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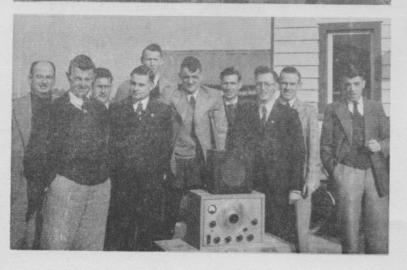
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### WHERE IT WAS PLANNED.

Outside Des Lynn's
in Dunedin where
tentative plans
were made in Sept.
1947.Left to right:
Ken Mackey, Jim Martin
Lofty Gardiner, late
Bill Milne, Jack Fox,
Arthur Cushen, late
Lloyd Warburton, late
Ron Gray, late Alex
Allan, Merv Branks,
Murray Lamont, Peter
Thorn & in frontDes Lynn.

#### DXERS AT WORK

From left: Merv Branks, the late Alex Allan, Keith Robinson & Arthur Cushen at Merv's bach at Riverton Rocks, Southland.

Circa mid-1950's



### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Circa 1954.All were board members at various times in the League's early days. From left:
Merv Branks,Ross Gibson,Evan Tombs,
Frank W Wilson
Jack Fox,Des Lynn,
Alex Allan,Arthur
Cushen,Ken Mackey and Bill Milne.

Photographs: Mery Branks.



### BROADCAST DX with George Masson

WXLE and Radio Paradise Verified

Conditions are definitely on the improve with North Americans starting to come in well in the early evening. Our early morning DXers are showing that Europeans and Asians are coming through well also.

+ American member Scott Lewis has kindly offered to forward the latest Vane Jones AM/FM guide, to members. Price is \$US8-70 (first class airmail) \$US6-30 (Special second class airmail) or \$US5-90 (surface). Ask your Bank or post office how to arrange payment. Further details on the back page of this issue.

Sutton Burtenshaw scores with a prepared card verie from Radio Para--dise, 1265. The Manager, Ralph Rogers advises that they are making adjustments in early September and want reports. (S/on around 9.05.p.m.

from St Kitts, West Indies.)

Steven Greenyer sent a letter and report to AFRTS HQ in Washington and received a letter from Philip G. Lemon, Headquarters FEN, Box 3083 APO San Francisco 96267 stating that the report had been forwarded on. A few weeks later the AFRTS shortwave card arrived endorsed 1385 khz and date and time of his report. Bruce Williams, Wellington, offers yet another address c/- AFRTS via Vandenburg AFB 93437, California.

ALAN ROBSON, Christchurch has QSL'd RAY CRAWFORD, Invercargill has 2CO 2KO 3AW 3SR 4YA 1YA 2YX 1YX reports out to 3XA Magallanes 2YA 1YC 4YC 1ZH 2ZA 4YW 2YC 2ZG 1ZM 2ZM 2YB 2NA 3BA 3XA 5AD 5SE 3YZ 1YW 2GO 4BK. Hope these are yours Alan - no name on sheet !

ROBIN CHAMBERS, Opunake, has reports off to YVRQ Baku 1016 Kuala Lumpur 590, Penang 660, HCMJ1 615, TIASF 1548, VL2NI, Avon, BBC Cyprus 1322 Verified Kuwait 539.

BILL WOLLER, Opunake, has them out to CKVN 3WL Fiji 1470 WSZD AFRS Thailand 1450, 2CA, RBI 1511, and AFRS Taiwan 1550. Veries back from Kavala 791, 5AN, KKHI, with CKVN the 400th North American.

HARRY WEATHERLEY, Australia has logged Masirah 701, 4ZA HIKB, Taiwan 890, AFNT 1550. QSL's in from 4ZA and 1ZK. Harry reports that Merv spent a whole week DXing at Barwon Heads with three other DXers during his recent trip to Aussie.

reports out to 3XA Magallanes 1380 Cuttack 965, Peking 560, KIOE, BBC Masirah 1412 Cairo 773, YVZQ 1450, ZNS1. Veries in from XET KIOE FEN Okinawa 650, Turkey 1061, and CB138 Magallanes in  $2\frac{1}{2}$  weeks.

MERV BRANKS, reporting from Sydney has reported 4YZ, KBS 890, BED 890, AFNT 1550 on his Barlow Wadley. Monte Carlo 1466, Cyprus 1232, BEP27 Veries at home from KIOE (world 1st) Baghdad 692, USSR 800, Turhey 881. 2XL and 2CH (personally collected.)

> LINDSAY ROBINSON, Invercargill has logged 3XA test, 7EX 6WA 2NC 2NA HLKX Peking 560, KPNW, AFNT. QSL's in from 4BU 2CY 2NC 2NA 3SH 2YX 2ZD.

FRANK WILSON, Dunedin has logged 4AM JOIK FEN Turkey 881, 4VL LYE test, JOTF 1250, 3XA Magallanes 1380, KDQN 1390, XECM 1450 Fiji 1570. QSL's in from AFRTS 650, KPAY KIOE Sharjah 1575.

SUTTON BURTENSHAW, Invercargill has logged 3XA 1YK 2DU 3KZ Moscow 1280, Peking 1090, Calcutta 1130, Kuwait 1133, JOER 1350 JOLB 870 JOHB 1090 YVZQ 1450 WXLE 2nd A SUTTON BURTENSHAW continued:
Paradise 1265 2nd reported, CMAN 550 3rd, CMW 590 3rd, CMKV 600 3rd, Monte Carlo 1232. Veries in from 3XA 2XL 3KZ BBC 701, JOLB JOHB XEROK CMAN CMW CMKV CB138 Paradise with pc. Lucky lucky you.

KEITH ROBINSON, Kapuka has them out to KCRL 1600 Bagdad 760, 58Y JOIR JOQR JOLF Malaysia 765 XEROK Addis Ababa 872 Kuwait 539 Riyadh 587 Cyprus 890 Antalya 881 Omdurman 764 Qatar 674. Veries from 3XA 4QR 4RK 4AM XEROK.

STAN LARKING, Whakatane has logged JORK BBC Masirah 1412 Jakarta 1335 2nd. Verie Sharjah 1575.

ERIC MCINTOSH, Invercargill has logged 4AM 4JK and Germany 548. Veries: VOA 1580 2LT 4QR 7SD.

FRED HUMPHRIES, Porirua during a visit to Quartz Hill logged Voice of Peace.

ERROL MONSEN, Dunedin has QSL'd 4QR and 2UE.

PHILIP BROOKS, Wanganui has them out to 3XA 2SM 2ZW 1XA with QSL's from 2ZN 2ZW and 2ZD.

ALAN CRAWFORD, Invercargill has logged JOIG Israel 737 AFNT 1550 3XA 2FC 6WN WBZ KSCO CBR KICE JOLF JOQM JOQL Monte Carlo 1232. QSL's in from India 850 5PI VOA 1259 VOA 1140 KKIS Berlin 1511 FEN 810.

PAUL FROST, Tauranga has reports to 2NZ 2TM 3ZA KFBK KPOL CB138 VOFA AIR 1130, 3BA CKVN 3ZB 3XA WLW 1YE 1XX CFRN 2ZC KEX KVOO. Veries in from 1XA 4ZA 1XW 2ZD 2ZA 1XI 1YE 3ZB. 620 would be Nuie Paul.

CRAIG CRAWFORD, Christchurch. Logged: KGBT KMEN KYOS. QSL'd KSCO KUAI WLAC DYLA KCBS.

PAUL ARONSEN, Invercargill has logged Magallanes 1380 DYLA AIR 1000 JOJF Sharjah 1575 Munich 1602 KSCO KRLD CBR KIOE FEN 810 Monte Carlo 1232. Veries 6PM JOSF.

BRYAN CLARK, Wellington has had a busy month with reports to RRI Jak-arta 1334, DZAS 680 2SM Sharjah 1575 2NX XEW Damman 885 HLKX 1190 JOKF 1450 7HT and 1YE; Voice of Peace, and 2nd to ZNS1. QSL'd 2TM 4GR 2SM 2NX VOA Bangkok 1580 a and HJOG 1300.

ARTHUR CUSHEN, Invercargill has verified KOA AIR Imphal 920 4AM HSKQ 1150. Reports out to 3ZA HJOG Thailand 570.

PETER JACKSON, Dunedinhas logged WVUV WLAC 2MG 2QN 7LA KNX CB138 2VM 6WB. QSL's in from KSCO 2TM KORL 1ZT 2AY 3XA 5PI.

JOHN BATHURST, Christchurch has reports to 2KM 3XA. QSL 3XA.

ELIZABETH HELLYAR, Bulls has QSL's from 1YZ 2YZ and 2BL.

DENE LYNNEBERG, Titahi Bay has reports out to 3XA KIOE 1080 1YE JOAR Monte Carlo/Cyprus 1232, Voice of Peace 1540. Veries in from DXMC WBAP KMJ KISA KIOE Srende Kolynsk 585 and 1YE (1st report.)

CHRIS MARTIN, N.S.W.has logged 1ZU WXLE Rajkot 1070 Jodhpur 530 Kuwait 1133 Cairo 773 JOBR FEN 1580 VL2NI. QSL's in from KWKH 1ZU AFNT 1550 Rajkot 1070 Kuwait 1133.

DUDLEY CARTER, Invercargill has logged and verified 1ZD 1ZH 2ZN.

DES DAVIES, Te Kuiti has veried A3Z and 2CR.Logged 2CR 3UL 2FC 2GB.

TONY KING, Wellington has logged HJOG 1300 and QSL'd WUNI and HJOG.

MICHAEL POLLARD, Christchurch has QSL'd 4QD 5AU VOA Thailand 1580.

BRUCE WITHERS, Twizel has reported Avon, Paradise 1265. QSL's from BBC Muscat 1412, Monte Carlo/Cyp 1232, Jordan 800 Israel 737 JOWF WLW Lille 1 1376.

ROBERT CHESTER, South Australia has QSL's only this month, from 4TO and 2XL.

JONATHAN AITCHISON, Dunedin has reports off to Avon 3NE 2GB 3SR with QSL's from 2NR 2BL 2KY 2KO and 2GB.

GRAEME SHILLITO, Dunedin has logged KMEN Fiji 930 4LG 6CI HLCA JOHO 900 Tahiti 740 HJCU CB138 4QR 3WV 3WL North Korea 1130 and 11 NZBC's. Veries in from CHLO KMEN KWSU KISA 1ZN 2ZC 1ZE 1ZH 4YW 2YX JOHO 2YZ.

