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From the Publisher ... This issue is so tight you should be hearing it squeak, right here between your fingers! Lotsa great DX reported; thanks, all.

The Board has so far received three firm bids for convention sites for '00; but there's still time for you to forward a bid to Chairman Ken Chatterton (see list of suggestions in last week's DXN for submitting a bid). So I guess you can roll up your sleeping bags and pack your tents; and Gary Houdek can let the cattle back into the pasture, hi! No "sleeping-bag" convention this time.

CPC ... Blaine Thompson is sending out CPC mailings (thanks to contributions of stamps and test suggestions) and should have good news very soon.

DX GTG ... The annual "Lower Deck" Thanks-giving gathering at the Arrudas is fast approaching: Ray and Arlene have set it at noon, Saturday, November 20 (do I have to tell you that it's at 47 Burt Street, Acushnet?).

Contest ... Luke Steele has been hard at work compiling the results of the first contest: "Many thanks to all of you who sent in your entries. The current standings are below, but don't let that discourage you from entering the next contest, even if you missed out on the first one. Also, due to several suggestions, I am extending the time period of the contest to two weeks this time around.

"In alphabetical order by last name, here are the standings:

Nancy Johnson Billings, MT 21 points
Mike Sanburn Bellflower, CA 53 points
John Wilkins Wheat Ridge, CO 67 points

"For the next contest, try to get as many stations as you can with "W" calls if you're west of the Rockies, and "K" calls if you're east of the Rockies. This one will go for two weeks, and the scoring will remain the same: one point for clear channels, three points for each station on a regional channel, and five points for graveyard stations.

"The contest will start November 8 and will run for two weeks, until November 22. The deadline for entries is November 29, a week from the end of

the contest. You can now e-mail entires to <<midwesternairchecks@hotmail.com>>, or use snail mail @ 437902 E 278 Rd - Vinita, OK 74301-7633. Good luck!"

Slogans ... Shawn Axelrod has set up a web page dedicated to "listing of slogans used by AM band radio stations that use a slogan instead of their call signs." He has listed the stations in frequency order and invites all corrections and additions. I've sent in a couple of Topeka stations' slogans, and you can send in your locals by visiting the site at <<http://www.angelfire.com/mb/slogans/index.html>>.

Reflectors... From Saul Chernos, who has recently turned over the moderator's job to Rick Lewis: "AM, FM and TV DXers are invited to check out an e-mail list-serve devoted to DXing those three bands. The main intent of the list is to issue DX alerts and warnings and to discuss DX-related information pertaining to those mainstream broadcast bands (as opposed to shortwave and ham bands). To check us out on the Web, and to subscribe, visit: <<http://www.qth.net/archive/amfmtvdx/amfmtvdx.html.>> You will see postings, and within the site there is information on how to subscribe."

And ... don't forget NRC's own reflector, ably moderated by Fred Vobbe and reachable by sending e-mail to <<AM@NRCDXAS.ORG>>

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the November 5, 1949 DXN:
Per M/Sgt Fred Anderson, Ft. Lewis, WA: KNBC-680 would give a \$100 U. S. Savings Bond to the most distant listener to their California Commentary program, aired at 7:30 pm, EST (he rushed them a nice report).

25 years ago ... from the November 11, 1974 DXN:
Mark Connelly, Waltham, MA reported taking a DX'ing and photography excursion to coastal NJ and LI, hearing the likes of Cuba, Surinam, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Mexico, and many domestics ... the NRC membership included 586 "dial twirlers", ranging from Chris Abercrombie to Neil Zank, both in Lincoln, NE!

10 years ago ... from the November 6, 1989 DXN:
Mark Connelly reported hearing Duba-1521, Saudi Arabia, from a seaside site "blowing away 1520 domestics long before sunset" on 10/5 ... Jim Renfrew inaugurated the first "Target DX" column.

AM Switch

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	Old call		New call
650	WRPT	MA Ashland	WJLT
990	WFBA	FL Miami	WMYM
1060	WJLT	MA Natick	WMEX
1320	WIVR	KY Mayfield	WKJM
1380	WFMF	LA Baton Rouge	WYNK
1530	WMEX	PA McConnellsburg	WVFC



Notes: Although several call changes shown here recently are being heard on the air, the change is still not official, according to the FCC. As of 10/25/99 the FCC database shows WTEL is still licensed to 1160 in Red Springs while 860 in Philadelphia is shown as WWDB. KOIL is still licensed to the 1180 facility in Bellevue while the 1620 station is still shown as KAZP.

APPLICATIONS / GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

830	KPLS	CA Orange: 23000/50000 U4, city of license to Orange-Huntington Beach (this application was originally denied, station has filed a petition for reconsideration)
1160	KENS	TX San Antonio: 25000/2000 (5000 CH) U7

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

600	CIQC	PQ Montreal: to 940 kHz 50000/50000 U4
630	WEJL	PA Scranton: 2000/32 U1
630	CFCO	ON Chatham: 10000/6000 U2
860	WGUL	FL Dunedin: 5000/1500 U4
910	KFXK	WA Vancouver: 10000/10000 U4
920	KHTL	NM Albuquerque: relocate transmitter (diplex into KRZY antenna)
990	WHOO	FL Orlando: 50000/14000 U4
1090	WNVY	FL Cantonment: 10000 D1
1090	WBZB	NC Selma: relocate transmitter
1120	WTWZ	MS Clinton: 7500 D1
1150	KSEN	MT Shelby: 10000/5000 U4
1210	WNMA	FL Miami Springs: 49000/2500 U4
1240	KALY	NM Los Ranchos de Albuquerque: relocate transmitter
1280	WADO	NY New York: 50000/7200 U4
1280	WKST	PA New Castle: 1000/1000 U3
1280	KVWG	TX Pearsall: 460/197 U1
1430	WMAK	TN Madison: 10000/1000 U2
1530	KCMN	CO Colorado Springs: 15000/16 (1000 CH) U1
1560	WGLB	WA Port Washington: 185/250 U4; relocate transmitter, city of license to Elm Grove, WI
1590	WZUM	PA Carnegie: 1000/59 U4

OTHERNESS

580	KSAZ	AZ Marana: application for 5000/550 U4 DISMISSED
1340	KIDS	MO Springfield: silent station is ON THE AIR
1450	KMCA	CA Burney: application for 1000/1000 U1, move to Shasta, CA is DISMISSED
1510	KGA	WA Spokane: CP to relocate transmitter; antenna to U4 is on
1530	WVFC	PA McConnellsburg: silent station is ON THE AIR (relays WEEQ; never used the call WMEX which was granted and then changed while the station was silent)
1560	KILE	TX Bellaire: CP to move here with 5000 D3 is on

THANKS: Bill Hale, Ed Krejny, Shawn Axelrod, Scott Fybush, Les Johnson, and MSJ

73 and Good DX, Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

Jerry & BKF

Domestic DX Digest

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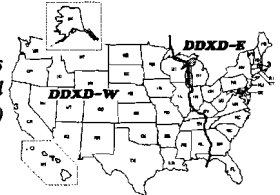
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DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-hr. ELT

(Division line is between East and Central time zones)



DDXD-West

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- o **Doug Smith** jumps onto the soapbox and says: "Visited Chattanooga on the 23rd for their annual hamfest. Nothing out of the ordinary noted (except for the extraordinary scenery!) except for the exquisitely horrible audio quality of WLMR-1450. This was by FAR the WORST-sounding radio station I've ever heard. Not even the un-engineered Mexican border stations of the early 1980s can come anywhere near the horrible signal WLMR's broadcasting - I have to wonder if an engineer has ever visited this facility?!"
- o A decent turnout for this annual transition period (from summer to fall) of DX activity. Of course it's colder up north already, but we in the south will be catching up soon. Keep those great reports coming. Remember . . . share those loggings and tips for others to use!

REPORTERS

RD-AZ	Ragnar Danneskjold Mesa Optimus 12-604A; GE Superadio Model 7-2880B; Realistic DX 440 <ldwxer@juno.com>
AK-WA	Andy Kahn Camas Select-A-Tenna, Superadio III <andyw@kpdq.com>
PG-CO	Patrick Griffith, N0NNK Federal Heights Kenwood R-600 with Palomar loop antenna <AM-DXer@webtv.net>
GJ-CA	Gary Jackson Sacramento FRG-8800 + Kiwa Loop
NJ-MT	Nancy Johnson Billings Yaesu FRG-7 & Radio West loop <nancyjohnson@uswestmail.net>
JJR-WI	John J. Rieger South Milwaukee FRG100, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner/preamp, DSP599zx Audio Noise Reduction Filter; RShack DX398 stock <johnrieger@webtv.net>
DS-TN	Doug Smith, W9WI Pleasant View <http://personal.bellsouth.net/~w9wi>
JW-CO	John Wilkins Wheat Toast Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop <peakbagger3@juno.com>
DZ-WI	Dan Ziolkowski Cudahy Sony 2010 with Kiwa Filters, Drake R8 + Kiwa Loop <danzziolkowski@compuserve.com>
Ed-TX	Editor North Richland Hills

STATION NEWS & NOTES

1180	KOIL NE Bellevue - 10/25 2358 - Something about <i>Trick or Treat - Halloween in Nebraska can't be beat</i> . Legal ID by brat at 0000: <i>KOIL Bellevue - Omaha</i> , then more Radio Disney. So, the KOIL calls are still here but the format has changed, ex-SPT. (JW-CO)
1310	WDOD TN Chattanooga - 10/23 ~1300 - Noted // with same network news as 1370 WDEF, probably CBS but not sure. Presumably applies only to news, but didn't stay in Chattanooga long enough to know for sure. (DS-TN)
1320	WMSR TN Manchester - 10/22 1240 - Noted format change to classic rock. (DS-TN)
1450	WLMR TN Chattanooga - 10/23 ~1300 - Noted with southern gospel (white) music, with VERY poor audio quality . . . worse than a dial-up telephone line. (DS-TN)
1620	KAZP NE Bellevue - 10/26 0100 - Out of ESPN programming with clear ID as ESPN 1620 KAZP Bellevue, with the call and city said extremely fast. I see others have reported KOIL here. If these logs (or any logs) were based on assumptions, they should be marked as (p)resumed or (t)entative when an actual ID is not heard. KOIL is NOT on 1620, at least not as of this date. (JW-CO) [All reporters . . . please note these words of wisdom - Ed.] (And yet I have a "KOIL" "legal" ID on tape from a few weeks ago! -pls)



UNIDs and UNID HELP

- 910 UNID ?? - 10/21 0300 - *Music of your life*, AM 910 KUCO. (DS-TN)
 940 UNID ?? - 10/21 0208 - Someone fighting with KXTK/KIOA with Art Bell and many *Newstalk 940* slogans, but no local material. (DS-TN)
 1440 UNID ?? - 10/21 0223 - With CNN Headline News and ID as *Newsradio 1440*. KEYS? (DS-TN)

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- 1470 "KCFL" CO *Arvada?* - 10/21 0200 - Usual Oldies format, *Super CFL* jingle. Previous DF efforts showed this guy (aka "KTLN") to be in Arvada. Wish he'd come out of his closet. Apparently he's not interested in audience feedback. (JW-CO)

TIS & OTHER STUFF

- 1630 TIS/HAR CA Los Angeles - 10/22 0530 - Operated by Los Angeles Convention Center. Announcement mentions . . . *operated by the City of Los Angeles* . . . coming events, etc. Very weak . . . deep fades. (GJ-CA)
 1670 WRD334 TX *Watauga* - 10/23 - Mystery solved! Thanks to a tip from Patrick Griffith who suggested this might be my pest unID on the frequency, I took a drive to Watauga and . . . voila! There it is, but with this call, not as I originally heard. The announcement says: *This is a test broadcast of WRD334, Watauga, Texas*. The announcer drops his voice on the last two words, which made it undistinguishable. At five miles, they must be operating a very low power, as Patrick suggested. Update: Have talked to the folks responsible, and they are running 1.5 watts (10 watts eventually) at 10 meters. QSLs should be sent to City of Watauga Public Safety, 7101 Whitley Rd, Watauga, TX 76148, Attn: Tom Blair. [Ed.-TX]

