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2016 DXers Gathering: DXers in AM, FM, and names of NRC members in good standing, notify TV, including the NRC, IRCA, WTFDA, and you by phone if you wish, and then you can send DecaloMania will gather on September 9-11, 2016 \$12 shipping and handling Deadline for your in Kansas City, MO. Plan to arrive on Thursday response in the PO Box is Saturday, February 13. for 3 nights, and we end Sunday at noon.

The Gathering will be held at the Hyatt Place Kansas City Airport, 7600 NW 97th Terrace. To reserve your hotel room, call 1-816-891-0871 x3 and ask for the Group Rate for the National Radio Club, group code G-NRCC. The deadline for hotel reservations is August 18. Rates are \$99.00 per night for 1 to 3 persons per room, plus taxes and fees. Free airport transfers and breakfast each morning.

Registration: \$55 per person which includes a free Friday evening pizza party and Saturday evening banquet. Checks made payable to "National Radio Club" and sent to Ernest J. Wesolowski, 13312 Westwood Lane, Omaha, NE 68144-3543. Please mention which club(s) you belong to for club treasury info. Dale Hamm W5LN and Ernie are your hosts.

WRTH Raffle: As mentioned last issue, the club has four copies of the 2016 WRTH and will make them available at \$12 for U.S. members (sorry, postage costs are too high for non-U.S. addresses). We'll distribute them by raffle – send a postcard or letter to NRC WRTH Drawing, PO Box 473251, Aurora, CO 80047-3251. We'll draw 4

<u>From the Publisher</u>: Coming soon: Gary DeBock's latest compact antenna for the PL-380!

Membership Report

"Sign me up for another year of DX News." -John Reed.

"Enclosed find my check for renewal. Now, if I can only get rid of my local on 1070." - David Jansky.

New Members: Welcome to Michael Battaglino, Cliffside Park, NJ; John Brosious, Nescopeck, PA; Randal Schulze, Kansas City, MO; and Mark Taylor, Madison, WI.

Rejoining Members: Welcome back to Ken Englert, Los Angeles, CA; Charles A. Taylor, Grifton, NC; and Don Vincent, Deptford, NJ.

Renewing Members: Thanks for the continued support of John Bolduc; Bruce A. Conti; Stephen R Gaughan; Alan Gibler; David Gleason; Richard D. Hansen; David B. Jansky; Thomas M. Jasinski; Kurt Johansson; Robert Leamy; John J. Long; Mauricio Molano; Greg Putrich; John Reed; Rev. Edward A Soule; Randy Stewart; Brent Taylor; Donald Trevarthen; and Wally Wawro.

36th Edition of the National Radio Club's AM Radio Log Is Available and Shipping!



The NRC AM Log is a comprehensive list of AM radio stations in the United States and Canada, with all the information a DXer needs – power, schedule, format, slogan, networks, address, and more. And it's continually updated through the AM Switch column here in DX News (and Interim AM Switch weekly on e-DXN.com).

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<u>No</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	Pub. Date	<u>No</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	Pub. Date	17	June 24	July 4
11	Feb. 12	Feb. 22	14	Apr. 8	Apr. 18	18	July 22	Aug. 1
12	Feb. 26	Mar. 7	15	Apr. 29	May 9	19	Aug. 19	Aug. 29
13	Mar. 18	Mar. 28	16	May 27	June 6	20	Sept. 9	Sept. 19

Publishers' deadline is 2400 ELT on Friday nights – DX News posted that weekend to e-DXN.com, and in most U.S. mailboxes on or around the Monday masthead date.

AM Switch

Info to David Yocis, 9412 Ferry Landing Ct., Alexandria, VA 22309, NRCDXNews@gmail.com
Canadian information from CRTC complied by Shawn Axelrod and Dan Sys

NRC AM Log updates from Wayne Heinen, amradiolog@nrcdxas.org

Official updates from the FCC and the CRTC

CALL CHANGE

610 WVBE VA Roanoke – Call change to WPLY (Jan. 20).

WPLY 610AM 97.3FM ROANOKE | 98.5FM LYNCHBURG

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR EXISTING STATIONS

CP fully licensed and on the air:

970 KNWZ CA Coachella – CP for U4 5000/360 is on the air.

1600 KUSH OK Cushing – CP for U1 5000/70 is on the air.

CPs constructed, approaching final licensing:

1400 WIEL KY Elizabethtown – Applies for license to cover CP for new tower site. CPs granted:

660 WXQW AL Fairhope – Granted CP for U2 10000/180.

1340 WAML MS Laurel – Granted CP to move to Collins MS, remaining U1 1000/1000 but at 31-38-04/89-34-23, replacing previously expired CP.

1360 KAHL TX San Antonio – Granted CP for U4 5000/236.

1420 WATB GA Decatur – Granted CP for U1 15000/158 <u>on 1430 kHz</u>, replacing previously expired CP for the same parameters.

Applications for CP filed:

1000 WDXZ AL Robertsdale – Applies for D1 25000 (ch 10000) on 1020 kHz.

1450 WNOS NC New Bern – Applies to move to Winterville NĆ, relocating to WECU-1570 tower at 35-32-15/77-25-06, remaining U1 1000/1000.

WRNN SC Myrtle Beach – Applies to increase tower height and correct coordinates to 33-42-40/78-53-25, remaining U1 1000/1000.

1580 KGAF TX Gainesville – Applies for U1 1200/275, using one of current two towers. CPs expired or deleted:

1130 WEAF SC Camden – CP to move to St. Stephen SC and 1120 kHz (with D1 390) has expired and is deleted; will remain here.

1320 KSCR OR Eugene – CP for U1 600/40 at a new site has expired and is deleted.

1550 KXTO NV Reno – CP for U1 2400/70 at a new site has expired and is deleted.

1580 WVKO OH Columbus – **CP** for D3 5000 has expired and is deleted.

SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)

800 KQCV OK Oklahoma City – Granted STA with parameters at variance; day (but not night) pattern is out of tolerance.

1110 KFAB NE Omaha – Granted STA with parameters at variance; construction of nearby tower for K238BY-95.5 appears to have altered KFAB's pattern.

1130 KSDO CA San Diego – Granted STA with U1 2500/2500 from a temporary wire antenna at the KLSD-1360 site; has lost licensed site.

1160 WVNJ NJ Oakland – Granted STA with parameters at variance or U1 5000/62 while microwave dishes are installed on one of the four towers.

1310 WADB NJ Asbury Park – Applies for STA with U1, power unspecified but FCC normal rules would indicate 625/250; underground control cable has failed.

1500 KSJX CA San Jose – Granted STA to use night pattern 24 hours; vandalism problems.

1570 WMVX MA Beverly – Granted STA with U1 12500/115 from the site of its pending application for U1 50000/460, CoL to Methuen MA.

Applications to extend existing STAs were <u>received</u> from WDIZ-590 Panama City FL (U1 1700/625); WQXI-790 Atlanta (night parameters at variance); WIPR-940 San Juan PR (at WKAQ-580 site); KUFO-970 Portland OR (parameters at variance); WRIE-1260 Erie PA (U4 5000/1250 using day pattern at night); KFRN-1280 Long Beach CA (U1 1000/1000); WTKS-1290 Savannah GA (parameters at variance); KKNS-1310 Corrales NM (U1 500/500 from temporary antenna); WINT-1330 Willoughby OH (U1 125/10); WYOS-1360 Binghamton NY (had been running ND but is back to licensed parameters); and WRXB-1590 St. Pete Beach FL (reduced power).

Previously reported applications to extend existing STAs were granted to WYEL-600 Mayagüez PR, WLTP-910 Marietta OH, KZZB-990 Beaumont TX, WJUA-1200 Pine Island Center FL, WALO-

1240 Humacao PR, KKDZ-1250 Seattle WA, KYYW-1470 Abilene TX, and KGFK-1590 East Grand Forks MN.

SILENT STATIONS

Formerly silent stations informing the FCC that they are no longer silent:

- 580 KZMX SD Hot Springs Silent Feb. 1 (2015), on the air Jan. 17.
- 1110 WOMN LA Franklinton Silent Jan. 16 (2015), on the air with STA Jan. 15.
- 1240 KRAL WY Rawlins Silent Jan. 28 (2015), on the air with STA Jan. 23.
- **1310 WSLW WV White Sulphur Springs** Silent Feb. 12 (2015), on the air July 24 (2015) but just notified the FCC of this fact.
- **1440 KETX TX Livington** Was briefly silent in 2014 but erroneously kept on the FCC silent list; now this is finally corrected.
- **1490 KFCR SD Custer** Silent Feb. 1 (2015), on the air Jan. 17.
- **1520** KKZZ CA Port Hueneme Silent Jan. 21 (2015), on the air with STA Jan. 20.
- **1570 KBUD CO Loveland** Silent Jan. 15 (2015) (as KPIO), on the air with STA Jan. 14. Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:
- 900 WOZK AL Ozark Silent Dec. 24, struck by lightning.
- **1080 KCNM MP Saipan (No. Marianas Islands)** Silent Jan. 3, tower damaged in Typhoon Soudelor has now collapsed.
- **1240** WDDO GA Macon Silent Jan. 20, the copper thieves stole the antenna radials.

COORDINATE CORRECTION

- 810 WZYN GA Hahira CP to correct coordinates to 30-52-29/83-15-06 is on the air.
- **1490 KYZS TX Tyler** Applies for CP to correct coordinates to 32-22-30/95-16-10.

CANADA

- **570 CBML QC Val d'Or** LPRT license cancelled; has moved to FM.
- 1230 CBMN QC Malartic LPRT licensed cancelled; has moved to FM.
- **1280 CJRU ON Toronto** New station is <u>on the air</u>, U1 99/99, Eclectic-Progressive music.
- **1340 CKHV NL Happy Valley-Goose Bay** Applies to move to 99.3 MHz FM.
- **1610 CHRN QC Montréal** New station is <u>on the air</u>, U1 1000/1000, South Asian format. Thanks to Andy Reid at WRTH for the LPRT updates.

NRC AM Log updates

- **610 WPLY VA Roanoke** Format to SPT (ex-UC:AC); networks to FSR; Group to // Sports Radio 610.
- 640 WCRV TN Collierville Adds // W264CO-100.7.
- **890 KTLR OK Oklahoma City** Format to REL/TLK/BIZ (ex-EE:SS/REL/TLK); networks to SRN/IRN/BTR. (GH)
- 930 WYFQ NC Charlotte Group to // BBN Charlotte.
- 950 WTLN FL Orlando Slogans to "The Light," "The New 950," "Faith & Family."
- **960 WHAK MI Rogers City** Format to TLK (ex-OLD); slogan to "Patriot Voice Radio," networks to SRN/CM; add // WYPV-94.5; delete // WHAK-FM-99.9.
- 990 WDYZ FL Orlando Slogan to "La Nueva 990."
 - **WRFM IN Muncie** Group to // WRFM-FM.
- 1000 WDXZ AL Robertsdale Networks to ESPN.
- 1030 KMAS WA Shelton Group to // iFiberOne NewsRadio.
- 1110 KGFL AR Clinton Slogan to "Cruisin' Oldies 1110 AM & 94.7 FM."
- 1140 WRLV KY Salyersville Format to C&W (ex-OLD); slogan & Group to // Pure Country.
- 1160 WKCM KY Hawesville Slogan & Group to // Real Country WKCM.
- 1240 KRDO CO Colorado Springs Slogan & Group to // NewsChannel 105.5 & AM 1240.
- 1280 WSAT NC Salisbury Adds // WTIX-1410.
 - CJRU ON Toronto Format to AOR/NEWAGE (new).
- 1300 WKQK FL Cocoa Beach Format to VAR (ex-NWS/TLK); drops networks. (DC)
 - WNQM TN Nashville Format to REL/SS:REL/Ranchera (ex-REL/SS:REL); slogan to "Radio Vida" at night; adds // WMDB-880/W262BY-100.3 at night. (DC) (DS)
- 1310 KGMT NE Fairbury Slogans to "Good Time Oldies," "News Channel Nebraska."
- **1320** KSIV MO Clayton Slogan to "Christian Information."
- 1330 WHGM MD Havre de Grace Format to NOS (ex-Rock/OLD).
- 1340 WHAT PA Philadelphia Adds // W246AQ-97.1.