NEVILLE HENRY Invercargill has logged Israel 737 WBZ KING KEX Paradise 1265 VOA Kavala 791 CHUM Turkey 1061 FEN 810 Kuwait 1133 Saudi Arabia 587 Egypt 620 PJB 800 Cuba 590 Peru 1010. Veries in from KSCO 1080 CKVN VOA Rhodes 1259 and VOA Thai 1580. Good list there Neville. Give me a ring if you have the time. Phone is Upper Hutt 88749.

DES DAVEY, Te Kuiti has further reports out to A3Z 7HT 3XA 2KO 2AY and 2SM. Sorry things got a bit split up Des!

# BEST OF THE MONTH

OPEN 1st

HJOG Cartagena Colombia 1300khz 1 kw 171 points Bryan Clark.

2nd

CB138 Magallanes, Santiago, Chile 1380 khz 10kw 146 points Ray Crawford, and Sutton Burtenshaw.



### DX FORECAST

SEPTEMBER - the Month for EUROPE

6.00-6.30pm (especially last 10 days of the month) Portugal, Canary Is, possibly West Africa. Watch split frequencies.

6.20-7.30pm United States

6.00-7.00pm Mexico

6.30-8.00pm Canada

8.30-9.30pm Watch for US East Coast

1.00-4.00am Asians good

4.30am onwards Middle East good

5.15-6.30am Europeans good

#### OCTOBER

6.30-7.00pm Portugal & some Europeans.
Also Cubans at this time.

6.30-8.00pm USA

7.30-9.15pm US East Coast may peak.

1.00-1.30am US Central

3.00-4.30am Hawaiians good

3.30-4.45am Watch for Alaskans

4.30-5.00am Far East USSR

5.00-6.20am Europeans again. Middle East may come in earlier.

### PACIFIC ASIAN REPORT

AUSTRALIA: 4JK Julia Creek, Queensland 10kw on 570kHz is a new ABC repeater which opened on July 31. A.Cushen R.Crawford Projected ABC repeaters are: Omeo, Victoria on 720, Kununurra, N.T. on 760, Gove, N.T. on 990, Fingal, Tasmania on 1160, St Helens, Tas. on 1570 and Wilcannia, NSW on 1570kHz. A frequency change is planned for 8AL Alice Springs: to 1380 from present 1530kHz. Arthur Cushen

As from July 1 all Australian stations are to broadcast at least 10% of Australian performers. This edict from the Control Board should result in the keeping of programme logs. Mery Branks

ABU DHABI: In a letter they advise that their projected move from 809 to 728kHz is not scheduled till next year.

Ray Crawford

\* ALASKA: The assistant Engineer of KYAK
advises that they have a sister station KIAK Fairbanks 970kHz 5kw non directional
24 hours C&W. David Ricquish

## 6BROADCAST TRAIL

Thanks to contributors, especially the 2	en't	85
space for all items.		88
EVENING		88
540 XEWA strong "La Voz de la America		90
Latina" strong id. 5.40pm.	RCh	95
615 HCMJ1 Gran Colombia good 5.27	RCh	96
635 North Korea exc in Jap. 11.05	RCh	90
675 TLJC? Fair in Sp. 545-555pm	RCh	10
740 Tahiti like a local 6.40pm	FW	105
844 Tarawa good 8pm	RCr	10.
910 YVQS Aeropuerto 4.45pm 23/7.	Rch	10
990 KKIS excellent 6.50.	GM	10
1025 Colosal back again 10.55.	RCh	
1030 VOO Solomons fair 9.15	BC	10
1050 Letin with Nx 5.30-5.55 26/8.	BC	11
1080 KSCO s/off 7.10 on 2 Sundays.	FW	
1090 KING Wx 8.10 RCr. XEPRS 5pm	BC	11
1105 Strong Asian 10.55pm	RCh	11
1170 Latin VG mixed KV00 6.08-6.26 26/	8 BC	11
1170 KOHO in Jap over KVOO 6.20pm	DU	
1190 KLIF Nx & Wx 6.06 good.	BC	11
1370 KXLF strong 6.35	FW	11
1380 WLCY Nx 6.25-6.30	BC BC	12
1410 WUNI 'Call the Newsline' 6.31pm		
1450 YVZQ Petroquimica 10.30 19/8 fair	GM	13
1450 Californian orch 6.05 KEST?	RCr	13
1500 XERH mixed 1ZA 6.00pm	20-	14
1540 ZNS-1 Bahamas Wx 7.40 13/8 RCr.6. -7.00 VG 27/8 Id every 15 min.	DU	14
1548 Radio Cima TIASF Id 5.23 good. 1565 Strong Asian 11.25pm	RCh	14
MORNING		15
	DOIL-	15
539 Kuwait fair 6.30 RCr to 7.20am	RCh	15
540 DYRV s/off 2.59 ex DYVS.DZWT s/o	RCh	15
3am under DYRV anthem.	RCr	
587 Saudi Arabia fair 6.45.	GS	15
600 HICA orchestral 5.45am	45	15
606 Arabic good 7.25 perhaps Cyprus	RCh	16
ex 602kHz.	RCr	C
610 Bangalore english news 3.30 610 Arabic weak 7.10am Bahrein?	RCh	-(
660 Penang good 7am // Kuala Lumpur		(
665 Syria fair 7.00	RCr	
670 6BE mixed JOBK 2.30am 13/8.	RCr	- 1
680 DZAS Religious prgm 6.40-7.25 RC		
719 BBC Cyprus Arabic good 6.20am	RCh	
737 Israel strong English 6.30 RCh i	Cr C	M
760 Baghdad mixed 1YA 7.30	CM	
777 Zahedan Iran good 7.15	RCh	
791 VOA Kavala 5.30 RCr Russian 6.40	RCh	
792 DYVL good 2.15-2.40	RCh	
800 Amman mixed Pyongyang 6.00	RCr	
809 Abu Dhabi good 7.30am	RCh	
818 Cairo excellent 5.45 am.	RCh	

30 KIKI good after JOBB off 3am	RCr
45 Rome good level 6.40am	RCh
54 Bucharest fair 6.00 RCr Ethiopi	a
with Amharic Nx 6.40am	CM
380 JORO Exc English Ident 7.00am	BC
381 Turkey good 6.15-6.40	RCh
108 Baghdad good 4.15-7.45	RCr
18 Phnom Penh good 6.40am RCh	CM
950 JOKR mixed 2UE 1.30. CM	RCr
65 Cuttack English news 3.30	RUI
95 Powerful Arabic 7.10am Who?	RCh
16 Baku USSR excellent 7.15-1.40	RUII
050 1YE Kaikohe test 4.40-4.53am 2'	7/8
relays National prgm DL strong	.CCr
052 Tripoli good 7.40am 070 AIR Rajkot Arabic Service s/on	RCh
070 AIR Raikot Arabic Service s/on	
J' JO GYCGTTAILS	
000 JOHB off 3am after Eng. prgm	RCr
106 Cairo in English V.G. 4.15-5.0	0
News at 4.30 . RCr	DL
120 KPNW News, weather, sports 1am	RCr
140 KRAK good at 1am	RCT
133 Kuwait English Nx 5.30 good RC	r
English pops excellent 6am	RCh
170 KCBQ good at 1am	RCr
190 HLKX Exc 6am RCr Russian off 7	.BC
232 Monte Carlo via Cyprus exc	
5.30-6.40am	lany
322 BBC Cyprus Arabic good 6.45	RCh
331 Rome good 6.40am	RCh
439 Luxembourg mixed 12K 6.30 M	lany
450 Korat Thailand before WSZD	
s/on at 6.55am	BW
448 "This is Radio Athens in Greece	ce"
511 RBI English to 7am GS	B BW
E20 Vetican bam 1/81g.b.45 exce	JELLLY.
538 Diibouti good around 7am	BM
EAO Peace Radio off Cyprus exc bed	20
some QRM Peking. RC1 546 Vinnitza fair Italian to 6.30	n BW
1546 Vinnitza fair Italian to 6.30	BC
IEEA Nice often good 6.408m	MELLIA
1602 Munich excellent 7am RC	r RCh
CREDITS: RCr Ray Crawford, RCh Rob	
Chambars BW Fronk Wilson BC Bry	an

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With the North American Broadcast Band Season approaching, we list changes made in recent months which may be of interest. Our thanks to National Radio Club, USA. Abbreviations used: SCH schedule, NSP no silent period ie 24 hours a day, MOR middle-of-the-road, RR rock and roll, Mx music, AN-6 means all night operation six nights a week with SP usually MM. SP MM indicates the station is off air ie a silent period on Monday mornings, that is Monday evening in NZ.

950 WCTN ex WXLN	560 CHTK-BC NSP 960 WERC-AL NSP 1070 CFAX NSP
1280 WGSO ex WDSU	610 CHNL-BC SCH 24hrs 730 CKLG-BC NSP 1490 CKGO AN-6*
1590 KBBQ ex KUDU	
	1170 CKGY NSP 1310 WEEL-VA NSP 1470 CJVB AN-6**
1450 WSPB NSP	1390 WEAM now NSP 1400 KVOY NSP (MOR Mx) 1260 CFRN SP MM
1490 KEDI NSP (RR	Mx) 580 WKTY Wisconsin 24 hours with SP MM 0300-0600 local time
1230 CJNL-BC NSP	1230 KYSM-MN NSP 1510 WNLC 24hrs SP MM 1540 KBBS NSP
**1470 CJVB SP MM	**CKGO-BC SP MM on 1490. George Masson

### EQUIPMENT REVIEW

The Barlow Wadley XCR-30 Mk 2 The feature which sets this 18 transistor portable apart from all others on the market is its 'frequency dialling' capability. Dial up 9 on the megaHertz dial, 655 on the kiloHertz dial and you're tuned to 9,655kHz. Coverage is medium wave through to 30mHz. The built-in 34 inch whip antenna or the longwire which you connect to the antenna socket, must be critically tuned by the 'antenna trim' control. A 'mode' switch enables easy reception of upper or lower sidebands. The receiver's very good selectivity (quoted as 6kHz) has made strong competition with my Eddystone 680X. In fact for 3 recent loggings - RSA 15160, RN-Madagascar 9605 and Damascus 9655, the Barlow Wadley gave better readability. I have not found any way yet to make it perform well on medium wave and there are some minor faults with the B-W but in my mind these are more than compensated by the above capabilities. If you're interested in obtaining one, you might have a long wait. I understand that there has been a waiting list in Australia and a friend who tried to purchase one in South Africa reports a waiting list of 300!

Jill and Peter Grenfell, Camaru also swear by an Eddystone 680X, but pride of place is shared with a Patterson All-Wave receiver, previously owned by wellknown DXers Albert Stanton and George Beardsmore. Aerials are-single dipole N-S, 200ft longwires N-S and E-W, 25ft high, and a MW loop (Masson design). Also helping out are a Philips taperecorder and a veteran typewriter.

