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Station Test Calendar

KKMO	WA	1360	Jan. 13	0300-0315
CFFX	ON	960	Jan 15	0000-0200

CFFX-960 ... (see below for QSL info) Kingston, Ontario, will conduct a DX test Tuesday, January 15, airing hourly voice announcements followed by special test material roughly at the top of each hour from 0000-0200 EST, using its 10,000-watt daytime directional pattern. Programming will include regular adult contemporary programming. Special test material. Jim Pogue, Saul Chernos, and CFFX CE Roger Cole have been working to set up this test, and here is what they've worked out on QSLs:

For those DX'ers who seek a traditional "paper" QSL card, please send your reception report, recording (mp3/wav on disk or cassette OK) directly to Saul at the following address: Saul Chernos - 57 Berkeley St. - Toronto, ON - M5A 2W5 CANADA, with return postage: You may send 93¢ in Canadian stamps, or \$1 U.S. to cover return postage costs. DXers hearing the test outside of Canada and the U.S. may send 1 Euro. And DX'ers anywhere can send 1 IRC to cover return postage costs. Saul will work with Mr. Cole to review reports, issue and mail QSL cards, etc. For those DXers who are happy with an eQSL, please send your reception report and/or recording in either mp3 or wav format to both Saul and Mr. Cole. Their e-mail addresses are respectively: schernos@sympatico.ca; roger.cole@corusent.com.

From the Publisher ... Non-USA subscribers may have wondered what we were trying to hide when they received last week's DXN in a plain paper envelope ... but blame the USPS, who dug out an eight-month-old regulation which stated that DXN could not be mailed in a plastic bag, basically. BTW that envelope weighs about .12 ounce, which means that a 24-pager now weighs more than an ounce after mail prep and costs the club about \$20 more per issue to mail.

From the BoD Chairman ... To the Club

"As I write this, Paul Swearingen is preparing issue #15 for Volume 75. As I see it there will be 10 more printed issues of *DX News* as we know it coming from Topeka. At this time the Board of Directors will start looking into alternatives to the printed edition of *DX News* because we haven't had any communications from any member or

members expressing any interested in taking over any or all the publishing duties.

"The Board is dedicated to *DX News* and the National Radio Club; however, none of the Board members has the capacity at this time to add the Editor or Publisher titles to their current volunteer efforts.

"The Club is in need of volunteers in order to see *DX News* continue in print. I would urge anyone that might be considering volunteering to contact me or Paul to discuss the tasks and a transistion."

73 - Wayne Heinen - Chairman of the Board of Directors

Unfilled positions ... We're still in need of volunteers for the following positions, as described in detail in V73, #27, the June '06 DXN: A person proficient with phpBB to maintain the e-DXN site; one or more additional moderators for e-DXN; one or more persons to edit future NRC publications; a "DX Targets" editor; several editors to take over languished columns, especially "DX'er's Notebook"; finally, a DXN publisher, by June 2008.

DXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 75

16.	Jan. 11	Jan. 21	24.	Mar. 7	Mar. 17
17.	Jan. 18	Jan. 28	25.	Mar. 21	Mar. 31
18.	Jan. 25	Feb. 4	26.	Apr. 4	Apr. 14
19.	Feb. 1	Feb. 11	27.	May 2	May 12
20.	Feb. 8	Feb. 18	28.	June 6	June 16
21.	Feb. 15	Feb. 25	29.	July 11	July 21
22.	Feb. 22	Mar. 3	30.	Aug. 8	Aug. 18
23.	Feb. 29	Mar. 10			

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News

50 years ago ... from the January 11, 1958 DXN: William J. Prater, Grimsley, TN reported hearing the following LA stations on Christmas morning: CMAN-840 to s/off at 0248; TISA "La Voz del Trópico"-830 0348-0436, and HJED "La Voz del Río Cauca"-820, on all morning; on 12/27 he copied XEGE-1570 under XERF until s/off at 0300.

25 years ago ... from the January 24, 1983 DXN: New NRC member Wally Wawro reported that he used a Panasonic RF-2800 for DX'ing.

10 years ago: ... from the January 26, 1998 DXN: This 24-page issue contained only two columns, DDXD and IDXN, and minus four pages of IDXN at that ... one interesting IDXN logging was on 12/26, that of 1521 Urumchi, China, by Jean Burnell, NE, at 1957.



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>
930	KLCY	MT	East Missoula	KMPT
1170	KUGT	MO	Jackson	KJXX
1600	KXTA	UT	Centerville	KTUB



ACTIONS

910	KECR	CA	El Cajon - Coordinate correction to N32-53-44	W116-55-32.
850	WPTB	GA	Statesboro - Coordinate correction to N32-27-56	W81-49-56.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

780	CO	KCEG	Pueblo - New station, not yet on the air, has a CP for U4 3000/760. This request is for U4 1900/490 along with a CoL change to Fountain.
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APPLICATIONS

1270	KTFI	ID	Twin Falls - Applies for U1 10000/1000.
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APPLICATIONS DISMISSED

890	KJME	CO	Fountain - Application for U4 4500/550, leaving them with the CP for U4 5500/500.
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APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

540	NEW	ID	Star - Applies for U4 5000/350.
780	NEW	FL	Mulberry - Applies for U4 250/250.
1100	NEW	ID	Melba - Applies for U2 50000/1000.
1220	NEW	NY	Lakeville - Applies for U4 2500/2500.
1240	NEW	UT	Green River - Applies for U1 250/250.
1290	NEW	UT	Santa Clara - Applies for U4 2000/250.
1340	NEW	AR	Bethel Heights - Applies for U1 1000/890.

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

730	WNAK	PA	Nanticoke
960	WHYL	PA	Carlisle
1420	WCOJ	PA	Coatesville
1440	WCDL	PA	Carbondale
1490	WAZL	PA	Hazleton

LICENSE CANCELLATIONS/CALL LETTERS DELETED

1400	WEPP	MN	Virginia
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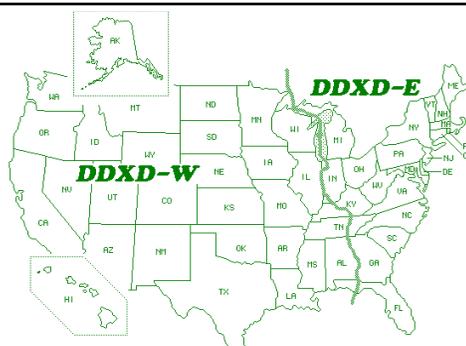
HEAR AND THAR

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

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DDXD-West

FROM THE VAST WESTLAND

▲ Because of unexpected circumstances that occurred just before the last DDXD-W deadline, your Editor's Holiday break ended up being 50% longer than that of the rest of the hard-working DXN staff. :-) We're back at it this week, however, digging out from under a real blizzard of loggings!

Thank you all for your continuing contributions during this column's downtime!

