

# DX News

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## CPC Test Calendar

Call	Freq	Date	ELT Time
WQIN	1290	Oct. 20, 1992	0030-0130
WLYN	1360	Oct. 26, 1992	0330-0440
WSMI	1540	Oct. 28, 1992	0100-0110
WRIV	1390	Nov. 2, 1992	0530-0600
KBOA	830	Nov. 5, 1992	0100-0130
WWLS	640	Nov. 7, 1992	0100-0130
KMFI	1470	Nov. 9, 1992	0200-0500
KNAK	540	Nov. 23, 1992	0200-0230
WSMI	1540	Nov. 28, 1992	0030-0100
WIMA	1150	Nov. 28, 1992	0030-0100
KCNO	570	Nov. 30, 1992	0330-0400

New test details are on page two.

### From the Publisher ...

Two of the columns in this issue are "doubled" because of slow mail delivery, not because they were mailed late.

Contributors and editors might take note of the basics ... all columns and contributions to this magazine should be mailed to the 2840 SE Illinois address, not the box number, as the post office closes at the unlikely times of 4:30 pm weekdays and noon Saturdays, and I can't always get away in time to get to the P. O. box ... full-page-width copy should be eight inches wide; half-page-width copy should be 3.75 inches wide; body type should be 13-point Palatino (like this), but 12-point is acceptable (10-point, or elite type from a typewriter, is too small) ... your ribbon should produce black, not grey printing, and any markings, such as straight lines or signatures, should be in black, not blue ink ... deadlines in Topeka are Fridays, as Saturday mail delivery times vary from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm ... contributions which arrive on Monday will be held until the next issue, as pasteups go to the printer at 7:00 am ... station logos and pertinent clippings are always welcome, although most of the clippings will be forwarded to Tony Fitzherbert, Pete Kemp, or Laura McCusker as appropriate for their columns ... clippings pertaining to status changes in radio stations always should go to Jerry Starr; if they

arrive here, I have to assume that a duplicate has gone to him first for AM Switch ... don't send address changes to Ron Musco, renewal checks to Topeka, or clippings to Ken Chatterton; always peruse the back pages for the correct location for sending items (one person, who must have poor vision, mailed a renewal check to the printer!) ... and keep those contributions coming to the editors!

**Publications** ... Steve Whitt - Hunts Cottage - Kiln Lane - Buxhall - Suffolk IP14 3DU - England is offering *Get the Best from Your Sony ICF-2001D* and *Get Even More from Your Sony ICF-2001D* postpaid for \$10.00 US (£5.00, or 50 FF, or 15 DM, worldwide) for both, a 40% savings over original publisher's prices. Payments must be in £ sterling and payable to S. Whitt; International Postal Money Orders are acceptable.

Grove Enterprises's Oct.-Nov. catalog is available; call (800) 438-8155 if you didn't receive one.

EEB's 1993 catalog, which contains nearly every  
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## DX Time Machine

From the pages of *DX News*:

50 years ago ... from the Oct. 3, 1942 *DXN*: Notice was run of a DX program on Oct. 7 from KHMO-1340, an NRC dedication arranged by Jim Wedewer, Dyersville, IA, at the request of KHMO's C. E., who said that a 1¢ stamp would be required for a verification on their new verie card.

25 years ago ... from the October 7, 1967 *DXN*: Several quotes from other publications concerned the aberrant actions of C. M. Stanbury, who also was being sued by former NRC'er David Thomas for \$250,000 in connection with an article which accused Thomas "of having published a book 'notable for its misspelled words, (and) its obscure currents of thought.'" The suit was thought to be the first major civil suit arising from the DX hobby.

10 years ago ... from the October 18, 1982 *DXN*: The new Panasonic RF-799 was offered for \$300 ... Terry Colgan took over from Dave Browne as Executive Secretary of ANARC.

## It may not be perfect ...

but the *NRC Log, 13th Edition* is, simply, the best there is because of your contributions. Why not make the updaters and 14th edition even better? Send all corrections and changes to Wayne Heinen - 4131 S. Andes Way - Aurora, CO 80013-3831. Thanks!

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DX receiver manufactured, DX hardware, books, and quite a few other items, is available. Call (800) 368-3270 if you didn't receive your copy yet.

**Product ...** Palomar Engineers - P. O. Box 462222 - Escondido, CA 92046, (619) 747-3343, is offering a magnetic longwire balun, which reduces QRM from longwire signals, at \$39.95 plus \$4 shipping to U. S. and Canada.

**Revival ...** Remember former member Don Kaskey's "Summary of Unreported Stations" column? If you do, your memory is stretching back almost four years, as it has been that long since this feature has run. If any member would be interested in reviving this column, which is useful in identifying stations which never have been reported in either DXN or IRCA's *DX Monitor*, please contact the publisher.

**They joined ...** Mark Humenyk, Weston, ON; Barry Wasyluk, Winnipeg, MB; Gary A. Emenitove, Omaha, NE; Gary L. Helsel, Indianapolis, IN; Mark Karney, Barrington, IL; Steven Branch, Champaign, IL; and Phil Jones, Tampa, FL.

**ZIPs ...** To maintain our present mailing cost of 25¢ per 24 pages, we must have your complete 9-digit ZIP code, if your code has four zeros after the five digits, please find out your proper code and send it in to either Ron Mirco or to Topola the next time you have occasion to enquire or send an item to Topola. Thank!

**New CPC tests:**

**W5NH-1940** - P. O. Box 10 - Fitchfield, IL 62906 will conduct a DX test between 1:00 and 1:10 am EDT Wednesday, October 25. The test will include Morse code, tones, and voice ID's and will be part of the station's monthly frequency check. Send an SASE for return of reports to Mr. Brian Talley (N9OWV), CE. Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.

**K10A-800** - P. O. Box 509 - Kennett, MO 63857 will conduct a DX test between 1:00 and 1:30 am EST Thursday, November 9. The test will include Morse

code and tones, with a power of 10 kW and an omnidirectional antenna pattern. Reports may be sent to Mr. Larry Anthony, CE. Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.

**WWLS-640** - 4000 West Indian Hills Road - Norman, OK 73072 will conduct a DX test between 1:00 and 1:30 am EST Saturday, November 7. The test will include Morse code, tones, and voice ID's and will be inserted in breaks during the station's automated nighttime programming. Reception reports may be sent to Mr. Tony Sellars, Operations Manager. Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.

**KMEI-1470** - 2700 Fry Blvd., Suite B-4 - Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 will conduct a DX test between 2:00 and 5:00 am EST Monday, November 9. The test will include Morse code and tones. Reports may be sent to Mr. Richard Mize, CE. Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.

**KNAK-540** - P. O. Box 636 - Delta, UT 84624 will conduct a DX test between 2:00 and 2:30 am EST Monday, November 23. The test will include Morse code, tones, and voice ID's. Reception reports may be sent to Mr. Douglas-Barton, owner. Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.

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**KCNO-570** - P. O. Box 570 - Altamont, CA 94501 will conduct a DX test from 3:30-4:00 am EST Monday, November 30. The test will include Morse code, polkas, and march music. Reception reports may be sent to Carol Irwin, PD. Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.



Fine Tuning's *Proceedings 1992* is this year's information-packed collection of in-depth reviews, articles, and features for the SWHC Dec. This 5th anniversary edition, at more than 200 pages, will be a valuable addition to your reference bookshelf. Some of the most experienced DXers in the hobby have contributed to this 1992 volume, and each article has been thoroughly examined for clarity and content by the *Proceedings* Review Panel. Included are reviews of receivers and accessories, features on various topics including antennas, shortwave history, and more. This is an essential guide for any DXer.

*Proceedings 1992* is shipping now. The cost is \$19.00 plus \$4.00 postage (US funds on a US bank). Outside of North America, postal costs are \$5.00 surface book rate (3-4 months typical delivery time) or \$17.00 airmail. Make checks or money orders payable to Fine Tuning Special Publications and mail to Fine Tuning Special Publications, c/o John Bryant, RRT #5 Box 14, Billwater, OH 44074 USA. Special notice: Limited quantities of previous *Proceedings* editions are available (1988, 1989, 1990, 1991). Price and shipping costs same as above.

# AM Switch

Jerry Starr  
c/o WHOT Radio  
4040 Simon Road  
Youngstown, OH 44512-1320

## Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC and listeners

### CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old call:				New call:
570	CHYM	ON	Kitchner	CKGL*
680	KXIZ	LA	Tioga	KXKW
1130	WCXI	MI	Detroit	WWW
1170	WHWY	FL	Saint Augustine Beach	WKLN
1250	*New	PR	Sabana	WJIT
1310	WTUX	IN	Indianapolis	WTLC
1340	WTSW	PA	Wilkes-Barre	WYCK
1440	WVEI	MA	Worcester	WBHT
1450	WKGL	AL	Huntsville	WTKI
1490	WKVL	FL	Brandenton	WJRB
	WPBK	MI	Whitehall	WEFG
1580	WTKT	KY	Georgetown	WBBE

\*CHYM-570 swapped calls and format with their FM station.

### APPLICATIONS / GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

### APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

610	WEKS	PR	Patillas: reduce day power to 250 watts
720	WMXY	GA	Hogansville: reduce power to 7970 watts
760	WVNE	MA	Leicester: power to 25000 watts
920	KQLO	NV	Reno: reduce day power to 4600 watts
1150	KSVE	TX	El Paso: day power to 5000 watts
1200	KOQI	CA	Soquel: powers to 50000/11000
1420	WACK	NY	Newark: night power to 730 watts
1440	WPGW	IN	Portland: night power to 45 watts

### GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

540	KVIP	CA	Redding: relocate transmitter site
780	WABS	VA	Arlington: changes in antenna system
820	WNYC	NY	New York: reduce night power to 1000 watts
860	KDBS	OR	Eugene: changes in antenna system
1570	WMQA	WI	Minocqua: reduce power to 250 watts, changes in antenna system

### OTHERNESS

570	KQNG	HI	Lihue: station's tower "crumbled like a paper clip" during Hurricane Iniki and the station was SILENT but came back ON THE AIR within a few days on emergency power and feeding a 400 foot wire strung between two trees.
670	KWVK	CA	Simi Valley: station now relays XETRA in Tijuana in what may be the first international LMA.
850	KWOF	IA	Waterloo: station is SILENT
880	WINU	IL	Highland: station is now here from 1510 kHz but is presently running only 1000 watts daytime, will eventually increase to licensed 5000 watts.



