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From the publisher ... For what it's worth, this issue marks the first one which was produced 100% electronically, laid out in Pagemaker 6.52, and printed on a Laserwriter IIg. Many thanks to Greg Coniglio for providing all the scans of the U.S./Canadian station logos; I scanned the others and anything else that needed to be converted electronically. And even with the necessary learning curve that goes along with new techniques, it still took me less time than with conventional cut-and-paste methods. Hope you like it!

Death ... NRC member John Hanz informed me of the death of his father on June 7 at the age of 79, following gall bladder surgery. Our prayers are with you and your family, John.

NRC Convention ... John Bowker is offering his phone number for convention questions, and he says he will return any call within 3 days (since he'll be on the road starting July 15th). It's 813-633-1427 leave a message on his answering machine.

FM Atlas ... The 17th edition is all sold out; not even publisher Bruce Elving has copies left, and it may be some time before the 18th edition is available, so hold off on ordering the *FM Atlas* from NRC Publications.

DXChange ... Randy Davis - 1905 Blackiston Mill Rd. - Clarksville, IN 47129, 812-945-0070 is offering a Superadio III for \$50. And Jeff Ross - P.O. Box 487 - Quakertown, NJ 08868 <<jefro@worldnet.att.net>> is offering a KIWA loop, like new, for \$295 plus UPS, as well as an HQ-180 in good condition, new electrolytic caps, realigned, for \$299 (local pickup only). Finally, Fred Vobbe - 706 MacKenzie DR - Lima OH 45805. <<gnbc@wcoil.com>> has for sale old reel to reel tape on 7" reels which may contain airchecks and/or jingles, and could be 7.5 or 15 IPS, regular/Dolby/DBX. Absolutely *No* choice of content or documentation provided. Some tapes may be warped or have stiction. \$1.00 per box, 12 for \$10.00. AS IS! Add shipping. No phone calls please.

Welcome to these new members ... Neil T. Kazaross, Barrington, IL (rejoins); John C. Clappett, Watertown, CT; Arthur E. Krugeluk, Wilmington, MA; Greg Hall KG5RJ, Dallas, TX; John A. Capaldi, Keysborough, Victoria, Australia; Jim Lawson, San Diego, CA; Rocky S. Lobello, Sandy, UT; Neil A. Joslun, Waukegan, IL (rejoins); Michael Rolph, Queensland, Australia; Barry E. Shinall, Cedar Bluff, VA (rejoins); Ken Englert, Los Angeles, CA; Bill Adlhoch, Northville, MI; Eric Conchie, Tweed, ON; Frank M. Ingram, Sr., Camden, NJ; Ed MacDonald KR0L, Kansas City, MO; Palmer T. McCormac W4OFS, Beaverdam, VA; Jim Paige,

Harrison Twp., MI (rejoins); Ross Smith, Fallston, MD (rejoins); John Lunse, Ridgewood, NY; James H. Weber, Lancaster, PA (rejoins); C. G. Tavares, O'Neals, CA (rejoins); Mark Alexander Humenyk, Weston, ON; Walter J. Semerau, Jr., Tonawanda, NY; Kenneth Gray Scrimgeour, Victoria, BC; George A. Santulli, Lovettsville, VA (rejoins); Richard C. Berg, Garfield, Heights, OH (rejoins); John Higbie, Cottonwood, AZ; Philip Marianaccio, Milford, CT; Dan Henderson, Laurel, MD; William B. Connor, Cumming, IA; Robert Forsman, Pascagoula, MS (rejoins); Joseph B. Martin, Los Angeles, CA (rejoins); William T. Olsen, Tallahassee, FL; William Cody, Swathmore, PA; and Karl E. Bohlmann, McKinleyville, CA.

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14.	Jan. 8	Jan. 18	29.	Aug. 6	Aug. 16
15.	Jan. 15	Jan. 25	30.	Sept. 10	Sept. 20

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the July 3, 1948 DXN: Murray S. Lamont, Dunedin, NZ reported the wholesale frequency changes of stations in New Zealand and Australia, effective Sept. 1, 1948, as well as call sign changes for 11 of the New Zealanders.

25 years ago ... from the July 11, 1973 DXN: Page Taylor reported no IDXD, as only one logging reported from Bill Bailey, of Gabon on 1554 May 19 ... Nancy Gantzer, Hoquiam, WA reported joining the staff of KGHQ, in the traffic department; she offered to handle reception reports and send out veries.

10 years ago ... from the July 18, 1988 DXN: 12 loggings found their way into Chuck Hutton's IDXD, including Dr. Richard Wood's logging of Ryukyu Island on 1125, 5/13 at 1500.

AM Switch

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	<i>Old call</i>		<i>New call</i>
750	WMXH	PA Olyphant	WAAT
760	*New	FL Palm City	WBDO
930	KGER	WA Yakima	KYAK
950	KSDX	TX Denison	KKLF
1150	CKFR	BC Kelowna	CKBL
1190	KXBT	CA Vallejo	KDYA
1250	WNVL	KY Nicholasville	WLSG
1340	WJMA	VA Orange	WVCV
1360	WMAC	GA Metter	WHCG
1380	KWBK	TX Beaumont	KRCM
1400	WMME	ME Augusta	WEZW*
1480	KWIZ	CA Santa Ana	KVNR
1480	KCAZ	KS Mission	KUPN
1480	WTDY	WI Madison	WTDA
1510	*New	IL Highland	WBDI
1530	WJDM	NJ Elizabeth	WBAH*
1530	KNEZ	TX Creedmore	KQQA
1560	WSHY	IL Shelbyville	WDID
1590	KXSP	CA Ventura	KXFS
1670	WAWY	WI Madison	WTDY
1690	*New	IL Johnson City	WHITE
1700	*New	TX Sherman	KTBK

* Call Notes: WBAH is the new call for WJDM 1530, not 1660 as listed last issue; the 1660 facility remains WJDM at press time. WEZW's change to WMME was set aside, and the station remains WEZW.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1450	VA	Bayside: 1000/1000 U1
1510	IL	Highland: 1000 D3 (former facility of WINU 880 kHz)
1640	UT	Sandy: 10000/1000 U1
1650	CO	Denver: 10000/1000 U1
1650	TX	El Paso: 8500/850 U1
1660	KS	Kansas City: 10000/1000 U1
1660	NC	Charlotte: 10000/1000 U1
1680	LA	Monroe: 10000/1000 U1
1680	MI	Ada: 10000/1000 U1

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

620	KZTY	NV Winchester: 330/220 u3
690	WADS	CT Ansonia: 3200 D3 (CP modification)
1040	WZNA	PR Moca: 5000/245 U3
1170	WKLN	FL St. Augustine Beach: 830 D1
1330	CKLD	PQ Thetford Mines: to 105.5 FM
1340	WTYS	FL Marianna: 540/540 U1
1350	KGHF	CO Pueblo: 5000/280 U1
1360	CJVL	PQ Ste-Marie-de-Beauce: to 101.3 FM
1380	CFDA	PQ Victoriaville: to 101.9 FM
1400	KTUC	AZ Tucson: 1000/757 U1
1410	WUZZ	NY Watertown: 3500/58 U1



"Just What The Doctor Ordered"

1440	CFCP	BC Courtenay: to 98.9 FM
1460	CKRB	PQ St-Georges-de-Beauce: to 103.3 FM
1520	KOLM	MN Rochester: 10000/800 U6 (requesting renewal of expired CP)

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

670	KBOI	ID Boise: changes in antenna system
800	CJAD	PQ Montreal: station has returned to this frequency following repairs of the ice damage from this winter, had been on 990 kHz
850	WEEU	PA Reading: 1000/940 U4
960	WJCM	FL Sebring: 1000/11 U1, to 1050 kHz
970	WFLA	FL Tampa: 25000/11000 U4, relocate transmitter
970	KNUU	NV Paradise: relocate transmitter
990	CKGM	PQ Montreal: has returned on 990 kHz now that CJAD, which had leased this facility, has returned to 800 kHz
1030	WNVR	IL Vernon Hills: add 3200 CH
1240	WLSC	SC Loris: relocate transmitter
1260	WWJQ	MI Zeeland: 10000/1000 U4 (replace expired CP)
1340	KIDS	MO Springfield: relocate transmitter
1450	KMCA	CA Burney: 260/250 U1, relocate transmitter, city of license to Shasta, CA
1510	WWJY	CT New London: 10000 D3
1570	WNSH	MA Beverly: relocate transmitter
1580	WNTF	FL Mount Dora: 2100 D1 (modification of CP for move to Bithlo, FL)
1580	WMTI	PR Morovis: 10000/2500 U5, change to separate transmitter sites for day and night antennas
1600	WCPK	VA Chesapeake: 4200/23 U1

OTHERNESS

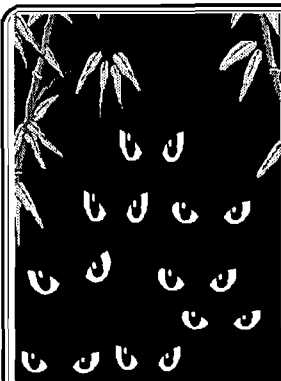
540	KDFT	TX Ferris: CP for U4 1000/250 U4 in DeSoto, TX has been CANCELLED, station remains here with 1000 D3 (FCC denied CP extension)
560	WLLZ	MI Monroe: CP for 500/14 U3 is on
570	CJEM	NB Edmundston: has moved to 92.7 FM
580	WTSB	NC Lumberton: silent station is ON THE AIR
580	WKAQ	PR San Juan: CP for 10000/10000 U3 is on
610	KDAL	MN Duluth: CP to relocate transmitter is on
640	WBOW	IN Terre Haute: license CANCELLED, call DELETED (FCC cancelled all licenses held by Michael Rice due to law that a convicted felon cannot be a licensee; it remains to be seen if these stations will actually go off or if new owners will come forth. See WZZQ-1230 below)
660	KZTU	OR Junction City: new station is ON THE AIR
750	WJNL	MI Petosky: CP for this unbuilt new station had expired; FCC granted a replacement CP
780	WPNP	FL Mulberry: this long standing unbuilt CP has been granted an extension so it is still viable
830	WXII	NC Kernersville: CP to move here from Eden, NC with 50000/10000 U4 is on
890	WKNV	VA Fairlawn: new station has been testing on the air
910	CKLY	ON Lindsay: station is SILENT, moving to FM
920	WPTX	MD Lexington Park: station is SILENT (see 1690)
980	CBV	PQ Quebec: has moved to 106.3 FM
1060	WKQG	GA Milledgeville: FCC first denied, then reinstated WKQG's license renewal
1080	WPOK	IL Pontiac: license CANCELLED, call DELETED
1080	WALD	SC Walterboro: silent station is ON THE AIR (they somehow avoided the FCC's policy of cancelling stations silent more than one year)
1090	KAJC	CA Fortuna: silent station is ON THE AIR
1090	WCRA	IL Effingham: station is SILENT
1090	WGLC	IL Mendota: license CANCELLED (call not deleted since it is in use on their FM station), license was surrendered to let "another station" expand its signal location from Carrollton, GA
1100	WWWE	GA Hapeville: station is SILENT to facilitate the move to this suburban Atlanta location from Carrollton, GA
1110	WCKO	VA Norfolk: station is SILENT
1150	WGGH	IL Marion: FCC first denied, then reinstated WGGH's license renewal
1170	WWLE	NY Cornwall-on-Hudson: station is SILENT pending a sale



