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Also IRCA has published a new Slogans List, which is available online at www.ircaonline.org as a free download, or for purchase in hard copy through the IRCA Bookstore.

is going out a little later than usual – thanks to everybody for their patience! We'll be back on the regular schedule next issue. See page 24 for the schedule of deadlines for the rest of Volume

8 ... Domestic DX Digest West

As noted last issue, the late Ron Schiller had been going through our archived DX News issues (which are available on e-DXN.com going back have the 7th edition; it is a fantastic companion almost to the very first issue) for our "From the Archives" column. With Ron's passing, if there are any members who would like to review the relevant DXN issues and compile the historical notes going forward, please contact me at NRCDXNews@gmail.com and I can give you more information.

**Publications**: The 8th Edition of the NRC Antenna Pattern Book is now available! See page K3PI; Robert La Morgese; Ted S. Liszewski; 34 for full details. Together with the 39th Edition | Harrison P. Reed; Jeffrey R. Seiler; and Mike of the NRC AM Radio Log, these are your Shirer.

From the Publisher: As anticipated, this issue essential tools for DXing North American AM radio stations. Order your copies today!

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#### **Membership Report**

"I would like to order the new Pattern Book. I to the 39th edition of NRC AM Radio Log. Thanks for the informative and fun tools." - Don Vincent.

New Members: Welcome to William Bowers, Stafford, TX; and Richard Foster, Naperville, IL.

**Renewing Members**: Thanks for the ongoing support of Steven Branch; Dave Bright; John Callarman; E.L. Cook; David Cox; Russ Johnson

### NRC AM Radio Log 39th Edition Is Now Available



The National Radio Club, the world's oldest and largest Broadcast Band DX Club, is proud to announce the publication of the 39th edition of the AM Radio Log. The AM Radio Log is a source for information on AM radio stations in the United States and Canada. The 39th edition of the Log contains 302 pages of data and cross references and 12 pages of instructions in 8-1/2" x 11" size, 3-hole punched, U.S. loose leaf format. This publication fits nicely into a 1" threering binder. 10,000+ updates since last year's 38th Edition of the Log! New for this year is a cross reference by State/ Provinces in frequency order. This list is ideal for targeting needed areas. Additional reference lists include call letters of FM simulcasts with the AM Stations listing, listings of regional groups of stations in the groups section (separate section of the *Log*), a cross reference of those stations that are licensed to use IBOC (In Band On Channel) digital audio, and a comprehensive list of FM translators that are now simulcasting with AM broadcasters.

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### AM Switch

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### FCC and CRTC Decisions and Applications

#### **CALL CHANGES**

**1110 WMUX WV Hurricane** – Call change to WYMW (Oct. 19).

**1230 WOIC SC Columbia** – Call change to WPCO (Oct. 11).

**1410** WTIX NC Concord – Call change to WEGO (Oct. 10); had these calls until 2009.

#### **CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPS) FOR EXISTING STATIONS**

#### CPs built, awaiting final licensing:

**1260 WISO PR Ponce** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 2300/2300, new tower at 17-59-22/66-37-11.

#### CPs granted:

**790 KOSY AR Texarkana** – Granted CP for U1 1000/23, adjust coordinates 33-22-25/94-01-01.

**1200 WSML NC Graham** – Granted CP for U1 4600/8, new site 36-05-51/79-29-11.

**1460 WPON MI Walled Lake** – Granted CP for U4 670/175, new site 42-32-39/83-33-36 (replaces expired CP).

**1510 WMEX MA Boston** – Granted CP for U1 10000/100 (ch 2000), CoL to Quincy MA, diplexed with WBIX-1260 at 42-16-25/71-02-30.

#### **SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)**

#### STAs granted:

**690** KHNR HI Honolulu – Granted STA, U1 3850/3850, transmitter problems.

**1170 WFDL WI Waupun** – Granted STA, D1 100, 180' LW at licensed site; tower fell in storm.

**1230** WLNR NC Kinston – Granted STA, reduced power (using U1 5/5), hurricane damage.

**1310** WISE NC Asheville – Granted STA, U1 5000/250, night pattern phasor problems.

**1330** WHGM MD Havre de Grace – Granted STA, D1 10, whip at 39-33-02/76-05-30; lost site.

**1370** KFRO TX Longview – Granted STA, U1 1000/108, vandalism at tower site.

#### Application for STA filed:

**1560 WMRO TN Gallatin** – Applies for STA, U1 200/3, longwire at 36-23-36/86-28-02; has lost licensed site.



#### Extensions to previous STAs granted:

950 WTLN FL Orlando – Granted STA extension, U2 12000/10000, Cuban QRM.

**1010 KXEN MO St. Louis** – Granted STA extension, U5 50000/125, night operation from vertical wire at 38-38-09/90-11-45.

1140 KXST NV North Las Vegas – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.

**1330 WENA PR Yauco** – Granted STA extension, U1 500/350, 185' LW at 18-01-17/66-51-54.

**1380 WBEL** IL **South Beloit** – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250 or params. at variance.

**1400 WSEG GA Savannah** – Granted STA extension, reduced power.

**1490** WSVM NC Valdese – Granted STA extension, U1 500/500, 210' LW at 35-44-17/81-33-26.

**1580 WLIM NY Patchogue** – Granted STA extension, U1 and reduced power (? day/125 night).

#### Applications to extend existing STAs filed:

**790 KEJY CA Eureka** – Applies to extend STA, U1 500/110, KWSW-980 tower.

970 WNNR FL Jacksonville – Applies to extend STA, U1 250/41.

**1000** WRTG NC Garner – Applies to extend STA, D1 500, completing tower repairs.

**1310 KEZM LA Sulphur** – Applies to extend STA, U1 125/13, temp. tower at 30-14-11/93-20-47.

KTCK TX Dallas – Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance, KLIF-570 diplexing.

1370 WGIV NC Pineville – Applies to extend STA, reduced day power (using U1 1000/45).

1460 KARR WA Kirkland – Applies to extend STA, U1 250/250, 31m LW at 47-37-44/122-10-10.

**1480** WGFY NC Charlotte – Applies to extend STA, night pattern 24 hours but still 4400/5000.

**1590 WFBR MD Glen Burnie** – Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance.

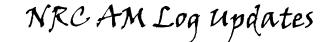
#### SILENT STATIONS

Formerly silent stations informing the FCC that they are back on the air:

- **900 WNMB SC North Myrtle Beach** Silent Aug. 28; on the air with STA Oct. 5.
- **WA** Lakewood Silent Oct. 8 (2017); on the air Oct. 8. 1480 KNTB
- **1540** WKDG AL Sumiton Silent Aug. 26 (2017); on the air with STA Aug. 22.

Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

- 590 WDIZ FL
- Panama City Silent Oct. 10, Hurricane Michael. Jacksonville Silent Oct. 8, Hurricane Florence. 910 WSRP
- **1260 KWEI Weiser** – Silent Oct. 3, change in ownership.
- 1430 WLTG FL**Panama City** – Silent Oct. 10, Hurricane Michael.





- **550 WDUN GA Gainesville** Delete A network, add Fox.
- BC Williams Lake Slogan to "Caribou Country" // CKCQ-100.3. (SA) 570 CKWL
- **580 WACQ AL Tuskegee** Adds // W251CM-98.5. (FCC)
- MI Ironwood Adds // W221EH-92.1. (FCC) 590 WJMS
  - WKZO **MI Kalamazoo** – Delete slogan. (JJR)
- 610 WRUS **KY** Russellville – Networks to C.
- AZ Tucson Format to REL (ex-NOS); slogan to "Reach Radio." 690 KCEE
- TN Cookeville Networks to SRN. **780 WPTN**
- OR Portland Adds // K292HH-106.3. (FCC) 800 KPDQ
- **810 WYRE MD Annapolis** – Format to AOR (ex-CLR).
- 900 WATK WI Antigo – Slogan to "Classic Hits 98.7." (JJR)
  - **SK Prince Albert** Slogan to "Saskatchewan Country." (JJR) **CKBI**
- **CO Denver** Adds // K274DF-102.7. (FCC) 910 **KPOF**
- 920 WKVA PA Lewistown Format to CLR (ex-OLD); slogan to "Big 100," adds // W262DO-100.3.
- **PA** Greenville Format to AC (ex-OLD). **940 WGRP**
- 970 WZAM MI Ishpeming Slogan to "ESPN U P." (JJR)
- 1010 KXPS CA Thousand Palms – Slogan to "Sports Team."
  - OH New Boston Adds // W294CN-106.7. (FCC) WIOI
- 1040 WYSL **NY Avon** – Slogan & Group to Grp= The Voice of Liberty.
- **WA Dishman** Adds // K249FF-97.7. (FCC) 1050 KFIO
- **Rochelle** Networks to C/Agt/Bf/II/WW1. 1060 WRHL
  - KKVV **NV** Las Vegas – Slogan & Group to Grp= Best News Radio.
- **Kendallville** Slogan & Grp= The Hawk. WAWK IN 1140
- Egypt Lake Format to UC:OLD (ex-UC:HipHop); slogan to "Motown and 1150 WTMP FL Classic R&B Oldies."
- 1180 KYES MN Rockville – Adds // K228FV-93.5. (FCC)
- 1230 WTCJ **IN Tell City** – Slogan & Group to Grp=93.3 the Vibe.
  - **KTNC NE Falls City** – Adds // K296HK-107.1. (FCC)
- **1240 WBEJ TN** Elizabethton – Networks to Nn/WW1.
- WPNW **MI** Zeeland – Networks to SRN & Group to Grp= The Pledge. **1260**
- RI Providence Slogan & Group to Grp= The Publics Radio. (BH) **1290** WRPA
- 1320 WLOH OH Lancaster – Slogan & Group to Grp= The Wolf (ex-Grp= The Hocking Valley's Best Country Variety!).
- 1330 WHAZ **NY Troy** – Slogan to "ALIVE Radio Network."
- VA Pulaski Adds // W298CY-107.5. (FCC) 1340 WBLB
- 1360 **WPPA** PA Pottsville – Adds // W290DP-105.9. (FCC)
- **1380 WOTE** WI Clintonville – Networks to Ns; slogan & Group to Grp= The Franchise (ex-Grp= ESPN 96-5 and 94-9). (JJR)
- Fort Lauderdale Adds // W296DK-107.1. (FCC) 1400 WFLL FL
  - Jacksonville Slogan to "Gospel 1400." WZAZ FL
  - **WBAT** IN Marion – Format to CLR/TLK (ex-TLK); slogan to "Greatest Hits," networks to C/NIn/Bf.
  - **WHTB** MA Fall River – Adds // W229DC-93.7. (FCC)
  - MI Houghton Slogan to "99.3 the Lift." (JJR) WCCY
  - **KBJM** SD Lemmon – Format to CLR/OLD (ex-C&W/OLD); slogan to "Classic Hits."
- 1420 WPEH **GA** Louisville – Slogan & Group to Grp= The Peach.
- TN Pulaski Format to CLR (ex-C&W); slogan & Group to Grp= Classic KSR (ex-WKSR Grp= Serving Giles County).

**1440 WVGG MS Lucedale** – Format to C&W/TLK (ex-C&W/GOS).

**1450** WDNG AL Anniston – Format to AC (ex-NWS/TLK); slogan to "My 95 FM," drop nets.

WBTL VA Highland Springs – Slogan to "Boomtown Richmond," adds // W225CU-92.9; delete Grp= Boomtown Richmond.

**1490 WIRB** AL Level Plains – Format to TLK (ex-GOS); slogan to "Talk 1490."

KGBA CA Heber – Slogan to "La Voz Que Inspira." (BH)

1500 WFED DC Washington – Slogan to "Federal News Network."

**WPJX** IL **Zion** – Format to Rock (ex-SS); slogan to "Rebel Radio." (JRR)

1510 WCAZ IL Macomb – Format to C&W (ex-CCR); delete slogan. (FM)

1520 KKXA WA Snohomish – Slogan to "Classic Country."

**1540 WMYJ IN Martinsville** – Adds // W263CH-100.5.

WULT VA Sandston – Format to SS:CHR (ex-UC:OLD); slogan to "Ultra 94.1 FM & 1540 AM," adds //W231DP-94.1; delete Grp= Boomtown Richmond.

WPTT WI Hartford – Format to CLR (ex-CHR); slogan to "Party 92 9." (JJR)

1550 WJIL IL Jacksonville – Adds // W246DP-97.1. (FCC)

**1570 WFRL IL Freeport** – Slogans to "1570 Big Radio," "K92 Kickin' Country"; adds // WFPS-92.1. (SA)

WIZK MS Bay Springs – Adds // W270CZ-101.9. (FCC)

**1580 WDQN IL Du Quoin** – Format to XMAS (ex-ACd/C&Wn/CLRan); slogan to "Christmas 97.1." (*Quoting Shawn Axelrod: "Way too early for this!" – wh*)

KTLU TX Rusk – Slogan to "Classic Hits Radio FM 103.9."

**1590 WCAM SC Camden** – Adds // W254DQ-98.7. (FCC)

**1600 WKYI KY Eminence** – Format to CLR/C&W (ex-SS:MEX); slogan to "My 94.1," adds // W231DB-94.1; delete Grp= La Poderosa de Kentuckiana.