96.1-FM, 93-AM

P.O. BOX 1647  
RICHMOND  
INDIANA 47374  
(317) 962-1595

- 1180 KYET AZ Williams: silent for many years, is ON THE AIR  
 1200 KTCO CA Eureka: application to change city of license to Cottonwood, CA and increase night power has been RECINDED by the station. Two issues ago we had attributed this information to KTCO which was the call for a now deleted CP in Manor, TX. This info was picked up from MSJ which had listed this action for "KTCO Manor, CA" on 1120 kHz, the frequency of KTCO Manor, TX before it was deleted. KTCO was, in fact, the station with an application to move to Cottonwood. Hopefully this is cleared up now, sorry for any confusion it caused.
- 1210 WDGR GA Dahlonga: silent station came back ON THE AIR 9-15-92
- 1230 WFOU GA Marietta: silent station is ON THE AIR  
 1260 WALM MI Albion: silent station has been sold and is expected to return to the air
- 1280 KRZE NM Farmington: station is SILENT  
 1320 WTSS PA Scranton: silent station is ON THE AIR  
 1350 WEGA PR Vega Baja: silent station is ON THE AIR  
 1370 CKOD PQ Valleyfield: silent station is ON THE AIR  
 1400 WELL MI Battle Creek: silent station has new owners and should return to the air
- 1470 WMMW CT Meriden: silent station is ON THE AIR  
 1480 KWUN CA Concord: station is SILENT  
 1490 WJRB FL Bradenton: silent as WKLTV, is now ON THE AIR  
 WLGW NH Lancaster: station is SILENT for repairs  
 1570 KQWC IA Webster City: stations reports their CP for 147/87 U1 is operational
- 1660 ---- OH Cincinnati: despite all the early reports in the trade press, this is the correct frequency for the digital experimental station, not 1650. The station is 10000 D1 and is operational but may be on a very sporadic schedule.

THANKS: Ron Musco, Kermit Reid, George Vanish, Wayne Hoinen, Ed Krejny, Tanya Podolski, Dave Schmidt, Wanda Scatnik and MSJ!

#### CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old call:	New call:	Old call:	New call:
610 WHYM FL Pensacola	WVTJ	1080 WDSY PA Pittsburgh	WEPP
690 KBBA AR Benton	KEWI	1260 KAYJ TX San Angelo	KXQZ
960 WORR PR Quebradillas	WKVN	1300 WFXN NC Goldsboro	WSSG
990 KSSM CA Santa Barbara	KKJZ	1320 KHNN OH Lima	KZZK
1000 *New FL Jupiter	WMLZ	1430 KWDO CA Fresno	KFIG
1050 KWNN AR Little Rock	KJBN	1450 WCYS IL Springfield	WFMB

#### APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

#### GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1000 FL Jupiter: 1000 D3 (replaces deleted WX1)



#### APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

- 1230 KCBN NV Reno: reduce powers to 820/820  
 1420 WACK NY Newark: night power to 730 watts



#### GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

- 580 WTSB NC Lumberton: relocate transmitter site

#### OTHERNESS

- 690 KEWI AR Benton: silent as KBBA, station is ON THE AIR  
 790 CIAO ON Brampton: had been running continuous announcement that CIAO was no longer on this frequency. After nearly a year of simulcasting on both 790 and 530 kHz they finally turned off 790 for good 9-6-92.
- 1010 WFGW NC Black Mountain: silent station is ON THE AIR, had been silent "for repairs"
- 1060 WAMT FL Titusville: silent station is ON THE AIR  
 1250 WKDX NC Hamlet: station is SILENT (there is a very interesting story behind this, look for a clipping regarding WKDX elsewhere in DX News soon)
- 1260 WVLC SC Lake City: station evidently never assumed their new call, WRIP, which was requested back in July. They continue to still use WVLC and are relaying programming from WOLS-1230 Florence as of the end of September.
- 1340 WADE NC Wadesboro: station is SILENT  
 1430 WBLR SC Batesville: station is SILENT  
 WKXS SC Marion: station is SILENT  
 1490 WUSS NJ Atlantic City: station may be SILENT, is not being heard by near-by monitors who normally hear it with a good signal
- 1600 WKWF FL Key West: station is SILENT

THANKS: Jack Parks, M Street Journal

73 and Good DX, *Jerry & BKF* Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Fooman

## In the Beginning John D. Bowker

The complete list of U. S. broadcast stations on the indicated frequency as published by the Federal Radio Commission in 1934. "S" = shared; "SH" = Specified hours; "T" = Transmitter location; "D" = Daytime operation only; "U" = Unlimited time

Frequency (ke)	Call letters	Main studio and transmitter location	Power	Time designation
1460, high power regional.	WJSV	Alexandria, Va.-----	10 kw.---	U.
	KSTP	St. Paul, Minn.----- T—Radio Center.	10 kw. --	U.
1470, high power regional.	WLAC	Nashville, Tenn.-----	5 kw.-----	U.
	KGA	Spokane, Wash.-----	5 kw.-----	U.

### The Answer Man

Got a question about radio? Send it to NRC's Answer Man: Russ Edmunds - 753 Valley Rd. - Blue Bell, PA 19422-2052. No question is a dumb question, and Russ will answer all, from basic to highly technical. Watch for the answer in *DX News!*

# Domestic DX Digest

North: Bill Hale

495 Creekview Drive - Meridian, ID 83642-3241

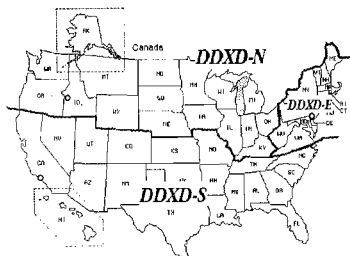
South: Duncan Shaw

3131 S. McClintock B111 - Los Angeles, CA 90007

East: Dave Braun

11 Mill Bend Acres - Wyoming, DE 19934-9523

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



## DDXD-North

### MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- Remember, we're weekly now. Deadlines are Saturday's mail.
- E-Mail via FidoNet may be sent to me at 1:347/17. Leave your message in *General Messages* or *Ham\_Tech* areas. Phone in your last-minute tips and loggings to me at 208-888-7398.

### SPECIAL

- 1080 **WLVN** AL Brantley - 9/13 0200 Fair with C&W and legal ID *This is WLVN Brantley - Luverne - Creashaw County. New city-of-license. Heard all night. Don't know if they're fulltime or if it was an ET. (REH-ON)*
- 1130 **WWWW** MI Detroit - 9/14 0000 No longer WCXI. Made the switch with dual ID: *All hits all the time. You're listening to southeastern Michigan's 50,000 watt continuous country powerhouse AM-1130 WCXI Detroit. Into a few bars from the wedding march followed by WWWW FM-AM Detroit. Our call letters are easy to remember, they're all W's. We're 106.7 W4 Country. (REH-ON) . . . 1st heard 9/14 with C&W | WWWW-FM. Change from WCXI is permanent. Legal IDs are now WWWW AM and FM and IDs/promos on 9/14 included the Wedding March and mentions of wedding day of the two stations. Still carries Michigan State FB separate from FM. (TS-MI)*
- 1300 **KGLO** IA Mason City - 9/21 2035 Several mentions of *24 Hour Full service Radio*, so they're apparently 24 hours now. Also, they carry some CBS news/sports - add to your log. (MH-NE)
- KAKC** OK Tulsa - 9/12 2335 Very strong with OLD. Later heard an ad for *Zippo in the Morning*, so id apparently not all TLK/SPT anymore. (MH-NE)
- 1310 **WTLC** IN Indianapolis - 9/13 0250 Doing a job on WMTG with UC music and using *FM 105.7* non-IDs. Legal ID at 0300 *This is WTLC-FM-AM Indianapolis. Ex: WTUX. (REH-ON)*
- 1430 **KQLL** OK Tulsa - 9/18 2306 Heard with *Larry King*, so add this to your Log. (MH-NE)
- 1440 **WMAX** MI Bay City - Now uses these CLs, formally on 1480 in Grand Rapids, primarily on the hour and half-hour. CNN *Headline News* with local segments using the slogans *News to the Max* and *News Radio 1440* at other times. (TS-MI)
- 1470 **WKMF** MI Flint - Had Been simulcasting on 101.7 using the FM's old WGMZ CLs. Those are gone and their new legal ID is *WKMF AM and FM, Flint - Tuscola. (TS-MI)*
- 1490 **WEFG** MI Whitehall - 9/21 0400 With what sounded like bird-fed C&W and legal ID *The all-new 97 Frog WIPG's AM and FM Whitehall - Muskegon. Also used slogan Jumpin' Country, 97 Frog. It: WPBK. (REH-ON)*



- 1570 **WZZC** IN New Albany - 9/11 2100 Fair with *Clarksville Generals vs Salem Lions HS FB* and non-legal ID *Inspiration 1570 WZZC located in Louisville - New Albany. Ex: WBOS. (REH-ON)*

### UNIDs and UNID HELP

- 520 **UNID** ?? - 9/13 2140 Beacon, very strong. I checked all the past DXNs since the NDB thing started, but didn't see any report of it. (MH-NE)
- 1210 **UNID** ?? - 8/12 2102 Fair with college FB between the *ESU? Aggies* and *Hardin-Simmons Cowboys* (of Abilene, TX). Couldn't fine any college with the initials *ESU* in the *Almanac*. Announcers were "for" *ESU*. Sounded like a pattern change at 2104. *KGYN?* (MH-NE) [Here's a couple of ways to figure it out. . . go to a *B. Dalton* or *Waldenbooks* in your area. Buy (or just look in - hi) a *Street & Smith's College Football Almanac* (or similar magazine) and check *Hardin-Simmons'* schedule. Or write to them. I don't know, but Aug 12 seems kind of early for a college football game. And a Wednesday ?? Maybe a scrimmage? Just tryin' to help. - Ed.]
- 1280 **UNID** ?? - 9/14 2221 UC/rap music. ID as *1280 Jams*. Mixing with *WQUE* and *KEAN. (MH-NE)*
- 1490 **UNID** ?? - 9/21 0229 With very EZL music (*Zamfir*), EDT TC and *AM 1490 and FM 101* non-ID. (REH-ON)



### MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 860 **KFSA** TX Nacogdoches - 9/13 0420 In *WGUL-FL* null with *CJBC* off. Had UC mx with lots of *Jammia' 860 KFSA* call IDs. (REH-ON)
- 1080 **WDSY** PA Pittsburgh - 9/21 0700 Poor in heavy static with what sounded like a quickie sign-on: *Your home for classic country is WDSY-AM in Pittsburgh. Then -> a C&W song already in progress; probably | to FM. (REH-ON)*
- 1340 **WMBO** NY Auburn - 9/28 0100 In for about 10 seconds with end of legal ID . . . *right here on WMBO Auburn - Seneca Falls. Hard to tell, but I think they then went into CBS News. (REH-ON)*