1190	WOWO	IN	Fort Wayne: has requested another extension of the CP for 9800 watts nights, despite rumors they are still operating with 50000/50000 U2
1200	WOAI	TX	San Antonio: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1220	WABF	AL	Fairhope: license CANCELLED, call DELETED but a petition for reconsideration was granted and the call reinstated, presently operating under Special Temporary Authority (STA) with 1000 D3
1220	KBNO	CO	Denver: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1220	WKRS	IL	Waukegan: CP for 1000/99 U4 is on
1230	WZZQ	IN	Terre Haute: license CANCELLED, call DELETED (see WBOW-640 above)
1230	KWAS	MO	Joplin: silent station is ON THE AIR
1230	KWUN	UT	Murray: silent station is ON THE AIR
1240	WJMC	WI	Rice Lake: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1260	WNNI	VA	Christiansburg: station is SILENT (license has been donated to Virginia Tech Foundation)
1300	KGLO	IA	Mason City: CP for U4 from new site is on
1330	KTOD	AR	Conway: station is SILENT
1340	WNHC	CT	New Haven: station is SILENT pending transfer of license to Yale Broadcasting
1340	KTMP	UT	Heber City: silent station is ON THE AIR
1360	KZTS	WA	Tacoma: silent station is ON THE AIR
1370	KPCO	CA	Quincy: silent station is ON THE AIR
1390	KFRA	LA	Franklin: silent station is ON THE AIR
1450	KVSI	ID	Montpelier: license CANCELLED, call DELETED
1450	KQDI	MT	Great Falls: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1450	WGNC	NC	Gastonia: silent station is ON THE AIR (FCC first denied, then reinstated WGNC's license renewal)
1450	*App	VA	Suffolk: application for new station DENIED
1470	WLQR	OH	Toledo: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1490	KPKE	CO	Gunnison: new station is ON THE AIR
1560	WDID	IL	Shelbyville: station is SILENT (ex-WSHY, has been donated to New Life Evangelistic Center)
1570	WIZK	MS	Bay Springs: CP for 3200 D1 is on
1580	WCCF	FL	Punta Gorda: CP for 1250/110 U1 is on
1580	KFOC	IA	Davenport: station is SILENT
1590	WETT	MD	Ocean City: CP for 1000/230 U4 is on
1600	KTXC	TX	Cuero: license CANCELLED, call DELETED (station is being taken off to allow new KOKE Pflugerville, TX to upgrade its signal)
1640	WKSH	WI	Sussex: new station is ON THE AIR
1670	WTDY	WI	Madison: new station is ON THE AIR
1690	WMDM	MD	Lexington Park: new station is ON THE AIR (operations appear to have moved from WPTX-920 to this new facility)

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From NRC's DX Audio Service ... 'After Dark 8'

Now available, it includes "Airchecking As A Hobby" by Fred Vobbe; an interview with famed guitarist and pirate Les Paul by DXAS member Mark Durenberger; "The Internet for the Non-nethead" by Fred Vobbe; practical use of the Radio Shack 12-604; and much more. Two C-90 tapes in a cassette case, only \$5.00 postpaid to members in the United States. Other areas, please write for pricing. Order from NRC Publications - Box 164 - Mannsville, NY 13661. NY orders, please add sales tax.



Domestic DX Digest

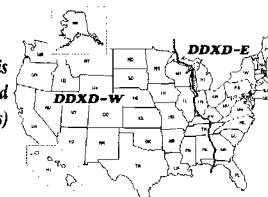
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MEDIUM WAVE rAMblings

- o A HUGE THANK YOU to **Park Barton**, Esq of Tuscaloosa, Alabama and **Gerry Bishop** of Niceville, Florida for their generous CPC donations!! We are working on a couple of lists already!
- o Seems as if I was bamboozled by a report last month for the new 1690 in Arvada, Colorado which mis-identified the station as being in Aurora. Without checking, I just "corrected" subsequent reports to indicate the wrong location. Since the X-Banders aren't in the Logbook, and I failed to check the FCC database, I have the proverbial egg on my face. My apologies to GJ-CA, SA-MB (x2), PG-CO (x2) who brought my attention to the error . . . and whomever else.
- o **Kent Winrich** sends word that "In a storm last week (6/5), three of WOKY's five towers were blown down. WOKY-920 is in Milwaukee, WI, 5 kW day, 4 towers; 1 kW night, 3 towers. A picture of two of the fallen towers can be seen at my web site at <http://www.execpc.com/~kwin/radio.html>". And a follow-up on 7/8 says: "WOKY still has towers down and are broadcasting with limited power NON-directional. I received them in Ironwood, MI 350 miles to the north for the first time." On 7/1, this was gleaned off the WWW: "(IOWA CITY, IOWA) By Nick Schaub A violent thunderstorm blew through the area Monday afternoon causing city wide power outages and extensive damage to homes, businesses and the 3 tower, directional array of WSUI, the AM portion and NPR affiliate of a combo at the University of Iowa. 90 mph winds raised 2 of the 3 towers forcing the station off of the air indefinitely. There is speculation that the remaining tower can operate omnidirectional to restore some form of limited operation to the 5 kW station. In other news, the FM portion of the combo, side-mounted on a tower with Iowa Public Television station KIIN, continues to operate at full power. The University's student-FM, KRUI, is also silent due to a rain soaked transmission line as a result of a separate weather front that swept through the area late Saturday night, bringing the University total down to 1 from 3 full time broadcast radio services."
- o Tip-toeing up to the mike, wearing only bunny slippers and a smile, **Shawn** says: "I got up after a terrible nightmare and could not fall back to sleep. Good thing. I checked the radio as two new ones popped up when NSP local CKY went off air or was testing equipment. Managed to hear station #2100 which I had set as a goal to hear before the year 2000. The idea of hearing 2100 before the 21st century looked like a good goal. Figured it would be an X-bander the way things were going, but this is even better." **Tim** laments: "LOUSY conditions at the noise-filled hotel in Indian Wells. New station on 1610 in Palm Desert ruined my hopes of TIS DX. Tried again for Mt. Palomar station (530 or 1610) from CA-79/CA-371 junction 5 miles N of the mountain. No luck again, but this area is drowning in electrical noise. Had an UNID on 1610 poor-fair on the car radio for a while W/SW of Hemet on CA-79. Couldn't hang on to it to get the ID." **Pat Griffith** writes: "I talked with the U of C people at KUCB (ex KBCO, ex KHOW2) in Boulder, CO today (7/8). They have hired a new GM. Their estimated return to air date has now been pushed back from 08/15/98 to sometime in 10/98 as they continue to work out the technical aspects of converting their carrier current AM/cable FM station to an actual on the air station. You may recall that the 1190 frequency and transmitter/antenna were donated to the U of C by Jacor earlier this year."
- o Here's July's E-Mail tip o' the Month: Include a set block of text at the end of every message. Especially if you e-mail your reports as an attachment. This is a good place to put all the pertinent info, such as your name, city, equipment, e-mail address, etc. Makes it easier if I save only the attachment! You'd be surprised at the lack of data included with some attachments. Then, maybe, you wouldn't. My latest find on the WWW lets you look at a myriad (lots!) of AM-FM-TV data. Go to <http://www5.jagunet.com/~kodis/station.html> and enjoy!! And don't forget Neil Adams' web page, where his Medium Wave Viewer program is available. For that it's: www.concentric.net/~nsadams. Hope I got it right this time, hi! Next deadline: 8/6/98.