<u>Ian Wells</u> of Milton is using a 4 valve <u>Hallicrafters</u> S-120 communications set with a 40ft longwire to the South East.

In Christchurch, Lance Johnston's Trio 9R-59 is currently located at his fiancé's (Gay Stevens) home, where a 300ft longwire runs E-W.

Charles Douglas of Te Awamutu is using a Pye 7 valve domestic receiver.

Peter Maurice, Auckland has an Eddystone EC10 receiver with 120 ft of wire strung out from the house for an aerial.

Tom Chisnal, Nelson still uses his two faithful Philips 9 valve domestic receivers coupled to 3 horizontal dipoles 30x60 ft running N-S, E-W and NE-SW. Support comes from a typewriter and taperecorder, but no typiste!

Hans de Jong, Tasmania has a <u>Drake SPR-4</u> communications receiver and 'L' antenna 26 metres long, 13 metres high, running NW-SE. A good set Hans?

### FROM THE BRANCHES

SOUTHLAND The annual general meeting was held August 28 with 13 present. Election of officers resulted: Patron Mr G.Frampton, President Mr E.MacAskill, Immediate PP Mr S.Burtenshaw, Vice Presidents Messrs R.Crawford, H.Searle, L.Robinson, Secretary Mrs I.Simpson, Treasurer Mr M.Branks, Stationery Sec. Mr C.S. Greenyer, Auditor Mr. D.Carter, Competitions Committee Mrs Simpson, Mr Burtenshaw, Mr A.Cushen, Robinson, Social Committee Messrs Searle, Robinson, N.Henry, A.Crawford, S. Greenyer, Public Relations Officer Mr Cushen, General Committee Mrs Simpson, Messrs MacAskill, Cushen, Robinson, Branch Log Mr E.McIntosh, Register Mrs Simpson, Digest Committee Mr Branks, Mr McIntosh, Mr A.Crawford. Best of Year BCB S. Burtenshaw with WPHB 1260 5kw, SW to A.Cushen HCVG8 Galapagos 6255 1kw. Most verifications for the year: Mr Branks 76 on BCB.Mr Robinson 159 on SW. Total of 964 verifications tabled for the year.

NORTH OTAGO The first meeting at the new DX shack was held 23 August with 8 present.

The Otago Branch will pay a visit during October. Aerials are to be erected in a coming weekend. Peter and Ito are to talk to Scouts and the ATC about DXing. A new design for the heading of 'Dial News' will appear next issue. A visitors book has been installed at the Listening Post. The branch has lost a good DXer in Herman Rozendaal, recently transferred to Blenheim.

CANTERBURY The July meeting was held at Don Reeds with a good attendance. DX chat was very lively with special attention to record sets received from CBS Radio by Craig, Lance, Gay and David R. Wide ranging discussion covered many topics including the proposed points system. Competition Results: BC Open HCFA2 Tropicana 540kHz to Don Reed & Craig Crawford; Nth Am. WVOJ 1320kHz Lance Johnston; A/NZ 3MA 1470 Andrew White. SW both categories to Lance Johnston with Paris 21630 & Rome 6010kHz. There were 12 members present at the August (AGM) meeting held at Lance Johnstons and DX chat was again very lively. New committee: President Lance Johnston, V-P's Craig Crawford & Bob Boundy, Secretary Miss Gay Stevens, Treasurer Kevin Hickman. After the meeting several films were shown. Competitions: BC Nth Am. WING 1410 5kw Brian Withers, Open HJDB 990 10kw Craig Crawford, A/NZ 4MS 600 David Ricquish. SW over 9 Radio RSA 21545 Chris Pike, under 9 Papua-New Guinea 2468 Brian Withers.

OTAGO The AGM was held on 30 August with 10 present and 5 apologies. We were pleased to have Jack Fox and George Beardsmore present, the latter outlining progress on the 25th anniversary celebrations and presenting trophies. The Camaru DX trip has been set for 13 October. New Committee: President Arthur Campbell, V-P Basil Raper, Secretary/Log Keeper Graeme Shillito, Mag Committee Graham Pont, Errol Monson and Denise Shillito. It was proposed that Errol handle 25th Jubilee publicity. Annual Competition Results: Long Beach Cup & Mw Best of Year Cup to Graeme Shillito, Coronation Cup to Denise Shillito, SW Best of Year Cup to Errol Monson & Junior Challenge Cup to Don Bruce. Secretary's address 28 Thomson St, Caversham, Dunedin.

WELLINGTON 13 attended the AGM on 26 August. New Committee: President D.Lynneberg,
Vice Pres. Tony King, Secretary Mike Highley, Comp. Judge Bruce Williams, Capital DX
Editor Nigel Robins. A decision was made to standardise all subs as due at the AGM
to simplify accounting. New B.O.M. certificates were introduced. Annual trophies
resulted: McKenzie MW Shield shared by Tony King & Bryan Clark for HJOG 1300kHz 1kw,
Gurney SW Cup to John Mainland for Austrian Army 6255, Merit Trophy to Nigel Robins.
B.O.M. awards: BC Nth Am Dene Lynneberg KMJ, Open Messrs Clark & King HJOG, Senior
SW Dene Lynneberg with Kigali 21540 & Bukavu 4839, Junior SW Jim Selby with USSR
9610 & Bouganville 3322.5. Next meeting info = 8 John St, Titahi Bay 1430 NZT on
Sunday 30 September. Secretary's address: P.O.Box 9212, Wellington.

#### CONTEST OF THE WORLD RADIO DX-CLUB OF INDIA/DEUTSCHE WELLE DX CLUB

- \* To celebrate World DX Friendship Year and their conference in December, these
- \* clubs are running various contests and popularity polls for SWLs and DXers
  \* throughout the world. They include an Essay and Quiz in English and polls of:
- \* the 5 best English programmed stations, the 5 best 'voices', the 5 best indiv-
- \* idual programmes, 5 best DX programmes. For details send 2 IRCs and addressed \* envelope to the Clubs c/o DS/2/B, Rest Camp, Gauhati-12, Assam, India. \*

### 1973 REPORT ON BROADGASTING PART I

Most of us were surprised by the new Labour Government's January announcement of proposed restructuring of the NZBC into 3 - 2 TV networks and a radio corporation. These plans are a step nearer to fruition with publication recently of a 205 page report by the Committee on Broadcasting. Chairman of the 4-man committee was Professor Kenneth Adam, former Director of BBC Television. Mr. D. McDonald, a member of the Australian Broadcasting Control Board was technical consultant. In this feature we review two areas of interest to members: proposals on development of the shortwave service of Radio New Zealand (proposed name of the radio corporation), and the Committees' comments on the future of radio.

The External Services of 'Radio New Zealand'.

For years the DX League has called on the NZBC and Government to upgrade the shortwave service, but the best that has come forward has been a suggestion of increasing the power from 7.5 to 20kw.

Now the Adam Committee's report states that two transmitters of at least 50kw are needed, which, together with associated aerials would cost about \$500,000. But the report points out that 100kw are more common for shortwave broadcasting, and the cost of a 100kw transmitter was barely 20% more than one of 20kw, and only marginally more than one of 50kw.

The report says that Titahi Bay is no longer suitable as a site for the transmitters, which could be better relocated at Himatangi near Foxton, where the Post Office would be prepared to discuss the possibility of establishing the transmitters and aerials beside

their existing establishment.

Of the present service, the reportsays:"Its signals have barely been able to be heard reliably anywhere in the Pacific, except by radio enthusiasts on the East Coast of Australia and elsewhere..."
"It (the NZBC) ignored the emergence of broadcasting to a paramount role in the Pacific Islands...the recent spread of transistor radio -s...and the consequent rapid growth in popular support for local stations, all of whom want more programmes of topical interest that they can relay from abroad."

While responsibility for operation of the service would pass to 'Radio NZ', capital & running costs would be met by special allocation of Government funds or from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The report indicates that target areas should remain as at present

- the South Pacific, Eastern Australia & the Antarctic.

Under the heading 'Aims & Objectives Ahead' it is stated: "NZ's external broadcasting services are undoubtedly in need of considerable improvement, both in transmitting power and programme quality. An increased signal strength, together with an overall reorientation of programming, would make the start that was intended back in 1948 to establish a reliable radio contact between NZ & Pacific countries.

Next month: the future of domestic broadcasting.

RADIO

Please convey to all your members my personal congratulations and good wishes on the occasion of the League's 25th birthday - may you serve your growing ranks for many years to come.

With kind regards - 73's in '73!

KEITH GLOVER

\$ contributors to Volume 1 Number 1 of the NZ DX Times are today, 25 years later, still valued members of the League. In this feature, they look back on 25 years of DXing.

DES LYNN of Christchurch writes:- "I well remember that Sunday morning in 1948 when I sat on one comfortable(?) chair whilst the others sat on apple cases in the back of Merv Brank's shop and the NZ Radio DX League was formed.

I started DX as a lad in 1933 but took up the hobby seriously in 1941 in Dunedin as a member of the then NZ DX Club. I was the original secretary of the League and held various executive positions in HQ and

both Otago and Canterbury branches.

My most prized verie was YDD2 Dutch East Indies (now Indonesia) and it was posted a few days before the Japanese arrived; probably it was the last verie they ever issued. Loggings that had special thrills were WVUV, when it was 200 watts; Midway Island in a special programme for NZ listeners; and, with Jack Fox, listening to Alaska at 4am when we could hear it 100yds away from the radio. We nearly toll-called Mery Branks in Invercargill to let him hear it - at dawn!

Changed personal circumstances and the TV hash gradually drove me from the broadcast band and though I tried SW, my only love was BCB and so sadly my DX interest waned till I am no longer active, but still

interested.

When I transferred to Christchurch in 1959 this brought some good eveningDX sessions on car radios at the Spencerville Lagoon, especially the night a gang of 1961-type bikies arrived, saw our aerials, and departed posthaste because they thought we were 'boys in blue'.

Taken over-all my greatest thrills have been to listen to Alaskan or Canadian broadcast stations and to wonder at the marvel of radio. To me it has been a great hobby and one which brought me many friends. To all present day DXers, salutations and to my old acquaintances, warmest greetings."

KEN MACKEY now of Hamilton writes:- "I would like to express my appreciation for the kind and thoughtful invitation to contribute to this Anniversary issue.

I have chosen to write about one of my rarer verifications - no, not a 'Yank' 100 or 250 watter which were my speciality, but a country

far more elusive and rare - South Africa.