MIDNIGHT TO MIDNIGHT ELT

- 630 KSLR TX San Antonio - 10/26 0247 - With talk show about Buchanan going to the Reform Party. Go Pat Go. New. (RD-AZ)
 710 KDIS CA Los Angeles - 10/25 0050 - With *Radio Disney* loud and clear, on top of KIRO Seattle. I'm wondering if they were on high power because I've never been able to get them up here in Washington. 710, Radio Disney. New here. (AK-WA)
 820 CHAM ON Hamilton - 10/20 0625 - Poor, with C&W music over WBAP. 0633 News with mentions of Canada, Ontario, Quebec, Hamilton. (DZ-WI)
 840 WHAS KY Louisville - 10/26 0259 - With ad for *A Grand A Day Giveaway* and ToH ID into ABC News. Was very strong and clear. Very unusual to hear WHAS this well. (RD-AZ)
 880 KJOJ TX Conroe - 10/23 0755 - ID, then male with a religious song. Strong, way over unID with Cindy Lauper song. A little fluttery. (DZ-WI)
 910 KVIS OK Miami - 10/21 0247 - Promos for religious shows on KVIS 910 AM and 101 FM KGLC. (DS-TN)
 920 WAFS GA Atlanta - 10/21 0332 - 920 WAFS call ID in ads. (DS-TN)
 920 WG NU IL Granite City - 10/21 0319 - Full legal ID, weird time! (DS-TN)
 920 WOKY WI Milwaukee - 10/19 0233 - Fair-to-good, with *Secret Sound* contest promo with calls. (DS-TN)
 930 WTAD IL Quincy - 10/19 0202 - Good, with many call IDs and mention of KHQA-TV. (DS-TN)
 930 KWOC MO Poplar Bluff - 10/20 1300 - Call ID into news, fighting with WKCT. (DS-TN)
 940 KXTK IA Des Moines - 10/21 0203 - IDing as *Oldies 93-3 KIOA*, apparently // 93.3 FM again? (DS-TN)
 970 WMAY IL Springfield - 10/19 0205 - Fair, with *Hot Talk 970 WMAY*. (DS-TN)
 1009.78 KTNZ TX Amarillo - 10/24 2259 - ID: *The Twin 10s, KTNZ Amarillo*. Then news from World Web News Network. 2305 local weather, then into syndicated sports. Fair on LSB with slop from the 1010.00 group. (JW-CO)
 1040 WHO IA Des Moines - 10/19 1254 - Weak, but in the clear, with *Newsradio 1040 WHO* at noon local time. (DS-TN)
 1070 KNX CA Los Angeles - 10/19 0212 - Good at first, faded badly . . . *KNX Newstime*. (DS-TN)
 1100 KFNX AZ Cave Creek - 10/24 2355 - Telephone call-in program with female announcer

talking about UFO sightings in Phoenix, into fake comedy ads for Big Leroy's Bail Bonds and Home Loans and Big Leroy's Anti-Rehab Centers then ToH ID as *The 50,000 watt powerhouse, 11 hundred, KFNX, Phoenix*. Very good signal and new to me. It appeared likely that they were still on day power. (PG/CO)

- 1110 WBCA AL Bay Minette - 10/25 0730 - Good, with local news. (JJR-WI)
 1110 KYKK NM Humble City - 10/23 0946 - With a call-in show about car repair. ID given in an ad asking high school bands to play at a benefit. New. (RD-AZ)
 1170 KVOO OK Tulsa - 10/19 1308 - Good, with call mentions, Oklahoma news & weather at local noon. (DS-TN)
 1250 WRAY IN Princeton - 10/20 1313 - Call ID, local news. Fighting with WLCK. (DS-TN)
 1260 WSDZ IL Belleville - 10/25 2159 - ID by brat: *AM 1260 WSDZ Belleville - St. Louis*, then ghoulish Halloween songs on Radio Disney. Needed for call change; ex: WIBV. Generally good, over QRM. (JW-CO)
 1260 KTUE TX Tulia - 10/24 1948 - We're Real Country KTUE, then into C&W music. Very good signal. (JW-CO)
 1320 KWHN AR Ft Smith - 10/24 0510 - Fair, with ABC news, weather and *News Talk 1320 KWHN* slogans. Rare! (JJR-WI)
 1340 KCQL NM Aztec - 10/26 2258 - With a pile of ads: Pearle Vision on Highway 64 in Farmington; Sunray Park and Casino with ad about betting on horses; Auto Glass in Farmington. ESPN Radio and ToH ID at 2300 with CNN news. (RD-AZ)
 1350 WSMB LA New Orleans - 10/23 2207 - ID, then ESPN promo. Strong and alone. (DZ-WI)
 1360 WMOB AL Mobile - 10/23 2125 - Religion mixing with talk. ID at 2130. Very poor. (DZ-WI)
 1450 KEYY UT Provo - 10/23 2056 - With SRN News, brief local weather, then legal ID at top of the hour. (NJ-MT)
 1460 WKAM IN Goshen - 10/21 0218 - Call ID in NOS format. (DS-TN)
 1490 KTOB CA Petaluma - 10/22 2300 - ID through the mess. Spanish format. (NJ-MT)
 1490 WOMI IN Owensboro - 10/22 1208 - *Newstalk 1490 WOMI*. Brief local news, then back into *Rush*. (DS-TN)
 1490 WTIQ MI Manistique - 10/20 2026 - Poor, with WTIQ jingles and oldies, in the mess. (JJR-WI)
 1510 KGA WA Spokane - 10/27 [no time] - ID You're listening to Spokane's *Newstalk*, 1510 KGA. Then CBS News. Was in a pileup. KFNN a local was off air. (RD-AZ)
 1550 WBSC SC Bennettsville - 10/21 1931 - Fair, with many local ads. Alone, with black GOS. (JJR-WI)
 1570 WXLN IN New Albany - 10/24 0427 - Fair and steady, with GOS and 1570 *AM WXLN* slogans. (JJR-WI)

Deadlines are Tuesdays.

As noted below in more detail, *Scott Fybus* is reporting that CIQC will be moving to 940 on November 24. Enjoy the clear channel while you can!

Welcome to *Eric Conchie* from Tweed, Ontario, about 120 miles ENE of Toronto, with some help with a previous unID. And *Kent Plourde* makes his first appearance here in DDXD. Kent is 38 years old and a letter carrier in New Britain, CT; he says he's been listening to AM radio since his fifth birthday! Good to hear from both of you, and I hope we hear much more in the future!

DDXD-East

STATION NEWS

- 850 WRMR OH Cleveland - 10/22 1658-1703 - ID on their new antenna pattern, coming in very nicely in Fort Wayne 200 miles to the west. (BT-IN)
 1090 WMUS MI Muskegon - 10/23 - Has been simulcasting the ABC Stardust NOS format with WMHG-1600 since 10/19 at least. Not sure why, but this is the first time since about 1960 that WMUS-1090 has *not* simulcast WMUS-FM 106.9. Awkward slogan: "*Magic 1600 on AM 1090*." (PLB-MI)
 1580 WSMO? NC Camp Lejeune - Noted an ad in local paper with reference to a "*WSMO 1580 AM*" and "*Classic Country Radio*" as co-sponsor of a local event. Ex-WWJV? Not heard if on air; usually I'm out of the area from a bit before sunrise to

after sunset. I'll follow up when on air and ID confirmed. Nothing noted in FCC database. (MH-NC)

1600 WMHG MI Muskegon - 10/19 - Back on the air after a 10-day hiatus, simulcasting NOS with WMUS-1090, see above. (PLB-MI)

UNID AND UNID HELP

590 UNID ——— 10/21 1825 - "Radio America" into political talk show. (WM-MD)

610 CKTB ON St. Catharines - Re: SK-PA in No. 30 - CKTB does, to the best of my knowledge, carry Buffalo Bills football, and I believe also Buffalo Sabres hockey. (EC-ON)

650 UNID ——— 10/23 0745 - SS format, SS singing and music under WSM, very weak. (RCP-IN) [Likely Colombia. - DY]

730 UNID ——— 10/25 0700 - News, 2 Alabama items, then call sounding like "WBDA," over, under WLIL. I thought it was WUMP, but not so, unless a call change or a new parallel station. (RJE*PA)

740 UNID ——— 10/20 0650 - With BBD music, over, under REL from WVCH, again on 10/25. Is this WMBG or WMBL? Is WMBL even on the air after Floyd? (RJE*PA) [Or WGSM-NY // WHLI-1100? - DY]

760 UNID ——— 10/21 1900-2000 - Nice SS music, local-like signal but couldn't get an ID or location, slogan sounded like "CFF" or "CXX." Had to leave the radio, and signal was gone at 2015. (JEK-MD)

770 UNID ——— 10/25 1946-1959 - Good signal, often atop RCN-Colombia and WABC with Clark Howard call-in show, until suddenly gone mid-sentence at 1959. Lots of national 800 and dot.com ads during breaks. The talk show originates at WSB, and has affiliates around the country, but the web site doesn't give individual stations. Looped aimed west/southwest, in strongly auroral conditions. Too early for KKOB (Ragnar confirms this). KATL? WVNN? WWCN (Bob Foxworth's suggestion)? (JR-NY)

830 UNID ——— 10/22 1907-1932 - Fair in SS, U.S. Army spot, "... *todo deportel[s] ... fútbol primera.*" WFNO-LA? QRM from WCCO, Cuban Reloj. (HF*MI)

UNID ——— 10/24 0635-0710 - Very good, I think all one station with a variety of SS music except Mussorgsky's "Night on Bald Mountain," promo for "The Fox" or "The Fog," "We are your house of music, step by step, song by song" and "Radio Pocono(?)." (HF*MI)

960 UNID ——— 10/20 1910-2010 - One on One Sports. I suspect this is WILT-PA, which canceled plans to go with ESPN. WKQV is no longer One on One. (SK-PA)

990 WNTY CT Southington - Running SS programming, and apparently at 2,500 watts full time. Ads have frequent mentions of Hartford, Waterbury, and New Britain. This may be several recent unID's here. (KP-CT)

1010 UNID NC ——— 10/14 1937-1950 - Probably WSPC with Carolina sports call-in show, ads for Charlotte businesses. (JF-ON)

1210 UNID ——— 10/18 2015 - Song "You Can't Change That," under WPHT's baseball game. (WM-MD)

1330 UNID ——— 10/20 1840 - Don and Mike Show; a 2-year-old network list has KFHK and KVOL-LA. (SK-PA)

1530 UNID ——— 10/22 1925 - Gospel music station, slogan "The best in southern gospel," very good briefly in and over usual WSAI. I listened until sign-off, and I think I heard a country version of "My Country 'Tis of Thee" before sign-off. (RCP-IN) [Maybe WRPM-MS as below? - DY]

1540 UNID ——— 10/18 2235, 10/20 2209 - Eastern European (Slavic) man, Slavic folk vocals on the first day, apparently Greek programming on the second. No trace on cursory checks near sunrise. During the Greek segment, there was one "FM Stereo" reference. Fair-good on occasional peaks, with KXEL-LA "The Power Source, 1540 KXEL" often dominating. (TLK*KY) [CHIN-ON? - DY]

1560 UNID ——— 10/23 2037 - Poor, "Sooner Football 99" spot carrying Oklahoma vs. Texas A&M football, over and under presumed WQEW. (HF*MI) [KWCO, per Oklahoma Sooners web site. - DY]

1600 UNID ——— 10/18 2220 - Peaking often to fair level, and seeming to have some groundwave characteristics (as in semi-local) with non-stop, emphatic Hai-

tian Kreyol preacher. Looped about N/S, and I'm reasonably certain it wasn't the West Palm Beach area station up here. Nothing in any foreign language (or particularly strong in English) noted daytime. Any ideas? (TLK*KY)

LOGGINGS

530 CIAO ON Brampton - 10/17 1755-1801 - Fair, SS before and after ID break, "You are listening to AM 5-30, Multi-Cultural Radio, CIAO AM 5-30," later at 2316-0003 poor, 2 men in SS with religious discussion, EE ad 2349 for Protein Power Plan "all across Canada," then back into SS. Mainly under R. Visión Cristiana. (HF-MI)

560 WGAI NC Elizabeth City - 10/25 2259 - Full ID and sports slogan during program break, very strong. (JR-NY)

600 WSJS NC Winston-Salem - 10/25 2035 - Carolina Panthers call-in show, interviewing a Panther in a local sports bar and announcing WBT's phone number. (JR-NY)