- ▲ As they used to sing on the Perry Como Show some half-century ago, "E-mails, we get e-mails, we get stacks and stacks of e-mails!" Along with a logging of KHEY 1380, **Bill Hale** sends this note: "I can't believe I actually have DX to report!!" That knocked me right off my horse, too, Cowboy Bill! **Patrick Griffith** tells us that he has passed his General class ham license and is now taking aim on an Extra class ticket. Congratulations, Patrick! As a follow-up to his report on the Tulsa ice storm of 12/10, Bruce Winkelman shares his loggings of stations heard with his locals off; they are found interspersed with the "Regular Loggings" below. **John Tucker sends along loggings** of stations heard during an overnight trip to Cave Creek Regional Park near Phoenix. "Brought with me the Eton E1 and CCrane loop. It was a nice time, but cold at night out there in the desert! I had a javelina wander through camp, a nice surprise. About 3 AM, the coyotes were howling their weird chorus." No word from John as to whether he heard any IBOCs howling from the "adjacent" brush! Speaking of IBOC, **John Wilkins** informs us of yet another Denver area AM turning on that technology: "Noticed local KEPN 1600 running IBOC today (12/27)-- the first day of operation, I believe, thus running the IBOC total to 15 stations locally and rendering 45+ frequencies unDX-able. What a Great Big Sewer this once wonderful band has become." On a happier note, we have word of a couple of milestones as 2007 came to a close. This from **John Rieger**: "2007 in review: Up to log #2207. Exceeded hoped-for #2200. Goal for end of 2008: #2240." Good luck, John, and we hope you reach it and beyond. And from **Rusty Kruger** in Sioux Falls, word that he logged his 30th state (see 680 WPTF below): "Just when I thought I would never get this station or that state I did, much to my surprise. North Carolina for my 30th state is quite pleasing I must say." To which I add this personal note in a public forum: Rusty, I am very proud of you! Rusty has been contributing to DDXD-West for over two years. He has been doing his DX from within the South Dakota State Penitentiary, using nothing fancier than two GPX personal radios. His remarkable loggings are testimony to his persistence, patience and perseverance. He also is very involved in religious and other positive activities in the prison. Keep up the good work, Rusty!
- ▲ One more person to recognize is new **Vast Westland** reporter **Dan Phillips** of Franklin TN. Many of you may be familiar with Dan, who has been with the NRC since Perry Como was crooning tunes in response to the line "Dear Perry, would you be so kind to fill a request and sing the songs we like best." Says Dan: "Been a long time since I have reported, maybe 15 years. I have been a member of NRC since 1959. Some decent loggings with a new super loop antenna." They are more than decent, Dan, and greatly appreciated! Please keep the loggings coming; we look forward to receiving them long into the future! Dan also sends us a couple of loggings he did using an ultra-light Sony SRF-59, a very inexpensive walkman radio that is attracting a great deal of attention in the DX community. I have a strong suspicion that the use of this radio will show up in more and more loggings in the future.
- ▲ Among this issue's loggings are those of the three DX tests during the weekend of 12/15-17, two of which your Editor took part in. I wonder if those of you listening for KLAA and hearing WCCO instead picked up on what I did. At one ToH, the legal ID read: "Trusted information for the Twin Cities and the Upper Midwest, this is 830 WCCO and WCCO HD-1 Minneapolis-Saint Paul." Two points: First, by bringing the Upper Midwest into the ID, CBS' WCCO is admitting that radio is at the very least regional, not just local. Second, since there is only room for one HD service on an AM channel, why the term "WCCO HD-1"? Certainly it is not an attempt to imply to the uninformed something that is not true-- that AM HD, like FM HD, has multi-channel capabilities.
- ▲ Finally, a big "Thank You" to those who sent along their Holiday wishes to DDXD-West. The winner of this year's best Holiday greeting (drum roll please) is **Dan Sheedy**, who wrote: "May your eggnog be spicy, the tree be green and healthy throughout the month, and DX slide down the antenna in quantity and quality." Thank you, Dan, and may that sentiment last throughout all 12 months of this New Year. And to all DDXD-west readers, here is my annual wish for you: "May the upcoming year be filled with close friends and distant stations." **73 Bill**

Reporters

BH-TX	Bill Hale, North Richland Hills. DX-398 barefoot.
BW-OK	Bruce Winkelman AA5CO, Tulsa. R8, DX-398, Quantum Phaser, two mangled/tangled 50-foot wires.
DBJ-TN	David B. Jones, Nashville. Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.
DP-TN	Dan Phillips, Franklin. Icom 756 Pro with super loop antenna 120 foot long and 40 feet high, or Sony SRF-59.
DS-CA	Dan Sheedy, Encinitas. Grundig G-5.
EW-NE	Ernie Wesolowski, Omaha. Drake SW8, Quantum QX Pro loop.
FA-ID	Frank Aden N7SOK, Boise. Eton E1 barefoot.
GH-IL	Greg Harris, Park Forest. Icom R75 / Quantum Loop or Panasonic 6289.
JEL-MO	J. E. Lewis, Kansas City. Honda Odyssey minivan radio.

JT-AZ	John Tucker KG7RS, Mesa. Drake R8B, 4' varactor-tuned remote box loop, 10/50/10' EWE, DX Engineering NCC-1 Phaser.
JT-AZ1	John Tucker, DXing near Cave Creek. Eton E1XM, C Crane Twin Coil Ferrite Loop.
JW-CO	John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge. Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
LK-SD	Lewis "Rusty" Kruger, Sioux Falls. GPX A2945M-E1 personal radio.
PG-CO	Patrick Griffith, Westminster. Drake R8 and Kiwa loop.
RA-CA1	René Auvray, DXing in Los Angeles area. 2001 Ford Crown Victoria car radio.
RA-CA2	René Auvray, DXing in Barstow. 2007 Chevrolet HHR car radio.
RA-NV	René Auvray, Henderson. Grundig Yacht Boy 400PE or 2001 Ford Crown Victoria car radio.
SA-MB	Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg. 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	Wayne Heinen, Aurora. Drake R8B, N/S Flag, E/W Flag, Modified 4 foot NRC Altazimuth loop, 15 foot vertical whip, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo w/2 BUF-F amplifiers, Mini-DXP5, DX Engineering RPA-1.
WW-MO	Woz Wozniak, Saint Louis. Grundig Satellit 800 and Terk Advantage loop.
Ed.-WI	Your editor, Madison. Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.

Station News

1000	KKIM	NM	Albuquerque. 12/23 1001. Out of Christmas music. "KKIM AM 1000 Albuquerque and KKIM-FM 94.7 Santa Fe" to religious program. This one adds a // FM. (WH-CO)
1290	KMMM	KS	Pratt. 12/24 0852. Oldies music, "Super Hits 1290" slogans; legal ID at 0856 and again at 0901; Fox news at 0901. Generally fair signal with QRM first from KKAR, then later from KOWB. Ex-KWLS. (JW-CO) (So as reported in AMS #75/12, calls have changed. Format and slogan have obviously not, as John confirms. The station's owner is Rocking M Radio, and I would suspect that the new KMMM calls have to do with that company's name. Ed.-WI)
1530	KCMN	CO	Colorado Springs. 12/12 1000. Out of nostalgia to "KCMN Colorado Springs" jingle to USA Radio news, a switch from CNN. (WH-CO)

DX Tests

830	KLAA+	CA	Orange. 12/15 0400. Morse code IDs under WCCO. Fair on DX test. (WH-CO)
830	KLAA+	CA	Orange. 12/15 0401+. A day/night regular here but tuned in for the DX test. Morse IDs at the beginning of Roy Masters' program, then signal got mashed by XEVQ "La Grande de Sinaloa" ... also a nighttime regular. (DS-CA)
830	KLAA-	CA	Orange. 12/15 0400. DX test not heard. (SA-MB)
830	KLAA-	CA	Orange. 12/15 0400-0500. Tried for, did not hear. (EW-NE)
830	KLAA-	CA	Orange. 12/15 0400-0500. No trace of this station, just SS music (WFNO?) and "Coast to Coast" (WEEU?) in a very narrow WCCO null. (Ed.-WI)
1210	KEVT+	AZ	Sahuarita. 12/17 0130. Audible but well under KGYN before the scheduled test. Noted no change after 0200. Checked again just after 0300 and found KEVT well above KGYN with very clear ID. SS music and frequent IDs with "La Raza" and "Mucha Musica" slogans. (PG-CO)
1210	KEVT+	AZ	Sahuarita. 12/17 0200. Very good signal on "DX test," which was nothing more than their regular schedule broadcast on day pattern, i.e. Latino music and various canned versions of their "La Raza Doce Diez" slogan; EE/SS legal IDs noted at 0201 and 0302. Was able to null most of the strong signal of KGYN. (JW-CO)
1210	KEVT+	AZ	Sahuarita. 12/17 0503. "KEVT 1210 AM Sahuarita, Arizona, La Raza" in EE and SS. Excellent over KGYN and KHAT. Needed call change. (WH-CO)
1210	KEVT-	AZ	Sahuarita. 12/17 0200. Heard just a bit of SS on 1210, but Philadelphia and 1200 WOAI'S IBOC killed most everything. (EW-NE)
1210	KEVT-	AZ	Sahuarita. 12/17 0200-0240. Heard SS come up loud at 0155, thought it was KEVT and thought this would be a piece of cake. However, spent the next near-hour frustrated by WPHT, WOAI 1200 IBOC (very strong at times), and a quick deterioration of the SS signal, which I never did ID. Have very little doubt that if WOAI was not running IBOC this one would have been logged sometime in its three-hour run. (Ed.-WI)
1400	KQMS+	CA	Redding. 12/16 0318-0339. Morse IDs ("KQMS 1400", "test") through KEZL/XEPF and the usual graveyard rumble. UnID running old-school holiday carols/songs may have been them as well (songs not heard during Morse

segments). THANKS to all who helped put on the KLAA/KQMS/KEVT tests (the latter of which I snoozed through...). **(DS-CA)**

- 1400 KQMS- CA **Redding. 12/16 0300.** Not heard on scheduled DX test; monitored from 0300 to 0340 and nothing but a jumble heard. **(JW-CO)**
- 1400 KQMS- CA **Redding. 12/16 0300.** DX test not heard. **(SA-MB)**

Presumed, Tentative, UnID

- 1050 CKSBp MB **Winnipeg 12/12 1730.** Presumed the one with FF vocal music and male announcer with FF talk. Local KGTO off air due to 12/10 ice storm. **(BW-OK)**
- 1380 KLIZp MN **Brainerd. 12/13 0000-0005.** Presumed the one with Minnesota Wild NHL hockey broadcast. Local KMUS off air due to 12/10 ice storm. **(BW-OK)**