Not only is this verification rare because it is a South African - the card in fact verifies reception of 3 SABC stations, on 566, 656 & 1034 kilocycles, all heard between 6.15 and 6.40am on 22 August 1953. I can recall that the 1034 kcs frequency in Johannesburg had a review of the Australia v South Africa Rugby Test played earlier that day, and the other frequencies Durban 566 and Capetown 656 had music - one of which was band music.

Had it not been for the English review of the Rugby Test I would never have tumbled to the fact that it was South Africa to which I had tuned. After this, a hasty check of the other channels gave the others.

On 1st April 1966 my total was 2269 from 123 countries. Totals have not been amended since."

JACK FOX of Mosgiel writes: - "Satellites buzzing around our skies and the tremendous development of telecommunications have robbed DXers of the glamour in scooping news of important events, that was common a quarter-of-century ago.

The activities of League members to bring the 1949 All Black Tour broadcasts from South Africa were covered in a recent issue of the Times. While this created terrific public interest, so did the efforts of Otago DXers who covered the MCC v Australia post-war cricket tests across the Tasman. A large scoreboard was set up in a.../continued..

... Dunedin shop and DXers posted up-to-the-minute scores by picking up | the signals from Radio Australia. Then there was the time in 1952 when DXers picked up results of the Helsinki Olympics and fed them to relatives of competitors and newspapers. DX League members had the

results hours before they were heard over NZBS stations.

Perhaps the most important work was the nightly monitoring of names from Radio Peking during the Korean War. For 3 years DXers, mainly in Invercargill and Dunedin, tuned to the low powered Peking transmitters at 9pm for names. In that period over 2200 names were copied, no mean feat when one considers that there were no tape recorders and the signals were weak, unlike Peking's powerhouses of today. The work of the Leagues' Prisoner of War Monitoring Service became known throughout the world.

The American Presidential Elections in 1952 was another time when League members fed news to newspapers on the events; as too was the dramatic race against time by a ship to save the life of an Australian in the Antarctic.

There were many other instances in which DX League members 'scooped the pool'. Today, thanks to science, we can sit in our homes and watch men drive a vehicle on the moon. DXers just can't compete against that:

KEITH ROBINSON of Southland writes:- "Conditions on medium-wave have changed a great deal since 1948, but always new techniques have enabled loggings to be made. When I returned to the farm from Auckland in 1951, I soon found that excessive power noise was limiting my reception. Soon, reports of a DXer roaming the countryside with a large battery-set in a wheelbarrow and a coil of wire, caused knowing head-tapping in local radio circles. However, first in a tent and later in a hut well away from power lines I was able to increase my log until conditions from North America deteriorated in the early 1960's. This caused a lack of interest on my part for several years until my friend Bob Ashmore 'loaned' me a loop aerial he had seen described in a public library book. The loop is still on loan.

In recent weeks, I have rediscovered the Beverage aerial and am currently using the top wire of an electric fence to chase some of those elusive Australians. For a modest outlay, the electric fence, apart from its farming use, has proved an easily-erected and shifted

Beverage.

Looking back over 30 years of listening, I have obtained the greatest pleasure from setting a goal, even a modest one, and attaining it. Even now, the hobby still has its thrills - just a couple of weeks ago I received my first verification from Uruguay. And I am now looking forward to my 2000th verification. After that, who knows? Perhaps I may even log that elusive South African."

JOHN MILLER of Wellington writes:- "I started shortwave listening late in 1943 with a report to VOA station WKTM New York on 6370kHz but that report was not replied to. I fared better with my second report, to WLWO Cincinnati, then operated on 9590kHz by the Crosley Corporation. Also verified were my next two reports, to HCJB on 9958 and 12455 kHz with 1 and 10kw respectively.

About this time I became a member of the New Zealand DX Club and began my association with Arthur Cushen, Merv Branks and Keith Robinson among others, in its Southland Branch. In 1945 I moved to Wellington and played a part in the formation of the Wellington Branch, of which I was the first secretary. I joined the League at the first opportunity

when it was formed in 1948.

I soon paid a little attention to DX on broadcast band, but mainly concentrated on shortwave broadcasting stations for the first 8 years. After that I began to take a keen interest in Utilities, and wished that I had not heeded earlier advice that they would not verify. Actually, my first utility verification was from wwv on 2500kHz..cont.

12...in 1944 but in those days it was accepted as a shortwave broadcasting station so that I was placed in a Southland Branch (NZ DX Club) Best-of-the-Month Competition. I think I gained second place.

I now have 4260 verifications, of which 3239 are Utilities and 16 are Hams. The Utilities include 63 morse stations and 66 Citizens Band verifications. The morse stations are mainly longwave radio beacons and include AWK Wake Island Non-directional Beacon on 254 kiloHertz.

My favourite verification is the QSL card from VKN8, the Melbourne Metropolitan Fire Brigade. Others of particular interest include WAR War Department, Washington; KMA367 Los Angeles Police; and NPM Pearl Harbour Naval Base."

From Invercargill, <u>ARTHUR CUSHEN</u> writes:- "When I first commenced listening in the mid 1930's, it was a hobby which offered me an interest in overseas affairs, and gave me the experience of hearing low-powered distant stations when radio was still in its pioneering days. It would be hard to **imagine** that this interest could ever become my full time employment; in those days, faced with poor sight, the DX hobby provided an avenue of interest; but today it involves me in work 7 days a week.

Therefore this hobby means to me: my work, my friends; and when it comes to shortwave listening, my enjoyment has taken on a new angle, being able to act as an official for the BBC, CBC, VOA and many other organisations for which monitoring duties are performed. It has meant to me a field of work which is unusual throughout the world, and having met in 1969 the people who employ me in North America, Europe and other parts of the world, listening to the International Stations has brought about a personal relationship.

DXing also means to me an association with the New Zealand DX Club from its beginnings as a private venture in 1939, as a feature writer for its publications; and then with its continued operations as the the New Zealand Radio DX League, making me the only member who has contributed a feature article each month for the past 34 years.

Another interesting aspect is that the DX hobby has enabled me to help thousands of listeners in this country and overseas get better enjoyment from their listening, through writing in magazines or broadcasting in my DX sessions.

It is difficult in this short summary to put into words what the hobby means to me, and, in turn, what the help given by my DX friends has meant in our continued work in making radio listening the interest ing and involved subject which forms the basis to my interest in the New Zealand Radio DX League."

And now we hear from <u>MERV BRANKS</u> of Invercargill:- "It is great to be associated with the NZRDXL at this time and could I express my appreciation to the Southland Branch for the honour conferred on me in my appointment as National President for our Anniversary Year.

To pursue a hobby is a wonderful adventure, but more fortunate still is anyone associated with the League. Our organisation was formulated by experienced DXers, many already with years of DX knowledge. We pay tribute to these early administrators and to many fine fellows following on in Canterbury, Otago, Southland and Wellington, who built on those foundations. It is not only in our Headquarters (Administrative & Magazine Committees) that the League has been successful. In those days each branch as it was formed, always had someone to guide and lead. And what a prominent part those branches and members have played in building the fine traditions and establishing a reputation second to none which the League enjoys today throughout the radio world.

What does DXing mean to me? Like everything in life, the more you put into a hobby the more you get out of it. Lets go forward with that aim in view!"

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Readers should find a good coverage of Latin American reception this month. With the predominant language in this area being Spanish it is therefore surprising to hear a station announcing in English as observed on 4945kHz. Steven Greenyer contributes some interesting Latin and African listings including 3378, 3395, 4760, 4770

and 4850kHz. Arthur Cushen notes Technical School of Istanbul Radio on 7143 with 1.6kw. During the next 2 months an improvement in night time reception should be noticed, while daytime reception will probably deteriorate.

ALL TIMES GMT (add 12 hours for NZT) FREQUENCIES IN KILOHERTZ

FREQ	TIME	COUNTRY PROGRAMME & RECEPTION DETAILS INITS
3139	1041	COLOMBIA La Voz de la Cincorder, Manizales s/on fair. Id: 'Esta es La Voz, mil ciento sesenta kilociclos onda larga transmitiendo desde Manizales, Colombia'.
3255	0941	BRAZIL Radio Clube de Marilias fair in Port. Blocked by Tigre 0957.DL
3255	1024	VENEZUEIA ' La Voz del Tigre con la musica Venezolana' very good
		in Spanish after Brazil fades out.
3345	1200	PHILIPPINES FEBC Manila fairly weak with gospel music. MP
3355	1700	INDIA All India Radio logged at weak level. PA
3378	1110	ECUADOR Radio Iris with full identification in Spanish. SG
3390	1006	ECUADOR Radio Zaracay. Often heard around 0700 Sundays.
3395	1020	VENEZUELA Radio Universidad good strength, frequent idents.
3960	0959	INDONESIA RRI Padang at good level. FF
3985	1100	ECUADOR HCERS Riobamba fair opening in Spanish. AC
4658	1228	CLANDESTINE Voice of the Pathet Lao with vocals, chants, ids. Bundy NASWA
4755	0700	COLOMBIA HJKCwith CARACOL network news in Spanish. Fair. NR
4760	0500	PERU Radio Tingo Maria heard until after 0700 on a Sunday.
4765	0430	CONGO REP. RTV Congolaise, Brazzaville s/on, id in French.DL.0515fair BC
4765	0355	ECUADOR C.R.E. Guayaquil good till s/off 0405 with full id, anthem. DL
4770	0500	LIBERIA ELWA with a religous prgm and then BBC News at 0700.
4771	70400	ECUADOR 'Radio Cenit a Portoviejo' fair till s/off 0428. DL
4777	0527	GABON Libreville very weak with talk in French. MP
4790.	7 0430	PERU Radio Atlantida Iquitos ex 4785 v.g. with frequent idents. DL
4 800	0700	ECUADOR Radio Popular with music, frequent idents. Fair-good. NR
4820	1007	ECUADOR Radio Paz y Bien, Ambato with Spanish annots, advts, music. DL
4831	1135	THAILAND Bangkok strong signal with Thai music. Padula ADXN
4832	0530	COSTA RICA TIMB Radio Capital with music and ids. MP
4850	0701	MAURITANIA Novakchott fair with Arab chants then spoken prem. SG
4885	0604	PERU Radio Villarica good until s/off at 0622.
4890	0830	PAPUA-NEW GUINEA VLT4 Port Moresby CC 1000 good PM 1244 excellent EM
4905	0446	COLOMBIA Radio Atlantico frequent ids & time announcements.
4915	0600	GHANA Accra fair copy with English news. JS
4930	0655	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC Radio Mil noted Sunday with s/off at this time. JM
4935	1510	AZAD KASHMIR Azad Kashmir Radio, flute music & talks. Gunning ADXN
4945	0614	COLOMBIA Radio Colosal with time, ident & tourist info in English SG
		Offering gifts for reports.PA 0713 'Programa Internacional' asks
1337		for reports to c/-Sanchez.MP. Prgm 'Serenata Colosal' English idsNR
		0805 Music with frequent Spanish Ids.JM 0845 reception OK. EM
5010	0912	DOMINICAN REP. Radio Cristal with chimes for some time annots. SG
5020	0500	ECUADOR Radio Centinal del Sur frequent ids, music till s/off 0838. NR
5025	0300	PERU Radio Quillabamba, Spanish talks and music. Reeves, Heutte NASWA
5025.7	1012	BRAZIL Radiodif. de Aquidauana good in Portuguese. Full id 1021 and
		time checks for Matto Grosso Region given frequently. DL
5030	1005	VENEZUELA Radio Continente good with Spanish news.
		No considerate construction from converge (ANT Can an

