

# DXN News

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*From the Publisher ...* Just a reminder in addition to the notice on page 15: Handwritten and typed Musings should be mailed directly to the publisher for retyping. Dave is still having a bit of trouble with his eyes; he can deal with word-processed Musings but not those that require retyping. On hold until next week: wrapups of recent DX tests.

*Welcome to these new DXN subscribers:* Dave Larrabee, Columbia, MD; B. Ray Thompson, Jr. - Knoxville, TN (rejoins); Doug Neller, Altamont, IL; Saul Chernos, Toronto, Ontario (rejoins); Tim Noonan, Oak Creek, WI (rejoins); Ken Englert, Los Angeles, CA (rejoins); Alan Furst, Round rock, TX; Dusty Dixon, Duluth, MN; John Cereghin, Smyrna, DE (rejoins); Anthony Pressley, Asheville, NC; Lewis Kruger, Sioux Falls, ND (rejoins); John Bryson, Lancaster, PA; Leslie H. Carpenter, Sandy, UT (rejoins); Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italy; and Jeffrey Snyder, Cocoa, FL. We have about 480 NRC members who subscribe to DXN and about 150 who subscribe to e-DXN; some subscribe to both, but still (a head-scratcher for me) about 18 have paid for an e-DXN subscription but have never registered for the site. I just hope they are not thinking that we will be sending something to them; e-DXN is an Internet site, not something e-mailed.

*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

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18.	Jan. 25	Feb. 4	25.	Mar. 21	Mar. 31
19.	Feb. 1	Feb. 11	26.	Apr. 4	Apr. 14
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## DX Time Machine

*From the pages of DX News*

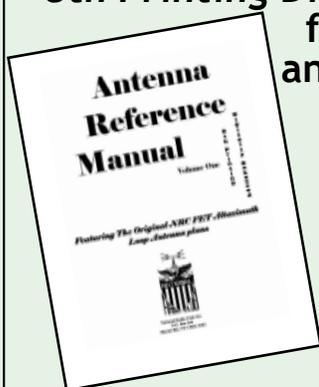
50 years ago ... from the January 18, 1958 DXN: Editor Ernie Cooper, Brooklyn, NY reported that he had received a QSL card from CSB5, Porto, Portugal (1578 kc/s), stating that their power now is 10,000 w; he also received Jamaican veries from Montego Bay-1180 and Mandeville-580.

25 years ago ... from the January 31, 1983 DXN: Ken Onyschuk, Park Forest, IL reported that WCFL-1000 started the new year with a new format, bright MOR plus MBS news.

10 years ago: ... from the February 2, 1998 DXN: R. Esmeraldas-1620 Buenos Aires, Argentina was welcomed into several DX'er's receivers, including Mark Connelly, MA, on Dec. 19 and 20; Bruce Conti, NH, Dec. 28; J. C. Stephens, AL, on Dec. 23; Ben Dangerfield, PA, Dec. 19; and Ray Crawford, FL, on Dec. 19.

## Antenna Reference Manual, Volume 1

*8th Printing Digitally Enhanced and Updated* This completely-revised book features the plans for the original NRC 4' FET Altazimuth loop antenna. Completely revamped with digitally enhanced drawings and updated material sources, it also contains other articles on the subject of antennas for medium wave DX'ers, most originally published between 1969 and 1974 in *DX News*. It includes articles on air-core and ferrite core loops, antenna tuners for longwire antennas, and antenna couplers. This is the original book which has been available for over 20 years. \$8.95 to NRC members (\$11.95, non-members). 8 1/2" X 11" bound book format. Order from NRC Publications - P.O. Box 473251, Aurora CO - 80047-3251. (CO residents, please add 3.5% sales tax.)





# 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	WWFF	AL Fairhope	WXQW
1450	NEW	SD Pierre	KSQP

## CPs ON THE AIR

1460	WRRE	PR Juncos -CP for U1 500/270.
1550	WMSK	KY Morganfield - CP for U1 145/6.

**WWJ•950**  
**NEWSRADIO**

## ACTIONS

550	CHLN	QC <b>Trois-Rivières</b> - 1/8 2200 - Playing a loop mentioning that the FM frequency is now operating with full power. The message also mention that listeners now have to tune 106.9 Mhz. These are obviously the last hours of CHLN on medium wave. No such message for the moment on other Corus stations that will also move on FM: Regular programming on CHLT-630 Sherbrooke and the same for CKRS-590 Jonquiere.
1190	WNWC	WI <b>Sun Prairie</b> - The CH portion of their licensed facilities has disappeared from the FCC's database, leaving them as U4 4800/21.
1340	WYCB	DC <b>Washington</b> - CP granted to move to N38-57-19 W77-00-15, sharing the tower with WOL-1450. <b>They remain U1 1000/1000.</b>
1450	WOL	DC <b>Washington</b> - CP granted to move to N38-57-19 W77-00-15, sharing the tower with WYCB-1340. <b>They are now U1 370/370.</b>
1580	WKKD	IL <b>Silvis</b> - CP granted to move here (from Aurora) with U4 1400/1000 at N41-33-57 W90-25-18.

## AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

1010	WCST	WV <b>Berkeley Springs</b> - Licensed for U1 250/17, WCST has a CP to raise their day power to 267 Watts. This request is for three (!) more Watts to become U1 270/17.
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## APPLICATIONS

860	NEW	SD <b>Black Hawk</b> - Applies for U4 50000/350.
1250	KCST	OR <b>Florence</b> - Applies for U1 900/37.
1490	CFWN	BC <b>Campbell River</b> - Applies to move to 99.7 MHz (channel 259A) with 6 kw ERP non-DA at 100 metres.

## AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS

1200	NEW	MN <b>Chanhassen</b> - Initial application was for U2 680/1400. This amendment requests U2 1300/1400.
1260	NEW	AZ <b>Many Farms</b> - Their original application on 1220 was amended to 1250, which was dismissed by the FCC. Now they have files for U4 1000/250 here.
1300	NEW	AZ <b>Prescott</b> - Initial application was for U4 1500/300. This amendment requests U4 1500/250.

## APPLICATIONS DISMISSED

1190	WBIS	MD <b>Annapolis</b> - Application for U4 5000/7000 with a CoL change to Garrison.
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## APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

1090	NEW	UT <b>Providence</b> - Applies for U2 32000/250 CH 5000.
1400	NEW	AL <b>Excel</b> - Applies for U1 1000/1000.

## HEAR AND THAR

☐ Reported to be Silent: WMHG-1600 Muskegon, Michigan;

□ NAB Weighs in on AM Translators: The 1,125 AM stations that operate at secondary, very low power levels at night would be among the beneficiaries if the FCC allows AMs to use FM translators as proposed. That's according to the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB). The association, filing comments about the translator proposal, said it supports a tentative FCC conclusion to allow AM daytime-only stations to originate programming on FM translators during night hours when they're not authorized to operate. "As the commission recognizes, all of these AM broadcasters face unique competitive disadvantages because of their inability to compete during the all-important morning and evening 'drive time' hours," NAB wrote. "Allowing daytime-only stations and stations that must operate at 'flea power' at night to use FM translators will radically improve these stations' competitive position by significantly improving their service, particularly to their core audiences located within the proposed 2 mV/m or 25-mile proposed restriction. The commission's flexibility in this regard would be a practical, forward-thinking modification of its rules. In particular, listeners could finally obtain access to the community-responsive programming that AM radio stations deliver during nighttime hours, thereby fostering the commission's goal of localism." Overall, NAB strongly endorsed the rule changes to allow AMs to use FM translators.