### 1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

- 770 **WVNN** AL Athens - 9/18 2140 Strong with HS football, *Athens Golden Eagles vs Butler Rebels*. Seemed like the forgot to switch to night pattern, but *KDJW* and *KGBC* seemed like that too. So it was probably just good conditions to the south (not AU, however). (MH-NE)
- 810 **KXOI** TX Crane - 9/18 2300 SS music, then *EE/SS ID* in *KCMO* null. (MH-NE)
- 820 **WSCR** IL Chicago - 9/24 1950 Under *WOSU/CHAM & CKLW* splatter with *SPT TLK*. Legal ID at 2000 as *The Score WSCR Chicago*. Very good after 2000. Rather than D1, think this one may be back to their old L1 (on full power 'til *WBAP LSS*). (REH-ON)
- 830 **KFLT** AZ Tucson - 9/18 2109 Very strong with IDs mentioning *Listener supported KFLT. (MH-NE)*
- 860 **WDMG** GA Douglas - 9/13 2100 USA News, the South Georgia weather. ID was *AM 96 and FM 99, Your Star Station*. 1st new logging of the season. (MH-NE)
- 970 **KHVN** TX Fort Worth - 9/13 2050 Caught *HVN* as I tuned in. (MH-NE)
- 1010 **KDJW** TX Amarillo - 9/18 2120 High school football (*Midland vs ??*). Good southern conditions tonight. (MH-NE)
- 1160 **KVAR** TX San Antonio - 9/13 2026 Very strong with SS. *KEDA-1540* also very strong. (MH-NE)
- 1170 **KOWO** MN Waseca - 9/25 2153 High school football (*Waseca Blue Jays vs St. James Saints*). New. (MH-NE)

- 1280 **KPRV** **OK** Potcau - 9/14 2152 Sign-off mentioning 1000 watts and asking to tune to KPRV-FM 92.5. (MH-NE)
- 1300 **KVET** **TX** Austin - 9/15 2030 C&W. || FM *K-Country 98*. (MH-NE)
- 1340 **WEXL** **MI** Royal Oak - 9/17 With ID and *Ask Your Neighbor* promo at 2130. Never heard here before, night or day, even with WDLZ 1330 off. (TS-MI)
- 1540 **KGBC** **TX** Galveston - 9/18 2130 Good over KXEL with an endless string of ads. (MH-NE)
- 1550 **KKLE** **KS** Winfield - 9/13 2200 ID only under KSFT. (MH-NE)
- 1600 **WKXF** **KY** Eminence - 9/26 2340 Very Good with C&W and the *WKXF Community Bulletin Board* sponsored by *Dairy Queen*. Used *Superior Country WKX* non-ID at 2400 . . . *news and information for Henry County, this is WKXF Eminence, Kentucky*. This may have been a sign-off as nothing more heard. Listed as 43 watts, but sounded like they must've been on day power. (REH-ON)

**REPORTERS (Welcome Back)**

- REH-ON Charles Reh Leamington, ON; R-390A + Sanserino Loop + TR-3000 open reel tape deck (x2)
- TS-MI Tom Sanders Davison, MI; ICF-2010 and 17¢ worth of uncanceled stamps [Thanks, USPS]
- MH-NE Mike Hawk, N00SY Omaha, NE; HQ-180AC, R-1000, 2' coax loop and Wesolowski Antenna Loan Co. Radio West Loop
- Ed-ID Editor, NSSZC7 Meridian, ID;

**GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE**

Totals:		<b>1230</b>	<b>1240</b>	<b>1340</b>	<b>1400</b>	<b>1450</b>	<b>1490</b>	<b>Total</b>
Charles Reh Leamington, ON		64	77	88	67	78	84	<b>458</b>

(Updates in bold)

**ABBREVIATIONS AND SPECIAL SYMBOLS USED IN DDXD - North**

|| :parallel with or to - :into :00: on the hour AC:Adult contemporary AP:Associated Press BBD:big band  
 BRN:Business Radio Net C&W:country & western CFL:Canadian Football League CHR:contemporary hit radio  
 CID:code ID CL:call letter ContChr:contemporary Christian EZL:easy listening EE:English FF:French  
 GOS:gospel IRN:Interstate Radio Net LSR:local sunrise LSS:local sunset NBA:National Basketball Assn  
 NHL:National Hockey League NFL:National Football League NPR:National Public Radio OC:open carrier  
 POL: political PSRA:pre-sunrise authority PSSA:post-sunset authority QRM:man-made interference QRN:natural  
 interference QTH:location REL:religious ROK:rock 'n' roll RS:regular schedule \$:stereo SID:singing ID  
 SRS:sunrise skip SS:Spanish SSB:Star Spangled Banner SSS:sunset skip TC:time check TT:test tones UC:urban  
 contemporary UPI:United Press International



DDXD-East

**NEWS AND VIEWS**

73  
*[Handwritten signature]*

The new NRC AM Radio Log was received here this week, it looks good. In fact, it already helped me with one log (see 1470 below).

My apologies to Jeff Kitz, his log of WCMS-Norfolk which is in the last DDXD-East should have been under "Special." I also logged this station last week, and just noticed in the new log that it is still shown as "Silent."

Remember, traditionally the first few weekly bulletins are somewhat thin, let's get our logs in so everyone can get into the spirit of the new DX season. There were some good conditions at sunset here last week, numerous southern stations were in from 1930 to 2000.

Deadlines here are weekly on Saturday, I look forward to hearing from you!

**SPECIAL**

- 1480 CKAN ON Newmarket - 9/8 2049+ Yep, it is indeed back on the air! In loud with Toronto Blue Jays vs. Kansas City Royals, at 2100 mentions of "Energy 1480". (JK-VA)
- 1490 WUSS NJ Atlantic City - 9/26 1704 Noted back on, in very strong. They were not here for about two weeks. (DB-DE)

**UNIDS**

- 770 UNID 9/19 0635 fair-good even with WABC talk with SEN sports-talk, gone by 0645. (DB-DE)
- 940 UNID 9/7 0117-0148 under/over WINZ (which was on the air with daytime power due to emergency from Hurricane Andrew). Thought I heard WMIA? or WNIA? at 0117, along with Willard Scott Safe Boating public service announcement, and Tom Bodett Motel 6 commercial. Mostly rock and roll oldies. Could have been WMIX, maybe WMAZ. Maybe I missed a call letter/format change? (JK-VA)
- 1160 UNID 9/8 1959 in, with the WJD mess, with a UC gospel program. (JK-VA)
- 1440 UNID 9/14 1957 CNN news, parallel Jacksonville on 1460 which was also in, could this be WPRD-FL? (DB-DE)

**0000 to 0800 ELT**

- 940 WINZ FL Miami - 9/7 0028+ in loud with apparent 50kw-U1, relaying the U.S. Army's 1610 kHz *Radio Recovery*, which was set up to assist the victims of Hurricane Andrew in Homestead, FL. At 0030 "stay tuned to 940 wind, your emergency radio station," then CNN news. At 0110 "You're listening to Radio Recovery...a public service of your emergency radio station...broadcasting in Spanish, Creole and English...with 50,000 watts, this is 940 WINZ Miami/Fort Lauderdale." No CBM, but some QRM from XEQ/RR/and a domestic oldies UNID. Mentions of Homestead curfew, FEMA, the Small Business Association, etc. Assume that WINZ is still a Westinghouse station? (JK-VA)
- 1050 WCMS VA Norfolk - 9/19 0700 CW music into ID "WCMS and WCMS-FM." (DB-DE)



**1600 TO 2400 ELT**

- 1030 WFTK NC Wake Forest - 9/8 1931 in loud with signoff. (JK-VA)
- 1040 WJTB OH North Ridgeville - 9/8 1946 in good with "the north coasts's best" and signoff with 'serving North Ridgeville, Akron, Lorain and the entire north coast', female announcer and mentions of 50 kw? or 5 kw? "Clear channel, this is WJTB." Who in loud later on. (JK-VA)
- 1100 WWWE OH Cleveland - 9/8 2134 in very strong and getting out well with a phone call from a listener in Aruba! On a sports-talk show regarding the Browns. (JK-VA)
- 1110 CKTY ON Sarnia - 9/8 2139 in too strong, obviously not running 1 kw night power/pattern, way over semi-local WBT at times, with weather and female announcer. CW music and mentions of CKTY. Sounds like 50 kw! (JK-VA)
- 1200 WOAI TX San Antonio - 9/8 2315+ in good with post-game wrap-up show (being relayed from KPRC) after an Astros game at the Astrodome. Mentions of "KPRC-950" and "WOAI clear channel communications, San Antonio." Some WOWO C-QUAM splash. (JK-VA)
- 1330 WETZ WV New Martinsville - 9/26 2043 noted with automated CW and psa for the West Virginia Department of Human Resources. (DB-DE)
- 1470 WRBS FL Pompano Beach - 9/14 1954 surfaced with many ID's and promos. (DB-DE)
- WVBS NC Burgaw - 9/14 1944 Heard only ID as B-100 with CHR, new "AM Radio Log" shows this ID on WVBS. Thanks!! (DB-DE)
- 1480 WZJY SC Mount Pleasant - 9/14 1931 poor with ID and calendar of events, then faded into the mess. (DB-DE)
- WTOY VA Salem - 9/8 2041 in loud occasionally with UC music and "Power Sounds 1480" and female DJ. Should have been on 20 watt power at this time? CKAN mostly on top. (JK-VA)
- 1580 WSRF FL Fort Lauderdale - 9/16 2003 listening to soft AC, in the middle of the song it was broken into and an ID given, then back to the song. Disappeared at 2004. (DB-DE)

**REPORTERS**

- JK-VA Jeff Kitz, Dillwyn, VA: Sony CFM-140II AM/FM/Cassette
- DB-DE Dave Braun, Wyoming, DE: Kenwood R2000, Sony AN-1

## NEWS AND VIEWS

Bruce Conti mentions that he has had a couple of good graveyard catches but not much other good domestic DX. His international DX has been booming in, mostly from the Caribbean and South America. I hope those logs are going to Jim Renfrew!

As you will note from going through this week's logs, late September showed pretty good sunset DX. That certainly was the case here. Let's hope that holds through the rest of the winter.

## UNID AND UNID HELP

- 750 UNID 9/29 1943 CW music, DJ talking while cuing song on air, then stopped music and did intro, gone at 1945. WPDx? (DB-DE)
- 1440 UNID 9/26 2200 fair to poor with Black Gospel music and preaching, u/WVEI/WLPZ. (BC-NH)
- 1460 UNID 10/3 0731 CW music poor in WCEI null. Too much splash to understand announcer when he spoke between songs. (DB-DE)

## 0000 to 0800 ELT

- 950 KLIKt MO Jefferson City - 9/27 0020 Thought I heard a "KLIK" under WQBE during a break in a ball game. (JK-VA)
- 1080 WDJX KY Louisville - 9/27 0027 In good, with UC and WDJX promos, "99.7 WDJX," no sign of WTIC or KRLD! (JK-VA)
- 1430 WCKN IN Indianapolis - 9/27 0030 In with "Indianapolis' only country music station - real country, WCKN." No more "Fox". (JK-VA)
- CJCL ON Toronto - 9/27 0023 In fair/good u/o WCKN, with "You're listening to Canada's first all sports radio station <fade> 1430." (JK-VA)

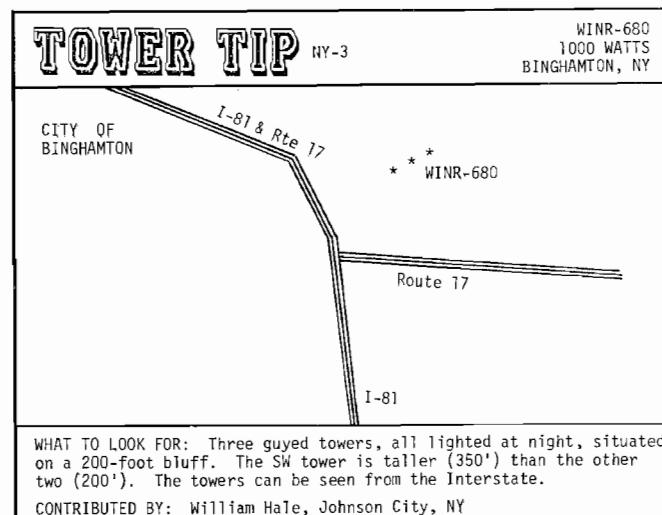
## 1600 TO 2400 ELT

- 940 WMIX IL Mt. Vernon - 9/13 2231 In clear, with Washington and Randolph County Cablevision commercial, followed by one for Davenport Office Supplies, during a break in a Cubs vs. Cardinals game. New here, also my UNID from 9/7. Must now have 1.5 kw night power on, mentions of "WMIX" o/u XEQ, no sign of CBM. (JK-VA)
- WCPC MS Houston - 9/13 1954 In fair to good with a woman reading a religious poem, followed by hillbilly type music and "this is WCPC." MS #3 at this QTH. (JK-VA)
- 950 WQBE WV Charleston - 9/13 2316 Loud, "blowing the windows out," with The Country Club Show CW, along with Charleston Department Store commercial at 2326; WQBE jingle at 2327. (JK-VA)
- 1010 CFRB ON Toronto - 9/26 2340 In very strong, with EZL/NOS/JAZ. "It's 11:52, you're listening to CFRB-1010, I'm Fred <fade>..." At 2353 "Make your weeknight special with Ed Needles(?), on Canada's most listened to radio station, CFRB-1010." (JK-VA)
- 1030 WNTL MD Indian Head - 9/19 2341 On with huge dead carrier most of the evening, completely blocking out WBZ. They forgot to pull that "big 50 kw switch." (JK-VA)
- 1040 WHO IA Des Moines - 9/26 2322 Way on top, with Country Market commercial, and Iowa Hawkeyes. (JK-VA)
- 1050 WBNC NH Conway - 9/26 1840 //FM with ID as "The Voice of the Valley, 93.5 WMWV," AC music. seldom heard here. (BC-NH)
- WCMS VA Norfolk - 9/13 2054 In poor/fair, with American Country Countdown, and commercial for Boot Village grand opening at Virginia Beach. (JK-VA)
- CHUM ON Toronto - 9/26 2323 In fair/good, with Smokey Robinson music, followed by a phone request for Steppenwolf's "Born to be Wild," "1050 CHUM." (JK-VA)
- 1120 WBNM GA Gordon - 9/19 2305 This pest back again, off frequency a few kc's, and with full day power. Top 40/AC, totally destroying reception of KMOX with rumbling heterodyne. (JK-VA)
- KMOX MO St. Louis - 9/18 2220 In good, no WBNM, with Jim White telling a caller "not to buy a R390, since some of the new Kenwood's and other ham rigs can run circles around them!" (send me your old '390 Jim, I'll take it off your hands cheap!) (JK-VA)
- 1150 CKMO ON Hamilton - 9/26 2236 In fair/good o/u WCUE/WDEL, with "More Oldies every hour than any other radio station, Oldies 1150." Famous first radio station in Ontario "CKOC" now gone! (JK-VA)

- 1160 WJJD IL Chicago - 9/26 2025+ In at semi-local strength, with "AM-1160-WJJD." "The Club" anti-car-theft commercial, Patty Page music, Andrews Sisters, Bob Goulet, etc. At 2038, "Great music from Broadway, Sunday mornings at 9, from real music AM 1160, WJJD." (JK-VA)
- WCCS PA Homer City - 9/13 2013 In good over WJJD, with "We are <fade> County's station-WCCS-The amazing AM," with AC/Oldies. At 2021, "Weekends are best with a wider variety of music... on your star station." At 2023, "You're listening to west-central Pennsylvania's most powerful AM voice, 1160-WCCS." I guess they forgot to pull the "big switch" also. (JK-VA)
- 1170 WWVA WV Wheeling - 9/26 2200-2305 Almost overloading the radio, with Jamboree in the Hills, with the Forrester Sisters promoting their new album, "I've Got a Date," from the Capital City Music Hall. At 2300, "that was the Forrester Sisters, next week Roy Clark. Thank you for listening to Jamboree in the Hills. News Radio 1170-WWVA Wheeling/Steubenville, where news comes first." (JK-VA)
- 1240 WPNF NC Brevard - 9/23 2045 In with mentions of NC sports and AP network news. (JK-VA)
- 1270 WMPM NC Smithfield - 9/23 1900 in good, with mentions of Smithfield, TIP Office Supplies commercial, Slick 50 car oil treatment commercial, and CW/Gospel. (JK-VA)
- 1310 WDKDt SC Kingstree - 9/29 1924 Ads for South Carolina Insurance, stores throughout South Carolina, during a state-wide sports call-in show with the "Clemson Compliance Officer." Shown as tentative due to no ID heard, and regular pest WGH is sports/talk, but the show and ads were definitely directed to South Carolina, and it is the only SC station on 1310... (DB-DE)
- 1340 WHAP VA Hopewell - fair o/mess with NASCAR Live from MRN and promo for local call-in/trading show twice each day, mentioned phone number 458-1340 and another which I didn't catch. (DB-DE)
- 1380 WTOB NC Winston-Salem - 9/29 1933 Fair with Braves baseball pre-game show, local ads for heating systems installation. (DB-DE)
- 1400 WICK PA Scranton - 9/26 2000 good with ID "You're listening to WICK Scranton-Wilkes Barre" and BFL music, o/CKFL in WLLH null. (BC-NH)
- CKFL PQ Lac Megantic - 9/26 2000 fair w/FF CW music until 2000, then FF AC music and talk, also 9/27 1920 good w/FF CW and accordion folk music. (BC-NH)
- 1440 WNPV PA Lansdale - 9/27 1848 fair with mention of Montgomery County and BBD music, u/o WVEI and others. (BC-NH)
- 1470 WVBS NC Burgaw - 9/23 1948 In good with Oldies//FM. ID's as "B 100." (JK-VA)

## REPORTERS

- BC-NH Bruce Conti, Nashua, NH: R70, DX400, MWDX-5, wires
- JK-VA Jeff Kitz, Dillwyn, VA: Sony CFM-140II AM/FM/Cassette 100% Barefoot
- DB-DE Dave Braun, Wyoming, DE: R2000, Palomar Loop



# International DX Digest

**Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELT, subtract 5 hrs.**

Welcome to the 60th year of the NRC! Feast your eyes on the 37 countries heard by our reporters! As a special feature this week, we offer some of Jean Burnell's loggings from his recent visit to Germany.

My weekly deadline is Friday, although I am sometimes able to include items received on Saturday. Any items that miss the deadline will be included in the following week's edition of IDXD.

## PAN-AMERICAN

- 555 ST KITTS & NEVIS ZIZ Basseterre, 9/12 0352 - Reggae-rap (Shabba Ranks-style) and Caribbean soca music, fair. [MC=MA]
- 620t ANTIGUA 9/12 0342 - Back to back Caribbean music more likely Antigua than Jamaica as conditions were "piped" to the Eastern Caribbean at the time. Het from Canaries 621 noted. [MC=MA]
- 640 GUADELOUPE Point à Pitre, 9/12 0338 - Fair with man and woman in French. The low end of the dial was semi-auroral, while TAs were in on the high end. [MC=MA]
- 670 VENEZUELA YVLL Caracas, 9/23 2318 - R. Rumbos ID, several doorbell chimes, fair to good despite WRKO slop. [MC=MA]
- 690t ANGUILLA 9/23 2319 - English preaching behind CBF during Caribbean opening. [MC=MA]
- 700 UNID, probably a Venezuelan, 9/23 2324 - Spanish talk, ID sounded like "R. Cu de Pinte", then romantic music was played. [MC=MA]
- 720 VENEZUELA YVQE Porlamar, 9/23 2312 - Venezuelan ads including mention of a construction firm in Acarigua, phone numbers given. Good with CHTN groundwave nulled. [MC=MA]
- 750 VENEZUELA YVKS Caracas, 9/23 2305 - Loud with Spanish news, R. Caracas news. [MC=MA]
- 760 GUYANA Georgetown, 9/23 2332 - Two good peaks with accented English news having items about the University of Guyana. This station falls into a fairly large group of DX targets that are a "piece of cake" at the seashore, but are rather

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- uncommon at the home QTH less than an hour's drive away. [MC=MA]
- 780 BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS ZBVI Roadtown/VENEZUELA YYNM Coro, 9/23 2303 - ZBVI with BBC news over/under YVMN with R. Coro ID, Spanish talk. [MC=MA]
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES PJB Bonaire, 9/23 2335 - Spanish religious talk, hymns; loud, creaming semi-local WCCM who was running a Red Sox game in Spanish. [MC=MA]
- 810 MEXICO UNID, 9/19 0204 - Mexican anthem under KCMO/KXOI mix. [MH-NE]
- 830 ST KITTS & NEVIS R. Paradise, 9/12 0400 - The suspicion that R. Paradise may have moved from 825 to 830 grows. Back to back US religious shows, including the California-based "Praise the Lord" program, were heard with the only ID as "Trinity Broadcasting Network - TBN". Caribbean conditions were good at the time; a domestic (e.g. CFJR) is not suspected. [MC=MA] 9/23 0017 - ID not given but what else could it be? English religious program excellent and looping Caribbean at a time when stations from that area were roaring in over co-channel US/Canadian domestics. [MC=MA] (I've not heard an ID either, but it is R. Paradise now operating from the island of Nevis - Jim)



- 880t MEXICO XEV Chihuahua CHI, 9/16 0230 - Strong with music, and time checks between almost every song. Tentative ID through all the static crashes. [MH-NE]
- 900 BARBADOS Bridgetown, 9/24 0015 - Caribbean English talk show, mixed with Spanish station and WMVU after pest WCLZ went off. [MC=MA]

- 950 MEXICO XEYJ Nuevo Rosita, 9/16 0203 - Very strong, well over KYGO, WWJ and KPRC. IDed as YJ. [MH-NE]
- 960 MEXICO XEK Nuevo Laredo, 9/16 0243 - Good with local ads, giving semi-local KMA a run for its money. [MH-NE]
- 980 MEXICO XENR Nuevo Rosita, 9/16 0236 - Strong (not quite as good as XEYJ) almost as if usual pest KMBZ wasn't there! [MH-NE]
- 980 BRAZIL ZYH707 R. Nacional Brasilia, 9/19 2350-2353 - Not good conditions to Brazil, but this appeared over CBV briefly with talk in Portuguese, announcer mentioned the caller was in Brasilia. SIO 332. [JB-NF]
- 1020 VENEZUELA YVRS La Asunción, 9/24 0013 - Spanish talk, Mundial Margarita ID, loud with WBZ-1030 nulled. [MC=MA]
- 1030 MEXICO XEQR Mexico DF, 9/13 0244 - Good to start, but on a slow steady fade. Distinct whistling "theme song" between songs. [MH-NE]
- 1090 ST. LUCIA 9/24 0010 - French Caribbean Creole music, good with WBAL nulled. [MC=MA]
- 1100 ANTIGUA ZDK St. John's, 9/9 0132 - Recent hit "Time, Love and Tenderness", then black DJ who read many local dedications. Soft soul music followed, Signal fair to good with WWWE phased. [MC=MA] 9/24 0011 - DJ said "Radio Zed DK, 11 past 8 o'clock". Good signal. [MC=MA]



- 1160 BERMUDA VSB3 Hamilton, 9/17 0931 - BBC news fair in mess with others. [MC=MA]
- 1165 ANTIGUA C.R.L. St. John's, 9/17 0928 - Caribbean Radio Lighthouse good with English talk, hymn. [MC=MA] 9/23 2352 - Excellent (better than 1160 or 1170), preaching by man in English. [MC=MA]
- 1435.3 BRAZIL? unID, 9/18 2222-2227 - Tantalizing off-frequency signal! Briefly up, but faded out quickly. Man and woman reading news in Portuguese, all items about Brazil. Thunderstorm QRN made readability poor, SIO 342, and generally poor conditions to Brazil. Recheck at 2311 gave an unusable,

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- VENEZUELA YVRZ R. Dos Mil Cumana, 9/20 0038-0105 - Dance music with popular groups like Los Melódicos, time check and song in between each tune, ID every 5 or 6 tunes, IDs at 0046 and 0104. Mixed with and QRMed by another station with football play-by-play in Spanish - could not ID this one, but there was a goal from 0048-0049: "Goooooooooooooooooal". SIO 232. [JB-NF] (This announcer seems to work for quite a few South American stations! - Jim)
- 1520 PUERTO RICO WRAI R. Aeropuerto San Juan, 9/20 0020-0036 - Lively music, telephone dedications in Spanish, 2 IDs at 0028:30 then promo for Sunday morning program, ID at 0036 again. SIO 343. [JB-NF]
- 1610 ANGUILLA The Valley, 9/9 0100 - Instrumental of hymn "One Day at a Time", then ID by Barb-accented man "This is the Caribbean Beacon Radio broadcasting from Anguilla", then CNN News. 9/12 0444 - preaching, strong over Vatican 1611 het. 9/14 2349 - English preaching at low audio level on big carrier. Early evening conditions were semi-auroral. 9/17 0935 - Spanish program. [MC=MA] 9/23 0006 - Excellent with pop-style contemporary Christian music. [MC=MA]

## TRANS-ATLANTIC

- 531 ALGERIA Ain Beida, 9/9 0210 - Arabic music, poor with QRM from CIAO and F9 beacon. [MC=MA]
- 549 ALGERIA Les Trembles, 9/9 0212 - Arabic music and talk, poor in slop. [MC=MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS Santa Cruz, Tenerife, 9/12 0353 - Slow Spanish male vocal, some Antigua 620 QRM. [MC=MA]
- 765 SENEGAL Dakar, 9/23 2345 - Arabic dialect talk. [MC=MA]
- 774 SPAIN Synchros, 9/23 2347 - Fair with Spanish vocals. Europeans weakened by moderately auroral conditions. [MC=MA]
- 827 UNID (LIBYA?) 9/18 2233-2302 - Old plan frequency, or drifting transmitter, traditional music, lots of

weak signal. [JB-NF] (Nothing shows up after a quick glance at recent European newsletters. Perhaps one of our Scandinavian members knows something about this? - Jim)

drums, ululations by women, Arabic or very closely related language, at 2258:30 man talking in Arabic, believe an ID in here but thunderstorm QRM was bad, definite news in Arabic, pips and back to same sort of music, still there at 2337, Koran at 2346, think s/off was 0000. Libya would be most likely, but not parallel to audible Libynas, nor to audible Moroccans. SIO 343. [JB-NF] 9/19 2153-2211 - Traditional music as above, at 2159:30 bit of martial music and newx in Arabic 2200-2210, then more music. I can't catch an ID! SIO 343. [JB-NF] (I haven't noted any reports on this elsewhere - Jim)



- 837 SPAIN and/or CANARY ISLANDS, 9/10 0310 - Spanish talk. [MC-MA]
- 837 AZORES Barossa, 9/23 2340 - Bits of Portuguese talk in mess with others. [MC=MA]
- 846 ITALY Roma, 9/18 2304-2310 - I got suckered by this for the umpteenth time. News in English, then German! SIO 332. [JB-NF]
- 873 GERMANY AFN Frankfurt, 9/18 2351-2355 - Pirates baseball under SER Zaragoza, no ads between innings, just more sports news inserted. SIO 322. [JB-NF] (AFN takes the network feed, but substitutes its own stuff during commercials - Jim)
- 891 PORTUGAL R. Renasçença Vilamoura, 9/19 0003-0007 - News (parallel 963) under Algeria, then briefly dominant around 0005 with ad and jingle but swamped a minute later. SIO 333. [JB-NF]
- 891 ALGERIA Algiers, 9/9 0156 - Arabic talk and music, good. [MC-MA] 9/23 2344 - Arabic music, lots of slop from WCLZ-900 pest. [MC=MA]
- 963 PORTUGAL R. Renasçença Seixal, 9/18-19 2356-0002 - Music, ads at 2357:30, ID then jazz music at 2359, news at top of hour. SIO 343. [JB-NF]
- 972 SPAIN RNE R. 1 Monforte de Lemos, 9/19 0041-0047 - Flamenco music parallel 855, man and woman talk in Spanish. Is Córdoba really also on this frequency? SIO 343. [JB-NF] (I sent the latest Spanish MW list to

- Ken Chatterton without keeping a copy for myself, sorry! - Jim)
- 981 PORTUGAL R. Renasçença Coimbra et al, 9/19 0010-0017 - Battling powerful Algerian, OK during Algerian talk, romantic music and pops parallel 963. SIO 322. [JB-NF]
- 1035 PORTUGAL RDP R. Comercial Lisboa, 9/19 2223 - A common station (SIO 342): was doing interview about football, parallels 828 and 1575 were heard too, but where was 1062? No sign of it! [JB-NF]
- 1044 MOROCCO Sebaa Aioun, 9/8 0137 - Fair to good with Arabic talk. [MC-MA]
- 1062 PORTUGAL Norte, 9/9 0225 - Portuguese folk-rock vocal, then Portuguese talk by man, followed by Tom Petty's "Refugee". Good signal on peaks. [MC-MA]
- 1098 SPAIN and/or CANARY ISLANDS, 9/12 0518 - Operatic Spanish vocal. [MC-MA]
- 1179 SPAIN/CANARY ISLANDS 4 SER stations, 9/19 0020-0031 - Stations poorly synchronized, which was fun because one heard the strongest station echoes twice, and sometimes three times, i.e. three and sometimes four signals could be discerned! Program was humorous talk, pips on half hour. [JB-NF]
- 1197 LESOTHO BBC Relay Lancer's Gap, 9/19 2259-2303 - Lilybolero prenews tune, pips on hour, BBC news in English. Way, way under Morocco, SIO 222-1. [JB-NF]
- 1197 UNID 9/12 0415 - Talk by man and woman, sounded French or Spanish, faded out rapidly. [MC-MA]
- 1197 UNID 9/23 2350 - Multiple station pile, one of them sounded like British English (BBC Lesotho?), but was too garbled to tell. Europe north of Iberian peninsula was aurora-ed out, so not likely UK or VOA Germany. Unfortunately, the bad WKOX-CFGO slop was not totally nullable. [MC=MA]
- 1206 FRANCE Bordeaux, 9/12 0515 - Open carrier initially strong (prior to regular programming at 0530), soon faded. [MC-MA]
- 1242t FRANCE 9/12 0420 - Apparent open carrier. [MC-MA]
- 1278t FRANCE 9/12 0430 - Open carrier, strong. [MC-MA]
- 1341 SPAIN R. Terrassa, 9/19 0136-0144 - Sounded like folk music with flutes parallel 1539. Splatter from 1340

- and some co-channel QRM, SIO 333. [JB-NF]
- 1349 MAURETANIA Nouakchott, 9/9 0045 - African group vocal and heavy drumming; S9 + 30 on R8 meter! [MC-MA] 9/23 2241 - Female chant, strong. [MC=MA]
- 1377 FRANCE Lille 9/12 0432 - Poor to fair with woman in French. [MC-MA]
- 1422 GERMANY Heusweiler, 9/12 0440 - Excellent with C&W style slow group vocal, then 1963 oldie "If I Had A Hammer" by Trini Lopez. [MC-MA]
- 1440 CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC Bangui, 9/18 2212-2218 - Muddy audio, but announcer definitely in some African language, highlife music. A couple of good peaks during the music, though, and unequivocal shortwave parallel 5035. Best I've ever heard it! SIO 333. Recheck at 2315 revealed Luxembourg only. [JB-NF]
- 1458 ENGLAND London (presumed), 9/12 0505 - Woman in Ebglisch, poor in 1460 slop. [MC-MA]
- 1458t MAYOTTE RFO, 9/19 0058-0110 - With talk in French, accordion music, at 0100 pips, timecheck for "trois heures" (3 o'clock), news then some drama. At this point I established a parallel with R. France-Inter on 162 kHz and RFO St. Pierre on 1375. WRTH has a 1930 UTC s/off and only 4 kW, but the station has been 100 kW for a while, and I believe they run France-Inter overnight. (Thanks to Jorma Mantyla in Finland for comments on this one). QRM from UK stations, SIO 322. [JB-NF] (Mayotte is an island in the Indian Ocean near Madagascar! An excellent logging - Jim)
- 1458.2 UNID, 9/19 2215 - Woman talking in English mentioned India, probably the end of the newscast, perhaps BBC, then jazz. Very poor, SIO 232-1. I have heard BBS World Service on this frequency before, I wrote to the BBC engineering department with a tape. The tape was returned without even a note! GLR broadcasts BBC WS at night, but they were 1458.0 every time I have heard them. [JB-NF]



**Empresas Radiofónicas, S.A.**

- 1502 ANGOLA EP de Benguela, 9/18 2149-2206 - Bryan Adams song, telephone chat in Portuguese, jingle with heavy reverb then "Radio Nacional de Angola" ID at 2259, news at 2200. QRM: Togo and het from Azores. SIO 333. [JB-NF]
- 1502 TOGO Kara, 9/18 2202-2206 - Briefly readable under Benguela with news in French, including some local items, music at 2205. Tried for shortwave 3222 parallel but only a het there. SIO 222. [JB-NF]
- 1503 AZORES AFN Lajes, 9/19 2306 - Baseball and college football news. Why don't these guys QSL? SIO 343. [JB-NF] (A few years ago I had to go through my local congresswoman to secure an AFRS shortwave QSL! - Jim)
- 1530 MADEIRA Posto Em de Radiodif do Funchal, 9/19 2140-2149 - Nice signal with mellow pops, ID at 2145, increasing Vatican QRM. There is a short "window" to Madeira almost every evening in which the small station can top Vaticana. SIO 343. [JB-NF]
- 1544 CLANDESTINE R. Nacional de la Saharui Democrática, 9/19 2150 - HUGE signal with Arabic music. If you have ever heard a TA you will be able to hear this! SIO 454 - in a more generous mood I'd say 555! [JB-NF] 9/23 2251 - Male a capella Arabic fast drone, up to excellent strength. 9/24 0001 - Man in Arabic, strapping signal. Jean Burnell told me about this a week or so previous. A het had sometimes been detectable at the home QTH (15 miles inland), but here at the shore is had to be 40 dB stronger. What a signal! This should be easy through coastal areas from Cape Hatteras northward. Being between 1539 and 1548 should make it easy to hear in Europe as well. [MC=MA]
- 1548 ENGLAND, 9/12 0455 - British English talk, then "Dancing Queen" by Abba. Briefly loud, but faded into co-channel QRM and 1550 slop before a local city ID was given. [MC-MA]
- 1554 GABON RTV Gabonaise Melene, 9/19 2231-2250 - Highlife music, telephone conversations in French with folks waning dedications. ID at 2235 then news, sports at 2248. ID again at 2249 then music again. SIO 333. [JB-NF]



- 1566 AZORES Clube Asas do Atlantico Villa Porto, 9/19-20 2354-0003 - Technopops, man announcer wrapped up program, pips at 2359:00, one minute early! Then 2 anthems, one must be for Azores, other I think was "A Portuguesa" but I haven't heard it in a long time. SIO 444. [JB-NF] 9/23 2249 - Good to excellent with Portuguese music, then "Nikita" by Elton John. 9/24 0002-0004 - s/off with anthem, a minute of open carrier, then carrier went off. Other weaker TAs (at least two carriers) were left on channel, but their audios were diced badly by WQCR-1560 and CKLM-1570. [MC=MA]
- 1575 SPAIN 9/6 0434 - Man in Spanish parallel to 1584. [MC-MA]
- 1575 SPAIN/GERMANY/???, 9/12 0453 - Spain with vocal parallel 1584 mixed with German program and others (a real mess). [MC-MA]
- 1584 SPAIN 9/6 0434 - Man in Spanish, parallel 1575. 9/12 0447 - Echoey Spanish talk, then religious-sounding group vocal; over others. 9/15 0400 - Good with man in Spanish. [MC-MA]
- 1593 GERMANY Langenberg, 9/6 0433 - Excellent with German talk, then Madonna's "This Used to Be My Playground", and like a local demolishing adjacent domestics with German Eurodisco electronic dance music. [MC-MA]
- 1602 SPAIN 9/12 0445 - Bits of Spanish in WUNR slop (WUNR seemingly back to full power). [MC-MA]
- 1611 VATICAN 9/6 0430 - Good with Slavic or German talk. [MC-MA]

## STATION NEWS

- CLANDESTINE: La Voz Democrática de Sahara is now 1544, ex-1355 kHz. [POS,DAM,HK and others via PLAY DX #705] (see loggings above!)
- COSTA RICA: R. Superior 1125 supposed new name for Sonido 11-20, ex-1120. [Krueger 2/13 DXSF in WRTH LA-NL 5/31/92 in *Distance* 8/18/92]
- EL SALVADOR: YSSS R. El Salvador only on 660, 10 kW and repeaters on 750 and 680. [ANTEL Via S. Rivas 7/31 in WRTH LA-NL 8/10/92 in *Distance* 8/15/92] (Seems to indicate that reliable 655 split frequency may be no more - Jim)
- LEBANON: Wings of Hope 945 was noted signing off at 0057 at the end of August. [JOB in *Distance* 9/15/92]

- LITHUANIA: Radio Baltic International, a government effort with international shareholders, is to operate from the Lithuanian coast on 981 kHz with 200 kW. [DX-News, no 7, 8/10/92 (DXLC) in *Distance* 9/15/92]
- MALTA: R. Malta One, 999 kHz, operates 0600-2255 with music and news in Maltese. [Times of Malta via Chris Nykiel in *Distance* 8/18/92]
- MOLDOVA: R. Pridnestrovye, the Russian separatist station in the breakaway trans-Dneistr region is using 999 and 1467 kHz, the latter signing off at 2059.5. Sometimes in Romanian IDing as Radio u Nistran. [Bo Nensen in *Distance* 8/18/92] Romania has offered 9 hours of air-time to Moldavan Radio for beaming programs back into Moldova using the 1053 Iasi transmitter. [Communication 8/92 in *Distance* 8/18/92]
- MONTSERRAT: R. Montserrat 885 - target date for new 10 kW transmitter was June. [DXCI in *Distance* 8/18/92]
- NEW ZEALAND: A complete list of New Zealand MW stations (as recently printed in *New Zealand DX Times*) may be ordered from the NRC Publications Center. Be sure to include the cost for 3 pages (plus NYS tax if you live in New York).
- ROMANIA: See Moldova item above.
- ST. HELENA: R. St. Helena will relay its 1548 MW program for a second special broadcast from the South Atlantic on shortwave 11092 kHz with 1000 watts. Date is October 23, 2000-2100 and 2220-2300. DXers will be invited to phone in. [R. Nederland Media Network in *Distance* 9/15/92] (A great chance to hear what most of us will never hear on MW! - Jim)
- ST. KITTS AND NEVIS: New address for R. Paradise, Charlestown, Nevis, St. Kitts and Nevis, W.I. [CAS/XOD in *Distance* 9/15/92], also Trinity Broadcasting Network, Box A, Santa Ana CA 92711. [monitored by JR-NY]

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- [JB-NF] **Jean Burnell**, St John's NF (Cape St. Francis site); ICOM IC-R71A, using 150-200 meter wires at around 115 degrees.
- [MH-NE] **Mike Hawk N00SY**, Omaha NE; HQ-180AC, R-1000, Radio West Loop (on loan from Ernie W.), and 2' coax loop.
- [MC-MA] **Mark Connolly**, Billerica MA; Drake R8, two 20m wires in noise-reducing configuration, phased with MWDX-5. RTL-2 Loop and MWT-3 Tuner also used.
- [MC=MA] **Mark Connolly**, Rockport MA; DX-440, RTL-2 Remotely Tuned Loop with MWT-3 Regenerative Tuner with Controllor.

## SPECIAL: DR. JEAN THE DX TRIPPER

- DX Loggings by Dr. Jean Burnell from Bilhausen, Germany
- 540 HUNGARY Solt, 8/24 2057 - Man talking about politics, IS at 2058 then pips 30 seconds early, "R. Budapest" ID. SIO 444.
- 540 BELGIUM Wavre, 8/24 2059 - Anita Baker song, no ID at top of hour but woman in Flemish introed next tune. SIO 444.
- 792 GREECE VOA Kavalla, 8/24 2119 - Woman in unID language talking about Bosnia, jazz program from 2121. SIO 343. Also at 2140 with Arabic talk about Iraq, report from New York Times. SIO 332.
- 792 GERMANY NDR Lingen, 8/24 2137 - Talk in German // 828. SIO 332.
- 981 GREECE ERT Athens, 8/26 2150 - Greek talk and pop music, ID at 2156 and names of program personnel. SIO 333.
- 999 ENGLAND Red Rose R., Preston, 8/25 2246 - Talk program with marital problems of the Royals receiving the most attention, weather at 2252, ID and telephone number. SIO 232.
- 999 GERMANY RIAS Schwerin (new!), 8/25 2250 - First noted in German QRMing Red Rose R., faded up with American pops, then completely lost at 2305 as if the transmitter was switched off. SIO up to 433. BE via AC in Euonews 4/9/92 says this is 50-100 kW.

- SPAIN: RNE Arganda 1359 with 600 kW is testing here to eventually start a European service. Heard 1500-1930+ with relay of RNE R1 Madrid or RNE R5 Madrid programs. [M. Molano via PLAY DX #705]
- VENEZUELA: Territorio Federal Amazonas is now Estado Amazonas (a new state). [TRN in *Distance* 8/18/92]

## QSL INFORMATION (all Dr. Jean Burnell)

- BELGIUM: BRTN Kuurne 1188 - p/d letter v/s D. Audenaert, Ingenieur-directeur, along with a list of stations and 2 stickers in 17 days for an English report with no return postage.
- BRAZIL: R. Paulista (ZYI778) Recife PE 1120 - f/d ppc, nice letter in English and cassette of local music came registered in 31 days for a Portuguese report with cassette and \$1. The v/s is Marcos Antonio de Souza, C o o r d . Programação/Journalismo. The address differs from both WRTH 92 and the Motta/Moraes list: Rua Floriano Peixoto 780 - 1' andar, Recife, Pernambuco CEP 50020-060. R. Tropical (ZYJ594) Natal RN 1190 - f/d ppc only in 17 days after f/up in Portuguese with \$1. V/s is Janio Mario Carlos Vidal, Diretor Superintendente Rede Tropical. The WRTH address is right but the correct CEP (like a ZIP code) for the station is 59056-100.
- NIGERIA: Ogun State Broadcasting Corp. Abeokuta 1170 - n/d personal letter and f/d ppc from Tunde Elegbede, General Manager, in 8 months for \$1.
- PUERTO RICO: WLUZ Bayamón 1600 - Long, very friendly p/d letter v/s Midalia Medina, Depto Trafico, in 64 days for Spanish report with \$1 (which was returned).
- SPAIN: R. Popular de Castellón 1215 - f/d form letter and personal letter from Fdo. Javier Casabo Mezquita, Departamento Publicidad along with 7 stickers in 99 days for Spanish report with cassette tape and \$1.