610 WIOD FL Miami - 10/24 0530 - Good; traffic and weather together, news headlines, "South Florida's home ... 24-hour source of news, traffic, and weather, News Radio 610 WIOD," with local WGIR nulled. (BC-NH)

630 WBMQ GA Savannah - 10/20 1945 - Ad, promo, ID, over, under WMAL. (RJE-PA) + 10/25 2030 - Atlanta Falcons pre-game show, mentioned WGST network, and then local ID and ads, VERY strong, new. (JR-NY)

680 WINR NY Binghamton - 10/21 2055 - Weather, ID. Not heard in years! (RJE-PA)

690 WNNT VA Warsaw - 10/15 2107 - Start of the Weekly Top 10 Country Countdown from same satellite as my semi-local WYGL-1240. At 2110 canned ID: "Your station for the Weekly Top 10 Country Countdown, River Country 100.9." Running day power; finally got an ID. (SK-PA)

710 WAQI FL Miami - 10/22 2125-2132+ - Presumed with many "Miami," "Miami Beach," and "U.S. 1" ads and spots, all talk and all SS, fair. (HF*MI)

WROM GA Rome - 10/24 0721 - Poor, bubbling up with call ID, gospel music, male announcer. (HF*MI)

720 WGCR NC Pisgah Forest - 10/18 1850-1855 - Southern gospel music, then North Carolina news. (WM-MD)

730 WFMC NC Goldsboro - 10/22 0645 - Gospel, weather, ID. (RJE*PA)

WOHS NC Shelby - 10/22 0650 - C&W, then North Carolina Farm Report. (RJE*PA)

WSCM SC Charleston - 10/21 0635, 10/25 0635 - Talk, ID, weather, ID, promo, ID's as "730-WSC" or "News Radio 730 WSC." Per prior reports, must be this, though at first I thought it was "WST" and steered toward WSTT. (RJE*PA)

WLIIL TN Lenoir City - 10/25 0655 - C&W, traffic, local ad. (RJE*PA)

WMNA VA Gretna - 10/25 1900 - C&W, ID, news. First time in years! (RJE*PA)

WJMT WI Merrill - 10/15 0710 - Fair-poor over CKAC with reading of local obituaries and funeral announcements. (MB-ON)

740 WGSM NY Huntington - 9/30 0602 - Fair with local news, "WHLI Sports" ad mentioning Long Island, into "WHLI weather." Obviously // WHLI-1100, and no mention of WGSM calls. (MS-ON)

750 WNDZ IN Portage - 10/22 1758 - Mention of program called "Windows to Wall Street," followed by ethnic program of Macedonian music, traffic report for Chicagoland. Great signal, no sign of usual WSB. (RCP-IN)

760 WBDN FL Brandon - 10/25 2012 - Very strong over WJR and RCN-Colombia, with hot SS music, and "Mega" ID's, new. (JR-NY)

780 WIIN MS Ridgeland - 10/21 1917 - Alone with OLD, "Oldies 780 WIIN" ID. Last heard as WYAI in 1985. (JEK-MD)

WABS VA Arlington - 10/19 1749 - Good with religious commentary and Christian contemporary music, including "Welcome to Reclaiming America," "Family News in Focus," and USA network news. (KP-CT)

790 WTNV NY Watertown - 10/18 2245 - Presumed with New York Yankees network vs. Boston, under CIGM. Usual WAEB-PA absent. (SK-PA)

WPIC PA Sharon - 9/24 2130 - High school football game, tough under WAEB, call letters heard at 2130 after an hour and a half of listening. Only 1 PA left! (SK-PA)

WSKO RI Providence - 10/19 0630 - Rhode Island state news, following sports talk, in and out with WAEB. (RJE*PA)

WSVG VA Mount Jackson - 10/19 1944 - Faint with call ID, C&W music. First time heard at night. (JEK-MD)

800 CIGM ON Sudbury - 10/20 0640 - C&W, weather for southern Ontario. (RJE*PA)
 CHAB SK Moose Jaw - 10/19 0037 - Canned "800 CHAB" ID, mixing with WLAD under CKLW. (SK-PA) [Or could it have been "CJAD"? More likely at your location, and the phonetic sound is similar. - DY]

830 WKTX OH Cortland - 10/24 0710-0720+ - Good, suddenly on top with call ID, polka music, ad for Cashin Ready Mix. (HF*MI)
 WEEU PA Reading - 10/18+ - Is here now with poor signal, WXTR-820 slopover. Night signal varies, so still may be testing pattern, but it buries former regular WXII-NC. Day signal was much better at this location when on 850. (JEK-MD) + 10/19 1908 - First time heard on 830, weak under WCCO. (JR-NY)

850 WMKI AL Birmingham - 10/21 1900 - Good with Radio Disney. (JEK-MD)
 WREF CT Ridgefield - 10/19 1800 - Good under WYLF with ads for Ridgefield, and Danbury addresses, // WLAD-800. New. Still haven't had a chance to see what's regular midday now with WEEU gone; around 1630 I've been hearing a mix of WTAR-VA, WYLF-NY, CKVL-PQ, and other drone. (JEK-MD)

WRUF FL Gainesville - 10/21 1900 - Numerous call letters and ID's, sports talk. Weak under WMKI; haven't heard since 1982. (JEK-MD)
 WRBZ NC Raleigh - 10/22 0635 - With ID "Raleigh's Sports Radio 850, the Buzz," Don Imus. Rare prior to WEEU's moving on. (RJE*PA)

860 KOSE AR Wilson - 10/20 1923 - Promo by Mort Krim for program called "Second Thoughts, here on KOSE," fading up briefly over KKOW and others in the mess. First time heard. (RCP-IN)

KKOW KS Pittsburg - 10/20 1918 - Ad strong for Blue Cross of Kansas, Pittsburg Jaycees, and promo for Art Bell. Many ID's as "860 AM" followed by local temperature, "68 degrees at KKOW." Fair signal at times with quick fades. (RCP-IN)

WACB NC Taylorsville - 10/19 0350 - Tentative with high school announcement, same phone exchange at WACB, weak under CJBC. (JR-NY) + 10/20 2000 - OLD, weather, ID, ad. Doubtfully 8 watts. (RJE*PA)

870 WKAR MI East Lansing - 10/19 1859 - End of NPR program, giving several web sites, then sign-off with "Tune to 90.5 FM. We'll return at 7:45 a.m. This is Michigan State University Radio WKAR." Alone and fuzzy with 880 slop. (SK-PA)

WPWT TN Colonial Heights - 10/19 1830 - Very good with religious format, "You're listening to Power Talk 870, WPWT, Colonial Heights," start of "Freedom Under Fire" feature. (HJH-PA)

890 WKNV VA Fairlawn - 10/25 1815-1845 - Southern gospel music, frequent ID's as "WKNV Fairlawn" or "Joy AM." QRM from a station running Pacific Garden Mission's "Unshackled" religious drama, which cut out mid-sentence at 1857. Not a power cut or pattern shift, just momentary dead air, then off. (JR-NY) [Possibly WBAJ-SC? - DY]

940 WMAC GA Macon - 10/23 1835 - Fair, Seminoles Tailgate Party promo, ID "News Talk 940 WMAC, your home for Atlanta Braves baseball," over WIPR-PR. (BC-NH)
 WADV PA Lebanon - 10/7 1900 - Fair-good with USA Radio news, "WADV Lebanon" voice ID and jingle 1905, into gospel song. QSL'ed in 1984 as WVLV. (MB-ON)

WNRG VA Grundy - 9/30 0600 - Fair with apparent sign-on, mentioning Virginia-Kentucky Broadcasting Co., and power of 5,000 watts. Said WNRG is an equal opportunity employer. Then into USA Radio news. (MS-ON)

960 WERC AL Birmingham - 10/19 1949 - Fair, sports talk on Braves-Mets playoff, some QRM from WFIR-VA. (JEK-MD)
 WRNS NC Kinston - 10/17 2139 - Fake/forced bassy voiced ID "We are 95.1 WRNS," at 2153 live DJ Scott (Wolf?) with WRNS Storm Team Forecast, sponsored by business in Jacksonville, ad for Carolina Alltell. Fair atop or in mix with loud hum. Maybe on day power for Hurricane Irene? (SK-PA) + 10/21 1840 - Heard ad for North Carolina Credit Union, auto service in Goldsboro, promo for NASCAR auto racing, mention of FM 95.1, call ID. (WM-MD)

WFIR VA Roanoke - 10/22 2242 - Fair with ad for Frisch's in Lakeside Plaza, Bob Clark with high school football scores, Bruce Williams program. (HF*MI)

970 WCHN NY Norwich - 10/19 2007 - Excellent with ID, Bert Kaempfert's "Wonderland by Night." Heard again the next evening about the same time but only once before, back in 1981. Interestingly, conditions were quite auroral both nights. (JEK-MD)

990 WNTY CT Southington - 10/20 1900 - SS or PP music, EE ID as "990 WNTY" (not a legal ID). Good signal, and no sign of WZZD. (JEK-MD)

1000 WXTN MS Lexington - 10/21 1927 - Full sign-off with SSB. Last heard in 1981 as WLXN. (JEK-MD)

1010 WORM TN Savannah - 10/15 1940 - Poor in CFRB null with ID during high school football, new. (JF-ON)

1050 WLON NC Lincolnton - 10/15 1932-1939 - Excellent with CHUM phased, with ad cluster during high school football game, new. (JF-ON)

WGAT VA Gate City - 10/15 1938 - Caught ID during high school football game under WLON, new. Friday evenings are great for logging new ones staying on late with high power for high school football. (JF-ON)

1100 WSGI TN Springfield - 10/20 1915 - Good on peaks but severe fading with C&W GOS. Calls and ads for Springfield locales. Good for 1 kW, new. No sign of WTAM or any Latins. (JEK-MD)

1110 WGNZ OH Fairborn - 10/19 1859 - Tail end of sign-off announcement, mentioning address shown in the NRC Log. (JR-NY)

1140 KSOO SD Sioux Falls - 10/14 0029 - Incredibly strong, possibly on day pattern, in WRVA with talk show, local ads. (JR-NY)

1190 KLUV TX Dallas - 10/22 1944 - OLD, Elvis "Don't Be Cruel," and ID as "Smokin' Oldies," followed by ad for "Honda Accord, at your Dallas-Fort Worth dealers, and slogan "The Mighty 1190." Into Bill Haley and the Comets' "Shake, Rattle, and Roll." Fantastic signal until apparent power cut at 1857, WOWO barely heard. Tentative, no calls heard; new for me if them. (RCP-IN)

1220 WLSO VA Big Stone Gap - 10/23 0559 - Mention of "WLSO is beginning its broadcast day," followed by inspirational prayer, several WLSO ID's heard. Poor signal with much noise, new. (RCP-IN)

1230 WFII OH Columbus - 10/21 0627-0645 - Financial talk, "Talk Radio" jingles, mentions of Columbus and Delaware County. (GM-VA)

1240 WIOV PA Reading - 10/19 0200 - Canned ID by same guy who does them on WPHT, "This is News-Talk 1240 WIOV Reading," then "This is Sports Jam." Heard only once before, during a daytime WYGL silent period. (SK-PA)

WOBT WI Rhinelander - 10/16 2059 - Canned(?) ID by female, "AM 1240 WOBT," shot up clear. (SK-PA)

1250 WTMA SC Charleston - 10/21 1850 - Promo for program, "News Talk 1250" and ID. (WM-MD)

1300 WNQM TN Nashville - 10/19 1914 - Excellent, various program promos, then poor at 1915 power drop but still in there. (JEK-MD)

1330 WFNN PA Erie - 10/15 1846 - Strong over WELW with sports talk and "The Fan" slogans, ex-WFLP "Flagship 1330." (JF-ON)

1340 WYCB DC Washington - 10/14 1823 - Poor in mess with temperatures for Maryland, Virginia, and the nation's capital. New. (JF-ON)

WOOW NC Greenville - 10/14 1900 - ID over mess and gone, new. (JF-ON)
 CJLS NS Yarmouth - 10/12 1845-1905 - Surprise with oldies, good signal in WLEW phase null with "The Wave" slogans. (JF-ON)

1350 WSMB LA New Orleans - 10/22 0448 - Art Bell program in progress, station ID at 0459 "WSMB, 1350 New Orleans." Into news at the top of the hour, fair to poor signal. (RCP-IN) + 10/23 1925-1940 - Fair, "Tulane Football Radio Network," postgame program, mention of New Orleans and St. Charles Tulane business supporters. (HF*MI)

1360 WPPA PA Pottsville - 9/24 2155 - Promo for the morning show, return to Phillies baseball. Day power for sure; never heard at night before. (SK-PA)

1380 WSYB VT Rutland - 10/10 1902 - Fair with ads for weight loss product and federal direct deposit, ID: "You're listening to News-Talk 1380, WSYB Rutland," also mentioned an FM station. (MS-ON)

1400 WQBH MI Detroit - 10/19 2001 - Very bassy voiced ID, "This is WQBH Detroit." My last Detroit needed; all the others are heard almost daily. (SK-PA)

WSAM MI Saginaw - 10/19 2100 - ID atop jumble, "WSAM Saginaw, Sam Radio 1400."