#### **Group Name Changes**

Grp= ESPN 96-5 and 94-9 becomes Grp= The Franchise (JJR)

Grp= Serving Giles County becomes Grp= Classic KSR

Grp= The Hocking Valley's Best Country Variety! Becomes Grp= The Wolf

#### **Group Changes**

Grp= El Patron – Adds K234DD-94.7 Santa Rosa

Grp= ESPN Coastal – Adds W253CI-98.5 Blackshear

Grp= ESPN Deportes LA – Adds K276GK-103.1 Pomona

Grp = La Poder de Kentuckiana – Drops WKYI-1600 & W231DB-94.1

Grp= Radio Fe – Adds W294CX-106.7 Tallahassee

Grp= The Source – Adds W281CG 104.1 Traverse City

Grp= The Wolf – Adds W275CT-102.9 Somerset

## 95.5 FM 1140 AM ELILANY

#### New Groups

Grp= 93.3 the Vibe - WTCJ-1230, W227CO-93.3, W294CG-106.7

Grp= Best News Radio - KKVV-1060, K261ES-100.1, K291BX-106.1

Grp= The Hawk – WAWK-1140, W238BH-95.5, W232DK-94.3

Grp= The Peach – WPEH-1420, WPEH-FM-92.1, W278CO-103.5

Grp= The Pledge - WPNW-1260, W255DI-98.9, W243BD-96.5

Grp= The Public's Radio – WRPI-1290, WNPE-102.7, WCVY-91.5, WNPN-89.3, WELH-88.1 (BH)

Grp= The Voice of Liberty – WYSL-1040, W238DE-95.5, W221CL-92.1

#### **Deleted Groups**

Grp= Boomtown Richmond

Thanks to Shawn Axelrod (SA) Bill Hale (BH) FCC Database (FCC), John J. Rieger (JJR), Frank Merrill Jr. (FM).

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# Domestic DX Digest – East

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

#### **REPORTERS**

**BC-NH** Bruce Conti, Nashua – Excalibur SDR, variable termination 50 x 75-ft Super/Ewe antennas at 60° northeast and 180° south.

SC-IN Steve Chappell, McCordsville – K9AY loop antenna, homebuilt receiver

HJH-PA Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre – Grundig S350, C Crane Skywave, Kiwi Pocket Loop

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

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

RM-CT Ron Musco, Poquonock – Amelco R-390A and long wires east and west connected to a phasor

**RJS-OH** Bob Schroeder, Cincinnati – Yaesu FT-991A with random wire and MFJ 956 tuner; CCrane Skywave barefoot or with 2-foot box loop or 5.5 inch FSL.

**PS-ON** Paul Snider, Thorold – Elad FDM-S2, Pixel Pro 1B loop, MFJ-1020C tuner

**JW-PA Jim Weber, Oyster Point** – Grundig S350

MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, C Crane CC Skywave, Panasonic RF-2200

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#### **UNID**

**800 unID** -- 10/4 0707 − Trio-ish female Country version of the Star Spangled Banner 0707-0708, male announcer but fast fade. A couple minutes later, female with Palatka/Jacksonville traffic update, which would be WPLK, Palatka. Not sure if the same source as the anthem. (TLK-FL)

**1090 unID** -- 10/10 0635 – Someone surfacing a couple times with Classic Country. Alan Jackson "Mercury Blues" and at 0644, Shania Twain "You Lay a Whole Lot of Love on Me." Pointing NE. WBAF, Barnesville, GA? **(TLK-FL)** 

**1510 unID** -- 10/13 0626 − In multi-station mix (WLAC, WWBC, UNID C&W, oldies and other singing), station with oldies, male"...here on 95 9 W(?)PD." Unable to determine what I'm hearing or the second letter of the callsign. (**KK-VA**)

#### **LOGGINGS**

570 WKBN OH Youngstown – 10/17 1904 – From the "O'Charley's Digital Studio," ads for Mazza's Heating and Cooling in Girard, OH and Mark Thomas Ford in Cortland, OH. Into Sean Hannity show at 1906. (RJS-OH)

**580 WTAG MA Worcester** – 10/10 2140 – Local ads (gun reseller, dentist with 508 area code), talk about various U.S. news items, only caught "WTAG" in ToH ID, Fox news, promos for Fox shows, better ID at 2206 "on 580, 94.9 WTAG," weather with lots of WTAG mentions. Good at first fading to poor/very poor. **(PS-ON)** 

**630 WBMQ GA Savannah** – 10/7 0616 – Public affairs program about coastal conservation and mentions of Tybee (Island), 0632 male "...WBMQ, the award-winning public affairs magazine, Viewpoint." **(TLK-FL)** 

**690 WQNO LA New Orleans** – 10/20 0718 – Out of the mix with multiple mentions of Catholic Radio and EWTN.com. Interview with Rome correspondent about the "testimonies" of Archbishop Viganò. Search of EWTN station list shows only this one on 690 kHz. **(RJS-OH)** 

WELD WV Fisher – 10/20 0645 – Oldies format with Lionel Richie, Stevie Wonder, Chicago, etc. Clear ID heard at 0646. (RJS-OH)

**740 CFZM ON Toronto** – 10/9 0621 – Tail-end of "The Long and Winding Road" by the Beatles, matching their website stream and Recently Played scroll. Into local traffic. WYGM co-channel. (TLK-FL)

770 WVNN AL Athens – 10/17 0719 – WAAY-TV 31 spot followed by male "WVNN, where Alabama talks" and "News Talk 7-70 AM and 92-5 FM." First log here. (TLK-FL)

- **790 WNIS VA Norfolk** 10/17 0600 Fox News at tune-in, ID by man coming out of news, tractor supply spot "on Route 17" and more local commercials. WAXY and Reloj co-channel. First, log here, I believe. **(TLK-FL)**
- 880 CKLQ MB Brandon 10/7 0710 Creaming WCBS with C&W songs, "Western Manitoba's greatest country, Q Country 91.5" slogan that didn't even mention AM frequency. (MKB-ON)
- 920 WMMN WV Fairmont 10/13 0500 In very well around this time with Fox Sports talk and clear ID including mention of Fairmont. (JW-PA)
  - CKNX ON Wingham 10/13 0517 Country music then Willie Nelson with "Always On My Mind" after nice ID at 0517. (JW-PA)
- **940 WMIX IL Mount Vernon** 10/14 0713 ID at 0713 then into "Everybody Plays the Fool" right before WADV power-up. (JW-PA)
- 950 WBES WV Charleston 10/15 0400 Fair signal with decent callsign ID on the hour, "WVTS Charleston." (JW-PA)
- 980 WAAV NC Leland 10/9 0448 Red Eye Radio, break with "...980 The Wave, News, Talk and Sports." Net news, into "America in the Morning" Westwood One from 0506. (TLK-FL)
  - WAZS SC Summerville 10/11 0604 Male canned "980 La Raza" slogan between Mexitunes. Multi-station FM plus AM WAZS Summerville ID by accented male at 0702. Some COCO and WAAV co-channel. (TLK-FL)
- **1060 CKMX AB Calgary** 10/19 0500 Over KYW; "...Funny 1060 AM" and standup comedy. **(BC-NH)** 
  - +++ 10/18 0722 Weak but steady, "Calgary's Funny 1060 AM" slogan. New. **(SC-IN)**
- **1070 WAPI AL Birmingham** 10/17 0448 Red Eye Radio feed, net news at 0500, call letter ID at 0505 and promo for "Boo at the Zoo" event at the Birmingham Zoo. **(TLK-FL)** 
  - KNX CA Los Angeles 10/16 0710 Popped up loud briefly between all the co-channel mess. Man and woman with local news on an overnight fire, "KNX 10-70 News Radio... news happens every day while you're at work...knx1070.com..." station promo. (TLK-FL)
  - WFLI TN Lookout Mountain 10/17 0406 Seals & Crofts "You're the Love" then male canned ID into the Carpenters "There's a Kind of Hush (All Over the World Tonight)." Station stream closely time parallel. Pretty dominant on the channel. (TLK-FL) Rumors of this station's demise in 2017 were greatly exaggerated as WFLI returned to the air with an oldies format. "There's a Kind of

version by the Carpenters. Mike.

- **1080 WKJK KY Louisville** 10/17 0512 "America's First News" feed, Louisville traffic report at 0517, "Talk Radio 10-80" promos. Some KRLD co-channel. First log here, I think. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1130 WHHW SC Hilton Head** 10/7 0742 Male "Serving Hilton Head... FM 96.1 and 1130 AM, The Island" into Jackie Wilson's "(Your Love Keeps Lifting Me ) Higher & Higher." **(TLK-FL)** 
  - +++ 10/1 2329 "The Lion Sleeps Tonight" by the Tokens, "songs that...96.1 The Island" slogan at 2331 into "Bird Dog by the Everly Brothers. Poor to very poor under WBBR. // to Tune In stream. (**PS-ON**)

Hush" was a Herman's Hermits song, but apparently there is also a cover

- **1150 WLOC KY Munfordville** 10/11 2205 C&W music including "Rumor" by Lee Bice, "Queen of my Double Wide Trailer" by Sammy Kershaw, "Studio 101, WLOC" slogan at 2212. Fair at times fading to very poor with CKOC, WAVO et al. **(PS-ON)** 
  - WAVO SC Rock Hill 10/7 2136 From weak to strong level with slogan "We're the station with fewer interruptions but only the greatest music ever made." Music is old standards. Had PSA for
- **1160 KSL UT Salt Lake City** 10/18 0714 "Salt Lake City, Utah time 5:14" noted during local news. **(SC-IN)**

Sleep Apnea Association. Ex-WYRS. (HJH-PA)

of slogan "Triad Sports Talk" and mentions of numerous outlets including frequencies 600 and 920 and call ID WSML. This was repeated about 3 times as if to fill in ad space. Fox Sports Radio programming. New one. (HJH-PA)

- WKST PA New Castle 10/18 1859 Over Ottawa and Detroit co-pests with string of Ad Council PSAs, "keeping you informed 24 hours a day, this is News Radio 1200 New Castle" ToH ID into Fox news. (MKB-ON)
- **1210 KUBR TX San Juan** 10/12 2210 Thought I had an unknown Mexican station with regional Mexican music and slower Spanish language tunes, heard "La Radio Christiana Network" slogan at 2233, brief talk by male in SS, more regional Mexican sounding music. Fair at times almost over WPHT to very poor. // to Tune In stream. **(PS-ON)**
- **1280 KNBY AR Newport** 10/16 0542 Local weather forecast then "Newport KNBY" ID and back to the oldies. **(SC-IN)** 
  - WUZZ PA New Castle 10/8 2211 Sports talk, ESPN mentions, ads including one regarding station promos (rules listed on www.forevernorthwestpa.com), "ESPN 1280 WUZZ..." ID at 2216, quick weather mention. Fair at times to very poor in station mix. Ex-WJST. (PS-ON)
  - WMCP TN Columbia 10/12 2320 C&W, nice clear ID at 2322: "Thanks for being a part of 1280 WMCP" by female announcer, more music. Fair for a few minutes fading to very poor by 2327, fighting UNID Spanish language station playing music and others. (PS-ON)
- **1310** WHEP AL Foley 10/18 0656 "America's First News" feed, baritone male at 0658, male 0659 with ID, news, local weather (currently 64, high and low tide times), back to "America's First News" from 0706. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1320 WRJW MS Picayune** 10/18 0715 "Together Again" by Emmylou Harris, segued to "Third Rare Romance" by Sammy Kershaw, then female DJ with local weather, ID. Parallel Streema. **(TLK-FL)** 
  - WDER NH Derry 10/18 0552 Rising up under WATR with male preacher relating religious themes, no ID. Checked against internet broadcast for confirmation. (JW-PA)
- **1350 WZGM NC Black Mountain** 10/16 1847 Local weather and ads for Carolina Renaissance Festival and NC National Guard. Back to "When Radio Was" and the "Jack Benny program." **(RJS-OH)** 
  - WOYK PA York 10/16 1834 Clear ID, ads for local sleep Center, Brown's Pumpkin Patch and Farm Market into sports talk. (RJS-OH)
- **1360 WQVN FL North Miami** 10/18 0728 Emphatic Haitian kreyol man, into kompas vocals at 0731. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1370 WTAB NC Tabor City** 10/19 0652 "Without Your Love" Aaron Tippin, into North Carolina News Network, promo for carolinajournal.com. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1450 WPGG NJ** Atlantic City 10/19 0538 Presumed with mentions of 104.1 and talk radio, no ID heard. (JW-PA)
  - CHOU QC Montréal 10/19 0600 Atop the pile; Middle Eastern music and fanfare leading up to presumed reading of news in Arabic. (BC-NH)
- **1470 WJDY MD Salisbury** 10/16 0600 Nice call sign and locale ID on the hour. "W-J-D-Y Salisbury," then into news. **(JW-PA)** 
  - KMNQ MN Brooklyn Park 10/9 2154 Regional Mexican music, "...La Raza..." slogan by female announcer at 2155, caught some of their ToH ID at 2201 in EE and SS: "...1470 KMNQ (slowly spoken)...La Raza (multiple times)" into more music. Fair to very poor, mostly lost by 2205 in station mix. // to Tune In stream, but about 30 seconds behind. (PS-ON)
- 1540 WSIV NY East Syracuse 10/15 1615 Noted gospel singing by woman beneath the Chinese powerhouse (i.e. CHIN in Toronto). At 1630 a woman said "W-S-I-V Syracuse. A phone call to the station confirmed when the program ended the woman gave the ID and station went off the air. I got it all on tape and glad WDCD is off and I'll have to pursue this channel at sunset when conditions are better. (RM-CT)
- **1560 WGLB WI Elm Grove** 10/19 0601 Under WFME; promo, "...right here on WGLB AM 1560 and 96.1 FM." **(BC-NH)**
- **1570 WFLR NY Dundee** 10/15 0432 Call letter ID snuck in at this time and at 0453, "WFLR Finger Lakes Country" slogan. **(JW-PA)**
- **1600 WZNZ FL Atlantic Beach** 10/9 0733 Wall Street report, call letter ID. Co-channel WKWY, WAOS. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1620 KOZN NE Bellevue** 10/10 0015 Lots of Fox Sports Radio promos, national and possibly some local ads, sports talk. Unable to catch ToH ID at 0100. Fair occasionally to very poor in mix with Amherst, NY TIS WQCT657 and Radio Rebelde. **(PS-ON)**

# Domestic DX Digest – West

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in the Central, Mountain, & Pacific time zones All times are Eastern Local Time (ELT)

#### PLEASE SUBMIT ALL REPORTS IN THE FORMAT SEEN BELOW

Send either within an email, or as an attachment in plain text or RTF. No Excel, Word or PDF documents, please. Your cooperation is much appreciated. All times are Eastern Local Time (ELT)!! Reports older than 30 days will be excluded at the editor's discretion.