Regular DX Loggings (times in ELT)

- 540 WRRD WI **Jackson. 12/14 1927.** Call ID. Heard on its night pattern of 400 watts. Logged with SRF-59. **(DP-TN)**
- 570 WAAX AL **Gadsden. 12/10 0000.** Top of the hour ID with "AM 5-70 WAAX, Gadsden's home for Rush Limbaugh, Dr. Laura, Paul Finebaum. The Big Waax," then followed by news. Moderate QRM with moderate fading. New **(WW-MO)**
- 580 WIBW KS **Topeka. 12/16 1900.** "WIBW Topeka" ToH ID. Fair in WILL null. **(GH-IL)**
- 580 WGAC GA **Augusta. 12/22 1830.** "Newstalk 580 WGAC Augusta... WG (missed)." Surfaced quickly under WILL, then lost. **(GH-IL)**
- 620 KTAR AZ **Phoenix. 12/12 1002.** Call ID with sports news and talk. Fair reception for the first time. **(RA-NV)**
- 680 WPTF NC **Raleigh. 12/20 0519.** Male announcer with "WPTF news" in a peak, then gone. NC #1 and 30th state. **(LK-SD)**
- 690 KGGF KS **Coffeyville. 12/8 2242.** Over frequency with call ID. **(DP-TN)**
- 700 WLW OH **Cincinnati. 12/17 2101.** "The Tri-state news, weather and traffic station, Radio 700 WLW Cincinnati" to local news. **(WH-CO)**
- 700 KALL UT **North Salt Lake City. 12/18 0000.** Out of local spots. "KALL North Salt Lake City, Call 700 Sports" to Fox Sports programming. WLW phased. **(WH-CO)**
- 710 KNUS CO **Denver. 12/19 1755.** "7-10 KNUS" by a male. **(LK-SD)**
- 740 KTRH TX **Houston. 12/25 0435.** Poor under CHWO. Female announcer with news, calls, ads. **(JJR-WI)**
- 750 KHWG NV **Fallon. 12/31 0436.** Very poor with WSB nulled. Listened for 20 minutes to finally hear "You're listening to ?? only Classic Country station-- KHWG AM 750." NV #2; #1 was 1130 KLUC in '71 when local WISN had nightly sign-off. NEW! **(JJR-WI)**
- 790 KGHL MT **Billings. 12/23 0057.** "Big Sky Country, the Mighty 790 KGHL Billings" at ToH into CBS news. Good signal, deep fades. Unable to completely phase out loud co-channel KBET. MT #6! **(JT-AZ)**
- 790 KGHL MT **Billings. 12/29 0103.** Out of CBS news. "Your dial is set on the Midnight Radio Network on Montana's Mighty 7-90 KGHL." **(WH-CO)**
- 790 WAYY WI **Eau Claire. 12/29 0400.** "WAYY NewsTalk 790 Eau Claire" to ABC news. **(WH-CO)**
- 810 WHB MO **Kansas City. 12/11 1245.** Good signal. WGY nulled with western loop. Sports talk. **(DP-TN)**
- 810 WGY NY **Schenectady. 12/19 0245.** News and local weather. **(DBJ-TN)**
- 820 WCPT IL **Willow Springs. 12/15 1730.** Fair signals with talk programming and WCPT IDs. NEW **(SA-MB)**
- 840 KMPH CA **Modesto. 12/24 1100.** Segued Middle of the Road oldies, ID at ToH, into local news. "KMPH time is 8:01" and Cheryl (Carol?) Reynolds with traffic, Macy's ad tag and slogan "KMPH, the new AM 840." Normally dominant KXNT nulled. Central Valley CA stations usually better heard here at night. **(DS-CA)**
- 850 WAIT IL **Crystal Lake. 12/10 1820.** Fair to good signals with talk programming and ID on the hour. NEW **(SA-MB)**
- 870 WWL LA **New Orleans. 12/23 2000.** With local KRLA nulled, this popped through with nice legal AM/FM IDs and URL; "the Big 870" slogan into nfl.com promo and Sunday Night Football. First time heard at SSS in decades. **(DS-CA)**
- 870 WWL LA **New Orleans. 12/23 2203.** Vikings vs. Redskins. "WWL 870 New Orleans, WWL 105.3 Kenner-New Orleans" and back to the game. **(WH-CO)**
- 880 WPIP NC **Winston-Salem. 12/9 2200.** WCBS nulled. From Berean Baptist Church. Normally daytime only. I figure they left transmitter on for some reason. "We're

- Praising in the Piedmont." **(DP-TN)**
- 880 KHAC NM Tse Bonito. 12/28 0000. Ending SRN news and local weather. "KHAC Tse Bonito, New Mexico and KTBA 760 AM Tuba City, Arizona" to religious programming. **(WH-CO)**
- 910 WJCW TN Johnson City. 12/9 1400. Local WMRB Columbia TN dominates, but with super loop was able to null it out for WJCW ID. **(DP-TN)**
- 930 WBCK MI Battle Creek. 12/27 0815. "Hero of the Day on WBCK" and "on 95.3 WBCK FM" IDs by a male announcer. Good signal. Logged on my Panasonic 6289. **(GH-IL)**
- 930 CJCA AB Edmonton. 12/28 0830. News, weather, sports, MST time checks; slogan "AM 930 the Light" and into conversational religious chat by man at 0835. Fair, improving to good by ToH, when there was a nice ID: "This is AM 930 the Light. CJCA Edmonton is owned and operated by Touch Canada Broadcasting"; news followed. No sign of KRKY and CJCA was pretty much alone. **(JW-CO)**
- 950 KDCE NM Española. 12/15 0948. Anne Murray's "Snowbird" into local commentary, local sports team schedule for Saturday night. George Strait's "The Love Bug." Announcement "George Strait right here on Que Dice." Interesting station with good signal and a new NM. **(JT-AZ1)**
- 970 WGTK KY Louisville. 12/11 2105. "NewsTalk 970 WGTK" quite strong into an ad for Citracal. Local KCFO off air due to 12/10 ice storm. **(BW-OK)**
- 970 WDAY ND Fargo. 12/11 2300. A couple of call letter IDs in the jumble and mentions of Fargo. Local KCFO off air due to 12/10 ice storm. **(BW-OK)**
- 970 WMAY IL Springfield. 12/12 2152. "The News Talk of Springfield, 9-70 WMAY." Local KCFO off air due to 12/10 ice storm. **(BW-OK)**
- 980 KFVB CA Los Angeles. 12/21 0905. "...your traffic from KFVB 980...." **(WH-CO)**
- 990 KTMS CA Santa Barbara. 12/12 2003-2006. Mentioned business in Goleta, temperature. Fighting through interference before call ID came up. DXing in Rancho Palos Verdes. **(RA-CA1)**
- 990 CBW MB Winnipeg. 12/26 2259. "This is CBC Radio One 990 AM Winnipeg." CBC website promo to the news. KRKS phased. **(WH-CO)**
- 1000 WMVP IL Chicago. 12/22 2203. "... Your football station, ESPN 1000 WMVP Chicago" to ESPN programming. **(WH-CO)**
- 1000 KXRB SD Sioux Falls. 12/22 2303. Faded up with quick "KXRB Sioux Falls, South Dakota" to C&W music. **(WH-CO)**
- 1000 KOMO WA Seattle. 12/23 0705. "Good morning, it's 4:05 in Seattle on Komo right now." Up briefly. **(WH-CO)**
- 1000 KOMO WA Seattle. 12/25 1400. Very good daytime signal trying out Santa's new gift E1. **(FA-ID)**
- 1010 CBR AB Calgary. 12/26 0105. Ending Alberta weather. "CBC Radio One." **(WH-CO)**
- 1060 KDUS AZ Tempe. 12/19 0100. Weak with KRCN phased. KDUS call ID and SNR programming. **(WH-CO)**
- 1060 KIJN TX Farwell. 12/19 0805. Fast-talking SS announcer. "KIJN 1060 Farwell" in SS; gave mailing address, FAX and more. "My Jesus Radio" slogans in EE. New for me and taped. **(WH-CO)**
- 1070 KNX CA Los Angeles. 12/12 2220. I am in a lucky null spot on this with WIBC nulled when signal comes from the west. First logged with western super loop. Logged again on. 12/17 at 2205, this time with the Sony SRF-59, \$20 radio. Now that was a surprise. That radio has excellent nulling capabilities. News radio. **(DP-TN)** (WIBC has just recently changed calls. See **Shawn Axelrod's** WFNI 1070 logging below. **Ed-WI)**
- 1070 KATQ MT Plentywood. 12/18 2302. Ending high school basketball with a long string of spots; sports recap. "Radio International KATQ Plentywood." Power cut abruptly at 2311. **(WH-CO)**
- 1070 WFNI IN Indianapolis. 1/2 0750. Poor signals under WTSO with a repeat of old Broncos football game. Now using these calls. To be ESPN on January 7. NEW **(SA-MB)**
- 1130 KWKH LA Shreveport. 12/21 2059. "Mudbugs hockey on AM 1130 KWKH Shreveport" back to play by play. **(WH-CO)**
- 1130 KBMR ND Bismarck. 12/21 2100. Out of C&W. "North Dakota's Country Legend, Country 1130 KBMR Bismarck-Mandan" to ABC news. **(WH-CO)**
- 1130 CKWX BC Vancouver. 12/22 0000. Ending maritime weather forecast. "Keeping you informed 24/7, CKWX News 1130, a division of Rogers Communications.

News 1130 time 9 o'clock. Vancouver's News Station, you're listening to News 1130" to news. **(WH-CO)**

- 1130 KFAN MN **Minneapolis. 12/23 2038.** Spots and promos. "Now back to Vikings football on KFAN the Fan." A rare appearance for this one! **(WH-CO)**
- 1140 WVLE IL **Pekin. 12/11 0830.** Over the frequency with call letter ID. **(DP-TN)**
- 1150 WLOC KY **Munfordville. 12/19 0345.** Local Munfordville weather and news items. Spot for a grocery store. Nighttime power is listed as 61 watts. **(DBJ-TN)**
- 1190 KVSV KS **Beloit. 12/15 0815.** Ad for ice fishing trip to Lake of the Woods, Minnesota; AM 1190/FM 105.5 ID at 0816, then music. Fair on peaks in the null of semi-local KVCU. **(JW-CO)**
- 1190 WOWO IN **Fort Wayne. 12/20 0807.** News, weather, "wo-wo" slogans. Rough in QRM with semi-local KVCU nulled. This is the only Indiana station that makes it into Colorado on a semi-regular basis. **(JW-CO)**
- 1210 KOKK SD **Huron. 12/16 0054.** Song "North to Alaska" followed by local weather forecast, then "I'm Mark Hutchenson on KOKK," into another song "Playing With the Queen of Hearts." Signal rose out from nothing to S9 and went back and forth with QRM from KUBR San Juan TX and WPHT Philadelphia (in a very tight null of WPHT). Technically not verified since numbers or location were not given with the call. Still a recorded logging and new at that. **(WW-MO)**
- 1210 KUBR TX **San Juan. 12/17 0230.** SS/Mex music into Spanish ID followed by English commercials for businesses in McAllen, TX with address then followed by Spanish commercial mentioning McAllen. Weak signal (S3 at best) with lots of static and QRM from KOKK. New **(WW-MO)**
- 1210 KUNF UT **Washington. 12/17 0900.** Weak echo of ESPN under KHAT. "ESPN 1210 KUNF Washington." **(WH-CO)**
- 1230 WHCO IL **Sparta. 12/12 2305.** Brief call letter ID. **(DP-TN)**
- 1240 KALY NM **Los Ranchos de Albuquerque. 12/16 0958.** "Radio your way, Radio Disney KALY Albuquerque" at ToH into music countdown. Good signal in the mix for a short time. **(JT-AZ)**
- 1240 KBIZ IA **Ottumwa. 12/24 2033.** Poor in mess. "KBIZ weather..." **(JJR-WI)**
- 1260 KGIL CA **Beverly Hills. 12/15 1035.** Syndicated commercials, "Southern California's AM 1260 and 540." Recent callsign change and format change from classical. **(JT-AZ1)**
- 1270 WAIN KY **Columbia. 12/31 0625.** Poor, steady with "Oldies 1270." Local ads. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1290 WKLB KY **Manchester. 12/8 1800.** Over frequency with brief ID. **(DP-TN)**
- 1290 KKDD CA **San Bernardino. 12/15 1045.** Radio Disney programming. Loud signal surprisingly not heard before. **(JT-AZ1)**
- 1330 KWLO IA **Waterloo. 12/22 1809.** Fast "KWLO" by a male announcer. Fair. **(GH-IL)**
- 1350 WKCU MS **Corinth. 12/9 1400.** Calls. Not bad for middle of the day. New one. **(DP-TN)**
- 1350 KRNT IA **Des Moines. 12/16 0530.** "Music from the '50s.'60s and '70s, KRNT 1350" by a male announcer. Good signal overrode WOAM. **(GH-IL)**
- 1360 WIXI AL **Jasper. 12/14 1953.** Very weak under trash on frequency with calls. **(DP-TN)**
- 1370 KWRM CA **Corona. 12/12 1100.** Started out in SS; call ID in EE, into Chinese. Very weak. DXing in Torrance. **(RA-CA1)**
- 1370 KWRM CA **Corona. 12/16 1406.** Announcers talking in Chinese. Slowly fading out. Farthest north recorded. **(RA-CA2)**
- 1370 KXTL MT **Butte. 12/25 0847.** "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year with the greatest holiday hits from the Oldies Station KXTL 1370," followed by traditional Christmas music. Generally fair. **(JW-CO)**
- 1380 WLRM TN **Millington. 12/8 2200.** Call ID heard with local SS off. **(DP-TN)**
- 1380 WLRM TN **Millington. 12/19 0100.** Station promo trying to sell air time. **(DBJ-TN)**
- 1380 KHEY TX **El Paso. 12/12 2337-2339.** "El Paso's ESPN" and "ESPN Radio 1380" slogans, call letter IDs. Local KMUS off air due to 12/10 ice storm. **(BW-OK)**
- 1380 KHEY TX **El Paso. 12/15 0855-0907.** Very good with ESPN programming, ID as "KHEY El Paso" into "SportsCenter" and ads afterward. First time heard here. Must have caught them on day power a tad early, as LSR at El Paso in December is 0700 local. KHEY calls last heard on 1140 many years ago. **(BH-TX)**
- 1380 KLPZ AZ **Parker. 12/27 0859.** Call letter ID; ABC news at ToH. Poor in QRM. **(JW-CO)**
- 1390 KLTX CA **Long Beach. 12/15 1057.** "This is KLTX Long Beach, Radio Nueva Vida" at ToH into SS talk and Christmas music. **(JT-AZ1)**

1390	KLGN	UT	Logan. 12/15 1100. "KLGN Logan" at ToH. CBS news update. Commercial for Cache Country Carpets. Fair signal in KLTX null. (JT-AZ1)
1410	KQV	PA	Pittsburgh. 12/8 2257. Call letter ID. (DP-TN)
1410	KGRN	IA	Grinnell. 12/31 0706. Poor though steady and alone. Cold forecast, "dense fog at KGRN." (JJR-WI)
1420	WKSR	TN	Pulaski. 12/24 0728. Poor but over others with lively jock, "KSR AM" into oldies. NEW! (JJR-WI)
1460	KXNO	IA	Des Moines. 12/25 0829. Gal saying "...here on Des Moines' sports station 1460 KXNO" and back to local sports talk. Fair, mixing with others. (JW-CO)
1460	KLTC	ND	Dickinson. 12/25 0839. ID as "AM 1460 KLTC," followed by Christmas music. Fair, mixing with KXNO and KXPN. (JW-CO)
1460	KXPN	NE	Kearney 12/25 0859. Dual KXPN / KICS legal ID, then into ESPN Sports Center at 0900. Fair and fadey. (JW-CO)
1470	KYUU	KS	Liberal. 12/31 2000. Ending SS music. "KYUU Liberal, 1470 La Máquina Musical." Fair, mixing with KKTY. (WH-CO)
1480	KSDR	SD	Watertown. 12/31 0841. News headlines, call letter ID, then back to ESPN, I think, at 0842. Fair for a couple of minutes with semi-local 1490's IBOC nulled. (JW-CO)
1490	KQDS	MN	Duluth. 12/25 0500. Very poor. Legal ID into Christmas music. (JJR-WI)
1510	KSPA	CA	Ontario. 12/17 1006. Fighting to get through KFNN Phoenix. News of the Inland Empire; traffic in San Diego. (RA-NV)
1530	KNBO	TX	New Boston. 12/12 0700. Female announcer "Gooooood Morning this is KNBO New Boston" and into weather. Remember when sign-ons featured the Star Spangled Banner? (WH-CO) (Remember when the overwhelming majority of stations <i>had</i> sign-ons? Ed.-WI)
1530	WCKY	OH	Cincinnati. 12/12 1901. "Homer the Sports Animal" promos and WCKY calls followed local spots and promos. Weak. (WH-CO)
1530	KXTD	OK	Wagoner. 12/26 0802. Popped on the air while I was parked on 1530 with full EE ID, then SS ID with "La Que Buena" slogan; Latino music followed at 0804 after a short prayer in SS. Fair / good signal half an hour before their sunrise-- must have PSRA of some sort. (JW-CO)
1560	WPAD	KY	Paducah. 12/13 0403. Out of ESPN. "ESPN 1560 WPAD, Paducah's ESPN 1560" to more ESPN programming. (WH-CO)
1560	KBEW	MN	Blue Earth. 12/13 0659. Complete sign-on announcement, "Your Information Station" slogans and ABC news on the hour. (WH-CO)
1580	CKDO	ON	Oshawa. 12/17 2150. Call letters, then into oldies. Good to fair way over several unIDs. Rare, although pattern book shows we are really not in a null for their night pattern. (JEL-MO)
1590	WTVB	MI	Coldwater. 12/30 1745. "Greatest (missed) 1590 WTVB" by a male announcer. Peaked strongly briefly over WAKR. (GH-IL)
1600	KAHZ	CA	Pomona. 12/17 1308. Extremely weak. Man speaking in Chinese. Farthest recorded in the daytime. Chevrolet HHR car radio. (RA-NV)
1600	WWRL	NY	New York. 12/31 0719. Poor, steady over others. Calls, time check. (JJR-WI)
1670	KNRO	CA	Redding. 12/16 1058. Reddinghelpwanted.com commercial, "ESPN Radio KNRO Redding" at ToH, into sports scores. Good signal with SS co-channel phased. (JT-AZ)
1670	WVVM	GA	Dry Branch. 12/19 0310. Christmas music. ID in SS. (DBJ-TN)
1690	WVON	IL	Berwyn. 12/24 0820. Chicago area weather. "The Talk of Chicago" slogan. Into the Roland Martin talk show. Good in null of my local KDDZ which was still on night power. (PG-CO)

