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CPC Test Calendar

WHMA	AL	1390	Mar. 15	0101-0145
KNEU	UT	1250	Mar. 15	0200-0700
KJJK	MN	1020	Mar. 15	0500-0600
KTSA	TX	550	Mar. 22	0100-0300

From the Publisher ... Note that the above KTSA-550 test is a resked of the original test; all other details remain the same.

Please be advised also that I now have new glasses, so that I can more easily spot goofs like the too-tall box around last week's list of CPC tests.

Check out the last two pages, which contain information about the NRC, IRCA/DecalcoMania, and WTFDA conventions this summer, all nicely timed to allow you recovery time between each.

Don't forget that there will be NO DXN in your mailbox next week (unless you experience unusually-long delivery times of THIS DXN, hi), as we take the first "skip" week off. Then - one more DXN in March, and monthly April through September.

We're still looking for editors for "Formats" and "Target DX". Please be so kind as to forward your applications (no hand-written, please!) to the publisher. I'd really like to be set with a full complement of editors/managers in time for the DX season next year. And, as always, timely clippings and articles are always welcomed.

Finally, Dave Schmidt is starting to recover from a nasty bout with the flu, and his computer is be-

ing rebuilt after blowing the power supply (this after his hard drive crashed a couple of months ago). If you e-mailed Musings to Dave, and you haven't seen them printed in DXN recently, please resubmit, as they may have been wiped out for good during his computer capers (are you sure you wouldn't like me to resurrect that ancient Mac 512 for you again, Dave?).

Keep the reports flowing to the editors ... no reports equals NOTHING to publish in DXN!

DXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 66

Iss.	Deadline	Pub. Date	Iss.	Deadline	Pub. Date
24.	Mar. 26	Apr. 5	28.	July 9	July 19
25.	Apr. 9	Apr. 19	29.	Aug. 6	Aug. 16
26.	May 7	May 17	30.	Sept. 10	Sept. 20
27.	June 4	June 14			

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the March 26, 1949 DXN: Several members reported the receipt of verie letters from XEPF-1400, Ensenada, BC, which included an 8x10 photo of the transmitter building and tower, as the result of the Feb. 14 DX broadcast.

25 years ago ... from the March 25, 1974 DXN: Publisher R. J. Edmunds acknowledged the "paucity" of technical articles, saying that he and Page Taylor were "quite busy with running the club, and cannot therefore do as many articles as we had previously" ... but "What about the rest of you?" he added. In spite of the disclaimer, Page Taylor's article, "What Is a Frequency Check?" explained the differences between frequency checks, equipment tests, and hets from adjacent-channel foreign stations.

10 years ago ... from the Monday, March 27, 1989 DXN: A large solar flare hit the Earth, disrupting radio communications ... Bandscans and Domestic DX Achievements returned to DXN, and IDXA was scheduled to re-appear ... Bill Hale noted the "biggest and best [turnout] since I've been editor (almost 3 years now)" for his DDXD-East column ... R. J. Edmunds' second installment of his "Answer Man" column answered such questions as "What are the characteristics of groundwave and skywave reception?" ... WBUZ, Fredonia, NY lost its license after the FCC determined that it used discriminatory hiring practices and ran a contest in which the prize was awarded to the station and another in which the prize, an all-expensed-paid vacation at Niagara Falls, went to an advertiser.

Are you expiring?

We hope not! To avoid expiration, mail your remittance to the *DX News* Membership Center early. Allow at least three weeks after mailing your check or money order for new renewal data to appear on your mailing label.

AM Switch

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	<u>Old call</u>		<u>New call</u>
800	WVAL	MN Sauk Rapids	KBLO
850	WKBZ	MI Muskegon	WGVS
860	KCNR	UT Salt Lake City	KBEE
1000	WJBW	FL Jupiter	WDBE
1220	KMIA	CA Pomona	KWPA*
1300	WUGR	KY Lexington	WLXG*
1330	KMRR	AZ Tucson	KJLL
1340	KTOW	OK Sand Springs	KTFX
1480	WKGF	FL Arcadia	WZTK
1490	WPOR	ME Portland	WBAE
1520	WQWQ	MI Muskegon Heights	WKBZ
1530	WVFC	PA McConnellsburg	WMEX
1570	WYHI	FL Fernandina Beach	WGSR
1670	WNML	GA Warner Robins	WRNC

*Notes: KMIA and WUGR above are calls that were set aside and never used; stations remained with present calls.

APPLICATIONS/GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

1300 KLAR TX Laredo: 1000/80 U1

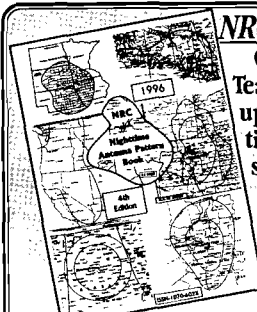
GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

1520 WHIM FL Apopka: 5000/350 U4 (replaces expired CP)
1590 WZUM PA Carnegie: 4000/60 U4, relocate transmitter (modification of existing CP)
1600 WTZQ NC Hendersonville: 5000/21 U1, relocate transmitter

OTHERNESS

610 WTVN OH Columbus: CP to relocate transmitter RESCINDED by the FCC for un-stated reasons
920 KTOC LA Jonesboro: silent station is ON THE AIR
1040 WSGH NC Lewisville: CP for 9100/182 U4 is on
1380 CFDA PQ Victoriaville: SILENT, moved to 101.9 FM
1390 CJCY AB Medicine Hat: SILENT, moved to 96.1 FM
1600 WEUP AL Huntsville: was mistakenly left out of NRC Log #19; facilities are 5000/500 U2

THANKS: Bill Hale, Ed Krejny, Al Merriman, Wayne Heinen, Shawn Axelrod, Ron Bailey, Les Johnson and MSJ
73 and Good DX, Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman *Jerry & BKF*



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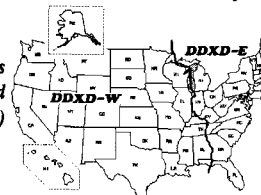
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(Division line is between East and Central time zones)



DDXD-West

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- The KTSA test is rescheduled for 3/22. Unsure if the KIML test went as scheduled. Check the NRCDXAS website for the latest!
- Shawn sez: "Still some new ones to be had even with conditions not being great. The nights people were saying were great due to auroral conditions were mostly poor here. The closer you get to those Northern lights the prettier they are but they can kill conditions quickly."

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STATION NEWS & NOTES

1370 KFRO TX Longview - 3/8 - Changed from news/talk to R&B oldies with Magic 1370 slogans. (INet)
1630 House CA Sacramento - Real estate company has a pesty house here and on 1680. (GJ-CA)
1640 KKJY OR Lake Oswego - 3/7 1535 - Slogan is *Prophetic Voice of the Northwest*. ID at 1555 as KKSL 1290 & KKJY 1640, *Lake Oswego-Portland*. First program was by the *Holistic Pet Center - preventive animal care*, followed by *Scientifically Christian*. (DP-OR)
1660 WWRU NJ Elizabeth - 3/6 0638 - Poor signal, under KXOL and WQSN, with Spanish talk and music. New call sign. NEW!! (SA-MB)
1660 (KXOL) UT Brigham City - 3/4 0557 - Running OC tonight. Back on around 0800. These guys are the biggest X-band pest here, unless you count the Tijuana mixing products on 1630 and 1680. (TRH-CA)
1670 WRNC GA Warner Robins - 3/4 2020 - Fair signal, under WTDY, with new Country music format and new calls. NEW!! (SA-MB)

UNIDs and UNID HELP

1270 UNID ?? - 3/8 0238 - C&W music, loud at times, through XEAZ null. Heard slogan *Bringing you Classic Country* . . . and another that sounded like *Playing the country music* . . . *Malibu(?) country* . . . CF?? Does anyone have a current slogan for the Medicine Hat station? (TRH-CA)

GO BENGALS! 

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 1270 KIML- WY Gillette - 3/8 0200-0500 - Nothing heard, under KTFI that sounded like a test. (FA-ID)
- 1270 KIML- WY Gillette - 3/8 0208 - Not heard. Just KDJI, KTFI and unID C&W station through local XEAZ null. (TRH-CA)
- 1270 KIML- WY Cheyenne - Not heard. All I heard around 0230 was // KWO39 NOAA Weather Radio from Chicago. I would have expected semi-local WWCA in Gary. Were they relaying KWO39? (BF-IL) [I haven't been able to verify if this test even ran - Ed.]
- 1270 KIML- WY Gillette - 3/8 0200-0229 - Got a VID from KPLY-NV plus unID C&W Music. Nothing heard that sounded like a test. (BK-CA)
- 1450 CHUC ON Cobourg - 3/6 00:00-0600 - Tried from 0000 to 0100. Nothing heard in mess that sounded like a test. (FA-ID)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 690 WJOX AL Birmingham - 3/10 0657-0705 - Fair, with ad for Joseph E. Banks suits, others ads followed by SID Sportsradio WJOX Birmingham and into locally-produced news, with traffic copter report (fuel spill on I-55). A real surprise. [Ed.-TX]
- 700 WLW OH Cincinnati - 3/9 0500 - ID This is the Big One, 700 WLW, Cincinnati, with news about a major snowstorm. Ad for University of Cincinnati and 12 News. Weather: snow and sleet expected. (RD-AZ)
- 830 WCCO MN Minneapolis - 3/9 0529 - With legal ID and ads for Fat Whacker and a time check. (RD-AZ)
- 860 CBKF2 SK Saskatoon - 2/28 0759 - ID at 0759:55 as Vous écoutez Radio Canada Saskatchewan, la Radio de CBKF, then into Radio Journal de Radio Canada. Good, over one of the XE's. (JW-CO)
- 960 KNDN NM Farmington - 3/7 0759 - SSB, then sign-on at 0800:25 in EE: All Navajo all the time, this is KNDN Farmington 960 and into drumming. Obviously not Navajo all the time, since the ID was in EE, hi. (JW-CO)
- 960 KOVO UT Provo - 3/7 0758 - 100 Pounds of Clay, then dual KDYL/KOVO ID at 0759:55. Good sunrise signal. (JW-CO)
- 1040 KURS CA San Diego - 3/6 0608 - Running OC with a very loud hum. Methinks these guys are running way over their licensed power again. (TRH-CA)
- 1050 KORE OR Springfield - 3/6 0609 - Fair-to-good, on top of channel (XED, KTCT much weaker than usual tonight). Program about Christian-themed children's book. SRN news just before the hour, followed by ID. (TRH-CA)
- 1050 KEYF WA Dishman - 3/6 0625 - Under KORE, mixing with XED, KTCT. Oldies programming, FM 101.1 announcements. (TRH-CA)
- 1270 KDJI AZ Holbrook - 3/8 0232 - Good times and great oldies . . . your favorite oldies, KDJI. Through local XEAZ null. (TRH-CA)
- 1280 KDYL UT Salt Lake City - 3/10 0230 - With an ID, and playing MoYL format. (RD-AZ)
- 1320 KSIV MO Clayton - 3/4 0723 - Call ID, local spots. Fair, over QRM. (JW-CO)
- 1340 KXEQ NV Reno - 3/10 0300 - Fair-to-good with slogan La Super Q into English legal ID K-X-E-Q, Reno which I caught on tape. New, for Nevada #26. (TRH-CA)
- 1370 WCCN WI Neillsville - 3/3 0659 - Out of Pat Boone's April Love and into simple ID at 0659:55: WCCN 1370 AM Neillsville, then news. Fair, with no QRM. Not real common here. (JW-CO)
- 1380 KRKO WA Everett - 3/10 0200 - With an ad for the G. Gordon Liddy Show and ID. New. (RD-AZ)
- 1500 CKAY BC Duncan - 3/5 0501 - Very good signal, dominating the channel with Broadcast News/WIN News, Cowichan Valley weather, ID AM 1500 CKAY, The Valley's Radio. Only 2nd or 3rd time heard here. Wonder if they were on day pattern? (TRH-CA)
- 1620 KYIZ WA Renton - 3/6 0700 - Trying for WPHG at Alabama sunrise, but these guys were the only ones to poke through local pest WJPP551. Soul music and IDs. Miami station on 1700 was also coming in well around this time. (TRH-CA)
- 1630 KKWY WY Cheyenne - 3/7 0649 - Poor-to-fair, way under KCJJ, with C&W music. Seemed to be using a slogan like K-Why or something similar. New, for Wyoming #13. (TRH-CA)
- 1650 KCNZ IA Cedar Falls - 3/10 0020 - Poor-to-