> Deadline for Volume 86 Issue 4: Thursday, November 1. Send your loggings and see your name in print!! Good DX to ALL!

#### **REPORTERS**

Shawn Axelrod Winnipeg, MB RX: ICOM ICR70 / Drake R8; Antennae: 3-foot SMA-MB 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

**Rick Dau** DXing on the Muscatine, Iowa KiwiSDR adding to the Davenport, Iowa RD-IA logbook (410 domestics; 424 loggings overall)

Mike De Roo Roeland Park, KS Sony ICF-2010 [Welcome aboard!] MD-KS Jefferson E. Lewis Kansas City, MO Honda Odyssey car radio JEL-MO

John J. Rieger South Milwaukee, Wisconsin Icom IC-R75, MFJ-959B tuner, preamp, JJR-WI Kiwa loop

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

The above DXers challenge all you other folks in the DDXD-West territory to join them.

Editor's note: Rick Dau has introduced me, and now maybe you, to 'SDR DXing'. That's where someone has installed an SDR (Software Defined Radio) card in their computer and attached it to an antenna. The card receives RF signals and through the magic of electronics are made available over the Internet. Anyone can connect via their browser (most, I understand, except IE), tune up and down almost any band and listen to stations that antenna is picking up. These 'remote' sites are based all over the world. Rick has found a site only 25 miles from home in Iowa, and is hearing many stations possibly not previously heard and reporting them. He writes: "I was elated to find out that a ham radio operator in Muscatine, Iowa -- a mere 25 air miles from Davenport -- launched an online SDR at the end of September, and I've been on it constantly since." So, if want to try your luck, have at it. However, if you live in Illinois, don't report hearing a graveyarder in California from your home (just an example). Report this 'catch' as such from the location of the SDR. I'll be watching!! The site to get started is https://www.sdr.hu/. Click on 'receivers' and go from there. From what I perceive, each SDR can accommodate up to four 'listeners' at a time, and that is indicated up front before you would attempt to go to that site. Good "SDR" DX.

#### **DX** LOGGINGS

NC Raleigh - 10/14 2319 - Fair, in WSCR-670's digihash, with mentions of Cary,



Apex, and Wake Forest in ad for 'Habitat For Humanity of News Radio 680 Wake County', then ad for Adams and Cheek Dentistry of Raleigh, then back into WPTF's Sunday Night oldies program (they played Patti Page's "Tennessee Waltz" a few minutes before this). Confirmed via the KiwiSDR from Raleigh, as I couldn't find a stream for WPTF on either tunein.com,

streema.com, or the station's own website. NC #6. (RD-IA)

690 CBKF1 SK Gravelbourg – 10/6 0740 – Poor --FF. Certainly stood out. M/F anchors. "Chaîne" heard. Alone. (JJR-WI)

**700 KHSE** TX Wylie – 10/6 0740 – Poor-Fair powered up w/SS. Advertising contact John Hammond. No WLW! Alone. (JJR-WI)

730 CKDM MB Dauphin – 10/05 2105 – Carrying Winnipeg Blue Bombers football game via CJOB relay. There were both CJOB and CKDM IDs at different times of the coverage as the play by play announcers gave CJOB IDs during the coverage. This could be confusing for some DXers. (SMA-MB)

- **780 KCEG CO Fountain 10/18 0230 –** Poor, but steady, under WBBM. Classic Country. USB only for some reason. New. **(MD-KS)**
- 790 KXXX KS Colby 10/4 0743 Fair, with mentions of "eastern Colorado" and "Nebraska" in weather forecast, then a mention of "Kansas Farm and Ranch Radio" by male announcer in ag-related talk. (RD-IA)
- 790 WSGW MI Saginaw 10/4 0234 Fair-to-good, with ad for 'Tri-City Health & Wellness Expo' on October 6th in Saginaw, then ad for 'michiganhelpwanted.com', then back into Coast-To-Coast AM. WBBM's IBOC off at the time, which helped. (RD-IA)
- 900 CHML ON Hamilton 10/19 1947-1948 Good, with mention of regular program dealing with advice on how not to lose around 50% of your estate to tax if you pass away, so your family would suffer financially, then calls, But faded with several very weak UNID's barely audible. They run 50 KW day and night with separate patterns, but their night pattern basically has a major lobe ESE with a couple of other minor lobes, but nothing in our direction. Heard a few times before. (JEL-MO)
- 900 CKBI SK Prince Albert 10/6 0735 Poor "Radio Player Canada app" (fades) . . . "Saskatchewan's biggest online . . .". (JJR-WI)
- 930 WTAD IL Quincy 10/14 0706 Poor, with 'WTAD.com' & 'Quincy 1/2 Price' promo. With others. Not common. (JJR-WI)
- 940 KVSH NE Valentine 10/5 0804 Topping the channel on day power early, with mention of "south central South Dakota" in weathert forecast. This station is almost a better bet for those needing Nebraska than KXSP-590 or KFAB-1110! (RD-IA)
- 970 WGTK KY Louisville 10/6 2205 Good, with "970 AM, The Answer" ID heard during Kentuckiana weather forecast. (RD-IA)
- RADIO 970 WZAM
- **970 WZAM MI Ishpeming 10/6 0728 –** Poor "... at the UP's . . . weekdays at 4 . . . ESPN U-P" & lost. (JJR-WI)
- 970 KBUL MT Billings 10/4 0817 Montana news, Billings ads, political ads; "This is News Talk 95.5, where Montana talks," then back to talk show. Fair, over/under QRM. (JW-CO)
- 980 KSGM IL Chester 10/14 0729 Very poor, but, nice & clear "KSGM." With OLD C&W, then lost. Only 2nd time heard. (JJR-WI)
- 980 CFPL ON London 10/7 2240 Weak-to-fair, with ad for 'Herm's Sports Exchange' in London, then "... Global News... CFPL" heard in brief liner, before going back to talk program. Confirmed via webstream. (RD-IA)
- **1030 KFAY AR Farmington 10/17 0732** Poor, with "NewsTalk 1030 KFAY" with Bohannon promo. No WBZ. Others in, though weak. **(JJR-WI)**
- **1050 CHUM ON Toronto 10/4 2217 –** Very good, with "TSN 1050" ID heard at the end of sports update. **(RD-IA)**
- **1080 WOKT KY Cannonsburg 10/8 2046 –** Good and alone on the channel, with ID: "Your Music, Your Life, Walk-FM," then into Contemporary Christian song "Never Been A Moment" by Micah Tyler. **(RD-IA)**
- 1100 KFNX AZ Cave Creek 10/6 0930 Desert weather, ads, program notes; several call letter ID's. Fair, with no KNZZ until later. (JW-CO)
- 1100 KAFY CA Bakersfield 10/6 0850 Religious program in progress from *Manantial de Vida Eterna*; four-station LID at ToH (KAFY-1100, KQEQ-1210, and 2 FM's); a program of Mexican music followed hosted by a chatty male announcer; I think the name of the program was "Amanecer Campirano." Fair peaks with no sign of KNZZ. (JW-CO)
- 1100 WZFG MN Dilworth 10/10 0818 Typical wake-up fare news, weather, ads, Fargo traffic; couple of call letter IDs. Fair at best. (JW-CO)
- **1130 WAMB IN Brazil 10/17 0724 –** Very poor. Way, way under WISN. Calls. Thought I had this! Not. NEW! **(JJR-WI)**
- **1140 KNAB** CO Burlington 10/9 0759 Good, with ID as "Always the best of the new and old . . . KNAB, Burlington, Colorado, The People's Choice." (**RD-IA**)
- 1140 WVHF MI Kentwood 10/15 0746 Good, with "Morning Glory" program via EWTN Radio. Only two affiliates on 1140 are currently shown on EWTN's website, and the stream from the other, KGEM in Idaho, was not matching up with what I was hearing. WVHF's stream DID match up, so it was logged as such. This was before LSR in Kentwood, so there's a possibility that WVHF is signing on at Richmond's sunrise time nowadays. MI #16. (RD-IA)

- **MO Cleveland 10/8 2030 –** Fair-to-good, with SS music and talk by deep-voiced male. Confirmed via the KiwiSDR from Overland Park, Kansas, on which KCTO was obviously much stronger. **(RD-IA)**
- **1200 CFGO ON Ottawa 10/15 2125** Weak-to-fair under WOAI, coming out of ad break with liner: "You're listening to Sens hockey . . .". Confirmed via webstream on streema.com, which was running about a minute behind. **(RD-IA)**
- **1240 KLIK MO Jefferson City 10/12 2126 –** Briefly atop, with Jefferson City Jays High School football. **(RD-IA)**
- 1270 KTFI ID Twin Falls 10/16 0859 LID by a guy from the Diocese of Boise: "... you're listening to *Salt and Light Radio*, listener-supported Catholic radio for the Magic Valley"; "Catholic Connections" program followed. Fair and alone on the frequency for a couple of minutes. Operating slightly off frequency at 1269.97. (JW-CO)
- **1270 KGNM MO St. Joseph 10/5 0751** Good, with ad for surplus store called 'The Duffel Bag', then announcer: ". . . 57 this morning in St. Joe, Chris Meikel for KGNM . . .". Heard just minutes after logging WMKT, so I was getting it from both directions this particular morning on 1270. **(RD-IA)**
- **TN** Newport 10/5 2240 Good, with high school football scoreboard show, ad for a hardware store in downtown Newport, then into Eric Clapton's "Lay Down Sally." Confirmed via webstream. **(RD-IA)**
- 1270 WQKR TN Portland 10/4 2230 Fair, with ad for Volunteer Recycling Salvage in Portland, heard a phone number of 615-325-2176, which matches what I found online for them. Local WKBF-1270 in Rock Island, Illinois, silent since late September, still is as of October 17th -- you can bet I'm cleaning up! (RD-IA)
- **1300 WLXG KY Lexington 10/17 0711 –** Poor, with others nulled. No WOOD noted, though. ESPN. Assumed. **(JJR-WI)**
- **TX** Austin 10/13 0812 ID as "Austin's Sports Talk Leader AM 1300, The Zone," followed by program notes and ads. Back to local sports talk at 0816. Fair, mixing with others. (JW-CO)
- 1310 WTLC IN Indianapolis 10/17 0824 Poor, with several, then "AM 1310 The Light." With WIBA in, though weak. (JJR-WI)
- **1310 KOKX IA Keokuk 10/17 0758** Poor, with "KOKX weather" from Weatherology and time in power-up. Alone. **(JJR-WI)**
- **1310 KZRG MO Joplin 10/14 0742 –** Poor, with "... on NewsTalk KZRG" over & over & over in station promos. Alone. (JJR-WI)
- **1320 KOFA AZ Yuma 10/5 0831 –** Blocks of two or three songs, with brief announcements after each set; ad for 4th annual "Yumacon"; ID and Yuma weather at ToH. Fair peaks, with fading. **(JW-CO)**
- **NE** Scottsbluff 10/10 2059-2100 Good, with appeal to coaches or others with sports experience to volunteer as refs, then into legal ID. Quickly faded under lots of unIDs. They run 1 kW at night with a pattern that protects Lawrence KS, so they do not send much in our direction. Pretty rare. (JEL-MO)
- **1350 WIOU IN Kokomo 10/12 2259 –** Good, on day power, with the St. Vincent's Sports Performance High School Football scoreboard show, a local ad, then liner: "This presentation of the WIOU . . . ". (**RD-IA**)
- 1370 KGEN CA Tulare 10/12 0900 Mexican tunes to LID at 0900:30 for "1370 AM and 94.5 FM." Heard several times this week, always using "La Ley" slogan with no sign of the purported "Gordita La Grande." Fair at best, mixing with other SS stations from California and Mexico. (JW-CO) [The latest slogan I have for KGEN is "La Ley 94.5 FM and 1370 AM" Ed.]
- 1390 KCLN IA Clinton 10/14 0648 Poor, with "1390 KCLN weather . . . Weatherology" and "1390 KCLN." OLDies. Alone! (JJR-WI)
- 1400 KLIN NE Lincoln 10/15 2026 Briefly atop, with mention of "grahamtirelincoln.com" in ad for -- what else? -- Graham Tire, then into sportstalk pgm "Husker Sports Nightly" // KXSP-590. Second Nebraska graveyarder in the Davenport logbook: KOMJ-1490 logged last December, was the first. (RD-IA)
- **1410 WIZM WI La Crosse 10/16 0700** Guy with legal ID: "WIZM La Crosse News Talk 1410 AM and 92-3 FM Whizzem News Talk." CBS News ensued. Fair, in QRM. **(JW-CO)**
- **MO Kirksville 10/7 0840 –** Briefly atop, with ID of "... 1450 AM and 99.7 FM, KIRX ... ". **(RD-IA)**