Then ABC news. (SK-PA)

1420 WWWS NY Buffalo – 10/17 1432 – Poor with WLKK and WOBH in WSAM phase null, with GOS music. Ex-WYSL and WOKT for me. (JF-ON)

WPCE VA Portsmouth – 10/17 1959 – Very clear non-legal ID “*You can shout to WPCE,*” correct format is black gospel. (SK-PA)

1440 WLIS CT Old Saybrook – 10/19 1908 – Good with “WMRD 1150 Middletown” ID, no mention of WLIS. First heard and QSL’ed in 1996 on the Superadio III. (JEK-MD)

WRCG GA Columbus – 10/23 1912-1920 – Good, with Skip Terry Show, Chipper Jones’ Diary [that’s Chipper a.k.a. “Larry” here in New York, hi – DY], “*Atlanta Braves Radio Network,*” Georgia Bulldogs spot. (HF*MI)

1440 WWTM MA Worcester – 10/19 1905 – Good with ESPN, ID, Lifesavers and Kiolic(?) ads. Not often heard. (JEK-MD)

1450 WPSE PA Erie – 10/24 2024 – Up loud and alone briefly with “1450 WPSE” ID and mention of northwestern Pennsylvania during station promo. (HJH-PA)

WLTP WV Parkersburg – 10/18 0206 – “*WLTP forecast ... it’s 48 degrees in Parkersburg.*” Mixing with strong WCTC. (SK-PA)

1470 WWBG NC Greensboro – 10/18 2128 – Five minutes of church PSA’s, then “*Send it to WWBG ...*” couldn’t make out address way under WKAP. Format is black gospel. (SK-PA)

WQXL SC Columbia – 10/23 0755-0804 – Religious talk programs, simple ID as “*WQXL Columbia,*” good till fadeout. (GM-VA)

1480 WGUV MI Kentwood – 10/18 0935 – Fair with WIOS in WHBC phase null, asking for money from listeners. Ex-WMAX for me. (JF-ON)

1490 WEMJ NH Laconia – 10/17 0059:30 – ID by female “1490 WEMJ.” 5 NH’s to go! (SK-PA)

WESB PA Bradford – 10/19 1959 – AC music, PSA about breast cancer, singing legal ID, CNN news. Only second time heard. (SK-PA)

1520 KRHW MO Sikeston – 10/18 2037 – NOS format, ID “*Now more of your favorite songs on the new 15-20, KRHW.*” (RJ-NC)

KOMA OK Oklahoma City – 10/22 1921 – Ad string for Hugh Barton Buick-Izuzu, Rapid Break in Muffler, and Estridge Toyota at 5700 Northwest Expressway, followed by “*KOMA Weather.*” Very tough in local WOOO null. (RCP-IN)
+ 10/23 1836-1841, Fair with “*Koma 15-20 KOMA,*” “*Oklahoma Sooner network,*” Bob Stoup(?) Show, ad for Ace Transfer and Storage. (HF*MI)

1530 WRPM MS Poplarville – 10/23 1842-1902 – Good, “*... the best in inspiration ... 15-30 AM WRPM,*” and “*Bringing you the Word in music, AM 15-30 WRPM Poplarville,*” toe-tapping Gospel. (HF*MI)

WEYZ PA North East – 10/20 1958 – Very good way over WSAI (!) with C&W (Lynn) music, “*Z-Country*” ID’s as per Log. New. (MB-IN)

1540 KXEL IA Waterloo – 10/17 1300 – Fair over WABQ in CHIN phase null with ID and ABC news. Unusual here for midday, but daytime conditions were good today, WSM-650 and WSB-750 also in at this time. (JF-ON)

1550 WDZK CT Bloomfield – 10/18 1821 – Weak under WNTN SS with Disney program // WQEW-1560. (JR-NY)

WAZX GA Smyrna – 10/19 1850-1902 – Good with ranchero music, fast-paced male and female announcers with call-ins, Pepsi ad in SS, many mentions of Atlanta. At signal drop 1902, immediately replaced by WDZK. (JEK-MD)
+ 10/22 0715-0731 – Fair-good with “*Q-Zoo*” like format of SS silly bantering between man and woman, SS pop song, Atlanta store ads. (TLK*KY)

WIRV KY Irvine – 10/22 0731 – Live man with “1550 WIRV and WKXO.” WKXO is listed as 1500 in Berea, KY, with a mailing address also in Irvine (but not the same as WIRV). Locals quickly corrected me on the pronunciation of this city ... it’s not “Er-Vine” as in the California city, but “Erving.” (TLK*FL)

WMRE WV Charles Town – 10/18 2115 – Song “*This Land Is Your Land,*” ID. Listed at 6 wats. (WM-MD)

WAUX WI Lake Geneva – 10/11 1859 – Ending sports scores with dual ID with WAUK-1510. Ex-WMIR for me. (JF-ON)

1560 WKIK MD LaPlata – 10/22 2245 – Fair, “*98-Three, Star FM*” jingle, rock music, in WQEW null. (BC-NH)

1570 WGSR FL Fernandina Beach – 10/23 0845 – NOS format, song “*Stranger in Paradise,*” followed by a good clear “WGSR” station ID. Very good signal but in only

briefly, new. (RCP-IN)

WISP PA Doylestown – 10/20 0158 – EWTN marriage talk show, then “*Holy Spirit Radio*” slogan, followed by Doylestown address. Easily confused with “*The Word*” (WANR-OH), which also has religious programming, including Southern gospel music. (JR-NY)

1580 WOXR AL Oxford – 10/18 1917 – C&W music program, ID’s but no ads. (JR-NY)

WTCL FL Chattahoochee – 10/18 1923 – With series of FL PSA’s, including one warning of Florida’s criminal justice penalties, ID. (JR-NY)

WLIJ TN Shelbyville – 10/20 1853 – Fair for a good hour with C&W music, ad for “*The Computer Doctor of Shelbyville*” at this time. (HJH-PA)

1600 WMCW IL Harvard – 10/19 2312 – Michael with “*WMCW weather,*” then female spoke by smothered by and WCGO, which remained atop through 2330 tuneout. This is definitely mid-America night, with WTDY-1670 sounding like a local. (SK-PA)

WAAM MI Ann Arbor – 10/18 2300 – Canned ID by man “*WAAM Ann Arbor,*” into network news. Good. (TLK*FL)

1620 WJVA IN South Bend – 10/19 2035 – Political ad, standards music. Weak to fair at times with a talker underneath. (HJH-PA)

1660 WMIB FL Marco Island – 10/22 0614 – Tentative with OLD song “*If I Were a Carpenter,*” slogan “*Unforgettable 1480, 1660,*” into Kenny Rogers’ “*Lady.*” Poor but alone on channel. (RCP-IN)

1670 WRNC GA Warner Robins – 10/16 2246-2251 – Fair, C&W request call-in, “*Real Country WRNC 96.5 FM,*” mainly over presumed WTDY. (HF-MI)

1680 WJNZ MI Ada – 10/18 2255-2300 – Presumed with hip hop format, Afro-American male DJ, canned ID by man as “*W... Grand Rapids.*” (TLK*FL)

WTTM NJ Princeton – 10/22 2234-2239 – Presumed with “*Sports Talk 16-80*” and “*ESPN Radio*” ID’s, spot for Trenton basketball, ad for Dr. Sidney Goldfarb running for New Jersey State Assembly. Good. (HF*MI)

1700 WAFN FL Miami Springs – 10/13 0038 – Now “*The Fan,*” with sports talk. (JR-NY)

KTBK TX Sherman – 10/16 2230-2245 – Poor with ID as “*KTBK ESPN Radio*” and “*KTBK Sherman-Denison, Sports Radio 13-10, the Ticket.*” Haven’t seen ESPN reported for these folks before; mixing with at least two others. (HF-MI)

TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS

530 TIS NC Camp Lejeune – 10/20 0600 – This appears to be on regular schedule, with rebroadcast of National Weather Service station in Newport, NC. First noted at this time while traveling to work; covered by unID SS at sunset, presumably R. Visión Cristiana. (MH-NC)

1610 (TIS) KY Slade – Noted a blue sign for a TIS on the Bert T. Combs Mountain Parkway (402), just north of Exit 33 (Slade, Natural Bridge State Park), but no trace of anything on the air. (TLK*KY)

“WCKS” MI Allendale – 10/16 1105-1135 – Weak but steady, hard core “punk” rock played continuously, with a verbal ID at 1125. This is located at Grand Valley State University, some 12 miles away from me! WMHG-1600 off at the time. (PLB-MI)

TIS NC Camp Lejeune – 10/20 0600 – Same as 530. Heard at fair level at sunset. (MH-NC)

UNID ——— 10/16 1942 – Weak and garbled with male announcer, music. Have been hearing this off and on for about a week. (MB-IN)

1610.3 House MI Brighton – 10/23 2245 – Caldwell Banker and Towne Country Brighton; I’m intrigued by comment that house had a “*private bath.*” (HF*MI)

1630 HAR MI Detroit – 10/23 2019 – Poor, Michigan Intelligent Transportation Center, I-275 and M-14. (HF*MI)

1640 HAR PA Pennsylvania Turnpike – 10/23 2101 – Poor, in and out with WKSH. (HF*MI)

HARMONICS

2480 WWZQ MS Aberdeen – 10/23 0752 – Fair with “12-40 WWZQ” ID, bass fishing program. (HF*MI)

INTERNET UPDATES

News from *Scott Fybus*’s “Northeast Radio Watch,” used by permission: WGHQ-NY-920 has

switched from ABC Stardust NOS to syndicated talk, adding programs like G. Gordon Liddy, Bob Grant, and Tom Leykis. CIQC-PQ-940 will be moving here from 600 on the morning of November 24, according to the *Montreal Gazette*. Jim Duff will lose his morning show, as the all-news format and "940 News" moniker take over. Will CKVL move to 690 on the same day? WWLE-NY-1170 is being purchased by Charles Stewart, Sr., who publishes the Hudson Valley's only black newspaper, and is expected to switch from C&W (// WRWD-107.3) to urban. WGNV-NY-1220 is dropping standards for local talk mornings, and AP All News the rest of the day. WTTT-MA-1430 has been leasing part of its day to public radio WFRC-88.5 to carry additional news and talk programming; that service is now going 24h NSP under new calls "WPNI" (known on-air as 1430 PNI). WJJL-NY-1440 has been fighting with the city of Niagara Falls since a surprise health inspection last year (following on-air criticism of the fire department) prompted Niagara Falls to order WJJL's Main Street building condemned. They will build a new transmitter site in West Seneca, some 30 miles south, beaming their signal north across Buffalo to the city of license (as WHLD-1270 is now working on doing as well). WJJL remains eclectic OLD, TLK, and leased-time ETH.

