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BROADCASTING AND NEWSPAPER CORPORATION

A highlight of Convention. 76 was reception of a special broadcast prepared by League member Tony King and aired by Radio Cook Islands at 0800 GMT on Friday 6 February. We thank the station management and especially Mr Nooroa Tangaroa, for their fine cooperation. Unfortunately there was insufficient time for widespread publicity but all branches were advised of the Special.

An unexpected bonus came after the special broadcast when it was announced that relays of Radio New Zealand's External Service were being carried on 3265kHz in the 90 metre band and reception was at fair level till 0900 GMT.

We have just learnt that ZK6, 3265kHz with 500 watts is being used for tropical broadcasting trials between 1930 and 0730 GMT, relaying Radio NZ. A wideband vertical monopole antenna is being utilised and the trials are two-fold: (a) to determine ground wave coverage, and (b) to gain experience in relay broadcasting for outer island service. Reports from NZ are sought to determine the skywave coverage.

As noted above, the tests have been noted till 0900. Reception reports should be addressed to P.O.Box 98, Rarctonga, Cook Islands. A 20 cent NZ postal note (redeemable in Rarctonga) should be included for return post.

LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP continues to grow steadily, with subscribing members now 361, up 20% on February 1975. With 14 DX Club exchanges, that makes Times circulation this month - 375. 76 magazines go overseas, 68 by airmail, accounting for 20% of membership. Thank you all for your continued support:

SUMMER TIME in New Zealand concludes early on Sunday 7 March, although for some of us the summer hasn't yet started, hi!

RADIO LORD HOWE ISLAND, Lord Howe Island, NSW 2898 is a new community radio station, operating with 12 watts on 1490kHz. Reception reports wanted. May be possible considering how well Norfolk Island is sometimes heard. (via RA)

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE: MONDAY 1 MARCH. DETAILS OF YOUR DX, QSL's & BEST-OF-THE-MONTH ENTRIES TO BOX 2956, WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND.

SOUTHLAND The January meeting was held at Paul Aronsens with 14 present. Details were finalised for a barbeque on 21 February, a DX meeting at Tiwai on 23 February, and a weekend listening at Riverton Rocks on 6-7 March. It was decided to investigate the possibilities of a display during the winter Festival of Arts. Competition Results: BCB Ray Crawford & Arthur Williams KVET 1300 1kw; Arthur Cushen Voice of Peace 1540; Arthur Williams Radio Paradise. SW Over 9: Wyn Machon RSA 17780. Under 9: Bruce Cavanagh VOA Munich 3980 8kw.

CANTERBURY The January meeting was held at David Ricquish's on the 17th with 8 members present. The next meeting will be at Austin Hadlers on 21 February. Competitions: BCB all categories to David Ricquish with CHAB 800 10kw, JOUB 770 and 3ZZ 1220. SW Over 9: Peter Mott RSA 17780; Under 9 to Austin Hadler and Sofia, Bulgaria 6070.

WELLINGTON The next meeting will be held at Bryan Clark's, 47 Upper Watt St., Wadestown on Sunday 29 February at 2.30pm.

FROM HEADQUARTERS

INCREASED SUBSCRIPTION RATES are effective immediately. The annual rate for NZ is now \$5.00 (Family subscription \$7). A joining fee of \$1 still applies. Overseas rates to be advised.

'DXING MADE EASY', the booklet distributed to all new members has been reprinted. These will in future be sent out in the New Members Kit prepared by Magcom in Wellington. Any other member seeking a copy should send \$1 to Adcom at P.O.Box 1313, Invercargill.

STATIONERY The new metric sized stationery items - aerogramme report forms at at 50 for 85 cents, aerogramme letterheads at 50 for 85 cents, and standard letterheads at 50 for 55 cents are now in stock. Note the new prices for the aerogramme stationery. Orders to the Stationery Secretary at Box 1313, Invercargill.

Postage Hike. Substantial postage increases took effect on 2 February. Summarising the rates of most concern to the DXer -

AIRMAIL Zone A: Australia

Letter(per 20z) Aerogramme 15 cents 10 cents

and South Pacific Zone B: Asia and 25 cents

North America Zone C: Europe,

30 cents 18 cents South America and Africa

16 cents

Letters % up to 1 oz. Postcards 8 cents. To other countries:

To Australia, most of Asia and Pacific (AOPU members):

Letters 14c up to 1 oz. Postcards 10 cents.

IRCs now 36 cents each! REGISTRATION FEE - 30 cents.



RADIO NEDERLAND

4 March, a new technical course will be aired in DX Jukebox.

SURFACE

THE DUTCH WORLD BROADCASTING SYSTEM P.O. BOX 222 HILVERSUM HOLLAND

Taking up where the previous DX receiver course left off, the TRANSISMOR COURSE consists of 12 lessons in all. They will be broadcast over a pariod of 24 weeks, with every

Commencing on Thursday

lesson being repeated in the week following. As usual the course is available to Radio Nederland listeners free of charge. The course will be mailed out in sets of 4 lessons and students will automatically receive the next set of lessons when the mail the answers to the questions supplied, to Radio Nederlands DX Jukebox. ENROL - RIGHT NOW!

BROADCAST DX with Bryan Clark 3

Convention 76 was, from a mediumwave point of view, very successful. Rain throughout the weekend did not prevent reception of most of the regular North American stations: WBZ Boston Massachussets and KTWO Casper Wyoming, both on 1030 were well heard and KCRG Cedar Rapids Iowa on 1600 was probably the pick of the lower powered stations heard. That was on Friday night, for on the Saturday night the Yanks were soon submerged in the early appearance of Japanese and Aussie signals. Sunday morning surprised with good reception of a wide range of European and Middle Eastern stations, and for the very early risers there were Asian's a'plenty. The greatest pleasure was, of course, to meet and chat with many of the regular contributors to this section!

RADIO U, operated by Canterbury University, will broadcast from Christchurch on 1230kHz with 98 watts output, from Monday 23 February to Saturday 6 March. This is a temporary licence similar to those granted to Auckland and Otago Universitys in the past. Hours of operation will be - Monday to Friday at 8.00am-9.00am, 12 noon-1.00pm and 5.00pm-7.00pm. Saturday & Sunday from noon -2.00pm. All times quoted are NZ Summer Time. Thanks Arthur Cushen for info:

Across the Tasman, 5AA, Adelaide's 4th commercial station is due on air during March on a frequency of 1390kHz, per info from Bill Vogel & John Allchin. Other details of this one in the December 1975 Times.

Radio Windy's change to 890kHz at 10am on Monday 26 January was a little earlier than we predicted last month, but we weren't the only ones who mis-calculated: Radio Windy had newspaper adverts on 28/1 announcing their move the following day! The frequency move has enhanced DX prospects here; 1020 through 1180kHz was plagued with 2ZM/2XW images etc, but is now all clear. Certainly Windy's hope to improve their coverage doesn't seem to have been completely successful, according to comments from members on reception of the new channel.

Southland Branch's Tiwai Listening Post continues to show it's excellence, but North Otago's site, high above Oamaru and overlooking the Pacific, is now in use. Philip Hope and Paul Ormandy have already spent a couple of nights at the dials, and there's every indication that the branch has a winner!

Latest from Alan Roycroft via David Ricquish is that KIPA 620 was going to 5kw in mid-January and KIOE (K-108) on 1080kHz returned to the air around that time. An application has been lodged for 5kw on 1600kHz in Honolulu.

A Bumper Mailbag beginning with ... DENE LYNNEBERG Wellington has QSL'd KDKA, 8AL, JODD 1530, KELI, 4NA 920.

RAY CRAWFORD Invercargill logged at Tiwai: XERH, XEB, KMPS, KVET, Funafuti 580, XESS 1450, XETP 1360, HJTU 1360. Reloj 1300, Ecos del Combeima 1025, Windy 890. At home: 3EA, 4AM, JOJK, KLAC 570, DYDY 570, Port Moresby 1250. Veries from 2TR 760, KMPS, KVET. Good to see you at Convention Ray! Have you got the time, hi?

GAVIN BENNETT Invercargill, using a National 74 transistor & 40" loop has reported XEROK, WBAP, KOA, KRVN, WLS, CJVI, KJR, KOMO, KDKA, WBZ, XEPRS, CKWX, KSL, KEX, CFRN, KTOM (again), KPOI, KCEY. QSLs from 2XG, KFBK, KSL, CFRN, 4TO(23 mths), CJVI, XEPRS. See above re yr Hawaiian. My interpretation of League verification rule 10(see DXing Made Easy) says you cant count 4ZA twice. Many thanks for notes! ALEX WELLNER Sydney, NSW recently visited NZ and logged Suva 710 and 2LT. Fiji QSL back in only 10 days! All the best Alex.

LYALL MATHIESON Paerca has verified 4YA, YC, ZB, YW, YQ, ZA, 1ZU, 3YW, ZA, YZ, ZC, 2YM, YX, ZN. Reports out to 2ZE, 4YZ, 2FC.

DES DAVEY reports improving conditions & reports out to Cook Islands 600, KGMB, Fiji 560,640,680,810,930 and 850(? are you sure re last frequency Des. Perhaps you mean 890 or Gilbert Is 844.Ed)

PETER MOTT Christchurch keeps the flag flying with a QSL from 4ZA.

LAURIE BOYER, Invercargill has logged 2XW 890, HJER, HJLK, CKFH, Kuwait 1130, Cook Is. 600, WSZD. Veries: Paradise, Suva 710. Noumea 2ZP, 3ZO, KMPS, Raki Raki 1470.

BRYAN CLARK Wellington logged at home -KCRG 1600. At Convention 76 - DWRF 1470, Hong Kong 545, Istanbul 1016, Albania 1214. QSLs KCRG, KDWN 720 (NZ 1st), WSM, WMAQ, 2CH 2HD.4QS,4BU,KMPS.