## DXER TO DXER

Jean Burnell says "thanks" to Olle Alm for comments on his loggings. In fact, this is what IDXD is all about, DXers helping DXers! By the way, Olle, Jean has confirmed his tentative logging in DXN 59-28 as definitely Greek, so he thinks the log is solid.



- 1008 SERBIA Beograd and Aleksinac, 8/26 2158 - Woman with ID that sounded like "R. Belgrada" over music similar to a Gregorian chant, then off I think. SIO 433.
- 1008 BELORUS synchros, 8/26 2159 - R. Moscow IS, pips at top of hour then talk in Slavic language. SIO 222-1.
- 1008 SPAIN RNE5 Granada (site per Ben Dangerfield), 8/26 2202 - RNE news in Spanish. SIO 242.
- 1035 SCOTLAND North Sound R., Aberdeen, 8/25 2219 - Scottish accented DJ with quiz questions, promo for "Talk Radio at Midnight", jingle: "North Sound Radio, best music, best station", old pops. SIO 344.
- 1125 CROATIA (unknown site), 8/25 1917 - Croatian talk, mellow pops from 1918 // 1134. SIO 333. Both these channels were supposed to be daytime only I understood from the item in DXN 59-28, p.18!. Futhermore, I didn't hear Croatia on 1143 but I had an unID language here during the daytime bandscan. Was the info in IDXD backwards? (In a war zone schedules may change at any time, plus my info is often several months old! Since Croatia has the capacity to manufacture its own transmitting equipment, most DX "pundits" seem to be concluding that Croatian broadcasts have indeed been from Croatia, with the exception of programs broadcast on WHRI shortwave, and not from a nearby country - Jim)
- 1134 CROATIA Zadar (listed), 8/25 1915 - Interview in Croatian on London conference. SIO 544. 1197 GERMANY VOA Munich, 8/24 2127 - German talk about upcoming World Cup of soccer in the US with address and telephone number for tickets. SIO 444.
- 1215 ENGLAND Independent Music Radio, Brookmans Park, 8/26 2225 - Test broadcast with back-to-back old rock like Cream and Lep Zeppelin, then canned announcement with address. SIO 444.
- 1260 DODECANESE ISLANDS VOA Rhodes, 8/24 2110 - Man and woman in unID language with talk regarding US presidential campaign and other items. SIO 433.
- 1260 SPAIN SER net, 8/24 2114 - detailed news broadcast with item about Spanish economy. SIO 333.
- 1341 HUNGARY Lakihegy, 8/25 2210 - Pips at strange time! Then woman in Hungarian with weather mentioning Budapest, over BBC Ulster. SIO 422.
- 1368 ENGLAND three stations, 8/25 2214 - 3 talk shows at once, but one station very dominant with a call "from Rita in North Wales".
- 1395 ALBANIA Tirana, 8/24 2146 - In French with talk about the church in Albania. Nothing on 1458 at this time. SIO 544.
- 1413 SERBIA/KOSOVO (probably Pristina), 8/25 1924 - mellow pops in unID language with out announcements, was off at 2100 recheck. SIO 544.
- 1413 GERMANY SDR, 8/25 2103 - German news // 6030 shortwave. Two 200 watt transmitters listed here, was better than 500 kW 576, which was QRMed by NDR Schwerin. SIO 232 with Spanish QRM.
- 1458 ENGLAND Greater London R., 8/24 2144 - Comedy piece, music, IDed simply as "94.9" which is their FM outlet. SIO 533 over another British station.
- 1485 GERMANY AFN, 8/25 2112 - reports on Hurrican Andrew // 873 (but 1485 was about a second behind 873). Many small transmitters listed on 1485. SIO 333.
- 1503 ENGLAND R. Stoke-on-Trent, 8/25 2240 - program called "British Jazz", interview of a woman with an American accent. SIO 222.
- 1530 ENGLAND unID, 8/24 2154 - English station way under Vatican with oldies but could not ID. SIO 222-1.
- 1548 SCOTLAND Max AM Edinburgh, 8/25 2201 - Scottish accented DJ mentioning the "Daily Double": 2 Beach Boys tunes and Elvis then faded out, but back at 2237 with ID and mentions of Edinburgh. SIO 222-1. 1548 ENGLAND Capital Gold, 8/25 2202 - woman with news and weather for London, jingle ID, "Mike Ahearn on Capital Gold" heard too. SIO up to 433.
- 1566 SWITZERLAND DRS Sarnen, 8/25 2200 - pips, "Schweizer Radio" ID over R-> Moscow IS. SIO 433.
- 1615 HOLLAND R. Barones, 8/25 2145 - pirate station with 70's pops, ID and fast chat in Dutch at 2153:30 then "test 1-2" many times; off at 2155. SIO 332-0 with deep fades.



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# Contests

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It's contest time again! The same rules as last year apply for 1992-93. For a refresher course, here they are:

### General Rules

- A Contest will begin Nov. 1 and will run to March 31, 1993. If you are entering, PLEASE do so by Nov. 5! I had to exclude one unfortunate DXer from last year's race because I did not receive his entry letter until Jan. 16, although that was through the fault of a slow U.S. Postal Service, and not him.
- B Send me a list of your 25 Most Wanted stations when you join. Reports will cover the 1st of the month to the last day of each month, and must be sent to me by no later than the 5th day of the following month.
- C The bandwidth covered will be 530 Khz-1600 Khz, USA & Canada. TIS loggings DO NOT count.
- D Loggings within 25 miles of your home will be counted
- E Call changes don't count. Frequency changes do IF a station moves to a channel not previously used in that area. Any frequency changes reported to me must take place between 11/1/92 and 3/31/93 in order to count.
- F Level loggings may be changed to increase regional & graveyard bonus points.
- G Please indicate the time zone you're in and/or using.

### Scoring

- A Log up to 5 stations from each state, province, and D.C. Point values are 1 point for the first logging, 2 for the second, 3 for the third, 4 for the fourth, and 5 for the fifth and last. Simple, huh?
- B Bonus points: 2 for regionals, 5 for graveyarders (level loggings only).
- C Each station on your Most Wanted list that you log (these MUST be reported to DDxD!) counts 20 points.
- D All other new loggings for you (at your contest QTH) count 10 points apiece.
- E 5 points for each sign-on and sign-off heard and reported to me. These do NOT need to be reported to DDxD, as this will save Bill, Dave, and Duncan a lot of trouble when they type up their columns. If you wish, you can use these stations in your level loggings.
- F The first contestant to hear AND REPORT TO DDxD a station coming on the air for the first time after 11/1 will receive 15 points. Make a note on the report that you send to me if you think a reception counts.
- G The first contestant to hear AND REPORT TO DDxD a station coming BACK on the air after being off at least 3 months is worth 10 points.

As you may have noticed, I've lowered some of the point values for this year's contest, primarily in an effort to make the math a little easier for me. See you in the pages of DX News!

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# Musings

## of the Members

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**JOHN R. MALICKY - 995 SHADYCREST ROAD - PITTSBURGH, PA 15216-3023**  
 Yes! Hello everyone! If anyone has or hasn't noticed, it's been 1 year since I MUSED (and I know Dave is going to say "write sooner - I need a few MUSES to fill the empty column space"-hi!) (No, I'm not, they might think I'm paying you-DWS), Anyway, it was Dave's small push to write this after having spoke on the phone and filling him in on Omaha. Oh, so now all of you want to know how that went? GREAT!! Thanks, Big O team, in particular, ERNIE WESOLOWSKI & CARL MANN! More hopefully in a convention report by me, ERC or both of us. Also, thanks, a big THANKS go out to FRED VOBBE & PHIL WAYNE for resurrecting WNRC (Lima '87), in this case, KNRC AM 640/FM 99.3. Learning about station operation (Optimod processing) and how it works, the satiric ads Great Northern Broadcast Co. (Fred) made along with ones from a national company, the wry humor of Fred and the NRC gang, the joy of listening to Brother Mike (Lantz of Miami Beach, FL) the return of Dr. Fever (me) was just a rewarding pleasure. Of course, some of the membership got needed and I (we) say congrats to the new married guys, PAUL MOUNT & DICK TRUAX (though the ad for Dick's Beer told enough!), maybe to be on a special DXAS tape. Also, good luck to DXAS & 3-time conventioner (P-burg, Bridgeport & Omaha) MIKE SMITH who's getting married in December, another bachelor hitched. Another joy was watching and listening to Ernie's video of the history of Omaha AM-FM-TV on TV 4 KNRC, plus those cute KOIL-1290 jingles (about 30-40 years old). Of course, Ernie reminded us frequently it was his show (with help from CARL & SKIP DABELSTEIN) we were watching. Also, a big thanks to a friend and member CHRIS CUOMO who's knowledge of radio terminology grows every day. Soon you may need to ask Chris for help or advice as I did. With Chris' desire to attend Omaha, that was motivation enough for me to drive out AND back! Though spending almost every moment with some little enjoyable task, we managed to pass the time getting out there and home. Part was due to my idea of making a Travel Tape (which expanded also including NRC Omaha '92) for DXAS. We did airchecks, some informational tidbits, some humor, convention highlights and interviews at 3 radio stations (Kevin Warren, GM of KLVG-1560, air personality Tom Range at KESY-1420/104.5 and David Kelly P/GM at KWPN-840/107.9). Plus interviews and conversations with almost all of the members at Omaha, my error for having not talked to everyone. There is about 5 hours of items, etc., plus some filler and it should be in Fred's hands by now, so stayed tuned to your DX NEWS. I do regret not taping Dr. Bruce Elving's speech at the banquet (very little of it), nor Fred & JOHN BOWKERS' Tech Talks which were most interesting. I even got to hear, stayed awake is more cognizant-hi!, most of both sessions on 3 1/2 hours sleep. Sunday AM after my DJ role on KNRC. And what would a convention be like (my 10th) without visiting a few radio stations along the way.....only 25 this year! Figure this one out, at Omaha, FRANK MERRILL & MIKE HAWK tip me off that WFFDA's convention will be held in Pittsburgh, but when? Thank to Mike's letter arriving on Sat. 9/12, the convention is taking place 9/11-13 at the Pittsburgh Hotel (never knew the whereabouts until now!). On arrival, no one is around and the meeting room is empty, not even any books, banners, etc., though a few minutes later I find NRCers GEORGE GREENE & BOB SMOLAREK (plus 2 other WFTDA members). Then in the late evening, I meet 2 more NRCers, TOM BRYANT & BILL BOROUGHS plus other WFTDAers (15 in all), but NO HOST and, according to everyone as of Sat. night, he never showed up! So I was appointed temporary host of a club I don't belong to! Thanks guys! (And we will continue with John's westward ho-ho-ho trip next MUSINGS day, next week! And a special thanks, John, for NOT writing small-hi! DWS)