Terry Krueger notes the following link for Atlanta metro stations: <http://users.ece.gatech.edu/~mleach/radio/am.html>

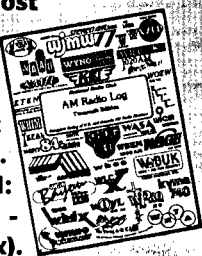
ADDRESS UPDATES

1080 WTIC CT Hartford - 10 Executive Drive, Farmington CT 06032. (KP-CT)
1660 WMIB FL Marco Island - All reception reports should be sent to Phil Beckmen, Chief Engineer, 1112 North Collier Boulevard, Marco Island, FL 34145. (RCP-IN)

REPORTERS

PLB-MI	Phil Boersma	Spring Lake - Realistic 14-795
MB-ON	Mike Brooker	Toronto - Panasonic RF-2200, RFB-45
MB-IN	Mark Burns	Terre Haute - R8, 80' LW
EC-ON	Eric Conchie	Tweed - UniD help
BC-ON	Bruce Conti	Nashua - R8B, MWDX-5, 100' E sloper, 50' terminated loop
RJE-PA	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell - HQ-150 w/ NRC 4' FET altaz loop
RJE*PA		DX'ing in the car around Blue Bell
JF-ON	Jeff Falconer	Clinton - R8B, 45' vertical, 120' LW, modified MFJ-1026, Timewave DSP-599zx
HF-MI	Harold Frodge	Midland - Icom R71A, MFJ-956, 85'/185' RW's
HF*MI		DX'ing at MARE DX-pedition, Brighton - R71A, MFJ-956, 500' and 1000' RW's, 55' FTTFD
MH-NC	Mike Hardester	Jacksonville - Local news
HJH-PA	Harry Hayes	Wilkes-Barre - TransOceanic, Kiwa pocket loop, Bose Wave
RJ-NC	Russ Johnson	Lexington - Superadio III, Radio Shack AM Loop (15-1853)
SK-PA	Steve Kennedy	Coal Township - Superadio III
TLK*KY	Terry Krueger	DX'ing in Lexington - YB-400
JEK-MD	Joe Kureth	Uniontown - SW8, 950' NE LW
WM-MD	William McGuire	Cheverly - DX-380
GM-VA	Greg Myers	Richmond
KP-CT	Kent Plourde	Bristol - Sony 2010, Select-a-Tenna
RCP-IN	Bob Pote	Greenwood - R8, Quantum loop
JR-NY	Jim Renfrew	Rochester - R8, Radio West Loop
MS-ON	Morris Sorensen	Scarborough - YB-400, built-in antenna
BT-IN	Blaine Thompson	Fort Wayne - Aiwa CSD-ED26 Boombox

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Do you ever flip through an entire year's worth of *DX News*, trying to find clues for something you've heard? See if this is your experience: invariably the frequency I'm looking for almost never appears, almost as if no one listens on that frequency at all! The other invariable experience happens when I'm looking for something I definitely saw in *DX News* some time before, but I can't find it no matter how hard I try. Crop circles, UFO's ... and now *DX News*, the mysteries that keep us on our toes!

In a previous IDXD I mentioned enjoying Jean Shepherd's program on WOR when I was a teenager. Shep died a few weeks ago at the age of 78. On October 27th WOR had a special tribute program, but I could hear almost nothing due to interference from CJRN and Radio Rebelde. I did manage to hear Shep's signature tune through all the noise, but that was about it. It was also available in Real Audio over the web, but I don't have that capacity yet. He hadn't been on the air for many years, but rebroadcasts of old programs can be heard on Friday afternoons over WBCQ shortwave on 7415 kHz.

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 549 ALGERIA Les Trembles, OCT 16 2340 - AA talk and teletalk; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
585.2 unID OCT 16 2338 - possibly Tunisia here with het against Spain-585.0. [Connelly*D-MA]
603 SPAIN RNE5, Sevilla / Palencia, OCT 16 2336 - // 855 with man in SS; to fair peak. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 612 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aioun, OCT 19 2246 - AA music, then AA talk by man; low audio level on big carrier. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE1 synchros, OCT 16 2247 - loud with fast SS talk. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 19 2245 - two men in SS; good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 639 SPAIN RNE1, La Coruna, OCT 16 2222 - // 684 with SS interview; poor through slop from a jumble of stations (Guadeloupe et al.) on 640. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 648 GAMBIA Bonto, OCT 16 2344 - African vocal and percussion; peaking well over Spain. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 648 SAUDI ARABIA (t) Jeddah, OCT 19 2241 - most likely this with Koran recitation (droning a cappella AA male vocal); poor to fair, dominant. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 684 SPAIN RNE1, Sevilla, OCT 16 0456 - SS newstalk; good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2219 - entertainment-related SS interview; good. WRKO was all groundwave at the time, so it was easily nulled. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 693.7 AZORES RDP, Santa Barbara OCT 19 2231 - // 836 with vocal; strong carrier but weak audio. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 711.04 WESTERN SAHARA Laayoune, OCT 16 2217 - AA-Berber vocal with drums, violin; initially in WOR slop, but then it boomed in with a strong signal. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 729 SPAIN RNE1, Oviedo et al., OCT 16 2226 - bits of SS teletalk; more slop from CHTN-720 than from anything on 730. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 747 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN OCT 16 2232 - mellow jazz, then man & woman in SS; over others. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 801 SPAIN RNE1 synchros, OCT 16 2348 - fast SS talk; poor, in PJB/WCCM-800 slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 836 AZORES RDP, Pico da Barrosa, OCT 16 0348 - end of vocal (sounded like Ray Charles), then PP talk; fair. Somewhat stronger than Canaries-837. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2207 - excellent with jazz. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, OCT 16 2331 - fair with somewhat-muffled SS talk by man // 1296. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 19 2225 - SS talk; fair over 836 het. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 846 ITALY Rome, OCT 16 0222 - classical piano music; fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE1, Murcia et al., OCT 16 0352 - woman in SS; fair, through WEEL slop. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2337 - several SS announcers; good, generally over the 850 slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 873 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 16 2328 - // 1179 with slow deliberate SS group discussion, then a bit of organ music; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 882 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, OCT 16 2212 - SS teletalk; good. [Connelly*D-MA]

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- 891 ALGERIA Algiers, OCT 16 0230 - AA male vocal and steel guitar; very good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 918 SPAIN R. Intercontinental, Madrid, OCT 16 2322 - excited SS talk by man; very good. Semi-auroral conditions weakened CJCH to let this one slide right by. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 954 SPAIN R. Espana, Madrid, OCT 16 0241 - to good peak with SS telephone interview. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2320 - Beatles-influenced vocal; good to excellent. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 963 PORTUGAL R. Renascença, Seixal, OCT 16 2319 - man and woman in PP; fair (though WZAN-970 slop bad at times). [Connelly*D-MA]
- 981.11 ALGERIA Radiodif. Algerienne, Algiers, OCT 16 2318 - pan-pipes / flutes, male AA pop-style vocal; huge, demolishing WTRY/WCAP-980. Measured freq. 110 Hz high of nominal 981. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 999 SPAIN COPE, Madrid, OCT 16 2315 - monotone-delivery SS news by man; through slop from Latin American mix on 1000. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1008 CANARY ISLANDS Las Palmas, R. Las Palmas / RadioVoz, OCT 16 2313 - SS talk with flute interludes; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1017 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, OCT 16 2311 - // 1107 with SS news interview; over Middle Eastern music station (presumably the Turk). [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1026 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 16 2310 - fast SS talk / teletalk; over others, fair through WBZ slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1035 PORTUGAL R. Nacional, Lisboa, OCT 16 2309 - plaintive PP vocal; fair with WBZ phased. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1044 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aioun, OCT 16 2131 - AA vocal & violins, then fast AA talk by man; good on pre-sunset fade-up. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1053 MOROCCO Tanger, OCT 16 2352 - female AA vocal; good. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1053 SPAIN COPE, Zaragoza / Castellon, OCT 16 2308 - SS talk; under huge unmodulated carrier that was probably from the Moroccan. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1062 NIGERIA (t) OCT 16 2306 - folk-style vocal, possibly religious. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 19 2302 - African-accented EE talk by man; taking a pounding from CBA-1070 slop. Lost at 2305 when CBA went from talk to brassy jazz. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1071 SPAIN EI, Bilbao, OCT 16 2256 - some kind of question-and-answer session with man & woman in SS; good. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1088 ANGOLA Radio Nacional, Mulenvos, OCT 16 2253 - bits of PP talk; poor, faintly hetted by weaker 1089. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1089 UNITED KINGDOM Talk Radio synchros, OCT 19 2344 - EE talkshow; very jumpy fades, in & out of WBAL/LA's-1090 slop. This was one of the very few northern Europeans making any kind of a showing at all. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1098 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, OCT 16 2252 - // 1107 with segment of flute jazz, then SS talk; strong. Synchro echo of up to a half-second (!) between stations was noted. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, OCT 16 2247 - man & woman in SS with interspersed music, not parallel to RNE1 (e.g. 621) at this time. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1116 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 16 2246 - restricted (telephone type) audio quality on SS talk by man; good signal strength. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1125 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, OCT 16 2245 - SS talk over a weak het from approx. 1125.5 (maybe one of the synchros off channel ?) [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1134 SPAIN COPE synchros, OCT 16 2243 - fast SS talk about events in "la capital"; good, totally dominant. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1179 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 16 2125 - fast SS newstalk; pre-sunset fade-up over slop from WJFF daytimer. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1197 SPAIN EI, Vitoria, OCT 16 2354 - calm-voiced man in SS; dominant. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1251 LIBYA Tripoli, OCT 16 2356 - AA vocal; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1296 SPAIN COPE, Valencia, OCT 16 0256 - short segment of music, then man in SS. No sign of Sudan at the time. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2331 - // 837 with SS talk; poor. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1305 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, OCT 16 2356 - SS talk with synchro-echo; over rumble. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1467 FRANCE TWR, Roumoules, OCT 19 2215 - EE religious talk; in slop. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA, Duba, OCT 16 0301 - AA news by man; good to excellent. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2131 - male AA vocal; over SAH, bits of second audio (probably Spain), and a bit of slop from daytimer WGAM. [Connelly*D-MA]

- 1530 SAO TOME E PRINCIPE VOA Relay, Pinheira, OCT 16 0313 - VOA discussion program in EE; fair with WSAI phased. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1550 ALGERIA RASD Clandestine, Tindouf, OCT 16 2231 - Oud music, female Berber-style vocal; huge, crushing the NY or PA nostalgia station. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 19 2318 - AA-style music with drums, then into SS talk by man with ID mentioning "saharai". [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1575 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 19 2321 - SS talk with restricted "telco quality" audio; poor. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1583.6 CEUTA Radiolé, OCT 16 0306 - plaintive ballad, then SS talk; good. Not much showing on 1584. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2129 - male vocal with acoustic guitar; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1584 SPAIN SER synchros, OCT 19 2325 - // 1575 with SS talk having a definite synchro echo; to fair peak over het from weaker Ceuta-1583.6. [Connelly*R-MA]
- PAN-AMERICAN DX**
- 526 BAHAMAS ZLS, Stella Maris, OCT 16 1007 - "ZLS" code beacon; fair through RVC-530 slop. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 530 TURKS & CAICOS R. Visión Cristiana, OCT 16 1007 - SS hymn; huge. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2342 - SS ID "Radio Vision Cristiana, la Emisora de Dios"; local-like. There was something in EE under, but possibly just a TIS rather than Falklands. [Connelly*D-MA] (If this was really God's transmission, why would God permit any interference? - Jim) ("Emisora" is "radio station" in Spanish. Blame any interference on the "diablo", -pls)
- 535 GRENADA GBC, St. George's, OCT 16 2341 - woman giving speech about the Government of Grenada and efforts to help young people; good. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 20 0048 - lounge-jazz style female vocal; to good peak. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 540 MEXICO XEWA, San Luis Potosí - Monterrey, OCT 16 1102 - romantic SS vocal; over/under WLUX. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 540 COLOMBIA R. Autentica, Bogotá, OCT 24 0210 - Tentative; many mentions of "la palabra" and "el Señor" but nothing to indicate station or location. [Conti-NH]
- 540 CUBA R. Rebelde, Sancti Spiritus OCT 24 0740 - Fair; nostalgia // 550, 560, 600, 610, 620, 670, 710, and 1180. 620 had the best signal. [Conti-NH]
- 555 ST. KITTS & NEVIS ZIZ, Basseterre, OCT 16 2339 - Carib-EE talkshow; fair with WGAN phased. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 570 CUBA R. Reloj, OCT 16 1008 - Reloj clock ticks and SS news about Habana; over WMCA. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 24 0225 - Code IDs under WMCA/WSYR. [Conti-NH] OCT 23 0116 - Good; man in SS with commentary re Cuba; pips & CW "RR". [Frodge-DXP]
- 590 CUBA R. Musical Nacional, OCT 26 0304 - light orchestral music, with several ID's at 0304, followed by recording with an English announcer introducing the next song as an interpretation of Earth Wind and Fire. This appeared to be on 590, not 591, when I heard this. [Renfrew-NY]
- 591 CUBA unID; OCT 23 0006-0011* - Good; clear in USB to avoid 590; woman in SS with classical music; mentioned "Cuba"; off suddenly @0011 and didn't reappear; heard on different radio & antenna. [Frodge-DXP]
- 591 CUBA R. Musical Nacional, OCT 20 0031 - bits of music, SS talk noted along with a fat het against WEZE/VOCM/SS'er-590. ID'ed subsequently by Don Moore in Iowa. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 600 CUBA R. Rebelde, CMKV, Urbano Noris, OCT 16 1002 - // 620 with morning greeting and song. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 620 CUBA R. Rebelde, Colon / Moa, OCT 16 1002 - // 600 with greeting "muy buenas dias ... Radio Rebelde". [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 23 1045 - Good; news // 5025. [Conti-NH]
- 630 PUERTO RICO WSKN, San Juan, OCT 16 1000 - Super Cadena mention in fast-paced SS news. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2343 - Cadena mentions; mixed with WPRO. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 630 HONDURAS, Radio America, 10/22 0408 UTC in SP, fair w/ID, news reports, many mentions of Honduras and Tegucigalpa. [Rigas-IL]
- 640 CUBA R. Progreso, Guanabacoa / Las Tunas, OCT 16 0958 - SS talk about plantations outside Habana; huge dominant signal and still here at OCT 16 1013 UTC with talk about Copa Mundial. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 640 VENEZUELA Union R., YVQO, Puerto La Cruz, OCT 16 2300 - fast SS sportstalk, ID // 1090; slightly over Guadeloupe. [Connelly*D-MA]