REPORTERS

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 TRH-BC2 Esquimalt ICF-2010, KIWA Pocket Loop
 TRH-BC3 Vancouver ICF-2010, KIWA Pocket Loop
 TRH-BC4 Manning Park Resort ICF-2010, KIWA Pocket Loop
 TRH-CA1 Tim Hall DXing between Chula Vista and Palm Springs Delco car radio, and at Indian Wells ICF2010, KIWA Loop
 TRH-WA1 On the road, Delco car radio ICF-2010, KIWA Pocket Loop
 TRH-WA2 Port Angeles ICF-2010, KIWA Pocket Loop
 TRH-WA3 Omak ICF-2010, KIWA Pick Pocket
 TRH-WA4 Ellensburg ICF-2010, KIWA Pocket lint
 TRH-WA5 Kelso ICF-2010, KIWA Pocket change
 TRH-WA6 Kent ICF-2010, KIWA Pocket watch
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SPECIAL

750 WYPA? IL Chicago? - 6/17 0801 - With quick, legal ID, then into ABC News without network intros, then back to taped P.A.R. stuff. Sign-offs at 2030. Seems to be out of the Portage, Indiana facility. This started 6/8, and have no explanation for it. (KO-IL)
 820 WYPA? IL Chicago? 7/17 0800 - Playing Radio Unica programming since 6/8. IDs as WYPA Chicago at :00 and still signs off at 2045, shortly after a few quick WYPA IDs. Strange . . . nothing in Chicago papers about this dual ID matter. (KO-IL) [Well, as of 7/9, the good ol' FCC database shows WYPA on 820 only. 750 remains to be listed as WNDZ. The FCC has applications selling both 750 and 820 to R. Unica, as well as a slew of other stations around the country. The Mark Roberts Windy City web site <<http://www.tezcat.com/~markrobt/chgo/own.html>> says WYPA-820 has already been sold to Radio Unica, and WYPA's format moved to 750 on June 9th. A later post on the web has this follow-up: "The 820-1300 simulcast mystery is solved with a report in today's (July 8) Sun-Times that Lotus is selling WTAQ to Disney, which will run the Radio Disney children's network on the station. The story comes amid recurring reports that Disney is also trying to buy Chancellor's WMVP ("AM 1000") for use as a sports-talk outlet. While the Sun-Times article did not directly mention the 820-1300 simulcast, it did note that there were hopes of shifting many of La Mexicana's personnel over to the 820 frequency being acquired from Personal Achievement Radio. WYPA and WTAQ ("La Mexicana") began simulcasting yesterday (July 7), according to my observations. WYPA at 820 had been airing the Radio Unica network only since June 9, when WYPA's Personal Achievement Radio programming had shifted to WNDZ at 750. WNDZ is to acquire the WYPA calls. WNDZ had been a brokered-time station. La Mexicana would be giving up a full-time stereo frequency for a daytime-only mono frequency (with nighttime possibilities if a longstanding CP is ever rebuilt). According to the newspaper, the sale also includes WTAU in Zion at 1500, which presently simulcasts WTAQ. Earlier this year, reports to me from northern suburban listeners indicated that WTAU was quite under modulated and hard to hear. However, the WTAQ signal appears to have better audio than the WYPA

signal." I guess that about covers it, hi- Ed.]
 950 KOEL IA Oelwein - Has dropped the talk format. Now EZL/Middle-of-the-Road music. (RD-IA)
 KKLF TX Denison-Sherman - Changed calls to this silent station, ex: KDSX. When it returns, will be // KLIF-570 Dallas with sports and talk format. (INet)
 970 KNFX MN Rochester - Is now mostly all-sports, carrying the One-on-One Sports Network 21 hours out of the day. Rush Limbaugh takes up the three remaining hours, 1200-1500. KNFX is also // KWEB-1270 from 1500-1800 and after 1930. This is the Monday-Friday schedule, per phone conversation with KWEB's program director, Brad Oistad. (RD-IA)
 1190 KDIA CA Vallejo - 6/5 2000 - Noted with new Black Gospel format, IDs on the hour as The Light, 1190 KDIA Vallejo-San Francisco-Oakland. Local for me. (RT-CA)
 1279.9 WGTX FL Defuniak Springs - 7/4 1600-continues off-frequency, and still doesn't care. No news on when 890 and CoL. to Freeport are effective (GB-FL)
 1380 KWBK TX Beaumont - Changed calls to this. Ex: KRCM. (INet)
 1400 WGIL IL Galesburg - Is now on the Mutual Network. (RD-IA)
 1480 WTDA WI Madison - 6/19 0005 - Fair-to-good signal, with WTDY IDs, except on the hour when the ID was News Talk 14-80 WTDA Madison. New calls, ex: WTDY. NEW. (SA-MB)
 1510 WLRB IL Macomb - Per monitoring over several nights in early June, station is now signing off at 2000 ELT. (RD-IA)
 KCTE MO Independence - "All-sports KCTE, 1510, has been sold by Gary Acker to a group headed by banker Jerry Green (who tried to buy the Royals last summer), and sportscasters Kevin Kietzman, Duke Frye, and some others. They will buy new equipment, and are confident they can get a 24 hour license." (Kansas City Star on the WWW)
 1640 KDIA CA Vallejo - 6/17 0600 - Now using these calls. KKJY-OR in very weak and poor here. Barely audible. Understand it is very poor in Portland, also??? (GJ-CA)
 WKSH WI Sussex (Near Milwaukee) - 7/7 - Is now on full-time. Their 1370 is now OFF. They have limited broadcast times: Monday - Saturday 6AM - 10PM; Sunday 6AM - 8:30 PM. All times Central. I wish all of my locals would do this!!! Also, they ID ONLY at the top of the hour, and have USA Network news at :55. (KW-WI)
 1640 WKSH WI Sussex - 7/6 2255 and again 7/8 2245 - First night; poor signals, but on 7/8 signals were good and clear with soft easy religious music. Full sign-off info at 2258 and then gone. NEW! (SA-MB)
 1650 KKTR CA Costa Mesa - 6/7 0200 - Now with all-traffic format. Call ID on the hour, otherwise uses K-Traffic slogans. Good signal in KDIA-1640 slop. (RT-CA)
 1660 KSOX UT Brigham City - 7/6 0300 - Very weak, with music and talk. Not sure if testing or on RS. (GJ-CA)
 1670 WTDY WI Madison - 6/29 - Now on the air using these calls // 1480 with talk format. (JJR-WI)
 1670 WTDY WI Madison - 6/29 2250 - Good signal, with Michael Reagan talk program. IDs as Talk Radio AM 16-70 WTDY and dual ID on the hour as AM 16-70 WTDY and AM 14-80 WTDA. NEW. (SA-MB)
 1690 KAYK CO Arvada - 6/5 2000 - Radio Disney, with lots of soft rock and music from Disney movies. Solid signal! (FA-ID)

UNIDs and UNID HELP

580 UNID ?? - 6/9 0300 - ID as this is K???, Marshall Belgrade? Into news about United States events. (SA-MB) [How about KANA-MT? There's a Belgrade in Montana. But also in Maine, Minnesota, Missouri and Nebraska. But only Montana with a 580. On the other hand, there are Marshalls in Alaska, Arkansas, California, Delaware, Georgia, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Texas, Virginia and Wisconsin. 580s in Alaska (wouldn't that be nice?), California, Georgia, Michigan, Texas and Wisconsin. As far as a guy somewhere named Marshall Belgrade . . . you figure, hi - Ed.]
 UNID ?? - 6/9 0240 - Art Bell program. (SA-MB)
 UNID ?? - 6/9 0415 - Sports talk program. Most likely WKTY. (SA-MB)
 970 UNID ?? - 6/21 0605 - Poor signal, with country music. Not sure on the call KB—.

**KC & W
AM 1580**

Has Billings changed calls as they are the one usually here under WDAY. (SA-MB) [See AM Switch in Issue 26 for CL change on (probably) this one - Ed.]

- 980 UNID ?? - 7/6 0130 - Simulcasting with "Classic Rock ... 99.7 FM, The Hog." (AK-WA)
- 1220 UNID ?? - 6/11 0000 - Promo for *Focus on the Family*, ID sounded like *Christian Radio*, KKDO. New calls for Salem, OR? (TRH-WA2)
- 1400 UNID ?? - 6/11 0911 - Promo for *fun run-walk sponsored by Kalispell ???*, phone number 764-2994. (TRH-WA2)
- 1490 UNID ?? - 6/11 1023 - Dual ID that sounded like KFCA-KGHX. (TRH-WA2)

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 580 CKY MB Winnipeg - 6/9 0230 - Off the air and/or testing their equipment until about 0500. (SA-MB)

TIS & OTHER STUFF (or grab a Snickers)

- 530 WPJU572 CA Novato - 7/5 2000 - TIS/HAR with weak I. Mixing with Sacramento TIS/HAR and Altamount Pass. (GJ-CA)
- KNCN250 CA San Bernardino - 6/1 1300 - Fair at I-15/CA-79 S. junction and many miles E and N of this location, with road conditions for Running Springs-Big Bear area. (TRH-CA1)
- KPD384 OR Astoria - 6/17 1326 - TIS noted along WA-4 with long tape loop about area attractions (Columbia River Maritime Museum, Fort Stevens, Lewis and Clark Trail, etc.). City of Astoria, Chamber of Commerce. Gets out well. (TRH-WA1)
- UNID WA Auburn? - 6/17 1900 - UNID HAR Mentioned Washington DoT, and Auburn. First noted mixing with Tacoma Dome station around Exit 116. Was not KNEZ390 or WPKW677. Never able to get ID through other stations. (TRH-WA1)
- (WNGE212) WA Castle Rock - 6/16 1830 - Cowlitz County station was not on the air while we were in the area. No signs noted. No station noted at the first Mount Saint Helens visitor center 5 miles East of I-5, and no signs for a station there. (TRH-WA1)
- WPKW677 WA Federal Way - 6/10 1515 - Fair-to-good on car radio from Seattle (Sea-Tac) airport across ferry to Hwy 3 & 16. "Test" message with full ID. Not noted when we returned to Seattle a week later. (TRH-WA1)
- WNVQ844 WA Moses Lake - 6/15 1730 - Fair at Dry Falls viewpoint with "Travel Talk Radio" and full ID. Tape loop consists of two men saying things like *Wow, there's even more to do in Moses Lake than we knew about!*. Gets out pretty well. (TRH-WA1)
- KAC203 WA Okanagan - 6/14 1700 - New station operated jointly by Okanagan National Forest (1240 S. 2nd Ave., Okanagan WA 98840 509-826-3275), Okanagan County Tourism Council, and City of Okanagan. Mentions Methow Valley visitor center in Winthrop and Omak Visitor Information Center (401 Omak Ave., Omak, WA 98841, 509-826-1880). Gets out well, noted on car radio as far away as Tonasket and Bridgeport. (TRH-WA1)
- (WBPX206) WA Olympia-Lacey - 6/17 - Station not on the air as we drove through Olympia and Lacey. (TRH-WA1)
- WNVA814 WA Pateros? - 6/15 1135 - New HAR station from Washington DoT giving road conditions for Washington Pass. Mixing w/KAC203 along US 97. Gets out very well. (TRH-WA1)
- KOD773 WA Port Angeles - 6/10 1957 - Audible along US 101 as far east as Gardiner, WA. Gets out very well with info for Hurricane Ridge visitor center near Port Angeles. Delete listing for this station on 1610. All signs refer only to 530. (TRH-WA1) Poor from Vancouver 6/13 0130. (TRH-BC3)
- WNYD255 WA Ritzville - 6/15 1354 - Fair, at Crown Point Vista (Coulee Dam) with tape loop promoting Ritzville businesses. Gets out very well, noted mixing with Moses Lake station along I-90. (TRH-WA1)
- KNEZ390 WA Seattle - 6/17 1925 - Noted at least two and possibly three HAR stations with same call letters and nearly identical messages. One station gave ID as "KNEZ390, Spokane St." another "KNEZ390, NE 45th St." and a possible 3rd