**BRUCE REYNOLDS - 1617 CORTE DE MEDEA - SAN JOSE, CA 95124**

Greetings. I have resumed DXing since the beginning of Sept. and have pushed my log of stations taped from San Jose over the 300 mark. I began from 2/16 of this year and all loggings have been on a GE Superadio II with no external antenna and with no listening in the wee hours of the morning. #300 was WBAP-820 of which I finally got a readable tape on 9/24 through the splatter from adjacent KGO. One of the newones was a call change on 1320, as KCPX is now KCNR with CNN Headline News. They are a nighttime regular here, sharing the channel with KCTC. The change was first noted on 9/22. Other recent catches: KQEN-1240 sneaked through the crowd at 6:26 AM on 9/14, an ID from KOGO was heard thru local KLVV-1590 at 7 PM 9/14, KAPL with a clear ID in the null of semi-local KKHI-1550 at 7 PM on 9/23 and KWMX-1460 in beautifully with ID & into oodles at 9:06 PM on 9/24 but they soon faded under regular KCKX. It sure is nice when they peak at ID time, wish it happened more often. Other new additions include: CFEZ-1570, XEBG-1550, KHSJ-1320 & KTIP-1450. No sign of KKAL-120 & XEKAM-950 so I think both are still silent. KUTY-1470 now has sports talk in the evening. On the local radio sports scene, KLVV-1590 is originating San Jose State Spartans football with KSRV-700 taking their feed. KGO-810 is again flagship station for Cal Bears football but

Cal basketball will move to KSFO-560. Stanford Cardinal football has shifted from KCBS-740 to KFRG-610 and basketball coverage will follow suit. 73

**BRUCE WINKELMAN (AA5CO) - 3014 W 4th PLACE - TULSA, OK 74132-1762**

Another summer gone. School's in full swing and the DX season is just around the corner. Even after being in the hobby for over 20 years, when the leaves start to turn and the evenings are cool, I still feel the strong urge to turn on the receiver for a sunset skip session. Recently, I talked with a moonlighting evening announcer from KQLL-1430 (are things that bad in the AM radio industry?) while he took my order for pizza at a local restaurant. I asked him if KQLL ever received letters from people out-of-state reporting hearing the station (I didn't dare use the term DXer!). He proceeded to tell me with a look of horror on his face that the FCC strictly governs their signal. I could tell that the thought of being hard outside the 'official' coverage area was completely foreign to him! I decided right there that further conversation about BCB DX would be an exercise in futility! My family & I vacationed in Grand Teton & Yellowstone National Parks this summer. The only BCB DX done was in the rented Bravada while travelling between hikes or activities. KVOO-1170 was heard very weakly one evening while in Grand Teton National Park. As I thought, the BCB was quite vacant except for local stations in the immediate area of the parks. I was surprised though, at the noise level even in areas that I assumed were fairly isolated. Perhaps it reflects a normal summer noise pattern re-inforced by a concentration of human activity in the area during the summer vacation season. In any event, it was a very relaxing, enjoyable vacation. I would recommend the trip to anyone wanting an outdoor vacation. I am now the proud owner of a Quantum Loop, provided by GERRY THOMAS. After reading the recent article by MARK CONNELLY in DX NEWS of 7/6, I knew I had to have one! I received it about 2 weeks ago and have found it to be very well constructed and works as advertised. My initial impressions are very positive but limited in that very little serious DXing has been done. Audio from the QL sounds 'cleaner' than that from other amplified antennas used previously. Recent DX: KOMC-1220 9/9 8:40 AM with nice CID, ads and light pop music, KGYN-1210 9/9 8:50 AM strong with "Bargain Counter" listings (including a 50 foot tv tower with 2 antennas that can receive 8 stations), in the panhandle of OK, that is quite a feat! Presumed WZOB-1250 9/11 11:41 PM with presumed high school football scores (Friday night) mentioning tuscaloosa & Talladega, into PSA for the 'SPCA of DeKalb County', log sez only 122 watts evening power! (You would be surprised how often technical problems show up on local high school football nights....and it's always the power won't reduce!-DWS). That's it from Tulsa, good DX to all!

**JOHN M. SHEEHY - 1240 MARICOPA DRIVE - OSHKOSH, WI 54904**

I recently obtained a Hammerlund HQ180 that had probably not been turned on in 15 years and although all the tubes are OK, I can't get any audio except a steady hum. I need to appeal to the members, as RALPH SANSEERINO suggested, for someone to repair it. I will accept collect calls at 414-233-6757 after 6 PM local time. Meanwhile, I have been using a Sony 2010 with a Radio West Great Little Loop since 1986 and am nearing 500 BCB stations heard and IDed. I started in the hobby with a FA DA in the 40's, graduated to a Hallicrafters S38C in the 50's and stopped DXing to go to college, work & raise a family. I will be retiring as a high school principal in 6/94 and plan to increase me DXing efforts then. Any help with the 180 will be appreciated! (Maybe someone can pass along a current address of STEVE BOHAC to John to help him with the 180 overhaul project. Welcome to the NRC John, we look forward to you future reports!-DWS)

**WAYNE HEINEN - 4131 S. ANDES WAY - AURORA, CO 80013**

Hi all! As Steve Martin would say..."The new log books are here...the new log books are here!" With that behind me, I can look forward to family, friends and a little DX. I even got this DX season started before the convention by logging KFIA-710 on 9/2. It's nice having local KNUS signing off at midnight local time. Got around to servicing the R390A, replaced a few weak tubes and bagged KFLP-1590 with a religious program at 9:30 PM on 9/26. That's 2 stations in Sept. I'm getting ready to mail out a rash of follow ups to last seasons reports. Locally, KDKO-1510 was seized by the IRS for failure to pay taxes. Per JOHN WILKINS, they were only off a day and a half. They're currently begging for listener contributions to help them stay on the air. Not to wish them bad luck but if they were off the air a month or 2, it wouldn't hurt me a bit! Had a wonderful time in Omahaha....seriously, ERNIE WESOLOWSKI and the BIG O TEAM deserve a real Pat on the Back for a fine convention. Veries for last year included v/1 KTJS-1420, KUMA-1290, KUII-1190, KUSD-690, KMYZ-1570, KRIL-1410, WJDS-1180, WGEF-1360 & KEYZ for both 1360 & 660 in the same letter!! v/r KMTI-650 & KBW-1560. V/q KSRB-1350 & KPAY-1060. V/ppc (some reports as old as 5 years!), KOKE/KFON-1370, KSGB-1540, WVEL-1140, KNTS-1470 & KANI-1500. TIS's KAF727-1610 Mesa Verde, CO (5 watts), KOP20-1610 Sandia Labs Albuquerque, NM (10 watts), WNSV510-530 Denver (6-10 watt non synchronous transmitters, also known as Denver's newest graveyard frequency with a total of 8 transmitters in the metro!), WKK27-1610 (5-10 watt synchronous transmitters). Not a bad year considering the lack of available time Well, that's 30 lines....sorry about the fingers, Dave....opps 31, time to go! 73

MIKE KNITTER - CAMBRIDGE, WI (608) 423-4159  
 Yep, I'm still alive. Sorry for missing out on the Convention; I definitely wanted to be there, but work came first. We had tornadoes and 9 inches of rain all within days of the Labor Day weekend. (Even had one of my longwires taken down when the tree I had it tied to fell over!) I ended up with over 73 hours worked that week! I got back home early Saturday morning and was too tired to drive to Omaha. I heard everyone had a good time and that Ernie put on one heck of a Convention. Good Job, Ernie! Sue says hi! Hopefully, if the creek don't rise, we should be able to make next year's. The silent Sun Prairie AM/FM stations are being looked over by some religious group types, but nothing firm yet. No idea when these two stations will come back on the air. Anyone know who the tone is on 1570 again this year? It was missing all of last year but back again. I don't think it's a foreign station on 1571, but then again, who knows? I've heard it three or four times so far this season. Any help would be appreciated. Thanks for all your support. More later.

DAVE SCHMIDT - P O BOX 11502 - WILMINGTON, DE 19850  
 First, a very big HELLO to NRCer DAVE NORMAN with whom I had the pleasure of doing the monthly WINX-1600 frequency check with in September, nice talking with you Dave, even at 5 AM-hi! Daytime tests are continuing at WWJZ-640 on an almost daily basis, still not on regular schedule as of this writing. Baltimore members, keep your ear open for WBIM-650, operated by the Broadcasting Institute of Maryland in Parkville, now running a true to life carrier current AM system. And I'm still interested in reports on WEEE-89.5 Cherry Hill, NJ (100 watts ERP), as well as the night signal on WVCH-740, running a whopping 5.2 watts from sunset til midnight Monday thru Friday! Reports welcomed! During the day, the 1000 watt transmitter presently used by WVCH is the old transmitter from the long gone WXUR-690! How it ended up there, I still haven't found out! And welcome to quasi-local member DAVE BRAUN, located just south of Dover. We're looking for some idea's for our semi-regular theme MUSINGS, which we throw in from time to time.....how about some ideas now that we're back to the weeklies.....we'll even consider reports from those who have, at some time in their life, used left handed bathtub wax or have actually heard WRJM-1450! Remember, your reports are welcomed, DOUBLE SPACED and radio/DX related are our only guidelines. CUN7!

## TOWER TIP

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WGEZ-1490, 1000 WATTS  
BELOIT, WI

\* WBEL is actually licensed to South Beloit, Illinois but uses a Beloit, Wisconsin mailing address and informally IDs as Beloit.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR: WBEL uses four lighted towers along Route 2; the three northern towers are about 150' tall, but the southern-most is about 300' tall. WGEZ uses a single tower alongside US 51 in Beloit. It is a self-supporting unlighted tower.

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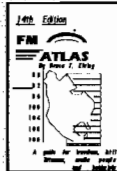
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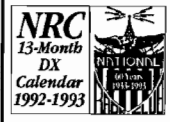
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