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5035	0355		DL
5040	1208	RHEMA Rangoon logged with transmission in Burmese.	JM
5040	0641	PERU Radio Libertad with Spanish prgming & music. Several ids.	JM
5050	0355	ATRANTA Radio Tirana id at 0400 after time pips 'Ju flet Tirana'	
2020	0)))	At 0418 has morning exercises set to music. Good from tune in.	DL
5075	1016	COLOMBIA Radio Sutatenza good-excellent with Spanish programming.	DB
5804	1625	VEMEN Radio Sana English/Arabic language lesson till 1630 then id:	DL
9004	102)	'Says-ah? t'il Jumhuriyah t'il Arabiyah al Yamaniyah' fair till 17	700
EOEE	0415	GUATEMALA Radio Cultural with English gospel prgm till 0430.	SG
5955	0336	ITALY RAI Rome good in English.	JH
6000	1300	SINGAPORE Radio Singapore good with Chinese transmission.	JM
	0730	COSTA RICA Radio Reloj excellent signal, frequent idents.	AW
6006			NR
6030	0500	THAILAND Ministry of Education in Thai. S/off 1200 on a Sunday.	JM
6062	1115	SWEDEN Radio Sweden, Stockholm noted at son in Swedish.	AW
6065	0630	COLOMBIA Radio Super Spanish prgm & music. Frequent idents.	JM
6065	0806	INDONESIA RRI Jajapura s/on with excellent signal.	AW
6070	0800		JS
6075	2130	ESTONIAN SSR Radio Tallinn Estonian news & opera music. Lindholm S	
6085	1630	COTONIA To Ver del Centro fein signale et con in Spanish	JM
6095	0901	COLOMBIA La Voz del Centro fair signals at s/on in Spanish. MEXICO Sistema Radio Yucatan in Spanish with pops.S/off 0503Fleming	
6105	0430	DERU Redio Union v.g in Spanish BC. Noted 1142 and 0300. SG /ASV	JTC.
6115	0415	TEMO MAGIO OHIOH V.8 III SPECIALIST	RC
6120	1300	AUSTRALIA RA-Darwin fair in Indonesian.	
6135	1230	USSR Radio Alma Ata via Tashkent s/on in Uighur //5035.QRM KBS.Cos:	TOT
6170	2130		EM
7065	2030	ALBANIA Tirana very strong in English. JA 0633 Noisy but good.	NR
71 02	0625		
7135	0515	FRANCE ORTF Paris Calling Africa' good in English. JA v.g - exc. JF	TO
7140	1945	MONACO TWR Monte Carlo fair in Arabic to s/off 2000.	JS AC
7143	1930	TURKEY TAO5 Istanbul fair with Turkish music.	BC
7175	0745	LIBERIA VOA Monrovia fair with Breakfast Show till s/off 0800.	NR
7210	1110	USSR Khabarovsk Home Service in Russian. Ident 1154.Good level.	BG
7215	1320	BRUNEI Radio Brunei fair with English news.JM 1330 fair.	MC
7235	0440	WEST GERMANY DW Cologne ex 7285. Poor-fair due heterodyne hum.	RC
7245	2145	WEST GERMANY RFE Biblis noted in Rumanian.	BH
7260	1845	EAST GERMANY Radio Berlin International fair.BG 7245 good 1815.	PJ
7275	0425	ITALY Rome good with news in English.	MC
7275	0400	WEST GERMANY DW in Russian ex 7285 under Rome till 0430.	JM
7275	0605	NIGERIA Voice of Nigeria, Lagos English Service replacing 7255.	PJ
7300	0345	ALBANIA Tirana very good. BG EAST GERMANY 1815 RBI good in English.	DC
9440	1225	NORTH KOREA Pyongyang with 'Land of Education', fair.	10
9455	1000	SOUTH KOREA Radio Pusan? to Americas. Blocked by Peking till 1025. S/off 1100. Good. Also on 11725. (Anyone confirm this one? Ed)	NG
9475	0302	EGYPT Cairo with 'Pen Pal Club', news 0315 good.DC 0215 poor JA 031	2.EM
9500	0430	ALBANIA Tirana v.g with English news JF 0630 noisy. (fair English RC	)EM
9505	0900	PHILIPPINES FEBC Manila English mixed Tokyo. JS 1330 Burmese poor.	SL
9535	0600	SWITZERLAND SBC Berne good in German.CC. 0440 prgm good.	EM
9540	0340	CZECHOSLOVAKIA Radio Prague good in English to s/off 0355.	DC
9545	0230	LEBANON Beirut in English to 0300. New freq.replacing 11790.	JM
9545	0535	WEST GERMANY Deutsche Welle v.g in English to North America. JF	AR
9550	0559	FINLAND Helsinki fair with English ident before Finnish prgm.	AR
2,,,0	0622	UNITED STATES VOA Greenville Breakfast Show v.g JF 9565 in French.	RC
9555			OLIT /
9555	10 All 10	NIGERIA Radio TV Kaduna in English & Hausa. with music. Fleming A	SATY
9570	0516	PHILIPPINES Voice of the Philippines fair BG 1245 English lessons.	BH
9570 9580	0516 1230	PHILIPPINES Voice of the Philippines fair BG 1245 English lessons.	BH
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9610	0401	/ 38
9615		USSR Radio Moscow News & Mailbag in English DC 0430 to Nth America.RC
9640		CANADA RCI Montreal s/on 'Goverit Kanada' fair-good. Via Sines? MC
9640		SOUTH KOREA Radio Korea fair BG 1125 Mailbag Mondays v.g AR 1200ExcCC PORTUGAL Voice of Hope, Sines 5/on English poor.QRM Moscow 9640. RC
9650		PHILIPPINES South East Radio Voice English annot then Burmese.Fair.JM
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9665	1004	MITING TI D TI WATER TO THE TOTAL TO THE TOTAL TOTAL TOTAL TO THE TOTAL
9675	1055	MALAYSIA Radio Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, fair.  JAPAN Radio Japan Tokyo South East Asian Service good in English.  JH
9685	0445	
9685	1800	
9690	2100	DIRECTOR D 44 D 4 1 D 4
9700	0408	BULGARIA Radio Sofia good in English.JH.EM.PJ 1930 English news BH
9705	1350	
9710	1935	
9715	2000	
9720	0049	UKRAINIAN SSR Radio Kiev fair in English to USA.  UKRAINIAN SSR Radio Kiev fair in English to USA.  JS
9745	0930	EQUIADOD UCID IN D IN D
9805	1940	EGYPT Cairo good with French news 1945.JS 2200 poor in English. JA
9833	2130	TILING FOR D. 31. D. 3
10010	1058	CLANDESTINE Radio Liberation, Vietnam s/on. English news 1100.
11630	0225	EGYPT Cairo in French with musical programme. Good level. MP
11705	2230	VATICAN Vatican Radio good in English // 9615.BW 9615 good 0104. EM
11730	1200	UZBEK SSR Radio Tashkent poor-fair in English. RC
11740	0300	SRI LANKA VOA Colombo fair with Breakfast Show.Splatter HCJB 11745.BC
11760	2159	PHILIPPINES VOA Tinang fair with s/on in English. RC
11765	0430	SWITZERLAND SBC Berne good in English. JA 11775 English fair 0700. DD
11775	0448	RUMANIA Radio Bucharest good in English to North America.
11795	0530	MONACO TWR Monte Carlo in Russian, English id before & after prgm. NR
11830	0430	UNITED STATES VOA excellent via Bethany, Ohio.
11850	2300	AUSTRALIA RA-Shepparton on this new frequency. English to s/off 2330JM
11890	0830	PHILIPPINES FEBC Manila English news.CC 0930 good.BG EM 0900 noted
		on 11900 27/7 only, other nights back on 11890.
11900	0030	UKRAINIAN SSR Radio Kiev here Tues, Wed, Sat. (NZT) NG 0352 English gd. JH
11910	0100	HUNGARY Budapest good to Nth America. Also 0300,0415.NG 0425 fair. JS
11915	0630	ECUADOR HCJB with NOREA Radio prgm in Norwegian to 0645.
11925	0204	SPAIN Radio Nacional Espana exc with news in English 0205.(0315 MP)JB
11930	0400	BONAIRE TWR in Russian,0430 Hungarian,0445 Arabic RC Russian to 0530
11940	0515	SWEDEN Stockholm in English to A/NZ exc.CC good EM poor RC. /SL AC
11970	0800	SOUTH AFRICA Radio RSA poor in English due QRM Tunis BH. Fair.
15012	2215	NORTH VIETNAM Hanoi fair with news in English.  BH
15120	0200	SRI LANKA CBC Colombo poor with BBC news relay. PF
15175	0800	NORWAY Oslo in English Sundays with 'Norway this Week'
15190	0058	CANADA Radio Canada International English to USA. NR Fair PP News
45005	0000	at 0100 good.CC MP. 0120-0200 excellent.
15205	0000	PAKISTAN Karachi fair in English with news and comment.  JB
15220	0515	SOUTH AFRICA Radio RSA 'Good Morning Africa' from Johannesburg. PJ
15250	0430	ETHIOPIA ETLF Addis Ababa opening in Arabic, fair signal.
15330	1000	USSR Radio Moscow new freq in English to S.E. Asia, mixed another USSR
15340	2030	EAST GERMANY Berlin good in English to Africa, thru jammer. BC /RC
	2335	FRANCE ORTF Paris French service good to s/off 2355.
15390	0920	
15425	0030	ARMENIAN SSR Radio Yerevan, Armenian to Nth Am. English 0323-0326. Padula AUSTRALIA VIW15 Perth good with news and music. BW /ADXN
15430	2100	CWITTOPPIANT CDC Darma mand in The link to Odro TD cook
15440	2250	T THEFT AND THE PARTY OF PARTY OF THE PARTY
15445		BRAZIL Radio Nacional de Brasilia fair in English BH frequent idents
7.17		of good level OO DOAF C ADM YO DAAA
15520	0100	BANGLADESH Dacca exc with news in Bangla. JB 0145 English news. BH JA EM
17720	1900	UNITED STATES WINB Red Lion fair with religous programme.  BH
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17755	2015	ECUADOR HCJB sked to move here from 2/9. English. ex 17850 logged	by CC
17760	0100	INITED STATES WNYW New York English news to Latin America. Closes	1.15CC
17765	0120	MILLED STATIO WE UTD A TW TOTALLO RESERVED HOUSE	
17820	2200	CANADA RCI Montreal good but covered by Voice of America.	PF
17895	2059	MALI Radio Mali good with French prgm and music. Froehlich AS	WINC
17895	0115	UNITED STATES VOA Dixon with news in English, good signal.	MP
17935	0200	PAKISTAN Karachi noted with Indonesian Service to 0245 //15335.	JM BH
21515	2300	PHILIPPINES FEBC Manila fair with 'DX Mailbag' now on Sundays.	BH
21520	0720	SWITZERLAND SBC Berne fair in English thru heavy QRN.	EM
		PAKISTAN Radio Pakistan English news at slow speed to 0545. Very	
21730	0530	good.PP In // 17830 JM At 0545 21590 fair reception in English.	PM