- station was always trampled by the other two. (TRH-WA6)
- WNAN648 WA Tacoma-Fife - 6/17 1848 - Information for Tacoma Dome parking, mentioned phone 572-DOME. This station now gives information for Northbound and Southbound motorists. The 1610 station is off the air, presumably due to sloop from KRIZ-1620. Mixing with UNID HAR which was not KNEZ390 or WPKW677. (TRH-WA1)
- (KNCL518) WA Tukwila - 6/10 1610 - Station was not on as we drove through Tukwila. (TRH-WA1)
- UNID WA Unknown location (suspect Walla Walla or Tri-Cities area) - 6/15 1930 - Poor-to-fair at I-90 rest area near Winchester Reservoir. Looping S with NOAA weather for S, E Washington from NOAA station at Pendleton, OR. (TRH-WA1) Noted again 6/15 2225 from Ellensburg (TRH-WA4). Not noted from Yakima area, so station is not located there.
- (WNRI857) WA Vashon - 6/10 1530 - Station was not on the air as we rode the ferry from Seattle to Vashon Island. Noted no signs for it. (TRH-WA1)
- UNID BC Mission - 6/13 1550 - Distorted, but loud along highway 1, with coverage of races at Mission Raceway. Audible on car radio from Abbotsford to far east end of Chilliwack. Did not note the Lynden, WA station in this area, possibly because the Mission station was simply drowning it out. (TRH-BC1)
- 620 WPFK505 CA Corona - 6/1 1305 - Fair-to-good at I-15/CA-79 S. junction and across a large area of I-15, I-10, CA-79. Road conditions for I-15/CA-91 junction, specific IDs as WPFK505 Corona. Other stations (Beaumont, Murrieta, San Bernardino) are not on the air. KTAR puts a very good midday signal into this area. (TRH-CA1)
- 790 TIS? CA Richmond - 5/25 - 5/27 - While driving thru Richmond on a couple of occasions last week, I've encountered this strange radio station. Is it a TIS, or a Public Radio station? It carries the soundtrack to PBS-TV programs like *California's Gold* and *Computer Chronicles*, plays music, PSAs, and even Richmond city council meetings. But it never IDed when I listened. The audio is somewhat distorted. Is this even legal? Or is the FCC shying away from it considering it's just down the road from Radio Free Berkeley (FM), which stays on the air thanks to a favorable court ruling. (RT-CA)
- 1260 CBPZ BC Swartz Bay-Sidney - 6/12 1430 - Poor, with weather information. Only noted within a few miles of the ferry terminal. (TRH-BC1)
- 1330 WGGU994? CA Corte Madera - 5/27 1230 - Noted while driving northbound through Richmond on I-80, "Town of Corte Madera's Emergency Broadcast and Traffic Information Station". Lots of local announcements by female. Good signal till Vallejo when KLBS took over. (RT-CA)
- 1490 (CBPL) BC Allison Pass - 6/13 1740 - Allison Pass HAR was not on the air as we drove through. No signs noted, but there were many signs that were covered up. (TRH-BC1)
- 1610 WNKI578 CA Idyllwild - 6/1 1355 - Poor at CA-371/CA-74 junction, with local programming and *Winky* slogan. Not getting out nearly as well as last year. (TRH-CA1)
- WPIW469 CA Palm Desert - 6/1 1425 - New station is on the air. Good signal along CA-74 and throughout the Palm Springs area with 10-minute tape loop read by woman. Tape included call ID and slogan the *new AM 16-10. Tune to AM 1610* signs noted along CA-111 in Palm Desert. Transmitter at City Hall on Fred Waring Drive. Gets out very well, ruined the channel for me on this trip. (TRH-CA1)
- TIS OR Unknown location(s) - 6/11 0417 - Forest talk radio from Oregon State University. Suspect Elsie station as tape loop mentioned Downtown Portland." (TRH-WA2) Same or different station noted 6/12 0320 - *If you'd like to know more about trees...* (TRH-BC2) Same or different station noted 6/14 0144 - *This is Forest Talk. Forest Talk is produced by the Oregon State University Extension Service.* (TRH-BC4)
- KHA781 WA Blaine - 6/12 0807 - Peace Arch TIS with border crossing info. (TRH-BC2)
- 1610 UNID WA Bridgeport - 6/12 0223 - US Army Corps of Engineers Chief Joseph Dam TIS fair w/information about the dam, Rufus Woods Lake, city of Bridgeport, and Colville Confederated Tribes. Gets out very well. Tape loop does not include call letter IDs. (TRH-BC2) Noted from Vancouver 6/13 at 0139





- mixing with George, Washington station. (TRH-BC3) Delete listing for a station at Bridgeport State Park. This park is adjacent to the Chief Joseph Dam and is simply mentioned in the Chief Joseph station's tape loop.
- (KNEF687) WA Ellensburg - 6/16 & 6/17 - Station was not on while we were in the Ellensburg area. (TRH-WA1)
- WPKY673 WA George - 6/13 0125 - Noted with long tape loop including skits and jokes about farming. This station and the Chief Joseph Dam station really get out; both noted almost every night on our trip as well as large midday coverage. (TRH-BC3). 6/15 1825 - Good midday, as far away as Lake Lenore Caves State Park. Transmitter is at I-90 visitor information center at exit 149, on a high plateau near the Columbia River gorge. Banner tied to bales of hay along I-90 Westbound at exit 154: *Farm Fun 1610 AM*. Includes familiar musical clips and Paul Harvey saying *Ag-Farm-ation!*. Slogan *the Ag-Farm-ation Station*. (TRH-WA1)
- UNID WA Hoodspport area - 6/10 1657 - Noted a talking house station as we drove along US 101 through Hoodspport. Not sure of exact location. (TRH-WA1)
- (KOD771) WA Lake Crescent - This station appears to be off, but we never got close enough to Lake Crescent to be 100% sure. Port Angeles TIS covers a large area, and this one was not noted from Port Angeles, Hurricane Ridge, the ferry, or from Victoria-Esquimalt from 6/10 through 6/12. (TRH-WA1)
- (HAR) WA Lakewood - 6/17 1900 - Noted signs *Tune to 1610 when flashing* at I-5/WA-512 junction, but station was not on at the time. (TRH-WA1)
- (KOD762) WA Longmire-Tahoma Woods - 6/16 1637 - No trace of this station, and no signs posted for it in the Longmire or Tahoma Woods areas. (TRH-WA1)
- KHA519 WA Naches - 6/16 1034 - Fair along WA-821 with HAR info from Naches Ranger station. Message about WA-410 closure Mondays through Thursdays. (TRH-WA1)
- KOD769 WA Nisqually - 6/16 1645 - Tape loop with two male announcers, one of whom was Bill Bradle, Mt. Rainier Park Superintendent. Station is located at the Nisqually entrance, and does use these licensed calls, not KOD762 as someone had reported previously. (TRH-WA1)
- KOD717 WA Paradise - 6/16 1439 - Information about Mt. Rainier Paradise visitor center (which was covered in snow when we got there). Gets out very poorly. Tape loop includes call ID. (TRH-WA1)
- WNVQ843 WA Port Angeles - 6/10 2012 - Port Angeles City TIS noted as far away as Sequim with general visitor info. Gets out well. Mentions to tune to KOD773-530, KIKN-1290, and KONP-1450 for additional visitor info. Delete listing for this station on 530. (TRH-WA1)
- WPHF897 WA South Bend - 6/17 1703 - *Heritage Highway TIS* with information about Grays Harbor, Washington Coastal Corridor. There appears to be one station in South Bend; it didn't seem like there was another station in Raymond as someone had once suggested. (TRH-WA1)
- WPHF897 WA Tumwater - 6/17 1830 - TIS apparently put here to draw tourists into Grays Harbor region from I-5. Information about how to get to various coastal sites from the Olympia area. Same calls as South Bend station but different tape loop. (TRH-WA1)
- (KNHE983) WA Yakima - 6/16 1100 - No station noted here while driving through Yakima. (TRH-WA1)
- UNID ?? - 6/16 0145 - Possible mention of Crater Lake, tape loop included the phrase "On the South side of the lake is a marked trail . . ." (TRH-WA4)
- 1620 WPGG527 CA Lakewood - 6/2 0022 - Poor-to-fair on ICF2010/KIWA Loop at Hotel in Indian Wells. IDs mixing with one of the CalTrans stations in Orange County which was giving Anaheim traffic info. (TRH-CA1)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 530 CKHL AB High Level - 6/16 0200 - Promo for boxing at *CrystalCenter(?)*, country music format. (TRH-WA4)
- 580 WTCM MI Traverse City - 6/9 0402 - Faded up with ABC news. NEW!! (SA-MB)
- CKPR ON Thunder Bay - 6/9 0305 - Clear CKPR IDs, and a mix of oldies and AC music. Signal fading in and out from poor-to-good. My closest unheard, at last. NEW!! Station #2100!! (SA-MB)