- fair at first, but faded up level with KKTR at times. Talk show with female host, network and local news on the hour, into Art Bell after 0100. New, for Iowa #10. Had been chasing this one for several days. (TRH-CA)
- 1660 WQSN MI Kalamazoo - 3/4 0644 - Fair with One on One Sports, Sports Radio 16-60 slogan. Signal better after switch to day pattern at 0645. New, for Michigan #3. (TRH-CA)
- 1670 WRNC GA Warner Robins - 3/9 0120 - Good signal in WTDY fades. Country music and frequent IDs. Possible 3rd station in the mix with rock or pop music. (PG-CO)
- 1670 WTDY WI Madison - 3/4 0705 - Faded up nicely after switch to day power. After network (ABC?) news, slogan/ID Today's Talk 16-70, WTDY. New, for Wisconsin #1 and State #40, not counting DC. It's not often I get two new "W" call stations in one night! (TRH-CA)
- 1670 WTDY WI Madison - 3/5 0645 - Good, with some fading. Wisconsin Farm Show with Pam Yankee [betcha that's Yahnke - Ed.]. Mentioned accepting on-the-air phone calls for the first time with an 888 number. (PG-CO)
- 1680 WJNZ MI Ada - 3/10 0000 - Surprisingly good with rap music, slogan that sounded like JNZ jams. New, for Michigan #4. The X-band was coming in well tonight, with WTDY-1670 and all three Iowa stations audible on my run-of-the-mill car radio! (TRH-CA)
- 1700 WRNU FL Miami Springs - 3/9 0628 - Fair, with Radio Unica ID. Not heard in a while. (GJ-CA)

0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

- 940 KVSH NE Valentine - 3/6 0815 - Mattress ad, then Morning Markets with cow and pig news. (JW-CO)

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

- 1110 WSLV TN Ardmore - 3/9 1919 - Fair and dominant, with jingle, into satellite DJ chatter. Real Country format. First NEW one of '99! (JJR-WI)
- 1190 KLUV TX Dallas - 3/7 2355 - Fair signal, with oldies music and non-ID as The Mighty 11-90. NEW!! (SA-MB)
- 1310 WTTL KY Madisonville - 3/9 1930 - Fair, in WIBA null, with oldies. (JJR-WI)
- 1620 KSMH CA Auburn - 2/25 1930 - Good, on car radio, over local pest WJPP551. Chanting and Catholic readings. New, for California #272. (TRH-CA)
- 1620 KSMH CA Auburn - 3/8 2104 - Booming in here tonight with an S+10 signal, very little fading, and no interference. . . . on the air for testing ID at 2112 over top of programming. Signal terminated abruptly mid-program at 2114. (PG-CO)
- 1620 WHLY IN South Bend - 2/24 2159 - Los Indios Tabajaras song just ending, then legal ID: WHLY AM South Bend, a Prime (or Time?) Communications station, then network news. Fair, at best. New, for Indiana #8. (JW-CO)

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

* indicates record held by DXer from North America

1230 kHz:

KOZI WA Chelan Tim Hall Vancouver, BC

Miles
173

Totals:

	1230	1240	1340	1400	1450	1490	Total
Joe Kureth Uniontown, MD	32	35	40	40	36	40	223
Tim Hall Chula Vista, CA	20	14	21	20	17	13	105

DDXD-East

Deadlines are Tuesdays: March 23, April 6.
Welcome to new reporter Albert Arnold.

STATION NEWS

- 620 WTRP GA LaGrange - 3/6 - Adds WestStar's Saturday "Kim Komando Komputer Show"



			today per broadcast, station slogan is "AM 6-20." (DP-HI)
630	WPRO	RI	Providence - 2/13 - Adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" today per broadcast, station slogan is "News-Talk 6-30." (DP-HI)
1000	WIOO	PA	Carlisle - 2/26 1000 - New music is country oldies, slogan "The New Country Gold 100." (SK-PA)
1040	WJNO	FL	Boynton Beach - 2/13 - Adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" today per broadcast, station slogan is "News-Talk Radio 10-40." Did not mention if WJNX-1330 is simulcasting the show as well. (DP-HI)
1220	WQSA	FL	Sarasota - 3/7 0710 - Recently returned to the air — provisionally, that is — still relaying local NOAA KHB32 (162.55 MHz) 24 hours. (TLK-FL)
1400	WDWS	IL	Champaign - 3/7 - Adds Jacor's "Coast to Coast AM with Art Bell" per show today. Incidentally, his "Dreamland" airs live over the Internet Fridays 1606-1900, making it probably the first show to air first over the web before its radio air time Sundays. (DP-HI)
1570	WKDB	MD	Towson - Had an ad on Baltimore TV showing "WNST" "Nasty" calls and slogan 3/6, but still using this legal ID 3/7. (JEK-MD)
1670	WRNC	GA	Warner Robins - 2/27 0125 - Per announcement has dropped sports talk, but keeping sporting events. Now C&W. (SK-PA) + 3/1 - Now with these calls, "Real Country" slogan, playing 70's C&W. (JEK-MD) + 3/5 1540 - "Real Country" and PGA Tour Radio. Sounds like WNML has changed calls and formats. (RJ-NC)
	WTDY	WI	Madison - 3/6 - Adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" today per broadcast. (DP-HI)

DX TESTS

550	KTSA	TX	San Antonio - 3/8 0100-0300 - Not heard, too much WLKW. Verified back in 1968 when stations took silent periods. (RA-MA)
1270	KIML	WY	Gillette - 3/8 0200-0400 - Not heard. (RA-MA)
1450	WILM	DE	Wilmington - 2/21 0100-0300 - Heard with very weak code, amazing to hear anything in so much QRM. DE #1. (RCP-IN)
	CHUC	ON	Cobourg - 3/6 0000-0600 - Heard with several periods of code ID's barely audible in the first two hours, but no voice or music. (RA-MA) Heard with one good set of code, nothing else in mess of probable WILM with talk, and an unID NOS station. (DB-DE) Heard with one code period of about 30 seconds, poor in din. (SF-TN) Heard code three times during 0200-0300 period, good levels each time. (GM-VA) Heard with OLD, EZL music, then gone, code ID's at three points under a multitude of others. (NP-MI) Possible with very faint code, nothing else, just usual GY mush. (RCP-IN)



UNID and UNID HELP

690	UNID	--	----- 2/27 2225 - Talk America Network, UPI news at 2231. WTI? (DB-DE) [I believe so. - DY]
860	UNID	--	----- 2/26 0130-0210 - Non-stop C&W music, so not KKOW. Only KOSE mixing. Turned into big mix after 0210. (SK-PA)
970	UNID	--	----- 3/1 1719 - C&W station, "They are coming to Centennial Hall this Saturday." (SK-PA)
1330	UNID	--	----- 2/25 2231 - UPI news, a d for investing in gold, national weather, Talk America Network at 2303. (DB-DE)
1360	UNID	--	----- 3/5 2007-2041 - Miami sports network, Miami vs. Notre Dame hockey game, "Sports 13-60 Homer." (NP-MI) [Probably Cincinnati with Miami of Ohio game? - DY]
1400	UNID	--	----- 2/1 1700 - "This is Channel 69 News at 5." [SK-PA]: the channel 69 in question is almost certainly WFMZ-TV Allentown, PA. I don't have programming information for low-power operations in Hartford, CT; Claremont, NH; Huntington, WV; and Lynchburg & Staunton, VA. WFMZ is the only channel 69 in the Northeast known to carry local news, except for a few that relay a station on some other channel. (and thus would not call their newscast "Channel 69 News") Few low-power stations carry local news. (DS-TN)
	UNID	--	----- 3/2 2200 - Partial ID fading up a few seconds too late: "... your station for news and conversation, a Star Communications Company." Then NBC news.

1440	UNID	--	----- 2/23 2239-0028 - Good, Walter and Scott on "Solid Gold Soul," "Soul Food Cafe," Sweet Willy is host after 0000. No hint of an ID. (HF*ON)
1460	UNID	--	----- 3/7 0645 - Fair with relay of CNN Headline News audio. Almost gone at 0659 recheck. (TLK-FL)
1630	UNID	--	----- 2/21 1948-2003 - Lyrics from "Heart of Gold," repeated over and over. (HF*ON)

LOGGINGS: 0000-0800

610	CKTB	ON	St. Catharines - 2/28 0705-0735 - Very good, "The Merkin Report" medical call-in program, ads for Ride Niagara, Wine Garden of Pelham, Barbara Morris real estate, Autoland Chrysler, Welland Holistic Healing Center, Sanderco(?), and Evans Opticians, spot for Buffalo Sabres. (HF*ON)
690	KOAQ	NE	Terrytown - 2/27 0652-0710 - Fair, "Great oldies ... AM 6-90 KOAQ," "This is the home town of ... AM 6-90 KOAQ Terrytown-Scotts Bluff," "24 hours a day, we bring you your favorite oldies in stereo ... AM 6-90 KOAQ," AP news at top of hour. Kept covering classical music station which we were all sure had to be CBU: wish, wish. (HF*ON)
	CBU	BC	Vancouver - 2/27 0535 - Tentative with classical music, not // 740 or 940. Steady signal with almost no fading until sunrise here at 0647, but it's worst 0557-0602 with WLW-700 splatter. The only thing I recognized was the third movement of Bach's Brandenburg Concerto #2 at 0632. Loop oriented 300 degrees toward western Canada. Since there is a strike at the CBC, is it possible they aren't rebroadcasting the usual international SW programs? (DP-PQ)