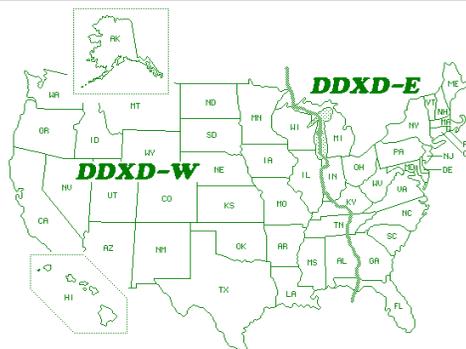
□ From **Ken Onyschuk** (concerning the AMS item about his local WCGO-1600 moving to Jenison, Michigan: "I spoke to the folks at WCGO radio Chicago Heights, Illinois, and was told they weren't going anywhere. The sales person told me they had the option to move to Jenison, Michigan. They decline to do so, and will stay put. They are not going anywhere."

□ Thanks to **Shawn Axelrod, John Bowker, Perry Crabill and Wayne Heinen.**

## Domestic DX Digest

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### DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-hr. ELT

#### DDXD-West

FROM THE VAST WESTLAND

- ▲ We celebrated the start of more than just a New Year recently. We also celebrated the start of the new Solar Cycle 24. According to Space Weather News 1/4/08 (<http://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 today. This marks 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!" Thanks to the NRC's **Mike Hardester** for posting this info on one of the DX listservs.
- ▲ **Woz Wozniak** sends along this note on listening conditions at his QTH: "I'm not sure what is going on here in Saint Louis. Having unusual propagation, atmospheric, and/or geographic anomalies. For the past two weeks, I have been able to "null" every local station from my QTH, and I live within five miles of nine transmitters. I've even been able to null out "big boy" KMOX but I still just get the hiss (still nothing on adjacent frequencies either except that hiss). Nulls are extremely tight, but blocking out enough of the locals to get some decent DX over these relatively "left alone" frequencies. Those living in or around Saint Louis may want to check these frequencies out for some promising DX (please see loggings)." Woz also sends us info on some Saint Louis format/network changes (see the "Station News" section below).
- ▲ A fine turnout and some very nice loggings this week, as January moves right along. Read on! **73 Bill**

#### Reporters

- DP-HI **Dale Park, Honolulu.** Sangean ATS-818CS, Terk AM1000 loop.
- EW-NE **Ernie Wesolowski, Omaha.** Drake SW8, Quantum QX Pro loop.
- FO-OK **Forest Osborn, Hooker.** HQ-150, IC-R70, 4-foot loop and longwire.
- GH-IL **Greg Harris, Park Forest.** Icom R75 / modified Hula Hoop loop.
- JT-AZ **John Tucker KG7RS, Mesa.** Drake R8B, 4' varactor-tuned remote box loop, 10/50/10' EWE, DX Engineering NCC-1 Phaser.

- JW-CO** **John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge.** Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.  
**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.**

## Station News

- 1190 KRFT MO DeSoto. 1/9.** Is now airing ESPN sports, ex-news and talk. Checked out the web site to find out more on this situation, but it is still advertising the station as "Talk Monster 11-90"; obviously no help there. I then attempted to contact the station directly, but to no avail. The address and phone number in the NRC AM Log 28<sup>th</sup> edition corresponds to the number/address given in St. Louis telephone book; however when I called I received a recording from the phone company that "the number that you have tried is currently not a working number," with no forwarding number given. Next I called "information" and spoke to the operator who informed me that not only was the number not working (and no forwarding one given), but their address is no longer listed in DeSoto (a small town located in Jefferson County just outside of Saint Louis) but is now listed in "University City" (a suburb of Saint Louis). The station is still legally IDing as "KRFT DeSoto-Saint Louis." No identifiable slogan at this time. **(WW-MO)** (KRFT has a CP including CoL change to University City, but this is not on air as yet. **Ed.-WI**)
- 1380 KSLG MO Saint Louis. 1/9.** Is no longer carrying ESPN, but is still sports. From my observations, the station is currently airing Fox Sports at night and local sports during the day. The new slogan currently airing is "Team 13-80" or sometimes "Team 13-80 Saint Louis Sports Insiders," which is the slogan on the website. The website also seems to be still under construction, offering no information nor confirming "Fox Sports," just listing their current advertisers and sponsors. As above, I tried to contact KSLG by phone for a confirmation, only to find out that they too have a disconnected phone number with no forwarding number given. At this time no word if the business offices have relocated or not. **(WW-MO)**

## DX Tests

- 1150 WIMA+ OH Lima. 1/5 0200-0230.** DX test reception. ToH tone followed by voice ID and DX test announcement. Morse code IDs and occasional 1,000-Hz tones at the following times: 0203, 0205, 0208, 0210, 0213, 0215, 0218, 0220, 0223 and 0225. Faint voice with station identification and station information at 0227. At 0229-0230 voice ID, concluding DX test announcement, station and reception report information. Reception: poor to fair, signal: fair to poor, QRM: severe to moderate, QRN: slight, and propagation being moderate to severe. QRM from the following stations: CKOC Hamilton ON; WLOC Munfordville KY; and KSAL Salina KS. New **(WW-MO)**
- 1150 WIMA- OH Lima. 1/5 0200-0230.** Tried for, did not hear. **(JW-CO)**

## Presumed, Tentative, UnID

- 1110 UNID 12/27 0133.** Noted Van Morrison's "Moondance" underneath KAOI with Stephanie Miller. The song probably would not be played by Radio Disney on KDIS CA. So I tuned to KPUA 670, which was playing that song at the same time as bumper music on "Coast to Coast AM." So station is either KFAB NE or KBND OR. **(DP-HI)**
- 1170 KFAQt OK Tulsa. 12/31 0655.** Woman talking mentioning Oklahoma State; at 0658 GEICO ad, ad for event at Symphony Hall, slogan "News on the hour, half hour and when it breaks... Newsradio"; network news. Very poor; QRM from KORL 1180. **(DP-HI)**

## Regular DX Loggings (times in ELT)

- 570 WWNC NC Asheville. 1/2 2106.** Severe to extreme QRM and moderate QRN with overall reception being barely audible. Faint male voice with weather report, followed by "NewsRadio 5-70 WWNC, the Talk of the Mountains." New **(WW-MO)**