- CKAP ON Kapuskasing - 6/9 0423 - Country music and ID as *Corral Country CKAP*. (SA-MB)
- 780 KOAL UT Price - 7/1 0335 - Noted under KXL, with mention of downtown Price. Spots promoting vacationing and real estate in Price. KXL nulled much easier than normal. (DP-OR)
- 1010 KNWZ CA Thousand Palms - 6/29 0400 - Tuned to frequency as ID was happening and barely caught the Cls, then a definite mention of Thousand Palms/Palm Springs, then . . . *the Desert's New Radio Station* into NBC news. Ex: KPLS. (DP-OR)
- 1020 KWIQ WA Moses Lake North - 7/1 0120 - Fair, mixing with KCKN, with several IDs and weather for Moses Lake, Ephrata and Soap Lake. Didn't note program type. (DP-OR)
- 1230 KORT ID Grangeville - 6/14 0422 - Fair with local ads, ID. (TRH-BC4)
- KMUZ OR Gresham - 6/14 0400 - Fair with *La Zeta*, spanish music, local ads and ID. Gets out very well. (TRH-BC4)
- 1240 KEJO OR Corvallis - 6/12 0200 - *The Music of Your Life, KEJO, Corvallis*. (TRH-BC2)
- 1340 CIBQ AB Brooks - 6/15 0600 - ID *Hits for 30 years(?)*, 13-40 CIBQ. (TRH-WA3)
- 1400 KLCK WA Goldendale - 6/11 0400 - Fair, with "The Station for Great Music, AM 1400 KLCK." (TRH-WA2) also 6/15 0058 - BBD music and ID. (TRH-WA3)
- 1450 KKXO OR Eugene - 6/14 0153 - Tentative, with NOS on *Memories 14-50* and local weather. (TRH-BC4)
- 1490 KDBM MT Dillon - 6/14 0228 - Fair-to-good, with *Dillon's AM 14-90*, KDBM into country music. (TRH-BC4)
- KBKR OR Baker City - 6/11 0405 - IDs, *AM 14-50 and AM 14-90* slogan. (TRH-WA2)
- KRRN OR Roseburg - 6/14 0404 - CBS News, network ads, local ad for *Hargraves Power Company(?)*, local weather and ID. (TRH-BC4)
- KENE WA Toppenish - 6/11 0100 - Local ads, mixing with KLOG. (TRH-WA2)

0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

- 1340 KWWX WA Wenatchee - 6/14 0840 - Fair, with "La Super Zeta" and spanish programming. (TRH-BC4)
- 1400 CKGR BC Golden - 6/16 0847 - *Network Radio* slogan, contest gave phone number 344-7177. (TRH-WA4)
- 1400 CIOR BC Princeton - 6/11 0940 - ID, weather, slogan *AM 1400 Princeton*. (TRH-WA2)
- 1450 CBKS BC Cache Creek - 6/16 0833 - Poor with CBC News, weather for BC, //CBU-690. (TRH-WA4)
- 1490 KBRO WA Bremerton - 6/14 1126 - Fair, with local ads. Mixing with KEYG. Vulgar format. (TRH-BC4)

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

- 1450 KBPS OR Portland - 6/16 2300 - Alternating between long sets of rock and jazz music. Rarely gave legal ID on the hour. Very clumsy operation overall, seemed to be run by high school or junior college students. (TRH-WA5)



KDYN

FM 97 - AM 1540

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

* indicates record held by DXer from North America

1230 kHz:	Miles				
KRDR	OR	Gresham	Tim Hall	Manning Park Resort, BC	*296
CHVD	PQ	Dolbeau	Russ Edmunds	Jonesport, ME	*371
1240 kHz:					
CJMD	PQ	Chibougamau	Denis Picard	Trois-Rivières-Ouest, PQ	261
1340 kHz:					
WTRC	IN	Elkhart	Denis Picard	Trois-Rivières-Ouest, PQ	737
KVSN	WA	Tumwater	Tim Hall	Kelso, WA	59
1400 kHz:					
KLCK	WA	Goldendale	Tim Hall	Port Angeles, WA	*200

1450 kHz:		BC	Cache Creek	Tim Hall	Ellensburg, WA	267
CBKS						
1490 kHz:		OR	Roseburg	Tim Hall	Manning Park Resort, BC	*460
KRNR						
KBRO		WA	Bremerton	Tim Hall	Manning Park Resort	*167
KENE			Toppenish	Tim Hall	Port Angeles, WA	*189
Totals:						
Tim Hall	Chula Vista, CA		19	14	20	19
Denis Picard	Trois-Rivières-Ouest, PQ		7	11	6	6
J.W. Bay, Jr.	Drexel Hill, PA		35	0	0	0

DDXD-East

Upcoming deadlines for DDXD-East are monthly on Tuesdays: August 4, September 8. Please watch this space for a new mailing address for the September and following columns.

Welcome to *Arthur Krugalik*, who is a long-time ham radio operator (N1BNG) now getting into SWBC and MW DX'ing as well. Hope to hear lots of good reports from you, Art!

Mike Brooker wonders why no one seems to be running World Cup soccer coverage in EE; not even Toronto's "The Fan"-590, which seems to be carrying any sporting matches it can since losing the Maple Leafs and Blue Jays. Mike also notes that his 20-year-old RF-2200 was able to tune up to 1670 kHz, even though the specs only have it going to 1620. Brings back lots of memories for me, DX'ing in college with my RF-2200 in the early 80's ...

Chuck Rippel's Web site (<http://users.exis.net/~crippel/>) has an audio clip of the 7/8 sign-off announcement from WKSH-1640. "Go to the Listening Section, DX Audio files. WKSH is the last one at the bottom." At least it was the last one at *DX News* press time ... by the time you read this, more X-band stations may be on the air ...

Speaking of which, the X-band was really alive tonight (7/10) as I finish up this month's column ... six stations with strong signals (WKSH, WBAH, WNML, WTDY, WMBM, and WCMQ) plus best-ever, armchair signals from the 1630 and 1640 PA HAR's. Is there DX below 1610 kHz?

STATION NEWS

700	CHSJ	NB	St. John	- E-mail from Technical Director Ian Cameron, who ran the DX test, says the mailing address for this station (now moved to FM) is still the same: P.O. Box 2000, Saint John NB E2L 3T4. (JDS-AL)
770	WTOR	NY	Youngstown	- Now with dual "Youngstown-Toronto" ID's, but not doing any advertising in Toronto. So how would anyone but a DX'er know they're on the air? Format is still predominantly polkas. (MB-ON)
920	WOKY	WI	Milwaukee	- Phil Klingler, C.E., says by e-mail station is running reduced power, non-directional after damage from summer storm. (JDS-AL)
1150	WNFT	MA	Boston	- Now "The Touch" urban AC/oldies, no longer // WAAF 107.3 FM. (BC-NH)
				+ New format is light R&B, jazz, slogan "The Touch." (MD-MA)
1280	WSQV	PA	Berwick	- 6/3 1900 - Back on the air, // WISL 95.3, many "Oldies 95.3" ID's. AM station is fuzzy as usual. ID on clearer FM heard 6/4 1300 as "WISL Shamokin, WSQV Berwick." (SK-PA)
1400	WSTC	CT	Stamford	- New address: 444 Westport Ave., Norwalk CT 06851-4423. (SK-PA)
1450	WWNT	AL	Dothan	- Sent report to address suggested in recent <i>DX News</i> (1765 Columbus Highway) which came back undeliverable. (DT-JAM)
1470	WTKO	NY	Ithaca	- New address: 1751 Hansow Road, 14850. (SK-PA)
1590	WSMN	NH	Nashua	- Now NSP, TLK/SPT with BNN talk and Bloomberg news, local talk during morning drive, and Nashua Pride baseball. (BC-NH)
1640	WKSH	WI	Sussex	- 7/6 1945-2110+ - Poor; low-key religious programming, USA Radio News at 1955, 2055, ID as "WKSH Sussex-Milwaukee, AM 16-40 ... we're not a new station," man announced the approval to switch from 1370 to 1640 came today, 7/6. Much better after 2030, SIO 453+ at 2216. (HF-MI)
				+ 7/6 2230-2300 - With good signal with religious songs and man and woman speakers until s/off at 2300. Gave call, location, and said they would return to air at 0600. Over nearby TIS stations. (BD-PA)
				+ 7/8 2158 - USA Radio Network news, legal ID, power and hours announced (BS-PA)



				+ 7/8 2200 - USA Network news and into local weather. Back-to-back religious music followed until 2258 sign-off announcements, including ID and mailing address. (CR-VA)
				+ 7/10 2300 - Religious music, sign-off announcements, said would return at 0700 (0600 local time). Mixing with PA NOAA weather station. (DY-NY)
1660	WBAH	NJ	Elizabeth	- 6/9 0101 - Many ID's as "Radio Unica" but no call ID heard. US baseball scores, World Cup commentary, male and female in SS with chit-chat. (HF-MI)
				+ 7/8 1600 - With EE ID on the hour, "You're listening to AM 1660, WBAH, Elizabeth-New York," and SS talk the rest of the time, R. Unica network with catchy "únicamente Unica" jingles, frequent Unica ID's, happy talk and lots of World Cup coverage. (DY-NY)
1670	WTDY	WI	Madison	- 6/30 2050-2125+ - Bruce Williams Talk Net, ABC news, ID's "AM 16-70 WTDY, Madison ... today's talk," "Madison's hottest talk on AM 16-70 WTDY," and "Your favorite talk, loud and clear, AM 16-70 WTDY." Promo for John Anderson WTDY Cellular One News Cruiser promo, ads for Bernard's, Rindell's in the High Point Center, Holy Mackeral restaurant, Endicott Financial, "Our Town Wonona" spot 2129. Mainly on top but occasionally challenged by WNML which suddenly took over after 2130. (HF-MI)
				+ 7/1 0158 - Fair-poor with talk, PSA for Americans with Disabilities Act, ID 0200 as "AM 1670 WTDY Madison, Today's Talk," into ABC news. (MB-ON)
				+ 7/6 2058 - Legal ID, Cellular One ad, mixing with WNML-GA. (BS-PA)
				+ 7/10 2306 - ABC news, Channel 3 weather, many WTDY-1670 ID's, mention also of 1470, "Today's Talk," ads, over / under WNML. (DY-NY)
1690	WMBM	MD	Lexington Park	- 7/3 0012-0100 - Very strong and no fading, syndicated talk show hosted by Roger (?), local ID 0059 "AM 1690 WMDM Lexington Park" and "From the community action line on AM 920 WPTX," promo for Charles County Fair, then USA Radio News at 0100. (MD-MA)
				+ 7/3 0645 - Art Bell, spot for smoke cessation program, ID as "AM 16-90 WMDM, Lexington Park." Semi-local will be fair-good all day long. Doesn't seem to be // WPTX-920. First heard 7/2 2300 without ID. (BH-MD)
				+ 7/3 0930 - Weird talk station noted last night without ID, but has to be this one as it's booming here at this hour. WPTX-920 seems to be off the air, though it's hard to tell with S-9 static crashes this morning. (AM-VA)
				+ 7/3 2159 - Really stupid talk program with trivia, ID "Bay Talk, AM 1690 WMBM Lexington Park," community calendar with WPTX-920 mentions, ABC news on the hour. Better signal here than semi-local WBAH-1660. (DY-NY)
				+ 7/4 0455 - Good; Coast to Coast AM with Art Bell, and USA Radio news. (BC-NH)
				+ 7/4 2155-2235+ - 1996 "Encore", "Best of Art Bell" program on UFO's, Dreamland; "Day Talk AM 16-90 WMDM Lexington Park," promo for Charles County Fair; ABC News 2200; Community Action Line spots; "...where southern Maryland turns for weather," weather on < www.thebaynet.com >; weak QRM after 2215, probably Aurora CO. (HF-MI)
				+ 7/7 1955 - Religious pgm, PSA for St. Mary's County sheriff, legal ID, ABC nx on the hour (BS-PA)

UNID and UNID HELP

550	WLKW	RI	Pawtucket	- 6/27 1930 - Airing Lone Ranger episode ("The Big Bank Robbery") originally broadcast on 3/28/1938, mid-program ad for old-time radio catalog and free cassette, ID. Weak and slightly garbled. I don't find this station in my newly-acquired <i>AM Radio Log</i> . (AK-MA) [It's listed with its old calls of WPNW; these call letters moved here from 790 around the first of the year. - DY]
910	UNID	--	-----	- 6.21 2205 - Heard "This is Broadcast News" in the mix. Since CKLY has been reported extinguished, the only Canadian left is CKDQ-AB. Everyone seemed to find CKLY a pest, but they were seldom heard here. (SK-PA)
1040	UNID	--	-----	- 6/1 0523 - BBD music, DJ mentioned happy birthday to Nelson Riddle, "musical moment in history," John Deere ad, also mentioned towns of Irvindale and Hickman. Very poor signal. (RCP-IN)

- 1240 UNID -- ----- 5/30 2207 - "It's time for another edition of *Seems Like Old Times*. I'm your host, Edward G. Pennell" NOS show. (SK-PA)
- ----- 6/3 0006 - Station signing off, "our studios are located at 1417 Twelfth Avenue," zip sounded like 16301, then SSB. I have heard WDNE sign off at this time previously, but no address was mentioned then. WRTA also signs off this time every night." (SK-PA)
- 1400 UNID -- ----- 6/27 2100 - "All talk, all the time" into ABC news. (WM-MD)
- 1450 UNID -- ----- 6/19 0000 - ID "Our dial is always open — The News Station." Up and out. (SK-PA) [So AP News, but who? - DY]
- 1690 UNID -- ----- 6/7 0543 - Thought I heard "Radio Disney" mentioned several times, kids songs such as "Purple People Eater," fair to poor at times in much noise. First time heard. (RCP-IN)
- + 6/9 0035-0203+ - Poor with Radio Aahs, variety upbeat music and obnoxiously upbeat woman. Maybe just lousy propagation but seems to be on/off and different power level at different times, testing? Arvada CO? (HF-MI) [Yes; it's R. Disney and it's CO. - DY]

LOGGINGS: 0000-0800

- 570 WVMJ MS Biloxi - 6/3 0408 - ID, into what sounded like Art Bell program, poor to fair signal. (RCP-IN)
- 740 WNOP KY Newport - 6/6 0110 - Giving contest rules, then "We thank you for participating on WNOP." Back to jazz, over/even with CBL. Even on day power, a major shocker! Address for this has expired. (SK-PA)
- 930 WMGR GA Bainbridge - 6/5 0417 - Call ID followed by songs "Michael, Row the Boat Ashore" and "The Night They Drove Ole Dixie Down," John Deere ad. Very good signal, little fading. (RCP-IN)
- 990 WVNZ VA Richmond - 6/24 0325-0330 - Talk, business news, ID, poor. (DT*ON)
- 1030 WWGB MD Indian Head - 6/29 0605-0622 - GOS, ID, fair. (DT*ON)
- 1230 WBHP AL Huntsville - 6/11 0005 - ID heard in mess, then C&W music, mention of United Broadcasting Network. (WM-MD)
- WTKG MI Grand Rapids - 6/7 0100 - ABC news on the hour, ID. Someone else also there with CBS news. (WM-MD)
- WIKB MI Iron River - 6/10 0006 - "This is Frank Thomas at Michigan University on WIKB," in the jumble. (SK-PA) [There is no "Michigan University," only University of Michigan or maybe Northern Michigan University. - DY]
- WCMC NJ Wildwood - 6/21 0025 - Presumed with ad for something on Highway 40 in New Jersey. In the jumble. (SK-PA)
- WECK NY Cheektowaga - 5/31 0100 - "This is WECK ...," then NBC news, in the jumble. (SK-PA)
- WNOR VA Norfolk - 6/1 0059 - ID "Your Number One station WNOR ..." heard in the jumble. Per v/1 on 6/16, the full phrase is "Your Number One station WNOR in Hampton Roads." (SK-VA)
- 1240 WOON RI Woonsocket - 6/8 0100 - ID "We pause now for CBS news on ON Radio, WOON Woonsocket," very clear. Confirms my tentative on 5/9. Then I got QSL for that tentative report on 6/12. (SK-PA)
- 1250 CHWO ON Oakville - 7/4 0440 - Dual ID, "You are listening to... Radio Network... 1250 CHWO, and in Mississauga 1320 CJMR," NOS, in WKBR null. (BC-NH)
- 1290 WNBK NY Binghamton - 6/27 0058-0106 - Pop AC music, ID, into sports talk program, poor over/under CJBK. (DT*ON)
- 1340 WEXL MI Royal Oak - 6/13 0000 - ID "1340 WEXL" in and out. (SK-PA)
- WXEE WV Welch - 6/17 0006 - Female announcer with "1340 WXEE, West Virginia's ...," popping up briefly. (SK-PA)
- 1370 WMJT WV Moundsville - 6/20 0535-0545 - Talk show, mentions of Glendale and WMJT, ID. QRM from WXXI, poor. (DT*ON)
- 1380 WMJR KY Winchester - 6/1 0603 - ID, stockyard report and farm prices, etc. Poor to fair signal. (RCP-IN)
- 1400 WFOR MS Hattiesburg - 6/30 0000 - Black gospel music, ID heard in mess. (WM-MD)
- WGAP TN Maryville - 6/30 0105 - ABC hourly news, ID, weather forecast. (WM-MD)
- 1440 WHIS WV Bluefield - 6/26 0059 - End of Bruce Williams Show and ID by him, then legal ID "Talk Radio WHIS Bluefield," NBC news. Fair signal and surprisingly alone. (SK-PA)



- 1450 WAOV IN Vincennes - 6/28 0146-0230 - NOS or OLD, news, ID as "AM 1450, WAOV," poor. (DT*ON)
- 1460 WBRN MI Big Rapids - 6/4 0120 - Live DJ "WBRN AM 1460 and 100.9 FM," then brief sports scores and more AOR music. This is the unID for a few weeks ago that played the unedited version of "LA Woman." In and out, but quite good when atop. (SK-PA)
- 1480 WCIN OH Cincinnati - 6/13 0037 - Fair with call letters, UC music. Local WTHI off due to electrical storm. New. (MB-IN)
- 1490 WJMO OH Cleveland Heights - 6/22 0352-0425 - GOS, then UC after 0400, ID, poor. (DT*ON)
- 1500 WLQV MI Detroit - 6/1 0548 - Caught announcer saying "Right here on WLQV" and little else, very poor. (RCP-IN)
- 1600 WCGO IL Chicago Heights - 6/23 0330-0412 - OLD UC, ID, poor to fair under WAAM. (DT*ON)
- 1650 KGIL CA Costa Mesa - 6/1 0541 - ID, sounded like traffic report mentioning the San Diego Freeway (traffic report at 0241 local time!?! - DY), very poor with much noise. (RCP-IN)
- 1670 WNML GA Warner Robins - 6/24 0200 - Fair with PSA for Salvation Army, ad for Gold Bond, ID as "You're listening to WNML Warner Robins, WNML-FM Gray 96.5, the Sports Animal," into sports talk. Got them while I could, as WTDY will likely dominate 1670 here. (MB-ON)



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LOGGINGS: 0800-1600

- 1140 WCJW NY Warsaw - 6/11 1541-1600 - Fair with ad for balloon festival, mention of western New York and "CJ Country," C&W music, local weather, legal ID by female at 1600 mentioned a second city, but didn't catch it because of CKOC-1150 splatter. (MS-ON)
- 1240 WBAX PA Wilkes-Barre - 6/19 1300 - ID "The home of American popular standards, 630 WEJL Scranton and 1240 WBAX Wilkes-Barre," then ABC news. Heard during momentary silence on WYGL, my closest unheard. (SK-PA)

LOGGINGS: 1600-2400

- 800 WSVS VA Crewe - 6/27 2250 - "Keep it tuned to AM 800 WSVS," poor but over CKLV. (SK-PA)
- 850 WYLF NY Penn Yan - 6/11 1605 - Poor to fair with news, weather by female, mentioned WYLF calls and Finger Lakes. (MS-ON)
- 910 CHRL PQ Roberval - 6/13 2238 - In FF with end of Montreal Expos baseball game, fair. Seems dominant here with CKLY now on FM. (MS-ON)
- 1070 WINA VA Charlottesville - 6/26 2025 - Ad for Chesapeake Golf Club, promo for Sports Fan Radio Network, ID. (WM-MD)
- 1110 KGFL AR Clinton - 5/30 2038 - Fair with calls, sign-off announcement. (MB-IN)
- 1130 WBBR NY New York - 6/24 2248-2326 - News, weather, business news, "Bloomberg News Radio" ID, poor, QRM from WDFN. (DT*ON)
- 1150 WBAG NC Burlington - 6/17 2240 - Ad for University of North Carolina, then caller from West Burlington answered DJ's question of what songs he had just played. Format change to C&W, or was that coming from WRUN? In shifting mix. (SK-PA)
- 1160 WODY VA Fieldale - 6/29 2050-2134 - OLD, ID, poor, QRM from WCCS. (DT*ON)
- 1230 WSAL IN Logansport - 6/4 2254 - ID "WSAL News-Talk 1230, we bring you all the information you need." In, then right out. (SK-PA)
- WNAW MA North Adams - 6/7 2300 - ID in the jumble sounded like "WNEW McAdams," must be this. (SK-PA)
- WTSV NH Claremont - 6/8 2300 - "On 1230 WTSV," then NBC news in the jumble. (SK-PA)
- WFAS NY White Plains - 6/2 2358 - Station promo, calls clearly heard, then CNN news, strongest one in the jumble. Again 6/12 2306, "Brought to you by ... Animal Hospital and WFAS 1230." (SK-PA)
- WCRO PA Johnstown - 6/11 2300 - ID by male. (WM-MD)
- WABN VA Abingdon - 6/9 2303 - "And now we ... WABN" in the jumble. Enough for a QSL to be received on 6/19! (SK-PA)
- 1240 WMIS MS Natchez - 6/6 2305 - Promo in the jumble "Don and Mike weekdays on WMIS."

(SK-PA)
 WSNJ NJ Bridgeton - 6/8 2100-2105 - Presumed with New Jersey arena football vs. Orlando. Atop briefly, then behind WYGL. Game was coming in much better on WMTR-1250. (SK-PA)
 1260 WNRK DE Newark - 6/16 2335-2348 - Baltimore Orioles network giving scores of other games after Orioles-Yankees game was over. Ad for Shield's Garden Center at Route 41 and Valley Road, then ID 2348: "Thanks for joining us for the Orioles Clubhouse on 1260 Gold WNRK." Then directly into Sam the Sham's "Woolly Billy." Steady signal with several co-channels drifting in and out. Only 3 more DE's to go! (SK-PA)
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 1280 WEIM MA Fitchburg - 6/24 1955 - Ad for "2 eggs and sausage strips, Monday through Friday." Then return to Boston-Philadelphia baseball on Red Sox network. In shifting mix with WADO, WHVR. (SK-PA)
 1290 WJBR DE Wilmington - 6/11 2018 - "The Blue Rocks play at home and away on 1290 WJBR," fair and alone in a rare appearance. Similar ID at 2027. (SK-PA)
 WDZY VA Colonial Heights - 6/15 2008 - "We are Radio Disney, AM 1290," another new affiliate. ID 2020 "WDZY AM 1290, Radio Disney for Ridgeland," or are they saying Richmond? Doesn't look all that close on the map. (SK-PA)
 1310 WTTL KY Madisonville - 6/19 2215-2234 - ID, OLD, poor. QRM from WDPN. (DT*ON)
 WXMC NJ Parsippany-Troy Hills - 6/2 2100 - Jumped up out of nowhere with EE female ID "WXMC 1310 Parsippany-Troy Hills" and then directly to male SS speaker and lost to WADB. WDCT is mostly SS and I had always assumed I was hearing them. (SK-PA)
 1320 WTKZ PA Allentown - 6/27 1320 - Baseball game, heard "The Ambassadors" and Allentown mentions, ad for best pizza, then ID. In shifting mix. (SK-PA)
 1320 WLEE VA Richmond - 6/6 2026 - Canned ID "Oldies 1320 WLEE," so format change. (SK-PA)
 1330 WMLT GA Dublin - 6/8 2240 - Atlanta Braves baseball, ad for auto shop, mention of Georgia. (WM-MD)
 WRAM IL Monmouth - 6/20 2300 - Call letters, then CBS news, weather at 2306. (SK-PA)
 1350 WHWH NJ Princeton - 6/26 2045 - With Trenton Thunder minor league baseball. (WM-MD)
 1380 WFNW CT Naugatuck - 6/19 2000 - ID in EE: "You're listening to WFNW Naugatuck," mixing with Boston Red Sox station behind WMLP. Popped up just as the Red Sox station was giving an ID. (SK-PA) [Red Sox on 1380 here is generally WSYB. - DY]
 1400 WSLB NY Ogdensburg - 6/11 2335 - ID heard in muck. (WM-MD)
 WZNG TN Shelbyville - 6/24 2100 - ID heard in muck. (WM-MD)
 1420 WATB GA Decatur - 6/13 2009 - "One great song after another, 1420 WATB," then lost to WCOJ upfade. (SK-PA)
 WBEC MA Pittsfield - 6/22 1955 - Phillies vs. Red Sox on Boston network, briefly over, then under WCOJ oldies. (SK-PA)
 WLNA NY Peekskill - 6/24 2200 - Erie vs. Hudson Valley minor league baseball. (WM-MD)
 1440 WMKM MI Inkster - 6/11 2315 - Promo for gospel program, ID, talk show. (WM-MD)
 WJLL NY Niagara Falls - 6/11 2250 - Between two Grass Roots songs, young timid-voiced female gave request number as "761-WJLL," strong with WRRO nulled. (SK-PA)
 WRGM OH Ontario - 6/13 2126 - Presumed with part of promo "Your home for NASCAR racing here in Ohio," and it wasn't WRRO as they we heard co-channel with a Pirates game. (SK-PA)
 1450 WFTR VA Front Royal - 6/24 2200 - ID "WFTR 1450 AM Front Royal, Virginia, Conversation Radio." Then CBS news, atop the jumble. (SK-PA)
 1460 WMBA PA Ambridge - 6/20 2245 - "The news station you can count on," ID. (WM-MD)
 WEMR PA Tunkhannock - 6/18 2001 - Richmond Braves vs. Scranton-Wilkes-Barre Red Barons, during WWKL fade. My most sought-after station. Not on the Red Barons list in DXN no. 27. (SK-PA)
 1470 WTKO NY Ithaca - 6/9 2155 - Break in Mets game, PSA seeking blood donors in Ithaca. Tough behind WKAP. (SK-PA)
 1480 WZRC NY New York - 6/30 2104 - Ad in Korean for a beverage, sound effects of it

pouring. Briefly over WADR in slight fade with local WISL off after another lightning storm. (SK-PA)
 WDAS PA Philadelphia - 6/9 2026 - "Number One! Number One! The number one gospel station in the greater Philadelphia area, WDAS," mostly atop with local WISL off to satellite trouble. (SK-PA)
 1490 WPCI SC Greenville - 6/20 2045 - Presumed with Greenville Braves baseball in the mess. (WM-MD)
 1530 WCTR MD Chestertown - 6/1 2007 - Ad for seafood shop in Chester County or Chestertown, call letters at end of ad. Tough mix with WSAI, WMBT. (SK-PA) [This one is getting out better since recent power increase. - DY]
 1540 WNIO OH Niles - 6/20 2157 - Sign-off, presumed as heard what sounded like "WLIO," Ohio, and mention of 500 watts. In the mix. (SK-PA)
 WECZ PA Punxsutawney - 6/25 2007 - Pittsburgh Pirates vs. Kansas City Royals on Pittsburgh network, strong behind WNWR. The game was just starting, and this is a daytimer. (SK-PA)
 1570 WKDB MD Towson - 6/8 2045 - Canned ID "We call this radio station WKDB Towson. But you can call it anything you want." Atop the mix. (SK-PA) [With clever marketing strategies like that, AM radio should be making its comeback any day now. - DY]
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 WFUR MI Grand Rapids - 6/22 2122-2200 - REL music, partial ID "from us on 1570 AM," 2200 syndicated REL program, fair under WANR. (DT*ON)
 WBUX PA Doylestown - 6/10 2000 - "You're listening to WBUX Doylestown, 1570, The News Station." Over, under WKDB, no sign of 20-mile distant WPGM. (SK-PA)
 1580 WVNZ PA Columbia - 6/13 2026 - Canned ID "WVNZ 1580," then return to Prime Sports. Finally bagged this one from here, during fade of WPGC. Address listed for this has expired; is it the same one as WPDC-1600? (SK-PA)
 1600 WXKF KY Eminence - 6/22 2155-2300 - C&W or bluegrass, ID "1600 WXKF," poor. Listed as day only? (DT*ON)
 KLEB LA Golden Meadow - 6/3 1750-1805 - C&W, ID at top of hour as "KLEB Golden Meadow, Cajun Country." Fairly good signal in Pensacola area. (TLK*FL)
 WUNR MA Brookline - 6/30 2301 - ID in EE "WU..." then two horrible SS UC-beat songs, complete with rap and police sirens, then more usual SS-style song. WWRL was steady, while WUNR would suddenly jump over, then go behind in rapid succession. (SK-PA)
 WJSA PA Jersey Shore - 6/20 2000 - ID, then Focus on the Family with guest host who said Dr. James Dobson was ill. Tough in local WMIM-1590 splash. (SK-PA)

TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS

530 TIS FL Lake City - 6/5 1325+ - Florida Sports Hall of Fame station, calls WNNY250, remaining active with man on loop, mostly promoting Lake City Chamber of Commerce stuff. Weak signal while passing through. (TLK*FL)
 1580 TIS IN Greenwood - 6/7 1410 - Real estate company with talking house 1 block from my QTH. Barely audible here with lots of squeals and oscillations, but fairly clear in front of the house in question. (RCP-IN)
 1610 TIS FL Crystal River - 6/1 0702+ - Series of looped announcements by female, 10 minute cycle, opening with "Welcome to Manatee Information Radio." Much improved audio, and audible from south of Ozelto (on US 19) heading north toward Crystal River. (TLK*FL)
 TIS FL Santa Rosa Island - 6/1-4 - Definitely inactive per monitoring from Apalachicola, FL to Dauphin Island, AL. Likely site of this was the Fort Pickens entrance on Santa Rosa Island, where no TIS pole remains. (TLK*FL)
 TIS FL Tarpon Springs - 6/1 - Obscene signal level, local at many coastal daytime stops as far as slightly west of St. George Island. Even threshold at Fort Pickens, Santa Rosa Island (near Pensacola). (TLK*FL)
 TIS LA New Orleans area - "Causetaway Information Radio," now running a male loop, referencing call boxes for breakdowns, also "835-3117 or star-27" for assistance. Fair signal from Fort Morgan (Gulf Shores), AL. (TLK*AL)
 TIS NY Buffalo - 7/8 0640 - WDAL-997, alternates between Buffalo NOAA weather and ads for local activities (BS-PA)
 1615 TIS PA State College - Talking House, 24 hour-a-day local from Buyers Only Realty.

- (BS-PA)
- 1620 TIS AL Mobile area - DOT station no longer active per monitoring while driving around Mobile Bay. The frequency is dominated day and night by WPHG, across all the western FL panhandle. (TLK*AL)
- 1630 HAR MI Detroit area - 7/8 2205 - With mention of I-696, I-94; several other HAR underneath, including Lehigh Valley. (BS-PA)
- HAR PA Lehigh Valley - 7/4 0510 - Fair; ID "Thank you for tuning in to 1630 AM; WQO740, Highway Advisory Radio for Lehigh Valley" and mention of web site which sounded like <www.22news.com>, but on the Internet got WWLP TV news instead. (BC-NH)
- 1640 Pt.15? MA Boston - Low-powered Haitian community pirate [or Part 15? - DY] station is here, first noted on 4/13. Format is animated male DJ in French Creole, and festive French Caribbean music. Frequent ID's sound like "Radio Nouveauté" and "Seize Quarante AM" (16-40 AM). Have heard references to Hyde Park, Dorchester, Mattapan, and Roxbury, all largely ethnic neighborhoods south of downtown Boston. (MD-MA)
- 1690 HAR NC I-95 - 6/16 0720 - Noted about 20 miles north of the NC/SC border with male announcer and brief loop, "This is a North Carolina Highway Advisory Radio operated by the North Carolina Department of Transportation on 1690 AM, WQO720." Info relating to road closure along I-95 between markers 14 and 22, and that max speed is 55 mph (right!). Ended message with "Have a safe day." (MH*NC)

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MB-ON	Mike Brooker	Toronto ON - RF-2200
BC-NH	Bruce Conti	Nashua NH - R8A, MWDX-5, 100' east sloper, 100' wire
BD-PA	Ben Dangerfield	Wallingford PA - R8A, 3 slopers, MFJ-1026 phaser
MD-MA	Marc DeLorenzo	Auburndale MA - NRD-525, Quantum loop
HF-MI	Harold Frodge	Midland MI - R71A, MFJ-956, 185' RW
MH*NC	Mike Hardester	Wilmington NC - Travels in NC
BH-MD	Bill Harms	Elkridge MD -
SK-PA	Steve Kennedy	Coal Township PA - Superadio III
TLK*FL	Terry Krueger	Clearwater FL - Travels in FL panhandle and AL
WM-MD	William McGuire	Cheverly MD - DX-380
AM-VA	Al Merriman	Chincoteague Island VA -
CR-VA	Chuck Rippel	Cornland VA - HF-1000A, R8A, R390A/SE-3, 51S-1
BS-PA	Brett Saylor	State College PA - R-390, R-70, 150' LW
MS-ON	Morris Sorensen	Scarborough ON - R8, DA-9 ferrite loop
JDS-AL	J. D. Stephens	Madison AL - E-mail gleanings
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In a recent e-mail message Mark Connelly described July as the beginning of a new season. It makes sense, as July follows after the longest day of the year, and in July we begin the slow journey back to shorter days and improved DX conditions on Medium Wave. Ancient peoples used to throw big parties to chase away the darkness demons at the winter solstice, so perhaps we DXers should consider similar rituals on the Summer Solstice, to chase away the demons of light (or at least static). Maybe we should have our NRC Convention at

the end of June, and carry our radios around the Holiday Inn seven times with increasing volume to tip the balance toward better propagation? Okay, okay, let's move along to DX ...

Welcome to Nile Kelly, who sends his report of Mexican stations heard in Arizona. We also have an interesting report from Jean Burnell, with stations logged from Atlantic and Pacific Canada, and rumors of rabbits with unusual appetites - maybe those critters have a theology in which a carrot juice beverage lies at the end of every longwire (better carry some in a thermos next time, Jean, in case they reach the car, and you appear to be blocking the way to bunny paradise).

As for me, your servant editor, absolutely nothing to report to IDXD this time, not even rabbits (except that my TV Rabbit Ears have been down-sized to a Rabbit Ear in a recent plunge from the top of the TV set). Things have been hopping, however, on the domestic X-Band. Enough of this ... on to DX!

Jim

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 783 SPAIN, COPE Miramar, Barcelona, JUNE 26 0200 - First time logged on this frequency, noted under Portugal with news in SS by woman, // 1053 and 1224; SIO 222 [Burnell-NF]
- 828 NETHERLANDS, Arrow Classic Rock, JULY 5 0129 - Many back-to-back oldie rock standards, ID at 0143; SIO 444 [Burnell-NF]
- 864 IRELAND, R. 864, Clougherhead, C. Louth, JULY 5 0051 - Tentative; US syndicated religion, off at 0100 without an ID; SIO 322 [Burnell-NF]
- 891 TURKEY, TRT-1, Antalya, JULY 5 0204 - Male chanting/music, // 1017; SIO 232, fighting the signal from Algeria [Burnell-NF]
- 1062 DENMARK, Danmarks R., Kalundborg, JULY 8 0301 - News in Danish; only signal loggable on this frequency, SIO 233 [Burnell-NF]
- 1080 FRANCE, R. Latina, Romainville (eastern Paris), JULY 7 2353 - Temporary 5 kW relay of Caracol from Colombia with SS news, Colombian ads, and many IDs; after 0000 the sports program discussed the World Cup game of that day (France vs. Croatia); deep fades, SIO 342. The // signal on 1062 kHz (also 5 kW from Villebon, south of Paris) was inaudible in the monitoring period of 2353-0330. [Burnell-NF] (This is a short-term broadcast during the World Cup, see Station News below - Jim)
- 1224 NETHERLANDS, Quality R., JULY 8 0017 - Pops and world beat tunes, IDs in EE as "Q Radio;" SIO 443 but faded down a lot after 0040 [Burnell-NF]
- 1296 SPAIN Valencia, MAY 19 0408: Very good with woman in Spanish reading the news. Other stations from Spain's Mediterranean coast were also quite strong at this time. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1395 NETHERLANDS, TalkRadio, Lopik, JULY 5 0027 - Dutch chat, ID and phone numbers at 0030; SIO 433 [Burnell-NF]

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- 1449 SCOTLAND, BBC R. 4, Redmoss, JULY 4 2358 - "Shipping Forecast," then announcer said that programming would continue with BBC WS, "Good night from Radio 4," "God Save the Queen," then WS program; SIO 444, which was pretty good for a 2 kW TA! [Burnell-NF]
- 1474 UNID JULY 5 0115 - Definite carrier here and a 2 kHz whine on 1476 kHz, but it never developed any audio [Burnell-NF]
- 1521 SPAIN Castellon, MAY 19 0401: Very strong with man and woman in SS and news or talk. Signal was squeezing out WWKB. Can this station really be using just 2 KW? Not previously logged here. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1539 IRAN, IRIB, unlisted site, JULY 4 2354 - Koran, man talking in Farsi, // 1566 (1449 and other frequencies inaudible); SIO 322 with QRM from Spain [Burnell-NF]
- 1566 IRAN, IRIB, Bandar Abbas, JULY 5 0007 - Man in Farsi, into religious a capella male vocals (not Koran), // 1539; SIO 342 [Burnell-NF]
- 1575 CLANDESTINE, Voice of the Military Forces, JULY 5 0043 - Koran recitation, then man with two Arabic IDs as "Huna Al Iraq. Sawt Alqwat Almusallaha wa Qewa Alamn Aldakheli," which translates into "Here is Iraq. Voice of the Military Forces and the Internal Security Forces," then anti-Saddam speech; SIO 332 [Burnell-NF]

Ben speaks: "Reception has been generally poor since the end of April with just a flurry of decent TA in the middle of May. A few showed on May 16/17 but May 18/19 was a good night, at least on the upper part of the band, and 43 TA frequencies were spotted. The low end has been weak and the LW band almost dead. But on May 18/19 signals from Spain were strong and I too got an amazing signal from Castellon-1521 along with Valencia-1296 among many others that I won't list. I note that both Castellon and Valencia are on the Mediterranean coast of Spain so the ceiling must have been ideal for that area."

Jean speaks: "On the afternoon of June 25 I drove to a spot about 10 minutes beyond Cappahayden for an evening of DX-from-the-car. I stretched out two antennas, 350 m at 40 degrees and 850 m at 160 degrees, as 1,000,000 blackflies feasted. Just before sunset I switched on the receiver to find poor reception of Europe and, somewhat later, generally disappointing reception of South America. (Nevertheless, there was a fairly decent run on Buenos Aires stations.) At around 2 AM local time I decided to pack up instead of waiting till after sunrise (when the blackflies are awake). When I began to pull on the wires to bring them in I noticed that there was almost no tension...both wires were obviously broken not far from the car. I had to wait until daylight to retrieve the pieces of my antennas. Both had been chewed by animals in a couple of places. I don't know what creatures are responsible. Sometimes wires on the ground are gnawed by rabbits, but I am pretty sure that at least at one break the wire had been quite far off the ground, although it is possible that after an initial break the loss of tension made the wire sag to the ground. Anyway, let's say I used two 30-50 meter wires as antennas!"

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 690 MEXICO XETRA Tijuana, APR 3 0807 - Stubborn, fluttery signal getting side-swiped by KNBR-680. Cruddy signal for a 77.5 kW U2 station. IDs as "Sports 6-90", possible One-On-One Sports affiliate. Various scores, then ESPN ad and mention of X Games in San Diego. [Kelly-AZ]
- 760 BRAZIL, R. Record (ZYH588), