish talk; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 612 **MOROCCO** *RTM A*, Sebaâ-Aioun (33°54'N 05°23'W) APR 6 2244 - Parallel 819 with Arabic vocal and orchestra. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 621 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** *RNE1* synthros, Santa Cruz de Tenerife et al. APR 6 2252 - Parallel 684 with man and woman in Spanish; huge. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 639 **SPAIN** *RNE1* La Coruña et al. APR 7 0031 - Parallel 585, 621 with folk music; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 648 unID APR 7 0049 - Weak talk, probably just Spain. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 657 **SPAIN** *RNE5* Madrid (40°28'N 03°52'W) APR 7 0050 - Parallel 621 with Spanish talk; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 666 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Tindouf APR 7 0055 - Parallel 890.95 with Arabic string music; fair. Only 5 kW per EMWG. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 684 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Sevilla (37°12'N 05°55'W) APR 6 2252 - Parallel 621 with man and woman in Spanish; good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 693 **AZORES** *Centro Regional da RDP*, Terceira (38°43'N 27°19'W) APR 7 0027 - Blues oldie "Who Do You Love" in version similar to George Thorogood's hit, bit of Portuguese talk, then Ozzy Osbourne song; excellent, blasting in. Parallel on 837 noted battling it out with COPE. At 0033 parallel 837 with ZZ Top song; excellent. 0051 rock, then man in Portuguese. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 702 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Djelfa APR 7 0055 - Parallel 890.95 with Arabic string music; very good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 711.06 **WESTERN SAHARA** *RTM Addakhla* (23°42'N 15°56'W) APR 6 2251 - Bits of Arabic talk; very low audio on strong carrier. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 18 0052 - Presumed; strong open carrier over Libya. [Conti-NL]
- 738 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Barcelona (41°23'N 02°12'E) APR 7 0023 - Parallel 621 with interview; fair to good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 747 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** *RNE5* synthros APR 6 2247 - Two men in Spanish; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 756 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Braunschweig & Ravensburg APR 29 0050 - Instrumental parallel 6190 kHz, unID low frequency het on the low side. [Conti-NH]
- 765 **SWITZERLAND** *RSR Option Musique*, Sottens (46°39'N 06°44'E) APR 19 0133 - Romantic French vocal; fair. European stations, weak earlier, were coming back to typical strengths. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 29 0040 - French pop vocal, the first TA noted tonight with typical early evening signals from the Middle East and North Africa absent. [Conti-NH]
- 774 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synthros APR 6 2247 - Man in Spanish; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 783 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Laghouat (?) APR 7 0057 - Parallel 890.95 with moaning vocal and strings. Mauritania dominated earlier. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 783 **MAURITANIA** *R.Mauritanie*, Nouakchott (18°07'N 15°57'W) APR 6 2246 - Parallel 4845 with man speaking short sentences, occasionally interrupted by a tone or bell; good. At 2302 Arabic talk, bumper music, more talk; loud. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 819 **MOROCCO** *RTM A*, Rabat APR 6 2244 - Parallel 612 with Arabic orchestra and male vocal; to good peak. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 837 **AZORES** *Centro Regional da RDP*, Pico da Barrosa APR 7 0033 - Parallel 693 with ZZ Top song; now way over COPE Canaries-Spain. [Connelly\*rw-MA]

- 837 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** COPE synchros APR 6 2310 - Parallel 999 with Spanish talk; very good, over Azores and France. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 855 **SPAIN** RNE1 synchros APR 6 2241 - Two men in Spanish; fair with WEI phased. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 864 **EGYPT** ERTU Santah (30°45'N 31°08'E) APR 29 0110 - Surprised to find dominant with no sign of France; Koranic recitations parallel 12050 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 873 **SPAIN** SER synchros APR 7 0011 - Parallel 1116 with teletalk; through WLVP slop. 0036 woman in Spanish, piano music; excellent. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 882 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** COPE synchros APR 7 0010 - Parallel 837 with man in Spanish; fair in WCBS slop. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 890.95 **ALGERIA** Chaîne 1, Algiers (36°40'N 03°09'E) APR 6 2215 - Arabic talk; fading up. 2306 huge with Arabic music. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 29 0120 - Fair; North African vocal. [Conti-NH]
- 936 **MOROCCO** RTM A, Agadir APR 6 2307 - Arabic music; over jumble with Spain, others. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 936 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros APR 7 0008 - Parallel 621 with operatic vocal; good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 945 **FRANCE** France Info, Toulouse (43°21'N 01°20'E) APR 7 0008 - Talk parallel 1206; mixed with unID station that was probably African. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 29 0155 - Good; nostalgic vocal parallel equally good 1206 signal. [Conti-NH]
- 954 **SPAIN** Onda Cero, Madrid APR 7 0006 - Romantic vocal, then man and woman in Spanish; over 950 WROL and 960 CHNS slop. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 963 **PORTUGAL** R.Renascença, Seixal (38°38'N 09°05'W) APR 6 2308 - Bits of Portuguese talk; in CHNS slop. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 981 **ALGERIA** RTVA Chaîne 2, Algiers (36°40'N 03°09'E) APR 6 2239 - Man and woman in Arabic; good. 2309 modern Arabic vocal, Bollywood-style instrumentation; loud with WCAP phased. APR 7 0004 - Guitar music, group vocal; local-like, crushing adjacent WCAP. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 999 **SPAIN** COPE Madrid (40°28'N 03°52'W) APR 6 2310 - Parallel 837 with man in Spanish; excellent. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 8 2345 - Woman mentioned several countries including Italy and France; excellent. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1008 **CANARY ISLANDS** Punto Radio, Las Palmas APR 7 0112 - Spanish talk, rock music; over SER Spain and WINS slop. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1017 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros APR 7 0101 - Spanish news; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1035 **PORTUGAL** R.Clube Português, Belmonte APR 7 0000 - R.Clube mention, Portuguese news; fair over WBZ slop. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1044 **MOROCCO** Sebaa-Aioun (33°54'N 05°23'W) APR 6 2237 - Electronic Middle Eastern instrumentation, then male group Arabic vocal. 2312 wild Berber tribal music; huge, S9+25! 2355 Koranic vocal before shutdown; local-like, way over Spain. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1044 **SPAIN** SER synchros APR 6 2355 - Bits of echoey Spanish talk; starting to show in the background during audio pauses on the monster-level Moroccan. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1062 **ITALY** Rai Radio 1 synchros APR 7 0103 - Tentative; Italian-sounding news by woman; to fair peak. EMWG shows close at 2300 UTC. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1071 **SPAIN** Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao APR 6 2314 - Parallel 1197 with Spanish disco vocal; to good peak. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1098 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros APR 6 2350 - Parallel 621 with a cover version of the oldie "I Heard It Through the Grapevine"; good over jumble. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1107 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros APR 6 2349 - Spanish talk; still a big growl here from the competing 1107.0 and 1107.13 stations in the net. APR 7 0104 - Echoey Spanish news, bad growl. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1116 **SPAIN** SER synchros APR 6 2323 - Parallel 1287 with fast Spanish talk by man; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1134 **CROATIA** Glas Hrvatske, Zadar (44°06'N 15°15'E) APR 29 0255 - Rock vocal over COPE Spain. [Conti-NH]
- 1134 **SPAIN** COPE synchros APR 6 2314 - Fast Spanish talk; dominant. Parallel 837 and 1143 with man and woman in Spanish, "COPE" mention, then a segment of Irish music; excellent signal, no trace of Croatia. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1143 **SPAIN** COPE synchros APR 6 2347 - Parallel 837 with woman in Spanish; fair to good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1152 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros APR 6 2317 - Parallel 621 with man and woman in Spanish; over others. APR 19 0103 - Spanish news; good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1179 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** SER synchros APR 6 2233 - Fast Spanish talk; to fair peak. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 8 2342 - Spanish teletalk; fair. [Connelly\*B-MA]

- 1197 **LESOTHO** *Family Radio*, Maseru APR 19 0013 - Probably this with Black Gospel style group vocal; poor, in WKOX slop. Auroral at the time, Europe unlikely. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1197 **SPAIN** *Euskadi Irratia*, Vitoria APR 6 2314 - Parallel 1071 with Spanish disco vocal; poor. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1206 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Bordeaux (44°57'N 00°11'W) APR 6 2318 - Woman in French, then a bit of instrumental dance music, then talk by man; to good peak. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1215 **SPAIN** COPE synchros APR 6 2321 - Parallel 999 with excited Spanish conversation, two men joking; to good peak. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 8 2342 - Woman in Spanish; slightly echoey. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1287 **SPAIN** SER synchros APR 6 2323 - Parallel 1116 with fast Spanish talk; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1296 **SPAIN** COPE Valencia APR 7 0106 - Parallel 837 with news; good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1305 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros APR 7 0107 - Parallel 621 with jazz; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1314 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros APR 7 0107 - Parallel 621 with jazz, Spanish talk; poor but dominating. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Lille (50°31'N 02°59'E) APR 19 0055 - Parallel 1206 with soul vocal; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1385.92 **GUINEA** *R.Rurale*, Labe APR 6 2325 - Bits of African music; through slop from 1380 WMYF and 1390 WPLM. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1404 **FRANCE** *France Info* synchros APR 19 0055 - Parallel 1206 with soul vocal, poor. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1413 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros APR 6 2327 - Parallel 621 with talk by man and woman; poor to fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1422 **ALGERIA** Algiers (36°40'N 03°09'E) APR 6 2328 - Man in French; mushy audio on good carrier. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 8 2338 - Arabic vocal; good. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1422 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Heusweiler (49°21'N 06°55'E) APR 15 0358 - Classical music; to good peak. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1431 **DJIBOUTI** *R.Sawa*, Arta (11°31'N 42°50'E) APR 6 2329 - Man and woman in Arabic, *Sawa* mention; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1467 **FRANCE** TWR Roumoules (43°47'N 06°09'E) APR 15 0353 - Man in German, then inspirational music; good. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1484.53 **ANGOLA** *EP do Kuanza-Sul*, Sumbe APR 6 2330 - Presumed this with het against Spain, audio fragments. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1485 **MELILLA // SPAIN** SER synchros APR 6 2330 - Parallel 1116 with fast Spanish talk; fair to good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1503 **SPAIN** RNE5 Piñeira and La Línea de la Concepción APR 6 2333 - Parallel 621, 855 with man and woman in Spanish, then Alanis Morissette style vocal; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** BSKSA Duba (27°20'N 35°45'E) APR 18 2255 - Parallel 9555 and 9870, dramatic presentation with man and woman in Arabic; to fair peak, high-angle WIZZ slop not fully nullable. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1521 **SPAIN** SER Castellón APR 7 0110 - Parallel 1116 with Dixieland music, Spanish talk by woman; to good peak. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1539 **GERMANY** *Evangeliums Rundfunk*, Mainflingen (50°00'N 08°55'E) APR 15 0351 - Believed this with religious talk that sounded more like an Eastern European (or Mideast ?) language than German or French; good peak. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1550 **ALGERIA** RASD Clandestine, Tindouf APR 6 2335 - Spanish talk, Saharawi mention; to good peak over WDZK and a 1548 het. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1557 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Fontbonne APR 6 2337 - Parallel 1206 with mellow jazzy vocal and piano; through tough WQEW slop. APR 18 2257 - French talk; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1575 **SPAIN** SER synchros APR 6 2338 - Parallel 1116 with Spanish teletalk; over presumed *R.Farda* UAE. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1584 **CEUTA** *RadiOlé*, Ceuta (35°53'N 05°17'W) APR 6 2229 - Pop music, Spanish talk; fair. 2339 plaintive folk-style male group vocal and guitar; coming up to strong level over SER Spain. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1584 **SPAIN** SER synchros APR 6 2338 - Parallel 1575, 1116 with teletalk; briefly over Ceuta. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1602 **SPAIN** *R.Vitoria*, Vitoria (42°51'N 02°39'W) APR 6 2342 - Man in Spanish, pop music; over SER and slop from WUNR. [Connelly\*rw-MA]

#### Pan-American DX

- 530 **TURKS & CAICOS** *R.Visión Cristiana Internacional*, South Caicos (21°30'N 71°31'W) MAR 29 0610 - Spanish religious DJ claiming or implying to be in a studio overlooking "El Parque Central en Nueva York." Unusual Spanish accent, perhaps Dominican. Temperature "45° en

- el Parque Central." Time check, "La 1 con 10 minutos." Took call from Pastor Carlos Rivera, sent greetings to Cuba. Program would last "hasta las 6 de la mañana." Booming, louder than two of my locals, 620 KIPA and 850 KHLO. [Wood-HI] APR 19 0134 - Full ID as "Radio Vision Cristiana Internacional"; good. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 535 **GRENADA** GBC St. George's (12°04'N 61°45'W) APR 7 0048 - Caribbean English advert with phone number 440-4742; fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 17 0046 - Reggae music, mellow local announcer; fair. [Connelly\*B-MA] APR 19 0135 - Jazz; excellent, better than 530 RVC! [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 540 **MEXICO** unID APR 15 0610 - National anthem by military band, ID by man, "XEH? con música ranchera... más música norteña... cinco cuarenta (540) la XEH?" and back to rancheras. Not XEWA or XESURF. Good. [Wood-HI] 2006 WRTH lists XEHS *La Norteñita* Los Mochis as a possible candidate.
- 550 **VENEZUELA** YVKE *Mundial*, Caracas (10°32'N 66°55'W) APR 19 0136 - Spanish talk about friendly relations between Venezuela and Syria; dominant on channel (but I needed upper sideband to separate from stronger 549 Algeria). [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 555 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** ZIZ Basseterre (17°19'N 62°44'W) APR 17 0044 - '50s "cool school" piano jazz; good. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 570 **CUBA** R.*Reloj*, Santa Clara (22°24'N 79°56'W) APR 17 0049 - Reloj news and ticks; mixed with WMCA. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 620 **MEXICO** XESS Ensenada BCN (32°15'N 116°57'W) MAR 25 0545 - Sports, report on soccer championship, "Campeones de América." Heard every night since, over/under my weak local KIPA and/or KPOJ Oregon. [Wood-HI]
- 640 **GUADELOUPE** R.*Guadeloupe*, Pointe-à-Pitre (16°15'N 61°32'W) APR 17 0006 - French news, interview; fair. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 670 **VENEZUELA** YVLL R.*Rumbos*, Caracas (10°29'N 66°59'W) APR 18 2337 - Woman in Spanish, Rumbos mention; to fair peak, some WRKO splash. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 690 **MEXICO** XETRA Tijuana, BCN (32°26'N 117°05'W) MAR 17 0405 - Amusing ballad about a political candidate. "Buenos tardes estimados oyentes. Este programa... de la 6 de la tarde a las 10 de la noche, a través de XERA en Tijuana," into romantic song, "Esta noche será para mí, para tí, corazón..." Delightful program, I listen every night now and am glad it's back in Spanish! Booming signal, some CBU at times. [Wood-HI]
- 730 **BRAZIL** unID APR 19 0445 - Emotional Pentecostal preacher in Portuguese. Mark Connelly or others on the east coast, or Rocco Cotroneo in Rio, can you help ID this one and a very similar one on 1160 kHz? Fair over/under XEX. [Wood-HI]
- 750 **VENEZUELA** YVKS RCR Caracas (10°29'N 67°00'W) APR 7 0022 - Baseball-related Spanish talk, mentions of Venezuelan teams and major-league teams including the Toronto Blue Jays, '50s-type jingle, "en Caracas" mention; good, over CBGY and possible Brazilian. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 17 0100 - Venezuelan news; generally over WSB and CBGY. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 760 **BRAZIL** ZYH588 R.*Uirapuru*, Fortaleza (03°45'S 38°31'W) APR 7 0019 - Emotional Portuguese talk by man; over others. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 17 0005 - Man with excited Portuguese talk (preaching or politics); weak to fair, alone on channel. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 780 **MEXICO** XEMF Monclova (26°56'N 101°27'W) MAY 3 0801 - Mentions of Monclova and call ID under KKOH. Poor in WBBM null. [Heinen-CO]
- 780 **VENEZUELA** YVMN R.*Coro*, Coro (11°23'N 69°40'W) APR 17 0004 - Old-fashioned male Spanish ballad vocal, two *Radio Coro* ID's; good, well over CFDR. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 790 **CUBA** CMAQ R.*Reloj*, Pinar del Río (22°25'N 83°43'W) APR 16 2230 - News in Spanish and clock ticks in WAEB null. [Gardiner-PA]
- 800 **NETHERLANDS ANTILLES** PJB *TransWorld Radio*, Bonaire (12°06'N 68°17'W) APR 19 0128 - Spanish religious program with Miami, Florida mailing address; to good peak over phased WNNW. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 810 **MEXICO** XEFW Tampico (22°13'N 97°51'W) MAR 17 0558 - Full formal sign-off in classic style by man, "Escuchan la XEFW 810 kHz, transmitiendo con 50,000 wats de potencia, una emisora del Sistema... Las 12 en punto." 0559 national anthem by band, 0600 carrier out. Very good, over KGO. I suspect it is using listed daytime power of 50 kW. Any reports of this from elsewhere? [Wood-HI]
- 820 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** TBN / R.*Paradise*, Charlestown (17°08'N 62°37'W) APR 6 2245 - Cheerful religious group vocal; splittable from stronger 819 Morocco. [Connelly\*rw-MA] APR 17 0002 - Preaching; good. [Connelly\*B-MA] APR 19 0125 - Discussion about how a \$20000 donation to TBN grew to over a billion dollars; huge signal. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 860 **CUBA** CMDB R.*Reloj*, Baracoa (20°21'N 74°29'W) APR 17 0015 - R.*Reloj* news and tick-tocks; fair. [Connelly\*B-MA] MAY 5 0030 - Minute markers and code IDs under WSBS in CJBC null. [Conti-NH]
- 860 **VENEZUELA** unID APR 18 2352 - Huge pile-up on this channel, the occasional dominant