- 650 COLOMBIA RCN Antena Dos, HJKH, Bogotá, OCT 20 0030 - Antena Dos ID; very good. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 650 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC R.Universal, Sto Domingo OCT 24 0025 - "Presidente, la mejor cerveza" ad, Serie Mundial play-by-play, over RCN Antena Dos-Colombia. [Conti-NH]
- 660 CUBA R.Progreso, Santa Clara OCT 24 0040 - Romantic ballads and disco hits including "Mambo Number 5" // 640, under WFAN. [Conti-NH] OCT 23 0015-0029+ - Good; man in SS with pop music to 0023 then speech; RP ID @0029; // 640 also well on top. [Frodge-DXP]
- 670 CUBA R. Rebelde, CMQ, Arroyo Arenas, OCT 16 1012 - music, then SS phone conversation with a woman with several Cuba references, // 600, 620. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 670 VENEZUELA R. Rumbos, YVLL, Caracas, OCT 16 2235 - SS sportstalk with Venezuela and Copa Mundial mentions; over others. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 19 2238 - SS talk about electoral politics in Caracas. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 680 PUERTO RICO WAPA San Juan, OCT 17 0113 - Very excited caller went on without taking a breath. Mentioned "Guapa Radio" at least twenty times. Soft-voiced host finally spoke at 0115, but caller didn't give him much time to speak. Best reception from Puerto Rico ever. [Kennedy-PA] OCT 20 0200 - SS talk with detailed Puerto Rico weather including high and low temperatures for a number of cities. Announcer ID'ed W-A-P-A call (by individual letters) and the calls of two other Puerto Rican stations on the same news "mini-network". This was loud: actually OVER LOCAL WRKO !! [Connelly*R-MA]
- 690 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, OCT 16 0455 - EE preaching; over presumed Colombia (who had accordion music). [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 16 2346 - preaching about the escape from Egypt; excellent, over Venezuela/Brazil. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 19 2233 - good with Caribbean-accented EE local news with a warning about the approach of Hurricane Jose. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 690 BRAZIL R. Dragao do Mar, ZYH587, Fortaleza, OCT 16 2234 - PP preaching; in mess with Anguilla and Venezuela. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 690 VENEZUELA YVMR, Barquisimeto, OCT 16 2346 - adverts for businesses "en Venezuela". Signal was a bit under Anguilla. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 690 COLOMBIA R.Recuerdos, Bogotá, OCT 23 0955 - Fair; network ID, "Ésta es Recuerdos... HJCE en 690 kilohertz,... HJNO 1260 kilohertz,... Caracol, más compania," also mentioned two other stations. [Conti-NH]
- 690 MEXICO XEN Ondas del Lago, Mexico City, OCT 26 0110 - very strong, and easily separated from R. Recuerdo, apparently with a sports program, mentioning "La Voz deportiva" and "Galleria de Juventud" and then a slogan ID. Second time in a week. Heard again at 0311 with an ad block. [Renfrew-NY]
- 700 COLOMBIA R. Net, HJXC, Cali, OCT 16 0447 - leading the pack with SS news with several Bogotá items. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 700 JAMAICA RJR, Montego Bay, OCT 16 0503 - black DJ talked about groups performing at various local clubs, then a gospel-influenced R&B vocal followed; over Colombia. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 20 0157 - slogan "The Supreme Sound, RJR", followed by Jose Feliciano version of "Light My Fire". [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 23 1000 - Fair; copyright notice and ID, "RJR Kingston, serving Jamaica 24 hours per day," and gospel music, in WLW null. [Conti-NH]
- 705 ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES Kingstown, OCT 20 0019 - "Miss You Like Crazy" by Natalie Cole; fair. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 710 CUBA R. Rebelde synchros, OCT 16 0505 - // 600 with SS vocal & tropical-style instrumentation; loud, over WOR. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 720 JAMAICA RJR Kingston OCT 24 0055 - Fair; woman in Caribbean-accented English with weather report // 700. [Conti-NH]
- 720 VENEZUELA R.Oriente, Porlamar OCT 23 2320 - "La señal de Venezuela" ID, tropical music, briefly good before WGN faded up. [Conti-NH]
- 730 MEXICO XEX, Mexico City, OCT 16 0440 - music, SS talk, slogan "La Nueva Equis"; excellent. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 24 0810 - Excellent; "La que mamba! La nueva Equis!" ID, Mexican/tropical music. [Conti-NH] OCT 24 1125-1130+ - Good; "La X que buena"; ranchera music. [Frodge-DXP]
- 750 VENEZUELA RCR, YVKS, Caracas, OCT 16 0358 - dominant with the Venezuelan National Anthem. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 22 2250 - Good; sports headlines, "Informe RCR" promos. [Conti-NH]
- 759.8 CUBA R.Rejoc OCT 23 1020 - Dominant with news, RR code IDs, etc. and rumble against 760. [Conti-NH]
- 760 BRAZIL R. Record, ZYH888, Fortaleza, OCT 16 2213 - already good, and just slightly behind daytimer WVNE. It was 100% alone when WVNE was nulled with the cardioid array. The

- program was a man and a woman with PP religious talk. At 2215 WVNE closed leaving this in the clear, fully in control of the channel with a better-than-S9 signal. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 760 COLOMBIA RCN, HJAJ, Barranquilla, OCT 20 0016 - RCN ID; over Cuba growl. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 760 MEXICO XEABC, Mexico City, OCT 16 1056 - Mexican music, into SS talk with apparent "A-B-C" mention; poor, fading. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 770 COLOMBIA RCN, HJJX, Bogotá, OCT 16 0648 - Colombian political news in SS, then into a music program. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 20 0155 - excited SS announcer // 760; under WABC. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 780 VENEZUELA R. Coro, YVMN, Coro, OCT 16 0418 - R. Coro jingle, timecheck, mellow SS vocal; good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 780 VENEZUELA Ecos del Torbes, San Cristobal OCT 23 2355 - Fair; tropical music, ads, and ID // 4980, over an unID Latin American station. [Conti-NH]
- 780 BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS ZBVI Roadtown, Tortola OCT 24 0010 - Fair; briefly over Venezuela with reggae music, requests and dedications. [Conti-NH]
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES Trans-World Radio, PJB, Bonaire, OCT 20 0100 - SS talk about the true meaning of love, then some light music, followed by Radio Transmundial ID, a mailing address in Miami, and mentions of Bonaire - Antillas Holandesas; very good, well over WCCM/VOWR/CJAD jumble. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 810 PUERTO RICO WKVM San Juan, OCT 26 0121 - strong with rosary, didn't stay with it as I've heard WKVM with the rosary before. [Renfrew-NY]
- 830 CUBA R. Rejoc, OCT 20 0151 - Rejoc ticker and beeps audible through YVLT/others. [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 22 2307-2332+ - Weak CW "RR" with unID SS & WCCO; also heard OCT 24 1035 man and woman in SS alternating news items. [Frodge-DXP]
- 830 ST. KITTS & NEVIS TBN, Basseterre, OCT 16 0353 - // 7510 with woman talking to minister about the value of TBN's programming; good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 830 VENEZUELA R. Sensación, YVLT, Caracas, OCT 20 0150 - R. Sensación ID, then mellow vocal; briefly atop the pack. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 840 unID OCT 20 0103 - likely a Venezuelan here with Caracas and R. Noticias mentions in SS newscast. The channel was very congested with Latin Americans: no single station stayed atop the pile for very long. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 840 CUBA Dóbleve, OCT 22 2332-2359+ - Fair; man and woman in SS with wide variety of SS mx styles; "Ésta es Dóbleve" @ 2359; mainly over WHAS. [Frodge-DXP]
- 850 CUBA R. Rejoc, OCT 22 0106 - Weak CW "RR" under unID SS beisbol; also heard OCT 24 1034. [Frodge-DXP]
- 860 VENEZUELA R. Enlace 860, YVYE, Valle de la Pascua, OCT 20 0000 - SS talk with Valle de la Pascua mention; over others. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 870 CUBA R. Rejoc, OCT 20 0418 - Someone running R. Rejoc. Presumed Radio Progreso, but which one of the two listed? No US stations here tonight. [Kennedy-PA]
- 870 CUBA R.Progreso OCT 24 0910 - Carrying R.Rejoc with minute marker, code ID, and synco-pated clock heard through WWL/WHCU. [Conti-NH]
- 880 CUBA R. Progreso, OCT 23 0113 - Fair; lite SS vocals; // 640 & 890; QRM from WCBS. [Frodge-DXP]
- 890 CUBA R. Progreso, CMDZ, Santiago de Cuba, OCT 16 0958 - // 640 with SS agricultural discussion; way over second SS (possibly WBPS). [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 23 0114 - Fair; lite SS vocals; // 640 & 880; well over WLS [Frodge-DXP]
- 895 ST. KITTS & NEVIS VON, Bath Village, OCT 16 2326 - vocal with a bit of Ray Charles style piano; poor, slopped. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 900 MEXICO XEW, Mexico City, OCT 23 1000 - Mexican C&W style vocal, SS talk with local mentions; fair over others. OCT 23 1015 - romantic SS vocal; over domestic that mentioned "Pinardville". [Connelly*B-MA]
- 900 MEXICO XEW Mexico OCT 24 0830 - Good; Mexico 99 report, Televisa promo, "Cadena W... a traves XEW, la Voz de la America Latina desde México, 900 radio." [Conti-NH]
- 910 VENEZUELA RQ-910, YVRQ, Caracas, OCT 16 2324 - SS sports interview show with Caracas and La Guaira mentions, remote coverage from a stadium with echoey public address announcements, then talk about the alcalde (mayor) of Caracas; loud, rolling over WABI & other domestics. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 26 0330 - Introduction of a new program: "La Oración Fuerte presentó 'Punto de Fé'", then ID as "RQ nueve cientos diez Punto de Fé". Very strong. [Renfrew-NY]
- 920.15 COLOMBIA Emisora Fuentes, HJAA, Cartagena, OCT 20 0106 - man with SS Colombian news; occasionally splittable from CJCH/WHJJ. [Connelly*R-MA]