TIS, HAR, Etc.

1610	WQGS364	AZ	Phoenix. 12/15 1113. TIS about 8 miles to my southwest at junction of I-17 and Carefree Highway. Repeating loop "You're listening to an information radio station operated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department Ben Avery Shooting Facility for the purpose of providing wildlife information and advising you of outdoor recreation opportunities. This station is broadcasting on AM 1610 with a callsign of WQGS364." No other information given. This TIS is apparently operating under Special Temporary Authority after license expiration on 12/1/07, according to the FCC website. Location 33-48-17.2N 112-08-48.5W. (JT-AZ1)
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REPORTERS

DA-SC	Doug Allen, Inman – TS-850 transceiver, two 14' x 28' flag antennas favoring NE and west or 53' Hygain Hytower vertical
MC-NJ	Mike Clancy, Jersey City – DX-396
BC-NH	Bruce Conti, Nashua – SDR IQ, WR-CMC-30, MWDX-5, 50 x 75-ft SuperLoop antennas east with remote variable termination and south 1150-Ω terminated.
HF-MI	Harold Frodge, Midland – Drake R8B + 215' center-fed RW, 85' end-fed RW, 125' bow-tie
HJH-PA	Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre - Grundig S350, Kiwa Pocket Loop
DL-MD	Dave Larrabee, Columbia - SDR-14 on a pair of DX engineering active verticals using a Quantum Phaser.
DL-ME	Dave Larrabee, East Corinth - SDR-14 at feed point of dipole at 15 feet. Audio recovered postfacto from I/Q file.
IEN-GA	Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - Sony SRF-59
DP-HI	Dale Park, Honolulu – station news
MKB-ON	Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundigs G5 & YB-400PE, Panasonic RF-2200

STATION NEWS

770	WABC	NY	New York – Per <i>New York Post</i> , station is the flagship of the revived “Imus In The Morning” airing weekdays 0600-1000 as of 12/03, syndicated by Citadel Broadcasting’s ABC Talk network. (DP-HI)
1400	WSLB	NY	Ogdensburg – Per <i>Radio and Records</i> , station flipped in early Dec. to ESPN Radio sports from talk, which moved to sister station WQTK-FM. It was rumored that WQTK-FM was going to be an Air America Radio affiliate but it went conservative. WSLB will also air MLB, NBA (both presumably via ESPN R.), NFL and NHL games. (DP-HI)
1490	WTAA	NJ	Pleasantville - Per <i>Philadelphia Inquirer</i> , station adds Don Imus as of 12/03. (DP-HI)

UNIDs

1410			- 12/17 2236 – Monday night football with weird sounding echo effect (from two or more stations broadcasting same game). WPOP Hartford or KQV Pittsburgh? (MC-NJ) <i>Could be WNER Watertown, NY. See logging below. Mike</i>
1450			12/20 1717 – “Now some more country classics on ...(?) 1450” followed by song “Tonight the Bottle let me down”. Signal fair then disappeared. (MC-NJ)

LOGGINGS

550	KTRS	MO	St. Louis - 12/22 1850 - good under WDUN, “550 KTRS” ID. (DA-SC)
600	WMT	IA	Cedar Rapids – 12/22 2205 – local news and “Radio WMT” ID. (DA-SC)
		+++	- 12/20 2203 – “600 WMT” ID, then return to Fox News discussing baseball steroids scandal, “35 degrees at your official weather station WMT”. Signal heard through another station. (MC-NJ)
	WFST	ME	Caribou - 12/14 1500 - Christmas carols, “You are listening to Family Radio, WFST Caribou Radio” followed by SRN News. (DL-ME)
670	WWFE	FL	Miami – 12/16 2005 – Spanish programming w/WMAQ nulled. “This is WWFE-670 Miami”. Fair signal. (HJH-PA)
700	WDMV	MD	Walkersville - 1/2 1700 - Good; “WDMV Walkersville, Washington, the national capital region’s only business and financial news/talk radio station, DC Radio 700,” and <i>Information Radio Network</i> news. (BC-NH)
730	WPIT	PA	Pittsburgh - 1/2 1700 - Poor, through unID <i>ESPN</i> ; 73 WPIT promo/ID and <i>SRN</i> news. (BC-NH)
740	WVCH	PA	Chester - 1/2 1700 - Fair; “You’re listening to The Christian Station, WVCH AM 740 serving Chester, Philadelphia, and the entire Delaware Valley.” (BC-NH)
770	WVNN	AL	Athens – 01/03 1747 – under WABC and over WJR-760 IBOC hiss with New Centrum multi-vitamin ad, “News- talk WVNN” ID. (MKB-ON)
	WLWL	NC	Rockingham - 1/2 1750 - Over/under WABC; R&B oldies. Very enjoyable, different from the same old music on other stations! Lost to <i>R. Rebelde</i> Cuba before s/off. (BC-NH)
780	CFDR	NS	Dartmouth – 12/16 1711 – “You Don’t Know Me” by Eddy Arnold, followed

by "I Love the Country Way of Life", "780 Kicks" slogan heard amid interference from WBBM and local WABC-770. **(MC-NJ)**

- 790 CIGM ON Sudbury - 12/29 1230 - steady on mid-day skip with "your CIGM 5-day forecast" local weather into C&W. **(MKB-ON)**
- 860 WAMO PA Millvale - 1/1 2000 - Through *R. Reloj* Cuba with CJBC nulled; WAMO AM promo/ID and the Bev Smith Show talk. **(BC-NH)**
- 910 WAVL PA Apollo - 12/29 1208 - fair on noon hour skip (or enhanced groundwave) with gospel rock, usual "right here on Praise 910" slogan. **(MKB-ON)**
- 940 WIDG MI St. Ignace - 1/1 1940 - Presumed; *Sporting News Radio* under XEQ with CINW nulled. **(BC-NH)**
- 960 CFAC AB Calgary - 01/01 0117 - appeared in the clear mixed with moderate co-channel with couple of advertisements. "Calgary's largest Nissan Show Room", "Mountain View Credit Union, 10 branches serving Central Alberta." Then at 0200: "This is CFAC, nine sixty AM Calgary, a Rogers Broadcast Station." **(DL-MD)**
- WPLY PA Mount Pocono - 1/1 1800 - Under CFFX and *R. Reloj* Cuba; "Your home for today's talk radio, WVPO Stroudsburg and WPLY Mount Pocono" into network news. **(BC-NH)**
- 980 WILK PA Wilkes-Barre - 1/1 1800 - Under WCAP and WOFX; "...WILK-FM, WILK-FM HD1 Avoca, WILK Wilkes-Barre, WBZU Scranton, WKZN West Hazleton, northeast PA's news radio, WILK," and ABC news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1010 WJXL FL Jacksonville - 12/31 2341 - Sports news and scores. Good signal trading places with CFRB in Toronto. Slogan: "Jacksonville's Sports Radio, 1010 XL". **(IEN-GA)**
- 1030 KCTA TX Corpus Christi - 12/23 1826 - "Bringing you words of encouragement... this is KCTA Corpus Christi" 1019 miles **(DA-SC)**
- 1070 CBA NB Moncton - 12/23 2055 - classical music under WIBC / / internet streaming. 1189 miles. **(DA-SC)**
- 1120 WKQW PA Oil City - 12/30 1645 - Very strong w/Burl Ives "Holly Jolly Christmas". Ad about advertising on WKQV. Faded, leaving a Spanish language station. **(HJH-PA)**
- 1160 WSKW ME Skowhegan - 1/3 1700 - Over WVNJ; BTO "Let It Roll," FM ID, "Central Maine's classic rock, WCTB Fairfield, Waterville, Augusta; The River 93-5," then lost with power reduction. Format change, no longer ESPN? **(BC-NH)**
- 1200 CFGO ON Ottawa - 1/3 1700 - Excellent; "This is CFGO Ottawa, Sportsradio Team 1200," and news, "From the CFRA 24 hour news center..." **(BC-NH)**
- 1230 WTKG MI Grand Rapids - 12/30 0759 - in like ton of bricks with slogan "Grand Rapids' talk alternative, AM 1230 WTKG", promo for wtkg.com website, into "Christian Science Sentinel" program. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1270 WLBR PA Lebanon - 12/29 1705 - over WXYT with local weather, ID announcement by woman: "it's 5:06 and the best of Sean Hannity is coming your way on the new 1270 WLBR". **(MKB-ON)**
- +++ - 12/14 1600 - "and in Lebanon you are listening to WLBR AM twelve seventy, the Lebanon Valley's only full sized radio station." Followed by ABC News at the top of the hour. IBOC hiss on both sidebands. **(DL-ME)**
- WTSN NH Dover - 12/14 1604 - In ABC News, "from the WTSN News Room" consisting of NH area weather and news. Strong and in the clear, with no hint of WLBR, which faded out during the same news feed. IBOC hiss on USB was loud, LSB had faded from the top of the hour. **(DL-ME)**
- 1280 WGBF IN Evansville - 01/02 1733 - fighting Montreal's CFMB (in Italian) with Office Depot ad, ID at end of local traffic report: "that's a look at your traffic from news-talk WGBF". The former Pearson Airport TIS "Biz 1280" CFBN appears to be indefinitely defunct, having shut off the open carrier last month. **(MKB-ON)**
- CFMB PQ Montreal - 12/14 - 1600 - ethnic programming in Italian with 1.5 minutes of dead air just before the top of the hour. Call sign given in Italian "CFMB" at the top of the hour. Transmitter power dramatically reduced at 1602. The program, which had been in the clear fell into the co-channel at that time. **(DL-ME)**
- 1300 WTMM NY Rensselaer - 12/14 1600 - "You're listening to WTMM, the newest talk station serving Albany, Schenectady, and Troy" followed by ABC News. **(DL-ME)**
- WKZN PA West Hazleton - 1/3 1700 - Good; "Scranton Wilkes-Barre's number one information station, WILK-FM, WILK-FM HD1 Avoca... (see 980) northeast

- PA's news radio, WILK." **(BC-NH)**
- 1310 CIWW ON Ottawa – 12/29 1245 – blasting in on mid-day skip with “Hot Child in the City” by Nick Gilder (another dreadful Canadian oldie that owes its airplay to the CRTC), “Oldies 1310” jingle, Oldies 1310 Loyalty Club promo. **(MKB-ON)**
- +++ - 12/14 1600 - “It’s CIWW Ottawa, Oldies thirteen ten” **(DL-ME)**
- 1320 WDER NH Derry - 12/14 1558 - REL “here on Life Changing Radio, WDER. From the studios of HCJB Global, Beyond the Call with Ron” weather report and SRN news at the top of the hour. **(DL-MD)**
- 1330 WHBL WI Sheboygan – 12/31 0857 – over usual Erie, PA pest with ID at end of local weather “right now 26 degrees at news radio 1330 WHBL”. **(MKB-ON)**
- WRCA MA Waltham - 12/14 1600 - Caught the QSB cycle just right at the top of the hour for this frequency. Spanish programming with English ID just after the top of the hour: “A member of the Beasley Broadcast Group, this is thirteen thirty WRCA” back into Spanish. Looks like this one may have moved to Watertown, Mass with a power increase to 17 kw night on 4 towers. **(DL-ME)**
- WBHV PA Somerset - 12/14 1559 - In moderate co-channel: “For the best in sports news, sports talk, plus sports coverage and everything sports WPRR dot com WBHV Somerset, ESPN fourteen ninety, thirteen thirty” **(DL-ME)**
- 1340 WNZS ME Veazie - 1/3 1755 - Fair; Bangor weather, “Newsradio 1340 WNZS,” and Michael Medved talk. **(BC-NH)**
- 1350 WIOU IN Kokomo – 12/31 0859 – alone on frequency with ad for Kokomo Hyundai, ToH ID: “This is WIOU Kokomo, good morning it’s 9 o’clock” into CBS news. **(MKB-ON)**
- WOYK PA York - 12/14 1556 - SPT: “On ESPN thirteen fifty, WOYK” in the clear. York area advertising. Faded by 1558. **(DL-ME)**
- WEZS NH Laconia - 12/14 1602 - “New Hampshire’s smooth jazz, WEZS Laconia, thirteen fifty” **(DL-ME)**
- CKAD NS Middleton - 1/3 1800 - Fair; “1420 CKDY Digby, 1350 CKAD Middleton, 103.3 FM Weymouth, and 97.7 CKEN Kentville... this is AVR, an MBS radio station serving the Annapolis Valley for 63 years,” and The Foxworthy Countdown. **(BC-NH)**
- 1370 WXXI NY Rochester - 12/14 1600 - “WXXI AM Rochester, WRUR FM Rochester, WJSL...” Followed by NPR News. **(DL-ME)**
- 1380 WMYF NH Portsmouth - 12/14 – 1600 - “The music, memories, and more. AM thirteen eighty, WMYF Portsmouth. Playing the music of your life.” **(DL-ME)**
- WABH NY Bath - 1/3 1800 - Atop jumble; “Oldies 1380 WABH” and CBS news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1390 WRSC PA State College – 12/29 1235 – noontime skip over WNIO with promo for New Year’s Day bowl games “on your sports connection, news radio 1390 WRSC”. **(MKB-ON)**
- WNIO OH Youngstown – 12/17 2232 – “13-90 WNIO...come back after Christmas for America’s best music...” then signal disappeared and a SS station showed up. **(MC-NJ)**
- WEGP ME Presque Isle - 12/14 1558 - Locally originated talk show followed by: “As many have noticed WEGP has made some changes in its broadcast schedule as we prepare for the introduction of our twenty-five thousand watt signal in the County in the coming days. So WEGP is attempting to build a schedule that appeals to a broad audience and that is effective for our many advertisers. Your feedback is especially important, so please visit our web site at wegp dot net, read our comments on the home page.” “WEGP has completed its power up to twenty five thousand watts, welcome Van Buren” long list of northern Maine towns and planned program highlights. Fox News at the top of the hour. **(DL-ME)**
- 1400 WLTN NH Littleton - 12/14 1600 - In moderate co-channel: “WLTN Littleton, Oldies fourteen hundred, forty years and better than ever”. **(DL-ME)**
- 1410 WNER NY Watertown - 12/14 1600 - “ESPN fourteen-ten WNER Watertown, northern New York’s sports authority, we are the winner” Competing with unidentified salsa, possibly WMSX in Brockton, MA. **(DL-ME)**
- WELM NY Elmira - 1/3 1800 - Poor through WPOP and unIDs; WELM Elmira, Corning ID. **(BC-NH)**
- 1420 KTOE MN Mankato – 01/03 1635 - 50s-80s oldies; “AM 14-20 KTOE”. Fair peaks over mix. **(HF-MI)**
- WHK OH Cleveland - 1/3 1900 - Over unID gospel among others; Laura Ingraham