- **1450 KOKO MO Warrensburg 10/10 2021 –** Atop, with Sam Cooke's "Havin' A Party" off satellite, then ID: "Good Time Oldies 1450 KOKO, Ko-Ko." 400th domestic logging, and entry #414 overall in the Davenport logbook. **(RD-IA)**
- **1450 WMOH OH Hamilton 10/9 2123 –** Weak-to-fair, with Columbus Blue Jackets hockey. Confirmed via webstream. Only 1450 shown on the 2018-19 Blue Jackets affiliate list. 352 miles; 1st Ohio graveyarder, and easily my best entry in the Davenport logbook so far in this young MW DX season. **(RD-IA)**
- **1470 KYYW TX Abilene 10/4 0105** Atop, with ad for 'McGavock Nissan' of Abilene, then "KYYW" ID and into Coast-To-Coast AM. **(RD-IA)**
- **1480 WJBM** IL Jerseyville 10/9 2038 Briefly atop, with ID: ". . . Real Country, 104.7 FM and 1480 AM, WJBM," then into Gretchen Wilson's "Redneck Woman." (RD-IA)
- 1480 WRSW IN Warsaw 10/9 2047 Weak-to-fair, with ad for 'Paragon Medical' in Pierceton. Heard during an attempt to nab WHBC, which remains unlogged here. (RD-IA)
- **1490 KTOP KS Topeka 10/12 2219** Fair, with ad for 'Genesis Health Clubs' in Topeka, then ment of "Kansas" in the following ad. KS #10 and 1st Kansas graveyarder in the Davenport logbook. **(RD-IA)**
- **TN** Bristol 10/15 2059 Over/under KESJ for about five minutes, with southern bluegrass/GOS music, finally rising at legal ID time (great timing!) with "AM 1550 . . . WIGN, Bristol . . ." ID. TN #15. (RD-IA)
- 1570 WFRL IL Freeport 10/09 0720 Faded up with country music. Then different IDs that threw me off who it was. Heard IDs as "K92 Kickin Country," "K92 FM" and "1570 Big Radio." These are different than the NRC AM Log. (SMA-MB) [Editor's note: 'Big Radio' comprises AM and FM stations in Monroe (WI) and Freeport and South Beloit (IL) + a few translators.]
- **1570 WSCO WI Appleton 10/6 2030 –** Fair, with only "... 99-1, The Score" heard at the end of promo. Took a lot of sleuthing online, including www.topazdesigns.com/ambc, but finally narrowed it down to this. **(RD-IA)**
- **1570 WSCO WI Appleton 10/16 2110** Faded up in a mess of stations with sports talk, then full ID for "The Score 1570 AM and 95.3 and 99.1 FM." Surprised to hear this one at night when they are supposed to be 331 Watts. **(SMA-MB)** [The 'key' word here is *supposed*, hi Ed.]
- **1630 KKGM TX Fort Worth 10/12 2059** Weak, under KCJJ, with clear "AM 1630 KKGM" ID. KCJJ was airing a high school football game between Iowa City West High and Muscatine at the time. **(RD-IA)**
- **1630 KRND WY Fox Farm 10/8 2145** Weak, but readable under KCJJ, with clear "La Jota Mexicana!" slogan heard in liner between SS songs. KCJJ was breaking into normal AdCon/Top 40 music programming at the time with severe storm warnings in eastern Iowa, which helped. WY #1 in the Davenport logbook. **(RD-IA)**

#### <u>UNID</u>

- **560 UNID ?? UNID 10/6 0745** Very poor, w/GOS, REL-type hymns in tight WIND null. Lost in minutes, of course, hi. (JJR-WI)
- 2? UNID 10/14 2232 Someone here with the Kansas City Chiefs vs. New England Patriots NFL game. But it was the Westwood One feed (with Omaha native Kevin Kugler on the play-by-play), and NOT the feed from the Chiefs network, so that rules out KFEQ. A check of KNBR's webstream revealed that they were carrying the ALCS baseball game between Boston's Red Sox and Houston's Astros, so that scratches KNBR as a possibility, too. Several ESPN stations are listed on 680, but I can't imagine any of them carrying a game from Westwood One, which has been managed in the past by CBS Radio. (RD-IA)
- ?? UNID 10/6 0736 Poor, w/SS, giving WLS a fit! Not in earlier. (JJR-WI) [Just a guess . . . may be KVOZ-TX. I often hear them in the early morning hours (prior to their *licensed* LSR power-up time) Ed.]

### Unreported Domestic Stations

No stations were reported to DDXD this issue for the first time since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000). The total number of currently licensed stations in the United States and Canada that haven't been reported to DDXD in that timeframe therefore holds at 371. The full list was last printed in issue 85-19. Can you log and report one next issue?

# International DX Digest

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For loggings of stations outside the U.S. and Canada All times are <u>Universal Coordinated Time</u> (UTC)

#### **TRANS-ATLANTIC DX**

- ALGERIA *Jil FM*, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi SEP 29 0500 Marching band anthem with chorus, *Jil FM* ID's, 2+2+1 pips, fanfare music; good.{A} [Connelly-MA] OCT 8 0458 Fair; choral marching band national anthem parallel 549 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros OCT 12 2325 Over/under *Jil FM*; talk parallel 684 and 855 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- **ALGERIA** *Jil FM*, Sidi Hamadouche OCT 8 0600 Good; "Just a Dream" by Nelly, ID and time marker to news. [Conti-NH]
- **SPAIN** *RNE1* Madrid OCT 19 0500 Fair; "España las siete en las mañanas de Radio Nacional, Iñigo Alfonso." [Conti-NH]
- **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati*, Botosani//Oradea OCT 7 0159 Poor; choral national anthem, parallel 1152 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- **SPAIN** RNE5 Palencia//Sevilla SEP 29 2300 RNE news intro; poor, some slop from WFST. [Connelly-MA]
- **SPAIN** *RNE1* Sevilla SEP 29 0300 Mexican ranchera vocal, 5+1 pips, RNE news intro; to good peak over WRKO slop. [Connelly-MA]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5*, Droitwich et al. SEP 29 0300 Five Live news; hollow/synchro-echoey, Spain under. [Connelly-MA]
- **CANARY ISLANDS**//**SPAIN** *RNE5* Las Palmas//Cádiz SEP 29 0300 Pips, RNE intro parallel 684; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 774.25 **EGYPT** *ERTU* Abis SEP 29 0300 Bits of Arabic vocal; poor on USB to dodge 774 Spain. [Connelly-MA]
  - 5YRIA Syrian Radio/R.Damascus, Tartus OCT 1 2300 Woman and man in Arabic; fair.{A} [Connelly-MA] OCT 5 2335 Presumed this with Middle Eastern music. [DeLorenzo-MA] OCT 12 0300 Fair; melancholic Mideast vocal with orchestra through the hour. OCT 19 0100 Fair to good; Mid East orchestrated vocal, announcements by man and woman to what sounded like a radio drama. [Conti-NH]

BBC

- **SPAIN** *RNE1* Murcia et al. OCT 5 2233 Fair with news by woman in Spanish. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- **EGYPT** *ERTU* Santah SEP 28 2300 Reverberated talk then chant; to good peak.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC R.Wales,* Washford et al. OCT 5 2238-2250 Good in peaks with standard ballads and one pop tune "Wake Up Little Susie" by The Everly Brothers. A second TA sneaking in at 2250; sounds like Spain. [DeLorenzo-MA] OCT 7 0100 Good; promo
  - ending "...BBC World Service, the world's radio station," and time marker to news. [Conti-NH]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5* synchros OCT 5 2259-2301 Fair with ID into news item on the U.S. Supreme Court nomination of Brett Kavanaugh. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- **SPAIN** *RNE5* Burgos//Granada OCT 12 2350 Fair; talk parallel 855 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- **SPAIN** SER San Sebastián//Valladolid SEP 29 0301 Spanish news by two men; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- **LIBYA** *R.Libya*, Tripoli SEP 29 0300 Anthem, fanfare music, man in Arabic; in WEPN slop. [Connelly-MA]
- **ROMANIA** *R.Iasi*, Iasi OCT 8 0401 Poor to fair; woman in Romanian. [Conti-NH]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros SEP 29 0301 Sports teletalk; fair. [Connelly-MA] OCT 5 2308 Fair with teletalk. [DeLorenzo-MA] OCT 12 2258 Good; promo for Matchday Live every Saturday afternoon on *TalkSport*. OCT 19 0258 Fair; talk about NFL with mention of Patriots and Titans. [Conti-NH]
- **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros SEP 29 0300 Ranchera style vocal, 5+1 pips, fanfare, ID "Radio Nacional de España, servicios informativos"; loud.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati*, Cluj OCT 7 0400 Good; ad to ID, "Aici Bucuresti, Radio România Actualitati, hora exacta." [Conti-NH]

- **HUNGARY** *MR4* Marcali//Szolnok OCT 19 0600 Signature 10-second test tone up to the hour. Hungary sign-on per summer schedule, listed 0700 UTC winter time. [Conti-NH]
- **CANARY ISLANDS**//**SPAIN** *SER* synchros SEP 29 0300 Spanish news parallel 1044; Cuba and WHAM slop. [Connelly-MA]
- **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati,* Galbeni-Bacau et al. OCT 8 0400 Fair; hora exacta ID and news parallel 1152 kHz. OCT 19 0159 Fair over *SER* and 1180 WHAM interference; choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros OCT 5 2317-2327 Fair with rock music including "Every Little Thing She Does Is Magic" by The Police at 2326 UTC. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- **IRAN** *IRIB R.Kermanshah*, Kermanshah/Bakhtaran OCT 1 2300 Mideast male vocal, percussion; in slop. [Connelly-MA]
- **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati,* Galati OCT 19 0159 Poor; choral national anthem parallel 1179 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- **LITHUANIA** *R.Liberty*, Viesintos OCT 6 0300 Fair; interval signal. Signal still present up to 0500 sign-off. [Conti-NH]
- **ALGERIA** *R.Algérienne*, Algiers SEP 29 0259 Group Arabic vocal, drumming; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- **ITALY** *Rai Radiouno*, Genova OCT 19 0358 Pre sign-on clock tones through wideband music audio splattering from 1570 CJLV. [Conti-NH]

*Transatlantic carrier search*: OCT 9 0117-0124 – 531, 549, 585, 612, \*621, 693, 711, 738, 747, 774(2), 837(2), 846, \*855, 882, 936, 999, 1026, 1044(2), 1098, 1107, 1125, 1179(2), 1206, 1215 kHz, and nothing further to top of band. \*Stronger ones; (2) at least two carriers beating. OCT 15 0500 – 531, 549, 558, 612, 621, 639, 684, 693, 711, 729, 747, 774, 837, 855, 882, 909, 936, 999(2), 1044, 1053, 1062, 1098, 1125(2), 1152, 1179, 1215, 1305 kHz, and none higher and/or when I dozed off? [Hauser-OK]