- 920.2 UNID, OCT 23 0137-0139 - Poor; Heard words "Taino" & "Campeche"; up briefly & gone, Cuba? [Frodge-DXP] (More likely the Colombian which has been off-frequency here for years - Jim)
- 940 MEXICO XEQ, Mexico City, OCT 23 0957 - end of song, "Q" (coo) mention, then woman said "en la República Mexicana"; over Reloj Cuban. [Connelly*B-MA] OCT 24 0815 - Excellent; ad string with Distrito Federal mentions, "Cadena Q, verde y oro" ID, Mexican music, over R.Reloj-Cuba. [Conti-NH]
- 940 PUERTO RICO WIPR, San Juan, OCT 20 0108 - woman with SS news about San Juan and other Puerto Rican cities; good, well over others. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 940 VENEZUELA R.Punto Fijo, Punto Fijo OCT 22 2350 - Fair; long ad string, "La emisora música de la fin de semana es por Radio Punto Fijo," over WIPR-Puerto Rico and R.Reloj-Cuba. [Conti-NH]
- 960 CUBA R. Reloj, OCT 16 0412 - clock ticks, "RR" beeps, and woman reading news in SS; over a jumble of domestics. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 23 0005 - Code IDs heard through WELI. [Conti-NH]
- 1000 VENEZUELA YVMN or YVOA, OCT 16 2317 - Venezuela mentions, joking, laughing, party music: a more informal programming style than on RCN-Colombia. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1000 COLOMBIA RCN Cartagena OCT 23 0010 - Good; "RCN la última... en presentación de las noticias desde Bogotá," time check, and news. [Conti-NH] OCT 23 0143-0151+ - Fair; SS man with commentary on Brasil; 0105 ID "R-C-N Colombia"; over/under WMVP. [Frodge-DXP]
- 1000 MEXICO XEOY R.Mil, Mexico OCT 24 0820 - Fair; sports report, R.Mil ID, and rancheras // 6010, over/under WMVP. [Conti-NH]
- 1010 BRAZIL R. CBN, ZYH625, Fortaleza, OCT 16 2312 - reverberated PP talk; mixed with SS station (YV ?) and phase-nulled WINS. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1020 VENEZUELA R. Margarita, YVRS, La Asunción, OCT 16 2351 - Mundial Margarita ID, then tropical music with '40s / '50s style Latin dance rhythms; excellent, totally killing KDKA. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1030 MEXICO (t) XEQR, Mexico City, OCT 16 1035 - probably this with SS talk under WBZ, too late for much else. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1050.3 unID OCT 20 0110 - rapid-fire SS talk by man; hacked up by WEVD/CHUM. Can anyone in Florida or elsewhere nail down an ID on this? [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1070 VENEZUELA R.Zulia, Maracaibo OCT 23 0115 - Good; "...por Radio Zulia" and "...en Radio Zulia" IDs, salsa music. [Conti-NH]
- 1070 UNID, OCT 23 0154-0218+ - Good; peppy norteña/ranchera music; spot @0208 mentioned Bogotá; sounded all very Mexican though. [Frodge-DXP] (WNCT is widely heard in the northeast with this kind of programming. Emisora Atlántico is usually kind of wobbly on this frequency with a strong het when it's in - Jim)
- 1080 VENEZUELA R. Barcelona, YVQJ, Barcelona, OCT 16 2254 - SS local sports coverage; at least 20 dB stronger than WTIC! [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 20 0111 - SS talk and Barcelona mentions; somewhat under WTIC. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1080 UNID, OCT 22 0436 - in SS, in fair with some kind of a live sporting event. At one point I heard "La Voz de ...", but could not make out the rest. [Rigas-IL]
- 1090 VENEZUELA Union R., YVSZ, Caracas, OCT 16 2259 - SS sportstalk, Union Radio ID, Venezuela mentions; dominant. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1100 BRAZIL ZYK694, Sao Paulo, OCT 16 2250 - reverberated PP talk (seemed sports-related); atop Antigua, others. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1100.8 unID OCT 16 2248 - SS vocal on this off-channel station; ID material not noted. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1110 VENEZUELA R. Carúpano, YVQT, Carupano, OCT 16 2246 - SS talk about activities in Puerto la Cruz; atop second SS station. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1130 VENEZUELA (t) R. Ideal, YVRL, Macuto, OCT 20 0144 - SS talk with apparent Ideal (ee-day-ah) mentions; slightly over other Latin Americans in a difficult-to-maintain phase null on WBBR. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1130 VENEZUELA UNID, OCT 26 0400 - Strong signal with Venezuelan national anthem, but WBBR rose up and obliterated any announcements that followed. Light vocals heard a few minutes later. R. Ideal has been heard before. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1160 BERMUDA VSB3, Hamilton, OCT 16 2241 - // BBC-5975 with old-fashioned radio drama; excellent, alone on channel. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1170 COLOMBIA CARACOL, HJNW, Cartagena, OCT 16 2353 - Bogotá news items in SS; over a pile-up of at least 3 others. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 23 0210 - Good; "Chocolate Corona, de nacional de chocolate" ad, "Caracol, primera información," over WWVA. [Conti-NH]

- 1200 VENEZUELA YVOZ, Caracas, OCT 16 2257 - "transmite de Caracas ... Radiotiempo ... mil doscientos AM"; excellent with local WKOX phase-nulled down into the dirt. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1210 VENEZUELA R. Anzoategui, YVZT, Barcelona, OCT 16 2355 - Venezuela mentions; mixed with WPHT and a weak low het of about 600 Hz. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 20 0121 - Anzoategui ID, then romantic vocal; slightly under WPHT. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1280 BERMUDA VSB2, Hamilton, OCT 20 0140 - EE preacher mixing with WADO's SS. WFAU was in a poor third place with a Johnny Mathis song. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1370 unID OCT 20 0138 - probably a coastal Venezuelan briefly atop with SS sporting event. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1375.02 ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON RFO, OCT 16 2358 - FF talk, jazz; excellent. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1470 VENEZUELA R. Vibración, YVSY, Carúpano, OCT 23 2258 - most likely this with SS talk and Venezuela mentions. YVJW Valencia is also possible, but much less commonly heard here. Domestic skip was nearly non-existent at the time. WLAM-ME took over later as auroral effects diminished. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1500 VENEZUELA YVRZ, Cumana, OCT 16 2359 - frequent Caracas mentions; good with WTOP phased. [Connelly*D-MA] OCT 20 0136 - reverberated R. Dos Mil ID; in WTOP null. [Connelly*R-MA]
- 1529.54 unID OCT 16 0303 - het, bits of audio, but the identity remains elusive. I haven't seen it ID'ed elsewhere. Uruguay-1529.6 was heard in Newfoundland, but this is probably something else. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1550 unID OCT 23 2230 - most likely previously-logged HJCB Barranquilla, Colombia with SS talk briefly dominant. Conditions were auroral in the immediate post-sunset period. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1570 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIA, Santo Domingo (t), OCT 20 0127 - almost certainly R. Amanecer Internacional with religious music and SS talk; most of the domestic activity was knocked out by the cardioid array's null to the west. [Connelly*R-MA] OCT 23 2302 - SS religion just under low-power groundwave semi-local WNSH during aurora. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1580 unID OCT 23 2250 - probably HJQZ Barranquilla (heard before); fast SS talk eventually covered by Caribbean culture program from WSRF-Florida. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1610 ANGUIILLA Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, OCT 19 2322 - preacher asked for donations and said he'd been on the air "for 25 years with no hypocry and no subterfuge"; briefly atop TIS mess. [Connelly*R-MA]

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TANTALIZING TALES FROM TERRE-NEUE

Just back from "BeachBeverage Newfoundland" and here a quick summary of the best during the week from 10/17-10/24. Conditions were usually auroral.

- 530 FALKLAND ISLANDS - Yes this now has been heard in North America!! Some nights they'd occasionally be way behind Turks and once and a while clear // audio to BBCWS 6175 would be heard. Phasing helped a bit at times.
- 531,873, 972,1215 BOTSWANA here.. 972 is easy .. all in //
- 1485 ASCENSION ISLAND - as always not hard to here as the Bev's toward Brazil take out Spain pretty well... unfortunately. try as we did we couldn't here St.Helena 1548 // 11092.5' s DX special. The SW sounded like a local. Jean does have 1548 Qsled however in similar auroral conditions which killed Britain/Kuwait
- 1206 MOZAMBIQUE - we have a nice tape of ID Emisora Provincial do Inhambane... also an unlisted Mozambique stn on 963 is taped with an ID where we just can't copy the province name.
- 1529.6 URUGUAY - we were happy to log a nice R.Independencia ID from this 250 watter. Many

stronger Argentines, Uruguayans and Paraguayans were heard as well.

Off course the entire dial was full of Brazilians at sunset as always on our 1 KM long Brazil Bev. (As an example. Forteleza on 930 o/u local (100 km north) CJYQ in St. John's). Many of these stations are dominant all night. Due to auroral conditions nothing much further east than UAE 1476 // 13675 was heard on the 450 meter TA bev. Our African receptions were helped by a new 390 meter Bev just to the east of our long Brazil Bev. This wire (due to length has a wider beam than the Brazil Bev) and thus received some Africans better while displaying a very useful null of Euro QRM in the range on 800-1000. Thus 846 from South Africa was listenable most of the time with no QRM from Rome. The uncrowded dial combined with great receivers like the AR7030+ and the R8A coupled to good beach Bev's provides DX conditions that are unobtainable here in the USA. I heard some great stuff from the Maine coast from 1981-1983.. but it can't compare to Newfoundland. [Neil Kazaross]

The DXpedition is over. Al Merriman had said his goodbyes on Saturday morning, and he started his long drive back to Virginia. Neil Kazaross and I packed up the shack and brought in the antennas in the fog and gentle drizzle of Sunday morning, 24 October. It was a welcome change from the 100 km/h wind and the sheets of rain that had pounded us the previous evening! I dropped Neil off at St. John's airport just after noon, Newfoundland Time. Conditions were auroral for the final two nights. In spite of having a fully functional European antenna, it was largely ignored since the action was from the south: Africa and South America. Again, I think we landed some good ones!

The process of assembling a complete report is now beginning. I have a lot of tapes to review, so modification of some of these logs is inevitable. Also, I have a lot of possible IDs to listen to again, and I have a number of more routine catches to include. I should stress that the logs in these five reports are only my own, and the final report should also contain material from the other three DXers, John Fisher, Al Merriman, and Neil Kazaross. The final report will be submitted for inclusion in the National Radio Club's *DX News*, and other clubs have expressed an interest in picking up this report, at least in part. Also, the final report will be available on a new web site, and it will include some Real Audio clips and I hope, some photos. I thank the guys who make the trip up here to share in the DX. I also wish to acknowledge the assistance of two virtual participants in this DXpedition. I am very grateful to Werner Funkenhauser and Mark Connelly, both veterans of previous Newfoundland DXpeditions, for propagation forecasts, for parallel DX sessions, for their general encouragement, and for posting these reports on their web sites. Here are the logs. As always, comments and corrections would be much appreciated! Dates/times are UTC, and the order is still chronological:

- 1206 MOZAMBIQUE EP do Inhambane 2055-2115 22 Oct - Good peaks, but deep fades, pop mx, PP news from 2100
- 873 BOTSWANA Gantsi 2155 22 Oct - Mainly chat // 972, but weaker than 972. WRTH lists this as a "future plan." Clearly, some future plans become reality.
- 1512 UNID 0111 23 Oct - Second Koran chanting under the massive Saudi signal (also Koran), then talk in AA. Ideas please!?
- 720 PARAGUAY R. Patai Puki 0830 23 Oct - Seemed to have just signed on, ID, weather, time checks
- 780 PARAGUAY R. Primero de Marzo 0838 23 Oct - Big fat juicy ID after ads
- 1484.90 MADEIRA? probably Funchal 2018 23 Oct - Pop/dance mx, canned anmts in PP with wicked reverb
- 909 NIGERIA? 2043 23 Oct - Man in African lang over VOA Botswana, possibly mentioned "Abuja"
- 963 UNID 2058 23 Oct - and other times...PP stn (Not Renascenca, which could also be heard) w/ phone chat and music. Mentioned "Emisora Povincial" but we can't decipher the place name (yet!) Mozambique station??
- 747 BURKINA FASO R. Burkina 2114 23 Oct - African lang, mx, under Spain, // SW
- 657 UNID 2133 23 Oct - Possibly South Africa? Religious sings in EE, of course it faded away just before 2200, so no ID!
- 1020 PARAGUAY R. Nanduti 0846 24 Oct - Good signal with news until Margarita sign-on at 0850
- 1150 ARGENTINA stn?? 0903 24 Oct - Lots of lively accordion mx, woman host but lost to domestic QRM before it IDed
- 690 ECUADOR HCJB1 0920 24 Oct - Soft-spoken man in indigenous language, mx // 3220, but rising QRM from R. Recuerdos. [Jean Burnell (excerpts from a longer report)]

I've just posted the fifth and final part of the interim report of the Newfoundland DXpedition, which ended on Sunday. This year's participants logged highly interesting and rare mediumwave DX, including Falklands, among many others. A single HTML file of all five parts is available on my pages at: <http://Home.InfoRamp.Net/~funk/newfviii.html>. For individual DOC and PDF files, other information, interesting Newfoundland links and past DXpedition reports, and parallel DX efforts go to

Mark Connelly's Newfoundland DXpedition Page at: <http://members.xoom.com/MarkWA1ION/nfdxpage.htm>

[Funkenhauser, ODXA Medium Wave Notebook]]

I'm looking for logging reports of longwave and medium wave stations (150 to 2500 kHz) made between 8 and 25 October 1999. Stations outside the reporter's country are preferred (whether of broadcast, utility, or 160-m amateur). Selected reports will be posted under the Parallel DX Efforts heading on the Newfoundland DXpedition Web Page: <<http://members.xoom.com/MarkWA1ION/nfdxpage.htm>>.