1350 WOAM IL Peoria – Adds // W298BH-107.5.

1360 KSCJ IA Sioux City – Slogan to "The Voice of Sioux City."

1400 WSGC GA Elberton – Delete // W287CM-99.7 (silent).

WJZN ME Augusta – Format to NOS (ex-OLD).

KSHP NV North Las Vegas – Networks to IRN/ESPN.

1410 KIIX CO Fort Collins – Slogan to "Kicks Country 1410."

KKLO KS Leavenworth – Networks to Fox/SRN/Ing.

WTIX NC Concord – Format to NOS (ex-REL); slogan to "Memories 1280," delete networks; adds // WSAT-1280; delete Group // Heaven Radio.

1440 KAZG AZ Scottsdale – Slogan to "Oldies 92.7."

WVGG MS Lucedale – Format to C&W/GOS (ex-TLK/SPT); delete slogan; networks to WW1; delete // WPMO-1580.

KMED OR Medford – Slogan to "News Talk 106.7 FM and 1440."

WKLV VA Blackstone – Format to OLD (ex-AC); slogan to "Oldies 93.9."

1450 WLKS KY West Liberty – Format to C&W (ex-OLD); networks to WW1; slogan & Group to // Pure Country.

KWBE NE Beatrice – Slogan to "News Channel Nebraska."

1490 WTVL ME Waterville – Format to NOS (ex-OLD).

KNDC ND Hettinger – Format to C&W:Rock/OLDwknds (ex-C&W/OLD); networks to WW1/dkn/AAg.

1570 WBGZ IL Alton – Slogan to "The Big Z Radio for River Bend."

1580 WPMO MS Pascagoula-Moss Point – Format to SPT (ex-TLK/SPT); slogan to "The Game," networks to CBS/Jr; delete // WVGG-1440.

1610 CHRN QC Montréal – Slogan to "Radio Humsafar."

New Groups

// BBN Charlotte - WYFQ-930, WYFQ-FM-93.5, W229CF-93.7

// NewsChannel 105.5 & AM 1240 - KRDO-1240, KRDO-FM-105.5, K285EE-104.9

// Real Country WKCM – WKCM-1160, W267BM-101.3, W250BW-97.9

// Sports Radio 610 – WPLY-610, W253BT-98.5, W247AD-97.3

// Sports Radio 1440 & 101.9 FM - WNFL-1440, W270AJ-101.9, W221DA-92.1

// WRFM-FM – WRFM-FM-89.1, WRFM-990, W230AR-93.9

REALITY WKCIVI

Group Name Changes

Kool Gold becomes //Pure Country – WRLV-1140, WRLV-FM-106.5, WLKS-1450 Newsradio 1030 & 103.3 becomes //iFiberOne NewsRadio – KMAS-1030, K225BY-92.9, K277CZ-103.3.

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Domestic DX Digest – East

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers located in the Eastern and Atlantic Time Zones. All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT).

REPORTERS

RB-NJ Ralph Brandi, Middletown – ELAD FDM-S2, Wellbrook ALA-100 SuperLoop, Quantum phaser

SC-IN Steve Chappell, McCordsville – Home built MW receiver, K9AY loop antenna

HF-MI Harold Frodge, Midland – Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 185 ft. center-fed RW

TF-NH Tony Fitzherbert, Campton – Grundig S-450 DX, Grundig AR-200 loop **HJH-PA** Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre – C. Crane Skywave, Q-Stick Plus ferrite rod

KK-VA Kraig Krist, Manassas – Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium Loop

TLK-FL Terry Krueger, Clearwater – NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop

CS-NY Caryn Sobel, New Paltz – C Crane Skywave

PS-ON Paul Snider, Welland – ICOM R75, Pixel RF Pro-1B loop, MFJ-1020C tuner NjW-ON Niel Wolfish, Toronto – WinRadio Excalibur G31DDC + Wellbrook Loop

DY-VA David Yocis, Mount Vernon – Perseus, Kiwa loop, Grundig G5

MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)

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DX TEST

600 WBOB FL Jacksonville – 1/10 0015 – DX test with sweep tones, Morse code repeated, phone disconnect noise, Price is Right theme and other assorted noises, 0054 ID "WBOB, Jacksonville test" heard loud and clear. Poor to very poor, mixing with CKAT, WMT and possibly WICC and WSNL. **(PS-ON)**

COMING SOON TO A RADIO NEAR YOU

1280 CJRU ON Toronto – Ryerson University campus station noted 1/26 with regular programs // website www.thescopeatryerson.ca, but not heard the following days, so presumably still in the testing stage. Running 99 watts non-directional, on facility last used years ago by glorified Pearson Airport TIS CFYZ. Don't expect to hear call letter ID's as they go by "The Scope at Ryerson." (MKB-ON)

PIRATE/BOOTLEG

1620 "WICR" NY Queens – 12/29 2359 – "Indo-Caribbean Radio" with Hindi filmi music under local TIS WQIQ629. **(RB-NJ)**

UNID

610 unID -- 1/22 1759 – In multi-station mix (CKTB, WXVA, WTVN, WTEL, WAGG and Cuban R. Rebelde) with Morse code "N E S O E." What is this? **(KK-VA)**

-- 1/28 2015 – Tune in to Little Milton "Steal Away" followed by seemingly African-American female seafood and BBQ restaurant ad (name not copied), into The Delfonics "Didn't I (Blow Your Mind This Time)" segued to Ray Charles "What I Say, Pt. 1." Very stong at first, then fading down to barely there by 2050 in growing co-channel mess. The only one I was able to rule out was WIRL, Peoria, IL, whose URL lists the recent songs aired of which none matched. (TLK-FL)

-- 1/17 0438 – Someone here with what seems to be English vocals, very poor with semi-local Tampa I-275 HAR and XEARZ co-channel. Also noted a few subsequent checks pre-sunrise. CJRS is listed as Ethnic (mostly Hebrew) but their online streaming is all hybrid Nostalgia/Oldies, English with some French and French-Canadian vocals (quite enjoyable listening). French male canned

IDs on the streaming as "CJRS Radio Montréal" with no commercials, at least during my streaming. But inconclusive if that's what I'm hearing. (TLK-FL)

TIS/HAR

-- 1/24 0610 – "The Beeper" warble tone (vaguely busy signal type sound but not), looping seemingly NNE and continued to be heard all day despite the noise floor, so clearly something at least semi-local. This was first heard March 27, 2014 and again on February 6, 2015, both times disappearing within a couple of days. Clearly, a long-running sporadically malfunctioning mystery, possibly a HAR of which there are so many on 1650 all along I-275 to the Sunshine Skyway down I-75 to near Naples. But not the westernmost I-275 Tampa HAR, which could still be heard underneath. (TLK-FL)

LOGGINGS

- **FL Pine Hills** 1/7 2200 Talk show format, followed by station ID near bottom of hour. Followed by male voice, talk show, with discussion of gun control policies and Florida politicians (Clyde Lewis?). Fading, but loud over mix at 540 when it came in, very readable. **(CS-NY)**
 - **WDAK GA Columbus** 1/15 1651 In multi-station mix with Sean Hannity Show, ID as "News radio 5-40 WDAK an I heart radio station." **(KK-VA)**
 - WRGC NC Sylva 1/15 1638 In multi-station mix with female "Great music here on 5-40 WRGC" ID. (KK-VA)
 - WKFN TN Clarksville 1/15 1727 In multi-station mix (WRGC, WGTH, WDAK, UNID Yahoo sports, religious singing and Spanish talk) with ESPN programming, ad for Gary Mathews Chrysler Dodge, "ESPN 5-40 Clarksville... FM and 5-40 AM" slogan. (KK-VA)
 - WGTH VA Richlands 1/15 1644 In multi-station mix with male "WGTH Richlands... your..." ID. Also noted at 1745 with "WGTH community calendar." (KK-VA)
 - +++ 1/17 1757 Bluegrass gospel music. ToH ID by woman giving post office box address for station. (NjW-ON)
- **NC** Pinehurst 1/15 1815 In WSVA/WGR/WDEV mix with female "...we play favorites all day long. You're tuned to America's best music" station promo. 1833 male "America's best music and it's all on 5-50 AM WIOZ" ID. (KK-VA)
 - WDEV VT Waterbury 1/15 1835 In WSVA/WGR/WIOZ mix with male "... online at wdevradio.com" station website promo. (KK-VA)
- **560 WFIL PA Philadelphia** 1/15 1825 In WFRB mix with religious programming, ID as "AM 5-60 WFIL. Philadelphia's Christian talk leader." **(KK-VA)**
 - +++ 1/15 1630 Christian call in show, weak, soon lost to CFOS. (TF-NH)
 - **CFOS ON Owen Sound** 1/15 1636 Way atop WGAN et al with rock oldies, the Bob Banister Show, winter road report at 1650, ID for CFOS and slogan "the oldies you want, the info you need." Very early appearance of this station. **(TF-NH)**
- **580 WTAG MA Worcester** 1/15 1651 In WHP/WCHS mix with "WTAG 'Price Chopper' traffic" report. Legal disclaimer at 1654: "Calls to WTAG are routinely... for rebroadcast, promotions and online." **(KK-VA)**
 - WCHS WV Charleston 1/15 1723 In WHP/WTAG mix with "News radio 5-80 WCHS" ID. (KK-VA)
- **590 WDWD GA Atlanta** 1/15 1655 In WMBS/WARM mix with "You're listening to faith talk Atlanta" slogan, male "5-90 WDWD Atlanta" ID at 1659. **(KK-VA)**

WEZE. New for me! **(TF-NH)**

- WARM PA Scranton 1/17 2130 CBS Sports feed, football playoff discussion, ads for A Place for Mom, O'Reilly Auto Parts, and Wave Home Solutions for a dry house, "Sports Radio 590" slogan, soon lost to gospel rock on
 - +++ 1/15 1723 In WDWD/WMBS mix with station promo: "Your sports leader loud and clear at 5-90 AM sports radio. 5-90 heard around the world at sportsradio590am.com." (KK-VA)
- WMBS PA Uniontown 1/15 1709 In WDWD/WARM mix with oldies, male "WMBS news time is 5:09" during local news. (KK-VA)
- **600 CKAT ON North Bay** 1/12 2002 Country music, "Cat Country" slogans, male DJ, "Today's best country, Country 600 CKAT" into more music, over/under WICC. **(TF-NH)**