#### PAN-AMERICAN DX

- **HONDURAS** *ABC Radio*, Tegucigalpa OCT 12 1107 Newscast with ID, frequent ascending three-note chimes. *R.Rebelde* co-channel. [Krueger-FL]
- **COLOMBIA** HJND *R.Nacional*, Bogotá (El Rosal) SEP 29 0300 Woman with Radio Nacional de Colombia ID; over WMCA and CFCB.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- MEXICO XEFB Monterrey, NL OCT 7 1059 Instrumental anthem, male at 1100, "XEFB... Desde Monterrey... frecuencia modulada... Radiocentro..." into soft Spanish ballads. [Krueger-FL]
- **COLOMBIA** HJKH, RCN Antena Dos, Bogotá SEP 29 0500 Antena Dos ID's; over CKGA. [Connelly-MA]
- 650 MEXICO XETNT Los Mochis, Sin. OCT 12 1200 Opening 'Noticiero Altavoz' (loudspeaker newscast) with 6 a.m. time check, dominant signal here, and also audible parallel amid interference on 610, XEGS Guasave, both still on AM though Radio 65's FM has moved to 100.5, ex-106.5, top of band being cleared for community/non-commercial use. [Hauser-OK]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites OCT 19 0902 Spanish announcers mention revolución , Habana Cuba and Cuba. [Capobianco-NY]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCZ, *W Radio*, Bogotá SEP 29 0500 Disco parallel 700 HJCX; mixed with CKGM. [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCX, *W Radio*, Cali SEP 29 0500 Disco parallel stronger 690 HJCZ. [Connelly-MA]
- **MEXICO** XEMP *Radio 710*, México, DF OCT 11 1123 Mexi-tunes, male slogan 1128 UTC. [Krueger-FL]
- MEXICO XESFT *La Poderosa*, San Fernando, Tamps. OCT 12 1058 Mexi-tune, male calls and slogan, into truncated choral anthem, then another ID with lots of reverb slogan. [Krueger-FL]
- MEXICO XEROK Cd. Juárez, Chih. OCT 12 1207 Doing well, must be running more power than usual, vs easily nulled KQCV. Ad string including help-wanted for some engineer familiar with AM radio. (For XEROK itself? Apply at a street address on Insurgentes, which checks for XEROK.) "800, bajo el cielo de Ciudad Juárez"; local news headlines, on 'Calibre 800' (short for canal libre = clear channel) which seems to be the newscast name, on Radio Cañón. 1210 finally starts the news with 6:09 time check; 1211 mix a bit of English, "Good morning, El

Paso," and "Sí, hay clases, no hay día festive," no holiday for students even though this is the Day of the Race. At this time you would not know the main format has converted to religion. [Hauser-OK]

- **MEXICO** XETAR La Voz de la Sierra Tarahumara, Guachochi, Chih. OCT 12 1215 Going 870 from Spanish to native language, leisurely opening announcements including phone numbers for CDI and other government agencies, mixed with bits of rustic music. Good dominant signal, hardly any WWL to be heard even if nulled. [Hauser-OK]
- 980 CUBA COCO La Habana-El Sapo OCT 9 0903 – Truncated anthem to 0904. Spastic they seem on when to play it. Previous logs show MAR 4 at 1159 and OCT 18 (2015) at 0957 UTC. [Krueger-FL]
- HJAQ, RCN, Cartagena SEP 29 0301 RCN La Radio ID's; dominant. 1000 COLOMBIA [Connelly-MA]
- **MEXICO** XEGL Navojoa, Son. OCT 10 1239 Man with "...aqui en GL La Verdad Radio," 1270 with a mention of internet; soon faded, so not sure what followed. Rare here, seldom heard. [Wilkins-CO]
- MEXICO XEXX Tijuana, BC OCT 14 1301 National anthem; 1303 ID only as "Grupo 1420 Radiorama Baja California en Tijuana;" a five-minute chat followed, with a man and woman; "Oaxaca" was mentioned often; PSA's ensued. Fair at best. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1559 **BAHAMAS** ZNS1 Nassau OCT 19 1000 – Spur from 1540 producing a het against 1560 WFME and WGLB. Spur on 1521 kHz also observed during quiet moments of 1520 WWKB. [Conti-NH]

#### TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 702 unID OCT 19 1000 – Weak het against 700 WLW. Japan? [Conti-NH]
- unID OCT 19 1000 Weak het against 740 CFZM. Weak signal on 774 also observed. Both 747 are likely Japan. [Conti-NH]
- OCT 19 1000 Weak het against 1140 CBI, WRVA, and R.Musical Nacional. 1143 Measured 1143.000 kHz so possibly JOBR Japan or R. Free Korea. [Conti-NH]
- OCT 19 0809-0810 Melodious female vocalist with piano accompaniment then 1449 another similar female vocalist song. [Capobianco-NY]
- unID OCT 19 1000 Weak signal observed, likely HLAZ South Korea. Signals on 702, 747, 1566 774, 1143, and 1566 not observed an hour earlier. Need to check an hour later for dawn enhancement as receiver sunrise is now 1104 UTC. [Conti-NH]

Transpacific carrier search: OCT 10 1224 - Just before LSR of 1234; 594, 612, 657, 675, 693, 702, 738, 765, 774, 828(2), 837, 864 kHz. Now it's 1230; 882, 1008(2), 1017, 1035, 1098, 1296, 1314, 1494, 1503, 1512, 1548, 1566 kHz. Almost all from Down Under except the Japanese big guns. OCT 12 1222 -657, 702, 747, 774, 882, 1017 kHz; unchecked further up but not much expected. At 1228 recheck, still in are Japan 747, 774 and 828 from northwest. OCT 18 1227-1242 - 774(2), 576, 585, 594, 612, 657, 693, 702(2), 738, 747, 756, 774(2), 828, 837, 864, 882(2), 936(2), 945, 1026, 1044, 1052, 1098, 1134, 1242(2), 1287, 1314, 1485, 1494, 1503, 1521, 1548, 1566 kHz. [Hauser-OK]

#### **CONTRIBUTORS**

Anthony Capobianco, Sea Cliff NY; Elecraft K3S with Kiwa Loop.

Mark Connelly WA1ION, South Yarmouth MA; Microtelecom Perseus, cardioid pattern SuperLoop 9m vertical by 20m horizontal (peak 84°, null 264°), {A} in entry indicates that audio can be accessed at www.qsl.net/wa1ion/doc1/audio\_2018.htm.

Bruce Conti WPC1CAT, Nashua NH; WiNRADiO Excalibur, Intona USB 2.0 Hi-Speed Isolator, MWDX-5, variable termination Super/Ewe antennas 15 x 23-m at 60° northeast and 180° south.

Marc DeLorenzo, South Dennis MA; JRC NRD-525, 41 x 90-ft east/west and 41 x 90-ft north/south dual feedline Delta antennas with remote variable termination.

Glenn Hauser, Enid OK; NRD-545 with ALA-330S or north/south not very long wire, DX-398 or PL-880 with internal antenna only, sometimes IC-R75 with ~100-ft east/west longwire.

Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater FL; IC-R75, NRD-535, long wires, active loop.

John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge CO; Drake R8, 4-foot box loop.

#### **INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

UKRAINE: Status update -- 549 kHz 0300-2100 (often with half of nominal power). 837, 1278, and 1431 kHz are off. 972 off for many years. 873 kHz is low power (relatively new Chasiv Yar, close to Donetsk), 50 kW nominal, but eventually 25 or even less, it's just poor or barely audible here 400 km away, 24 hours UR1 all the time (at night it's repetitions of previously aired content, should be parallel their webstream). [Vlad Titarev, Ukraine via Walt Salmaniw]



# DX Toolbox

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Greetings once again from the Heart of the Continent and welcome to the DX Tool Box Column number 108.

I am thinking of including a cartoon each issue and welcome any that you may have that we can use here. Send them to me and I will of course give you credit for your contribution.



#### **Does Anybody Know What Time It Is?**

Below is an article from VOA about the possible shutdown of WWV and its sister stations WWVB and WWVH. Add this to the list of things the current administration in Washington DC fails to understand.

https://learningenglish.voanews.com/a/us-timekeeping-stations-might-go-silent/4558591.html

This could make my 24 hour clock from MFJ become useless for being accurate as it will not be reset automatically from WWVB daily.

#### Bits and Bites from the NRC listserv:

From: Gary DeBock, Puyallup WA

Re: Supercharging the XHDATA D-808 Portable and Longwave Loopstick

For those who are looking for a hot performing SSB-equipped travel portable, a "Heathkit-like" full construction article has been prepared for a 7.5" MW loopstick XHDATA D-808 model-- a "Supercharged" version of the highly popular new portable from China.

The 7.5" loopstick D-808 version was a thrilling performer all by itself at the Rockwork ocean cliff near Manzanita, Oregon last month, receiving not only this fine signal from 1017-A3Z in Nuku'alofa, Tonga, but the 5 kW Australian horse racing station 2KY in Sydney as a weak co-channel in the middle of the recording:

https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/tp3i89vky6p7hbylgkk1bp4pa5nvnuku

The 14-page full construction article for the Medium Wave version is now complete, and is posted at <a href="http://www.mediafire.com/file/vi10rpi974jzlm7/Supercharging the XHDATA D -808-FinalMW.doc/file">http://www.mediafire.com/file/vi10rpi974jzlm7/Supercharging the XHDATA D -808-FinalMW.doc/file</a>

The 7.5" Longwave loopstick version of the full construction article is also almost completed, and should be wrapped up within a couple of days. For all of those looking for an exciting new challenge this DX'ing season, this model should exceed your expectations!

Back in 2011 a newly minted NDB-DX'er had the chance to design what no commercial manufacturer would ever dream of building-- a portable with a Longwave-optimized loopstick. Even if a radio has Longwave band coverage, all commercial portables have Medium Wave optimized loopsticks-- typically resulting in clunker Longwave reception. In an all-out effort (described at <a href="http://www.mediafire.com/file/38gon1pdmomrsgs/7.5inLWLS-1.doc/file">http://www.mediafire.com/file/38gon1pdmomrsgs/7.5inLWLS-1.doc/file</a>) five different Longwave test loopsticks were constructed and tested at various frequencies, until the overall "winner" was chosen. The new Longwave-optimized loopstick was a game changer when installed in Ultralight radios, providing reception of Longwave TA's in Oklahoma, South American NDB's in Canada and Hawaiian NDB's on our west coast.

The new XHDATA D-808 model does have Longwave coverage, but you had better be right next door to an airport if you want to receive any NDB's with the stock model. The 7.5" Longwave loopstick described above transforms the model completely-- making it a serious LW-DX'ing contender, not a pretender. With SSB capability and great portability, it can provide sensitive reception of NDB's both day and night, as well as a lot of travel DX'ing fun. DX'ers well inland will have reasonable chances for Longwave TA's in season, and the model includes excellent FM, SW and AIR band reception as well. The full 16-page article for "Supercharging" the model with this 7.5" Longwave loopstick is posted at:

http://www.mediafire.com/file/t2989hg61vbkb5h/Supercharging the XHDATA D -808-FinalMWLW.doc/file

The file includes full information for the construction and operation of both the Longwave and Medium Wave loopstick versions. Good luck to all who take the plunge!

"Supercharged" Longwave D-808 model photo is posted at:

https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/9g0g5lq1vaqs1jt2ls4u6ik7wv7x6fg7

73 and Good DX.

From: Rick Shaftan

Re: Supercharging the XHDATA D-808 Portable

Who wants to build these and sell them?

From: Gary DeBock, Puyallup WA

Re: Try Something New This DX Season

If you are looking for some new DX'ing excitement this season, why not try out one of the DIY antenna projects described in the links below? A great variety of projects are listed, all of which have proven to be popular and effective in the Ultralight Radio DX'ing community over the past ten years (with the exception of the new XHDATA D-808 "Supercharging" article, which was just written). Whether you would like to "homebrew" a low cost PVC air core loop, transform a modest portable into a dream travel DX'ing radio or become a "Frequent Flyer" DX'er with a miniature FSL antenna that performs like gangbusters on exotic ocean beaches, an exciting DX'ing future is yours when you accept the challenge. So go ahead and take the plunge!

#### 1) Supercharging the Sony ICF-2010 (May 2008)

Using the loopstick transplant principles developed through extensive Ultralight radio experimentation, this article details how to replace the ICF-2010's stock 6.5" loopstick with a 19.5" composite transplant, thereby dramatically boosting MW band sensitivity (while providing a significant boost to Longwave reception as well).

http://www.mediafire.com/file/3msq1yx6hn7tm5g/SuperchargingtheICF2010LargeComplete.pdf

#### 2) E100 Slider Loopstick (September 2008)

Co-authored with John Bryant, this article explains how to replace the E100 stock loopstick with a far more effective 7.5" Slider loopstick. Many of these highly sensitive models are still in DX'ing service today.

http://www.mediafire.com/view/nqggfm2jymc/YOU CAN DO THIS Building the Slider E100.pdf

#### 3) PVC Loops-- The Low Cost Ticket to High DX Gain (August 2009)

Tired of expensive commercial antennas or pricey ferrite sleeve loops? This article will teach you how to build a dirt-cheap PVC air core loop with side sizes from 18 inches up to 9 feet... all of them (MW models) costing well under \$100. The 9' monster size loop was used here to receive 7 Medium Wave TA's in 2009-2010.

http://www.mediafire.com/file/0bpbmda7lnhdy6p/PVCLoop-LCTtoHDXG-Article.doc/file

#### 4) PL-360 Plug-in 7.5" Loopsticks (June 2010)

Do you have a PL-360 model (with its plug-in antenna jack for AM and LW loopsticks)? This article will teach you how to replace the deaf midget loopstick with extremely effective 7.5" Medium Wave and Longwave plug-in replacements-- with no modification required to the radio at all. 25 of the MW and 5 of the LW plug-in loopsticks were made here and sent out to PL-360 owners-- many of which are still in use.

http://www.mediafire.com/view/2cqwsqj0bvajf6k/7.5%20inch-LS.doc

#### 5) 7.5" Longwave Loopsticks (June 2011)

Detailed technical article describing the challenge and success in developing 7.5" Longwave-optimized loopsticks for the Tecsun DSP Ultralights. Includes basic instructions for building your own 7.5" Longwave loopstick PL-380 model.