- 590 KXSP NE **Omaha. 1/2 2145-2215.** Promos: Owl hooting, "Care about wildlife?" Nebraska wildlife program. Help protect your wildlife recourses. Disabled? Or would you like to assist the disabled to go outdoors? Maybe on a deer hunt? Sportsman's Assistant Nebraska Service (SANS) program, sponsored by Nebraska game and parks. "Dan Packard weekdays from 8 to 11 on the Mighty Big Sports 5-90." In an extremely tight null of, and QRM from, local KFNS Wood River IL. Never was able to pull out an official ID on this one, but still a log. Overall reception and signal were good, but propagation being the pest here was severe. New **(WW-MO)**
- 620 CKRM SK **Regina. 12/30 0044.** Christmas music and then "AM 6-20 CKRM and your country favorites" with quite a bit of static and moderate QRM; fair signal. **(WW-MO)**
- 620 WDAE FL **Saint Petersburg. 1/5 1648.** "(Brand Name) rum is the official rum of the Tampa Bay Lightning. This is Lightning Radio," followed by "This is the Lightning Radio Network flagship station 6-20 WDAE." Overall good reception with a good signal (reading S5 on the meter), and slight propagation and QRN disturbance. QRM was moderate from a strong heterodyne which later was identified as a SS station in Antigua/Barbados (any help on this one appreciated). New **(WW-MO)**
- 620 WRJZ TN **Knoxville. 1/5 2000.** "(QRM) on Joy 6-20 WRJZ Knoxville." Barely audible through a barrage of QRM and poor signal strength. QRN was mainly slight with propagation being moderate to severe. Not new, but finally captured the verie audio after two years. **(WW-MO)**
- 630 WJDB AL **Thomasville. 1/1 1610-1615.** Sign-off. Heard call letters at 1611 then music until the plug was pulled at 1615. Haven't heard this one since 12/1958 at 0600 EST sign-on which was 0500 CST back then. Not verified either. One of my very first loggings back then. I joined the club one month later. Tried again on 1/2 and 1/3 but not heard. Saint Louis changes pattern at 6, then San Antonio and Denver are heard here. **(EW-NE)**
- 640 WCRV TN **Collierville. 12/30 0658.** "Christian Family Radio, WCRV Collierville-Memphis." Moderate QRM with a good signal strength. **(WW-MO)**
- 640 WCRV TN **Collierville. 1/1 1750.** Religious program, "The Enduring Truth," call letter ID at 1755. **(FO-OK)**
- 710 KCMO MO **Kansas City. 1/7 2205.** "Your KCMO AM 710 forecast for Kansas City...." Local KNUS phased. **(WH-CO)**
- 720 KSAH TX **Universal City. 1/8 0002.** "KSAH Universal City-San Antonio, La Estación de la Raza" with heavy reverb. Finally good enough to tape. **(WH-CO)**
- 790 WMC TN **Memphis. 12/30 0716.** "Country legends, WMC 79" with light QRM and moderate to good signal quality. New **(WW-MO)**
- 790 KURM AR **Rogers. 12/30 0800.** "You're listening to Curm, KURM Rogers-Springdale" under heavy QRM and weak signal strength. New **(WW-MO)**
- 790 KFGO ND **Fargo. 1/1 1846.** Call letter ID and then weather for Fargo and area. **(FO-OK)**
- 920 WVOH GA **Hazlehurst. 1/5 2206.** Over lots o' slop came a faint male voice, "Your news, talk, and information station, 9-20 WVOH." Reception and signal strength were poor and "in-and-out" for about 30 minutes. QRM and QRN severe with propagation being moderate. In an inexplicable null of local station WGNU (I have never been able to do that before). A "QRP" station of 35 watts! New **(WW-MO)**
- 920 KDHL MN **Faribault. 1/5 2306.** "You're listening to KDHL..." suddenly a fast fade to all QRM and then fast fade up into the news. In a tight null of local WGNU. Propagation was slight to severe at times, and also the culprit for no veried audio. Signal and reception were good, but struggling with KWAD for dominance. New **(WW-MO)**
- 920 KWAD MN **Wadena. 1/6 0006.** Country western music back and forth with talk from interfering KDHL. Conditions same as above entry. In null of local WGNU. I listened to these two for three hours before eventually falling asleep with the headphones on. No verifiable audio but got the station call at this time. New **(WW-MO)**
- 1100 KFAX CA **San Francisco. 12/31 0600.** Outro "This is SRN news"; ID "KFAX San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose. This is AM Eleven Hundred KFAX, the Spirit of the

- Bay"; promo for stage show sponsored by the station, PSA about asthma. Poor to fair; QRM from KAOI 1110, slightly from V7AB 1098. **(DP-HI)**
- 1120 KPNW OR Eugene. 12/30 0050. "Imagination Theater" with Jim Spence, ID "...breaking news.... we are Newsradio 11-20 KPNW Eugene-Springfield"; Fox news. Poor to fair. **(DP-HI)**
- 1140 KCLE TX Cleburne. 1/6 1839. Ad for a gospel concert, ad for New Holland tractors, then ID as "KCLE, the best in gospel music." I guess this is a programming change. **(FO-OK)** (KCLE, which was listed as C&W in the 28<sup>th</sup> Log, has since changed to gospel, as reported in the "Formats" column of *DXN* #75-3. **Ed.-WI)**
- 1200 WSML NC Graham. 12/26 2304. Local weather followed by "For the latest in-depth local news, traffic, and weather information, join me on this station for WSJS evening news weekdays at 6 PM. On the Triad News Radio AM 600/1200 WSJS." Running parallel with 600 WSJS. Poor to fair with interference from WOAI and others. Moderate signal and fair to good propagation. New **(WW-MO)**
- 1210 KGYN OK Guymon. 12/26 2104. C&W music, weather into KGYN jingle followed by top of the hour ID: "The Sports Voice for the High Plains, KGYN Guymon-Goodwell." Strong signal with light to moderate interference. New **(WW-MO)**
- 1260 WNDE IN Indianapolis. 12/28 0003. Out from a mélange of QRM came: "Sports with Guy Kane and SportsRadio 12-60 WNDE," then back to the stew of interference with a moderate to good signal quality. In a very tight null of local WSDZ Belleville, IL. New **(WW-MO)**
- 1260 CFRN AB Edmonton. 1/3 2306. "Edmonton's Sports Radio 1260 presents..." and into hockey game. **(WH-CO)**
- 1260 KIMB NE Kimball. 1/4 0403. Out of C&W. "All American Country right here on 1260 KIMB Kimball." **(WH-CO)**
- 1260 KFFF IA Boone. 1/4 1000. Out of Laura Ingraham. "AM 1260 KFFF Boone" to SRN news. **(WH-CO)**
- 1260 KBLY ID Idaho Falls. 1/4 1006. Out of news to local weather. "NewsTalk 690 and 1260." Fair. **(WH-CO)**
- 1280 WBIG IL Aurora. 12/27 0000. "Local news, weather, traffic, sports, finance, and talk. The Big One AM 12-80 WBIG, Aurora," followed by the Fox National Sports Report. Good signal strength, moderate to good interference. New **(WW-MO)**
- 1310 KTCK TX Dallas. 1/5 1647. Talk about Dallas Cowboys new stadium, other NFL news, ID as "1310 the Ticket" at 1649. **(FO-OK)**
- 1350 KABQ NM Albuquerque. 1/5 0225. "Progressive Talk AM 1350" dominating frequency with local-like signal. **(JT-AZ)**
- 1350 KSRO CA Santa Rosa. 1/5 0228. Spots for Advantage Realty in Santa Rosa 592-5496 and Massage Envy. Announcement "Coast to Coast AM on AM 1350 KSRO." Fair with KABQ phased. New CA. **(JT-AZ)**
- 1410 WIZM WI La Crosse. 1/5 1859. Ad for a "winter breakfast" in La Crosse, then ID "Newstalk 1430 WIZM" by a male announcer. Good signal. **(GH-IL)**
- 1440 KDIZ MN Golden Valley. 1/3 0858. "More music your way, KDIZ Golden Valley-Minneapolis" to more Radio Disney. New for me and taped. **(WH-CO)**
- 1440 WGEM IL Quincy. 1/3 1900. "ESPN 1440 WGEM Quincy" to ESPN programming. **(WH-CO)**
- 1440 KAZG AZ Scottsdale. 1/3 1904. Out of PSA. "AM 1440 KAZG Scottsdale" to oldies song "American Pie." Taped for a needed call change. **(WH-CO)**
- 1440 KRDZ CO Wray. 1/6 1810. Oldies music with call letter ID at 1811. **(FO-OK)**
- 1460 KHFX TX Burleson. 12/31 1759. Talk about Texas Tech football, ad for A-1 Auctioneers, ID as "The Fox Fort Worth-Burleson" at 1800. **(FO-OK)**
- 1470 WMBD IL Peoria. 1/2 0400. "Peoria's news and talk station WMBD Peoria" to Fox news. **(WH-CO)**
- 1490 KOGN UT Ogden. 12/29 0114. Surprisingly strong above the mess with Bee Gees tune, "AM 1490 KOGN," Rosetta Stone and General Steel spots. Easily confirmed in comparison to parallel KNFL on 1470. New UT. **(JT-AZ)**
- 1530 WLIQ IL Quincy. 12/31 0918. Music, then station promo followed by weather and "Now back to more great music on WLIQ." Good signal strength, fair to moder-

ate QRM, and moderate fading. Technically not verified by audio since no numbers or location was given, but still a log. New **(WW-MO)**