- **610 WAGG AL Birmingham** 1/22 1750 In multi-station mix (WXVA, WTVN, WTEL, CKTB and Cuban R. Rebelde) with male "Heard on 6-10 WAGG 102.1 FM" ID. **(KK-VA)**
 - CKTB ON St. Catharines 1/22 1803 In multi-station mix with male "It's the Larry Fedoruk program on AM 6-10 CKTB." (KK-VA)
- **620 WDAE FL St. Petersburg** 1/22 1847 In multi-station mix with typical ESPN programming, "Tampa Bay sports radio" slogan. **(KK-VA)**
 - **WSNR** NJ Jersey City 1/12 2015 Weak under WVMT with screaming preacher, after 2030 replaced by more sedate man of the cloth. (**TF-NH**)
 - WKHB PA Irwin 1/12 1640 "Alternatives to Medicine" program, call (412) 825-6762, call host who is dispensing medical advice. Way atop for ten minutes, new here! (TF-NH)
 - WRJZ TN Knoxville 1/22 1722 In multi-station mix (WKHB, WGCV, WHEN, WDAE, UNID Fox Sports and Cuban R. Rebelde) with male "Joy 6-20 WRJZ" ID. (KK-VA)
- **630 WMAL DC Washington** 1/12 2035 Mark Levin Show, weak signal mixed with WPRO and CFCO. **(TF-NH)**
 - WAIZ NC Hickory 1/22 1729 In mix dominated by WMAL with oldies and talk about weather forecast in North Carolina. Enough of a break in WMAL audio at 1848 to hear male, "If you're looking for a new job in the Hickory metro..." (KK-VA)
 - **CFCO ON Chatham-Kent** 1/17 2126 "Country Countdown" country music over/under WPRO, an occasional visitor here. **(TF-NH)**
- **640 WGST GA Atlanta** 1/22 1732 –In multi-station mix (WHLO, WXSM, WFNC, WCRV, UNID SS and oldies) with male "Talk radio 6-40 WGST" ID. **(KK-VA)**
 - WCRV TN Collierville 1/22 1755 In multi-station mix with ID as "The power of God's word at AM 6-40 and FM 100 point 7. This is WCRV Collierville, Tennessee." (KK-VA)
- **680 WPTF** NC Raleigh 1/28 1704 CBS News to 1705 into "WPTF News." Poor, mixing with CFTR Toronto. (HF-MI)
- 700 WFAT MA Orange-Athol 1/15 2035 Rock oldies, Ricky Nelson "Stood Up," "Greatest Hits of all time, this is AM 700" slogan, into "Seven Days" and "Rubber Ball." Way atop WLW, this is a daytime station with no post sunset authorization, somebody went home and failed to pull the plug! (TF-NH) Circa 1978 "WFAT" used to be a pirate station on 1620 kHz. Mike.
- **750 WBMD MD Baltimore** 1/15 1653 Hymns, nice choir, typical Family Radio feed, weak signal. **(TF-NH)**
- **790 WTNY NY Watertown** 1/24 1900 Financial talk show, ads, ID, to Fox news. Echo effect with at least one other Fox News station on the channel. Good and atop. **(DY-VA)**
- **820** WCPT IL Willow Springs 1/26 1609 Call letter ID into call-in program. Copyable peaks under CHAM. (**HF-MI**)
- **830 WEEU PA Reading** 1/24 0807 Over CHAM-820 slop with promo for Berks County high school basketball, "you're listening to the Voice of Berks County AM 830 WEEU" ID into detailed local weather. **(MKB-ON)**
- **850 WPTK** NC Raleigh 1/26 1652 In WKNR/WTAR mix with Oldies; Raleigh-Durham traffic report at 1658, Johnson Hyundai ad; back to oldies at ToH. This is a recent format change, ex-relaying 680 WPTF. (**HF-MI**)
 - WTAR VA Norfolk 1/26 1645 In WKNR/WPTK mix with Fox Sports Radio; ad for Timothy Palmer estate planner with 757 area code, Virginia Beach ad. (HF-MI)
- **870 WPWT TN Colonial Heights** 1/25 1720 Old time C&W music; "Top Gun Radio" slogan. Well under WKAR and only heard in LSB. **(HF-MI)**
- 880 WPIP NC Winston-Salem 1/18 1728* Under WCBS and WRFD with sign-off announcement giving web address and mentioning Berean Baptist Church. (NjW-ON)
- 900 WJWL DE Georgetown 1/12 2048 Spanish music, steady but weak signal under CHML. (TF-NH)
 - WSWN FL Belle Glade 1/23 0704 Popped up over the Mexican with day power mid-CBS News, then man coming out of news with, "... right here on AM 900, the Talk of the Palm Beaches." (TLK-FL)
- **920 CFRY MB Portage la Prairie** 1/19 1800 "This is CFRY Portage la Prairie, a Golden West radio station" ID into news. Sudden nice peak at ToH, presumably due to

- favorable pattern change? Need LSB due to IBOC hiss from WFDF-910. (HF-MI)
- **940 WADV PA Lebanon** 1/15 1615 Way atop frequency with country gospel music, PSA to recycle in Lancaster County, info at (717) number (same area code as station), gone by 1625 to WKGM. **(TF-NH)**
- 950 WNTD IL Chicago 1/19 1700 Rose up over WWJ-Detroit with promo for "Speak Out Illinois" and Relevant Radio programming for Catholics. (NjW-ON)
 - WYWY KY Barbourville 1/16 0700 ToH ID that mentions them serving Knox County and FM 93.3. Fair with WWJ-Detroit. (NjW-ON)
- 960 KMA IA Shenandoah 1/19 1809 Feature on Iowa Trails. On top until giving way to WFIR. Need LSB due to WWJ-950 IBOC hiss. (HF-MI)
 - **WFIR VA Roanoke** 1/19 1813 "Home of the?s WFIR" ID into Virginia sports program. Took over on top from KMA. **(HF-MI)** *Presumably "Home of the Cavaliers" if they're referencing the University of Virginia. Mike.*
- **1000 WYBT FL Blountstown** 1/27 1806 Very poor signal noted, "We're heading home with one great song after another on WYBT" into Wilson Pickett record. **(SC-IN)**
- **1010 WKJW NC Black Mountain** 1/19 2200 Gospel music, USA Radio News at 2155, then ID including WKJV, to a Bible program, mostly over WINS. Conditions were auroral, but seemed more than 90 watts. **(DY-VA)**
- **1050 CHUM ON Toronto** 1/17 2120 Ads for Crabby Joe's and Ontario Hydro, promo to listen to Jack Armstrong in the morning. Over WEPN, heard here infrequently since WEPN put up its new antenna system in the Jersey Meadows. **(TF-NH)**
- **1070 WAPI AL Birmingham** 1/10 1644 In multi-station mix with station promo: "10-70 WAPI is news when you want... download the app... 1070 WAPI app." **(KK-VA)**
 - WFRF FL Tallahassee 1/10 1758 In multi-station mix (WNCT, WKOK, WAPI, WFLI, CHOK and UNID sports talk) with station promo: "When you write... mention our call letters WFRF Tallahassee Florida from... to South Georgia... there's lots of information on our website... faithradio.us...WFRF Tallahassee...." (KK-VA)
 - **WKOK PA** Sunbury 1/10 1641 In multi-station mix with female "10-70 WKOK. Call our 10-70 tip line 1 800 795 9404 or email us...." ToH ID at 1659: "Your station for news, weather, business and CBS sports radio. News radio 10-70 WKOK Sunbury and on wkok.com." **(KK-VA)**
 - **WFLI** TN Lookout Mountain 1/10 1721 In multi-station mix with male "Always great Gospel music on WFLI." (KK-VA)
- **1080 WWNL PA Pittsburgh** 1/22 2259 Religious program, then ID "Quality Christian Radio 10-80 WWNL Pittsburgh." Apparently signing off at sunset is not one of their qualities. **(DY-VA)**
- **1090 WILD MA Boston** 1/11 1618 Oriental male in echo chamber, male and female in oriental dialect, very weak, soon lost to WBAL. **(TF-NH)**
 - WKTE NC King 1/18 1800 ID: "the new Wave, WKTE, the best in Christian oldies, 1090 WKTE dot com..... thanks you for making us the number one in the Triad area." (NjW-ON)
- WCZZ SC Greenwood 1/10 1737 In multi-station mix (WBAL, WTSB, KAAY, WKTE) with long station promo by female: "It's 'Sunday Jazz Vibes'. If you enjoy listening to 'Rejoice 10-90' and what to take us everywhere you go, please let me assist you with that. You can simply download the tune in app... Rejoice 10-90 from the smartphone, Android and your iPhone. You can also listen live from our website at www.rejoice1090.com And please visit the Rejoice 10-90 Facebook page daily. Like us and you'll see a breath of how we completely serve our community. We're sorry but we're coming up on the end of another day of broadcasting for 'Rejoice 10-90' WCZZ. But you can continue listening to 'Rejoice 10-90' by going to our website at www.rejoice1090.com and click on listen or downloading our free streaming app on your iPhone." (KK-VA)
- **1110 WGNZ OH Fairborn** 1/19 1658 Wiping out usual WBT with country-gospel songs, "WGNZ Fairborn-Dayton" 1700 ToH ID into SRN news. **(MKB-ON)**
- **1120 KMOX MO St. Louis** 12/30 2030 Sports round-up, ID with "St. Louis Cardinals radio network" near end of copy. Fading in and out of mix. **(CS-NY)** *Not such an easy logging for Caryn in New Paltz, who probably had to contend with a lot of WBBR-1130 slop. Mike.*
 - WKAJ NY St. Johnsville 1/11 1642 Alone on frequency with Michael Savage Show, ID for WKAJ AM 1120, Donald Trump ad. (TF-NH)

- **1130 WDFN MI Detroit** 1/20 2350 Sports talk (free throws, Andre Agassi), ads with mentions of Michigan, weather watch, thought I heard ToH ID "1130 WDFN," definitely heard "The Fan" non-ID, back into sports talk. Poor mostly under WBBR. **(PS-ON)**
 - WCLW NC Eden 1/28 2208 I've been trying to ID this one for over a week. Southern gospel music, ID at 2211 "This is 1130 WCLW," into more gospel. Poor to mostly very poor under WBBR and occasionally WDFN. Best signal tonight though. Supposed to be daytime only, but as mentioned above I believe they have been on in the evening for over a week. (**PS-ON**)
- **1160 WMET MD Gaithersburg** 1/17 2300 Tuned in to catch ToH ID "1160 WMET...," then into religious program. Very poor mixing with WCCS, an unknown C&W station and others. **(PS-ON)**
- **1180 WSKP RI Hope Valley** 1/11 1632 Clustered rock oldies (sort of an automated juke box), weak signal, soon lost to WHAM. **(TF-NH)**
- **1220 WSLM IN Salem** 1/20 1700 weak with car dealer spot and ID that mentions "Kentuckiana." No sign of WHKW-Cleveland. (NjW-ON)
- **1220 KLBB MN Stillwater** 1/19 1700 ToH ID and Fox News with WHKW-Cleveland mercifully absent. (NjW-ON)
- **1230 WCMC NJ Wildwood** 1/22 1645 atop frequency for a minute or two with rock oldies, ID by woman for "AM 1230 and 1340," into another oldie, "WCMC Wildwood" ID at 1700, WMID 1340 jingle and mention of a Philadelphia band coming to the Jersey Shore. **(TF-NH)**
 - **WIRO OH Ironton** 1/21 1100 End of Fox news, ToH ID: "your exclusive radio home from the Ohio State Buckeyes, WIRO Ironton." (**NjW-ON**)
 - WCRO PA Johnstown 1/15 1658 Music from the 1950s and earlier, 1700 ID: "The music of your life on 12-30 WCRO, Johnstown" followed by CBS news. (NjW-ON)
- 1240 WRTA PA Altoona 1/15 1700 ID: "Blair County's radio news leader 1240 WRTA" and ABC news. In mix with CJCS-Stratford. (NjW-ON)
 - **WBEJ** TN Elizabethton 1/22 1900 C&W, ToH ID that also mentions FM frequency of 107.9 and Fox news. (NjW-ON)
 - WHFA WI Poynette 1/19 1800 ToH ID with mention of Relevant Radio. (NjW-ON)
 - **WJMC** WI Rice Lake 1/23 0548 Arose above the jumble with ID: "your station for good friends and great information, WJMC." (NjW-ON)
- **ON Oakville** 1/23 1801 ID as, "You're listening to CJYE, Joy 1250." Began "Joy Top 20 Countdown" at this time. Fair signal. **(HJH-PA)**
- **1270 WSPR MA Springfield** 1/17 2115 Atop frequency with Spanish music, "The Power" slogan, more music. **(TF-NH)**
- **1280 WNAM WI** Neenah-Menasha 1/14 0600 long ToH ID: "in your car, or in your home, thanks for listening to America's best music on AM 1280 WNAM Neenah-Menasha, Fox Cities... a Cumulus Station." (NjW-ON)
 - +++ 1/27 2321 Oldies music including "If You Don't Know Me By Now" by Simply Red, ID at 2324 "1280 WNAM," more music. Poor to very poor, mixing with WADO and others. (**PS-ON**)
 - **CFMB QC Montréal** 1/23 1959 Quick "say-eff-em-bay" call letters in French by man, mention of Montréal, fair in mix. **(DY-VA)**
- **1290** WHKY NC Hickory 1/18 1727 Several ads for businesses in Hickory, mentions of 828 area code and Catawba County, back briefly to Sean Hannity, promo for "First Talk" program at 7 a.m., lost to power drop 1730, but no ID heard. (DY-VA)
 - **WFBG PA Altoona** 12/31 0559 Near-ToH ID as "The Big 1290, WFBG." **(RB-NJ)**
 - **WDZY VA Colonial Heights** 1/20 2100 ID and Blessed Hope gospel program from Arlington, VA. Fair, way over top of CJBK-London. (**NjW-ON**)
 - +++ 1/26 1708 Over usual CJBK groundwave with "Capital update" report on legislation before the Virginia State House, "AM 1290 WDZY, programming that changes the way you live" slogan and promo for upcoming gospel program. (MKB-ON)
- **1310 WDOC KY Prestonsburg** 1/23 0801 Over usual CIWW-Ottawa pest with JC Penney ad, "the following is a paid program and does not represent the views of AM 1310 WDOC..." disclaimer into gospel show. **(MKB-ON)**
 - WDKD SC Kingstree 1/22 2200 Atop with ID "98.9 ESPN Radio, WOLH Florence, WSIM-HD2 Lamar, WDKD Kingstree." (DY-VA)

- **1320 WDMJ MI Marquette** 1/27 2259 Recycling PSA, ToH ID "1320 WDMJ Marquette, WIAN 1240..." into ABC news. Poor, mixing with CJMR and unknown oldies station. **(PS-ON)**
 - WCVR VT Randolph 1/17 2238 C&W music then call ID. Many local ads heard. Was mixing with probable WDER with religion. ID as "Real Country." (HJH-PA)
- **1330 WWRV NY New York** 1/19 1930 Spanish hymns, with WRCA mostly nulled, weak signal. **(TF-NH)**
- **1340 WXFN IN Muncie** 1/19 1700 ToH ID and Fox Sports stuff noted in the graveyard jumble. (NjW-ON)
 - WJYI WI Milwaukee 1/19 1801 "Joy 1340" slogan, ID that also mentions FM frequency and station promos. (NjW-ON)
- 1350 WNLK CT Norwalk 1/19 1935 Discussion of economy in China, mixing with usual night visitor, WOYK, with Penn State BKB. Unusual here at night as weak night signal goes out to sea away from here. (TF-NH)
 - **WIOU IN Kokomo** 1/18 1727 Over jumble of talkers with John Deere ad, "Z92.5" station promo for their FM, "WIOU Kokomo" ID into local sports, i.e. Colts 2015 season post-mortem. (MKB-ON)
- **1360 WMOB** AL Mobile 1/22 2056 End of preaching program saying it's heard on WMOB and WTOF-1110, loud and dominant. (DY-VA)
 - WHBG VA Harrisonburg 1/28 1647 "ESPN 1360 and 101.3 WHBG" ID noted, a very poor signal. 101.3 is a 100 watt translator. New. (SC-IN)
- **1370 WGCL IN Bloomington** 1/19 1700 Dave Ramsey promo, ToH ID that mentions FM translator and The Fox Report. (NjW-ON)
 - **WDEA ME Ellsworth** 1/11 2052 Scarborough Fair song way atop WFEA which it protects, then ID "This is WDEA, Ellsworth, a -?- station (no longer owned by Cumulus), into ABC News. **(TF-NH)**
 - **WJIP NY Ellenville** 1/11 1635 Talk, weak signal, with WJIP ID, way under WFEA with Howie Carr show. **(TF-NH)**
 - **WSHV VA South Hill** 1/7 1950 Mention that they will ID all songs/artists on "Shine FM," into music. //96.7 Shine FM stream on Tune In. Poor to very poor, mixing with a number of stations, probably WSPD, WTAB etc. **(PS-ON)**
 - WCCN WI Neillsville 1/20 1558 Nostalgia/MOYL music followed by ID: "another hour of America's best music, right here on 137 AM WCCN Neillsville." Poor with no sign of usual WXXI or WSPD. (NjW-ON)
- 1380 WWMI FL St. Petersburg 1/22 2200 ID, promo for 1380thebiz.com, good and atop. (DY-VA)
 - WHEW TN Franklin 1/18 1935 Presumed the loud SS with lively music, occasional "Bonita" IDs but few other announcements. (DY-VA)
- **MD Capitol Heights** 1/18 1004 Live SS program, "Fiesta 13-90" IDs, legal ID in EE for Capitol Heights (ex-Arlington VA), very good. FCC still has this as Arlington with an active license to cover application for the CP to Capitol Heights. **(DY-VA)**
- **1400 WMAN OH Mansfield** 1/18 1730 Faded up with ID and listing of community events. (NjW-ON)
- **1420 WKCW VA Warrenton** 1/18 1651 Rock oldies, ID "Music from yesteryear, WKCW" and a WKCW jingle, into more music, way atop frequency here. **(TF-NH)**
- **1440 KRDZ CO Wray** 1/25 1844 "1440 KRDZ Wray" ID into "Tom Sawyer" by Rush with very poor signal. New. **(SC-IN)**
 - **WFNY NY Gloversville** 1/18 1635 Local ad, woman saying only "WFNY," then "Nights in White Satin," atop channel. **(DY-VA)**
- **1450 WHTC MI Holland** 1/24 0700 ToH ID: "This is 1450, WHTC Holland" and CBS news. (**NjW-ON**)
 - WKIP NY Poughkeepsie 1/14 0400 ID: "from the Millspaugh Furniture Studios, this is news radio 1450 and 1370, WKIP Poughkeepsie." (NjW-ON)
 - **WDAD PA Indiana** 1/15 1658 Exile's "Kiss You All Over." 1700 ToH ID, jingle and CBS news. (NjW-ON)
- 1470 WMMWCT Meriden 1/15 2102 End of Fox News, Channel Three weather for the "Talk of Connecticut," promo for iPhone weather alerts, an ID for WRDC, WWCO, WSNG, and WMMW, into the Lawrence Larson Show, for "First Amendment Friday." Mixed with WLAM, unusual as five tower antenna system pushes WMMW's signal south away from WLAM, plus long gone WSRO and CKO on 1470 as well as 1480 in nearby Windsor, CT. (TF-NH)

- **WLAM ME Lewiston** 1/15 2110 "My Belle Amie" by the Teacups, "Good Times, Great Oldies" slogan into another oldie. Way atop frequency, unusual as the signal is sent east from its two towers, away from here. In the 1960's when a top 40 station it reportedly had regular listeners in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. **(TF-NH)**
- WPDM NY Potsdam 1/12 1612 Clusters of old country music songs, weak signal lost to WNYY. (TF-NH)
- **MN St. Paul** 1/27 1659 Running roughshod over usual WFED/WLQV mix with ad for Harmon Auto Glass, "AM1500 KSTP and <u>1500ESPN.com</u>" ToH ID into ESPN Sports Center. (**MKB-ON**)
- **1510 WRRD WI Waukesha** 1/27 1705 Presumed with SS sports; "Uno-Cinci-Diez Deportes" slogan. Mainly on top. **(HF-MI)**
- **1520 WARR NC Warrenton** 1/16 1748 Multiple IDs at 1748, R&B music; heard in null of WWKB with Quantum Phaser phasing SuperLoop and longwire; distorted audio, seemingly off without announcement at 1800. **(RB-NJ)**
- **1550 WDLR OH Delaware** 1/18 1734 ID as "All your favorites right here on 15-50 WDLR." Not heard in the mix before this. **(HF-MI)**
 - **KYAL OK Sapulpa** 1/18 2157 Presumed with "The Sports Animal" slogan, ESPN with Cavaliers-Warriors NBA game call. Good stretches, in and out with mainly WDLR; Fox Sports also a minor player in the mix. Not new, but rare if them. KYAL recently switched from Fox Sports to ESPN. **(HF-MI)**
 - WITK PA Pittston 1/3 2259 Weather report, ToH ID: "You are listening to WITK...," station promo and into religious talk. Poor to very poor, mostly under CBEF. (PS-ON)
 - WIGN TN Bristol 1/18 1717 WIGN station promos at 1729, 1738 and 1801. Regular religious program before 1730 into gospel/bluegrass music. Promo at 1801 mentioned bluegrass. One of three gospel stations along with CBEF in the mix before 1730; suddenly much better about 1744, then mixing mainly with WDLR. (HF-MI)
 - **WVAB VA Virginia Beach** 1/18 1755 Rose up briefly with call letter ID, Tri-Cities promo and local ad. **(HF-MI)** *Harold WVAB is silent; WIGN is the "Tri-Cities" station. DY*.
 - **WEVR** WI River Falls 1/18 1759 Up briefly with legal "WEVR River Falls" ID, giving way quickly to WIGN. WI #63 for me. (HF-MI)
- **1560 KGOW TX Bellaire** 1/26 1800 Fair to good signal, "KGOW Yahoo Sports Radio 1560 Bellaire-Houston" ID and "yahoosportsradio.com" promo. New. **(SC-IN)**
- **1570 WPGM PA Danville** 1/18 1618 Hymns and usual religion, mixed with WFLR, WMVX, and CJLV. **(TF-NH)**
- **1590 WCGO** IL Evanston 1/19 1600 All alone with ToH ID: "smart talk... 1590 WCGO Evanston-Chicago" and USA Radio news. (NjW-ON)
 - **WFTH VA Richmond** 1/20 1700 Fighting usual pests WAKR and WHGT with black gospel songs, "WFTH 1590 AM Richmond, Virginia" ID by woman, then faded back under WAKR. (**MKB-ON**)
- **1600 WRPN WI Ripon** 1/9 2350 "Year of the Cat" by Al Stewart, Culligan ad, ad for position at WRPN with full address and email address (wrpnam.com), a few more WRPN IDs, into Barbara Streisand song. Poor to very poor, mixing with a number of stations including WWRL in New York. **(PS-ON)**
- **1610 CHHA ON Toronto** 1/28 1714 Alone on frequency with Spanish balada to "Say-Achay-Achay-Achay-Ah La voz, la communidad" ID; EE ID at 1715. **(HF-MI)**
 - CHRN QC Montréal 1/26 2230 South Asian music, unidentified language, plenty of ads with 514 area code, "Radio Humsafar..." slogan at 2257. Poor to very poor, mostly under CHHA. (PS-ON) New station, giving both Montreal and Toronto x-band stations on 1610, 1650 and 1690. Mike.
- 1700 WRCR NY Ramapo 1/17 2055 Rock music, "AM 1700, WRCR and AM 1700, WRCR.com, Ramapo" ID at 2100 into USA Radio news with Rich Strong, back to rock music. There goes reception of Brownsville, TX here! (TF-NH)



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JR-OK John Reed, Shawnee, OK. NRD-525 with Pühler Electronics 70.455 roofing filter, Eska post IF filter board, quiet display power supply and numerous other mods; homebrew tuned ferrite loops, Clifton Labs active whip, phaser.

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

SMA-MB Shawn M. Axelrod VE4DX1SMA, VEPC4SWL Winnipeg, MB. Icom ICR70 and Drake R8 3 Foot un-amplified box loop / Quantum QX LOOP v2.0 / 155 Foot U shaped outdoor wire / 100 Foot indoor wire run around the basement walls / MFJ 1026 Phasing unit

WBF-TX Walter B. Fair, Cedar Park TX. R71A and various portables

Welcome to new reporter Walt Fair from TX.