860	KOSE	AR	Wilson - 2/26 0150 - Part of promo, "Join me each weekday on KOSE," then Southern gospel. Jumped over C&W station, then under. (SK-PA)
880	WMEQ	WI	Menomoneie - 3/3 0105-0300 - Tentative with Bruce Williams show, NBC news on hour, no local ads or ID. Strong behind WCBS, but 0200 ID was blown out, and I fell asleep right before 0300 ID. (SK-PA)
	CKLQ	MB	Brandon - 2/28 0635-0646 - Fair, C&W music, little talk, call ID. Over WCBS at times. (HF*ON)
900	CHML	ON	Hamilton - 2/28 0614-0625 - Good with gospel music program, absence of C&W here even fooled the natives! (HF*ON)
950	CKNB	NB	Campbellton - 2/28 0447-0452 - Good, "Good times and great oldies, 95 CKNB," // 1220. Lost to WEZO, WIBX. (HF*ON)
1310	WIBA	WI	Madison - 2/27 0100 - Very clear with AP news, "This is the News Station," ID "The News Authority, this is News Radio WIBA Madison, a Central Star Communication." (SK-PA)
1320	WKAN	IL	Kankakee - 3/3 0550 - Call letters only in QRM. (PC-VA)
1330	WASA	MD	Havre de Grace - 3/5 0640 - Baltimore weather, then oldies, at 0700: "This is your station of the stars, Legend 1360 WWLG, Baltimore, and Legend 1330, WASA, Havre de Grace," into ABC news. (PC-VA)
1390	WKDR	VT	Burlington - 3/2 0713 - Two-man morning show, list of NASCAR race sponsors, "Burlington's source for motor sports, WKDR." Good, logged before as WDOT. (JEK-MD)
1440	WWCL	FL	Lehigh Acres - 3/7 0659-0701 - Tune in to canned man "WWCL Lehigh Acres," followed by SS woman with the same, and "Cadena Unica" into Unica news 0700 in SS. (TLK-FL)
1450	WSPB	FL	Sarasota - 3/7 0647 - Audio about one second behind WFLA-970 with Billy Graham. Of late, WFLA has been running frequent promos "When you're south of Tampa Bay, hear us on 1450 WFLA," which of course is really not quite factual. (TLK-FL)
1690	KDDZ	CO	Arvada - 2/27 0620 - Fair, challenging WMDM with those disgustingly perky "Radio Disney" spots. (HF*ON) + 2/28 0558 - Good with OLD music, Radio Disney ID 0602 into song "Witch Doctor." WMDM well in background. (MS*ON)

LOGGINGS: 0800-1600

600	CBLV	ON	Bancroft - 2/22 1504 - Excellent while driving through downtown Bancroft, but 40-watt transmitter barely made it to town limits. Central Ontario weather
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- and local ID "CBC Stereo One AM 600 Bancroft," which surprised me on an unmanned LPRT. (MS*ON)
- 620 CKAT ON North Bay - 2/22 0807-0815 - Poor, "North Bay Country CKAT," "AM 600 CKAT," ad for Lakeshore Chrysler. (HF*ON)
+ 2/20 1315 - Good with C&W music, ID "30 minutes of continuous music on today's hot new country 600 CKAT." No trace of CBLV noted during entire week at Coe Hill site, near Bancroft. (MS*ON)
- 630 WVMT VT Burlington - 2/22 0816-0822 - Fair, "AM 6-20 WVMT," two males with commentary and calls re Hillary, etc., over WHEN. (HF*ON)
- 630 CJET ON Smith Falls - 2/22 0823-0900 - Fair, "The heart of the Ottawa Valley, C-Jet Country," "6-30 C-Jet Country Classics," C&W music, ad for Mike Fair(?) Chevy, Lanin(?) Funeral Home, promo for "Intrepid Snowmobilers" program. (HF*ON)
- 660 WMIC MI Sandusky - 2/22 0805 - Good with Michigan news, ID "It's 8:10 on WMIC." (MS*ON)
- 920 CKNX ON Wingham - 2/22 0952 - Fair, "The Talk Show" with John Archibald, "Country CKNX." (HF*ON)
- 950 WEZO NY Rochester - 2/22 0957-1033 - Good, "This is AM 9-50 WEZO Rochester, your station for great songs and great memories" and "This is AM 9-50, no rock, no rap, no noise, Rochester's own WEZO," CNN news at top of hour, then WEZO news. (HF*ON)
- 1110 WUHN MA Pittsfield - 2/22 0813 - Good with ads, for Suncloth(?) UV protection, Honda generator in Pittsfield, Pittsfield Gazette, call ID mentioning "Pittsfield's only country music station," into C&W music. (MS*ON)
- 1230 WNNC NC Newton - 3/2 1258 - "Diary" by Bread, Mutual Radio news, local weather. Under WMFR. (RJ-NC)
- WEEX PA Easton - 2/22 0822 - Fair with news, commentary "AM 1230" non-ID, local news for Pennsylvania and New Jersey, mentions of "WEEX News." (MS*ON)
- 1240 WATN NY Watertown - 2/20 1405 - Fair briefly over CJNH with weather, ID. (MS*ON)
CJNH ON Bancroft - 2/20 1430 - Excellent with light rock, AC music // CJTN-1270 with ID as "The new Light 1270, CJTN." Also noted in morning with separate programming and ID. (MS*ON)
- 1270 CJTN ON Trenton - 2/20 1435 - Excellent with song "I Can't Help Falling in Love with You," // CJNH-1240. (MS*ON)
- 1340 WMSA NY Massena - 2/20 1400 - Fair with legal ID into news. (MS*ON)
- 1390 WJRM NC Troy - 3/5 1255 - GOS music, North Carolina State vs. Duke game in ACC basketball tournament // 100.9 FM. (RJ-NC)
- 1450 CHUC ON Cobourg - 2/20 1356 - Excellent with oldies, "favorites of yesterday and today on 1450 CHUC." (MS*ON)
- 1490 WOLF NY Syracuse - 2/20 1358 - Good with ID "This is talk radio 1490 WOLF," also mentioned 96.7 FM. (MS*ON)
- 1520 WDSL NC Mocksville - 3/6 0845 - Good with numerous calls, "Country Classics" show with songs like Brenda Lee's "It's Not Unusual," a real country song? No WCHE, WWKB nulled. (JEK-MD)
- 1550 WLKA NY Canandaigua - 2/24 1004 - Fair to good over CBE with local news, talk about problems with Zebra mussels, mentions of Rochester and Canandaigua, into weather 1010. No sign of listed // WCGR-1310; latter frequency dominated by CIWW. (MS*ON) [And 1310 is now // WASB-1590 anyway. - DY]
- 1570 WFLR NY Dundee - 2/24 0910-0927 - Good, Donna Henderson with "Open Mike" call-ins at (607) 243-7158, ad for Bath National Bank. (HF*ON)

LOGGINGS: 1600-2400

- 540 WLUX NY Islip - 2/27 1905 - Fair under CBEF with talk about N.Y. Islanders hockey, ID "Music of Your Life, 540 WLUX." (MS*ON)
- 560 WQAM FL Miami - 2/23 1838-1904 - Fair, "Sports Radio 5-60 WQAM Miami" and "Sports Radio QAM," sports call-in program. (HF*ON)
+ 2/23 1848 - Fair with talk about baseball, ID as "QAM" and "Miami Sports Radio 560." (MS*ON)
- WGAI NC Elizabeth City - 3/2 2000 - ID under WFIL. Never heard their DX Tests. (SK-PA)
- 590 WVLC KY Lexington - 3/2 1755 - Weather "from the flagship station of the defending cham-

- WVLC KY Lexington - 3/2 1755 - Weather "from the flagship station of the defending champion Kentucky Wildcats," in mix. (SK-PA)
- 600 WKZO MI Kalamazoo - 3/1 2122 - "... right here on AM 590 WKZO," back to John and Ken. Lots of mixing. (SK-PA)
- 600 WICC CT Bridgerpot - 2/20 2238-2247 - Fair, OLD "Let the Good Times Roll," local weather at 2243. (HF*ON)
- 670 WMT IA Cedar Rapids - 2/27 1855 - Good with mostly instrumental music, "600 WMT" ID at 1900. (MS*ON)
- 670 WWFE FL Miami - 2/21 1924 - Good two men with call-in program about day care, "Miami Dade" sport. QRM from another SS station, probably Cuba. (HF*ON)
+ 2/21 2155 - Fair with Latin music, mention of Republic Dominicana, ID in EE as WWFE 2201. (MS*ON)
- 680 CFTR ON Toronto - 3/5 1803 - News, then gone at 1815, pattern change? (NP-MI)
- 690 WJOX AL Birmingham - 2/20 1602 - Poor, mixed with WZAP's ESPN Radio mention, just caught "...JOX," basketball scores, etc. (MS*ON)
+ 3/2 1830 - Strong with jingle, ad for Vita-Men after WZAP cut power. Live broadcast of sports talk from a pub called K.C. (HJH-PA)
+ 3/5 1835 - Sports on a clear channel, singing ID at 1838: "Sports Radio 690, WJOX." (PC-VA)
- WOKV FL Jacksonville - 3/2 1750-1810 - Increasing in strength to very good level by 1805, "News Radio 690 WOKV." CBS news on the hour, local wrap-up, then Dr. Dean Edell. (HJH-PA)
- WTIX LA New Orleans - 2/20 1903 - Poor with news, ID "This is 690 WTIX." (MS*ON)
+ 3/2 1905 - Good level after WJOX disappeared at 1900, NBC news, slogan "This is the all new WTIX, the home of adult talk," into local talk show. (HJH-PA)
- KOAA NE Terrytown - 2/27 1656 - Fair with fading, OLD, ID "KOAQ Terrytown-Scottsbluff," news with Tim McGuire. (MS*ON)
- WZAP VA Bristol - 2/20 1602 - Fair with USA radio network news, Bristol VA mention, into gospel music, ID 1700. (MS*ON)
+ 3/2 1810 - Faded up and overtook WOKV with gospel music, very strong by 1815. Announced power cut during sign-off (or is that sign-down?) announcement. (HJH-PA)
- 720 WRZN FL Hernando - 2/23 2100-2124 - Fair, call ID at top of hour into ABC news, NOS music, QRM from WGN and 2 SS stations, one possibly R. Oriente, Venezuela. (HF*ON)
- CHTN PI Charlottetown - 2/26 1825 - Very good, "Hot memories," "Good Time Oldies on 7-20 CHTN Charlottetown." (HF*ON)
- 780 WIIN MS Ridgeland - 2/26 1822-1831 - Poor, ad for Ray's Beds, Bath & Windows, OLD, call ID spot at 1838. Fighting with R. Coro, Venezuela. (HF*ON)
- WWOL NC Forest City - 2/22 1757 - On top with ad for S&S Lawn Mower Repair including 245 phone number, GOS music, ad mentioning Ellenboro, weather, ID into USA news. Never did hear any of their DX tests. (DB-DE)
- CFDR ON Dartmouth - 2/26 1830-1900 - Very good, "7-80 Kicks Country," Halifax weather, "In Touch" religious program with Dr. Charles Stanley to 1855, then new one, "Grace to You" with John McArthur. (HF*ON)
- 830 KOTC MO Kennett - 2/20 1832 - Sign-off ending "Real Country" programming, slogan "Cotton Country." Fair to good. (HJH-PA)
- WXII NC Kernersville - 2/22 1740 - Good with ad for HGS(?) Cable, PSA for Boy Scouts, ID "WXII News Radio 830 AM," into weather. (MS*ON)
+ 2/23 2343-0005 - Poor, "... news around the western Piedmont ... WXII News Radio," AP news at top of hour, PSA for Sawtooth Center. (HF*ON)
- 840 KTIC NE West Point - 3/3 1909 - ID "This is KTIC in West Point," under WHAS. Briefly faded up, then gone. (RCP-IN)
- 850 WAIT IL Crystal Lake - 3/6 1831 - Weakest signal in mix, "Here is 850 AM, WAIT." (PC-VA)
- 860 WACB TN Taylorsville - 2/21 2200-2300 - Noted most of the evening hear with fair, listenable signal. Mixes C&W, rock oldies. ID only noted on hour, also had numerous weather forecasts. (HJH-PA)
- WOAY WV Oak Hill - 3/6 1730 - Religion, promo 1732: "Please send your church announcements to Church Notes, in care of Family Radio WOAY, P.O. Box 140, Oak Hill, WV 25901." (PC-VA)