31 CONTRIBUTORS THIS M		AW Arthur Williams	JM John Mainland
JA Jonathan Aitchison			MP Michael Pollard
BH Bill Huddleston	JS Jack Searle	PM Peter Maurice	SG Steven Greenyer
DL Dene Lynneberg	AR Alan Robson	CC Colin Campbell	BW Bruce Williams
JB John Bathurst		RC Robert Chester	PJ Peter Jackson
DC Dudley Carter	DD Des Davey	PA Paul Aronsen	DB Derrick Benfell
BC Bryan Clark	BG Brian Gall	NR Nigel Robins	AC Arthur Cushen
EM Errol Monson	MC Michael Cole	NG Nigel Greene	SL Stan Larking
JF Jack Farrow	NASWA North Ame:	rican Shortwave Asso	ociation
SRK Swedish Radio Club	ASWIC American	Shortwave Listeners	
ADXN	Australian DX N	ews	Y MSWALL IN S - 0740 9

### SHORTWAVE MAILBAG with John Mainland

Highlights this month include: Radio Progreso in the Honduras Repub--lic which has verified Arthur Cushen and Dene Lynneberg. Dene also has a verie from RRI-Ujang Pandang on 9510 khz and Bukavu Radio in the Zaire Republic on 4839 khz. Steven Greenyer and Paul Aronsen report a reply from Radio Universo, Venezuela 4880 khz. Alan Craw--ford tells of a verification from the SABC internal service on 3250. It is pleasing to note the improvement in the Best of the Month QSL competition. If you have a QSL card or verification letter worthy of points, possibly because of low power or geographical location, you are invited to enter it. Now on with the mailbag itself.

JONATHAN AITCHISON, Dunedin has 22 reports out this month with QSL's in from Israel 11945 ORU 9655 RNZ 6080 Moscow 9700.

JOHN WATSON, reports the following QSL's: 11 RA, VIK3, Japan 11875
15300, Cuba 4 freqs, Canada 6125
9625, HCJB 17885, Vatican 6190 7250
RNI 6205, Prague 11855 ORU 15235
RNE 9520, Algiers 9685 RBI 11875
SBC 9535 17830, RAI 9710 Moscow 4 freqs, DW Werch 9735 11850 17845
Julich 9650, Bucharest 15250 Helsin-ki 9550, DZF3 15235, BBC/FES 6195
BBC 11750, Tashkent 11925 15115
15460 AFRTS 9700 21500, VOA green
9705 15195 17785, Dixon 15400, Del-ano 17815. Thanks for the station news John.

ARTHUR WILLIAMS, Twizel has veries from Sweden 6065 and Senegal 7210.

HARRY SEARLE, Invercargill has veries from IBRA 9670 Poland 9675 Vilnius 11730, DZF2 11920.

RAY CRAWFORD, Invercargill has veries in from HCAU3 Luz y Vida 4825, HRVC 4820, Kurseong 3355, AFRTS 21500, YVOB Tachira 4830, YVPA Yaracuy 4940. brining in 25 countries verified for the 25th Anniversary contest. Tks for note that Luz y Vida request Ecuadorian stamps for a reply to reports as IRC's not negotiable in Ecuador.

JACK SEARLE, Haumoana has QSL's in from HRVC 4820 CHNX 6130 RA Dar 6055 Bucharest 9570 11775 17850, Moscow 15295 17865 P & P 12010, UN New York 11770 RBI 9575 HCJB 11915 15115, VOA Wash 5955 Iraq 17770 AFRTS Delano 9700 DW Koln 9735.

JOHN HILLIER, Masterton has QSL's in from RBI 9500, Prague 7345 9540 11855 VLW15 15425 RA 11765 15405.

ROBERT CHESTER, South Australia has 24 reports out and QSL's from DW Julich 7105 Werch 17875, VOA Tinang 9545 Bethany 21485 Delano 9565, SBC 9750, Moscow 9610, Moscow via Novosibirsk 12010, Kiev via Armavir 12000, P & P 11880, BBC Tebrau 15345, Ikorodu 15182. Thanks for your contribution Robert. It was nice meeting you earlier in the year.

NIGEL GREENE, Paremata has reports out to eight stations and QSL s in from Jerusalem 9009 RA 11840 CBC 5970 9625 SBC 9750 Japan 11875 9675 VOA 5955 Nederland 11730 9715, ORTF Paris. Thanks for your contribution.

PETER MAURICE, Auckland has logged two and QSL'd Prague 11855 Albania 11985 CBC 9625 Israel 9009 BBC 9410 Vietnam 15012 NHK 17825 17745 17725 Portugal 11840 DZF9 11890.

BRIAN WITHERS, Twizel has 3 out and QSL's in from Popondetta 2468 RSA 17885 Israel 11945.

COLIN CAMPBELL, Rotorua has been a busy boy with 24 reported and QSL's in from Ned Bonaire 15375 WINB 15185 Bucharest 11940 BBC Cyprus 15390.

ALAN CRAWFORD, Invercargill has verified New Guinea stations on 3260 2468 2376 1480 3360, Kiev 12000 South Africa 3250 Singapore 5010 BBC 12095 3915.

PAUL FROST, Tauranga has QSL'd Radio Independent Spain (QSL from Paris), BBC Tebrau 15310, Japan 9505, Rabaul 3385, JOZ3 9595, Havana 15140, Cairo 9475.

MICHAEL POLLARD, Christchurch has QSL's from RFE 7115 CBC 9625

ORF-Vienna 9655, RIAS Munich 6005 | 7 AFRTS Delano 6110, ORF Vienna 7250 6155, Cairo 9475, RA Shepp 17820.

ALEX STUART, Dunedin has reports out to 6, with QSL's to hand from Moscow, Vienna, and Warsaw. Glad to hear you're on the ball again Alex.

JOHN MAINLAND, Wellington has QSL'd WNYW 17755, Rwanda 6055 Peking 15435, Vienna 17850, Pakistan 15205, RA-Shepp 9695, RBI 6125, Moscow 5960 9735, Ghana 9545, SEARV 9650.

DUDLEY CARTER, Invercargill has them back from Moscow 9610, SBC 11715 11775 9590, Sweden 11705, Rabaul 3385 Oslo 9645 Warsaw 9645, Israel 11960, Japan 5 freqs, Vila 3945, VLWN15 15425, Canada 9650, RN Bonaire 9770, AFRTS 11805, 9700, 9755. VOA Tangiers 9770, VOA ? 9670.

ALAN ROBSON, Christchurch has QSL's from VOV 15105, Cairo 9475 P&P 19 m/b, Rabaul 3385, Kiev 11900 Peking 11600 11720, Sweden 11705, AFRTS 17765, DW 7105 SBC 11715 RA Shepp 17870 RA Dar 21480 Budapest 3 QSL's Bucharest 5 freqs NHK 7 freqs Lisbon 6025. Your question is a difficult one but in the circumstances I think the QSL you received should be counted as for 8 frequencies.

HARRY WEATHERLEY, Australia has one report out and has QSL'd Halifax 6130, RNZ 11705, TWR Bonaire 11815, Hanoi 15105, RNZ 17770. Thanks for your news Harry. For current Beirut frequency see Bandwatch 9545.

PAUL ARONSEN, Invercargill has QSL's from Southern Highlands 3275, Universo 4880, AFNT 3990 TGVN 3360.

STEVEN GREENYER, Invercargill has back Morobe 3220 Sweden 11940 MBC 3380, YVOC 4980, Del Pacifico 4975, Universo 4880.

PETER JACKSON, Dunedin, has QSL'd RN Bon 9715, RSA 15220, CHNX 6130. BRYAN CLARK, Wellington has four reports out and QSL's in from BBC Tebrau 3915, BBC UK 3975 RN Tal-ata 9605 17810, Riga 5935, VOA Monrovia 7175, VOA Colombo 11740.

BILL HUDDLESTON, Auckland has QSL'd DDR 7300 6080, Prague 9540 7345, Moscow 15470, Austria 6155, Poland 6135, ORU 9655, Australia 21485, Lagos 11925.

ERROL MONSON, Dunedin has QSL's from VLM4, BBC 31 metres, Japan 11875, Bangladesh 15520, Guyana 90 mb, HGJB 5990, Peking 3 freqs, VLR9, VQO4, Portugal 11935, Milne Bay 3360, Nederland Bonaire 11730, Kerema 3245 Canada 6145 9625, Cairo 9475, VOA 9670, Lisbon 11935 Sweden 11940.

NIGEL ROBINS Wainuiomata has 8 reported and QSI's in from Togo 5047 and Canada 15190.

DENE LYNNEBERG, Titahi Bay has QSL'd Progresso HRPL3 4920, HISD 9505 and 9512.5, RRI Ujung Pandang 9510, Riga 5935, Bukavu 4839, ETLF 7165 11800, DW-J 6010, DW-K 21540, BBC UK 15205, Poland 7270, Milne Bay 3360, ZYR61 4855. Reports out 12. A verie good month!

ERIC MCINTOSH, Invercargill has received QSL's from Madang 3260 VL8AS, CHNX and Ghana 4980.

ERIN ARDLEY, Auckland has QSL's from AIR 17775, RNZ 9755, SBC 21520, 11870, DW Julich 21600 11850 Kigali 15380, RA Dar 17870, RA Lyn 15240, Tirana 9500, Viet-nam 10040, CBC 15325, Pyongyang 97515, Austria 17850, DZE9 11890, VOA 6020, Wewak 3355, RA Shepp 9770.

STAN LARKING, Whakatane. QSL'd: Madang 3260 Tashkent 11925, Mt Hagan 2450 Daru 3305 Milne Bay 3360, Cairo 9850, Japan 9505 9705, AFRTS 9755, CBG Montreal 9655 RSA 9525 Popondetta 2468, Bougainville 3322.5, DW Julich 9650 9735 VOA Greenville 9770 RA Lyn 5995 BBC/FES 9740 Kuwait 9520 HCJB 9710.

ARTHUR CUSHEN, Invercargill has 6 reported, and QSL's in from HRPL3 4920, Mendi 3275, Belgrade 7240, BEC/FES 3915, Brunei 7215, Lagos 11925, RSA 17805, Warsaw 6095, Austria 17850 9655, WNYW 17760, AFRS Greenville 11790, Rhodes 6015, Tangiers 7270, Dakar 7210, Brazilia 15445 Ghana 9545.

JOHN BATHURST, Christchurch has logged 8 and QSL'd Budapest 9833, RBI 9620, Israel 11945, Poland 6135 RN Bonaire 9770 SBC 9750 RA 3 freqs. Your regular reports are appreciated John.

JACK FARROW, Lower Hutt has QSL'd VOA 9565, Moscow 9685, Peking 11720, FEBC 11890, RA 15295 17795. Jack now has 17 countries logged in the 25th anniversary contest.

DES DAVEY, Te Kuiti has logged six and QSI'd RA-Shepp 9570. Des has to date 53 countries verified.

BRIAN GALL, Palmerston North has 13 logged and QSL's from Brunei 7215 Austria 9655 Kiev 11900. Report sheets have been sent. Thanks for your notes.

LINDSAY ROBINSON, Invercargill has logged 7 and QSL'd 13 VOA 4 Moscow RA Shepp 15320 Nigeria 7255 ?, UN 6055 CFRX 6970.



#### OVER 9 Mhz

Deutsche Welle, Kigali, 21540 khz 250 kw 102 points Dene Lynneberg. UNDER 9 Mhz CHNX Halifax, Canada, 6130 khz 250 watts 125 pts. Jack Searle

### ARTHUR CUSHEN'S SHORTWAVE REVIEW 19

September finds the seasonal frequency changes for our Spring period and several stations will be using new channels for the next two months. Readers will find a gradual improvement in night-time listening, while the higher frequencies after dark will again be active, though with the falling sun spots the number of stations using these bands is limited. Radio Colosal at Neiva, Columbia on 4945kHz is heard around 0700 GMT with frequent announcements in English asking for reception reports. All times are GMT, add 12 hrs for NZ time, and all frequencies in kiloHertz.

AUSTRALIA Radio Australia has commenced a new service to the United Kingdom and this is broadcast 1900 - 2000 on 9660kHz. The transmitter is located at Shepparton and uses the power of 100kw.

AUSTRIA The Austrian Radio has rescheduled its transmission to Australia and NZ and now broadcasts 0400 - 0600 on 21705 and 0600 - 0900 on 17850kHz.

BELGIUM English from Brussels is broadcast 2255 - 2315 and 0040 - 0100 GMT. on 9655 and 11920kHz. The latter is a new frequency.

BONAIRE TWR on 11930 is heard in Polish to Europe to sign-off at 0530.

CANADA The Radio Canada Shortwave programme to be broadcast on October 6 is now finalised and will be carried in 7 transmissions. The 20 minute discussion will be between Arne Skoog (Radio Sweden), Harry van Gelder (Radio Nederland), Henry Hatch (BBC), Bob McGregor (CBC) and Arthur Cushen (Radio NZ). The transmission will be broadcast at 0835 GMT to the South Pacific on 5970 and 9625kHz. This will mean the linking by landline and undersea cable of some 26,000 miles of circuit to facilitate the discussion.

ECUADOR HCER5 Riobamba opens at 1100 on 3985kHz.

EGYPT Cairo observed with Arabic news at 0600 on 11630. The latest schedule shows English broadcasts 0200 - 0330 on 9475kHz; 1315 - 1430 on 17920; 1730 - 1845 on 17655: 2030 - 2200 on 17725: 2145 - 2300 on 9805kHz.

JAPAN Radio Japan changes from September 2, to East Coast of North America 2345 -0045 using a new frequency of 11725kHz.

NEW ZEALAND The Committee on Broadcasting in NZ has reported its findings to the Government and its recommendation concerning Radio New Zealand is that at least two transmitters each of 50kw, should be provided to give Radio New Zealand better coverage throughout the Pacific.

NIGERIA According to a schedule from Lagos, the External Service in English is broadcast 0530 - 0700 on 7275, 11925, 15120, 15185kHz. The second transmission at 1530 - 1700 is broadcast on the same frequencies.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA A verification card from Radio Southern Highlands at Mendi 3275 kHz gives the schedule as 0745 - 1100 GMT.

SWEDEN Radio Sweden on September 2, made the following changes for its English broadcasts: 1230-1300,17840 replaced by 15105; 1600-1630,15240 replaced by 11930; 0330-0400.11705 replaced by 6045: 1830-1900.11790 replaced by 11705kHz.

UNITED STATES The Voice of America has added an additional frequency of 11760 for its service to Oceania 2200-2300. The full transmission is now 1100-1200 on 5955, 9730 (Dixon): 15210 (Okinawa): 15345 (Philippines) and 2200-2300 on 11760 (Philippines); 17820, 21610 (Dixon).

STOP PRESS Radio Canada International will issue a special World DX Friendship Year QSL card for reports of reception on 1 to 9 October. Dont miss out on this one!

#### The Shortwave Bands in Retrospect.

- 20 With almost 25 years of shortwave listening behind the League, we take a random glance through the shortwave pages of the Times, in its early issues.
  - 4897 VLX4 Perth is relaying the ABC. VLM4 Brisbane is now using 4917.(June 5990 TIQ Radio Casino, San Jose is a new station.(October 1951) 1951
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    6035 Radio Noumea, "La Voix de la France dans la Pacifique" is using a 1000
    watt French built transmitter and doublet antenna.(April 1951)
  - 6040 Radio Apia, Samoa 2kw expected to test shortly on this frequency and 3410 kilocycles.(August 1951)
  - 6067 Radio Tetuan, La Voz de Espania en Africa operates 1 5am, o -11am in Spanish and Arabic. (September 1951)
  - 6110 Radio International, Tangiers is using this frequency. (April 1949)
  - 6110 Radio Free Asia beams to China over DZI3 Manila, 1.30-3.00am.(Oct.1951)
  - 6190 Radio France, Hanoi, Indo China has news in French at midnight. (Nov. 48)
  - 7080 Radio Africa, Tangiers 1kw has verified Arthur Cushen this month.
    Operates 7 10am daily.(November 1948)
  - 7098 XNNR Harbin, Manchuria has English news at 1.00am.(October 1948)
  - 7100 XGOY Chungking has English at 3.15am. (January 1949)
  - 7126 Radio Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea has news in Dutch at 11.15pm.(Oct.51)
  - 7170 Radio France Asie, Saigon in French and Chinese, 9.00pm-3.30am.(Apr.51)
  - 7200 Radio Juventud, Cadiz, Spain 600watts operates 1 3am and 8.30 11.00am.(October 1951)
  - 7210 Radio Hue, P.O.Box 65, Annam, French Indo China relays Saigon. (June 1949)
  - 7220 Mombasa, Kenya being heard in the morning with Armed Forces programme.
    (January 1949)
  - 7260 Mandalay, Burma heard in English 11.30pm Saturdays. (February 1951)
  - 7320 VED Edmonton, Alberta signs-off 7.05pm.(October 1951)
  - 7400 Pan American Radio, Tangier operates 1 3am, 8 10am. (May 1951)
  - 8000 KJOY (JJOY) AFRS Athens, Greece 375watts 6.30-7.30am Saturdays. (Oct. 48)
  - 9230 Radio Goa, Portuguese India has been heard at 4.00am.(May 1951)
  - 9505 JBD Tokyo "Repatriates Network" 7.55pm-2.00am. (March 1949)
  - 9530 Radio Gambia has been testing on this frequency. (October 1948)
  - 9530 KRHO Honolulu relays VOA Russian programmes at 11 11.30pm but suffers severe jamming.(March 1949)
  - 9650 Near East Broadcasting Service in Cyprus has begun regular transmission (November 1948)
  - 9765 Radio Leopoldville, Belgian Congo has a DX Session, 8.00am Thursdays. (October 1948)
- 9899 "Jungle Network" heard from Biak, Indonesia at 12.15am. (April 1949)

October 1948: Panamanian stations are being heard on 9500,6460,6065 & 6060kcs.

November 1948: Radio SEAC Colombo was handed over to the Ceylon Government on 30 November and will be known as Radio Ceylon. WCBN 6120 and WCBX 6060 were operated by CBS New York for the Presidential election results.

December 1948: A new gospel station, The Voice of the Antipodes will soon broadcast to the Far East on SW from Darwin. ZOY Accra, Gold Coast is testing on shortwave.

February 1949: The first verification received in NZ from Radio Moscow since World War Two, is reported by Arthur Cushen. Dutch Forces Broadcasting Service can be heard from Djogjakarta(Java) 5020 & 5620kcs, Manado(North Celebes) 9745. PL6 Batavia is using 17630, Radio Solo(Central Java) 3330kcs and Radio Macassar(Celebes) in Dutch on 11084 kilocycles.

April 1949: ZNB Mafeking, Bechuanaland heard with poor signals at 7.00am.

The Hungarian Radio Co. began operations 1 April on 6250 & 9818kcs with 400 watts; shortly to increase power to 2kw. A 100kw transmitter is under construction for SW programming in 1950.

...which all goes to prove that the DX hobby can teach us a little about history, geography, politics etc.etc...they certainly were good ol' DX days.

It was at a gathering of Otago and Southland DXers, augmented by 2 representatives from Christchurch, and held at Dunedin in 1947, that the momentous decision was made: within the next 12 months, a new DX organisation would be formed by Southland and Otago Branches of the NZ DX Club Inc. if a more practicable arrangement could not be arrived at with the DX Club HQ in Auckland. And so it came to pass that 25 years ago, at a meeting held in Invercargill, the NZ Radio DX League was formed with the late Lloyd Warburton as first President and Des Lynn as National Secretary — a position he held in both Dunedin and Christchurch for more years than the writer accurately remembers. The League was an instant success and received the support of practically all the prominent DXers throughout the country.