- 1550 KLFJ MO **Springfield. 12/31 0843.** "Kent Evans is your 'Voice of the Ozarks'" at 0822, then later with "Branson Studios," jingle followed by "Branson information on 15-50 KLFJ Springfield, Missouri." One commercial after another about Branson businesses. Branson Ticket Outlet and Welcome Center offering a free "Milton Crabapple" CD. Moderate to good signal, moderate propagation, in and out with QRM from KAPE Cape Girardeau MO. New **(WW-MO)**
- 1580 CKDO ON **Oshawa. 12/31 0645.** Several commercials mentioning Oshawa and CKDO Coffee Break Club (?), promo followed by "Oldies Radio 107.7 FM, 15-80 CKDO." Fair to moderate signal strength and QRM. New **(WW-MO)**
- 1590 KDAV TX **Lubbock. 12/29 0152.** Little Richard tune, Village People "YMCA," "AM 1590 KDAV" announcement. Fair with local powerhouse KMIK 1580 IBOC phased out. New TX. **(JT-AZ)**
- 1660 KQWB ND **West Fargo. 12/31 0557.** "Collin Cowherd. Catch me in the Herd 9 to noon weekdays on the 'Red River Valley's' home for ESPN Radio, KQWB AM West Fargo-Fargo-Morehead." Strong signal strength with moderate to good QRM from KXTR Kansas City KS and WQLR Kalamazoo MI. Not new, but finally hooked the audio for a verie. **(WW-MO)**
- 1680 WDSS MI **Ada. 12/31 1827.** Radio Disney ID at 1827 and then call letter ID at 1828; talk about Hannah Montana drawing. **(FO-OK)**
- 1700 KVNS TX **Brownsville. 12/31 0501.** "That's the Rock-'n'-Roll on Oldies Radio 1700 KVNS Brownsville," then into the top of the hour news. Finally nabbed the audio verie for this one under weak signal strength and moderate to fair QRM. **(WW-MO)**

## DDXD-East

### REPORTERS

- DB-DE** Dave Braun, Wyoming – Kenwood R-5000, Palomar loop
- 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.
- HJH-PA** Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre - Grundig S350, Kiwa Pocket Loop
- TM-MA** Taylor McNeil, Arlington – Sony SRF-59
- IEN-GA** Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - Sony SRF-59 "Ultralight"
- MKB-ON** Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundigs G5 & YB-400PE, Panasonic RF-2200

### LOGGINGS

- 570 WMCA NY **New York** – 1/3 2215 - religious program, anti-gay ad, followed by ad for personal injury law firm; many IDs. Strong, with Radio Reloj underneath. **(TM-MA)**
- 610 WGIR NH **Manchester** - 1/3 2232 – "NewsTalk WGIR" ID at tune-in and election results from Iowa. Good signals. **(TM-MA)**
- 770 WYRV VA **Cedar Bluff** - 1/6 1749 - Contemporary gospel music and an announcer thanking the listeners for all that they do. Decent signal mixed with WVNN in Athens, AL and WLWL in Rockingham, NC. "WYRV" and "We're AM 770, WYRV". **(IEN-GA)**
- 790 CIGM ON **Sudbury** - 1/5 2300 - Good; "AM 790 CIGM Sudbury," and ESPN Sports Center. **(BC-NH)**
- 820 WCPT IL **Chicago** - 1/6 1804 - CNN News, Randi Rhodes Show promo, and mentions of Progressive Talk Radio. Decent signal in the mix. "WCPT, 820 AM". **(IEN-GA)**
- 880 WRFD OH **Columbus** - 1/6 1700 - Good, over WCBS; promo, "...on The Word 880 WRFD and on wrfd.com," and ID, "WRFD Columbus, Worthington, a service of Salem Communications." **(BC-NH)**
- 920 WIRD NY **Lake Placid** - 1/6 1900 - Heard during CJCH dead air; "This is the tri-lakes sports authority, AM 920 WIRD Lake Placid, ESPN Radio." **(BC-NH)**
- 930 WCBK MI **Battle Creek** - 1/7 2215 - therapy talk show with Dr. Joy Brown, ID, ads for law firm and Bose, dominant on channel, at least for a short while. **(TM-MA)**
- WBEN NY **Buffalo** - 1/7 2226 - fading up from nowhere with ad and ID, and news, then covered by WCBK. Good on peak. **(TM-MA)**

- 960 WKVX OH **Wooster** - 1/9 1712 - over "Thunder Country" (Rogers City, MI pest) with slogan "crank it up as far as it will go, oldies radio Wooster's WKVX", "96 KVV" jingle into CCR's "Up Around the Bend". (MKB-ON)
- 980 WCAP MA **Lowell** - 1/8 0500 - Good; "980 WCAP Lowell, Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen, Nashua, and Salem, New Hampshire, serving the Merrimack Valley," and simulcast of WCVB *Newscenter 5* TV news. (BC-NH)
- 990 WLGZ NY **Rochester** - 1/5 2317 - fairly good on peaks with old time nostalgia music mixed with 60s hits. ID at 2325 with legends slogan. NFL coverage on the null side, not sure who it was. (TM-MA)
- WALE RI **Greenville** - 1/8 0502 - Fair; "Amor, WALE Greenville, Providence, Rhode Island," and Spanish tropical music. (BC-NH)
- 1000 WIOO PA **Carlisle** - 1/7 1700 - Fair; "We're your hometown community station, Country Gold WIOO Carlisle, and WEEO Shippensburg," and jingle. (BC-NH)
- 1200 WAMB TN **Nashville** - 1/6 1838 - Big Band music. Good signal in the null of WOAI in San Antonio, TX. "This is 1200, WAMB". (IEN-GA)
- WOAI TX **San Antonio** - 1/11 0000 - A nice surprise in the pile-up; end of *Westwood One* network program, "...radio 1200 WOAI San Antonio ...woai.com" and *Fox* news. (BC-NH)
- WAGE VA **Leesburg** - 1/11 0000 - In pile-up; "AM 1200 WAGE Leesburg..." into network news. (BC-NH)
- 1280 WHVR PA **Hanover** - 1/6 0857 - over WHTK with ID at end of local gospel program: "you've been listening to the Sunday morning worship on Real Country WHVR Hanover". (MKB-ON)
- 1320 WGOC TN **Kingsport** - 1/5 0822 - C&W music, "Classic Country AM 1320" slogan before ID, mentions of Bristol. (DB-DE)
- 1350 WGPL VA **Portsmouth** - 1/6 1758 - Good signal at times with splash from local 1340 nulled. Slogans, "It's Gospel Hits Radio WGPL" and "The Gospel Connection". (HJH-PA)
- 1360 WTAQ WI **Green Bay** - 1/5 1250 - rock solid on noon-hour skip with talk on sub-prime mortgages and home refinancing options, "you're listening to the Wealth for Health show on News Radio 1360 WTAQ". (MKB-ON)
- WWWJ VA **Galax** - 1/5 0850 - presumed the one with funeral announcements from Sparta, NC, which is just across the border from Galax. Need this one for the call change. At 0905 thought I heard an ID of "WARD", but not sure if it's the same station. (DB-DE)
- WCHL NC **Chapel Hill** - 12/31 1652 - "You're listening to the Randi Rhodes Show on Progressive Talk 1360, WCHL." Weak to fair signal. (HJH-PA)
- 1450 WENJ NJ **Atlantic City** - 1/11 1700 - over the graveyard hash with ToH ID: "ESPN radio in South Jersey is WENJ 1450, and on the web at 1450ESPN.com" into ESPN Sports Center, leading off with the NFL playoffs. (MKB-ON)
- 1460 CJOY ON **Guelph** - 1/6 2220 - Weak to fair with oldies on a very noisy frequency. Slogan, "The Royal City's Greatest Hits, CJOY." (HJH-PA)

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# *International DX Digest*

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**Foreign DX Catches. All times are UTC**

Ciao to new NRC member Giampiero Bernardini of Milano, Italy, who provides us with transatlantic DX from a different perspective! Also check out his Spain survey of local programs, a valuable guide for identifying synchros. I'll be listening for the "Hoy por hoy" local IDs. Meanwhile the Sony SRF-59 "ultra-light" DXers are still having fun, and Sr. Doug Allen desde carolina sur continues to attempt sorting out las cadenas cubanas. ¿Cómo se dice, "Dedicated DXer"?

## Transatlantic DX

- 612 **MOROCCO** *RTM A*, Sebaa-Aioun (33°54'N 5°23'W) JAN 4 2232 - Distinct Arabic music in weakly on the SRF-59 upstairs in the living room. [Barstow-MA]
- 702 **FRANCE** *RMC Col de la Madone* (43°47'N 7°25'E) JAN 5 2150 - Good; instrumental music, man and woman in French. [Conti-NH]
- 711 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Rennes (47°51'N 1°30'W) JAN 6 0400 - Fair; instrumental music, fanfare, and a woman with news in French. [Conti-NH]
- 747 **NETHERLANDS** *Radio 5*, Flevoland (52°23'N 5°25'E) JAN 5 2245 - Good; low-key studio discussion in Dutch. Dave Brubeck Quartet "Take 5" leading up to 2300; Canaries/Spain fading in. [Conti-NH]
- 756 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Braunschweig & Ravensburg JAN 5 2230 - Good; man in German, parallel 6190 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 765 **SWITZERLAND** *RSR Option Musique*, Sottens (46°39'N 6°44'E) JAN 5 2225 - Good; "Knockin' on Heaven's Door" contemporary cover (maybe the Avril Lavigne studio version), *Option Musique* jingle, and a contemporary French vocal. [Conti-NH]
- 774 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros JAN 6 0400 - Good; fanfare, "Radio Nacional de España, Informativos." [Conti-NH]
- 882 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC R.Wales*, Washford (51°10'N 3°21'W) JAN 7 2200 - Fair; "This is BBC Radio Wales" with fanfare, then a woman with news. [Conti-NH]
- 945 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Toulouse (43°21'N 1°20'E) JAN 7 2135 - Good; man with news in French, *France Info* IDs, and talk, parallel a weaker 1206 kHz signal. [Conti-NH]
- 954 **SPAIN** *Onda Cero*, Madrid JAN 7 2259 - Fair; "...aquí, en Onda Cero," hour time pips. [Conti-NH]
- 999 **MOLDOVA** *Voice of Russia*, Grigoriopol, Maiac (47°14'N 29°24'E) JAN 10 2300 - Typical series of fast pips heard through Saudi Arabia and Spain. 2400 time pips again noted. [Conti-NH]
- 999 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA R.Quran*, Tabuk JAN 10 2255 - Good, over Spain; Koran. JAN 11 0140 - Koran back on top of Spain. [Conti-NH]
- 999 **SPAIN** *COPE* Madrid (40°28'N 3°52'W) JAN 10 2400 - Now in command of the frequency, well over Moldova; in-studio discussion, promo/ID, "...en la Cope." [Conti-NH]
- 1053 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros JAN 11 0200 - Fair; "1089 and 1053 AM... TalkSport News." [Conti-NH]
- 1098 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros JAN 11 0200 - Echoing time pips, *RNE* fanfare into news. [Conti-NH]
- 1107 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros JAN 11 0000 - Good; double time pips with just under a half-second delayed signal below the dominant synchro, fanfare, and "Radio Nacional de España, Informativos." [Conti-NH]
- 1190 **ARGENTINA** *R.América*, Capital Federal JAN 8 0220 - Only talks, in Spanish; fair/good. [Bernardini-Italy]
- 1220 **BRAZIL** *ZYJ458 R.Globo*, Rio de Janeiro (22°55'S 43°13'W) JAN 8 0230 - Time, news, songs, Portuguese; fair. [Bernardini-Italy]
- 1370 **BRAZIL** *ZYK766 Radio da Cidade*, São Paulo JAN 8 0210 - Songs and Portuguese talks, no ID; fair. [Bernardini-Italy]
- 1470 **VENEZUELA** *YVSY R.Vibración*, Carúpano JAN 8 0200-0400 - *Vibración* and others; much fading. [Bernardini-Italy]
- 1500 **VENEZUELA** *YVRZ R.Dos Mil*, Cumaná JAN 8 0248 - Latin songs, "Loteria Zulia," talks in Spanish; fair/good (I had some doubts, Klemetz & Monferini heard one clip; thanks). [Bernardini-Italy]

1660 **PUERTO RICO** WGIT Canovanas JAN 8 0425 - Songs, Spanish; fair, no other transatlantic stations on the x-band, only Greeks! [Bernardini-Italy]

### Pan-American DX

- 570 **CUBA** CMDC *R.Relej*, Santa Clara (22°24'N 79°56'W) JAN 3 0315 - Spanish talks, clock tocks, minute beeps, and IDs; coming through WMCA as it faded up and down. Poor. [McNeil-MA]
- 610 **MEXICO** XEBX Sabinas, Coah (27°53'N 101°09'W) JAN 6 1259 - Full data ID; mixed with KNML, fair. [Heinen-CO]
- 700 **COLOMBIA** HJCX *W Radio*, Cali (3°28'N 76°30'W) JAN 5 2300 - Mixing with *RJR* and *WLW*. [Allen-SC]
- 710 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, La Julia (22°47'N 82°16'W) et al. JAN 8 1002 - Armchair copy; *R.Rebelde* slogans with local KNUS phased. New for me and taped. [Heinen-CO]
- 720 **MEXICO** XEDE Saltillo, Coah (25°26'N 100°53'W) JAN 7 0400 - Ending Spanish music, XEDE call sign to more music; fair with WGN phased. [Heinen-CO]
- 770 **COLOMBIA** HJXX RCN Bogotá (4°37'N 74°11'W) JAN 9 0007 - "Radio Cadena Nacional" and many references to Colombia, Bogotá. By the way, the internet "RCN Basic" streaming is not parallel to any of the RCN stations I catch snitches of, nor is the "RCN Antena 2" or other RCN network internet streaming. [Allen-SC]
- 820 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** TBN/*R.Paradise*, Charlestown (17°08'N 62°37'W) JAN 6 0400 - Good, over WNYC; "This is the Trinity Broadcasting Network..." into a Christian program that "... because of your generous support, is now heard around the world." [Conti-NH]
- 900 **CUBA** CMKP *R.Progreso*, Cacocum-San Germán (20°44'N 76°20'W) DEC 28 0345-0410 - Music program with tunes from Puerto Rico, ID by female announcer at 0405, "desde Radio Progreso..." and into talk program. Fair at peaks, in CHML null. [McNeil-MA]
- 990 **MEXICO** XEER *R.Lobo*, Cd. Cuauhtémoc, Chih DEC 27 0906 - Out of Spanish music, "XEER Radio Lobo" ID taped and a new one for me. KRKS phased. [Heinen-CO]
- 1000 **COLOMBIA** HJAQ RCN Cartagena (10°30'N 75°26'W) JAN 7 1100 - Fair through WMVP; choral national anthem, then an unintelligible announcement and RCN theme song. The rooster wake-up call of *R.Granma* Cuba normally around 1100 UTC not heard in a couple weeks. [Conti-NH]
- 1060 **MEXICO** XEEP *R.Educación*, México DF (19°22'N 99°02'W) JAN 7 0300 - Under CMDX; presumed XEEP with classical music. [Allen-SC]
- 1120 **HAITI** *R.Magic*, Port-au-Prince JAN 9 0055-0120 - On top for 25 minutes with both Spanish and French, many references to Port-au-Prince and Haiti. Possibly the "Magic Stereo" AM outlet listed on internet though I did not hear "Magic Stereo" mentioned. Don't remember music either. [Allen-SC]
- 1220 **COLOMBIA** HJFF *R.Relej*, Barranquilla JAN 9 0035 - News of the world and Colombia with penetrating voice of woman announcer, "Radio Relej." [Allen-SC]
- 1220 **VENEZUELA** YVZO *R.Aeropuerto*, Maracaibo JAN 9 0035 - Presumed; lots of Venezuela references. The "Uno uno Radiovisión" ID was two seconds after "R.Relej" Colombia ID, my best two seconds of DXing, hi hi. [Allen-SC] I believe YVZO is the *Radiovisión* station; not sure though, so presumed. - Conti
- 1220 **MEXICO** XEB *La B Grande*, San Lorenzo Tezonco, México (19°19'N 99°04'W) JAN 10 0115 - "Radio B Grande" under unID Cuban. [Allen-SC]
- 1260 **MEXICO** XESA *La Mexicana*, Culiacán JAN 4 1204 - Out of Spanish music, XESA callsign and "La Mexicana" slogans; fair. [Heinen-CO]

*Doug speaks:* The newly identified Cubans this week are 820 which identifies near the hour as merely *R.Cuba*, and *R.Guamá*, often dominating 990 with many good IDs, with a weaker parallel on 1000 kHz. I've heard often dominant 840 identify as *R.Nacional Habana*. The dominant Spanish on 1050 is usually CMKT with many *R.Victoria* IDs whereas 1060 and 1070 usually identify as "Veinte Seis," but sometimes as "Radio Habana." Some stations are obviously carrying more than one network, for example, the evening of January 4 when 990, 1000, 1020, and 1050 all carried the basketball game parallel to the *R.Rebelde* outlets. I'm finding *R.Cadena Habana* on 1080, 1100, 1120, and 1140 with the 1100 signal so unstable for over a week that I'm shocked they broadcast it. I'm hearing and attempting to ID some of the Cubans in the higher part of the band.