- promo, then ID, "WHK Cleveland. This is News/Talk 1420 WHK." (BC-NH)
- 1430 WION MI **Ionia** - 01/02 1627 - Mix of Blues & not-so-oldies; call only between tunes; Good on top. (HF-MI)
- WXKS MA **Everett** - 12/14 1604 - Dominant SS/Salsa with deep fades, with English ID at top of the hour +4 "WKOX Framingham, WXKS Everett". This station was running IBOC. (DL-ME)
- WENE NY **Endicott** - 12/13 1702 - In and out with un-ID Spanish Salsa. "Your home for Binghamton Senators Hockey, Sports Radio fourteen thirty, The Team" followed with: "local news and weather when you want it at channel34 dot com" apparently refers to the local ABC outlet, WIVT, Binghamton. (DL-ME)
- 1440 WJAE ME **Westbrook** - 12/14 1600 - In rapidly building post sunset co-channel: "On the Big JAB, Sports Radio WJAB" with area advertising. Used LSB to avoid 1430 IBOC. (DL-ME)
- WVEI MA **Worcester** - 12/13 1702 - In fades: "This is the WEEI Sports Radio Network" 1704: "Sports Radio fourteen forty WVEI Worcester" (DL-MD)
- 1450 WYFY NY **Rome** - 12/22 1900 - Weak w/others. "This is the ... Network, WYFY Rome". (HJH-PA)
- 1460 WBRN MI **Big Rapids** - 01/02 1657 - Fox News Radio, slogan "News-Talk 14-60 the new WBRN. Very good peaks to zilch. (HF-MI)
- 1510 WAUK WI **Waukesha** - 12/20 1734 - ad for Ovaltine, "Milwaukee's ESPN Radio, 1510 days, 1290 nights" IDs into "Favre TD countdown" with David Martin as guest. Signal fair, faded, returned and then disappeared. (MC-NJ)
- 1540 KXEL IA **Waterloo** - 1/3 2100 - Third station behind WDCD and CHIN; basketball promo and ID, "KXEL Waterloo, Cedar Falls, Iowa." (BC-NH)
- 1600 WRPN WI **Ripon** - 12/30 0901 - under WWRL/WAAM mix with "1600 ESPN WRPN" ID into ESPN Sports Center, leading off with the Patriots win over the Giants to go 16-0. (MKB-ON)
- 1630 KCJJ IA **Iowa City** - 12/23 1845 - "Sending out 10,000 watts, this is the mighty KCJJ". (DA-SC)
- 1660 WQLR MI **Kalamazoo** - 12/22 0720 - "sports radio WQLR" to ESPN programming. (DA-SC)

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I thought I would answer the siren call of our Musings editor, reintroduce myself to the NRC after nearly 25 years away, and tell how I got started in this MWDX hobby. When I was very little, my dad gave me an Arvin AM radio that was for a bicycle, complete with a horn. One evening, I quite accidentally picked up WFBC-1330 out of Greenville, SC on it. Not really knowing any difference as a four- or five-year-old, I "found" the station in the TV Guide, hi. In my mid-teens, I wanted a multi-band radio, so my dad got me a used Admiral All-World SW/AM receiver, which got the whole family hooked on SW. However, I started on Top 40 at the end of the AM T40 era, so I listened to WLS/WLAC/KB15 at night. My next radio was an RF-2800, quite the all-purpose DX machine. Then I started off to college, eventually earning a Ph. D. in chemistry, and came back to Southeastern Kentucky to start my career as a professor (and now academic dean) in a community college. Two things really coincided to pull me back into MWDX. First, I found an S-350 that my mother had bought not too long before her death. I started listening to it at my dad's home, since he had gotten mad and had the cable disconnected. I've picked up a few stations along. Second, one afternoon last summer, I picked up KOMA-92.5 on my S-10 truck radio, which brought on a little activity on an ATS-606 with no knob. I bought an S-350DL (out for modification now) and a KA-2100, along with a Select-a-Tenna. Those two rigs are very good for AM, although the S-350 does better with the S-A-T. I bought an E1 from Circuit City, but with all the discussions about failings of early models, I sent it back. Just last week, however, I bought an SRF-59. I will chime in that it has quite the sensitivity for a little pocket radio, having picked up CFTR-680 out of the dust of WCNN. While I don't have much time to DX with work and church activities, I do hope to send in a few loggings along. Good to be back in the NRC. 73, Wheels

NRC Contest

An annual DX contest which encourages DX'ing and offers prizes

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The final **Longest Distance Contest** results along with three 2008 *WRTH* winners will be announced next week. Absolutely astonishing distances have been logged, so stay tuned! Meanwhile here are the **1000+ Mile Contest** standings as of January 4. There's still plenty of time to enter the thousand-miler, open until April 14.

Doug Allen, Inman SC (28 pts)
530 RVC Turks & Caicos 1134 *mi.*
540 CBK Regina SK 1629
540 XEWA San Luis Potosí 1446
550 YVKE Caracas 1941
555 ZIZ St.Kitts 1708
560 *R.Rebelde*, Moa 1083
600 CMKV Urbano Norris 1061
700 RJR Jamaica 1175
720 RJR Jamaica 1220
720 YVQE Porlamar 2007
810 CMDW Guantánamo 1112
820 CMDE Contramaestre 1078
850 KOA Denver CO 1282
860 CBKF Saskatoon SK 1598
860 CMDB Baracoa 1115
880 KRVN Lexington NE 1017
900 CMKP Cacocum 1048
960 CMDJ Guantánamo 1112
990 CBW Winnipeg MB 1283
1030 KCTA Corpus Christi TX 1020
1030 XEQR México DF 1498
1050 CKSB Winnipeg MB 1269
1050 *R. Victoria*, Las Tunas 1021
1060 CMDX Baracoa 1115
1070 CBA Moncton NB 1184
1070 CMKS Guantánamo 1112
1200 WOAI San Antonio TX 1012
1620 WDHP Frederiksted VI 1597

Walt Breville, Wentzville MO (2 pts)
1030 WBZ Boston MA 1078 *mi.*
1160 KSL Salt Lake City UT 1134

Russell Curry, Eugene OR (4 pts)
870 WWL New Orleans LA 2051 *mi.*
900 CKBI *Today's Country*, Prince Albert
SK 1004
940 CJGX *GX-94*, Yorkton SK 1081
1020 KCKN Roswell NM 1237

Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO (14 pts)
530 La Habana 1758 *mi.*
530 RVC Turks & Caicos 2323
570 CMDC *R.Reloj*, Santa Clara 1881
650 WSM Nashville TN 1013
690 CBU Vancouver BC 1118
690 XERG Monterrey 1000

740 CHWO Toronto ON 1315
747 JOIB Sapporo, Japan 5403
750 WSB Atlanta GA 1203
760 WJR Detroit MI 1138
770 XEACH Monterrey 1000
790 CMAQ *R.Reloj*, Pinar del Río 1715
840 WHAS Louisville KY 1044
960 *R.Reloj*, Guantánamo 2209

Nancy Johnson, Billings MT (10 pts)
530 RVC Turks & Caicos 2676 *mi.*
700 WLW Cincinnati OH 1310
760 WJR Detroit MI 1285
780 WBBM Chicago IL 1057
810 KXOI Crane TX 1041
820 WBAP Ft. Worth TX 1093
890 WLS Chicago IL 1077
890 KVOZ Del Mar Hills TX 1355
1200 WOAI San Antonio TX 1258
1700 XEPE Tecate BCN 1012

Taylor McNeil, Arlington MA (3 pts)
530 RVC Turks & Caicos 1441 *mi.*
640 CMBC *R.Progreso*, Guanabacoa 1474
870 WWL New Orleans MA 1365

Dale Park, Honolulu HI (4 pts)
580 KMJ Fresno CA 2532 *mi.*
620 KPOJ *Progressive Talk*, Portland OR
2592
1090 KPTK *Progressive Talk*, Seattle WA
2664
1332 4BU Bundaberg, Australia 4617

Sheryl Paszkiewicz, Manitowoc WI (14 pts)
555 ZIZ St. Kitts 2348 *mi.*
650 CKOM Saskatoon SK 1028
660 KTNN Window Rock AZ 1267
670 CMQ *R.Rebelde*, Arroyo Arenas 1484
690 XEMA *La MA*, Fresnillo, Zac 1683
710 CMW *R.Rebelde*, La Julia 1501
730 XEX Mexico City 1831
800 PJB *TWR Bonaire* 2487
800 XESPN Tijuana BCN 1771
1060 XEEP Mexico City 1827
1140 CHRHB High River AB 1304

1140 XEMR Monterrey, NL 1448
1170 XEJTF Zacoalco, Jal 1882
1200 WOAI San Antonio TX 1160

Paul Swearingen, Topeka KS (14 pts)
530 RCH La Habana 1369 *mi.*
530 RVC Turks & Caicos 1871
570 CMDC *R.Reloj*, Santa Clara 1474
640 CMBC *R.Progreso*, Guanabacoa 1349
660 WFAN New York NY 1116
670 CMQ *R.Rebelde*, Arroyo Arenas 1349
680 KNBR San Francisco CA 1443
730 XEX Mexico City DF 1372
880 WCBS New York NY 1166
900 XEW Mexico City DF 1373
1030 WBZ Boston MA 1317
1060 KYW Philadelphia PA 1090
1070 KNX Los Angeles CA 1309
1210 WPHT Philadelphia PA 1105

John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO (22 pts)
530 RVC Turks & Caicos 2341 *mi.*
590 XEFD Reynosa, Tama 1033
610 CKYL *YL Country*, Peace River AB
1261
640 XEYQ Fresnillo, Zac 1154
650 WSM Nashville TN 1031
690 CBU Vancouver, BC 1100
693 JOAB Tokyo, Japan 5803
700 WLW Cincinnati OH 1106
740 CHWO Toronto ON 1328
747 JOIB Sapporo, Japan 5386
750 WSB Atlanta GA 1222
770 KTTH Seattle WA 1014
774 JOUB Akita, Japan 5593
790 CMAQ *R.Reloj*, Pinar del Río 1733
800 CKLW Windsor ON 1163
828 JOBB Osaka, Japan 5888
840 WHAS Louisville KY 1060
870 WWL New Orleans LA 1089
1000 KOMO Seattle WA 1016
1130 CKWX Vancouver BC 1096
1530 WCKY Cincinnati OH 1095
1566 HLAZ Cheju, S.Korea 6470

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Foreign DX Catches. All times are UTC

From *spaceweather.com*: Solar physicists have been waiting for the appearance of a reversed-polarity sunspot to signal the start of the next solar cycle. The wait is over. A magnetically reversed, high-latitude sunspot emerged January 4. This marked the beginning of Solar Cycle 24 and the first step toward a new solar maximum. Intense solar activity won't begin right away. Solar cycles usually take a few years to build from solar minimum (where we are now) to Solar Max (expected in 2011 or 2012). It's a slow journey, but we're on our way!

Transatlantic DX

- 183 **GERMANY** *Europe 1*, Felsberg (49°17'N 6°41'E) DEC 22 1958 - Weak at this early hour (1458 local) with man in French. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 189 **ICELAND** *Ríkisútvarpid*, Gufuskálar (64°54'N 23°55'W) DEC 21 1059-1101 - Good at this late hour with news in presumed Icelandic; music tones and apparent ID at 1100. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 216 **FRANCE** *RMC Roumoules* (43°47'N 6°09'E) DEC 24 2156-2200 - Good with French teletalk, ad featuring John Lennon's "Working Class Hero," into news at 2200; way over beacon CLB. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 549 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Les Trembles (35°17'N 0°34'W) JAN 4 2240 - Good; talk parallel a fair 153 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 558 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros JAN 4 2300 - Poor; time pips and familiar fanfare into news. [Conti-NH]
- 585 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Madrid (40°28'N 3°52'W) JAN 4 2300 - Good; fanfare, "Radio Nacional de España, Informativos" and woman with news. [Conti-NH]
- 603 **SPAIN** *RNE5* Monte Viejo (42°01'N 4°33'W) and La Corchuela (37°20'N 6°00'W) JAN 4 2256 - Good; alternating man/woman with news. Double top of the hour pips indicating reception of both stations, one slightly delayed. [Conti-NH]
- 612 **MOROCCO** *RTM A*, Sebaa-Aioun (33°54'N 5°23'W) JAN 1 2138 - Strong with discussion in Arabic. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 639 **SPAIN** *RNE1* La Coruña et al. JAN 4 2300 - Good, with synchro echo; bumper music and talk leading up to pips, fanfare and news, parallel 585 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 782 **SYRIA** *R.Syria 1*, Tartus (34°55'N 35°52'E) JAN 2 2150 - Huge signal, 10 dB better than 783 Mauritania. [Conti-NH]
- 999 **MOLDOVA** *Voice of Russia*, Grigoriopol, Maiac (47°14'N 29°24'E) JAN 1 2300 - Presumed; ethnic vocal under *COPE* Spain. [Conti-NH]
- 1179 **SWEDEN** *R.Sweden International*, Sölvesborg (55°59'N 14°40'E) DEC 31 2248-2300 - Fair; news by man and woman in English, interval signal and ID at 2300. [DeLorenzo-MA] JAN 3 2200 - Excellent; pop/rock vocal, signature chimes and theme with IDs, "Radio Sweden, Stockholm." [Conti-NH]
- 1206 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Bordeaux (44°57'N 0°11'W) DEC 31 2242 - Good with news in French. In the clear with no problem from 1210 WPHT-HD. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 1214.65 **ALBANIA** *Fllakë* (41°22'N 19°31'E) DEC 31 2210-2225 - Presumed to be the off-frequency station in East European language battling 1215 *Virgin Radio* and creating a loud het. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Virgin Radio* synchros DEC 31 2209-2237 - Good; rock music by Van Morrison, Los Lobos, Belinda Carlisle and others. Mostly over the off-frequency Albanian on 1214.65 kHz. [DeLorenzo-MA] JAN 3 2200 - Fair over Albania het; Eurythmics "Sweet Dreams," ads, *Virgin Radio* jingle and DJ talk. [Conti-NH]
- 1422 **ALGERIA** *R.Coran*, Algiers (36°40'N 3°09'E) JAN 1 0514-0538 - Weak with religious Arabic music and woman in Arabic. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA* Duba (27°20'N 35°45'E) DEC 30 2155 - Loud and clear; man and woman in Arabic, upbeat music bridges between items. Usual SW parallel frequencies 9555 and 9870 kHz not noted at this time. [DeLorenzo-MA]

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- 1584 **CEUTA** *RadiOlé*, Ceuta (35°53'N 5°17'W) JAN 1 0454-0509 - Fair with Spanish folk music and ballads. Yes, I was DXing at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve! [DeLorenzo-MA] Listening to celebrations around the world is a great way to enjoy the evening!

Pan-American DX

- 540 **MEXICO** XEWA San Luis Potosí (22°10'N 100°58'W) JAN 3 0250 - On top briefly, parallel 900 and Internet streaming. [Allen-SC]
- 580 **PUERTO RICO** WKAQ San Juan (18°26'N 66°08'W) DEC 24 2229 - Good atop channel with ID, "Kah-Ah-Coo," followed by discussion between two men in Spanish. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 631.28 **VENEZUELA** YVKA *R.Nacional de Venezuela*, Caracas DEC 23 0430-0439 - Fair with national anthem followed by news of Latin America with two alternating male announcers in Spanish. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 700 **JAMAICA** RJR Hague, Trelawny DEC 28 2300 - *Radio 2*, now surfaces every night and occasionally parallel to 720, eg. JAN 1 2300. [Allen-SC]
- 720 **JAMAICA** RJR Innswood, St.Catherine (18°00'N 76°47'W) DEC 28 0255 - Caribbean accented voice talking about Jamaica rum for the 12th day of Christmas! British-accented (BBC?) news on hour. This station has surfaced every night since first noted. [Allen-SC]
- 770 **COLOMBIA** HJJX RCN Bogotá (4°37'N 74°11'W) DEC 23 0445-0453 - Good over nulled WABC with festive Latin American music and ID, "RCN Radio de Colombia... RCN Radio punto com." [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 770 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Las Mercedes JAN 2 2300 - Rebelde sounder through WABC. [Conti-NH]
- 900 **MEXICO** XEW México DF (19°18'N 99°08'W) JAN 3 0250 - On top briefly and parallel 540 kHz. [Allen-SC]
- 940 **MEXICO** XEQ *Besame*, Iztapalapa, México (19°19'N 99°05'W) JAN 2 0050 - Over presumed WIDG in CINW null; a cheesy instrumental, *Besame* jingle, and romántica. [Conti-NH]
- 1030 **MEXICO** XEQR *R.Centro*, México DF (19°24'N 99°06'W) JAN 2 2133 - "Radio Centro diez treinta," my first Mexico. [Allen-SC]
- 1040 **CUBA** *R.Habana Cuba*, unknown location JAN 2 0116 - Parallel Internet streaming. [Allen-SC]
- 1040 **CUBA** CMBF *R.Musical Nacional*, Villa Clara JAN 2 0116 - Presumed; poor and probably parallel poor 590 kHz. [Allen-SC]
- 1140 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown location JAN 2 0040 - Parallel 1180, etc. [Allen-SC]

DXisimo Doug Allen: Here are some Cuban regional networks and frequencies I am hearing in South Carolina with quotation marks indicating what I heard. "R.Enciclopedia" is now 530 often booming in over strong RVC. No parallel found. *Radio 26* is "Radio Veinte seis" on 1000, unknown call, in Matanzas. "Radio Granma" on 1020, CMNM Manzanillo. No parallel found. "Radio Habana Cuba" is 1040, unknown location, parallel Internet streaming. Radio Musical Nacional, presumed, also 1040 with possible parallel on 590. "Radio Victoria" is 1050 with no parallel found. "Radio CMKS" is 1060, Baracoa, with very weak parallel 1070, CMKS Guantánamo. "Radio Cadena Habana" is 1080, probably CMCU Güines with parallel 1100, probably CMCH La Salud. I will be trying to find parallels to the above this week and also sort out the jumble of Cubans on 840 and 1040 kHz.

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