CHRIS MARTIN, Sydney - "Aussie's most active MW DXer, has QSLs in from CBK,6DL,2ZC, LMMS, ZKP, LYC, QY, ZBY,YB and Gwalior 1390. Logged at home: KGO, LTO LWP,QR,UH,KFRC. Reported at Convention: A3Z,KTWO,KCRG,Paradise. Great to have you with us Chris! Again soon?

JOHN ALICHIN Auckland on a brief stay at Whangaroa logged: 1XA,XI,YK,ZB,YE,ZE,ZK,KEX,KORL,KDAY,CKLG,WVUV,A3Z. Reported from home: 2CR,SM,NX,GZZH,LF,4GR(While 1YZ off),4GY,ZB,AK,5PA,KA,1ZA,QSLs back from CKLG,1XI,ZBYK,YE,ZE,ZK,XX, 2SM,CR,ZN,WL,CA,KM,ZM3ZC,XA,GL,4WK,GR,5KA,7LA,A3Z. No doubt you'll be looking forward to next holiday. We ran 'Equipment Review" of members receivers as a feature between July 1973 and March 1975. Plan to resume before too long.

IAN WELLS Milton now using a loop ant -enna, has logged 7LA, WVUV, Paradise 1265,5PI,AD, KHVH, KGMB, XERF, KDAY, KFBK, KXYZ, KPNW, KTRH, KOMA, KPOL, A3Z, XEPRS & KVOO, QSLs from 7LA,5PI,AD, KHVH, KTRH.

DAVID FELDON Rotorua has veries from CKLG, KEX, Rhema, KFBK, 4YW, 2ZB. Logs of 1ZT, KNEW, WVUV, KGMB, KFRC, 2ZB. Thanks!

ARTHUR CUSHEN Invercargill has report -ed JOEF 920(12/1 with 3YZ off), Sabah 1475, KTWO. QSLs from 2CC 1210, Voice of Peace 1540, CJVB, Babylon 1038, JOIR, JOKK. Regards to you and Ralda.

PAUL EDWARDS Wellington on a DXpedition to Whakatane logged KSL, KFI, KTWO, WBAP, WLW, KING, KVOO, WBBM, KPOL, KDAY and XEPRS. At home - KNX, KIOE, WOAI, KXEL. QSLs from KORL, KSL(12 days), WLW, KPOL, WBBM(17 days, IRC returned) and Vladivostok 1250. Amongst them now Paul:

ANDREW WHITE Christchurch has QSL'd KPOL, KGBS and WMAQ.

GRAEME BAMFORD Tauranga has a lone QSL from KXEL but reports out to KOB, KGMB, WBAP, Fiji 710,1Z0,4QD. Your 2ZP/ZH QSL should only be counted for 2ZP if that was all you reported on. All QSLs count in the ladder - one per station that is.

Graeme HUTCHISON Kaiapoi has logged KDAY and QSL'd 3ZO, KOMA, KSTP. XERF used to have EE earlier in evening. I heard them in SS at 0645 GMT last Wed.

ASH NALLAWALLA Dunedin, another Conventioneer has reported 3TR, KEPRS, HLOA (tent), Fiji 560, CMW, 3UZ, 2WG, GZ, HD, MW, LM, VOA Poro, 4QS, AK, RO, Fiji 810. QSLs KOA, JOVR (the 100w refers to two repeaters also on 1400kHz with the 5kw.

Ash Nallawalla QSLs continued: 3SR,SH,GL,ZB,ZC,ZM,BO, 2NZ,BE,LF,ZC,ZN,ZG,ZD,ZH,ZW,ZP,NC,KP,ZA,CH,CKWX(IRC returned) 3DB,Paradise,Hauraki,1YK,ZB,ZB,XX,ZM,ZK,ZE,ZN,ZC,4QW,YA,ZB,YW,MK,QL,JOLF,5AN and KFVS 960 - a NZ first asks Ash?

PAUL RAWDON Lower Hutt has a verie from KAIM and reports out to KGMB, KTWO, KNEW, KGIL, KFRE, KABC, CKLG, Fiji 890, WVUV 1120, 7AD, ZK1ZC. After Convention 76 Paul says he's looking forward to ChCh in '77.

PHILIP HOPE Oamaru has logged KALI, KGIL HJAD, WXLE, KTOM, KCEY, KEX, KFAC, WWWE, 4XD, 2LF, LM, ST, BY, KM, 7LA, ,ZR, Windy 890, 4MB, 3ZO, KMPS, WIZM, KEEN, 3AR, 4QG, 4RK, RO, JOSF, CKWX, Wor Por Thor 705. Convention logs KNDI, XEPRS, Cook Is. 600, KTWO, A3Z, KDAY, 2AY, Lone verie: 2ZM. Plenty due soon Philip:

COLIN CAMPBELL Rotorua has reported WSM, Funafuti 580, KGMB, Lautoka 640,680, KKUA, KORL, KMVI and a Radio Emisora Nacional? on 620. Canary Islands extremely unlikely Colin as 1640 GMT 90 mins before sunset there.

ALAN ROBSON Christchurch has logged KNDI XEPRS, KTRH, KXYZ, 2CH, NU, KP, NR. QSLs in from Fiji 1470, WMAQ, WGN, 2KP, NU, NR, KNBR, WLW, KGBS, KNDI, KFRE, KTRH. Thanks Alan.

BRUCE CAVANAGH Invercargill has veries from 2LM, 6IX and 5PI.

PHILIP BROOKS Wanganui sports QSLs from WLW and Singapore 790. Logged KDAY, KGA, PJB and Paradise at ye Eds, and a third report to 1ZU from home.

PAUL ORMANDY Oamaru logged KVEN & KALI while visiting Tiwai. At Convention 76: Cook Islands 600, KTWO, KRLD. At Oamaru: 2GZ,CN,ZB,LF,XW,KM,BY,LM,ST,3CV,AR,YB,4BK,IP,QO,2B,MB,WK,AK,MK,QG,RK,RO,5PI,DN,XEBG 1550,7SD,LA,HT,ZR,KTOM,KGIL,KDBHJAD,KEX,KGB,KOEY,KFAC,WWWE,WESR 1330 (what id hrd Paul? This station not sked at this time,0800 GMT), WWWE,JOER,JOFK,SF,QR,Canton 1340,KONP 1450 at C910(this sked off 0800 per NRC),KIOE,KORL,WSZD,KMPS,WIZM,KEEN,BED62 1000,Wor Phor Thor 705,CKWX,CMKV,KGBS. QSLs from 5AN,IC,3YW,Fiji 890,3ZO,KELI and WENN 1320.

BEST OF THE MONTH

OPEN. Radio Paradise 1265kHz 50kw Basseterre, St Kitts. 131 points.

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655 705 880	KYAK 1245. AN. 1530 under KORL.CC Russian here 1655 poor. CC Wor Phor Thor vg in Thai 1330.PO KRVN strong, ident 1300. GB JOPK vg with JJ play 1204. PO
940 960 973 1016	KFRE fair 1320. GB KOOL news fair 1400. GB Yuzhno vg 1300 RR mx. PO Istanbul over Indonesian 1708.BC
1070 1090 1120	AIR Rajkot 1503 Pushto, fair. AN KING fair 1340.GB.XEPRS 1314.AN 3EA s/off 1200 GMT on loop. RCr Radio Samoa news good 1354. PR
1130 1160 1214 1240 1260	CKWX and JOQR 1354-1400. PO KSL 'Traffic Report' 1420 gd.GB Tirana in Italian 1800. BC JOLF JJ fair 1419-1429. AN KGIL fair 1447-1450. GB AN
1310 1330 1334	CFRN fair 1335. GB KDIA 1458-1503 fair. AN JOSF vg id & play 1313. PO Jakarta vg 1400-1600.PO.1740.FC
1340 1350 1380	Peking FS vg 1200-1230,1300- PO JOER vg ids often. 1621. PO China here 1330 //605,625,645,PO 655,725,730,800,1095,1125,1225. Albania fair 1731.
1466 1470 1529 1554 1575	Monte Carlo vg 1745. BC DWRF with CC relig. 1530. BC Vatican Radio fair 1730. BC Nice in FF, good 1735. BC Sharjah good in AA 1730. BC
717	EVENING

600	ZK1ZC Rarotonga with Convention Special 0802 6/2 fair. Many
670 690 700	Lautoka good 1015.Also 680kHz.CC Noumea exc FF 0746. PE KKUA under 3YA 0815. CC WLW good 0741. PE KTRH CBS Nx,wx,local nx 1000.AR
770	KTWG aired Convention greetings

770 KTWG aired Convention greetings at 0930 & 1200 6/2 but regretably not heard under JOUB.

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	KABC Nx fair 0909.	PR
760	KGU thru 1YA 0933.	GB
800	PJB strong in Spanish 0815.	JB
820	WBAP good NBC Nx 0700.	PE
1020	KDKA good, ident 0902.	GB
1030	WBZ "Radio 103" fair 0943.	GB
	KTWO exc 0700 NBC Nx.PE. 073	
1080	KANC 0903 id after news, good	.PO
	KRLD Phone show, Mutual net. O	
	KIOE 'K-108' pops strong 090	OBC

1090 XEPRS "Express" pop oldies vg 0909.BC.Mixed KING 0800 fair.PEAR 1110 KFAB Serenade at Night, fair 0815AR 1120 KPNW with WVUV 0905, good. PE GB 1170 KV00 "50,000 watt Big Country"0838 GB. "Big Country Radio" 0703. PE 1190 KEX hrd 0745-1450 vg level.PO.PEGB 1260 CFRN News, steady 0800. C 1300 KVET Nx, wx often 0815. RCI 1330 HJAD Todelar id 0835 poor. PO BC KFAC excellent 0730. PO 1360 XETP 0750 21/12. RCT 1370"KEEN Country" very good, 0816. PO 1380 KPOI rock music vg 0800. BC CB138 Colo Colo ident 0830 19/1.BC 1390 KCEY wx 0915.GB 0800 very good. PO 1450 XESS exc 0900. WSZD 0843 fair in Ponapean. PE KMBL with ident 0857. 1451 Unid Latin regularly since mid-Jan 0800-0900.Id as "Radio Reye?" perhaps Radio Alegre ex YVZQ? BC 1470 CJVB regretably not hrd with two

1470 CJVB regretably not hrd with two Convention special prgms 0815 & 1345 7/2. Only XESM & Fiji hrd.

1490 2AY strong signal with Convention Call 1002 7/11. Many

1540 KXEL good with rock 0806.No KPOLPE 1550 XEBG vg in EE! 0837.

1580 KDAY with briefest of DX calls O802 7/2. Poor for once! Many

DON'T FORGET WE DON'T REPEAT EVERY ITEM FROM MONTH TO MONTH. MANY OF THE LISTINGS IN LAST MONTHS TRAIL WILL STILL BE HEARD.

Contributors:Colin Campbell, Jim Benzoni, Ray Crawford, Gavin Bennett, Paul Edwards mainly from Whakatane DXpedition, Paul Ormandy, Bryan Clark, Ash Nallawalla, Paul Rawdon, Alan Robson. Thanks fellahs!

IRCA (International Radio Club of America) P.O.Box 21462, Seattle, Washington 98111 is the second largest BCB club in the US, (after the NRC) with 400 members. Their mag 'DX Monitor' is now posted from Canada, allowing them to offer airmail subs to anywhere in the world of US\$12. The mag is published 34 times a year. Items from 17/1 issue:

1090 KBOZ Bozeman, Mt 5kw day/night auth. to start operations.

1300 KMFB Mendicino to 5kw D from 1kw. 1320 KOZY Grand Rapids Mn moving here ex 1490, with 5kw DA-N.

1600 WAPX 1kw/1kw requests WXVI.
1380 KZUL Arizona to 2.5kw D from 1kw.
NNRC have DX Special from WCVS 1450kHz,
Springfield, Illinois 23 February from
0700 to 0800GMT.

PACIFIC ASIAN REPORT

NORTH KOREA External Service on BCB from Pyongyang includes 1100-1800 in Korean to South Korea on 800,735,685 and 655kHz; in Korean to Japan 1030-1100 on 800,735,685 and 655kHz, and in Japanese to Japan 0900-1500 on 635kHz. BBC MS(c)

Radio Pyongyang, the Korean Central Broadcasting Station scheduled 2000-1800 on 785 and 725kHz, 1500-1800 on 635kHz and is also heard on 1125, 915, 810, 765 and 565kHz. BBC MS(c)

North Korean regional stations relay the domestic service, except for 3 periods during the day (including 1100-1120) when local programming is broadcast.

+Chongjin, North Hamgyong Province. 2000-1800 on 1145,987,695kHz. +Haeju, South Hwanghae Province. 2000-1500 on 1080kHz.

+Hamhung, South Hamgyong Province. 2000-1800 on 1000kHz.

+Hyesan, Yangyang Province. 2000-1800 on 1285 and 733kHz.

+Kaesong City. 2000-1800 on 810kHz. +Kanggye Chagong Province. 2000-1800 on 1345kHz.

+Pyongyang City Service. 2000-1800 on 725Khz.

+Sariwon, North Hwanghae Province. 2000-1800 on 930kHz.

+Sinuiju, North Pyongyang Service. 2000-1800 on 860kHz.

Wonsan, Kangwon Province. 2000-1800 on 826kHz.

BBC MS (c)

SOUTH KOREA Radio Korea's External Service on mediumwave includes: 1200 Korean, 1230 Japanese, 1330-1400 Korean, all on 970kHz. 1300-1330 in Chinese on 600kHz. 1500-1600 in Japanese on 890kHz. BBC MS(c)

BANGLADESH Radio Bangladesh 690kHz from Dacca with 1000kw is on air daily 1155-1730 GMT. Reports in SINPO are requested in a letter from A.M.M. Aabad (for Chief Engineer) at Govt. of Bangladesh, Directorate General, Radio Bangladesh, 145/A, Road No.2 Dhanmondi R/A, Dacca 5. Dene Lynneberg

IRAN Two 20kw transmitters to carry the Second programme from Sari, will operate on 1290 and 770kHz.BBC MS(c)

INDIA AIR's new transmitters at Port

JORDAN A new transmitter carrying the domestic service from Amman has been observed on 912kHz since 29/10. An Amman newspaper the same day stated that a new 1200kw transmitter located in the Ajlun area had started experimental transmissions. BBC MS (c)

INDONESIA Under a contract with Sumitomo Shoji Kaisha of Japan, RRI MW stations of 50kw each will be set up in Palembang, Pakenbaru and Banjarmasin, 100kw in Ujung Padang, 10kw at Semarang. BBC

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES The Ministry of Information in Dubai has ordered a 750 kw Marconi MW transmitter. By 1977, when installation is scheduled to be completed, the Dubai station, broadcasting domestic and external programmes, will have total output capability around BBC MS(c) 1500kw.

CHINA Current frequency usage of Radio Peking's domestic services: 1330, 980,870,850,760,660,640,630,570,560 & 540kHz from 2000 to s/off 1735 GMT. 1020kHz from 1500-1735. 1040kHz 1545-1735, 1160kHz 2000-1100.All the above frequencies carry the 1st programme. Frequencies for the 2nd programme are 720,710,630,610kHz all 2100-1500 GMT. 1120kHz 1300-1500. 600kHz 2100-1000.

PLA Fukien Front Station broadcasts to Taiwan and offshore islands in standard Chinese and Amoy. Network I on 1020, 930 and 670kHz at 1000-0530 GMT. Network II on 1540,1380,1010,950,820 at 0230-1902 GMT. All BBC MS (c)

SRI LANKA Dr Paul E. Freed, President of T.R, has announced in Colombo that agreement has been made with the SLBC for the installation of a 400kw BCB transmitter supplied by the French Thomson organisation. This and antennae will be shipped to Sri Lanka mid-year and on-air date is scheduled for late 1976. 700 million people live in the target areas: Bangladesh, Burma, India and Pakistan and programmes will be in the major languages of these countries. Sri Lanka will be the sixth location for TWR's operations and will give a cumulative transmitter output of five million watts by 1977.

WESTERN SAMOA 2AP reported to be on 1050kHz with 3kw and 1420 with 10kw. in EE & Samoan. DSWCI via WWDXC

JOHNSTON ISLAND AFRTS has dropped its MW outlet 1250FHz and now uses FM only: 99.5 and 101.7mHz. WRTVH via WWDXC

Blair in the Andaman Islands went on air 6/11. (Perhaps power boost on 1440?)

EUROPEAN DX NEWS

GREECE Per latest VOA Sked, the Rhodes and Kavala stations are now 500kw.

LEST GERMANY SWF Rheinsender 1016 to increase power from 300kw to 600kw. DLF Mainflingen 1538 will increase its night-time power from 350 to 750kw. DLF Bad Dursheim 548 increasing to 100 kw from 20kw.

At least 2 German stations will change frequencies following agreement at the

At least 2 German stations will change frequencies following agreement at the International Radio Conference, Geneva. WDR Landenburg 1586 will move to 1594 and BR Munich 1602 will move to an, as yet unspecified frequency. BBC MS(c)

MALTA Deutsche Welle 1570kHz scheduled 7400-1750 in GG, 1800-1850 in Turkish and 1900-2055 in Arabic.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA Power increases under way: Prague 638, Nitra 1016, Bratislava 1097, Frague Foreign Service 1286, all to 1500kw. Presov 701, Kosice 1520 to 600kw. Bystrica 701 and Brno 953 will increase to 400kw. Rauch MWC via NRC

BELGIUM Veltem has moved from 1511 to 1513kHz.

Belgian Radio-TV are seeking increase to 600kw from 20kw for above outlet.

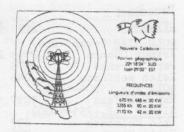
SPAIN RNE National prgm carried 24hrs on Madrid 584 100/200kw, Tenerife in Canary Islands 620 100kw, Sevilla 683 125/250kw, Barcelona 737 125/250kw. New stations of RNE are Almeria 638 10kw, Logrono 728 10kw, Valencia and Caceres both on 773 with 50kw each, Crense 773 with 10kw, Pontevedra 854 10kw. Over half the MW stations in Spain are due to move to FM in the next few years. BDMC via SRK, BBC MS.

IRELAND RTE has been testing their new 500kw transmitter on 566kHz, with a test output of 150kw. The new site at Tullamore has been chosen for its good ground conductivity. Reports request to Reception Investigations, RTE, Donnybrook, Dublin 4. Collins SUDXers 11/75

VATICAM adio's MW sked is 1259kHz in 1315 Armenian, 1830 Ukrainian, 1845-1900 in RR (part sked only). On 1529kHz programmes include:1630 Italian, 1700 Rumanian, 1715 Bulgarian, 1730 Arabic, 1745 Albanian(exc.Sat), 1800 Slovens, 1815 Croat, 1830 German, 1845 Hungarian, 1900 Czech, 1915 Slovak, 1930 Folish, 1945 Holy Rosary, 2000 multilingual FF EE & SS prgm. BBC NS (c)

STATION

MONTH



"Vous ecoutez Radio Noumea". That is the callsign of what must be one of the easiest to hear radio stations in the South Pacific. The offices of Radio Noumea or F.R.3, lie in a remote back street of Noumea - Rue Guynemer. It is found along with the TV station within the walls of the old ORTF building. From the outside it appears quite shabby - but within it is quite modern.

On a recent holiday in New Caledonia I paid them a visit to see how it was done! We were gladly shown around by a very pleasant and helpful man - Monsieur Jacky Aubert. He told us that the major problem encountered by Radio Noumea was the French government's attitude to colonial broadcasting stations. The attitude was one of an over -protective mother and consequently the station's quality of productions suffered. So strict is France, that it has decreed that all news broadcasts must ememate from the French Press Service, and therefore, using a hypothetical case - if a war broke out between NZ and Australia - Radio Noumea could not broadcast news of the event unless it came from the French Press Service. If they chose to ignore it, nothing could be broadcast!

I told M.Aubert about the confusion that reigned in NZ DX circles a few years back when an unusual French broadcast was heard around 1410kHz - it was later identified as an extension of the 670kHz service. He simply laughed and said he thought it surprising that it was heard at all, considering it was only a 4kw station.

All in all, it was quite an interesting visit. We met very helpful and friendly people who are a credit to the service they perform. And on the strength of my visit, I would recommend any DXer who happens to be in Noumea to pay them a a visit - it is well worth it!

Stuart Forsyth

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Gay Johnston	114	-		10	Bob Boundy 248	55 58
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on Sw. faces on the radger are; John Allchin, Sturrt Forsyth, Philip Hope, and Myn Machon. RAY BABBAGE

Recently Robin Chambers of Opunake, in the shadow of Mount Egmont, logged 4JA Julia Creek, Queensland 570kHz. The remarkable thing was that powerhouse 2YA was very much on the air at the time and Robin was utilising a method which has netted him some very fine catches in the past - the Cardioid array. In this article he tells us....

WHAT IS A CARDIOID ARRAY.

Theoretically and often in practice it is one or more antennas (long wire) and medium-wave loop, tuned to receive signals equally from all directions except one.

For best results, standard equipment would be: a medium wave loop (see 1/73 DK Times or brochure included in all New Members Kits), a loop booster (see 12/73 Times), two 10,000 ohm potentiometers, a longwire antenna of any length and a wavetrap. Extra longwires and wavetraps may be added. Connect them up

as shown in Fig I. Potentiometers can be mounted on a small piece of hardboard and screwed to the side of the booster.

This method can give a very sharp null indeed, far sharper and deeper than with an ordinary loop. For example, let us try to null 2ZB Wellington. Firstly turn loop for maximum pick-up and tune

LOOP DIENTIOMETERS

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BOOSTER

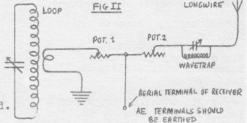
TO RECEIVER

for maximum gain. Then swing loop to best null position. The potentiometer for the loop should be set at minimum resistance. Now adjust the potentiometer on the longwire for a null (watch for dip on the receiver's S-meter). Next tune the wavetrap for a null. It may be necessary to readjust the "pot", and also the position of the loop. Try now adjusting the "pot" on the loop coax (although this probably won't have much effect).

By now there should be a considerable reduction in the strength of 2ZB. If not, try the procedure again from the beginning. Peak 2ZB on the loop, then null the signal by turning the loop around, but this time use the null achieved by pointing the loop in the opposite direction, and continue the procedure. It takes time and practice but can be very rewarding DX-wise!

The Wavetrap. One single gang 500pf mediumwave tuning condenser in series with 150 turns of copper enamelled wire (24 SWG) on a 14" diameter coil former or piece of broom handle. I have two mounted in a wooden box with sockets for aerial connections etc.

Similar effects to those outlined above can often be achieved without the booster, but in this case the coil and tuning condenser (capacitor) of the wavetrap should be in parallel. Again, a fantastic null can be achieved in one direction only, and sometimes a slight null in the opposite direction. Directivity and selectivity of loops are greatly enhanced. See Fig II.



TO LONGWIRE

(MMSHEDD)

COIL -150 TURNS

TRP ON SOTH TURN

AND SWITCH IN/OUT

AS SHOWN.
WAVETRAP COIL HAS
ADDITIONAL TAP ON

Thanks to Robin for these details. Clearly there is plenty of room for experimentation, so start winding your wavetraps now!

CONVENTION '77

CHRISTCHURCH....WILL YOU BE THERE?
WATCH THE DX TIMES FOR DETAILS!

CONVENTION

Convention '76 has come and gone, and despite a weekend of bad weather it was judged highly successful by all who attended. The programme organised by the Wellington group provided plenty of variety, with a number of innovations and inevitable surprises which added to the full enjoyment of the weekend. It was

ROLL CALL

Chris Martin, Sydney.
Paul Edwards, Wellington
Terry Gloistein, Wellington
Bruce Williams, Wellington
Bryan Clark, Wellington
Bryan Clark, Wellington
Barry Williams, Auckland
John Mainland, Wellington
Brian Oliver, Wellington
Brian Oliver, Wellington
Tene Lynneberg, Wellington
Fred Clements, Wellington
Tony King, Wellington
Peter Grenfell, Oamaru
Michael Pollard, Temuka
Graeme Hammond, New Plymouth
Leigh Morris, Palmerston Nth
Arthur & Ralda Cushen, In-

-wercargill Harry Weatherley, Melbourne Dick & Noel Whittington,

Melbourne Michael Cundy, Wellington Ash Nallawalla, Dunedin Chris Mackerell, Nelson John Newman, Oamaru Paul Rawdon, Wellington Philip Brooks, Wanganui Bryan Marsh, Auckland Philip Hope, Oamaru Brian Withers, Christchurch Jim Benzoni, Hamilton Jack Buckley, Sydney Ray Crawford, Invercargill Jack Searle, Haumoana Arthur Williams, Invercargill Robin Chambers, Opunake John Brennan, Paremata John Durham, Meremere Philip Bolton, Wellington Ray Babbage, Wellington Derek Benfell, Wellington Paul Ormandy, Oamaru Nigel Robins, Wellington David Ricquish, Christchurch Tony Marr, Wellington Arthur Kindell, Levin Bill Pearson. Wellington Lorraine Withers, Christchurch indeed a thrill for all the locals to have a strong contingent from Australia, and for perhaps the first time, have the active participation of three ladies at a Convent-ion - Ralda Cushen, Noel Whittington, and Lorraine Withers.

The venue at Tatum Park proved ideal with the group accommodated in five motels and two tents, with do-them-yourselves brekfasts in each unit, while the main evening meal was taken in the Tatum Dining Room - and what a pleasant experience this was too. It certainly was a far cry from the half-cooked savs of Conventions past :

The programme got under way on Friday 7th at 2.p.m. with a roll call and coffee in the TV1 Studio block at Avalon, before a comprehensive tour of the complex led by Bill Perason and several of the technical wizards. 5.15. saw the arrival of the first cars at Manakau, and settling in to the huts allocated. Everyone was pleasantly surprised to see that the huts had been named after prominent radio personalities or broadcasting personnel, and hence we had the Harry Van Gelder Hut, Keith Glover Hut, Alan Roycroft Hut, Arne Skoog Hut, Earle Fisher Hut, and the two tents - for the Wellington lads who needed 'drying out.' Each hut was wired to a long wire of some 300' in length - four of them lashed to a convenient flagpole which had been scaled earlier in the day by Terry Gloistein

PHOTO PAGE KEY

TOP Convention group at Tatum Park,
Manakau. 8th x 6th enlargements are
available from Bryan Clark, Box
638, Wellington for 75 cents each.
MIDDLE ROW Left. Bidding was brisk and

MIDDLE ROW Left. Bidding was brisk and enthusiastic in the auction. Phil Bolton displays his wares while Tony King keeps track of the bidding. Centre: Jack Searle and Ash Nallawalla framed in BCB loop.

Right: David Ricquish, Paul Ormandy, Paul Rawdon, Ash Nallawalla, ponder the location of 'Radio Guano.'

External Services, in discussion with Leigh Morris, Philip Hope, and Harry Weatherley.

Right; Group at Avalon - Ray Babbage, Harry Weatherley, (obscured) John Durham, Lorraine and Brian Withers at back, Ray Crawford, Chris Martin, Jim Benzoni, John Newman, Barry Williams, Paul Edwards.

Photos - Bryan Clark.

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and his rigging gang. Dinner was at 6, so after warming up the sets, everyone trooped into the dining room for the first of our smorgasbord meals. After dinner, 'goodies' packs were distributed to compliment the special issue of Capital DX handed out at Avalon - special notepaper had been printed, matches from Radio America, Lima, the usual brochures on the area, a preview of DXCURSION '77, and the good deal in digital clocks available at the Convention.

7.15. and we had our first call from Radio New Zealand in the Mailbox programme, and then all loops were swung north for the Cook Islands on 600 Khz. Despite Stateside interferen--ce until five minutes after the 12 minute programme started, the special was well received, and the strains of the Neketini Brass inter--spersed with a voice from Wellington came through well. More exciting was the announcement from the station that a transmitter on 3265 khz was also on the air, and most took the opportunity of catching this 500 watt transmitter. Over coffee and other nutriments we caught the RNZ call again, and while most chased the Yanks, attempts were made to raise the KTWG call at 10.30 on 770. Some DX'ed all night - but apart from the chorus of mosquitoes and thud of moths little of note was recorded on Friday night.

Saturday dawned wet - so the programme called for our panel discussion on the subject "Does New Zealand need a voice on Shortwave." The subject was introduced by Arthur Cushen, and a most informative and thought provoking discussion ensured. The economic, tourist, and technical aspects of improving the service: were well aired, and it is proposed that the League convey its observations and suggestions to the appropriate quarters. Two films to whet the appetite for DXCURSION '77 were shown, before a picnic lunch "knocked up by the lads" was laid on.

2.p.m. and Auction time, and after the eighty nine lots had been well and truly pawed over, Tony King set the scene for what turned out to be a most interesting and successful venture. How much is a collapsible loop worth—someone thought \$17-50; a loop boos or—\$15.00; an ATU \$8-00; a vintage radio \$4-50: 35mm camera \$10.

Two hours of enjoyable bargaining which needless to say put the Convention firmly on a good financial footing. And there were those rafflestoo - as Philip Brooks - working as though he was a commission salesman - persuaded us to part with 50c for a digital clock or 20c for a World Radio & TV Handbook (won in the end by Ray Crawford, and Paul Rawdon respectively). Before tea - a call from Keith Glover and Warren Moulton on Radio Australia which was much appreciated - and was caught again by most of the group at 9.30.p.m. After tea, more DX with a lookout for CJVB at 9.15.p.m. By this hour however there was considerable consternation 'in the camp' about "a thing calling itself Radio Gwarno, voice of the Ocean on about 7520." No sooner had most locked onto it than the test concluded but with the thoughtful promise that further tests would follow "today." Sets remained rivetted to 7520, as a new Pacific SW broadcaster was a possi--bility with the recent activity in the New Hebrides. On it came again with its haunting interval signal; phone number, announcers name, village - and then close down. What to do ? Ring the Post office suggested someone. Lurking in the night with his transistor cocked Phil Brooks struck "gold" (or S9 shall we say) on 7520 and homed in on - yes a peewee 2mw radio station pumping out Guano. Momentary disarray existed in the camp for some time, but after everyone had received their official QSI card the exercise was rated as 'very well done.' 10.p.m. and KDAY gave us a fleeting call. and at 11.03 2AY Albury gave us a very good call and played us a 'Hard Day's Night'. And so it was into the bag for another night ...

Sunday, Bryan Clark nightshirt fluttering was seen streaking across to the office block at 2.30.a.m. to receive a call from Theo Donnelly at CJVB ... Breakfast was a feast at 8 ... and the wrap up; photos, prizes, and farewells from the most successful convention held in the north. And for the record here is the Convention prize list: Best Logging SW - Paul Ormandy Djibouti 4780; Most logs -Jim Benzoni, Most countries- Arthur lushen; Wost Africans- Brian Withers. MW: Best log-Chris Martin KCRG 1600; lost logs-Paul Ormandy: Most Aussies-Asr Wallawalla; Yanks-Ash: Countries: Paul Ormandy, Consolation -Brian Oliver.

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Well, Convention is but a memory now; but a very pleasant one as far as I'm concerned. It was great meeting so many of you; to those who couldn't make it-maybe next time.

Lots of BOM entries this month, which is very good also. Keep those entries rolling in.

Now to the mailbag;

DENE LYNNEBERG Wellington, and lately of "The Tatum Arms" is first up with a good list israel 5900 7412 Finland 15105 6120 P&P 21635 via Kalinin RNZ 6105 9585 Oman 11890 for country 183.

PAUL EDWARDS also of Wellington has some goodies too RAI 7235 RN Talata 17810 RSA 17780 Djibouti 4780 Ghana 4980 Turk Met 6900. Your BOM just didn't quite make it. Sorry.

LINDSAY ROBINSON Invercargill has 9 out and QSLs from DW 6185 Manus 3905 Sanaa 5805 for 108 countries. Nice.

PHILIP HOPE Oamaru has 7 out and has heard from France on 11710.

PAUL ORMANDY Oamaru has been busy with 60 out and QSLs from Bon 9770 RNE 11880 11945 Canarys 11800 Moscow 15150 11820 11690 Singapore 5052 RA 9580 9530 P&P 21635 21450 Lisboa 11935 NHK 17725 Talata 17810 HCJB 9760 VLR6 chimbu 2376 Finland 6120 Pakistan 21590 Paris 21580 18 VOAs.

IYOR HILL Bluff has a long list too HN 9715 9770 11730 DW 9735 9605 HA 9730 9625 11870 Peking 11720 11600 9030 HCJB 6130 Praha 11990 9505 HNE 6065 8 NHKs RNE 11775 Warsaw 9675 and pennant Moscow 11770 plus pennant Sweden 6065 11705 also with a pennant vOA 9750 11770 UN 9555 5955 Budapest 11910 FEBC 11855 Vatican SBC 11775 9590 BBC 9600. You've been busy.

ASH NALLAWALLA Dunedin has 5 out and veries from P2T4 HA 15300 and 11930.

BILL VOGEL Adelaide has 4 out and has had luck with BBC Cyprus 11760 VOA Monrovia 6045 Veritas 11910 Bucharest 9690 11940 11755 V Malaysia 15275. Yes, perhaps will see you next time.

ALAN ROBSON Christchurch has 20 out and QSIs from SBC 6135 5965 Lisbon 9740 Vila 3945 Turk Met 6900. More next month I should think.

RADIO VERITAS has a new address:Overseas Service, P.O.Box 939, Manila,
Philippines. Frequency drift on 19m
caused by trouble in oscillator stage
of their 50kw Gates transmitter. JS

RAY CRAWFORD invercargill has them back from Kuwait 6055 DW Malta 0745 vOA Munich 9770 HIDA 3385. Enjoyed our get together...

CHRIS MARTIN Sydney has QSLed Baku 6110 Somali 9585 Red Gross 7210. Seems you've switched to the right band at last?

JIM BENZONI Hamilton has them back from vOA Tinang 15290 6110 Tebrau 9580 VOA Munich 9770 P&P 11890 KNE 9570 DW 9765.

BRUCE CAVANAGH Invercargill has 11 out and answers from Moscow 11690 Bucharest 9510 5990 AFRTS 11840 Okinawa 6010 VOA Munich 3980 RNE 11925 NHK 6030 Warsaw 9645 RNZ 9585 RN 15415 TRT 9515 plus a pennant. A nice list.

PAUL RAWDONWellington has none out but better luck with veries AIR 9575 ELWA 11860 TWR 11925 SBC 11850. More logs next month....

BRENT ALLRED Motueka has a good lot HCJB 11915 WYFR 11805 Peking 7120 9460 11720 plus a calendar SBC 9590 VLQ9 KGEI 5980 RA 9570 15160 15240 Vatican 9625 NHK 15235 TWR Bon 11925 11815 plus pennant Bucharest 11940 also with calendars. You shouldn't forget the date, anyway...

GARRY BUILER Wellington has them from Moscow 15130 VQ05 Budapest 9833 AFRTS 11840 V Malaysia 15275 DW 11905 RBI 15125 Brunei 7215 Singapore 5052 BBC Cyprus 7140 BBC Ascension 11860 FEBC 11890. Yes, exams more important.

PETER MOTT Christchurch has them back from Lisbon 11935 SBC 6045 Moscow 7150 Peking 15435 RAI 9710.

CECIL SYMMES Wellington has QSLs from RNE 11775 11920 11945 Moscow 5920 KGEI 9615 P2K3 Paris 11935 Malaysia 15295 NHK 15105 Praha 21700 AFRTS 9700. Ta.

JACK FARROW Lower Hutt has 11 out and QSLs from Sweden 9605 Lisbon 11935.

market square WANTED: DIAL GLASS FOR

LAFEYETTE KT320 OR TRIO 9R-59 RX.
This is the oblong dial version.
Write to - Philip Brooks,
Mosston Rd, Mosston, Wanganui.

AUSTIN HADLER Christchurch has 31 out and has heard from RSA 7270 RBI 9500 15390 DW 6185 11785 Sweden 11715 RAI 7235 9575 ELWA 11860 AIR 7150 Sofia 6070 TWR Bon 11925 Kavala 7295 Gvle 17785 RA 6045 9625 11820 ORF 9650 9690 15345. A good collection.

DAVID FELDON Rotorua has answers from RA 9570 SBC 15305 NHK 17725.

JACK SEARLE Haumoana has had success with IBA 17685 Tashkent 11925 15115 P&P 11950 Burma 5040 HJZP 15335 RBI 15250 SBC 17840 RNE 9570 Vatican 9625 Penang 7295 Pyongyang 9410. Some nice ones there, Jack.

DES DAVEY To Kuiti has 14 away and QSIs from RAI 7275 7235 Cuba 11870 NHK 17880. Thanks.

PAUL ARONSEN Invercargill has 5 out and answers from Kimbe 2340 DDR 7260 VOA 7170 Cuba 11970 Amman 7155 Togo 5047 DDR 7300.

ARTHUR KINDELL Levin has 5 out also, and QSLs from BBC Ascension 6005 FEBC 178Lo RSA 17780 Sanaa 5805. Very nice.

BOB BOUNDY Christchurch has veries from RSA 17780 Praha 11855 6055 7345 11990 plus a pennant, RNE 11775 also with a pennant Bucharest 11830. Bob, you omitted your ladder totals, I'm afraid.

WYN MACHON Invercargill has them from VOA 15410 Kuwait 15345 Malaysia 15275 Noumea 9510.

BRYAN CLARK Wellington has 6 logs, and QSLs from HSA 9585 15125 Talata 15185 Finland 6120 RAI 21690. Ta.

JOHN MAINLAND Wellington has them back from Israel 9400 7412 5900 5950 12077 Oman 11890 RSA 9585 Mongolia 11860

ANNE WOODS Nelson has one back from the VOA.

ARTHUR CUSHEN Invercargill has them from RA 11725 HCJB 9625 RSA 15125 RN 11930 Finland 6120 Malaysia 15275 RNE 11880 NHK 7205 ORF 9715 Freetown 3316 WINB 11775 Clarin 11700.

STEPHEN ROONEY Christchurch has 15 out and veries from IBA 7395 SBC 9590 11840 P&P 15145 WINB 15185 Peking 9460 11720 11600 KGEI 5980 UN 11760 AFRTS 11805 HA 6005 VQ05 DW 9765 P2K4 .Welcome to the Times, Stephen. Please note Bandwatch entries on a separate page, in same format as set-out. Thanks.

HANS DE JONG Tasmania has heard from BBC 9915 21710 Hanoi 12035 Sabah 15275. Congratulations on your 1000th QSL, Hans. That's pretty good going.

IAN WELLS Milton has sent 4 away, and has QSLed Malaysia 15275 and Iraq 9745.

ALAN ROBSON Christchurch has his 2nd appearance this month with QSLs from Amman 7155 1BA 9815 RN 11930 15185 RNZ 15280 Finland 6120 Peking 9780.

BEST OF THE MONTH

OVER 9 MHZ

RSA 17810 250kw

Paul Edwards

UNDER 9 MHZ

SIERRA LEONE 3316 10kw

Arthur Cushen

STOP PRESS

SOUTH YEMEN Aden's morning domestic service is now on 5970kHz replacing 5060kHz. BBC MS(c)29/1

SRI LANKA Deutshe Welle & Radio Teheran, Iran are planning a joint relay

station at Tricomalee on the East Coast of Sri Lanka, at a site originally intended for Trans World Radio (see Pacific Asian Report). TWR will move to a site at Puttalam on the Northwest coast which is more favourable for broadcasts to the Indian sub-continent. The DW/Radio Teheran site will have a 600kw MW and 3 SW transmitters of 250kw each.

Wolfgang Buschel SCDX 27/1

BELGIUM RTE/BRT Brussels ceases English transmissions to America on 1 March.

A new French programme to Africa will be introduced the same day.

SCDXers

SYRIA Damascus has moved from 9655 to 9580kHz ... th GG 1850-1900, FF 2000-2030 and EE 2030-2200 GMT.

RADIO TANZANIA with strong signals on 9530 //0550 for Swahili National Service.

with John Mainland

Of interest in Bandwatch this month is the reception at Gonventiom 76 of Radio Cook Islands on 3265kHz; a new station in the New Hebrides on the 75 and 41 metre band; interesting daytime reception from Asia on 31 and 25 metres; Voice of Greece on a new frequency to North America; Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic with a move to 4853kHz; and TWR Bonaire has been heard testing on 6110kHz.

a \$ 16.6		IMES ARE G.M.T. ALL FREQUENCIES IN KILOHERTZ.
FREQ	TIME	COUNTRY STATION PROGRAMME & RECEPTION DETAILS INITS
2440 3223+	1540 1845	INDONESIA RRI Surakarta vg. Jakarta 2450 also at this time. PO SWAZILAND Swazi Music Radio fair with EE pops, adverts.
3265	0800	COOK ISLANDS Rarotonga good 6/2 relaying Radio NZ till off at 0904. JB 0815 with RNZ External Svce, better signals than direct from Titahi Bay. BC 0829 RNZ relay and local ids, good. FE
3322 3380+ 3549 3905 3935	1040 1830 1000 0920 1052	PAPUA NEW GUINEA Bougainville fair in Pidgin with time check.PE MALAWI Blantyre with mx, fair. In Chicana/EE, fair. TIMOR?Radio Dili s/on in PP & dialects.CT+ 1150 poor with EE pops, Indonesian prgm.PE. Perhaps using facilities of RRI Kupang in Indonesian Timor as this no longer hrd on 3385.(BC) PAPUA NEW GUINEA Radio Manus good in Pidgin.1110 fair-goodJB IW INDONESIA(JAVA) RRI Semarang. Nx after chimes 1100, fair.
3975	1159	INDONESIA(JAVA) RRI Surabaya fair with chimes & nx 1200.
3975	0950	NEW HEBRIDES Radio Canabu with Pidgin English s/off annot. Is in breakaway area on Espiritu Santo.AC Good with popular European mx. Full Pidgin ident & s/off 7004 6/2. BC.Parallel freq 7120 good & steady 28/1 with popular indigenous songs & political talks in Pidgin. Prgm of mx continued after s/off annot & GSQ at 1000.BC Earlier on 7125 with GSQ 0955. AC
4120+ 4698+ 4725+ 4740+ 4800 4832 4850+ 4853	1445 1440 1725 0615 0600	INDONESIA RPDK Garut with id in Indonesian at s/off. CT INDONESIA RRI Surabaya with Indonesian vocals, fair-good. DW BURMA Rangoon with local vocalists, good. DW MALDIVES Radio Maldives poor in EE with mx & s/off annots. BV ECUADOR Radio Fopular strong with mx prgm, regular idents. AR COSTA RICA Radio Capital exc every night. MAURITANIA Nouakchott in AA.DW.2005 fair AA Nx BV.Not to be/ YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC Radio Sanaa now here ex (confused with/ 5805. Fair with AA music 6/2.
4907 4915	1136 0600	KHMER REPUBLIC Phnom Penh vg with local mx, Cambodian annots. BCa GHANA Accra HS time pips, ident & EE nx. FE. 0640 begins vernac
5260+ 5900 5920+ 5950 5955 5960 5970+ 5995 +	1535 0500 1945 0500 0800 0714	prgm, fair.PO. 0721 fair signal but rather noisy. SARAWAK Kuching fair in EE with adverts, DW transcription prgm.PE CAMEROUN Yaounde weak in French. VENEZUELA YVCC Ecos del Torbes strong with SS mx,commercials.JB SOLOMON ISLANDS VQO5 Honiara vg with BBC News. BURMA Rangoon in EE, good with id 1430 & light music. DW INDONESIA RRI Sibolga with local nx.Ident 1537.Not hrd 3291. CT ISRAEL IBA good with EE nx,also on 5950.AR. 7395 good.FF 0515.CC UKRAINE Radio Kiev fair with Listeners Letters in EE. DW ISRAEL IBA Jerusalem EE nx,good.Also on 7412,fair.JF Also by JS HOLLAND Radio Nederland good at s/on. Also on 6045,7210. GREECE Voice of Greece fair with EE Nx.IW.Grk 0630,FF 0700. NR INDONESIA RRI Bandjarmasin s/on with id E Indonesian annots. CT CANADA RCI fair in GG.Co-channel QRM VOA.BV.(From UK? BC) HUNGARY Radio Budapest opening in GG. Fair //6110.

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FREQ
       TIME
                          STATION 6 PROGRAMME & RECEPTION DETAILS
             COUNTRY
             PARAGUAY Emisoras del Paraguay, Ascuncion, fairly good in SS.
Many ids. Blocked 1017 by carrier. DL. 0914 fair-good SS ident. PE
UZREK SSR Radio Tashkent vg in EE 77 9540 and 9600. All JS
6015
       0920
6025
       1200
       1135 2013
6030
             PHILIPPINES FEBC Manila weak in EE, with QRM.
                                                                                   JS
6040
             GREAT BRITAIN VOA Wooferton good in EE.
             FRANCE Radio France, Paris, in FF to Africa.
6040
       0730
             MALTA AWR Voice of Hope via Cyclops with idents in EE, FF, GG,
6055+ 2015
               then into East European lang. Mixed Prague & Kuwait. PadulaADXN
6075+ 2015
             WEST GERMANY DW s/on in SS for Europe, fair with news.
6105+ 0340
             MEXICO Su Pantera XEQM poor with SS pop music. Mitchell ASWIC
6110
             NETH.ANTILIES TWR Bonaire concluding test 9/2.EE annot, fair. JM FINLAND Helsinki fair with EE s/on.AR.0733 vg EE.Finnish 0700.PO
      0735
6120
       0730
6135+ 1535
             MALAGASY REP. Tananarive with harp int.sig, FF songs, Malgache and ts.
6165+ 0745
             HUNGARY Budapest fair in SS. FF from O800. BV /Yeo ADXN
6190
      1001
             CHILE Radio Nacional good with ident in SS.
6215
       1715
             MONACO TWR Monte Carlo relig. prgm in Hungarian, good.
                                                                                   JM
6235
       1815
             PAKISTAN Radio Pakistan fair with EE News, beamed to Turkey.
                                                                                   DF
6340
       0557
             TURKEY 'Turkiye Polis Radyosu' clear ident at s/on with mx. PO
6900
       0534
             TURKEY Turkish State Met. Radio vg with mx & solitary weather
              report.PO. 0550 Poor with Turkish folk music.
7058+ 0500
             INDONESIA RRI Jakarta with news in Indonesian.
             ASCENSION ISLAND BBC vg in EE. BBC also logged on 9725 at 2339, 7210 - 0647, 9715 - 0517, 15420 - 0532, 21710 - 0900, 21470 at
7105
      0500
              0930, 9640 - 0730, 11760 - 0711, 17790 - 0940 all in EE. All PO
7115+ 1118
             THAILAND Bangkok fair with Thai vocals.
7115
      0505
             PORTUGAL Radio Free Europe very good in Hungarian.
7121+
      1500
             SOMALIA s/on with string instrument, tentative Radio Hargesia id
               but definite Radio Somali idents 1528. AA vocals.
             NEW HEBRIDES - See 3975 for details.
7120-7125
7125
      1600
             POLAND Warsaw with EE news and commentary.
7130
      1600
             MALAWI Blantyre with local lang prgm, mixed with Moscow.
7135
      0603
             FRANCE RFI Paris exc in FF. At 0715 hrd // to 5990,6045,6175,
              9525, 11705, 11735, 11835, 17865.
7140 0800
             GREECE Athens strong with Greek prgm to 0850 GMT.
7140+ 0440
             INDONESIA RRI Ambon with Indonesian songs. Also RRI Biak 7210. CT
7145
      0710
             POLAND Polskie Radio Warsaw fair in Polish.
7145
      1300
             LAOS Vientiane with FF id. EE 1330.PE.1321 poor, noisy.BCa.1351AN
7155
      0415
             JORDAN Amman poor-fair in AA. News at 0400.
7160
             GREECE VOA Kavala vg in FF. PO (250kw to North Africa per sked)
JAPAN/RYUKYU IS. VOA Okinawa in EE. Ident 1200.

AN
      0649
7165
      1150
7190
      1624
             YEMEN Aden fair in Arabic. Poor by 1700.
7195
      2000
             SPAIN RNE Madrid fair in SS to 2030. //9600.
7195
      0459
             SAUDI ARABIA Voice of Saudi Arabia in AA s/on. Vg at 0530.
7235
      1700
             AUSTRALIA RA Shepparton good with EE nx to Sth Asia.CC 1605.
7245+
      1630
             ANGOLA"Radio Nacional de Angola" & "Radio Clube de Angola" idsCT
7250
7255
      0910
             SOUTH KOREA Seoul poor in EE. President Park's New Year mssg.
      0405
             FRANCE Paris with mx prgm.Brief nx in FF 0415. Fair //9535.
7260+
      1835
             COMORO ISLANDS Moroni with FF talks.
                                                                                   CT
7285
      0300
             LIBERIA VOA Monrovia s/on with EE nx, poor. Good by 0500.cc (7280??)
7345
9515
9525
      1605
             CZECHOSLOVAKIA Prague in Afro/Asian Svce.Mx, cmtry, fair. DF UGANDA Kampala with nx, review. Pops 1715. S/off 1730 req reports AC
                                                                                   DF
      1700
      0434
             USA WYFR Family Radio with readings from the Bible, fair.
                                                                                   CS
9545
      0418
                                                                                   CS
             SOLOMON ISLANDS Honiara fair-good with DJ request prgm.
9580
      1600
             ZAMBIA Lusaka with EE news but mixed BBC Finnish Service.
9585
      0510
             JAPAN NHK Tokyo with General Service in EE //17880.
9590
      1720
             WEST GERMANY Deutsche Welle in EF with news to Sth Asia, good.
             SPAIN RNE in AA. SS after 2000, good level. JS 1730 SS at s/on.
9605
      0245
             SEYCHELLES FEBA, possibly in Tamil. EE ident 0300, poor.
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      2030
             SWEDEN Stockholm s/on in EE. Nx, fair. AR 2033 EE news, good.
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STATION /
 FREQ
       TIME
              COUNTRY
                                    PROGRAMME & RECEPTION DETAILS
                                                                                INITS
       0639
 9615
              USA KGEI San Francisco good in EE to South America.
              GREECE HNBI using VOA Kavala 250kw facilities, in Greek. Jones ADXN
 9615+
       1400
 9625
       0500
              VATICAN Vatican Radio fair-good with Latin Mass. F/out 0730.
 9630
       0100
              SPAIN RNE Madrid fair with SS programming.
                                                                                 AR
 9635
              SINGAPORE Radio Singapore weak in CC.0135 splash RAI 9630.
                                                                                 DL
       0125
       1600
              PORTUGAL Radio Messias via Radio Trans Europa, Sines. Fair in
               RR. GG at 1615, Prgm ends 1630. 7/2.
              BRAZIL Radio Diario da Manha PP ident, mx, time checks, fair.
 9675
       0910
              IRAN Teheran in Farsi mixed ABC. New freq //15084.JM.0730 Nx. GREECE VOA Kavala in EE till s/off with full id 1800, good.
 9680
       0635
       1730
 9700
                                                                                 JM
 9730
       2220
              SAUDI ARABIA Riyadh with AA ident, fair. New freq.
 9740
       2045
              PORTUGAL Lisbon very good in EE.
 9745
       2000
              IRAQ Radio Baghdad fair in English.
 9760
                                                                                 JM
       0310
              GREECE Athens in Greek to Nth Am. Ex 9520. Mixed USSR.
 9765
       0610
              WEST GERMANY DW African Svce Nx, fair.DF.2120 very good in EE.BA
 9770
       1600
              AUSTRALIA RA Shepparton nx & International Report in EE.vg.
 9780
       0330
              ALBANIA Radio Peking via Tirana fair. Sign-on at 0300.
 9790
       1945
              FRANCE Paris in FF to Africa. New out-of-band freq //9715, 9740JM
              CLANDESTINE Voice of Free Yemeni South //5345 mid-east vocalsCT SEYCHELLES FEBA with Farsi prgm. EE ident 1730. Fair 6/2.
 9960+
       1400
11715
       1717
11725
       1904
              AUSTRALIA RA Shepparton EE nx.good.JS 2100 news poor.
              INDONESIA RRI Jayapura all over Spain on 8/1-10/1. Fair Indo. BV
11730+ 0900
11735
       0931
              KUWAIT Radio Kuwait with pops, annets in FF. Good. Splash 11740. BCa
11740 0300
              SRI LANKA VOA Colombo poor with EE nx.cmt to s/off 0330.
              VATICAN STATE Vatican Radio good with relig prgm in Rumanian. DW
11740+ 0735
              YEMEN DEM. REP. Aden with AA talks, mx. 1900 ident, nx. Poor-fair. BY
11770+ 1845
11785
              LEBANON Beirut with FF Nx to Canada. Fair ex 9675? 1/2.
      0130
11800
       0100
              SRI LANKA Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corp. ids. Very good in HindiDL
              ITALY RAI Rome good in Italian to Aust/NZ with mx prgm. DW USSR Radio Moscow in EE for Aust/NZ good //9780,11690,15130. JM
11810+ 0900
       0930
11820
11835
              SRI LANKA Colombo with light mx, relig prgm.AK 1030 s/on EE. DW+
       1051
11855
       2215
              BELGIUM ORU Wavre 100kw s/on in Dutch at good strength.
11860
       0259
              TAIWAN BCC Taipei fair in EE with news & comment.
       0315
11875
              EAST GERMANY RBI in Swahili to East Africa ex 9500. Poor.
11890
       1700
              FRANCE Paris in French with news & light music.
11890 0345
              PHILIPPINES FEBC with unlisted CC prgm to 0800, then into EE. JM
              OMAN Muscat in AA.Speeches & mx.AK.0410 fair.JB.0457 AA identPE
11890
       0325
              IVORY COAST Abidjan EE nx.FF 2000. Ident 'Radio Ivory Coast'.CT
       1955
11920+
11925
       0044
              NETH.ANTILLES TWR hrd as early as 0030 in EE.
11930+
              THAILAND Bangkok here in EE ex 11915 16/1.CT.11915 EE at 1105DW
       0510
11940
       0651
              ROUMANIA Bucharest exc in EE to NZ with nx,cmtry,mx.
11940
       2230
              SINGAPORE Radio Singapore fair, mixed jamming. EE news.
11970
       1400
              SWEDEN Stockholm in EE ex 11735, fair. Mixed Bucharest.
                                                                                 BV+
                                                                                 AC
12025
       1900
              NORTH VIETNAM Hanoi closing in EE, strong signal.
15012
       0907
              NORTH VIETNAM Hanoi fair in EE till s/off 0925.
15105
       0956
              FINLAND Helsinki int.sig, Finnish annot, clock chimes. New freq
               fair.JM. 1029 fair in Finnish. Swedish later.S/off 1100.
                                                                                 DW
15110+ 1009
              PAKISTAN Radio Pakistan in Urdu, fair. Local music.
15115+ 1213
              EAST GERMANY RBI Berlin good in EE with nx, cmt. Ident 1215.
15150
                                                                                 AR
       2200
              CHILE Voice of Chile in various languages, fair.
              INDIA AIR poor with EE nx.CS.0845 Indonesian.BV.1045 EE good.DW
15165
       0835
15195
              JAPAN NHK Tokyo exc with General Service in EE. Nx.cmty.
       2200
              BELGIUM Brussels poor-fair in FF with frequent fading.Rlg pgmBCa
15210
       1310
15255
       2330
              NETH. ANTILLES TWR "Radio Trans Mundial" s/on GG. SS 2355.
       0857
              MALAYSIA BBC Far Eastern Station opens with relay ident. Fre-
15280
               quencies given as 6195, 9740, 11750 and 15280, 21so 15310.
15285+ 0920
              INDIA AIR good with slow dictation news in EE.
15285t 1040
              MOZAMBIQUE PP annots for Radio Clube de Mozambique.CC. (Per BBC
               ident is now Radio Mozambique & frequency 15295. Not hrd here Ed)
              FRANCE Paris s/on in FF strong. JB. 1735 DJ music prgm, fair. CS JAPAN NHK Tokyo EE general Service, good. BA 0800 Asian Nx. poorDF
15300
       0915
15310
       0700
              PHILIPPINES Radio Veritas testing. DW+ Hrd on 15325 7/1 0200. AC
15310
       0138
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STATION PROGRAMME & RECEPTION DETAILS FREQ INITS 15325 1359 SEYCHELLES FEBA fair with Asian langs. Splash DW 15320.20/1. 0400 KUWAIT Radio Kuwait good in EE with Sth/Sth East Asian Svce. SC 0535 vg with mx prgm. Later stamps, books, news. PO 0705 EE vg. DW+ 15350 SOUTH KOREA Seoul with test tx.Reports requested in EE, FF, SS.JS 0409 15400+ 2200 VENEZUELA YVKN Radio Nacional in EE for Europe to 2300.Zilmer7 15400+ 0538 IRAQ Baghdad 'Voice of the Arabs' prgm in AA fair. 15400 BANGLADESH Dacca in EE, poor.CS.0450 fair EE Nx.JS.0452 ident.DW+ 0445 15410 1044 RWANDA DW Kigali relay s/on in EE under USSR.BC.7140 Swahili.PE 15425 0420 SRI LANKA Colombo at very good level till s/off 0430. 17665 0530 PAKISTAN Radio Pakistan good with Urdu nx //17830 vg, 15325 gdBC 1945 17730 ECUADOR HCJB Quito poor with religious book review. AUSTRIA ORF Vienna s/on in EE, good. 17765 1240 17775 0915 FRANCE Paris opening in FF to Africa, fair //17720. 17780 SOUTH AFRICA Radio RSA in FF to 0605. EE 0610-0705 exc most nights. //freqs 11900,15220 seldom hrd.PO.0615 EE Nx good. 17831m 0540 PAKISTAN Karachi with Urdu ident. Poor with splash Peking. AN 0225 Dictation news poor. DF. Good with EE nx to 0245. DW+ 17880 1410 EAST GERMANY Radio Berlin International fair with EE cmtry. BCa 17890 0240 TAIWAN Taipei with mx and station ident in EE.Bad reception. USSR Radio Station Peace & Progress vg in Chinese. GREECE Athens. EE nx good at 0915. JS. 0915 EE poor. CS 0905 Gk. 21450 0605 21460 0900 BANGLADESH Dacca EE nx, Bengali mx. Poor //15400 very poor. 21685 0450 AN 21690+ 0958 SWEDEN Stockholm with ident in various langs. Fair-good. CONTRIBUTORS: AN Ash Nallawalla AR Alan Robson NR Nigel Robins IW Ian JS Jack SearleDL Dene Lynneberg PM Peter Mott PE Paul Edwards AK Arthur Kindall BA Brent Allred AC Arthur Cushen PO Paul Ormandy DF David Feldon CS Cecil Symmes JF Jack Farrow CC Colin Campbell JB Jim Benzoni BC Bryan Clark SC Stephen Cooney BCa Bruce Cavanagh JM John Mainland. From across the Tasman: DW Dick Whittington, Victoria BV Bill Vogel, South Australia CT Craig Tyson, Western Australia. Thanks:

LATE ITEM

3955 1730 POLAND Warsaw s/on in GG to Europe. Poor 12/2.

JM FROM THE EDITOR: When submitting items for Bandwatch we would like you to check whether or not they appeared the previous month. Where possible we would like to feature as many fresh loggings as possible and avoid too much repetition from month to month. Thanks again.

STATION MONTH

The Far East Broadcasting Association (FEBA-Seychelles) is an inter national radio station on the island of Mahe in the Indian Ocean off the coast of Kenya. It broadcasts daily to the Indian Sub-Continent, Middle East and Africa. Construction of the station began





in 1967 and test transmissions commenced in October 1969 using a Collins 3kw transmitter. Regular programming began in May 1970 and power was increased to 30kw. A 100kw transmitter has been installed and may already be used.

FEBA is a missionary broadcaster dedicated to propagating the Christian faith. It is undenominational in character and is supported by Christian churches, fellowships and groups in many countries. FEBA broadcasts in many languages and periodically during transmissions English identifications and frequency announcements are carried.

Recent listening has resulted in reception of 360 at 0300 GMT, 11715kHz at 1700 in Farsi, and in the 1230-1545 period on 11855 and 15325kHz. Verification of correct reports is by Sh. and - three IRCs re required for an airmail reply. Their address is FEBA, P.O.Box 234, Mahe Seychelles, Indian Ocean.

JM

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An interesting station broadcasting from Espiritu Santo in the New Hebrides is operated by a breakaway government and is heard on 3975 and 7125kHz. We last heard this island in 1945 when a station was operated by the American AFRS. Signals from Africa around dawn on the higher frequencies have been noted, while Radio Australia plans to put its second transmitter at Carnarvon into service.

ALL FREQUENCIES IN KHZ ALL TIMES GMT (Add 13 hours for NZ Summer Time)

ARGENTINA Radio Nacional at Mendoza, LRA34 on 6180kHz is heard opening around 0800 and with full identification at 0845 GMT.

AUSTRALIA Radio Australia planned to use its second transmitter at Carmarvon beginning 1 February. The first transmitter (250kw) went into operation on 20 December. The schedule up to March 6th for both transmitters is as follows, but is still tentative as both transmitters are under test.

100kw English 2100-2230 on 7240kHz. Indonesian 2230-0300 on 9560,0800-1100 on

9540, 1100-1500 on 7215kHz.

250kw English 2100-2130 on 6035kHz, Vietnamese 2130-2330 on 7215, English 2330 -0300 on 11810, 0800-1030 on 11935, Mandarin 1030-1300 on 9560, Cantonese 1300-1430 on 9560, English 1430-1500 GMT on 7240kHz.

FINLAND The English broadcast schedule from 7 March is - 0300-0330 on 9720kHz, 0730-0800 on 6120, 11755kHz; 1400-1430 on 11755 and 15110; 1830-1900 on 9550 & 11755; 2030-2100 GMT on 9550kHz.

GREECE Athens heard very well on 7140kHz 0800-0850 in Greek.

HONDURAS Radio Swan has moved from 6185 to 6000kHz and is heard around 0800. There is interference earlier from Austria and later from Moscow. According to a verification, their address is Box 882, San Pedro Sula, Honduras.

IRAN Teheran has been heard with the Home Service on 7135 to close at 2100. They have also been heard on 9022, 9680 and 15085kHz at 0600.

MALAWI Blantyre 7130kHz is mixed with Radio Moscow at 1600 when carrying local programmes, and is blocked from 1628 by Deutsche Welle's Persian service.

NEW HEBRIDES A new station in the self-proclaimed breakaway part of the New Hebrides has been heard broadcasting in Pidgin English. The station is best on 7125 and closes at 0957 GMT after God save the Queen and a native song. The closing announcement is "This is Radio Canabu(?) broadcasting from Espiritu Santo; we broadcast every day from 11am to 1pm and again 7pm to 9pm. We broadcast every day on 3.975 in the 80 metre band and 7.125 in the 40 metre band". Signals are fair with CW interference; all programmes are in Pidgin, with popular waltz and Hawaiian type music between an address on the break-away.

PHILIPPINES Radio Veritas after testing on 15325kHz has returned to the announced 15370kHz and is heard 0100-0300. They are also testing 1400-1500 on 11875kHz and request reports.

UGANDA Kampala on 9515kHz is heard in English at 1700 with news. Closes at 1730 and asks for reports to Box 2038, Kampala. 15325kHz has been heard 1800-1900 mixed with Radio Canada - in English at 1800 and French at 1830. A third frequency 9730 is used 1900-2100 GMT.

USA WINB Red Lion operates 1745-1930 on 17720 and 1932-2245 on 11775 according to a recent verification.

ZAMBIA Lusaka 9580kHz has English news 1600, but mixed BBC Finnish programme.

FROM NASWA'S DX HOTLINE 16/1/76

Radio Via, Ecuador is new on 4720kHz, heard as late as 0510.(Tuchsherer)
Possibly new Colombian hrd on 4975 at 1100.

(Al Sizer)
Mozambique 100kw 15295 PP Nx 1400(CT)

FROM SWEDEN CALLING DXERS

Radio Andorra reported back on 5995kHz since 16/12, daily from 1100.(Rousarie) Radio Uganda's 250kw transmitter is sked 1500-1530 EE,1530-1600 FF on 6030;1600-1800 EE on 9515;1800 EE,1830 FF 15325;1900 FF,1945 AA,2030-2100 EE on 9730.

NEW ZEALAND RADIO DX LEAGUE

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.. sign off..

ANGOLA Since 5/12, the state radio in Luanda has identified as Radio Nacional de Angola (RNA) instead of Emisora Nacional de Angola, which was adopted 12/11, following the countries independence. BBC MS(c)

.FLASH INSERT

Radio 'B' (formerly Radio Bosom) 950 Khz from the University of Auckland will broadcast for three weeks commencing 23 February. Transmission hours - Monday to Friday 4.p.m. to 11.p.m; Sundays 2.p.m. to 8.p.m.

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Pacific Transmission

1700-2000 on 6105kHz, 9655kHz. 2015-0050 on 11960kHz. 2230-0050 on 15380kHz. 0100-0545 on 11845kHz. 0600-0845 on 6105 & 9585kHz.

ALL TIMES ARE G.M.T.

Australian Transmission

2015-2210 on 14960kHz. 0100-0545 on 15380kHz. 0900-1130 on 6105 & 9520kHz.

Calling antarctica - Sundays 0100-0145 on 11705kHz.

ANDORRA is apparently back on SW.
Radio Andorra has been heard with
sign-on around 1100, since 16/12 on
5995kHz. J.Roussarie SCDXers

VATICAN RADIO is installing a 500kw Telefunken SW transmitter at Santa Maria di Galeria, 18km north of Rome. This is a 1038 acre "extraterritorial enclave" of the Vatican City. The world's largest rotatable antenna will also be erected, consisting of 2 79m towers linked by a 85m bridge, turning on a pivot.SCDXers

BLACK ROSE is the name of a new pirate organisation based in Liechtenstein which will apparently use the studios of Radio Northsea and transmit from a ship located near the only currently active sea-borne pirate "Mi Amigo" (Caroline) off the English coast. Full coverage of western Europe is planned. SC DAers

BPANISH Sahara on 13/12 Rabat Radio announced that the El Aaiun broadcasting station hat begun transmitting programmes from the Broadcasting Service of the Kingdor of Morocco. The hi-power 25 metre band transmitter which was well heard in NZ appears to have been closed down and the BBC MS reports reception only on 656kHz and the point-to-point feeder service to Villa Cisneros 4626 kHz, with almost all programming now in Arabic. However ATE Madrid's main news bulletim in Spanish is relayed at 2100.

A.DIO NL's External Service receives a straig flow of mail from around the world but you might wonder about the letters which fail to arrive, in the light of some of the addresses used: In recent weeks a report was received undressed to madio Moscow, P.O.Box 98, Wellington while another was marked acrattantion of the Eternal Services Division! wishful thinking?