The second Annual Report (for 1949-50) stated: "The year just completed is beyond doubt our most successful to date; we have advanced over the past 12 months far in excess than had been thought possible a year or so ago. The League has been able to fulfil the requirements of members with an up-to-date call book, handsome ladder and best-of-the-month certificates, lapel badges and a fortnightly programme from 4XD...The circulation of the NZ DX Times numbers 123 plus 17 exchanges. Logs have been supplied to the Lamphouse, HMV and Gulbransen Radio, notes to the 'NZ Listener' as well as keeping in contact with our many overseas contacts." The notes in 'The Listener' began in July 1950 and under 3 correspondents have appeared ever since, although in 1972 the column was taken over as a personal project by Arthur Cushen. 'The Listener' however remains our main source of publicity, although the League owes much to Arthur as Public Relations Officer for the multiple sources of publicity he provides. The current membership of the NZRDXL is over 275.

The Ladder Competition, which includes both BC and SW, is the most successful DX contest we are aware of. Besides providing awards for every member as he increases his totals, it also enables him to compete each six-monthly period against DXers in the same division. Thus no re-logging is necessary or allowed. In 1953 the League inaugurated its inter-branch competitions. The Hope MacGregor Cup on Shortwave has been held by Auckland with 7 wins, Southland 4, Wellington 4, Canterbury 2, Otago 1. The story on the Broadcast Band is different, the Albert Stanton Cup going on 9 occasions to Southland, Otago 5, Wellington 2, Auckand and Canterbury once apiece. The aggregate cup, the Columbus Trophy has gone Southlands way 10 times, Otago 4, Auckland 2, Wellington 2 and Canterbury 1. The Wellington Branch has held all trophies for the past 2 years and this years results will be announced at the AGM.

Another successful League activity is the convention, first sponsored by Otago Branch at Long Beach in 1955. The next year Southland was host at Riverton Rocks and 1957 saw the first Canterbury Convention. Then followed 1958 Otago-Long Beach, 1959 Southland-Riverton Rocks, 1960 Canterbury-Leithfield Beach, 1961 Otago-Long Beach, and 1962 Taranaki Branch were hosts at New Plymouth. The following year North and South held individual gatherings, Auckland-Whangaparoa and Southland-Riverton Rocks, but neither were successful so in 1964 it was a National Convention with Canterbury at Leithfield, 1966 Wellington-Reikeorangi, 1968 Canterbury and 1972 Southland-Omaui. This years grand effort will be our 25th birthday celebrations organised by Otago for the weekend of September 29 and 30.

From our beginnings in 1948 the Adcom was centred in Dunedin until October 1962 when administration was taken over by Canterbury. September 1967 saw control return to Otago until last October when Southland became the Adcom. As Southland had been publishing DX journals for 11 years prior to 1949, they continued to do so with the NZ DX Times until August 1958, when Otago took over with new vigour. In September 1962 Canterbury assumed responsibility for production for the next 10 years. Up until this period the mimeograph method of printing had been used, but on Wellington assuming publication in November 1972, offset printing was instituted. From 1962 to 1967, thus managed both HQ affairs and the magazine.

Over the years there have been many dedicated workers and outstanding achievements, League members hold all the top honours in its field in the Southern Hemisphere and. indeed, many world records. The writer has deliberately refrained from mentioning these devoted workers and champions by name, except where necessary for continuity of this report. It is hoped to publish a series of articles forming a complete history of the club. In the meantime, the NZ Radio DX League marches on from strength to strength. A. Mervyn Branks 30/8/73

FROM HQ -

Former DXers who helped to build the NZ Radio DX League in its early stages will meet with present-day members to mark the Silver Jubilee celebrations in Dunedin on September 29 and 30. Arrangements have been completed for the anniversary and about 40 members and their wives (or girl friends) will meet in the Cherry Court Motel at noon on Saturday for a buffet luncheon and welcome. This will be followed by a bus tour. A cocktail hour will precede the main feature of the celebrations - the dinner. On Sunday morning the annual meeting of the League will take place at Cherry Court while wives will be taken to see Olveston. A buffet lunch will end the anniversary programme.

In charge of the anniversary is Peter Aburn (49227) and other members on the committee are George Beardsmore (69048) and Jack Fox (MSI 6138).

UTILITY DXING Utility Editor Bill Pearson is out of town for a few months helping organise colour TV coverage of the Commonwealth Games in Christchurch, but we hope to

keep the mailbag cleared. First out is MICHAEL POLLARD, Christchurch with a QSL card from OTC Australia 4020. (2kw SSB tx feeding a log-spiral omnidirectional antenna.) BRIAN GALL Palmerston North advises QSLs from WWV 10000, CHU 7335, Lord Howe Volmet 2898, Sydney Volmet 10020, Oakland Flight Service 8903, Honolulu 8903, Gardar 8868, WWVH 10000 & Adelaide Police VI5AP 5180. (sorry for delay Brian.) DENE LYNNEBERG Titahi Bay has reports off to Athens Coastal Radio 8796 0440, Ostende Radio 8789.6 2055, WOO Ocean Gate 0435hrs on 8759, and VIS AOTC mixed with WOO. No QSLs. ODDS & ENDS. Dene advises that the 'Vidinia' queried in our last

column is in fact Gdynia, Poland on 8757.6kHz. John Miller has a correction to the last columns note on Aeradios. Auckland Aeradio is now ZKAK not ZKAA. Ta! .000000000

LOOKING BACK ON 25 YEARS OF DXING continued.

Finally we hear from FRANK A. WILSON of Dunedin, who writes:- "When I first started DXing late 1935, some of the 'old hands' shook their heads and remarked that I had literally 'missed the bus' as so many Australian and NZ stations on the broadcast band made it almost impossible to hear any other DX. Actually there were only 1 or 2 on each channel- and only 2 allnighters in 2UW 1kw and 3AK 200w.

I 'retired' during 1954 and did not take up the hobby again until 1970. Once again the batch of 'old hands' told me I was wasting my time as 'little could be heard through the fierce jangle of Australian and NZ stations that literally monopolised the entire BC band. '

Just to show that conditions have by no means deteriorated, I have verified 361 stations in the past 32 years. Up to 1954 my log of 1222 was made up of: 253 Aust/NZ,26 Oceania,840 Nth America,2 Sth America,30 Europe,2 Africa,69 Asia with country total 51. My present collection is: 412 Aust/NZ,79 Oceania,932 Nth America, 7 Sth America, 35 Europe, 3 Africa, 115 Asia for a total of 82 countries. My latest trip to Long Beach yielded 8 loggings from 7 countries - so it seems that one can miss a bus', but catch another one right away! Kind regards to all members - past present and future."

#### 1959 CONVENTION

Group at Riverton Rocks near Invercargill, including: Edgar MacAskill 5th from left standing, George Beardsmore 7th, Ken Mackey 8th. Sutton Burtenshaw 9th, Arthur



Cushen 11th, Don Reed 13th, Des Lynn 15th, Eric McIntosh 16th, Merv Branks 18th & Jack Fox 20th. Seated: late Des Frampton & Dudley Carter.

#### HOW MANY THOUSAND QSL's THERE?

Arthur Cushen, Ken Mackey, Don Reed & Sutton Burtenshaw confronted by a crouching Merv Branks in the 'venerated 6x3' DX shack at Riverton Rocks, during the 1959 Convention.

(Current medium wave totals: 2113 + 2269 + 1043 + 628 + 1975 = 8028:)

### 1971 CONVENTION - CHRISTCHURCH

From left: Messrs S.
Reed, Aronsen, Bolton,
Knight, Lynneberg,
Babbage, Cavanagh,
McKenzie, Newman,
Corder, Kotow(Aust),
White, Gloistein,
Mainland, Williams,
Branks, Rogers, Dwyer,
A. Crawford?, D. Reed,
R. Crawford, Cushen,
Ricquish, Johnston,
Weatherley(Aust), Miss
G. Stevens, Campbell?
and Garden.

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INDONESIA. According to NASWA's Larry Yamron, Radio Republik Indonesia will reorganise between 1974 & 1979, with all shortwave stations except the foreign service, changing to medium wave.

"LOST HORIZON" In response to his request for a QSL verifying a Tibetan transmitter, Radio Peking wrote: "We can well understand your wish to have a verification card to confirm your reception report on a broadcast of the station of China's Tibet National Autonomous Region. However we are sorry to inform you that all stations in our country working on home service do not issue QSL cards to verify reception reports for their listeners, so we are unable to help you in this matter."

Dene Lynneberg.

WATCH FOR THESE Radio New Ireland at Kavieng 2428kHz and Radio West New Britain at Kimbe 2340kHz are expected on the air from Papua-New Guinea, soon.

ADXN - Jeff Cosier.

# .. sign-off.

VANE JONES GUIDE. Scott H.Lewis, 23509 - 32nd Avenue West, Brier, Washington 98036, USA is kindly offering to supply members with the North American Radio TV Guide by Vane Jones. The 9th edition, published this year lists 10,000 AM, FM & TV stations in USA, Canada Mexico, Cuba & West Indies by frequency & location. Other features include day & night powers and network affiliations. Send cash or International Money Order for US\$8.70 airmail, US\$5.90 sea.

GOODBYE GMT? From 1 January 1974,

Time Stations' WWV & WWVH will announce the time each minute in Coordinated Universal Time (C.U.T.) but this will simply be a retitling in place of Greenwich Mean Time.

ASWLC & NASWA

RADIO SINGAPORE's current schedule on SW is: English on 5052, 11940kHz 2130-1530 GMT; Malay on 6135, 7250, 2030-1530; Chinese on 6000, 9635kHz 2030-1530; also 7170 kHz 1230-1530; and Indian 7170kHz 2030-1230 GMT.

Syeriges Radio Klubb

GALAPAGOS ISLANDS La Voz de Galapagos has ordered a new higher powered SW transmitter and will change frequency, possibly to the 49 metre band. (Presently 3kw on 3520kHz to s/off 0400 GMT)

Larry Yamron - NASWA

PEACE RADIO Current sked of this Mediteranean-based 'pirate' on 1540kHz is 1100-2400 daily, except Saturday when s/on is 0800. Arabic 1900-2000, Hebrew 200-2100.

SCDX 31/7

"RADIO SEAGULL" uses Radio Caroline transmitter 1187kHz 2000-0600GMT in English, with "Radio Atlantis" in Dutch 0600-2000, all 45kW. J. Kleijn

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, RADIO NEW ZEALAND: 25 YEARS OLD, 24 SEPTEMBER 1973.

IF YOUR SUBSCRIPTION IS DUE THIS MONTH, A COLOURED STICKER WILL APPEAR HERE. RENEW YOUR SUB PROMPTLY TO ENSURE THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE.ADVICE WILL BE GIVEN TO OVERSEAS MEMBERS PRIOR TO MONTH DUE.