WVLC 1230 AM
COUNTRY COUNTRY
1230 AM
1230 AM

WRKG 1380AM
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- 870 WFLO VA Farmville - 3/7 1800 - Signing off 1838 after 1800 news: "WFLO has come to the close of its broadcast day. We invite you to join us tomorrow morning at 7. WFLO, Farmville, Virginia, bids you a most pleasant good night." (PC-VA)
- 910 WSTK NC Jacksonville - 2/21 1757 - Good with conclusion of [North] Carolina Wolfpack basketball game, ads for "Your Carolina Ford Dealer," McCrae Graphics, etc. (MS*ON)
- WAVL PA Apollo - 3/2 1659 - End of religious program with 724 area code, ID "WAVL Apollo," into USA news. Mixing with several others. (SK-PA)
- 920 KARN AR Little Rock - 3/2 1850 - ID "Temperature at KARN is 51 degrees at 5:50 p.m., this is News Radio KARN." Fair signal in WBAA null. (RCP-IN)
- WOKY WI Milwaukee - 3/8 2021-2052 - NOS music, multiple ID's. (NP-MI)
- 930 WIZR NY Johnstown - 3/2 1701 - Partial ID "WIZR Johnstown-Gloversville...," under WCNR. (SK-PA)
- WLLL VA Lynchburg - 3/2 1733 - "Here on WLLL," Black gospel, under WCNR. (SK-PA)
- 940 WINZ FL Miami - 3/5 1755 - Ad for technical school, mentions of Miami and surrounding areas, "Supertalk 940," ID. (WM-MD)
- 950 WIBX NY Utica - 2/23 2110 - Good, "News Radio WIBX," University of Syracuse basketball. (HF*ON)
- 970 WNED NY Buffalo - 2/23 2030-2101 - Good, request for money as station is on verge of going silent, local talk program on drugs and alcohol. Mentioned BBC and CBC programs, "As It Happens" at 2100. (HF*ON)
- 1000 CKBW NS Bridgewater - 2/27 1855-1927 - Fair, C&W music, Broadcast News at top of hour, "CKBW Weather Watch," FM/AM spot, ads for Carol's (?) in Liverpool, Shelburn(?) College, Bridgewater Lions' Club, QRM from WMVP, CFRB-1010. (HF*ON)
- 1020 WKZE CT Sharon - 3/4 1755 - C&W music, ID, sign-off 1800, poor in KDKA null. (WM-MD)
- 1040 WJHR NJ Flemington - 2/22 1704 - Good with ID as "Jersey's hometown radio 1040 WJHR," into program featuring hits of the 80's. (MS*ON)
- 1060 WPHC TN Waverly - 2/21 1857 - Dual ID's for this and WQSE-1030, program of GOS music, also heard // on WQSE. Fair in KYW null. New. (RCP-IN)
- 1090 KAAY AR Little Rock - 2/22 1755 - Good with religious program "The Power and the Glory" from Redwater, Texas, call ID into USA Radio news 1800. (MS*ON)
- 1100 WCGA GA Woodbine - 3/2 1743 - Clear with Arch Paging in Brunswick, "WCGA, Wonderful Coastal Georgia," back to unID talk show. New. (JEK-MD)
- 1120 WADN MA Concord - 2/27 1744 - Good with talk about special library facility in Cambridge on program called "Consumer Connections," "right here on your personal finance radio network." (MS*ON)
- 1150 CKOC ON Hamilton - 3/5 1901-1944 - OLD music, "Greatest rock and roll of all time, Oldies 11-50." (NP-MI)
- 1160 WSKW ME Skowhegan - 2/26 1758 - Good with Sports Calendar, ID "1160 The Score ... Skowhegan, Maine." (MS*ON)
- WVNJ NJ Oakland - 3/3 1652 - OLD mixing with C&W from WYNS, at 2200: "This is WVNJ Oakland," then CNN news, WCCS nulled. (PC-VA)
- WYNS PA Lehighton - 3/3 2208 - C&W temporarily overpowering WVNJ, singing ID "... Country WYNS," WCCS nulled. (PC-VA)
- WAMB TN Donelson - 2/22 1749 - Good with various ads, promo for the Great American Music Party "here on 1160 WAMB." (MS*ON)
- 1190 WLIB NY New York - 2/21 1904-1910 - Fair, with "One world, one family, WLIB" and "Greetings New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, upstate and outstate ... bringing you all the flavors from around the world," man in EE with African vocals. Again 2/27 2204, good with Bob "Spice Man" Frederick, Jamaican programming, "Lock it in and rip the knob off, WLIB." (HF*ON)
- + 3/2 1849 - Black talk show in progress, no ID but announced station phone number indicated it was them. Fair, mixing badly with WOWO. Only heard once before. (RCP-IN)
- 1200 WTLA NY North Syracuse - 3/3 2000 - Lots of competition, "WTLA North Syracuse, WSGO Oswego, Unforgettable Radio." (PC-VA)
- 1220 WKBK NH Keene - 3/2 1705 - Difficult copy in QRM, but heard call letters once, then "... now WKBK news." (PC-VA)

850 WRMR
THE "MUSIC OF YOUR LIFE"

- WRIB** RI Providence - 2/27 1801 - End of SS program with man and woman, EE ID: "AM 1220 WRIB Providence," right into male singing in SS and playing harmonica. Over WJUN, WKNR. Long suspected this but could never ID it. (SK-PA)
- WRTK AM 1390**
- CKSM PQ Shawinigan Falls - Date? Time? - C&W music, call ID after each song, Senators hockey. Apparent departure from listed FF format. (HF*ON)
- 1290 WKNE NH Keene - 3/3 2134 - Fair, "WKNE News-Talk 1290," Mike Reagan program. (JEK-MD)
- WDZY VA Colonial Heights - 2/21 1743 - Good with ID "Radio Disney AM 1290 is the radio station just for Richmond. Radio Disney AM 1290, we think you'll love it too." (MS*ON)
- 1300 WNQM TN Nashville - 3/2 1830 - End of Radio Bible Hour, announcement of Saturday programs, ID "AM 1300 WNQM Nashville," followed by news. (PC-VA)
- 1310 WTLC IN Indianapolis - 3/5 2345 - Call letters and station address bubbled up through at least 3 basketball games on frequency. (RJ-NC)
- 1340 WIRY NY Plattsburgh - 3/1 2250-2300 - Fair with old radio shows, www.wiry.com promo, ID. Also 3/3 2200 with ID and PSA for the hearing impaired. (JEK-MD)
- 1350 WRNY NY Rome - 2/25 2158 - Good with NOS music, ID for WRNY-1350 Rome, also mentioning WADR-1480 Remsen and WUTQ-1550 Utica. (MS*ON)
- 1360 WKOP NY Binghamton - 2/25 2100 - Fair, rising briefly above mix of stations with slow call letter ID by man. (MS*ON)
- 1370 WXXI NY Rochester - 2/22 1745-1818 - Fair with "metro traffic report," NPR's "All Things Considered," NPR and WXXI news at top of hour. (HF*ON)
- 1400 WLTN NH Littleton - 3/2 1900 - Call letters in jumble, ABC news. (SK-PA)
- WPCC SC Clinton - 2/25 1800 - Coming into upfade heard "Clinton, South Carolina," into NASCAR news ("NASCAR Today"?). (SK-PA)
- 1410 WLTV AL Mobile - 2/22 1906 - "Advertise on WLTV; let Christian radio work for you. Call 626-1099." Poor signal in mix, new for me. (RCP-IN)
- WEGO NC Concord - 3/2 1858 - "WEGO now leaves the air as required by the Federal Communications Commission," in big mix. (SK-PA)
- WBBX TN Kingston - 3/2 1858 - Presumed with "here in northeast Tennessee" jumping over WEGO sign-off. (SK-PA)
- 1430 WCMY IL Ottawa - 2/26 1941 - Call letters heard in promo, lots of shifting. (SK-PA)
- 1440 WNFL WI Green Bay - 3/1 2305 - Ad for "your hometown bank for over 50 years," slogan with call letters, then Burrell on the Beach. Up and down in the mix. No WRBP, new station. (SK-PA)
- 1470 CHOW ON Welland - 3/2 2142-2213 - C&W program "Crying, Loving, or Leaving," and Broadcast News. (NP-MI)
- 1480 WHBC ON Canton - 2/24 2234 - Fair, "We're your favorite songs on 14-80" and "14-80 WHBC." (HF*ON)
- WPWC VA Dumfries-Triangle - 2/22 1730 - Fair with weather for Virginia, West Virginia, and Maryland, ID "1480 WPWC," mentioned "best in traditional country, bluegrass, and gospel." (MS*ON)
- 1490 WIKE VT Newport - 2/27 1717 - Fair with C&W music, ID "New Stereo 1490" and "Top new country, WIKE." (MS*ON)
- + 3/1 2231 - Clear calls over Patti Loveless song, C&W noted for the next half hour but only this one ID heard. New. (JEK-MD)
- WGEZ WI Beloit - 2/26 2029 - Tentative with listed slogans heard in jumble: "1490 ... Hometown Radio ... 60's and 70's ..." (SK-PA)
- 1580 WPKY KY Princeton - 3/2 1800 - Partial ID with mention of FM 104, Kentucky, mixing with and just under WLIJ. (SK-PA)
- WLIJ TN Shelbyville - 2/22 1827 - Good with promo for concert at the Shelbyville Baptist Church, mention of Bedford County, promo for event, for additional info call the Recreation Center. First time heard. (DB-DE)
- + 3/2 1800 - ID "WLIJ Shelbyville, Tennessee," then USA news, just over WPKY. (SK-PA)
- 1590 WTVB MI Coldwater - 2/28 1905 - End of ABC news, PSA mentioning Michigan, then "send it to WTVB, P.O. Box..." Bubbled up to mix with WMIM, then gone. (SK-PA)
- 1620 WHLY IN South Bend - 2/26 2034-2132 - Good, old radio programs "Suspense" and

"Superman" Chapter 63, ad for Radio Spirits and Radio Movie Classics with Stan Freeburg, "Radio Hollywood" ID spot. (HF*ON)

1650 WHKT VA Portsmouth - 2/20 1855 - Good with prayer and benediction, ID as "1010 WPMH Portsmouth, 1650 WHKT Portsmouth." First time I've caught an ID on 1650. (MS*ON)



+ 2/20 2012-2100 - Very good, Michael Medved Show, including caller who said he saw a homeless person wearing a sign "Why Lie? I Need a Beer." [I don't think Mayor Giuliani allows those here any more, hi. - DY] SRN news 2030, "You're in tune with AM 10-10 WPMH and AM 16-50 WHKT Portsmouth" at top of hour, no local ads. (HF*ON)

1680 WJNZ MI Ada - Date? 2320-0030 - Fair in static but improving after 0000, with rap music, ad for church event 2/28 with phone number (616) 722-6276, ID's "Stereo 1680 JAM" and "WJNZ Grand Rapids, Michigan" (sounding more like WJAM). Lots of inappropriate comments and ID's about "Butt Ass Naked Radio." (AA-VA)

1690 WMDM MD Lexington Park - 2/21 2005-2019 - Excellent, "Bluegrass Countdown" and "Bluegrass on the Bay," interesting departure from usual talk format. (HF*ON)

TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS

1610 TIS NY Buffalo (WPAN997) - 2/23 2126 - Fair, man and woman with "Empire State" spots over "I Love New York" music, call (800) THRUWAY for road report, "This is the New York Thruway Authority WPAN997." (HF*ON)

TIS NY White Plains (W??Y244) - 2/21 1925-1947 - Poor, man and woman alternating with Westchester County items, "This is the Westchester County Information Station broadcasting at 16-10 on your dial." Apparent call change from WNZV592? (HF*ON)