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### Spain DXpedition/Survey

Spanish survey of local programs by Giampiero Bernardini and Dario Monferini in Bocca di Magra. Spain listed along with co-channel signals.

Receivers: Perseus; RFSpace SDR-IQ; AOR AR7030; Degen 1103; Kenwood R5000.

Antenna: Wellbrook LFL 1010.

- 540 *Onda Cero*, Barcelona, Catalunya NOV 29+30 1018-1200 - Local programs in Catalan; fair/good.
- 558 *RNE5 Valencia* DEC 2+3 1230-1259 - Parallel 774 *RNE1 Valencia* regional Comunidad valenciana, news + *R.Svizzera*, Monteceneri, "Rete 1" ID. Fair/good.
- 567 *RNE5 Murcia* NOV 29 1848-1855 - Regional SERvice Murcia + *Rai 1*. Fair.
- 576 *RNE5 Barcelona*, Catalunya NOV 29+30 1215-1259 - Parallel 738 *RNE1 Barcelona*, 612 *RNE1 Lleida*, and 801 *RNE1 Girona*; fair/good.
- 585 *RNE5 Madrid* NOV 29+30 1230-1259 + *R.Tunisia*, Gasfa, in Arabic (looped). Fair/good.
- 594 *R.Colonia*, Frankfurt, Germany NOV 29 1800-1830 - Italian workers program, "lo sport di Radio Colonia," parallel 972 *NDR Hamburg* + *R.Morocco* in Arabic (looped). Fair/good.
- 603 *RNE5 Sevilla* NOV 29+30 1230-1300 - Regional Andalucia, parallel 684 *RNE1 Sevilla*; fair.
- 621 *RNE1 Mallorca*, Baleares NOV 29+30 1215-1259 - Regional in Mallorquino; fair.
- 639 *RNE1 Zaragoza*, Aragon NOV 29+30 1232-1258 - Regional news. + *Cesky Rozhlas Cr2*. Fair.
- 666 *SER Barcelona*, Catalunya NOV 29+30, DEC 2+3 1209-1259, 1810-1829, 1835-1850, 1920-1930 - Parallel 1008 *Gerona*, 1287 *Lleida*; fair/good.
- 684 *RNE1 Sevilla* NOV 30, DEC 3 0645-0700, 1215-1259 - Regional Andalucia + *R.Tunisia*, Meduine (parallel 630 kHz). Fair/good.
- 711 *COPE Murcia* DEC 3 1611-1612 - Local spot, ID; poor/fair.
- 729 *RNE1 Oviedo* DEC 3+4 0645-0700 - Regional Asturias + Greece (tnx info from DXer Vizzoni). Fair.
- 738 *RNE1 Catalunya*, Barcelona NOV 29+30 1220-1259 - Regional news in Catalan; good/v.good.
- 774 *RNE1 Valencia* NOV 29+30 1230-1259 - Regional Comunidad valenciana, parallel 558 and 801 kHz; good/v.good.
- 783 *COPE Barcelona* NOV 29+30 1205-1255 - ID, "Cope Barcelona Radio Miramar," also rock'n gol Barcelona at 1245 with sport local news; good/v.good.
- 792 *SER R.Sevilla* NOV 30 1833-1855 - Regional-local programs + France Limoges (looped) + *ERA5 Kavala* thessaloniki! Poor/fair.
- 837 *COPE Sevilla* NOV 29+30, DEC 3 1810-1840, 0001-0004 - Local program + *COPE Eivissa* local program in Mallorquin + France Nancy (partly looped). Poor/good.
- 837 *COPE Eivissa*, Menorca, Baleares NOV 29+30 1210-1259 - Local program, in Mallorquin; fair/good.
- 873 *SER R.Zaragoza* DEC 2 2255-2259 - "Hora 25 Zaragoza," + *AFN Germany* in English (looped). Poor/fair.
- 882 *Com Radio*, Barcelona, Catalunya NOV 29+30, DEC 3+4 0820-0900, 1836-1850 - News in Catalan + (night) *MDR1 Germany* + *R.Crne Gore*, Montenegro (looped). Poor/good.
- 990 *SER synchros* NOV 30, DEC 3 1850-1855, 0645-0700 - *SER Bilbao*, "Hoy por hoy pais Vasco" + *SER Cádiz*, "Hoy por hoy Andalucia" at 0645-0700 + (later 1850) *Dlr Kultur*, Germany + *R.Sawa*, Cape Greco, Cyprus, in Arabic. Fair/good.
- 1008 *SER synchros* NOV 29, DEC 3 0720-0730, 1830-1835, 1925-1930 - *SER Girona*, "Hoy por hoy Girona" + *SER R.Alicant*, "Hoy por hoy Alicant" (at 0720-0730) + *Evangelium Omroep*, Netherlands (at 1925-1930), hora 20 Girona. Fair/good.
- 1026 *SER synchros* NOV 29+30, DEC 3 0720-0730, 1756-1759, 1830-1835, 2156-2200, 2255-2300 - *SER R.Reus*, Catalunya + *SER R.Jaén*, "Hoy por hoy Jaén" at 0720 + *SER R.Asturias*, Oviedo + *Reshet Dalet*, Israel, in Arabic. Poor/good.
- 1044 *SER R.Zaragoza* DEC 3 0720-0728 - "Hoy por hoy Zaragoza" + *MDR1 Germany* + *ERA Thes-*