Already reports from Germany, Brazil, and the United States ... both coasts ... have been listed. Some additional European coverage as well as DX from the Caribbean area (including south Florida), the Middle East, South Africa, Japan, Hawaii, and the Australia / New Zealand regions would round out the Parallel DX Efforts section nicely. The National Radio Club book "Season of Dxpedititions" gives a very thorough treatment of the autumn 1996 period. Coverage includes the legendary DXpeditions of DX teams in Cappahayden (Newfoundland), Sheigra (Scotland), and Lemmenjoki (Finland) as well as many smaller, but still significant, parallel efforts from around the world. See "<http://nrcdxas.org/catalog/>" for more information. Though the loggings are 3 years old, some are still relevant. Always of value are the discussions of operating techniques used on successful DXpeditions. Jean Burnell, John Fisher, Neil Kazaross, and Al Merriman are still working on the final version of the official 1999 Newfoundland DXpedition report. It will be accessible from the Web page as soon as it becomes available. Meanwhile, sit back and enjoy reading the reports these guys have already provided. [Connelly]

AURORA VISUALIZED or DONUTS DELIGHT

About the discussion of the auroral oval in IDXD - For a visual estimate of the auroral oval [nearly real-time] see <http://sec.noaa.gov/pmap/pmapN.html>. [Woods-OR]

CUBA QUERY

I note that some reporters are reporting calls and locations for stations such as 840 CMHW Santa Clara and 890 CMDZ Santiago which match entries in my log from nearly 30 years ago. I also note that at Elliott Broadcast Services (radiostation.com) the by-frequency listings include everything that the FCC records show in the entire Western Hemisphere. This shows different calls and locations for these two and many others. (e.g., 840, CMOB, Isla de Juventud; 890, CMHB, Camaguay)

Many reporters to IDXD seem now to be omitting the call letters, in favor of the station names or network names, perhaps in reaction to the always-volatility of Cuban calls, but that doesn't necessarily get away from the questions around actual transmitter location.

Am I missing something, or is there some other standard which is considered authoritative in the post-RFS Cuban list era? I know that that some use WRTH, of which I don't have a current copy, but which in the "old days" (1970's) wasn't very current. Perhaps there's something somewhere else on the web? [Russ Edmunds, e-mail: <wb2bjh@hotmail.com>]

The 1999 and 1998 WRTH's are not helpful because they have given up on connecting slogans to particular stations due to the volatility you mention, so I keep a 1997 edition on hand. There were always two sets of call letters for each station, by the way, so the list you saw may be using the official set, which I don't believe are used on air, but are used for international frequency registration purposes. CMHW 840 is still "doblevé" ["W"] in on air announcements, as noted in one of our reports this week.

I've always been fairly conservative about using Cuban call letters, reporting only the slogan unless I actually hear the call letters, which means I almost never refer to them. Off the top of my head, I only remember hearing "W" and R. Trinchera Anti-Imperialista ever giving call letters. Some reporters use call letters and I assume they are coming from a list somewhere. More than a few stations are actually multiple transmitters on the same frequency, so even if they give clear ID's, we'll never get the antenna site, unless there is one with a wobbly frequency, and then we can conjecture we've heard both. I heard three different transmitters from Poland around the same frequency when I was in Newfoundland because none were dead-on. The RFS list was considered to be fairly accurate, but now much out of date.

I think that most transmitters can be identified by the program they run during the daytime or evening. After 1 AM many appear to shift to Reloj or Progreso. Anyone who knows more than Russ or I is encouraged to comment! [Renfrew's response]

CHECK OUT CZECH DX

During a Mini DX-Camp in north-west part of the Czech Republic (near Usti nad Labem). I heard several interesting stations. DATE: October 25-27, 1999. HOUSE: Isolated cottage in low noise

enviroments. ANT: 2x180 m LW, 2x50 m LW. RX: AOR AR7030.

684.00 Belgrade (YUG) - although still on low power, a constant signal (S6) from morning until evening (much stronger during the night, of course).

1377.00 Radio Stantsiya Yunost, Yekaterinburg, Siberia (0000 UTC)

1377.00 Radio Free Africa, Tanzania; "VOA Music Mix" fair at 0030 UTC

1395.00 Yerevan, Armenia; increadibly strong signal at 0200 UTC

1485.00 Haagstad Radio (HOL) Hindustani programming, low power

1521.00 Mayak, tx Kazan, Siberia (1600 UTC)

1521.00 CRI Beijing - Russian program already heard before 1300 UTC

1600.76 Greece with ERA programming // 1080 kHz

1670.00 WRNC Warner Robins, GA (0530 UTC)

STRANGE SOUND (interrupted instrumental music - more silence than music) heard on 792 kHz (stronger) and 1494 kHz (weaker) on Oct 27 at ...0130...0200... UTC. DIGITAL-like SOUND being observed on 1341 kHz (nothing on 1350 kHz, reported by somebody few months ago). Weak but noticable under BBC Ulster. [Karel Honzik, Czech Republic, Hard-core-DX e-mail via *Medium Wave Circle* e-mail]

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DX'ing 'smart', with shared tips and requests by NRC members

Continuing last issue's discussion of WADO's tower:

Bob Smolarek <radiobob@ptd.net>: "The diamond shaped tower for WADO is gone!" That's sad!! It was a very unique tower, glad I was able to see it quite a few times. I know mgrs. Mount, Ingram, and Fybush feel the same way I do.

Patrick Griffith, N0NNK <AM-DXer@webtv.net>: I was looking thru the TIS licenses for 1700 kHz and noticed that most of the major oil companies hold high power (in comparison to the average 10 watt TIS station) licenses there. Upon further investigation I found that most of them also hold licenses on 1614, 1628, 1652, and 1676 kHz. The majority of these are for 40 to 60 watts. It turns out that these frequencies are assigned under part 90.65 in the Petroleum Radio Service. The licenses appear to be valid for the continental US (CONUS) and adjacent waters. The primary use is for oil spill cleanup operations but they can be used on a secondary basis for base to mobile communications and tone signaling! The voice modulation is limited to AM only. Looking further at the regulations I found that 1676 and 1700 kHz also appear in the Forest Products Radio Service allocations, 1628 and 1652 appear in the Film and Video Radio Service allocations, and 1630 appears under the Fire Radio Service! The latter shows no limitations and therefore can apparently be used for any purpose related to the Fire Service! Hmmm! As the chief of communications for my fire department, I should apply for a license on 1630 and retransmit all of our fire comms so that our volunteers can monitor call status on their car radios while enroute to the fire station. I'm joking of course but from what I am seeing it appears that would probably be legal! I suspect that most of these are very old allocations that remain on the books from the 30s, 40s, or 50s but it's interesting to note that the petro licenses are all still current and valid. Something to keep in mind in case you hear strange activity on these frequencies.

Fred Vobbe <fredv@nrcdxas.org>: You know, something like that would be nice in a community where you have a need to get information out fast. Out local EMA director and I were talking about this. With the deregulation in this town, and cutbacks on news, if we had a local emergency there is no way to get the information out to the community quick. Television is the fastest as it's staffed 24/7, but that does nothing for the mobile listeners. We had sort of a problem recently with a three alarm fire in the afternoon, and all the traffic getting tied up in the mess knew nothing about staying away from the area. Something like that could be crucial in civil warnings. As I recall, a lot of police agencies were just above the AM band. In fact, if I recall correctly, Toledo Ohio had a great Florida callsign, WPDQ at one point.

Patrick Martin <mwdxer@webtv.net>: Some of the channels have been used. 1640 & 1680 are high power (60w) for the DFW airport. The 1620-Channelview TX TIS (10w) is a Chemical plant they use for Emergency services. There also is a 3.5 watt fire dept TIS (Texas) on 1630 khz. So along with the X Banders there is still a lot of use 1610-1700 khz.

Fred Vobbe: Pat, It's obvious what the 1640/1680 are for at DFW, but I wonder how many times the others have been used, and what their purpose is?

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Network listings for team sports stations

Here is one American Hockey League network via Kent Flourde.

Hartford Wolf Pack (AHL)

610 WSNB-CT

1240 WWCO-CT

1360 WDRC-CT *

1470 WMMW-CT



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Can't remember the last time I sent in a MUSE to Dave. Have been a BCB DXER since the early '60's and gone through a number of receivers. Favorites are the Hallicrafters 'hollow state'. In August 1998, I purchased a Drake SW8 and it does well with a good antenna. Last January, I ran a 950 foot longwire down the woods, over a stream and up the other hill as far as I could run it. Needless to say, my neighbor (about 200 feet of wire on his property) was somewhat curious about what I was up to and was much relieved to know the wire didn't carry any AC. Since installing it, the wire has shown very directional properties. Put it up mostly to improve reception from Europe but have had limited success, however Algiers and France are good on long wave (maybe I don't understand the properties of the SW8?). The domestic reception is a different story - like having a pipeline to New England! A few examples, I never logged WDER-1320 (WGET at 17 miles is nulled), graveyarders now actually have signals at night instead of a drone. Day locals include WLUX-540 even though, for some reason, WWCS from the west is still strong. Most stations to the W or NW are nulled. Cuba-890 is more prevalent than WLS, WKNR-1220 is almost impossible and CHTN-720 is a regular. I attribute the radio and antenna for most of the new logs on the band. #2500 came in the form as WHMP-1400! Total now is 2544. I don't count call letter changes as new stations, just frequency changes as that does make a difference in reception conditions. When the new stations in Montreal on 690 and 940 air, they won't be counted as new, because, no other circumstances concerning DXing them have changed. On the other hand, if I log the new 1100 station near Atlanta, from the old Carrollton, GA location, it would be counted as new. I was saddened to hear of the passing of Hank Holbrook. Visited him once in the late '60's and was impressed with his unique verie collection, if it had a transmitter (ie: airplanes, ships, whatever!), Hank DX'ed it! On Herring Bay, MD, he easily received FM stations from NY by nulling the local Baltimore/Washington stations. He was also just beginning his hobby on a 10 speed bicycle. In May '97, I won a mail in contest on WTAM, a trip to Cleveland to tour the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, all transportation and hotel accomidations included. Well, that trip went from one nightmare to another, and to make a long story short, the R&R visit was OK, but if it wasn't for the efforts of Tim Davisson of Akron, the whole weekend would have been a waste.. To make amends, the airline gave me another free ticket to Cleveland and spent a very enjoyable day last November with Tim and also visited GEORGE GREENE. George must have the most extensive collection of radio collectables in the world! My and Tim's wife still don't understand why I would spend a day to fly to Ohio just to talk radio and DX. Station verification answers are slow to nil, must not be interesting to broadcasters anymore. I collect coverage maps and would appreciate copies of any of the following: WWTL-700, WWBG-1030, WBGR-860, WCTN-950, WOBM-1160, WJFK-1300, WHGT-1380. I've commented to various editors in the club but if I missed anyone, THANKS FROM THIS DXER FOR YOUR TIME FOR THE NRC! BCB DX is a GREAT hobby and has been so for me for many years. Sorry I missed the WV convention, work sked again! (Thanks for your comments too Joe, appreciated here-DWS) (and here -pls).