http://www.mediafire.com/view/845snah2h4ek9z9/7.5inLWLS.doc

#### 6) 7" FSL Antenna-- Detailed "Heathkit-like" Construction Article (October 2011)

Build your own 7" Ferrite Sleeve Loop antenna at a cost of under \$200. This detailed article has multiple Photoshop-enhanced instructional photos to guide you in creating a highly effective 7" FSL antenna.

http://www.mediafire.com/view/dshnqlbydf6qu25/7%20Inch%20Diameter.doc

#### 7) 5" FSL Antenna-- Detailed "Heathkit-like" Construction Article (March 2012)

Build your own 5" Ferrite Sleeve Loop antenna at a cost of under \$150. This detailed article has multiple Photoshop-enhanced instructional photos to guide you in creating a highly effective 5" FSL antenna.

http://www.mediafire.com/view/9ze98h293s85p86/5%20inch%20FSL.doc

8) Supercharging the PL-380-- Detailed "Heathkit-like" Construction Article (October 2013)

Replace the midget stock loopstick in your Tecsun PL-380 with a far more effective 7.5" Medium Wave or Longwave loopstick transplant-- and enjoy a new level of DX'ing success. Multiple Photoshop-enhanced assembly photos to guide you in the process of creating your own highly sensitive DX'ing portable-- for under \$100 in assembly parts.

http://www.mediafire.com/view/du3sr5cd9thqvau/7.5inch-LS-PL380.doc

9) 3 inch FSL Tecsun PL-380-- Detailed "Heathkit-like" Construction article (January 2016)

Replace the midget stock loopstick in your Tecsun PL-380 with a compact, lightweight 3" FSL antenna-- externally mounted and optimized for high-level Medium Wave DX'ing excitement . Multiple Photoshop-enhanced assembly photos guide you in the assembly process.

http://www.mediafire.com/file/w0gcek56f6aq7kr/3 Inch FSL Tecsun PL.doc

10) 3.5 inch (89mm) "Frequent Flyer" FSL Antenna-- Detailed "Heathkit-like" Construction article (July 2017)

Specifically designed to routinely pass through airport security checkpoints and provide highgain inductive coupling boosts for MW-DX'ing portables, the "Frequent Flyer" FSL's have already been used in Asia, Africa, Europe, North America and Hawaii for some exceptional DX'ing fun. During a recent visit to the Cook Islands one of these models tracked down 657-AIR (India), 693-Bangladesh, 918-Cambodia, 1431-Mongolia and 1000-Radio Record (Brazil). The detailed article uses multiple Photoshop-enhanced assembly photos to guide you in the construction process- all for about \$150 in commonly available parts.

http://www.mediafire.com/file/pnfm8909c77zjoy/3.5inch-FF-FSL.doc

11) Supercharging the XHDATA D-808 AM-LW-FM-SW-AIR SSB Portable (September 2018)

Although the XHDATA D-808 is not an Ultralight Radio, it is a very sensitive AM-DX'ing portable that can be transformed into a dream AM or Longwave DX-chasing travel radio. It can also be used as an SSB "spotting receiver" on ocean beaches, to track the carrier strength of exotic DX stations for Ultralight Radio reception. "Supercharge" your D-808 with this detailed, illustrated article-- containing 20 pages of clear instructions to guide you in the process!

http://www.mediafire.com/file/t2989hg61vbkb5h/Supercharging the XHDATA D -808-FinalMWLW.doc/file

From: Mark Connelly, WA1ION

Re: Try Something New This DX Season

All good stuff but you need to go cardioid pattern on this side of the country. Having NYC exactly opposite TA's does not bode well for figure-eight pick-up at my QTH.

From: Gary DeBock, Pullayup WA

Re: Try Something New This DX Season

Yes Mark, I was a 19 year old Navy sailor trying to chase DX on a ship at the old Charlestown Naval Shipyard in South Boston in 1972, and I found that out pretty quickly. It was the worst DX'ing environment that I've ever experienced. Fortunately the FSL antennas and enhanced loopsticks work very well in most other places, especially in isolated areas – including those enhanced by salt water. Even in places like Oklahoma, they are tracking down multiple TP's and DU's at extreme long range.

From: Mark Connelly, WA1ION

Re: Brainstorming: Temporary Antenna Supports

Recently I have been experimenting with small form Flag, Kaz, SuperLoop, and DKAZ

My first throw at moveable support poles has been with sections of PVC pipe mounted in heavy duty patio umbrella bases.

Typically I will use a 6 to 7 ft. (~2m) piece that fits snugly in the umbrella stand and then a skinnier piece of similar height that is inserted a short way (less than a foot) into the bottom PVC section. 1/4-20 hardware with a wing nut connects the lower and upper PVC sections a few inches below the upper edge of the lower PVC piece.

This allows a 10 ft. / 3m side antenna height above the bottom wire height of 2 ft. / 0.6m (= top of antenna 12 ft. above ground). With the Flag design, the center insulator on each side (where a transformer or termination resistor would be installed) is about 7 ft. above ground.

By moving the umbrella stand pole assemblies about on the lawn, different null directions can be selected. Distance between the poles is typically set about 20 ft. / 6m for Flag and SuperLoop antenna types. Nylon mason's twine attached to a cinder block or brick is attached to each pole

just below the top to act as a guy rope opposing the pole bending caused by wire tension. That keeps each pole roughly vertical.

With the rather small loop dimensions of 10x20 ft. / 3x6m, a moderate amount of low-noise amplification is recommended at the shack end of the feed line. The DX Engineering RPA-1 or a W7IUV amp would be a good choice.

The present design is OK for use in my own yard but a bit clunky for road trips to beach DX'pedition sites since the hardware needs to be removed from the lower + upper PVC sections junction to allow loading into the car. Then the antenna has to be reassembled on site and knocked down again when departing. 7 ft. is about the greatest length I can accommodate with the trunk closed on my Subaru Forester.

Ideally I would like to use poles that can be scoped down to about 6-7 ft. and extended well above 14 ft. I have read a number of articles recommending telescoping fibreglass poles of various types. I looked around Home Depot and found a few candidates but was unsure if they were completely non-metallic, an important consideration for various types of terminated loops. Also it seemed that anything that would extend much more than 12 ft. would not scope down to much less than 8 ft.: likely too long to fit in the car.

Many of you are using various painter's poles, lineman's poles, fishing rods, etc. to deploy loops (both terminated cardioid and conventional figure-of-eight types) at field sites.

Given the idea of non-metallic material and a maximum scoped-down length of 7 ft., what are everyone's ideas?

These things don't have to tolerate years of bad weather but they should not self-destruct during a few hours in high winds typical of seashore or mountaintop sites.

The suggestion box is open. Fire away!

73 for this time Shawn

Remember On A Clear Day You Can Hear Forever

# Musings of the Members

Dave Schmidt, 49 N. Sumner Street, York PA 17404, NRCMusings@aol.com

#### John Callarman – 301 W. Mccart St. – Krum TX 76249-5539

Yes, I'm still alive and I still have enough memory of my DX'ing days that I enjoy reading DX News. It's hard to believe I've been an NRC member since 1956.

KA9SPA hasn't been on the air for about 19 years now, but I expect I'll renew my license in 2020 just in case the bug returns. I still have a bunch of receivers and a transceiver.

Sad to say, AM radio programming has deteriorated as far as my ears are concerned ... music is ear-breaking, talk shows are political bloviation, and all-news stations are so filled with traffic and weather on the eights, or whichever, ambulance and petty crime chasing, giggling news hosts and commercials where the underlying music damages the message, the possibility of in-depth coverage of local government news has disappeared.

On some mornings, KRLD's IBOC hash actually can be heard in the background (and sometimes louder) on 1080.

On FM, LPFM and translators are blocking what had been reasonably open channels. I guess Qal R. Mann, the Krum-udgeon, really has become a curmudgeon.

#### Glenn Hauser – P.O. Box 1684 – Enid OK 73702 – wghauser@yahoo.com

Greetings. I would like to Muse about domestic things I have heard. All times and dates strictly UT. Rx: mostly DX-398 with internal antenna only or PL-880; NRD-545 with ALA-330S inside E-W or inside randomwire N-S; Nissan stock caradio as specified; or IC-R75 with E-W longwire. All my MW DX reports starting August 2011 are archived in this forum with open access: http://forums.wtfda.org/showthread.php?6543-MW-DX-from-Enid-OK-by-Glenn-Hauser/page71 [over 313,000 views! as of October 5, 2018]

890, October 3 at 1821 UT, KTLR OKC is the first station I hear running the much-publicized nationwide EAS test (eclipsed by text version 2 minutes earlier I am not equipped to receive). It's an impossible task to evaluate the 1-minute EAS, without recording the entire local AM and/or FM bands for later study as if they were DX --- did anybody do this?

As zero-minute approached, I was set to scan up MW ASAP starting at 550. After KTLR, many others were heard, but nothing seemed to be synchronized. One station still playing music while others EASed, was 1130, KLEY Wellington KS, but moving on, I don't know whether they did run it

earlier, later, or never. At least they long ago solved the transmission breakup/noise pulsing which plagued KLEY most of the first half of this year.

Notably, 930, WKY OKC ran a Spanish version of the EAS announcement circa 1822 UT. At least I did not hear any horrible echoes or distortions as has happened previously, due to too-lengthy relay chains! Best of DX and 73 de Glenn.

#### Harrison Pierce Reed - 34 Third Avenue #2 - Gloversville NY 12078-2414

It becomes hard to believe that this writer has been an avid DXer since April of  $1951 - 67\frac{1}{2}$  years ago; where did the time go? (Life is short.)

Were you aware that WBVG-1050 kcs. in Baldwinsville, west of Syracuse, NY has gone dark? I discovered that on the first of September, when I went to listen. It was the only station left within my reach which was playing that music of the 1940s and early 1950s which warms within my memories. WBVG owes a small fortune to ASCAP and BMI; a hostile take-over of their WSEN-FM (92.1) cost AM-1050 both their WSEN call letters and their access to the Civil Defense Emergency Broadcast System. The FCC gave them until the final week of August to get the E.B.S. equipment and have it online to run tests, and they didn't have the money. Sadly, they're now gone, perhaps for good.

Also, 1540 kcs. WPTR in Albany, NY signed on the air in 1948. Owned by Patroon Broadcasting (hence the call letters; Albany has a waterway known as Patroon Creek), they broadcast (I believe) with 50,000 watts during the day, 5,000 at night. But the station had trouble covering its entire market at night, owing to extreme co-channel interference from KXEL. Eventually, as I understand it, they were granted a construction permit for 50,000 watts fulltime, same directional pattern day and night. (FCC records say the original CP was issued in 1947 for U3 10000/10000, increased to U3 50000/50000 in 1949 – DY.) In the late 1950s, WPTR became an aggressive Top-40 station for Albany, Schenectady, Troy, and surrounding areas ("Good Neighbor to the Great Northeast"), with flamboyant Boom-Boom Branigan its major promotional star and afternoon drive personality. In its heyday, "Fifteen-Forty, WPTR, High on Your Radio Dial" was listened to quite widely in Europe and other highly distant places. It was "local" in Boston during the day.

But things began to crumble in the 1970s, as AM Top 40 was on the wane, and WPTR became less and less relevant. They handed their format essentially over to "W-FLY-Stereo" (92.3 FM powerhouse in Troy) and tried country for a time. The ratings tanked. The ground system rotted. The towers rusted. The once mighty signal was anemic. Once again, KXEL beat them up at night in their own market. Eventually, the station was sold to an Evangelistic conglomerate, changed its call letters to WDCD, and went religious – then classical pop (read, pre-rock American Standards), then conservative talk as an also-ran carrying the lower tier of syndicated right-leaning hosts, then religious again, then dark. It was revived periodically to keep the license active, but not a viable radio station. Desperate to conserve operating costs, it applied for a power drop to 10,000 watts. But this was denied, so they pulled the plug. Now, with little notice, WDCD turned in its license to the FCC, effectively ending 1540 in Albany. What was the hottes thing in Capital District radio 60 years ago sank with a whimper. The late Boom-Boom Brannigan did not live to see this; it would have grieved him mightily.

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# NRC Reprints and Books

We have many reprints available of articles from past issues of *DX News*. There is a full list of articles available and prices at <a href="http://nationalradioclub.org/catalog/reprints/reprints.html">http://nationalradioclub.org/catalog/reprints/reprints.html</a>

And there are plenty of antenna and receiver books available as well, that collect some of our most important and useful past articles on these topics. Come check out what's available. For books, check out <a href="http://nationalradioclub.org/catalog/books/books.html">http://nationalradioclub.org/catalog/books/books.html</a>.