- saloniki, Greece (always local). Poor/good.
- 1053 COPE Castellón NOV 29+30 1135-1156 - Local program; poor/fair.
- 1080 SER R.Huesca NOV 29, DEC 4 0650-0659, 0720-0729, 1825-1830, 1835-1855, 2355-2300 - Local + ERA5 Orestiadas, Greece. Fair/good.
- 1080 SER R.Mallorca, Baleares NOV 29, DEC 3+4 1220-1259, 1805-1829, 1835-1850, 1925-1930, 2255-2259 - Regional/local + ERA5 Orestiadas, Greece. Fair/good.
- 1098 RNE5 Almería DEC 5 0650-0659 - Regional Andalucía, ID, news regional + RNE5 Galicia, Lugo + Slovak Radio (partly looped). Poor/fair.
- 1125 RNE5 Castellón DEC 4 1235-1259 - Parallel 774 RNE1 Valencia; poor/fair.
- 1224 COPE R.Mallorca, Palma, Baleares DEC 4 0001-0005; 1810-1858 - Local program + Virgin Radio UK. Poor/good.
- 1224 Popular Irratia, San Sebastián, Euskadi DEC 4 0005-0015 + COPE + Virgin Radio UK (partly looped). Poor/fair.
- 1260 SER R.Murcia NOV 30 2259 - Local/regional programs + R.Vaticana (multi-language programs). Fair/good.
- 1260 SER R.Algeciras NOV 30 0059-0100 - "Radio Algeciras" ID + R.Vaticana (looped). Fair/good.
- 1269 COPE Comarques Girones, Figueres, Catalunya DEC 3+4 1110-1300, 1810-1858, 0001-0004 - Advert and Girona IDs, regional programs; fair/good.
- 1287 SER R.Lleida, Catalunya NOV 29+30, DEC 3+4 0655-0659, 0725-0730, 1831-1855, 2255-2259 - Local and regional news in Catalan + Galei Zahal, Israel (partly looped). Fair/good.
- 1287 SER R.Burgos NOV 29+30 2255-2259 - "Cadena Ser Castilla hora 25 Aragon" ID + SER Lleida + Galei Zahal (partly looped). Poor/fair.
- 1296 COPE R.Valencia NOV 29+30, DEC 3+4 1205-1259, 1810-1859 - BBC 1296 DRM blocking the channel at 1810; poor/good.
- 1314 RNE5 Tarragona, Catalunya NOV 29+30 0650-0659, 1846-1859 - Parallel 576 and 1413 kHz, regional program + Romania Cultural (partly looped). Poor/fair.
- 1413 RNE5 Girona, Catalunya NOV 29 1846-1859 - Regional news, parallel 576 and 1314 kHz + Voice of Russia, Gregoriopol, in Greek. Fair/good.
- 1413 RNE5 Jaén, Andalucía DEC 3 0645-0700 - Regional service, parallel 684 kHz + RNE5 Catalunya. Poor/fair.
- 1485 Onda Rambla Cadena Punto Radio, Vilanova I La Geltru, Catalunya NOV 30 1846-1859 - Local ad + SWR Germany DRM. Fair.
- 1503 RNE5 Campo de Gibraltar NOV 29, DEC 2+4 1845-1859 - Regional Andalucía. At 1845 also IRIB1 Bushner, Iran, in Farsi + North Sinai Radio, Egypt. Fair/good.
- 1521 SER R.Castellón DEC 4 0645-0659 - "Hoy por hoy Castellón." Fair.
- 1602 SER R.Ontenyent NOV 29 2255-2300 - Local news + mixed up/down with R.Vitoria + R.Orient, Nimes, parallel 1350 kHz. Poor/good.

# NRC Contest

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

## Longest Distance Contest Winners!

Congratulations to Kermit Geary, an NRC member since 1933, and the overall longest distance winner with verified reception of 2NT Tasmania! In addition to his longest distance entry, Kermit writes, "My next most distant verie is from 3LO Melbourne, Australia, on 770 kHz. I consider my best station verified to be 2CK Cessnock, NSW, Australia, on 1460 kHz with only 300 watts, logged on March 13, 1948. However, my best miles/watt verie I believe to be from the WVDI #2 transmitter, Trinidad, with a power of only 50 watts on 1040 kHz, January 31, 1946. This station, not in any published log, was a surprise logging while looking for 5PI Port Pirie, South Australia. I didn't hear and verify the WVDI #1 transmitter, on 950 kHz with 1500 watts, until December 19, 1955."

Runner up for the second longest distance overall is Ben Dangerfield, while third place goes to John Wilkins for the longest distance thus far in the 2007-08 1000 mile contest. Winners will be awarded the 2008 World Radio TV Handbook (WRTH). Congratulations to all for the impressive distances logged. Thank you for making it a very interesting contest!

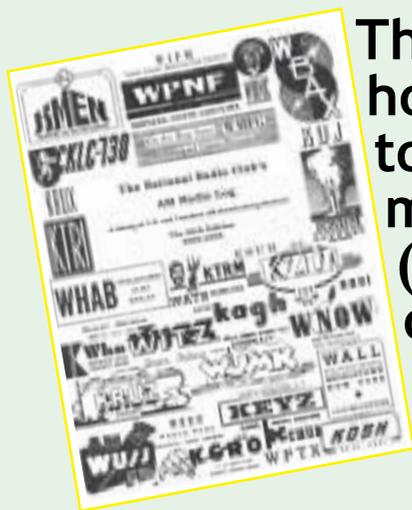
About distance calculations: To those who calculated their own distances for each entry - thank you very much! Your distances are a check against my mathematical calculations which are ultimately

used in the interest in fairness to eliminate any variations in calculation methods. Coordinates are rounded to the nearest minute, and results to the nearest mile. I use a Great Circle algorithm that accounts for the ellipsoid shape of the Earth (url on ¡BAMLog!), which will vary from distance for a perfect sphere. Receiver coordinates if not provided are obtained by locating the address on *Tiger Map* online, transmitter site coordinates from the FCC online database, *EMWG*, *WRTH*, the Cuba map on ¡BAMLog! or estimated from the *Times Atlas of the World*.

Now here are the final results of the **Longest Distance Contest**. Personal records are marked with an asterisk, a special contest category in honor of the NRC 75th Anniversary. 'W' indicates *WRTH* winners. Many of these entries will become part of an *International DX Digest* compilation commemorating 75 years of DXing.

10232\*<sup>w</sup> .710 7NT Kelso, Tasmania - Kermit Geary, Walnutport PA (1952)  
 9805\*<sup>w</sup> .1510 2NA Newcastle, Australia - Ben Dangerfield, Wallingford PA (1964)  
 7966\* ...1197 BBC Lancer's Gap, Lesotho - Mark Connelly, Billerica MA (1994)  
 7940\* ...1197 BBC Lancer's Gap, Lesotho - Mark Connelly, Rockport MA (1994)  
 7636\* ...1566 AIR Nagpur, India - Mark Connelly, Rowley MA (1997)  
 7507\* ...756 1YA Wellington, New Zealand - Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO (1986)  
 7329\* ...844 VSZ-1 Tarawa, Kiribati - Russ Edmunds, Parsippany NJ (1971)  
 6895\* ...1575 R.Farda, Al Dhabiya, UAE - Jim Renfrew, Byron NY (2007)  
 6868.....1431 R.Sawa, Arta, Djibouti - Bruce Conti, Nashua NH  
 6834\* ...1431 R.Sawa, Arta, Djibouti - Marc DeLorenzo, S.Dennis MA (2005)  
 6707\* ...1521 BSKSA Saudi Arabia - Marc DeLorenzo, Warner Robins GA (1987)  
 6581\* ...1575 VOA Thailand - Dale Park, Honolulu HI (2004)  
 6470<sup>w</sup> ...1566 HLAZ Cheju, S.Korea - John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge CO  
 6459\* ...1566 HLAZ Cheju, S.Korea - Doug Allen, Woodland Park CO (1988)  
 6160\* ...1548 R.Sawa, Kuwait - Marc DeLorenzo, Marstons Mills MA (2003)  
 5403.....747 JOIB Sapporo, Japan - Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO  
 4957\* ...1134 HRT Zadar, Croatia - Bruce Conti, Knoxville TN (1996)  
 4617.....1332 4BU Bundaberg, Australia - Dale Park, Honolulu HI  
 3929\* ...1586 WDR Langenberg, Germany - Nancy Johnson, Fredonia NY (1971)  
 3702\* ...1314 NRK Kvitsøy, Norway - Ron Bailey, Shelby NC (1997)  
 2835\* ...735 R.Melodía, Quito, Ecuador - Paul Swearingen, Moran KS (1979)  
 2676.....530 RVC Turks & Caicos - Nancy Johnson, Billings MT  
 2612\* ...800 PJB Bonaire, Neth Antilles - Mike Plumb, Papillion NE (1982)  
 2487.....800 PJB Bonaire, Neth Antilles - Sheryl Paszkiewicz, Manitowoc WI  
 2240.....1560 KNZR Bakersfield CA - Russell Curry, Anchorage AK  
 2203.....700 HJCX Cali, Colombia - Doug Allen, Inman SC  
 2051.....870 WWL New Orleans LA - Russell Curry, Eugene OR  
 1871.....530 RVC Turks & Caicos - Paul Swearingen, Topeka KS  
 1755.....1620 WDHP Frederiksted VI - Eric Hopkins, Ayer MA  
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## Changes in programming status; reported by listeners

<u>Freq</u>	<u>Call</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>New Format</u>			
590	WVLK	Lexington, KY	NWS/TLK	1300	WNQM	Nashville, TN SS:REL
600	CKAT	North Bay, ON	C&W	1310	WTLB	Utica, NY SPT
700	WJOE	Orange-Athol, MA	SPT	1330	WNIX	Greenville, MS NWS/TLK
730	WNAK	Nanticoke, PA	SS	1330	KXLJ#	Juneau, AK TLK
740	WQTM	Orlando, FL	SS:AC	1340	KWLE	Anacortes, WA AC/OLD
770	WYRV	Cedar Bluff, VA	REL:AC	1340	WTAN	Clearwater, FL NOS/TLK
780	WIIN	Ridgeland, MS	GOS	1340	WBAC	Cleveland, TN TLK
800	WPEL	Montrose, PA	REL/GOS	1340	KEWE	Oroville, CA SPT
800	KVOM	Morrilton, AR	SPT	1350	WBLT	Bedford, VA SPT
810	WYRE	Annapolis, MD	CHR	1360	KBUY	Ruidoso, NM AC
820	WMGG	Largo, FL	SS:AC	1360	KLSD	San Diego, CA SPT
820	WCPT	Willow Springs, IL	TLK	1370	WGHN	Grand Haven, MI SPT
850	WXJC	Birmingham, AL	GOS	1370	WWCB	Corry, PA OLD
850	WAIT	Crystal Lake, IL	NWS/TLK/Brokered	1390	KHOB	Hobbs, NM OLD
860	WAMI	Opp, AL	GOS	1400	KNND	Cottage Grove, OR OLD
860	KKAT	Salt Lake City, UT	OLD	1400	WSLB	Ogdensburg, NY SPT
870	KFJZ	Fort Worth, TX	SS:REL	1400	WZHR	Zephyrhills, FL NOS/TLK
880	KJJR	Whitefish, MT	TLK	1410	WSHY	Lafayette, IN AC
890	KDJQ	Meridian, ID	OLD/VAR	1410	KOOQ	North Platte, NE SPT
910	WABI	Bangor, ME	NOS	1440	KMAJ	Topeka, KS TLK
950	WNTD	Chicago, IL	REL/SS/Brokered	1450	KNET	Palestine, TX TLK
970	WFUN	Ashtabula, OH	SPT	1450	WROX	Clarksdale, MS OLD
970	KHTY	Bakersfield, CA	SS:NWS/TLK	1450	KIOV	Notus, ID TLK/SPT
970	WXQK	Spring City, TN	TLK	1450	WKIP	Poughkeepsie, NY TLK
990	KFCD	Farmersville, TX	REL	1460	KKOY	Chanute, KS C&W
990	WALE	Greenville, RI	SS:CHR	1460	WEMR	Tunkhannock, PA OLD
1020	KDYK	Union Gap, WA	SS:MEX	1470	KELA	Centralia-Chehalis, WA C&W
1050	WRFS	Alexander City, AL	REL	1480	KLVL	Pasadena, TX SS:RELd/SPT
1070	WFNI	Indianapolis, IN	SPT	1480	WADR	Remsen, NY NOS
1080	WMCU	Coral Gables, FL	REL	1490	WWNB	New Bern, NC SPT
1080	WKGX	Lenoir, NC	Bluegrass	1490	KTOP	Topeka, KS SPT
1100	KWWN	Las Vegas, NV	SS:SPT	1500	KUMU	Honolulu, HI SPT
1100	WISS	Berlin, WI	OLD	1520	WQCT	Bryan, OH NOS
1100	WZFN	Dilworth, MN	C&W	1520	WDMN	Rossford, OH JAZ
1110	WKRA	Holly Springs, MS	UC:GOS	1540	WTKM	Hartford, WI C&W
1180	KYDZ	Bellevue, NE	SS:OLD	1550	KYCY	San Francisco, CA Rock
1210	KTBK	Auburn-Federal Way, WA	SS:MEX	1550	WUTQ	Utica, NY NOS
1210	WDGR	Dahlonega, GA	REL	1560	WCMA	Daleville, AL NWS/TLK
1230	WMOU	Berlin, NH	OLD	1570	WECU	Winterville, NC SPT
1230	KFPW	Fort Smith, AR	TLK	1570	KMCD	Fairfield, IA C&W
1230	KKEE	Astoria, OR	TLK	1580	WVKO	Columbus, OH TLK
1230	WTKN	Corinth, MS	OLD	1580	KHGG	Van Buren, AR SS:SPT
1230	WWKU	Glasgow, KY	SPT	1590	KGAS	Carthage, TX SPT
1230	WJOB	Hammond, IN	TLK	1600	KOKE	Pflugerville, TX SS:MEX
1230	WIKB	Iron River, MI	NOS	1620	WNRP	Gulf Breeze, FL TLK
1230	WBOK	New Orleans, LA	TLK	1650	KBJD	Denver, CO SS:REL
1230	KDYM	Sunnyside, WA	SS:MEX	1660	KXOL	Brigham City, UT SS:MEX
1260	KGIL	Beverly Hills, CA	TLK/NOS	1700	KVNS	Brownsville, TX OLD
1260	KSFB	San Francisco, CA	REL	1700	WJCC	Miami Springs, FL SS/Brokered
1270	WMPM	Smithfield, NC	C&W			
1280	WDNT	Dayton, TN	TLK			
1290	WCBL	Benton, KY	TLK			

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Hello again. It's been awhile since I wrote. Some radio changes going now. As of Nov. 26, the Relevant radio programs on 820 will move to 950 WNTD Chicago 5 am-7 pm (which I cant hear here after LSS). WCPT-850 will move to 820 and per *Chicago Sun-Times* columnist Rober Feder WAIT-850 will air brokered programs with KOA LSS. The other Relevant radio station, WAUR-930, still airs Relevant radio for northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin, after LSS. It's there, but not strong here. I saw the results of the two IL station tests with interest. WLPO-1220 is the dominant station there, heard here regularly, good to see that it got out well. WIRL-1290 can be heard days, but I have to drive about 20 miles south or west to get away from locals on 1280-1300. My Sangean CCrane radio has almost died due to so much use. I need to replace the on/off and volume controls. But it's rather expensive to send it back to CA for repairs, so I'll wait. Using the Internet, I took a chance on a portable I never heard of, the Sangean Sonido radio for \$90. Model PR-D4VW, AM-FM, TV, and weather, just like the CCrane. It's very good, not quite like the CCrane, but close. I also got a small portable weather radio from Minards in the summer for \$13. I get weather channels on it good. And while the CCrane was dying, I stopped at a Meijers Food-Department store and bought a "cheap" Emerson 4-band portable with TV and weather bands for \$20 just as a backup. Perhaps some day when I get my late mother's inheritance money, I'll get something else. Just left my part-time pizza delivery job after almost five years for a phone job at Product Dynamcis in Orland Park, where I used to work 7 years ago. I recruit area residents for food and drink tests. I used to test for them. It's enjoyable. Just 10 miles away. Finishing ... does anyone know of a Who's Who book at a library that carries biographies of radio-TV personalities? I've looked at many books, but broadcasters don't seem to be a category books include (Try online; Google specific names, which should lead you to a number of sites on the Internet which specialize in broadcast personalities -pls.) Plus so many broadcasters use fake names. Who knows who they really are? There is a website that lists radio DJ's alphabetically worked; that's great, but not all are included. And we just lost Jim Stagg, ex-WCFL, WLS. So long.

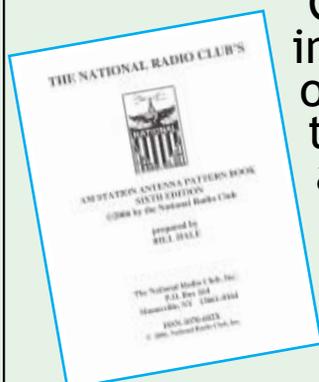
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