DX Logs

640 KWPN OK Moore – 1/16 0837 – Open carrier/dead air from KWPN Moore, making easy the audibility of KFI; 0858 recheck now it's functional with ESPN. **(GH-OK)**

AB Calgary – 1/20 0853 – Gospel and religious music; canned versions of "AM 700 The Light" slogan; full ID at 0858: "The Touch Canada Broadcasting 2006 Inc. Radio Network serving Calgary, Red Deer, and Edmonton – CJLI Calgary..." followed by news, sports, and weather; back to music at 0903. Fair with no significant QRM until later. **(JW-CO)**

720 WGN IL Chicago – 1/13 1630 – Chicago traffic reports and weather. Good signal considering time of day. (JR-OK)

730 KKDA TX Grand Prairie – 1/13 1621 – Very animated Korean language talk. Good signal. (JR-OK)

760 WJR MI Detroit – 1/14 0203 – WJR is still very much on, although Tom Jasinski in Joliet IL had notified us one bihour earlier: "WJR 760 should be going off the air for maintenance tonight. Heard brief announcement just minutes ago while listening to *John Batchelor Show*." No time was specified; maybe they went off later, but I've seen no reports confirming that; or a last-minute postponement. Jim Renfrew in NY also reported they were still on between 0000 and 0200. (GHOK)

770 KKOB NM Albuquerque – 1/15 0839 – Albuquerque and Santa Fe ads, with a slight reverb, leading me to believe that I am hearing both the 50 kW KKOB main transmitter in the North Valley still on night pattern nulling toward WABC, and not quite toward me --- AND its 230-watt night-only non-directional relay fill-in for Santa Fe, a.k.a. KKOB. They should be precisely synchronized as there will be many places in the prime coverage area where the signals are close to equal; and they are nearly synched but surely only milliseconds apart, at almost the limit of perception. (GH-OK)

830 WFNO LA Norco – 1/21 0019 – I check the Spanish station dominant here with WCCO auroraled-out, just in case it's something more Latin than only WFNO. Nope, it's a U.S. station with a string of Ad Council PSAs in Spanish, including understood.org twice, which is about ADHD and children's learning disabilities. 0021 ID as "Fabulosa 830 AM, música todo el día." Even with non-auroral conditions, WFNO does amazingly well for 750 watts beamed into the Gulf at night. **(GH-OK)**

- 830 WCCO MN Minneapolis 1/21 1431 Making it on daytime skywave, but faded out a few minutes later at 1437 check. 720, WGN Chicago is also heard at 1432 and still at 1437 continues to be. Nothing unusual at the hi end of band, although at midband, 1040, WHO Des Moines IA is also making it with Rush atop the Metroplex station SAH. (GH-OK)
- 850 KOA CO Denver 1/16 2350 KOA Denver with Art Bell musing on the Clinton reelection campaign vs Bob Dole! And wishing that Bill Clinton would not be reelected, in light of Whitewater, but afraid he will be. It's the widely broadcast 'Somewhere in Time" Saturday night reruns of the original Art Bell show, this one from 1996y, a bi-decade ago. What's the point? For diehard fans of Art Bell, I guess. Apparently whoever threatened Art enough to get him to quit his new show has okayed the reruns. Also on several other bigsigs as I scan across the MW band. (GH-OK)
- **860 KKOW KS Pittsburg** 1/11 0826 KKOW with birthday greetings, and one of them gets a polka dedication played at 0828, regular weekday feature at this time. Slow SAH from another 860 station playing gospel music, almost same or opposite direction. Format UC:GOS fits for KMVP Phænix AZ, 940/1000 watts U2, but if it was really C&W that could be KPAN Hereford TX, 250/231 U1, per NRC AM Log. KMVP night pattern does have a little lobe this way; and at same time I'm getting further Sonora on 700. **(GH-OK)**
- **870 WQRX AL Valley Head** 1/11 1405 SS religious talk. Normally I hear WWL, but it wasn't there. Apparently some unusual propagation effects going on. New here. **(JR-OK)**
- **870 KPRM MN Park Rapids** 1/16 0841 Very poor signal with non-ID as "Great Country" which I think is a syndicated format. Can't get a DF on it due to local hash (probably too many chargers running). Prime suspect is KPRM, which has a split personality, not only "Classic Country" as format in Radio-locator, but also with Limbaugh and Hannity per own website. **(GH-OK)**
- 880 KRVN NE Lexington 1/11 1400 Daytime reception with Nebraska news, talk and call ID. (JR-OK)
- 890 KTLR OK Oklahoma City 1/19 1517 On car radio bandscan, I find that KTLR OKC is modulating two programs at once! At equal levels. One is from BizTalk network, which I wasn't aware they carried. The second audio sometimes has pauses, like other side of phone conversation unheard, and sometimes sounds like somebody left his (production?) mike open + on the air with comments not intended for broadcast. Between errand stops, re-check at 1535 and 1544 find the doubletalk still emitting! No one at station listening to itself. Don't know for how much longer. One promo still uses slogan "Kommunity Talk Radio," although KTLR originally stands for Tyler Media, the conglomerate in OK which has bought up lots of radio and Spanish TV stations around Oklahoma City, including even KOKC & KOMA. BTW, 1520 KOKC is registering only S9 on the N-S antenna, but 890 KTLR is S9+32: lower-frequency advantage with
- only 1 kW ND, compared to 1520 with 10 kW ND. (GH-OK)

 910 KVIS

 OK Vinita 1/17 0839 And still at 0850, open carrier/dead air looping E/W, presumably KVIS. Missing Sunday-morning prime preaching time! (GH-OK)
- 930 KCCC NM Carlsbad 1/14 0820 After some local ads, "Great Oldies 24/7, KCCC," from Carlsbad NM; slogan maybe alternative to rather than replacing listed "Pure Gold" in NRC *AM Log*. With WKY OKC close to right angle, mostly nulled (watch out for WKY La Indomable lapsing to commercials in English when trying to sort them out). (GH-OK)
- **940 WCPC MS** Houston 1/11 1320 Another daytime logging. Brief signal with religious talk, looping N-S, no ID but based on station power, loop direction, ionospheric aurora and content this is my best guess. New here. **(JR-OK)**
- 970 KIXL TX Del Valle 1/21 2100 Relevant Radio Catholic religious talk. Semi-local, but new for me. (WBF-TX)
- 980 KMIN NM Grants 1/15 0930 Ads, "K-Mine weather," sponsored by Dancing Eagle Casino; into old C&W at 0934. Fair and alone on the frequency for a while. (JW-CO)
- **1040 WHO IA Des Moines** 1/22 2200 Sean Hannity Show. **(WBF-TX)**
- **1060 KXPL TX El Paso** 1/14 0822 Rap in Spanish, 0823 TC for 6:23 and "Fiesta 10-60" non-ID, more rap. **(GH-OK)**
- **1120 KETU OK Catoosa** 1/19 1548 On caradio, KETU briefly with double audio, announcements mixing, Tulsa ads, 1549, "11-20 La Diferente." Recheck on

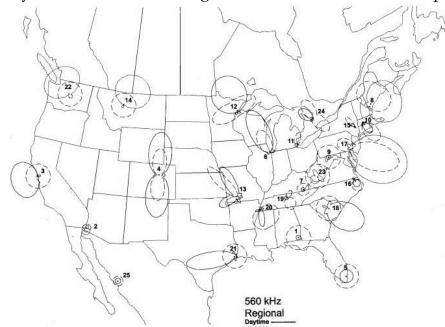
- NRD-545 at 1601 in time for full ID in Spanish as "KETU, 11-20 AM, La Diferente" also giving 10 mil watts, Tulsa, Oclajoma, "con música del presente y del pasado," one minute of the most important news headlines, leading, natch, with SCOTUS reviewing POTUS' immigration policy; 1602 music show 'La Rumba." (GH-OK)
- **KS** Wellington 1/16 0847 KLEY Wellington KS is open carrier/dead air. The January sun just rose officially at 0845, allowing it to boost from 1 watt (ha ha) night power to 250 watt day, which is plenty for groundwave to here. Or rather, they also have a PSRA of 250 so could have been modulating that much since 0800, despite 50 kW KWKH. Not unusual to hear dead air from KLEY. **(GHOK)**
- **1130 KWKH LA Shreveport** 1/19 1604 KLEY Wellington KS is off --- audiblizing some weak sports talk, presumably KWKH. **(GH-OK)**
- 1150 WJBO LA Baton Rouge 1/13 1750 Brief with call ID then faded into jumble of many signals. (JR-OK)
- **1230 KEXO CO Grand Junction** 1/13 0259 Legal ID: "KEXO Grand Junction is western Colorado's sports leader ESPN Radio 1230 and online at 1230espn.com"; into ESPN program at ToH. **(JW-CO)**
- **1230 KYVA NM Gallup** 1/13 0159 Legal ID near ToH: "KYVA Gallup, a Millennium Media Station." Rough in the pileup. **(JW-CO)**
- **1230 KFUN NM Las Vegas** 1/13 0359 Legal ID for AM 1230 and FM 103.7; not sure what followed, with several stations mixing. (**JW-CO**)
- **1300 KBRL NE McCook** 1/23 0800 ID as "The Big Talker 1300 KBRL," followed by a local ad; ABC news ensued at 0901, followed by "Weather Eye Weather" at 0906. Generally fair. (**JW-CO**)
- **1370 KJCE TX Rollingwood** 1/19 1805 Talk with reference to the Aggies, IDing as "Talk Radio." New here. (JR-OK)
- **1430 KSHJ TX Houston** 1/24 1800 Catholic religious talk with call ID. Guadalupe radio network mentioned. (JR-OK)
- **MN Golden Valley** 1/17 0920 Finally after hours and hours of trying to hear them through KKXL super pest, I logged their business format and some local ads. Fair to poor signals fading up and down under KKXL. NEW. Yes, being stubborn is good for this hobby when it comes to listening for those hard to log stations. **(SMA-MB)**
- **1450 KVSI ID Montpelier** 1/23 0933 Nostalgia tunes, call latter ID's; legal ID at 0959:52 by man: "KVSI Montpelier, The Voice of Southeastern Idaho." Fair peaks over/under the competition. **(JW-CO)**
- **1450 KBBS WY Buffalo** 1/23 0927 Signal up and down with C&W music, frequent call letter ID's. (**JW-CO**)
- **1470 WMBD IL Peoria** 1/25 1600 News, weather and call ID. Good signal for daytime DX reception. (JR-OK)
- **1470 KGND OK Vinita** 1/25 1630 Sports talk, IDing as "Sports Animal" with call ID and location as Vinita. I have heard this before, but it's a weak signal with only 500 watts. I thought it may have been unreported station KWRD, Henderson, TX, but it wasn't. **(JR-OK)**
- 1470 KYYW TX Abilene 1/18 1800 Briefly heard with call ID then lost in a fade out. (JR-OK)
- **1470 KDHN TX Dimmitt** 1/18 1800 Call ID with ag news, but faded out shortly after. New here. **(IR-OK)**
- **1490 KVWC TX Vernon** 1/22 1420 News from Vernon, Texas. Good signal in loop null of strong KMFS, Guthrie, OK. (JR-OK)
- **1540 KXEL IA Waterloo** 1/12 2052 Mix of KXEL English talk and KEDA San Antonio TX TexMex, but also still with the low-audible-heterodyne on the hi side from off-frequency KGBC Galveston TX Hum FM. **(GH-OK)**
- **MN Golden Valley** 1/27 0845 Fair signals with ID's as "Wellness Radio." Lots of talk about how to be well and healthy. This is their new format after the loop they ran after the call sign change from KYCR. (SMA-MB)
- **1610 CHRN QC Montréal** 1/26 2222 Poor to fair signals fading up and down with CHHA. They are on air now with Asian programming. Heard with music // http://radiohumsafar.com. New. Yes another new one. 2016 is starting off very well for me and I hope it keeps it up. **(SMA-MB)**
- **1660 KWOD KS Kansas City** 1/15 0903 "1660, The Score" ID from Kansas City, as the station for national sports; also promoting 610 (KCSP) for local sports; 0905 into Dan Patrick show. Change of KWOD from "KMBZ Business Channel" (sub-station

of 980 outlet) to "The Score" missed the August deadline for the 2015-2016 NRC AM Log. (Before that, from 2001 to 2011, it was classical KXTR, sob, as a sop to ex-KXTR (FM) listeners, except for a month in early 2007 when the WDAF calls (ex-610) were parked on 1660). And then there was KUDL from 2011 to 2014. Strange they haven't changed calls again to distance from previous format. (GH-OK)

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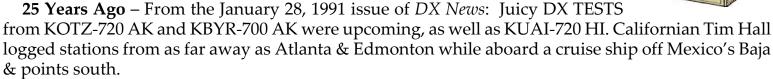
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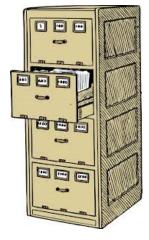
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TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- ALGERIA *Jil FM*, Les Trembles JAN 29 0400 Fair; time signal with canned *Jil FM* ID into pop music. Back to regular format after last logging New Year's weekend with alternative classical music and Koran programs. [Conti-NH]
- 621 **CANARY ISLANDS**//**SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros DEC 22 2200 Music interlude, pips, *R.Nacional de España* news; fair. DEC 25 2356 Man in Spanish; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 5PAIN RNE1 synchros JAN 29 0458 Man in Spanish on briefly strong fade-in. [Conti-NH]
- 783 **MAURITANIA** *R.Mauritanie*, Nouakchott DEC 23 0300 Koranic recitation; fair. DEC 25 2356 Arabic preaching by man, reverb/room echo; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 855 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Murcia et al. JAN 29 0558 Fair; telephone talk hosted by a woman, then bumper music leading up to the hour. [Conti-NH]
- 891 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Algiers DEC 25 2356 Strings, vocal; poor in WAMG slop (note: onfrequency). [Connelly-MA]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5* synchros JAN 29 0400 Readable in tight open space between local 900 WGHM audio and 910 domestic carriers; canned ID, "...this is BBC Five Live," brief announcement, repeated "This is BBC Five Live" into news. [Conti-NH]
- 1008 **CANARY ISLANDS** *Punto Radio,* Las Palmas DEC 25 2356 Man in Spanish; poor to fair on LSB, through WINS slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1053.102 **LIBYA** *R.Libya*, Tripoli DEC 25 2356 Arabic group vocal; audible during pauses in WEPN slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1098 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros DEC 25 2356 Man in Spanish parallel 1107; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1107 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros DEC 25 2356 Man in Spanish parallel 1098; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros DEC 31 0500 R.E.M. song; fair. [Connelly-MA] JAN 17 0400 Good; "If you want some rock music... Absolute Radio," into "4 o'clock rock" program segment with "Space Oddity" by David Bowie. [Conti-NH]
- 1467 **FRANCE** *TWR* Roumoules JAN 29 2300 Fair; one cycle of interval signal then off, leaving only a weak signal from off-frequency Iran observed on the high side. [Conti-NH]
- SAUDI ARABIA SBC R.Riyadh, Duba JAN 10 0136 Definite carrier here hetting KOKC, surely the usual 2-megawatt beast at Duba in the northwest corner. JAN 20 0138 Het on KOKC 1520.0 kHz, presumably Saudi Arabia. [Hauser-OK]
- 1530 **SAO TOME E PRINCIPE** *VOA* Pinheira DEC 22 0300 Yankee Doodle sign-on music at 0259:30; through WCKY. [Connelly-MA]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 530 **CUBA** *R.Enciclopedia*, La Habana-Villa María DEC 25 0300 *R.Enciclopedia* ID by woman; huge. [Connelly-MA] DEC 31 0000 Music selections (Spanish), then female voice with ID on the hour. Faint, but readable with some fading. [Sobel-NY]
- 539.86 **NICARAGUA** YNOW *R.Corporación*, Managua DEC 25 0300 Spanish talk; in and out of slop. [Connelly-MA]
 - COLOMBIA HJHF *R.Nacional*, Marinilla DEC 22 0300 *R.Nacional de Colombia* ID 0300:40 + 0301:10; dominant. DEC 25 0301 Parallel 560, 570 with *R.Nacional de Colombia* ID; fair/dominant.^A [Connelly-MA]
 - **COLOMBIA** HJGS *R.Nacional*, Tunja DEC 25 0301 Parallel 550, 570 with *R.Nacional de Colombia* ID; way behind WGAN.^A [Connelly-MA]
- 559.93 **GUYANA** *NCN* Georgetown DEC 25 0202 Soft music, a few words by a Caribbean accented man; listening on LSB but still tough WGAN interference.^A [Connelly-MA]
 - COLOMBIA HJND *R.Nacional*, Bogotá DEC 22 0300 *R.Nacional de Colombia* ID; over *R.Reloj* Cuba and third Spanish language station. DEC 25 0301 Parallel 550, 560 with *R.Nacional de Colombia* ID; good, over *R.Reloj* Cuba, WMCA.^A [Connelly-MA]
 - 580 **COLOMBIA** HJHP *R.Nacional*, Cali DEC 22 0300 Parallel 550, 570 with *R.Nacional de Colombia* ID; over jumble. [Connelly-MA]
 - 580 **PUERTO RICO** WKAQ San Juan DEC 20 0959 Lengthy ID. [Brandi-NJ] DEC 25 0300 WKAQ cinco ochenta, Feliz Navidad mentions; loud. [Connelly-MA]

- 590 **CUBA** *R.Musical Nacional*, La Julia DEC 25 0300 Woman in Spanish, classical piano music; under WEZE. [Connelly-MA]
- 600 **COLOMBIA** HJHJ *R.Libertad*, Barranquilla DEC 22 0300 Barranquilla and *R.Libertad* mentions; mixed with *R.Rebelde* Cuba. [Connelly-MA]
- 610 **COLOMBIA** HJKL *La Cariñosa*, Bogotá DEC 25 0201 Merry Christmas in English, then "Feliz Navidad en La Cariñosa." Over *R.Rebelde* Cuba.^A [Connelly-MA]
- 610 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Bueycito//Cienfuegos//Guane DEC 23 0000 Fanfare music, man "Rebelde, transmitiendo desde la Habana, Cuba"; atop WIOD.^A [Connelly-MA]
- 610 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Trinidad JAN 16 1148 Under *R.Rebelde*. Listed as 1 kW. [Krueger-FL]
- PUERTO RICO WUNO San Juan DEC 20 1000 ID, another ID at 1001, "NotiUno en la mañana." [Brandi-NJ] DEC 22 0300 NotiUno ID, political talk; mixed with *R.Progreso* and WPRO. [Connelly-MA]
- 640 **GUADELOUPE** *Première,* Pointe-à-Pitre DEC 22 0301 French talk by man; under *R.Progreso* Cuba. [Connelly-MA]
- 650 **COLOMBIA** HJKH, *RCN Antena Dos*, Bogotá DEC 25 0201 RCN La Radio, chimes; over others. DEC 26 0000 Antena Dos ID.^A [Connelly-MA]
- 660 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Jovellanos DEC 26 0001 Progreso vocal parallel 640; under WFAN. [Connelly-MA]
- 680 **COLOMBIA** HJZO *R.Nacional*, Barranquilla DEC 23 0000 *R.Nacional de Colombia* ID; in nearly even mix with WAPA. Semi-local WRKO off air at the time.^A [Connelly-MA]
- PUERTO RICO WAPA San Juan DEC 20 0959 ID, "Esta es La Poderosa," followed by calls, locations, and frequencies for WAPA San Juan and all the other stations listed on www.waparadiopr.com. [Brandi-NJ] DEC 23 0002 Extended jingle with Wapa and Navidad mentions, Wapa Radio ID; mixed with Colombia. Semi-local WRKO off air at the time. [Connelly-MA]
- 690 **COLOMBIA** HJCZ, *W Radio*, Bogotá DEC 26 0000 Parallel 700 with man and woman "en Colombia" mentions; mixed with Cuba. [Connelly-MA]
- 690 MEXICO XEMA Fresnillo, Zac. JAN 16 0712 – Spanish canciones interrupted by non-ID for "La Reina, 107.9 FM y 690 AM." JAN 27 0726 - "La Única, FM 99 y 690 AM" non-ID amid music. Nothing fits in Mexican or U.S. listings. Figure it's Mexican, pretty good DF at southwest. Possibly XEMA, 50/2 kW, listed with an FM on 107.1 by Cantú and IRCA, but on 107.9 in WRTH 2016, name in all as *La Mejor*. However, I am not 100% sure that the word I heard was Reina. I am more certain of the FM frequency, which in Spanish unlike English would not be confundible with 107.1. Maybe there's been a recent change at one of these which will eventually emerge. [Hauser-OK] "The [FM] station has moved, and the move is not super recent. XHEMA is listed as 107.1 in IFT, but their social profiles say 107.9. The change seems to have occurred between September 16-25, 2013. This also lines up with a YouTube video they posted at the time. You posted back in September that you had a 107.9 on 690, correctly assumed you had XEMA but figured you had misheard 107.1. definitely had a 107.9. There is nothing in the RPC on this one. The technical information available is all for the 107.1 which was assigned at migration (25 kW from a site in Fresnillo used as a tower farm). They do brand as La Mejor Zacatecas and I have to wonder if the frequency move might also have meant other changes, such as moving from Fresnillo to Zacatecas where B-15 has no radio stations. (Zacatecas Capital has a 106.5.) I'd suggest writing B15 for more information." [Raymie Humbert, WTFDA Forum via DXLD]
- 700 **BRAZIL** ZYK686 *Nossa Radio*, São Paulo DEC 25 0200 Man in Portuguese; good peak. Per Rudolf Grimm (from Brazil) on RealDX list, "Hi friends, yes, 700 kHz ex-*R.Estadão* now relays a religious program from Igreja Internacional da Graça de Deus, the voice of the preacher is the Pastor R.R. Soares, the official name of this religious segment. The station ID as *Nossa Radio* and is located in São Paulo City." [Connelly-MA]
- COLOMBIA HJCX, W Radio, Cali DEC 22 0200 W Radio de Colombia ID; on USB to dodge IBOC. At 0300, wishes for a Feliz Navidad, W Radio de Colombia ID; through IBOC hash. [Connelly-MA]
- 710 **MEXICO** unID JAN 24 1155 Anthem 1159-1203, male coming out of anthem but no slogan or calls copied, into Mexi-tunes until 1222 fade. WAQI *R.Mambi* serious co-channel the first few minutes. [Krueger-FL]
- MEXICO XEDE Saltillo, Coah. JAN 21 0457 10:56 time check on "La Kaliente," so what is the temp? Phone 439-1001, 0500 mentions Colonia Universidad, Multimedios, 0501 PSAs from CNDH, another mentioning Coahuila. Quite good with WGN completely nulled, weakened by auroral conditions as tipped on IRCA list, which is why I start MW tuning during this semihour. In fact, can only hear bits of WGN by nulling this, i.e. XEDE, supposedly 8000 day, 250 watts night. During normal conditions, XEDE interferes with

- WGN with a slow SAH and captures during WGN fades, especially on car radio where it can't be nulled. Reconfirmation of this ID clarifies that the other 720 I am hearing has to be Juárez despite CST time checks on it. [Hauser-OK]
- XEJCC Cd. Juárez, Chih. JAN 21 1322 Mexican station definitely loops 720 west/southwest toward Juárez, i.e. XEJCC, rather than south/southwest toward Saltillo. Federal PSA's including for Cámara de Diputadas y Diputados, with a woman citing how many women are now elected there, but didn't catch the number or percentage, anyhow accounting for the feminine/masculine name reference. Also for Secretaría de Comunicaciones y Transportes (SCT) about the digital TV transition, then a yelling ad for something costing "5 pesitos," time check for 7:23! Which is CST = hora del centro de México, which is not the time in Juárez on MST an hour earlier. Back to hyper morning show with callers, about the benefits of dancing, "vamos a la playa a calientar" (let's go to the beach to warm up – a long way from Juárez); 7:26 time check, music, fade-out at 1329 UTC. Today I don't hear a "Fonógrafo 720" slogan, but see previous discussion with my Jan 13 log. Anyhow we know XEDE Saltillo is still La Kaliente as re-logged last night. One other northwest Mexican is listed on 720, XEVU Éxtasis Digital in Mazatlán, which I've yet to get past these two, although Sinaloa is otherwise a prime sunrise spot. [Hauser-OK]
- 730 **COLOMBIA** HJCU *Cadena Melodia*, Bogotá DEC 22 0201 Melodia Estereo ID, chime. DEC 25 0200 "En Melodia Estereo, hora official..." DEC 26 0000 Melodia Estereo ID; dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- 730 **MEXICO** XEX México, DF JAN 16 1200 Under CKAC; choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- 740 **CUBA** *R.Angulo*, Sagua de Tánamo DEC 22 0259 *R.Angulo* ID, chimes; dominant. DEC 26 0000 Electronic music, man with *R.Angulo* ID, chimes; over jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- VENEZUELA YVKS, RCR, Caracas DEC 20 1000 Lengthy ID, "RCR 750 AM," disclaimer before next program, "RCR presente informas." [Brandi-NJ] DEC 22 0200 Man, "RCR siete cincuenta AM"; good. At 2159, RCR, siete cincuenta AM ID; dominant. DEC 26 0000 RCR ID. [Connelly-MA]
- COLOMBIA HJAJ, *RCN*, Barranquilla DEC 22 0201 Banco Popular mention, RCN Noticias ID. DEC 25 0300 "RCN la radio"; over WJR, others. [Connelly-MA]
- 760 **VENEZUELA** YVSO *R. Simpatica 760*, Trujillo DEC 22 2200 Time check ending in "...treinte minutos" so Venezuela. [Connelly-MA]
- 770 **COLOMBIA** HJJX, *RCN*, Bogotá DEC 25 0200 *RCN* news parallel 760 HJAJ; mixed with Cuba and well over WABC. [Connelly-MA]
- 780 **VENEZUELA** YVMN *R.Coro*, Coro DEC 23 0300 *R.Coro* ID; dominant. DEC 25 0200 ID, "Radio Coro, siete ochento." [Connelly-MA]
- 790 **VENEZUELA** YVXM *R.Minuto*, Barquisimeto DEC 22 0202 End of music, chimes, *R.Minuto* ID; over *R.Reloj*, WAXY, WPRV, WNIS jumble.^A [Connelly-MA]
- 800 **BONAIRE** PJB *TransWorld Radio*, Kralendijk DÉC 22 0200 Woman "Radio Transmundial, ocho cientos AM, estamos transmitiendo desde Bonaire, isla del Caribe Holandesa"; loud.^A [Connelly-MA]
- MEXICO XEROK Cd. Juárez, Chih. JAN 16 0700 Choral national anthem is playing, multiverse until 0705 full XEROK *R.Cañón* ID, "desde la frontera norte," full, but not including any assertion of current power level, presumably 50 kW once again after a long hiatus equipment problem, or deliberate downgrade? It seemed the latter, like with co-Juárez station 970 XEJ. No reference to a new FM, just Grupo 7, not to be mistaken for Ciento 7. [Hauser-OK] "Hi! Something about Radio Cañón: on January 12, Mario Arriola ask for report to the 'Diexismo' Facebook group; he claims than the station has now 35 kW. Saludos!" [Humberto Molina, *dxldyg*]
- 810 **BAHAMAS** ZNS3 Freeport DEC 20 1000 ID for ZNS-1, ZNS-3, and FM station, mixing with WGY. [Brandi-NJ] DEC 23 0300 Coca Cola advert/contest in Grand Bahama, Abaco Island, and Eleuthera; briefly over HJCY. [Connelly-MA]
- 810 **COLOMBIA** HJCY *Caracol Radio*, Bogotá DEC 23 0000 *Caracol Radio* ID; over Bahamas. [Connelly-MA]
- MEXICO XERI Reynosa, Tamps. JAN 21 0502 As I dig into the pile of sigs here with the NRD-545 on north/south not very long wire, ID as "Radio Rey, realmente musical." That means of the 15 Mexicans listed by IRCA on this frequency I have heard the weakest, XERI, 100 watts night (1000 watts day); thanks to auroral conditions. [Hauser-OK]
- MEXICO XEFW Tampico, Tamps. JAN 22 1308 Long talk about the PRI and Tamaulipas, each mentioned several times, election coming 5 de junio; 1313 fade. This time I tentatively think it's XEFW Tampico on 50 kW day power by now, instead of 100 watt XERI Reynosa,

- which I definitely heard in the nightmiddle. Although Neil Kazaross says XERI was already announcing 5 kW (day anyway) a year ago despite later listings as 1 kW. [Hauser-OK]
- **CUBA** *R.Ciudad de la Habana*, La Habana-Arroyo Arenas DEC 22 0300 Ciudad de la Habana ID; in dogpile with *R.Reloj*, WNYC, others. DEC 25 0200 *R.Ciudad de la Habana* ID. Weak growl from something (*R.Vigia*?) on 820.18 kHz.^A [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Moa DEC 23 0300 Nostalgic vocal parallel 640; mixed with *R.Reloj*, others. [Connelly-MA]
- B30 **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** HIJB Santo Domingo DEC 22 0200 End of music, clock ticks, time check, "En HIJB esta es la hora: diez de la noche," then full detail ID; good, alone on channel.^A [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** CMHW *Doblevé*, Santa Clara DEC 23 0000 "Desde Santa Clara" in talk; dominant. [Connelly-MA] DEC 31 0959 ID, rooster crowing. [Brandi-NJ]
- HAITI *Radio 4VEH*, Cap Haitien DEC 22 2200 Man in French, music, woman in French; over apparent Brazil, others. DEC 26 0000 Soft music, electronic 5-note "Dashing through the Snow" interval signal, man in French; slightly over others. [Connelly-MA] DEC 31 1100 Multiple ID's, catchy electric guitar tune. Dominant until about 1103 UTC. [Brandi-NJ]
- **COLOMBIA** HJKC *Candela 850*, Bogotá DEC 25 0158 ID, "Candela ocho cincuenta"; over WEEI, WFTL.^A [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Nueva Ĝerona DEC 25 0201 "RR" beeps; mixed with WEEI, WFTL, HJKC. [Connelly-MA]
- 859.945 unID DEC 23 0000 Fat growl against *R.Reloj*, festive Spanish music on carrier as noted on LSB. [Connelly-MA]
 - **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Jovellanos//Bolondrón DEC 25 0159 Reloj talk, beeps; dominant. [Connelly-MA]
 - MEXICO XENL Monterrey, NL JAN 21 0503 Poetic oration in Spanish, mentions Bohemio, loops north/south with KKOW no problem, 0504 singing ID for *R.Recuerdo*, full ID as XENL, 860 AM, 5 mil wats, 103.7 HFM, Monterrey NL, for 5 décadas, from Multimedios. Night power is supposed to be only 1.5 kW. [Hauser-OK]
 - PANAMA HOL55 R.Reforma, Chitre DEC 25 0300 R.Reforma ID's; over R.Reloj Cuba.^A [Connelly-MA]
 - CUBA *R.Reloj*, Baracoa//Bueycito//Sancti Spíritus DEC 25 0200 Over unID Spanish vocal. [Connelly-MA] JAN 15 0221 As I tune across WWL, I hear "RR" in Morse, so *R.Reloj* is underneath. WRTH 2016 shows three on 870: 10 kW each in Bueycito, Granma and Baracoa, Guantánamo; 1 kW in Sancti Spíritus, the closest from mid-isle although weakest. [Hauser-OK] JAN 29 1059 A regular here; syncopated clock and RR code under WWL and WHCU. [Conti-NH]
 - **PUERTO RICO** WQBS San Juan DEC 25 0300 Fast Spanish talk by man with WQBS ID and Puerto Rico mentions; in even mix with *R.Reloj* Cuba.^A [Connelly-MA]
 - **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Pinar del Río DEC 25 0259 *R.Progreso* and Habana mentions; under WCBS.^A [Connelly-MA]
 - **VENEZUELA** YVMD *R.Venezuela Mara Ritmo*, Maracaibo DEC 22 0200 Man with Mara Ritmo ID and "hora de Venezuela" mention; over *R.Progreso* Cuba vocal.^A DEC 25 0301 "Diez y treinte dos minutos... presenta... Mara Ritmo"; dominant over *R.Progreso*. [Connelly-MA]
 - **CUBA** *R.Cadena Agramonte,* Camagüey-Tagarro DEC 25 0200 Talk "en la ciudad de Camaguey"; mixed with tropical music station. [Connelly-MA]
 - **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Cienfuegos//La Jaiba//Santiago de Cuba DEC 25 0200 "Nueve de la noche... transmite Radio Reloj desde la Habana, Cuba"; mixed with WPKX.^A [Connelly-MA]
 - **BRAZIL** ZYJ453 Rio de Janeiro DEC 23 0300 Slow Portuguese talk by man, possibly religious; over others. DEC 25 0202 Orchestral music, man in Portuguese; briefly over jumble. [Connelly-MA]
 - **MEXICO** XEQ *Ke Buena*, Mexico, DF DEC 20 0800 ID, "desde estado de México a todo el pais," jingle ID, "940 AM, la Ke Buena," and music. [Brandi-NJ] JAN 16 1200 Under WMAC; choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
 - **PUERTO RICO** WIPR *Máxima 940*, San Juan DEC 22 0300 WIPR ID in Spanish talk; over Brazil.^A [Connelly-MA]
 - **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Arroyo Arenas//Camagüey-Isábel Hortensia DEC 23 0300 Reloj programming parallel 960, 1020, et al.; dominant. [Connelly-MA]
 - **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Guantánamo-La Piña DEC 23 0300 Reloj programming parallel 950, 1020; dominant. DEC 25 0200 Over WELI and a jumble of Latin Americans. [Connelly-MA]
 - **COLOMBIA** HJES, *RCN*, Cali DEC 25 0159 *RCN* net ID; dominant, way over *R.Reloj* Cuba.^A [Connelly-MA]

- **CUBA** *R.Guamá*, Pinar del Río DEC 23 0000 "Esta es Guamá" ID by woman. [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJAQ, *RCN*, Cartagena DEC 25 0300 Banco Popular mention, "RCN Noticias" parallel 980 kHz.^A [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Granma*, Media Luna DEC 23 0000 Probable source of "wobbler" pest. DEC 25 0200 Granma chimes; under HJAQ. [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Victoria de las Tunas DEC 23 0300 Reloj programming parallel 950, 960; dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- unID DEC 23 0301 Brief bit of Spanish talk that came up over usual *R.Reloj* Cuba and another background Latin American with music.^A [Connelly-MA]
- 1030.265 unID DEC 22 0200 Weak het against 1030 WBZ and LS10. [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJAI *R.Tropical*, Barranquilla DEC 25 0258 Libertad and *R.Tropical* mentioned. Thanks to Henrik Klemetz on RealDX list for ID help. "The station is part of Cadena Libertad which includes 600 and 720." [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Mayabeque*, Güines DEC 25 0200 Mayabeque ID; USB used to dodge 1039.62 Venezuela. [Connelly-MA]
- 1039.62 **VENEZUELA** YVLB *La Voz de Carabobo*, Valencia DEC 23 0000:40 RCR Deportes mention parallel 750; on LSB. DEC 25 0200 Mentions of Valencia, Feliz Navidad, and Carabobo; fair on LSB to dodge 1040.0 Cuba, Colombia, Brazil mess.^A [Connelly-MA]
- **VENEZUELA** YVKZ *R.Nacional de Venezuela*, Caracas DEC 25 0200 Likely this (from prior log) with Spanish talk mixing with WEPN Spanish. [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *Radio* 26, Jovellanos DEC 22 2359 R.Veinteseis ID, overmodulated piano music; in jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- **MEXICO** XEEP *R.Educación*, México, DF JAN 16 1200 Under KYW; choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCG *R.Santa Fe*, Bogotá DEC 22 0300 Q'Hubo Radio ID, rustic music with accordion, male vocal; over WNCT. DEC 25 0158 "En Q'Hubo Radio," Spanish Christmas music; over other Spanish speaker. [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Cadena Habana/R.Ciudad de la Habana*, La Habana-Villa María DEC 25 0200 Woman with Cadena Habana mention; noisy but briefly better than WTIC.^A [Connelly-MA]
- COLOMBIA HJOM *BluRadio*, Cartagena DEC 25 0200 *BluRadio* ID, mention of Colombia and 'bluradio.com'. Generally atop WBAL. Per Henrik Klemetz, "Indeed, Mark. This is the Bogotá feed via a Cartagena transmitter. You might want to write to Oscar "Tito" López, the station manager. He is fluent in English and he knows about QSL's. He used to collect U.S. station stickers." At 0300, "BluRadio" ID. [Connelly-MA]
- **BRAZIL** ZYK694 *R.Globo*, São Paulo DEC 25 0200 Globo ID through jumble.^A [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCN *BBN Radio*, Bogotá DEC 25 0300 "Buenas noticias de hoy," chimes, religious talk. [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Angulo*, Holguín DEC 22 0300 Parallel 740 with Angulo chimes; under WBT. [Connelly-MA]
- 1160.041 unID DEC 25 0200 Man said "buenas noches," growl against WOBM and unID Spanish language religious music station. [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJNW *Caracol Radio*, Cartagena DEC 25 0300 Station with "Tropicana" slogan; over WWVA. Per Henrik Klemetz on RealDX list, "Caracol, Cartagena. For Christmas and New Year's all Caracol stations usually relay the signal from Tropicana (which is a Caracol FM station)."^A [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* Las Tunas-Jobabo DEC 25 0200 Sports-related Spanish talk by man parallel 670; over unID vocal and WPHT. [Connelly-MA]
- 1309.687 **COLOMBIA** HJAK *La Voz de la Patria Celestial*, Barranquilla DEC 25 0201 Fast Spanish talk by man, *La Voz de la Patria Celestial* ID; on LSB to dodge WLOB, WICH.^A [Connelly-MA]
- BAHAMAS ZNS1 Nassau DEC 20 0958 The Prayer Hour, ID at 1000 for ZNS-1, ZNS-3, and FM station, parallel 810 kHz. [Brandi-NJ] DEC 25 0200 Parallel 810 with marching band party music including "Also Sprach Zarathustra," "100 Pounds of Clay," then "Whoomp There It Is"; good. [Connelly-MA] JAN 23 0259 "Radio Bahamas" ID, promos for 104.5 FM, occasionally atop CHIN. [Yocis-VA]
- unID DEC 22 0300 ZNS1 possibly source of het/spur here; 1521 also present but possibly Saudi for that. [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJQZ *R.Maria*, Barranquilla DEC 25 0200 *R.Maria* mention, religious talk by man in Spanish; in jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- **ANGUILLA** *Caribbean Beacon*, The Valley DEC 25 0200 Loud with female preacher, presumably Pastor Melissa Scott. [Connelly-MA]

- 1620 **U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS** WDHP Frederiksted JAN 29 0500 Presumed with BBC time pips through *R.Rebelde*. [Conti-NH]
- MEXICO XEARZ ZER Radio, México, DF JAN 17 0946 Good above multiple co-channel with the usual easy listening/cocktail jazz instrumentals, male canned ID. JAN 24 1110 Same lounge instrumentals format. [Krueger-FL]

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73 and Good DX!

College Sports Networks

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First off, my apologies to all in taking much longer than I had anticipated to get the college basketball network lists for 2015-16 going. But here they are, finally. My thanks to Todd Brandenburg for the Missouri State and SDSU lists. I will have more to come in future issues. 73 de RWD

Duke Blue Devils Bob Harris, John Roth

http://www.goduke.com/fls/4200/media-guides/mbb/2015-16/2015-16 Duke MBB Media Guide.pdf

620	WDNC-NC	1150	WBAG-NC	1580	WZKY-NC	98.3	WIST-FM-NC
920	WPTL-NC	1240	WHVN-NC	1590	WCSL-NC	102.9	WKIX-FM-NC
980	WAAV-NC	1390	WOHS-NC			103.7	WTIB-NC
990	WEEB-NC	1490	WSTP-NC	96.7	WKRX-NC	104.5	WCCG-NC
1050	WLON-NC						

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http://www.missouristatebears.com/genrel/092513aae.html

1030	KCWJ-MO	1430	KKOZ-MO	92.1	KKOZ-FM-MO	101.3 <u>KTXR-MO</u>
1280	KYRO-MO	1490	WQQX-IL	97.5	KJMO-MO	WELL-W. SALE
1340	KLID-MO					KTXR

South Dakota State Jackrabbits Tyler Merriam

http://www.gojacks.com//pdf9/4002007.pdf

570 WNAX-SD	1240 KCCR-SD	1480 KSDR-SD	106.1 KJOE-MN
910 KJJQ-SD	1450 KBFS-SD	1490 KORN-SD	
980 KDSJ-SD			

Unreported Domestic Stations

New station CHRN-1610 goes on the target list and is immediately reported to DDXD, but no other previously unreported stations were reported to DDXD this issue for the first time since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000). Thus, we hold at 450 active stations in the United States and Canada on the unreported list. Can you hear one and report it for next issue? The most recent full list was printed in Issue 82-20.

DX Toolbox

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Greetings once again from the Heart of the Continent and welcome to the DX Tool Box Column number 78.

This Month's Radio Saying: The World at Your Finger Tips.

The Way Back Machine:

A video tour of the Vintage Radio and Communications Museum of Connecticut in Windsor CT. You can watch this great tour on You Tube at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jtaPOYP5AP0
It seems that even if you cannot make it to great radio sites you can at least see them on line today.

The views of all the equipment is a walk down memory lane. Not all of it is Ham radio equipment as lots of great old receivers and TV's are on display too. The displays of tubes, transmitter equipment, tube testers, original personal computers advertising signs and microphones etc are part of the tour that will shake some cob webs from your memory. Have a look it is well worth it.

If you know of any other virtual tours let me know and we can share them with everyone.

Bits and Bites from the NRC listserv:

From: Les Rayburn N1LF, Maylene AL

Re: AM Broadcasters Affected by RF Issues

From Radio World. <u>AM Broadcasters affected by RFI issues: AFCCE Symposium Examines AM Broadcast Band Woes</u>. AM broadcasters are calling upon the FCC to help reduce man-made RFI, which is negatively impacting their businesses.

Pressure like this can only help. But the reality is that electronics manufacturers, power companies, and similar industries all employ highly-paid lobbyists making regulation and oversight difficult for the FCC to pursue. DX'ing from my neighborhood has become so bad that I'm seriously considering portable operation using SDR's to record TOH's in radio-quiet locations as the only viable means of continuing in the hobby. RFI comes from every house, including my own despite intensive efforts to reduce or eliminate it.

From: Dave Marthouse

Re: MW Stations in France and Germany

Not only is Germany shutting down its MW stations but so is France. Get them while you can. See: http://www.arrl.org/news/view/medium-wave-transmitters-in-germany-and-france-shutting-down-at-year-s-end

From: Ben Dangerfield, Wallingford PA

Re: MW Stations in France and Germany

The closing of MW stations in Germany and France is bad [and sad] for all of us TA DX'ers. There aren't many countries left besides UK and Spain [and many Spain stations have also shut down]. This is what happens when government runs radio stations. Fortunately, I have verified many of these stations [and all of these countries] over many vears. Just a few years ago the AM band on most nights was crawling with stations, and with good signals.

From: Rick Dau, South Omaha NE

Re: Log Book Totals

I started my MW logbook from here on 9/13/2010, and by the end of 2011, it was up to 669 stations. Since then ...

2012 – 102 new loggings to bring the total to 771

2013 – 117 new loggings to bring the total to 888

2014 – 56 new loggings to bring the total to 944

2015 – 42 new loggings to bring the total to 986

So, as you can see, it's been a long slow crawl to #1000 over the past couple of years. For perspective, I logged my 400th station from Iowa City on 2/8/1991 and my 1000th from there on 10/28/1993 – nearly 2 years and 9 months between those milestones. On the other hand, I logged my 400th station from here on 1/27/2011, nearly 5 years ago, and #1000 has yet to arrive. There's no question that living in a city where the band is much more crowded (10 locals on AM here, as opposed to the 3 back in IC) makes a huge difference, but there are also many more freqs here that are complicated by images and mixing products, as well.

From: Mark Durenberger

Re: DX Season

I know...YMMV on this one...but would appreciate some opinions. About when do we usually expect the end of the MW DX season in Spring? Thanks in advance!

From: Russ Edmunds <<u>wb2bjh@gmail.com</u>>

Re: DX Season

I generally use the Equinox as a guide. Some years it varies earlier or later depending on weather patterns.

From: Rick Dau, South Omaha NE

Re: DX Season

I generally consider the prime MW DX "season" to end on April 30, although that doesn't mean that there isn't DX to be found after that date. I've had freak midday receptions of WIR as late as mid-May in years past. I think a lot of DX'ers shy away from the MW and LW bands from about May 1 to the end of Iuly simply because it's t-storm season and the amount of lightning static on the band can sometimes be unbearable. But if you're patient and play your cards right (checking lightningmaps.org before starting a DX session to see how close storms are to your OTH is a good idea), you can sometimes be rewarded with a good catch in the summer that you wouldn't normally hear during the rest of the year. I've heard it said that the gravevard frequencies are good for summertime DX. The sunrise and sunset maps will also show you that stations to the Northeast of your location will be good sunrise targets during the summer, as will stations to the Northwest of your location at sunset. And once you get into late Iuly, when there is more darkness at your location at sunrise and sunset than on Iuly 1 that can be especially beneficial. The last few days of July are consistently good here for me to get stations from the Dakotas and Montana at sunset.

From: Mark Connelly WA1ION South Yarmouth, MA

Re: DX Season

DX season is all year near the seashore. Warmer weather gives better opportunities for DX'ing from the car, campsites, etc. at advantageous sites compared to home: e.g. seashore, high altitude, or rural farmland. Southerly regions have more darkness then so Brazilians and other South Americans are often at their best. Of course auroras can occur any time of year to give a similar boost heading south. Mid/late winter is not as productive for many as a lot of the hobby's pre-1980-based "crisp cold moonlit nights" lore would suggest. Home locations are often RF-noisy and the cold weather, ice, and snow force people to do all their DX'ing there. "Meteorological autumn" (SEP / OCT / NOV) tends to be prime time at least here in New England. Lightning static is below summer levels and weather is still pleasant enough (most of the time) to support serious DX'peditioning. If you read DX reports from me and from other East Coast DX'ers such as Bruce Conti, Marc DeLorenzo, Bill Whitacre, Sylvain Naud, Brent Taylor, and Allen Willie, you can see that DX'ing can be an all-year activity. Thank proximity to salt water for that. What Gary DeBock and other West Coast DX'ers do midsummer with Down Under reception is pretty much the same story. Someone in the southern and lower Midwest US - thunderstorm / tornado alley – will be looking at things differently. May through August is likely to be rather useless there. Let's hear from everyone else.

From: Ben Dangerfield

Re: DX Season

Being primarily a foreign station DX'er I have usually considered the months of May, Iune, Iuly and most of August to be the poorest, mostly due to so much more sunlight. But I have also DX'ed from shore points like Cape Ann, MA and Nova Scotia and enjoyed very good TA reception. DX from U.S. and Canada seems about the same most of the vear except again for the long periods of sun. And I have traveled to all parts of the world -mostly in Spring and summer -and had good reception from distant stations. However I still consider Sept. thru March to be best. Incidentally, today in early Ianuary I am getting strong skywave signals from New England in the early afternoon like around 2:00 PM.

Well as for your editor I would have to say that the best time to catch some good DX on the low bands is September through April, at least up here in Canada. That said it is not the only time to DX. I have gotten some great catches in the summer as well. Yes there are less hours to DX as the days grow longer and the nights grow shorter but you never know if you don't try tuning in to see what is on. Many may argue that there is a DX season but never write off the idea of off-season DX'ing.

73 for this time Shawn Remember On A Clear Day You Can Hear Forever

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