# GRAVEYARD DX: ACHIEVEMENTS

WOSH
1490
NEWS-TALK RADIO

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Logged from January 1, 1960 to Present



#### <u>1490 kHz</u>

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Station	City	DXer	DX Location	Miles
WANA AL	Anniston	Don Trelford (SK)	Runaway Bay, Jamaica	962
WANA AL	Anniston	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	176
WAJF AL	Decatur	Neil Wolfish	Toronto, ON	745
WAJF AL	Decatur	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	189
WHBB AL	Selma	Frank Merrill	Milan, MI	687
KBAS AZ	Bullhead City	John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge, CO	613
KCUZ AZ	Clifton	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	1216
KYCA AZ	Prescott	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	1037
KAIR AZ	Tucson	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	1226
KXAR AR	Норе	Stephen Ponder	Bossier City, LA	80
KDRS AR	Paragould	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	1000
KOTN AR	Pine Bluff	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	689
KARV AR	Russellville	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	519
KWAC CA	Bakersfield	Richard E. Wood (SK)	Hilo, HI	2444
KWAC CA	Bakersfield	Nancy Johnson	Billings, MT	905
KMET CA	Banning	Tim Hall	The Sea Ranch, CA	493
KICO CA	Calexico	Richard E. Wood (SK)	Hilo, HI	2597
KGBA CA	Heber	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	444
KRKC CA	King City	Frank Merrill	Nenana, AK	2266
KRKC CA	King City	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	433
KTOB CA	Petaluma	Frank Merrill	Nenana, AK	2107
KTOB CA	Petaluma	Tim Hall	Fitz Hugh Sound, BC	972
KTOB CA	Petaluma	Tim Hall	West Glacier, MT	829
KBLF CA	Red Bluff	Nancy Johnson	Billings, MT	792
KBKO CA	Santa Barbara	Richard E. Wood (SK)	Hilo, HI	2390
KDB CA	Santa Barbara	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	921
KOWL CA	South Lake Tahoe	Tim Hall	Chula Vista, CA	465
KLZN CA	Susanville	Tim Hall	West Glacier, MT	644
KSYC CA	Yreka	Tim Hall	Cambria, CA	432
KBOL CO	Boulder	Shawn Axelrod	Langley, BC	775
KCFC CO	Boulder	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	473
KPKE CO	Gunnison	Tim Hall	Teasdale, UT	247
KEDI CO	Manitou Springs	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	1062
KNAM CO	Silt	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	346
WGCH CT	Greenwich	Neil Kazaross	Grafton, WI	748
WNLC CT	New London	Andy Rugg (SK)	Pointe Claire, QC	294
WTOR CT	Torrington	Andy Rugg (SK)	Pointe Claire, QC	253
WTRL FL	Bradenton	Frank Merrill	Milan, MI	1013
WXVQ FL	De Land	Karl Jeter	Stone Mountain, GA	375
WKEM FL	Immokalee	Ernie Cooper (SK)	Provincetown, MA	1253
WMBM FL	Miami Beach	UK DXPedition ££	Sheigra, Scotland	4186
WMBM FL	Miami Beach	Marc DeLorenzo	Hyannis, MA	1232
WECM FL	Milton	Kraig Krist	Manassas, Virginia	780
WEAG FL	Starke	Don Trelford (SK)	Runaway Bay, Jamaica	851
WEAG FL	Starke	Mike Hardester	Jacksonville, NC	432
WTTB FL	Vero Beach	Marc DeLorenzo	Hyannis, MA	1125
WSIR FL	Winter Haven	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	1244
WMOG GA	Brunswick	Don Trelford (SK)	Runaway Bay, Jamaica	919
WMOG GA	Brunswick	Russ Edmunds	Parsippany, NJ	778
WCHM GA	Clarkesville	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	82
WYYZ GA	Jasper	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	91
WRED GA	Monroe	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	534

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WSFB GA	Quitman	Russ Johnson	Lexington, NC	396
WSNT GA	Sandersville	Ernie Cooper (SK)	Provincetown, MA	990
WSYL GA	Sylvania	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	251
WRLD GA	West Point	Don Trelford (SK)	Runaway Bay, JMC	1113
WRLD GA	West Point	Russ Johnson	Lexington, NC	347
KCID ID	Caldwell	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	1009
KCID ID	Caldwell	Tim Hall	Chula Vista, CA	763
KKLB ID	Chubbuck	John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge, CO	440
KOFE ID	St. Maries	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	271
WKRO IL	Cairo	Russ Edmunds	Glen Rock, NJ	851
WDAN IL WDAN IL	Danville Danville	Niel Wolfish	Winnipeg, MB	806 806
WDAN IL WDAN IL	Danville	Shawn Axelrod Russ Edmunds	Winnipeg, MB	695
WESL IL	East St. Louis	Barry McLarnon	Parsippany, NJ Ottawa, ON	872
WESL IL	East St. Louis	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	408
WOPA IL	Oak Park	Wayne Heinen	Orchard Park, NY	466
WPNA IL	Oak Park	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	339
WZOE IL	Princeton	Niel Wolfish	Willowdale, ON	541
WZOE IL	Princeton	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	486
WKBV IN	Richmond	Niel Wolfish	Winnipeg, MB	961
WKBV IN	Richmond	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	512
WDND IN	South Bend	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	581
WNDU IN	South Bend	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	427
KBUR IA	Burlington	John Johnson	Sheridan, WY	847
WDBQ IA	Dubuque	Wayne Heinen	Colorado Springs, CO	779
KXLQ IA	Indianola	John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge, CO	615
KRIB IA	Mason City	Niel Wolfish	Toronto, ON	692
KRIB IA	Mason City	John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge, CO	657
WKYW KS	Frankfort	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	680
KKAN KS	Phillipsburg	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	786
KTOP KS KTOP KS	Topeka	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	797 663
KTOP KS WKYW KY	Topeka Frankfort	Gary Siegel Russ Edmunds	Toledo, OH Blue Bell, PA	532
WKAY KY	Glasgow	Frank Merrill	Milan, MI	352
WFXY KY	Middlesboro	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	498
WFXY KY	Middlesboro	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	350
WOMI KY	Owensboro	Niel Wolfish	Toronto, ON	573
WOMI KY	Owensboro	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	330
WSIP KY	Paintsville	Ernie Wesolowski	Omaha, NE	749
WSIP KY	Paintsville	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	407
WIKC LA	Bogalusa	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	867
WIKC LA	Bogalusa	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	485
KJIN LA	Houma	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	582
KRUS LA	Ruston	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	859
KRUS LA	Ruston	Carl Dabelstein	Lincoln, NE	615
WBAE ME	Portland	Kraig Krist	Manassas, VA	507
WTVL ME WTVL ME	Waterville Waterville	Charles Reh Russ Edmunds	Leamington, ON	673 421
WARK MD	Hagerstown	Andy Rugg (SK)	Blue Bell, PA Montreal, QC	457
WARK MD	Hagerstown	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	434
WMRC MA	Milford	Russ Edmunds	Jonesport, ME	258
WACM MA	West Springfield	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	463
WACM MA	West Springfield	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	193
WABJ MI	Adrian	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	829
WABJ MI	Adrian	Russ Edmunds	Parsippany, NJ	502
WABJ MI	Adrian	John Wilkins	West Des Moines, IA	502
WTIQ MI	Manistique	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	508
WTIQ MI	Manistique	Richard Lauhead	Vadnais Heights, MN	335
WMPX MI	Midland	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	742
WMPX MI	Midland	Niel Wolfish	Winnipeg, MB	742
WMPX MI	Midland	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	541
WODJ MI	Whitehall	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	538

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WUBR	MI	Whitehall	Les Rayburn	Helena, AL	699
KXRA	MN	Alexandria	Ron Schiller	Monmouth Beach, NJ	1141
KQDS	MN	Duluth	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	789
KQDS	MN	Duluth	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	550
KLGR	MN	Redwood Falls	Nancy Johnson	Billings, MT	657
WLOX	MS	Biloxi	Frank Merrill	Milan, MI	861
WCLD	MS	Cleveland	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	724
WCLD	MS	Cleveland	John Wilkins	Ames, IA	596
WHOC		Philadelphia	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	361
WTUP	MS	Tupelo	Don Trelford (SK)	Runaway Bay, Jamaica	1302
WTUP WRTM	MS MS	Tupelo	Carl Dabelstein Steve Francis	Lincoln, NE	629 462
KDMO		Vicksburg Carthage	Jeff Falconer	Alcoa, TN Clinton, ON	806
	MO	Carthage	Frank Merrill	Milan, MI	662
KTTR	MO	Rolla	Nancy Johnson	Billings, MT	1016
KDRO	MO	Sedalia	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	782
KDRO	MO	Sedalia	John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge, CO	638
KBOW	MT	Butte	John Johnson	Sheridan, WY	285
KDBM	MT	Dillon	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	784
<b>KDBM</b>	MT	Dillon	Wayne Heinen	Aurora, CO	557
KXGF	MT	Great Falls	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	664
KBSR	MT	Laurel	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	658
KLNG	NE	Omaha	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	643
WKDR		Berlin	Kraig Krist	Manassas, VA	515
WEMJ	NH	Laconia	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	506
WEMJ	NH	Laconia	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	306
WLGW		Lancaster	Andy Rugg (SK)	Montreal, QC	120
WUVR		Lebanon	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	288
WUVR WUSS	NJ	Lebanon Atlantic City	Barry McLarnon Steve Francis	Ottawa, ON Alcoa, TN	<ul><li>211</li><li>578</li></ul>
WGYM	-	Pleasantville	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	420
	NJ	Pleasantville	Tim Hall	Tom Nevers, MA	267
KRSN	•	Los Alamos	Tim Hall	Chula Vista, CA	656
KRTN	NM	Raton	Tim Hall	Rancho Bernardo, CA	767
KOAW	NM	Ruidoso Downs	Tim Hall	Rancho Bernardo, CA	668
WCSS	NY	Amsterdam	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	373
WCSS	NY	Amsterdam	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	196
WBTA	NY	Batavia	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	289
	NY	Batavia	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	174
WKNY		Kingston	Neil Kazaross	Barrington, IL	725
WKNY WICY	NY	Kingston Malone	Jeff Falconer Charles Reh	Clinton, ON	400 446
WICY	NY	Malone	Russ Edmunds	Leamington, ON Blue Bell, PA	329
WDLC		Port Jervis	Russ Johnson	Lexington, NC	488
WDLC		Port Jervis	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	383
WCDO	NY	Sidney	Kraig Krist	Manassas, VA	271
WOLF	NY	Syracuse	Neil Kazaross	Grafton, WI	589
WOLF	NY	Syracuse	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	333
WGMF	NY	Watkins Glen	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	215
WRCE	NY	Watkins Glen	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	174
WSSB	NC	Durham	Andy Rugg (SK)	Montreal, QC	715
WSSB	NC	Durham	Marc Delorenzo	Hyannis, MA	608
WLOE	NC NC	Eden Eden	Barry McLarnon Russ Edmunds	Ottawa, ON	647 425
WLOE WFLB	NC NC	Fayetteville	Marc DeLorenzo	Kinnelon, NJ Hyannis, MA	425 650
WIZS	NC	Henderson	Russ Johnson	Lexington, NC	109
WRNB	NC	New Bern	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	572
WWNB		New Bern	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	711
WRMT		Rocky Mount	Andy Rugg (SK)	Montreal, QC	698
WRMT	NC	Rocky Mount	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	345
WSTP	NC	Salisbury	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	713
WSTP	NC	Salisbury	Gary Siegel	Yoledo, OH	445

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WSVM NC	Valdese	Frank Merrill	Milan, MI	454
WHSL NC	Wilmington	Marc DeLorenzo	Hyannis, MA	662
WWIL NC	Wilmington	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	779
KNDC ND	Hettinger	Wayne Heinen	Aurora, CO	453
KOVC ND	Valley City	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	972
KOVC ND	Valley City	Tim Hall	Winnipeg, MB	210
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WBEX OH		Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	556
WBEX OH		Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	414
WERE OH	Cleveland Heights	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	145
WJMO OH	Cleveland Heights	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	419
WOHI OH	East Liverpool	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	382
WMOA OH	-	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	503
WMOA OH		Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	334
WMRN OH		Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	925
WMRN OH		Niel Wolfish	1 0	925
			Winnipeg, MB	
WMRN OH		Russ Edmunds	Kinnelon, NJ	458
KOKC OK	Guthrie	Rick Dau	Iowa City, IA	542
KBIX OK	Muskogee	Niel Wolfish	Winnipeg, MB	1000
KBIX OK	Muskogee	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	638
KBKR OR	Baker	MB DXPedition &	Valhalla Beach, MB	1064
KBKR OR	Baker	Tim Hall	Port Angeles, WA	353
KRNR OR	Roseburg	Tim Hall	Lynn Canal, AK	1177
KRNR OR	Roseburg	Tim Hall	Lone Pine, CA	530
	C	Tim Hall	•	
	Roseburg		Manning Park Resort, BC	462
KBZY OR	Salem	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	1250
KBZY OR	Salem	Tim Hall	Lynn Canal, AK	1073
KBZY OR	Salem	Tim Hall	Chester, CA	333
WESB PA	Bradford	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	274
WESB PA	Bradford	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	255
WAZL PA	Hazleton	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	558
WJNA PA	Johnstown	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	418
WNTJ PA	Johnstown	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	265
WLPA PA	Lancaster	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	365
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WBCB PA	Levittown	Morris Sorensen (SK)	Kirkland Lake, ON	609
WBCB PA	Levittown	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	583
WMRF PA	Lewistown	Niel Wolfish	Toronto, ON	228
WMRF PA	Lewistown	Russ Edmunds	Parsippany, NJ	185
WMGW PA	Meadville	Andy Rugg (SK)	Nuns' Island, QC	424
WMGW PA	Meadville	Russ Edmunds	Kinnelon, NJ	304
WNBT PA	Wellsboro	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	323
WNBT PA	Wellsboro	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	271
WVGB SC	Beaufort	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	932
WVGB SC	Beaufort	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	613
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WGCD SC	Chester	Frank Wheeler (SK)	Erie, PA	513
WMRB SC	Greenville	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	608
WMRB SC	Greenville	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	110
WSDC SC	Hartsville	Russ Edmunds	Little Silver, NJ	515
KFCR SD	Custer	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	629
KORN SD	Mitchell	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	788
KORN SD	Mitchell	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	889
WOPI TN	Bristol	Andy Rugg (SK)	Montreal, QC	760
WOPI TN	Bristol	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	359
WDXB TN		Carl Dabelstein		737
	Chattanooga		Lincoln, NE	
WJOC TN	Chattanooga	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	870
WCSV TN	Crossville	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	606
WCSV TN	Crossville	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	440
WITA TN	Knoxville	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	545
WROL TN	Knoxville	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	395
WCOR TN	Lebanon	Kraig Krist	Manassas, VA	512
WJJM TN	Lewisburg	Neil Kazaross	Barrington, IL	470
WDXL TN	Lexington	Carl Dabelstein	Lincoln, NE	574
KNOW TX	Austin	Frank Merrill	Milan, MI	1130
MINOVV IA	Ausull	Tank Meni	1v111a11, 1v11	1130