had Venezuela mentions and a lot of simulated crowd sounds and car racing noises. [Connelly\*rw-MA]

- 870 **PUERTO RICO** WQBS San Juan (18°21'N 66°12'W) APR 17 0015 - Spanish talk, Puerto Rico adverts; in duke-out with WLVP. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 880 **VENEZUELA** YVYM *R.Venezuela*, Puerto Ordaz (08°15'N 62°42'W) APR 19 0123 - Radio Venezuela ID; over WCBS. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 895 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS**<sup>ooo</sup>VON Bath Village (17°07'N 62°37'W) APR 7 0058 - Caribbean-accented talk; to fair peak. APR 19 0119 - Report about a sporting event; poor to fair. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 920 **MEXICO** XELT *R.Amor*, Guadalajara, Jal (20°44'N 103°19'W) MAR 16 0400 - Romantic music ran through top of the hour, dedications to local listeners. 0425 man, "en Radio Amor de Guadalajara, un saludo a la Sra... de la colonia..." Mostly good, over/under an English oldies station, probably KVIN, and Spanish tropical music, probably an XE. [Wood-HI]
- 920 **MEXICO** XEVV Tuxtla Gutiérrez, Chis (16°46'N 93°05'W) MAR 31 0612 - Man: "Ahora amigos de XE Doble V..." into rancheras. Good, nice if really on listed night power of 500 watts. On top of KVIN Music of Your Life. My first time in 49 years DXing hearing Chiapas or any state on the Guatemala border. [Wood-HI]
- 942 **CUBA** *R.Progreso* APR 29 0130 - Weak audio but loud het against 940 CINW. [Conti-NH]
- 950 **CUBA** *R.Relej*, La Habana APR 29 0135 - Minute marker and code under domestic jumble. [Conti-NH]
- 950 **MEXICO** XEKAM *R.Fórmula Californias*, Tijuana BCN (32°26'N 117°05'W) MAR 28 0603 - Complete ID by a man, "XEKAM Tijuana, con 10 mil wats de potencia, 950 kHz AM. Experiencia..." 0604 chimes, man: "Bienvenidos a Radio Fórmula Californias." Good, over/under KAH1. I have to say, on the whole, Mexicans are the world's best IDers! [Wood-HI]
- 1000 **COLOMBIA**<sup>oo</sup>HJAQ<sup>o</sup>RCN Cartagena (10°30'N 75°26'W) APR 18 2358 - Talk, jingle "RCN, la radio de Colombia"; loud and dominant. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1020 **CUBA** *R.Relej*, unknown location APR 17 0035 - Relej news and time show; slightly over one of the Venezuelans, messy channel. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1039.61 **VENEZUELA** YVLB *La Voz de Carabobo*, Valencia (10°08'N 67°57'W) APR 19 0114 - Spanish vocal, ID "La Voz de Carabobo"; loud, stronger than the adjacent 1040 WZNA, HION, ZYK537, CJMS dogpile. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1050 **MEXICO** XEG *La Gigante*, Monterrey (25°42'N 100°11'W) MAR 14 0445 - Rancheras, at 0450, "Las 10 con 50 minutos en La Gigante, XEG." Requests, "para la familia..." Mostly romántica. Good, mostly atop KCTC. [Wood-HI]
- 1090 **VENEZUELA** YVSZ *Unión R.*, Caracas (10°32'N 66°55'W) APR 18 2359 - Venezuelan news; over phased WBAL. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1100 **BRAZIL** ZYK694 *R.Globo*, São Paulo (23°32'S 46°37'W) APR 6 2351 - São Paulo adverts, Portuguese teletalk; booming in way over WHLI's nostalgia music. APR 19 0110 - Portuguese talk; to good peak. Clanking around in the background: unID Spanish vocal, Cuban wobbler, and WTAM. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1140 **MEXICO** XEMR Monterrey NL (25°46'N 100°15'W) MAR 22 0600 - Multi-verse version of national anthem by military band, 0605 ID by man: "XEMR Música Romántica en Monterrey, Nuevo León, México," into romantic music. Good, over/under KHTK. [Wood-HI]
- 1140 **PUERTO RICO** WQII San Juan (18°22'N 66°08'W) APR 19 0007 - Puerto Rican news in Spanish; slightly over Venezuelan and well over fragments of CBI and WRVA. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1140 **VENEZUELA** *R.Porlamar*, Porlamar (10°57'N 63°51'W) APR 19 0105 - Porlamar mentions; in huge pile-up. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1160 **BERMUDA** VSB3 Hamilton (32°18'N 64°46'W) APR 6 2346 - BBC historical presentation; mixing with WSKW. Phasing unit was set to take out WOBBM and WVNJ. APR 18 2321 - Contest details, "BBC World Service... giving away 25 digital cameras," then into "Around the World" news features; good, way over WSKW, WOBBM, and WVNJ. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1160 **BRAZIL** unID APR 17 0505 - Fiery Pentecostal preacher. Often heard, continues throughout top of the hour without ID. Quite good through KSL. Connelly, Cotroneo, or others where KSL isn't a problem, can you help ID? [Wood-HI]
- 1169.43 unID APR 19 0102 - Het on low side of WWVA and HJNW. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1170 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown site MAR 28 0450 - News, "Radio Rebelde... desde la Plaza de la Revolución," and interview. 0500, "Portado Rebelde." "La hora en Rebelde la Habana, emisora de la revolución," 0501, "En Rebelde la Habana exactamente la 1 de la madrugada con 1 minuto," into romántica. [Wood-HI] CMNW Pilón reactivated?