1630 HAR MD Frederick - 3/5 2150 - Traffic update from the Maryland State Police. (WM-MD)
+ 3/8 1830-1840 - Male announcer call ID, usual Maryland DOT message. Was looking for the High Point station, but I'll take it! (GM-VA)

HAR PA Allentown (WRV833) - 2/21 1948-2003 - Poor, "Highway Advisory Radio," man with construction updates. (HF*ON)

TIS PA Philadelphia - 2/22 2230 - Fair, Philadelphia International Airport arrival and departure information, phone number beginning (800) PHL-, also gave website information. (MS*ON)
+ 2/23 2217 - Fair, woman with I-95 access and Philadelphia International Airport parking instruction, call (800) 745-4283 for gate information, QRM from KCJJ, another TIS. (HF*ON)

1700 TIS NY New York - 2/20 1935 - Good, Kennedy International Airport information, "Thank you for choosing JFK International," highway advisory for Long Island Expressway, ID "You're listening to the John F. Kennedy Airporyt highway advisory station broadcasting on 1700 AM." (MS*ON)

1708 UNID -- ----- - 2/21 2215 - Poor, SS and C&W music mixing, possible FM spur heard on several receivers and wires. Maybe one of those Rolla MO FM-type things that was in the 1640's a couple of years ago? Heard only one night, looped N/S. (HF*ON)

1710 UNID -- ----- - 3/2 2300 - Hard rock music, ID "We have moved to a new location on the dial, this is (WASS?)." Very poor. (SK-PA)

2480 WWZQ MS Aberdeen - 2/23 2225 - Fair, second harmonic of 1240, Jerry with call-in program, "WWZQ Aberdeen" ID. (HF*ON)

INTERNET UPDATES

News from Scott Fybush's "North East Radio Watch," used by permission:

Some Massachusetts news: "Heirwaves is selling WNEB (1230 Worcester) to Great Commission Broadcasting, the company that leases time on WJLT (1060 Natick) from Alex Langer for its Christian contemporary "J-Light" format. Heirwaves bought WNEB from Bob Bittner in late 1997 and has been running its own CC format as "Solid Rock 1230." since then. The word from inside Langer-land is that the remaining employees at WRPT, WSRO, and WJLT have been cut back to 20-hour workweeks and part-time status as Langer tries to solve his financial problems. The plan, apparently, was to take that 1060 signal, build the CP for increased day power at the Mt. Wayte site (since the site Langer had hoped to use in Sudbury proved unavailable), and create a local talker for greater Boston with talents

like Upton Bell (already at WSRO/WRPT) and Jerry Williams and the legendary WMEX call letters (available since Dennis Jackson dropped them last month at what's now WCLX Westport NY). But we also hear that the new owners at WKOX (1200 Framingham) no longer plan to move the 1200 signal from the Mt. Wayte site when that station increases power...and a diplex with high-powered signals on both 1060 and 1200 would be prohibitively expensive. And since WKOX owns the Mt. Wayte site and towers, while WJLT/WSRO merely leases them, guess who gets priority?"

And: WKBR-NH-1250 has apparently added Tom Leykis to its sports format 1900-2200. WJYT-MA-1320 has been off the air the last few days. CHOW-ON-1470 will move to 91.7 this summer.

STATION ADDRESSES

Wayne Heinen passes along some addresses that have been requested recently: WDIZ-FL-590 is 1834 Lisenby Avenue, Panama City FL 32405. WXTR-MD-820 is 6633 Mount Hillip Road, Frederick MD 21703. WTZY-NC-880, according to Information, "address is not available," and there is no answer at their phone number, (828) 250-0880. KSVE-TX-1150 is 5426 N. Mesa Street, El Paso TX 79912. WMLF-GA-1270 is 1826 Wynnton Road, Columbus GA 31906. WADO-NY-1280 is 1396 Broad Street, Clifton NJ 07013. WOIR-FL-1430 is 206 Washington Avenue, Homestead FL 33033. WWNT-AL-1450 is 1733 Highway 52, Dothan AL 36303. WOKB-FL-1600 is P. O. Box 680889, Orlando FL 32868.

Steve Kennedy is looking for an address for WCTF-CT-1170 and WCGC-NC-1270. He has these new addresses: WYCB-DC-1340: 5900 Princess Guard Parkway, Latham MD and WROG-NC-1400: The Mall - Four Seasons Towne Center; (336) 854-1996.

Nicholas Pattison is looking for an address for WADR-NY-1480; both addresses in the Log came back undeliverable.

REPORTERS

AA-VA	Albert Arnold	Chesterfield VA - FRG-7700, Eavesdropper T
RA-MA	Ray Arruda	Acushnet MA - R8A, SW8, LW, Quantum loop
DB-DE	Dave Braun	Wyoming DE - R-5000, Quantum loop, LW
PC-VA	Perry Crabill	Winchester VA - R8, 100' RW
SF-TN	Steve Francis	Alcoa TN - TRF, Select-a-Tenna
HF*ON	Harold Frodge	DX'ing at Coe Hill ON - R71A, MFJ956, antenna farm: 1000' NE terminated, 500' E unterm, 500' S unterm, 85' NE term loop, 64' TTFD, 100' spiral loop
HJH-PA	Harry Hayes	Wilkes-Barre PA - TransOceanic, Kiwa pocket loop
RJ-NC	Russ Johnson	Lexington NC - Superadio III, DX-375, Select-a-Tenna, 160m inverted V
SK-PA	Steve Kennedy	Coal Township PA - Superadio III
TLK-FL	Terry Krueger	Clearwater FL -
JEK-MD	Joe Kureth	Uniontown MD - SW8, 950' LW (NE-SW)
WM-MD	William McGuire	Cheverly MD - DX380
GM-VA	Greg Myers	Richmond VA - ICF-2010, Kiwa pocket loop
DP-HI	Dale Park	Honolulu HI - Station news
NP-MI	Nicholas Pattison	St. Clair Shores MI - DX-375
DP-PQ	Denis Picard	Trois Rivières Ouest PQ -5000, Kiwa loop, 145' LW
RCP-IN	Robert Pote	Greenwood IN - R8A, Quantum loop
DS-TN	Doug Smith	Pleasant View TN - UnID help
MS*ON	Morris Sorensen	DX'ing at Coe Hill ON - R8, 500', 1000' LW's

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD

//:parallel to :00:on the hour AC:Adult contemporary AP:Associated Press BBD:big band C&W:country & western CCR:contemporary Christian radio CHR:contemporary hit radio CID:code ID CL:call letter EZL:easy listening EE:English FF:French GOS:gospel LSR:local sunrise LSS:local sunset NFL: National Football League NBA:National Basketball Association NHL:National Hockey League NPR:National Public Radio OC:open carrier PSRA:pre-sunrise authority PSSA:post-sunset authority QRM:man-made interference (power lines, etc) QRN:natural interference (lightning, etc) QTH:location PRI:Public Radio International 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 VID:voice ID



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Not sure when? Check the back page - the label will tell you!

International DX Digest

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

We have an extensive report from Morris Sorensen of his recent DXpedition loggings from Coe Hill, a nice complement to Harold Frogde's report from the same site in last week's IDXD. This is the last of the weekly columns until next fall - but keep those reports coming!

Jim

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 153 ALGERIA Bechar, FEB 20 2327 - good with FF-influenced AA speaking male who said "allo" several times and interviewed another man. The in AA music at 2325 and back to talk at 2335, again with man repeating "allo". [Sorensen*ON]
- 153 GERMANY DLF, FEB 27 0203 - poor to fair with GG talk by man, into instrumental music at 0205. [Sorensen*ON]
- 162 FRANCE France-Inter, Allouis, FEB 27 0002 - fair with musical bridge, man mentioning "Information", then news in FF by female. [Sorensen*ON]
- 171 MOROCCO R. Mediterranee, FEB 26 2314 - fair with AA talk, occasional short pieces of AA music. [Sorensen*ON]
- 177 GERMANY Deutschlandradio, FEB 26 2354 - poor with choral music, man talking in GG, into instrumental music. [Sorensen*ON]
- 183 GERMANY Europe Un, FEB 26 2312 - fair in FF with news or commentary by two men. [Sorensen*ON]
- 189 ICELAND RUV Gufuskalar, FEB 20 2211-2230 - fair in Icelandic with slow-paced instrumentals at first, then into oldies such as "Run Around Sue", "Roses Are Red" and "Blue Velvet". This was by far the strongest langwave TA noted in Coe Hill, audible to some extent every night from FEB 20-27th, sometimes at armchair level. [Sorensen*ON]
- 198 ENGLAND BBC Droitwich, FEB 26 2348 - poor with talk in EE by man mentioning Public Administration Commission. Good by 0155 with man and woman discussing American culture. [Sorensen*ON]
- 207 MOROCCO RTM, FEB 26 0315 - fair with beacon QRM, woman with AA talk between short pieces of AA-sounding instrumental music, into longer AA vocal at 0321 and some talk by a man. Noted stronger at 0422 with two men speaking AA. [Sorensen*ON]
- 207 ICELAND RUV Reykjavik, FEB 27 0142 - poor with jazz-influenced pop vocal // 189 which was at near local strength at this time, followed by more pop music. [Sorensen*ON]
- 225 POLAND Polski Radio, Warsaw, FEB 27 0045 - poor with Polish talk by female into slow-paced East European-style vocal. [Sorensen*ON]
- 233 LUXEMBOURG R. Luxembourg, FEB 22 0412 - poor with pop music, FF talk by male and female. [Sorensen*ON] (234, nyet? - Jim)
- 252 IRELAND Atlantic 252, FEB 26 0428 - fair in EE with pop music, Irish-accented talk, fairly certain I heard "Atlantic 252" mention. [Sorensen*ON]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS RNE1, FEB 21 0125 - fair with SS talk by man, later two men, some laughter, at 0137 mentioned "España", and at 0140 said "muchas gracias", 0142 had instrumental music briefly, then more music and talk with different speakers at 0144. This was my strongest TA on medium wave in Coe Hill, some nights overpowering 620 domestics. [Sorensen*ON]
- 873 SPAIN probable SS regional, FEB 27 0028 - poor to fair with talk by man in SS, into vocal music. [Sorensen*ON]
- 1089 ALBANIA Durres, MAR 9 0403 - Good with typical Albanian music and a female vocalist, with no sign of UK Talk Radio. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1386 GREECE Athens, MAR 9 0313 to 0336 - Fair with Greek pop music as heard in other seasons, with male and female vocals and announcements. Now why does this comparatively low-powered station come through when stations much more powerful don't? [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1466 MONACO TWR (transmitter in France), FEB 26 0452-0515 - fair with Christian religious music and GG talk. [Sorensen*ON]

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- 1512 SAUDI ARABIA Jeddah, FEB 26 0341 - fair in AA with man chanting. [Sorensen*ON]
- 1530 SÃO TOMÉ VOA, MAR 4 0340 - Was heard with VOA commentary in EE by a man and the signal was right behind WSAI. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1530 VATICAN, MAR 4 0445 - Just an hour after São Tome was pushing WSAI here came the Vatican almost level with their familiar IS. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1575 UNID IRAQ, MAR 6 0215 - Woman singing Mid East music, followed by a dramatic speech, then chanting. Heard before. [Dangerfield-PA] I think that this is the ANTI-Saddam clandestine from Kuwait, rather than Iraq itself. So a greater distance but a less-rare country. [Connelly-MA]
- 1575 SPAIN SER Cordoba/Pamplona, MAR 8 0448 - Both in well like a U.S. regional channel. Mostly phone-in stuff. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1584 SPAIN SER stations and MOROCCO, Ceuta mixed. The off frequency station was probably Ceuta. MAR 8 0348 - A jumble. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1602 SPAIN SER stations over EL-Vitorio. MAR 8 0350. Very loud with talk programs. Hot end of the band. [Dangerfield-PA]
- Ben speaks: "In the week since returning from TA-Land I have noted lots of activity at the upper end of the band, very little on the lower end, save for regular Seville-684, and none on LW. The middle hasn't been too good but I did get Albania-1089 last night and Portugal-1035 has been coming in often. Had a strong het on 1161 last night but couldn't bring it out. But the 1386 Greek was heard and the 1500 stations have been consistent with Saudi-1521 at the highest level of the season, the high end Spains very good. That reception extended into the X-Band where such as Arvada, Colorado-1690 were on top. And to boost my morale I received a welcome verie card from Yemen-1008 for verified country # 127. The QSL card was specific as to frequency, date, [10-20-98] and time heard, 0247 to 0310, and was signed by the Technical Director with a suggest ion that I try their SW in EE on 9780."