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<b>KBST</b>	TX	Big Spring	John Johnson	Sheridan, WY	915
<b>KQTY</b>	TX	Borger	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	990
KQTY	TX	Borger	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	735
<b>KWMC</b>	TX	Del Rio	Tim Hall	Lordsburg, NM	510
KLNT	TX	Laredo	Tim Hall	Fort Stockton, TX	312
<b>KZZN</b>	TX	Littlefield	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	1120
<b>KZZN</b>	TX	Littlefield	Neil Kazaross	Barrington, IL	957
<b>KPLT</b>	TX	Paris	Tim Hall	Houston, TX	288
KDOK	TX	Tyler	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	690
<b>KVWC</b>	TX	Vernon	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	884
KWUD	TX	Woodville	Tim Hall	Houston, TX	88
KVOG	UT	Ogden	Nancy Johnson	Aberdeen, WA	707
KCPX	UT	Spanish Valley	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	251
WKVT	VT	Brattleboro	Niel Wolfish	Burnt River, ON	331
WKVT	VT	Brattleboro	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	233
WFAD	VT	Middlebury	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH	551
WFAD	VT	Middlebury	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	419
WIKE	VT	Newport	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	580
WIKE	VT	Newport	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	366
WCVA		Culpeper	Andy Rugg (SK)	Montreal, QC	535
WCVA		Culpeper	Marc DeLorenzo	Hyannis, MA	463
WPAK		Farmville	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	258
WVEC	VA	Hampton	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	577
WVEC	VA	Hampton	Marc DeLorenzo	Hyannis, MA	457
WAYB	VA	Waynesboro	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	323
KBRO	WA	Bremerton	Ron Schiller	Coeur d'Alene, ID	274
KBRO		Bremerton	Tim Hall	Manning Park Resort, BC	167
KVAC		Forks	Tim Hall	Radium Hot Springs, BC	419
KEYG		Grand Coulee	MB DXPedition	Valhalla Beach, MB	1021
KEYG		Grand Coulee	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	657
		Hoquiam	Richard E. Wood (SK)	Hilo, HI	2582
		Hoquiam	Tim Hall	Chester, CA	479
		Hoquiam	Tim Hall	Vancouver, BC	166
		Kelso	Tim Hall	Lynn Canal, AK	1003
KLOG		Kelso	Mike Hardester	Modesto, CA	594
KLOG		Kelso	Tim Hall	Vancouver, BC	221
KYNR		Toppenish	Tim Hall	Juneau, AK	1013
KYNR		Toppenish	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	598
KYNR		Toppenish	Tim Hall	Denny and Hunter Islands, BC	513
KTEL		Walla Walla	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	529
KTEL		Walla Walla	Tim Hall	Jasper, AB	473
WSWW		Charleston	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	570
WSWW		Charleston	Neil Kazaross	Barrington, IL	434
WTCS	WV	Fairmont	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	295
WTCS	WV	Fairmont	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	262
WAEY	WV	Princeton	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	369
WSGB	WV	Sutton	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	313
WGEZ	WI	Beloit	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	732
WLCX	WI	La Crosse		•	415
WLFN	WI	La Crosse La Crosse	Gary Siegel	Toledo, OH Ottawa, ON	767
WIGM	WI	Medford	Barry McLarnon Steve Francis	•	707
WOSH		Oshkosh	Jeff Falconer	Alcoa, TN	349
			•	Clinton, ON	
WYTL KIMI	WI WY	Oshkosh Gillette	Neil Kazaross	Schenectady, NY	738
KIML		Gneen River	Gene Allen (SK)	Vallejo, CA	985 817
KUGR	WY		Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	817
KUGR	WY	Green River	Tim Hall	Chula Vista, CA	739
KOJO	WY	Laramie	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	935
KGOS	WY	Torrington	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	625 556
KGOS	WY	Torrington	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	556 705
CJPR	AB	Blairmore	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	795
CIPR	AB	Blairmore	Tim Hall	Lake MacDonald, MT	110
CFWB	BC	Campbell River	Shawn Axelrod	Cardinal Divide, AB	388

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CKGO	BC	Норе	Nancy Johnson	Aberdeen, WA	199
CKOO1	BC	Oliver	Nancy Johnson	Aberdeen, WA	250
CKOO1	BC	Oliver	Tim Hall	Banff, AB	221
CHPG	BC	Prince George	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	438
CKEN	NS	Kentville	Russ Edmunds	Little Silver, NJ	601
CHVR2	ON	Arnprior	Niel Wolfish	Coe Hill, ON	82
CHYM	ON	Kitchener	John Wilkins	West Des Moines, IA	691
CHYM	ON	Kitchener	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	64
CFPS	ON	Port Elgin	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	825
CFPS	ON	Port Elgin	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	430
CKLR	QC	L'Annonciation	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	490
CKBM	QC	Montmagny	Joe Kureth (SK)	Uniontown, MD	606
CJMC	QC	Ste-Anne-des-Monts	Joe Kureth (SK)	Uniontown, MD	839
CJSN	SK	Shaunavon	Tim Hall	US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT	780
CJSN	SK	Shaunavon	Tim Hall	Jasper, AB	472
XEAQ	MEX	Agua Prieta, SO	Tim Hall	Willcox, AZ	69
XECJC	MEX	Ciudad Juarez, CH	Phil Bytheway	Seattle, WA	1384
XESK	MEX	Ciudad Ruiz, NA	Pete Taylor	Cabo San Lucas, BCS	316
XEDR	MEX	Guaymas, SO	Tim Hall	Poway, CA	503
XEMS	MEX	Matamoros, TA	Pete Taylor	Cabo San Lucas, BCS	803
XEFF	MEX	Matehuala, SLP	Tim Hall	Junction, TX	476
XEGT		Zamora, MC	Tim Hall	10 mi W of Mazatlan, Sin	361
		Mayari	Don Trelford (SK)	Runaway Bay, Jamaica	185
WMDD		Fajardo	Hank Holbrook (SK)	Chevy Chase, MD	1600
WDEP	PR	Ponce	Shawn Axelrod	Marigot, St. Martin	231
		Penado, AL	NF DXPedition	Cappahayden, NF	4082
ZYK769	BRZ	Penapolis, SP	NF DXPedition	Cappahayden, NF	4728

- NF DXPedition = Jean Burnell, David Clark, Mark Connelly, Bruce Conti, Neil Kazaross and Jim Renfrew
- UK DXPedition ££ = Martin Hall, Mark Hattam, Dave Kenny and Clive Rooms

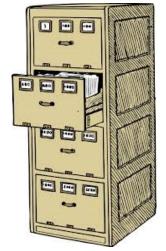
#### FCC Silent Station List

100	100 stations on the FCC web site as of October 19, 2018 – often less than 100% accurate.							
540	WETC-NC	1140	WMMG-KY	1310	KIQQ-CA		WQTM-NC	
580	KANA-MT		WQII-PR	1330	WSPQ-NY	1490	WSYL-GA	
590	WDIZ-FL	1160	WAIX-NY	1340	WAGR-NC		KRTK-ID	
740	KCMC-TX		WBYN-PA	1350	WOAM-IL		WSTP-NC	
750	WBMD-MD	1170	WKFL-FL	1360	WHCG-GA		KFKB-WA	
760	KMTL-AR	1190	KJJI-AR		KUIK-OR		KJNT-WY	
790	KKON-HI		KNEK-LA	1380	WWNT-NC	1500	WAKE-IN	
820	WTNW-TN	1210	WDGR-GA		WAGS-SC		WQMS-MS	
830	WUMY-TN	1220	KLBB-MN	1390	WPLM-MA		WGHT-NJ	
850	KHLO-HI	1230	WRJX-AL	1400	KWNA-NV	1510	WBSG-PR	
880	WAMI-AL		KLXR-CA		KSRR-UT	1520	WTHE-NY	
900	WABY-NY		KOBB-MT		WRON-WV		WRSJ-PR	
910	KLCN-AR		WLNR-NC	1410	WIQR-AL	1530	WZTE-PA	
	WSRP-NC	1240	WULA-AL		KQV-PA	1540	WJZI-IN	
940	KCOE-OR		KJAA-AZ	1420	WUKQ-PR		WKXG-MS	
990	WRFM-IN		WPTR-NY	1430	WLTG-FL		WNWR-PA	
	WBTE-NC	1260	KBHC-AR	1440	KPTO-ID	1550	KNSH-TX	
1000	WCMX-MA		WMDG-GA	1450	WZGX-AL	1570	KPRO-CA	
1020	KCKN-NM		KWEI-ID		WCOX-AL		WLEE-MS	
1060	WGSB-NC	1270	WHGS-SC		KIKR-TX	1580	WDAB-SC	
1080	KWAI-HI	1280	WCPM-KY	1460	KHRA-HI	1590	WRXB-FL	
	KCNM-MP	1300	KROP-CA		WATD-MA	1620	WDND-IN	
1090	KBOZ-MT		WFFG-FL	1470	KAIR-KS		WDHP-VI	
	KVOP-TX		KLLS-TX		WWBG-NC	1690	WMLB-GA	
1130	WALQ-AL		KKOL-WA	1480	WRCK-NY	1700	WRCR-NY	

### From the *DX News* archives ....

**75 Years Ago** – From the October 30, 1943 issue of *DX News*: WINS-1000 New York will be moving to 1010 kcs. Dick Cooper arranged for the printing of report forms (a packet of 100 available for 75 cents) and NRC letterhead (100 for 65 cents) to use in seeking verifications. Eleven DX tests were scheduled for November.

**50 Years Ago** – From the October 26, 1968 issue of *DX News*: The proposed merger of the NRC and the IRCA was postponed indefinitely; the IRCA was unable to reach consensus on the proposal. Some sample pages of the *NRC AM Radio Log* were printed, and it was announced that a new issue of the Vane Jones Log has also been released. Gordon Nelson (Mass.) reported that after



"219 hours" of unsuccessful attempts, he had logged AFRTS-790 from the Panama Canal Zone, for country number 119.

**25 Years Ago** – From the October 25, 1993 issue of *DX News*: Turks and Caicos is back on the air, but on 535 kHz instead of the former 530 kHz, as logged by Mark Connelly and Jim Renfrew. Shawn Axelrod in Manitoba reported his first Hawaiian station, KHLO-850, under WWJC with KOA possibly off the air. John Malicky published his report on the Enfield convention, where 57 NRC members and guests were in attendance.

**10 Years Ago** – From the October 27, 2008 issue of *DX News*: New station WXME-780 in Maine is now on the air. Frank Merrill reported a number of stations from his visit to Hawaii, including many Alaskans and KVNS-1700 from Texas.

#### NOAA Space Weather Outlook

Issued October 22, 2018 – For the period October 22-November 17, 2018 <a href="http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/products/weekly-highlights-and-27-day-forecast">http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/products/weekly-highlights-and-27-day-forecast</a>

Solar activity is expected to be very low throughout the outlook period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to reach high levels on 22-25 Oct, 04-09 and 12-16 Nov with moderate flux levels expected throughout the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to reach G1 (Minor) geomagnetic storm levels on 03-04 Nov with active levels expected on 29 Oct and 05-06 Nov due to the influence of recurrent CH HSSs.

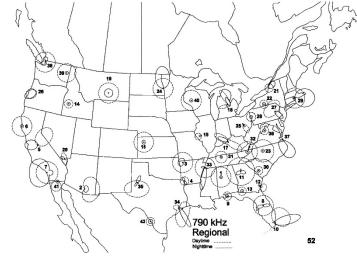
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