- 1179.875 unID APR 19 0009 - Growl against Cuba and WHAM. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1190 **MEXICO** XEWK Guadalajara, Jal (20°44'N 103°21'W) MAR 22 0600 - National anthem by military band, 0602 ID, "XEWK Guadalajara," into rancheras. Good, over/under KEX. [Wood-HI]
- 1210 **CUBA**<sup>ooo</sup>CMGL *R.Sancti Spíritus*, Sancti Spíritus (21°23'N 77°54'W) MAR 17 0401 - Choir version of national anthem, 0403 ID by man, "Radio Sancti Spíritus," into romantic music. Good, atop KGYN. [Wood-HI]
- 1210 **VENEZUELA** YVZT *R.Anzoátegui*, Barcelona (10°09'N 64°40'W) APR 19 0100 - Exuberant "¡Anzoátegui!" mention; through big pile of mush containing other Latin Americans as well as VOAR and WPHT. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1250 **MEXICO** XESJ Saltillo, Coah (25°28'N 101°00'W) APR 16 0550 - Multiple IDs, sometimes twice between rancheras, temperature and time check also often twice: "La hora, las 12 con 50 minutos, la temperatura 23°. XESJ, la temperatura 23°." Ranchera. 0558, "XESJ, las 12 con 58 minutos." 0559, XESJ... la mejor música..." 0626, "En Saltillo, 1250 AM." More rancheras. Good, dominant over other XE, possibly XEDK. [Wood-HI]
- 1250 **MEXICO** XEDK Guadalajara, Jal (20°38'N 103°20'W) MAR 31 0409 - ID by man, "XEDK, con 10,000 wats de potencia," into romántica. Good. [Wood-HI]
- 1260 **MEXICO** XEOG Ojinaga (29°33'N 104°24'W) APR 16 1200 - XEOG call ID, "Radio Ranchito" to music. Fair with the domestics. [Heinen-CO]
- 1260 **MEXICO** XESA Culiacán (24°49'N 107°29'W) APR 16 1202 - Under XEOG, "XESA La Mexicana," different slogan than IRCA's 10th XE Log. New for me and taped! [Heinen-CO]
- 1280 **BERMUDA** VSB2 Hamilton (32°18'N 64°46'W) APR 19 0015 - Preacher; strong, way over WFAU, WEIM and WADO. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1280 **BRAZIL** ZYJ455 *Súper Rádio Tupi*, Rio de Janeiro (22°55'S 43°13'W) APR 14 0607 - Erroneous time check by man, "3 horas e 4 minutos." Good, dominating KWSX which had talk. [Wood-HI]
- 1290 **MEXICO** XEQIN San Quintín (30°28'N 115°59'W) APR 24 1205 - Ending national anthem and call sign ID, new for me and taped. [Heinen-CO]
- 1330 **MEXICO** XEWQ Monclova (26°55'N 101°25'W) APR 27 0659 - Ending Spanish music, "WQ" to more music. New and taped. Poor under KNSS. [Heinen-CO]
- 1370 **MEXICO** XEPJ San Pedro Tlaquepaque, Jal (20°38'N 103°19'W) APR 16 0627 - Cumbia, 0630 ID by man, "La PJ de Guadalajara," song "Quiero bailar con la bola," tropical music. Good. [Wood-HI]
- 1400 **MEXICO** XEPF Ensenada, BCN (31°53'N 116°35'W) APR 11 0455 - ID by man, "La música ranchera, XEPF con mil wats de poder efectivo, La Rancherita." Again ID at 0500, "XEPF con mil wats." These XEs are great IDers! Good, over/under KVTO. [Wood-HI]
- 1420 **VENEZUELA** YVNZ *R.Marabina*, Maracaibo (10°45'N 71°38'W) APR 19 0032 - Festive Spanish music, *Radio Marabina* ID; mixing with probable WBSM. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1470 **VENEZUELA** YVSY *R.Vibración*, Carúpano APR 19 0036 - Radio Vibración ID; mixed with WLAM and over two other Spanish-language stations (suspect YVJW and WAZN). [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1480 **PUERTO RICO** WMDD Fajardo (18°22'N 65°38'W) APR 19 0038 - Spanish talk, several local Puerto Rican adverts with phone numbers; loud, over WSAR at times. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1500.26 **COLOMBIA** HJLJ *R.Sonora*, Cali (03°33'N 76°28'W) APR 19 0029 - Het against WTWP and YVRZ, not much audio. Tentative ID per mwoffset list. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1500 **VENEZUELA** YVRZ *R.Dos Mil*, Cumaná (10°24'N 64°09'W) APR 19 0029 - Folk-influenced Spanish vocal; over/under WTWP. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1520 **PUERTO RICO** WVOZ *R.Voz*, San Juan (18°21'N 66°09'W) APR 19 0046 - Tentative; salsa music, possible Puerto Rico mentions; rising atop a big jumble of stations, WWKB phased. [Connelly\*rw-MA]
- 1620 **US VIRGIN ISLANDS** WDHP Frederiksted, St. Croix (17°43'N 64°53'W) MAR 31 0530 - BBC World News, 0535 into "The Beat" music show, 0545 mentioned Elvis Presley, Mexican rancheras, Julio Iglesias, feature on the death of Buck Owens and samples of his C&W songs. 0559 female with slight West Indies accent, ID, "You are listening to WDHP, 1620 AM, Frederiksted, U.S. Virgin Islands. Outr telephone number is... in Frederiksted, and in Charlotte Amalie the telephone number is..." Jingle, "We are in St. Croix." 0600, "Visit our website at wdhp.com." Time pips, "It's 6 o'clock GMT, the news, read by..." 0606, "In the BBC World Service..." Still good at 0645. Booming, dominant, mostly over KSMH. The most distant western hemisphere station which is heard here every night, and my first USVI catch in 49 years of DXing! [Wood-HI] APR 19 0050 - Back-to-back festive islands soca vocals; excellent, local-like. [Connelly\*rw-MA]

## Transpacific DX

- 702 **AUSTRALIA** 2BL ABC MS, Sydney (33°57'S 150°53'E) APR 18 1501 - Aussie-accented woman

with news, mentioned "This is ABC Radio;" into possible promos before fading out. Poor to very poor. [Park-HI]

- 729 **TAHITI** RFO Papeete APR 22 1139 - Tentative; man in French with network programming, then woman, sounds like news/talk format. Moved from 738? unID Aussie noted on 738 kHz. Poor to fair, het de 730 kHz. [Park-HI] Note below that Ben Dangerfield received 738 Tahiti during his April cruise to French Polynesia. Does RTM Malaysia broadcast any programs in French?
- 1098 **MARSHALL ISLANDS** V7AA Majuro MAY 1 1124 - Local pop music; at 1130 man in local language, then legal ID in English, "...Republic of the Marshall Islands... 1098 kilohertz... 5,000 watts... studio in Majuro... return tomorrow at six in the morning"; national anthem, into open carrier at 1134. Poor to fair mostly over 1100 KFAK. [Park-HI]
- 1413 unID APR 18 1503 - Carrier and bits of audio noted. 1420 KKEA off the air. [Park-HI]

## **Newfoundland DXpedition #16**

**April 11-19, 2006**

**Round Cove, Cappahayden**

**Preliminary report by Bruce Conti**

Although I spent almost as much time in transit between Boston and Cappahayden as I did at the DXpedition, it was well worth the trip. Mechanical problems and the St. John's fog devil made air travel a challenge, but the reward was some exotic African DX - the primary focus of this DXpedition. Although not quite as impressive as Africa, Latin American reception produced a few nice catches too, including a new *Radio Nacional de Colombia* outlet on **680 kHz**, HJZO Sabanagrande per the Ministerio de Comunicaciones website station list ([www.mincomunicaciones.gov.co](http://www.mincomunicaciones.gov.co)). Under rather auroral conditions, not much effort was directed toward Europe, essentially dominated by short-haul signals from France, Portugal, Spain, UK, and others typically received at home in New Hampshire.

One other note of interest: My rental car in Newfoundland was equipped with XM Satellite Radio. Reception must have been via terrestrial boosters located in St. John's as frequent dropouts rendered it unlistenable en route outside the city.

While the process of compiling logs from notes and recordings is underway, here's a hit list of entries from my logbook. Some of these might be worthy targets for DX ventures to coastal locations this summer.

### Transatlantic DX

612	RTM A, Morocco	1062	<i>Anambra Broadcasting Service</i> , Nigeria
630	Tunisia	1071	Botswana // 1350
648	Gambia	1071	EI Spain // 1197
657	South Africa	1161	EI Spain // 1197
666	<i>Chaîne 1</i> , Algeria // 891	1188	RTM Morocco // 1044 and 936
675	Libya // 1449	1197	EI Spain
693	RDP Azores // 837	1233	<i>Pure FM</i> , Belgium
702	<i>Chaîne 1</i> , Algeria // 891	1305	<i>Pure FM</i> , Belgium // 1233
711	Libya // 1251, under unID OC	1350	Botswana // 1071
720	RNE5 Canary Islands	1386	<i>KBC Radio</i> , Kenya
738	RNE Spain	1395	Albania
801	RNE Spain	1440	Lithuania, CRI relay
810	SER Spain	1449	Libya // 675
819	RTM A, Morocco // 612	1458	BBC Gibraltar
828	Libya // 675	1467	Iran // 1503
828	RDP Azores // 693	1494	<i>France Bleu</i> , Corsica // 864
846	<i>R.North</i> , Ireland	1494	<i>France Info</i> // 1206
855	Romania // 1179	1503	Azores
891	Portugal // 594	1503	Iran
900	Iran // 1503	1503	RNE Spain
909	VOA Botswana	1530	VOA São Tome
927	VRT Belgium // 1521	1566	<i>Radio 5</i> relay, UK
936	RTM Morocco // 1044 and 1188	1593	VOA Kuwait
936	RNE Spain	1593	Romania // 1179
972	Libya // 675	1602	<i>R.Vitoria</i> , Spain
981	Portugal // 963		
990	SER Spain		
999	<i>Magic 999</i> , UK	660	Pan-American DX <i>Popular 660</i> , Venezuela
1026	Mozambique	680	HJZO <i>R.Nacional de Colombia</i>
1044	RTM Morocco	680	<i>R.Continente</i> , Venezuela
1053	Libya // 1449	690	<i>R.Dragão do Mar</i> , Brazil

690	HCJB1 Ecuador / / 3220	900	<i>Mara Ritmo 900</i> , Venezuela
700	<i>R.Eldorado AM</i> , Brazil	910	<i>RQ 910 AM Center</i> , Venezuela
720	<i>Oriente</i> , Venezuela	970	<i>WSTX US Virgin Islands</i>
760	<i>R.Uirapuru</i> , Brazil	1030	<i>R.del Plata</i> , Argentina
790	<i>R.Reloj</i> , Cuba	1050	<i>SODRE Uruguay</i>
830	<i>R.Sensación</i> , Venezuela	1130	<i>R.Nacional</i> , Brazil
840	<i>R.Bandeirantes</i> , Brazil	1190	<i>R.América</i> , Argentina
840	<i>WXEW La Reina</i> , Puerto Rico	1290	<i>R.Puerto Cabello</i> , Venezuela
850	<i>R.Reloj</i> , Cuba	1300	<i>R.Recuerdos, AM Center</i> , Venezuela
860	<i>CBN Brazil</i>	1310	<i>RNV Venezuela</i>
860	<i>R.Reloj</i> , Cuba	1380	<i>Ondas del Mar</i> , Venezuela
870	<i>R.Reloj</i> , Cuba	1390	<i>R.Fe y Alegría</i> , Venezuela
880	<i>R.Inconfidencia</i> , Brazil	1480	<i>Tropical 1480</i> , Puerto Rico
890	<i>R.Progreso</i> , Cuba	1570	<i>XERF La Poderosa 1570</i> , México

## ***DXing in French Polynesia***

***By Ben Dangerfield***

In April my wife and I flew to Tahiti and took a two week cruise on the Paul Gauguin that took us northward through the other Society Islands through the Tuamotu group to the Marquesa Islands and then back. I had with me my recently acquired Degen-1103, good headphones, my Quantum-Q-Stick ferrite antenna and some pages from the WRTH. The DE-1103 is very sensitive, has continuous - not digital- tuning and can fit into one's pocket. It cost me only \$75 but is far superior to the Sony 100S that cost \$365. It does very well on all bands but I used only the MW band. The Q-Stick augments weak signals to varying degrees but I plan to have my Kiwa pocket loop repaired for future use. It was impossible to DX from inside the cabin so I went out each night on deck after 2130 local time to do my listening when it was late enough to catch New Zealand and Australia. Our location was six hours behind EDST. I was able to log eight countries plus two tentatives. Average mileage from our ship's positions to New Zealand was 2600 to 3300; to Australia, 4000 to 4600; to Hawaii, 2600; to West Coast North America, 3600 to 4600; to Calgary 4600; to San Antonio, 4000; to Salt Lake City and Denver, 4300; to Tulsa, 4600; to Ecuador, 4300; to Chile, 4600. Those were the places I heard from. I have listed below most of the stations heard, by frequency, although the loggings were throughout the cruise, not all on one night.

540	2AP Apia, Western Samoa; fair	980	KFWB Los Angeles, CA; fair
567	2YA Wellington, NZ; very good	990	KHBZ Honolulu, HI; good
600	KOGO San Diego, CA; good	990	KATD Pittsburg, CA; good
612	4QR Brisbane, Aus; fair	1000	KOMO Seattle, WA; fair
612	3XG Christchurch, NZ; fair	1008	1ZD Tauranga, NZ; fair
630	2YZ Napier, NZ; very good	1010	CBR Calgary, AB; good
640	KFI Los Angeles, CA; good	1017	A3Z Nukualofa, Tonga; poor
648	2NU Tamworth, Aus; poor	1020	KTNQ Los Angeles, CA; very good
650	KHNR Honolulu, HI; good	1035	2ZB Wellington, NZ; very good
657	2YC Wellington, NZ; good	1040	KLHT Honolulu, HI (religion); very good
680	KNBR San Francisco, CA; good	1050	KTCT San Mateo, CA; good
690	KORL Honolulu, HI; good	1070	KNX Los Angeles, CA; very good
690	CBU Vancouver, BC; good	1080	KSCO Santa Cruz, CA; poor
702	1XP Auckland, NZ; fair	1100	KFAX San Francisco, CA; good
710	KSPN Los Angeles, CA; good	1110	KDIS Pasadena, CA; fair
711	2XP Wellington, NZ; poor	1120	KPNW Eugene, OR; good
738	<i>R.Tahiti</i> , Papeete; local to semi-local	1125	<i>R.Sport</i> , Napier, NZ; good
740	KCBS San Francisco, CA; fair	1130	KSDO San Diego, CA; fair
760	KGU Honolulu, HI; good	1140	KHTK Sacramento, CA; good
760	KFMB San Diego, CA; good	1160	KSL Salt Lake City, UT; good
765	Napier, NZ; poor	1170	KFAQ Tulsa, OK; fair
774	3LO Melbourne, Aus; fair	1170	KJPN (?) Honolulu, HI (tentative with religious talk)
783	2YB Wellington, NZ; fair	1190	KEX Portland, OR; very good
792	1XSR <i>R.Sport</i> , Hamilton, NZ; fair	1200	WOAI San Antonio, TX; good
819	1YZ Totorua, NZ; very good	1210	KPRZ San Marcos, CA; very good
830	KHVH Honolulu, HI; good	1230	HCFV2 <i>R.Galactica</i> , Guayaquil, Ecuador, (tentative), good
850	KOA Denver, CO; very good	1280	unID Spanish station. Mexico or South America
860	XEMO Tijuana, Mex; fair	1280	KXTK Arroyo Grande, CA (sports); fair
900	4YC Dunedin, NZ; fair	1340	various USA but none IDed
910	KNEW Oakland, CA; fair	1380	CB138 <i>R.Corporación</i> , Santiago, Chile
940	KWRU Fresno, CA, in Spanish; very good		
960	CFAC Calgary, AB; fair		

	(tentative)	1540	KMPC Los Angeles, CA; very good
1420	KKEA Honolulu, HI; good	1570	KCVR or KTGE, CA, in Spanish, mentioned California; fair
1480	KVNR Santa Ana, CA (Asian); fair		
1500	KSSX San Jose, CA (Asian); good	1580	KBLA Santa Monica, CA (Spanish); good
1530	KFBK Sacramento, CA; very good	1670	KHPY Moreno Valley, CA; fair

Others heard but I couldn't log them all. Most signals were surprisingly good but when we anchored on the far side of a mountain island signals to North America were largely blocked out as is the case in Hawaii. It was lots of fun!

#### QSL Information

- 594 **PORTUGAL** *R.Renascença*, Muge - Full data QSL card received in 6 weeks for one IRC. The signer's name is illegible, but the title is "Director." My second QSL from Portugal. I sent a letter in English, as well as a computer-translated version in Portuguese (yes these are almost laughable!). The QSL card looks as yellowed as some of my shortwave QSL cards from the 1960's, so an incorrect address there. But the return address on the envelope is as in the 2006 WRTH: Grupo Renascença, Rua Ivens 14, 1249-108 Lisboa. This is MW/LW TA QSL #50. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1125/1134 **CROATIA** - Full data QSL received from *HRT* in less than a month for a reception from the Croatian shortwave transmitter site in Deanovec. The same contact ought to work for anyone looking for an *HRT* 1125/1134 QSL. I included a prepared card (which was used), SASE and an IRC. Here's the address and contact: Dane Pavlic - Head of Station, Hrvatska Radio, Prislavlje 3, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia. I have previously received a QSL for the MW station, but it took a number of years, with multiple follow-ups to get it. This ought to be an easier avenue. [Renfrew-NY]

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#### International News

**WESTERN SAHARA:** From some months ago I have been reading DX reports placing the 711 Saharan station in Dakhla (Villa Cisneros when it was part of Spain) instead Laâyoune (El Aaiún in its Spanish times). I think this is not correct. Laâyoune-El Aaiún is/was the main city of the territory. *RNE* placed there the main radio station with a second station (mainly a relay) in Dakhla-Villa Cisneros. For the record, the ITU International Frequency List, 4th edition, Volume I, 1 Feb 1967 only shows the Laâyoune-El Aaiún station: AOE EAJ203 651'5 kHz 100 kW. So the EAJ202 station in Dakhla-Villa Cisneros had to be registered later. Morocco invaded the Western Sahara in 1975 taking the control of RTVE stations. Historically these stations have maintained its respective frequencies (with minor changes to agree with the ITU plans). Laâyoune powerful (it is the Capital) and Dakhla lower (it is a smaller city). Then, why it seems that they have interchanged now? I have found some references to a *RTM* web site giving that information. But I have not found that site! Anyway I think (really: I'm sure) that info is not correct. You can check the official *RTM-Radio Laâyoune* site to discover that nothing has changed. They announce its traditional MW frequency: 711 kHz and 91.1 FM. You can find the schedule for its programs in Spanish too. [www.radiolaayoune.ma/carte.htm](http://www.radiolaayoune.ma/carte.htm). [Mauricio Molano, NRC e-DXN]

Editor's note: Both the 2006 WRTH and January 2006 EMWG list 711 Dakhla (Addakhla) with 300 kW and 711 Sidi-Bennour with 7.5 kW. Any insight from our readers regarding the change from Laâyoune would be appreciated.

73 and Good DX!