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- 530 TURKS & CAICOS IS. RVC, FEB 9 0257 - Poor to fair in CIAO partial null with instrumental music, ID at 0300 sounded like "Cristiana Internacional". [Sorensen*ON]
- 535t GRENADA GBC, FEB 24 0215-0240 - good with non-stop, mostly 1970's vintage EE pop music, no IDs heard, not even at 0300 recheck, but seems only a possibility here. [Sorensen*ON]
- 600 CUBA R. Rebelde, Urbano Nris, FEB 23 0347 - fair with SS language rap music featuring extremely heavy drum beat // 670 and 5025. [Sorensen*ON]
- 670 CUBA R. Rebelde, FEB 24 0325 - mixed with unID SS, possibly Rumbos or Miami, SS pop music into talk by man at 0330 and Cuba mention // 5025 kHz. Rebelde ID heard at 0338. [Sorensen*ON]
- 690 CUBA YVMR R. Barquisimeto, FEB 26 0107 - good with Barquisimeto ID by man and up-tempo LA music. [Sorensen*ON]
- 690 COLOMBIA HJ CZ Santa Fé de Bogotá, FEB 27 0205 - fair to good with lots of SS language pop music, mention of "Santa Fé", "690" and "Caracol". [Sorensen*ON]
- 700 JAMAICA RJR Montego Bay, FEB 26 0111 - poor to fair with phone talk, Caribbean-accented female under WLW, then reggae music by male. NRCer Harold Frogde who was DXing with me heard Montego Bay mentioned moments earlier. Formerly JBC. [Sorensen*ON]
- 710 CUBA R. Rebelde, FEB 21 0107 - good with SS talk by man, sounded like a sports event, mentioned name "Martinez" several times, also "Habana" and "Cuba", // 5025 kHz and at about the same strength. [Sorensen*ON]
- 720 VENEZUELA YVQE R. Oriente, Porlamar, FEB 24 0124 - fair with lively pop music, Radio Oriente ID. [Sorensen*ON]
- 730 MEXICO XEX Mexico City DF, FEB 22 0312 - fair with SS language vocals, "Équis" ID and mention of Mexico. [Sorensen*ON]
- 750 VENEZUELA YVKS R. Caracas, FEB 24 0130 - fair over WSB with a couple of "RCR" IDs and news in SS. [Sorensen*ON]
- 760 COLOMBIA HJA RCN Barranquilla, FEB 14 0248-0300 - fair in WJR null with SS talk, ads, ID as "RCN" and what sounded like "Radio de Colombia". [Sorensen*ON]
- 770 COLOMBIA HJXX RCN Bogotá, FEB 21 0010 - good with SS talk by man // 760, ID sounded like "Radio Emisora de Colombia". [Sorensen*ON]
- 780 VENEZUELA R. Coro, Coro, FEB 7 0313 - fair to good with up-tempo SS vocals and R. Coro ID by man. [Sorensen*ON]
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES TWR, FEB 6 0230 - Good in CJBQ null with religious music, SS speaking male who gave "PJB" call letter ID, also said "amen" and mentioned Venezuela, then back to music. [Sorensen*ON]

- 830 CUBA R. Reló, FEB 23 0245 - with usual news and "R-R" IDs under unID with Gospel music. [Sorensen*ON]
- 840 CUBA CMHW Santa Clara, FEB 22 0110 - good with lively SS language pop music, "Dóbleve" ID at 0115. [Sorensen*ON]
- 890 CUBA CMDZ R. Progreso, Santiago, FEB 6 0229 - good in WLS null with Cuban dance music, "ritmos!" yell, and Progreso ID by man at 0230. [Sorensen*ON]
- 900 CUBA R. Progreso, FEB 24 0303 - fair with usual Progreso pop/dance music // much stronger 890 kHz. [Sorensen*ON]
- 910 VENEZUELA YVRQ RQ910 Caracas, FEB 23 0319-0400+ - fair-good with long musical selections "Aquí es 910" slogan given by woman between songs, played Venezuelan National Anthem just past 0400. [Sorensen*ON]
- 950 CUBA R. Rebelde, FEB 7 0319 - Behind domestics with news in SS and "R-R" code IDs. [Sorensen*ON]
- 1020 VENEZUELA YVRS Mundial Margarita, La Asunción, FEB 23 0015 - fair with SS talk, ID mentioning Margarita and Asunción, ID (jingle?) mentioning Margarita. [Sorensen*ON]
- 1100 COLOMBIA HJAT Barranquilla, FEB 22 2306 - fair to good with mentions of Colombia, "Caracol" ID by man and SS talk. [Sorensen*ON]
- 1110 VENEZUELA R. Carupano, Carupano, FEB 22 0035 - good with SS ballads, "R. Carupano" ID by man at 0037. [Sorensen*ON]
- 1170 COLOMBIA HJNW Cartagena, FEB 22 2358 - fair with ID as "Caracol de Colombia", SS talk, Caracol ID at 0000. [Sorensen*ON]

STATION NEWS

FALKLAND ISLANDS: The following article appeared in the Jan 29, 1999 edition of *Penguin News* from the Falkland Islands (unfortunately, no mention of frequency): "NEW TRANSMITTER AND MORE POWER FOR FIBS". A structure soon to qualify as the tallest in the Islands will in the near future mean local radio will return to mediumwave, and on increased power. KMZ Electronics are presently installing a 132 metre high mast at the west end of Mount William which will radiate a 15KW signal Island wide. The transmitter was purchased in Santiago, Chile, and a team of four professional riggers from Santiago are now assisting Mario Zuvic of KMZ electronics to erect the mast and install the transmitter. FIBS were taken off the present medium wave transmitter in December 97 and replaced totally by BFBS 2 which will continue to broadcast. It will be approximately one month before the transmitter is 'up and working' and some time after that before transmissions on the new frequency will begin. [via Mike Westfall N6KUY e-mail]

NETHERLANDS: Today the Dutch government gave permission to build two antennatowers 35 kilometers off the coast of the Netherlands. The towers will be used by Delta Radio to transmit their programmes to the UK, probably on longwave. Earlier, Delta Radio tried to get permission to build antennatowers in the Netherlands near the town of Apeldoorn. This permission was not given due to many protests of people living in the neighborhood but also due to environmental reasons because the antennatowers will be 400 (!!) meters in height. The government has no possibilities to stop the building of the towers in the North Sea, even the sealife will suffer from the electromagnetic currents and the birds from the towers. [Max van Arnhem via hard-core-dx]

COPA AMERICA SCHEDULE

Copa America will be played in Paraguay during the period June 29 - July 18: Group A (Paraguay, Peru, Japan, Bolivia), Group B (Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Venezuela), Group C (Argentina, Uruguay, Colombia, Ecuador); June 29 Peru/Japan, Paraguay/Bolivia, June 30 Chile/Mexico, Brazil/Venezuela, July 1 Uruguay/Colombia, Argentina/Ecuador, July 2 Peru/Bolivia, Paraguay/Japan, July 3 Brazil/Mexico, Chile/Venezuela, July 4 Uruguay/Ecuador, Argentina/Colombia, July 5 Japan/Bolivia, Paraguay/Peru, July 6 Mexico/Venezuela, Brazil/Chile, July 7 Colombia/Ecuador, Argentina/Uruguay, July 10 Winner Group A/2nd Group B, Winner Group A/2nd best 3rd, July 11 Winner Group C/Best 3rd, Winner Group B/2nd Group C, July 13 Winner match 2/Winner match 3, July 14 Winner match 1/Winner match 4, July 17 Loser Match 5/Loser Match 6, July 18 Winner match 5/Winner match 6. [DO in Arctic Radio Club]

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wards Europe.

NEWS FROM ATIVIDADE DX

Dear DX Friend, I'm sending you some MW DX loggings of our monthly DX bulletin "Atividade DX". Our URL <http://www.e-net.com.br/dxcp>. [Carlos Felipe, Atividade DX, Brazil]

550 14/02 02:10 B R Mantiqueira, Cruzeiro-SP, OM, transm. Carnaval, id 25552 RWG
640 29/01 17:38 B R Santa Cruz, Para de Minas-MG, OM, advs, id (*) 35553 RWG
710 30/01 02:10 B R Carioca, Rio de Janeiro-RJ, OM/YL, Rede Paulo-Sat, id(*) 35543 RWG
760 18/02 00:09 B R Nereu Ramos, Blumenau-SC, id, OM, futebol de saiao 35433 RWG
790 29/01 18:05 B R Soc. Ponte Nova, Ponte Nova-MG, OM, px Balance (*) 25552 RWG
910 29/01 18:16 B R Nova Serrana, Nova Serrana-MG, id, px "Boa tarde..." (*) 35553 RWG
920 30/01 22:54 B R Cultura, Visconde do Rio Branco-MG, OM, id, px sert. (*) 25532 RWG
1020 30/01 21:33 B R Difusora, Congonhas-MG, OM, id, advs (*) 25532 RWG
1120 29/01 17:52 B R Ouro Preto, Ouro Preto-MG, px "Ouro Preto Urgente" (*) 25552 RWG
1160 30/01 02:35 B R Espirito Santo, Vitoria-ES, id, mx pop brasileira (*) 25432 RWG
1190 16/02 02:15 ARG Unid (prov Rádio Nacional, San Miguel de Tucuman), OM em SS, entrevista w/ OM 43333 RFP

1200 16/02 02:12 ARG Rádio Goya, Goya, OM em SS, nxs 43343 RFP
1250 29/01 19:05 B R Metropolitana, Vespasiano-MG, OM, id, mx sertaneja (*) 35553 RWG
1270 29/01 19:28 B R Carijos, Conselheiro Lafaiete-MG, OM, nx, advs (*) 35553 RWG
1314 30/01 04:39 NOR R Norway, Kvitsoy, Norw., talks, mx, id (*) 25532 RWG
1340 30/01 22:23 B R Novo Tempo, Rio Bonito-RJ, OM, id, px relig (*) 25552 RWG
1380 18/02 00:15 B R Diario, Pres. Prudente-SP, transm. Camara Municipal 25532 RWG
1390 30/01 22:10 B R Sul Fluminense, Barra Mansa-RJ, OM, id, mx (*) 25532 RWG
1450 30/01 21:50 B R Cultura, Joao Monlevade-MG, OM, advs, id, mx (*) 35553 RWG
1490 16/02 02:01 B (Rádio Imaculada Conceição?), OM/OM, px "A Igreja no rádio" apresentado por YL 43232 RFP

1500 30/01 21:38 B R Montanha, Viçosa-MG, OM, mx, id (*) 35553 RWG
1520 29/01 18:54 B R Clube, Itauna-MG, OM, id "Super Radio Clube" (*) 35553 RWG
1550 15/02 01:49 B Rádio São Joaquim da Barra, S. Joaquim da Barra, id OM "A super rádio do povo" 23232 RFP

1580 29/01 18:33 B R Liberdade, Itapeverica-MG, id, px "Interligação" (*) 35553 RWG
1590 30/01 22:01 B R Guaicui, Varzea da Palma-MG, OM, advs, id (*) 25532 RWG

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Network listings for team sports stations

Here is Major League Baseball (MLB) flagship information for the 1999 season from "1999 Sporting News Factbook" via Ken Onyschuk. Ken provided little information as to the announcers; I have gotten some information from the web. There may be some foreign language stations (e.g., SS) that are not mentioned here. Since my last column I have received the Los Angeles Dodgers' EE & SS and the Atlanta Braves' network lists. And the Brewers' webmaster said that the 1999 network list was not yet online because it had not been finalized; I assume that this is true of the other web sites that still have last year's lists.

Anaheim Angels	1110	KRLA-CA (EE)
Arizona Diamondbacks	620	KTAR-AZ (EE)
Atlanta Braves	750	WSB-GA
Baltimore Orioles	1090	WBAL-MD
Boston Red Sox	850	WEEI-MA (EE)
	1330	WRCA-MA(SS)
Chicago Cubs	720	WGN-IL
Chicago White Sox	1000	WMVP-IL
	97.9	WLUP-IL
Cincinnati Reds	700	WLW-OH
Cleveland Indians	1100	WTAM-OH
Colorado Rockies	850	KOA-CO
Detroit Tigers	760	WJR-MI
Florida Marlins	560	WQAM-FL (EE)
	1140	WQBA-FL (SS)
Houston Astros	610	KILT-TX
	1320	KXYZ-TX (SS)
Kansas City Royals	980	KMBZ-MO
Los Angeles Dodgers	1150	KXTA-CA (EE)
	1330	KWKW-CA (SS)
	1230	KYPA-CA (KK) sK
Milwaukee Brewers	620	WTMJ-WI
Minnesota Twins	830	WCCO-MN
Montreal Expos	600	CIQC-PQ (EE)
	730	CKAC-PQ (FF)
New York Mets	660	WFAN-NY
New York Yankees	770	WABC-NY
Oakland Athletics	910	KNEW-CA b
	960	KABL-CA b
Philadelphia Phillies	1210	WPHT-PA
Pittsburgh Pirates	1020	KDKA-PA
Saint Louis Cardinals	1120	KMOX-MO
San Diego Padres	760	KFMB-CA (EE)
San Diego Padres	1040	KURS-BC (SS)
San Francisco Giants	680	KNBR-CA (EE)
	1010	KIQI-CA (SS)
Seattle Mariners	710	KIRO-WA
Tampa Bay Devil Rays	970	WFLA-FL
Texas Rangers	1080	KRLD-TX (EE)
	1480	KMRT-TX (SS)
	106.7	KMRT-TX (SS)
Toronto Blue Jays	1050	CHUM-ON Tom Cheek, Jerry Howarth

b = Ken Onyschuk's source lists 910 KNEW; Bob Karchevsky reports from *San Jose Mercury News* for Feb 9, 1999" that the flagship is 960 KABL-CA.

Spring training games will be broadcast on both stations, commonly owned by Chancellor.

s = selected games

K = Korean

Of Baluns and Earthing and Puppy-Dog Tails

by Paul Ormandy in *New Zealand DX Times*, January, 1999

I had always thought that an aerial mast or tower that could either be easily lowered or easily scaled would be great for experimentation ... so when the opportunity to buy a second-hand 8.5 metre steel lattice tower arose, I couldn't resist it! A huge lump of concrete, new paint job, and five mates later, the object of my dreams was proudly erected! Within minutes I had scaled the tower to add the first of several wires and I have since been up and down over 20 times ... but who is counting!

One of the objectives of putting up all sorts of wires was to find something that would lessen the amount of electrical interference and let's face it, in modern households and neighbourhoods there is plenty of that! Firstly I did some reading on the Nordic DX Club's web page <<www.nordicdx.com>> and came to the conclusion that it was time I sorted out my earthing and dabbled in baluns!

I was of the opinion that the mains earth connected via the three-pin plug to my receiver was as good a ground as you'd get ... WRONG! A simple matter of driving a 2 meter galvanised rod into the garden near the base of my tower (which was also earthed to the rod) and running a heavy 6mm or larger cable from the rod to my receiver provided a very large decline in the amount of electrical noise. Most receivers have an earth stud on the back for this purpose; if not then one half of your aerial input will be an earth connection too. Across a wide range of frequencies, time and time again, intrusive noise all but disappeared. If you don't have a separate earth rod, GET ONE! They're available along with the 6mm cable and clamp from any electrical wholesaler. There is a whole raft of well-documented and accurate theory as to why this works, though I'm a practical type and am not writing a book (yet!) so I'll try and keep the technical chat to a minimum and simply tell you what works!

On the subject of leads, using coax at low frequencies is very effective as losses are small, compared that is to the higher SW bands and anything above. If your tower/pole is some way from your receiver then the following tips are well worth consideration. Firstly, bury your coax under ground for as far as possible - this stops the coax picking up unwanted noise signals. Secondly, earth the coax in as many points as practicable, not only at the set but every 5 metres or so and to your main earth stake as well. Plan carefully so your coax cables are routed past your main earth as they run to your tower/pole. Earth your tower/pole as well, and if you want to get really keen, run your coaxes inside an earthed pipe up the tower, or up the inside of the pole itself.

On tower location. Sometimes you have little choice as to where you can site your tower though ideally it should be as far from electrical noise sources (i.e. houses etc.) as possible. Your wires should, whatever your tower situation, run away from houses too ... avoid having them running over roofs, etc. or parallel with power pole wires ... though running them at right angles may possibly yield low noise if they are sufficiently far away. My tower is only 1.5 metres from my house but with a good earth and a balun, things are working well!

What is a balun? A balun is a matching device that allows for maximum signal transfer between the aerial and coax cable into your receiver. I won't get too technical here, but if you have a centre-fed dipole or a longwire and you intend to listen to a wide range of frequencies then you NEED a balun! And not the 1-to-1 ratio balun as used by the amateur radio fraternity but rather something like the 9-to-1 balun as described in an article by Nick Hall-Patch and John Bryant. More on baluns later! To illustrate my point about maximum signal transfer, consider this analogy: imagine a 600mm diameter bucket of water held aloft with a 50mm diameter pipe to drain it. Consider that the bucket represents the aerial and the pipe is a coax cable that feeds the receiver, which has a 50mm socket for the pipe. To get maximum flow of water (read: signal) the pipe should be the same diameter as the bucket, and the receiver likewise. This isn't practical as coax cable doesn't come in 600mm and the receiver doesn't have a 600mm socket! Now, one way of maximising the transfer of water (signal!) into the receiver would be to put a pump below the bucket ... and that's where the balun comes in ... it, in this analogy, would become a pump and would quickly empty all the water into the set! Now, technical types will have realised this already, but when I have said 600mm I was really referring to an impedance of 600 ohms and 50mm is really 50 ohms. A random length wire, or rather a wire used at random frequencies, will exhibit a wide range of impedances and with due deference to all the technical types steeped in tradition and most probably spitting the dummy right now, for DXing it is more practical to build an aerial to suit a wide range of frequencies than several or more to cover all bands of interest.

So, with an insight gained into these little devils (they look like a very small, dark grey doughnut with wire wound on them) I did some experimenting. My main aerial was a 25 metre V-beam fed by 50 ohm coax. One side of the V connected to the centre core, the other to the shield. As theory would have it, this aerial worked well at its resonant points, i.e. 49mb, 25mb and 13mb, though as I had no point of comparison, I was unaware of how much the performance would drop

off on non-resonant bands, i.e. all the others: 90, 60, 41, 31, 19 and 16 meter bands. So I strung a second wire under the main wire and fed it with coax and a balun and then conducted a series of tests comparing the two across a wide range of frequencies from MW through to the 11 meter band. With the exception of the 49, 25 and 13 meter bands, the balun-fed aerial was clearly better, and much quieter exhibiting lower pickup of electrical interference. Also, on the frequencies the coax-fed aerial favoured, the balun-fed aerial was only slightly lower in signal strength but more than made up for that in most cases by the reduction in background electrical interference. An added bonus I hadn't considered was that our local radio station, Radio Waitaki on 1395kHz, on the coax fed aerial splashed all over 1386 and 1404 though with the balun-fed aerial both frequencies were audible! Even at MW frequencies, signals completely obliterated by electrical noise on the coax-fed aerial were audible on the balun-fed aerial! End result, now both of my aeriels are fed with baluns!

My next experiment was to compare the balun-fed aerial with an open-wire feeder. The latter is basically two parallel wires running all the way from the top of the aerial to the set with

a matching transformer at the set. This took quite some setting up to run the wires off so I was keen to make it work! Again the balun-fed aerial proved consistently better over a wide range of frequencies so the unsightly (according to my wife) open-wire feeder was removed. I figure that because the open-wire feeder passed through the house it was more prevalent to picking up nearby noise.

Now that I have optimised signal transfer from the aerial to the set, installed a good ground system, and upgraded my coax, there is more experimenting to come. I plan to compare other types of aerial with my dipoles. In the making is a terminated Delta loop, a T2FD (Tilted, Terminated, Folded Dipole), a sloper and a EWE, plus anything else that seems promising, so more reviews will follow!

For more information on obtaining baluns and coax, please write to me. Let me know what sort of aeriels you are using; even draw a diagram of your available space house, showing me where your aeriels run etc. and I'll be able to give you some advice. Contact me at 33 Greta Street, Oamaru 8901 New Zealand; E-mail paulorm@es.co.nz.

Small-town radio pioneer living a dream come true

by Fran Fry, Jr.

Erie Times-News, via Alan Gibling

TITUSVILLE: - Youngstown native Bob Sauber came to Titusville almost 45 years ago, fresh out of Ohio State with an engineering degree and a dream that radio had a good future in "Small Town America."

He has seen his dream come true and has gone on to become a pioneer in broadcasting.

Starting in radio in 1945 at Youngstown's WFMI, Sauber worked on the technical side. A year later he went to college, got an electrical engineering degree and went to work for Westinghouse. In 1955, he moved to Titusville to start his first radio station, WTV. Three years later he started WFRA 17 miles down the road in Franklin and at AM 1450 on the radio dial.

You had to be versatile in those early days of radio, so Sauber also did some work as a sound effects man. They had two weekly live programs that were produced at the Youngstown station.

"We had two dramatic programs and I did sound effects. WFMI went on the air sometime in the late 30's, so they had a big studio. There were no tape recorders back in those days and we got a lot of our sounds off of records. A lot of our sound effects were on old 78 records, actually new 78 records back then," he said.

"We ran the whole gamut of sound effects. We did the breaking glass by putting a pane of glass

on a wooden frame and breaking it. We did the gun shot by shooting a gun with blanks. We made up as many of our sound effects as we humanly could. The only recording we had were 16-inch discs. Wire recordings came out after that time."

It was at this time he first met Myron Jones, a long-time friend, at that time a well-known name in broadcasting in Erie. Jones owned half of the Titusville station for many years, selling his interest to Sauber when Jones wanted to get into FM in Erie.

"I helped Myron get WJET on the air as a daytime AM station in October of 1951," he said. "It started off at 1570 and then moved to 1400. Myron built the TV station next and then bought an FM station which became WJET-FM."

"At that time under the law, Myron could not own anything else within a 100-mile radius of Erie. Myron sold his half of WTV to me because he wanted to go into FM which wasn't really that popular then."

Sauber said revisions to the Communication Act a few years ago allowed people to buy as many stations as they wanted. A few years ago you couldn't do that, he said. "The law was one to a customer in the market area."

He likened the changes to the way banks and other businesses have been deregulated by the gov-

ernment.

Sauber said he was sorry to see Jones sell WJET-TV, but he doesn't know how a small television station owner is going to be able to invest \$8 million to \$10 million at the minimum for HDTV, which is to come in a couple of years.

Sauber said he feels off-the-air-TV has a very rough road ahead of it. As this nation gets wired for fiber optics, one fiber coming into your house is going to give you all the TV channels from anywhere in the world, plus telephone, video phone and Internet "where you won't have to be waiting around," he said.

Dramatic changes have taken place in radio and Sauber has been a part of it

Back in the early days, they had to have a technical person at the station. All that has changed and Sauber says today "it's a black box and you plug one end in and take a plug out the other end."

The records, tape recordings and cartridges are gone today and everything is digital. Music is played from CDs or through satellite feeds thousands of miles away.

When Franklin's WFRA went on the air on April 13, 1958, it was a daytime station that broadcast sunrise to sunset. Around 1971 Sauber started Franklin's FM station, WVEN at 99.3. The FM's call letters were changed to WFRA.

His son Tom joined him in the business in 1984. Being a musician and having a music degree from Duquesne University, he was a natural. Sauber said with less emphasis on engineering and more stress on musical programming, "Tom just fit right in perfectly," claiming he has a good technical knowledge.

Tom is following in his father's footsteps as a radio owner. He started WAQM-FM in Meadville in July of 1997 and just recently purchased sister-stations in Oil City, WOYL-AM and WRJS-FM

When asked about the future of radio, particularly in small cities like Titusville and Franklin, Sauber said, "They can't put a long cord on a car. Radio is going to be a factor for a dominant automobile listener, a mobile listener."

Radio is pretty much a mobile market, but Sauber says an exception to that is in "these small markets like the tri-cities, where we have good, above-average, in-the-home listeners."

Sauber said he feels their programming cultivates loyal listeners, citing this such as different musical programs for the three stations, their morning shows, sports broadcasts (especially local sports) and a full-time local news reporter on staff.

He moved to Titusville as a single man, got married, raised a family and has given much of his time to the community. Sauber claims you can't ask for a better quality of life than in Franklin, Oil City and Titusville.

"These towns are making a comeback" he said. "I think they are going to come back in a different way. We are going to have smaller industries with 50 or 60 people working. We are not going to see the Oil Well Supplies, the CPT's, and Cyclops."

Sauber has never been one to say no to community service. He is a charter member of the Titusville Redevelopment Authority, serving for over 24 years, 20 as chairman. During that time the authority redeveloped over 25 percent of Titusville's downtown.

He is a member of the Pennsylvania Broadcasters Hall of Fame, past president of the association and was honored by that organization a few years ago as its "Broadcaster of the Year."

In 1972, he was honored as "Titusville's Citizen of the Year" by the chamber of commerce. He has been an active member of the community's United Way campaign and was honored recently for 25 years service.

He served on the Titusville School Board for 10 years, was a member of the Titusville Planning Commission, Recreation Commission, the Titusville Library Board and the community industrial fund. He has been a member for many years of the Boy Scouts French Creek Council and was presented scouting's Silver Beaver Award.

Sauber is a member of the state board of the Heart Association and was a key player in the group which convinced the University of Pittsburgh to locate a branch-campus in Titusville.

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Musings

of the Members

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And a happy DX New Year to all. Feels good to have an NBA season starting, despite the problems, only 50 games in 90 days. I'll have my ears open to stray signals while listening to games at night. While our bulls are a different team now, I'll still be listening on local WKAN-1320 or flagship WMVP-1000 to catch a new station if it is possible. My wife and I were very blessed at Christmas and I was stunned to get a Starlite 13 transistor, 6 band AM-FM Trans World Radio from a brother. Its at least 30 years old, made in Japan. AM does go to 1650 kc. Its not a DX tool really, but I've used it primarily to listen to WGTG McKaysville, GA on Sunday nights Radio Free America. The current DX News gives us insight on the Canadian 690/940 situation. Member TOM JASINSKI called earlier this week to inform me 690 was open. So I garbled a cassette recorder and GE Superadio II and got 2 signals. A good/poor signal from KOAQ ID'ed at 9:20PM playing pop/oldies, mixing with KS State University basketball on KGGF which finally ID'ed at 10:20pm, KS #22 and NE #11 for me. LSS is 5:30PM now, so I tried again after WJOX changed pattern and in comes WVXN with sports talk with a good signal til quick sign off at 5:45, MN #22 here. Fall Arbitron came in recently, AMs #1 WGN 6.6, #5 WLS 4.3, #8 WBBM 3.7, #18 WAIT 2.3, #20 WMAQ 2.2, #23 (tie) WGCI & WSCR 1.3, #27 WVON-1450 0.8, #28 WLXX-1200 0.6, #32 WIND/W MVP 0.4 (maybe WIND should sell and be English again, and perhaps the listeners are watching ESPN on cable instead of listening on WMVP). One-On-One sports flagship WIDB didn't register, even with the IHL champion Chicago Wolves! Baseball is back on spring training, starting primarily on March 6th, and there will be several conflicts in cities such as Chicago and New York. Have fun dialing around and enjoy the 690 opening while its here. 73

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Greetings, I had to check in (albeit late) and say what an awesome convention it was this past summer in San Antonio. Many thanks to Dale and Wanda and company for the event. It was really good to get photographs of KTSA-550, KLUP-930, WOAI-1200 and KCHL-1480 for what is becoming my encyclopedia-like collection of photo albums. The banquet was great as always. The talk given by NASA Scientist Mark Schmalz was like an informative pre-cursor to the historic return to space by astronaut John Glenn. KTSA CE Leroy Dietrich, the 2nd speaker, was very friendly and knew radio inside and out. I got to visit the Alamo and some local eateries such as the Texas Land and Cattle Company and Hooters! I can't wait to see what's in store for us next time out in WV, since I'm determined to OD on conventions. I'm hosting the IRCA/Decalomania event June 25-26-27 at the Holiday Inn Boardwalk Hotel-Casino on the strip in Las Vegas, NV. We'll be right next door to the new Bellagio Resort and across the street from the MGM Grand. All DXers and radio fans are invited, details will be appearing in the bulletins. On the local DX front, I woke up 1 minute before the start of the KLOE-730 test and was able to log it easily with many strings of Morse code ID's. Other DX Tests heard on 730 include KURL & KBSU. I was familiar with KLOE, having heard them daytime in the Denver area. Many thanks to BILL HALE for his CPC effort. 1/1 the KSTN DX Test was in loud and clear with many DXers put on the air. Verie received from KAYK-1690 says they will be changing calls to KDDZ (to reflect their Disneyess). KKTR-1650 city of license is now Torrance, CA. Good DX to all!

IRCA/DecalcoMania '99.

The joint IRCA/DecalcoMania convention, hosted by Mike Sanburn, will be held at the Holiday Inn-Boardwalk Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, on June 25, 26, 27, 1999. The phone number for reservations is 1-800-635-4581 (mention code I-R-C). The deadline to make reservations at the discount rate is April 25, but Mike is going to try to get that deadline extended for another month. The registration fee is \$45. He says that Southwest Airlines has offered a 10% discount off their fares for attendees traveling to and from the convention. Call the S. W. A. group desk at 1-800-433-5368 Monday through Friday from 8:00 am-5:00 pm and Saturday 9:30 am-3:30 pm (mention code LO199).

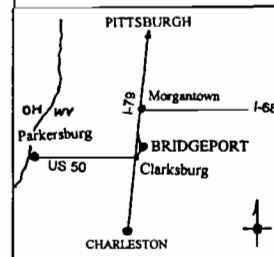
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And it all starts on Friday, September 3rd. We'll have a reception program in that evening you won't want to miss when Bill and Brenda Swiger get things rolling for the weekend.

Saturday is a time for the dxers to get out and around — and the ladies too will have a wonderful time in nearby Clarksburg at the Italian Heritage Days celebration, and those who attended the craft fair and Civil War re-enactment when we met in Bridgeport during our 1991 convention are still talking about it!



But the real fun? Of course. Meeting many of the NRC'ers you've read about and who have become such familiar names in the hobby. Many of them will have attended these conventions in the past and they'll be able to help you figure out what's going on most of the time. Our tried and true receptionists will keep you newcomers on track too. So come on Friday if you possibly can and plan for a full day of activities on Saturday and Sunday. Sunday morning we'll have the annual NRC test... loads of fun. Those interested in the DX Audio Service can attend a live taping of portions of the October 1999 edition. In between the scheduled events, relax, meet and chat with others who share this wonderful hobby. It's really a neat time for all of us.

Very Important: Let Bill and Brenda Swiger know you are coming by August 1st because they have to give the Holiday Inn a pretty good count of attendees for our convention.

HERE'S THE DETAILS:

Hotel: Holiday Inn, 100 Lodgeville Road, Bridgeport, WV. 1-304-842-5411— \$70.85 including tax for a Room with two double beds and no limit mentioned on how many can be in a room. Reservations MUST be made by August 13, 1999 to guarantee this rate! Be sure to call the Bridgeport Holiday Inn directly (not through the 800 number) to get that special low rate and tell them you are with the National Radio Club.

Convention Registration: \$35 up to August 1st and includes Saturday banquet, Sunday breakfast and all the soda / beer and snacks you can snarf during the weekend. Please register by August 1st so we can be sure to have enough hotel rooms reserved. Registration after August 1st is \$40. Your registration should include your name and the name of any guest and payment for each person you are registering for the convention. Send that to:

Mr. William Swiger, One Casey Lane, Bridgeport, WV 26330.
304-842-4635

Auction items should be sent to this same address.

Travel:

Air: You can fly US Air into Clarksburg and take a taxi from there to Bridgeport. Experienced travelers in and out of Bridgeport usually find it just as easy and less expensive to rent a car in Pittsburgh (2 hours) or Columbus (3 hours) and drive to Bridgeport.

Bus: Greyhound has daily service from Baltimore, Charleston, Columbus, Pittsburgh and Washington.

Train: Train transportation to Bridgeport is not available.

WTFDA Convention ... from convention host Rick Shaffan

Convention dates: July 16-18, Northwest Jersey.

Official Hotel: The Wyndham Garden Hotel - International Trade Center, Mt. Olive is a full-service hotel with guest rooms carefully detailed for the business traveler. It is a perfect hotel to visit when traveling for either business or pleasure. Phone: (973) 448-1100; Fax: (973) 448-1200

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The hotel is off Exit 25 on Rt. 80 in Morris County, just under a half hour to the Delaware Water Gap. I checked this place out, and it's first class. They offered me a rate of \$89/night for the convention which was also what is published on the web. Also available is the Days Inn with a published rate of \$76.50 night and is nearby.

The Wyndham is an easy trip to my place through the back roads of Sussex County. Near Waterloo Village, the Historic Morris Canal and Stanhope NJ, home of the historic Stanhope House blues club, it is a top quality hotel. There may be less expensive motels and other places available. My experience hunting for rooms for friends is that most of them cater to a "residential" clientele and only rent by the week. There are some motels in Vernon which is a half hour North of me and 45 minutes from Mt. Olive which cater to the recreation facilities in that area (Mountain Creek Water Park). My house is also half a mile from Tomahawk Lake which has a beach and four huge waterslides. In other words, there's lots to do in the area for spouses and kids.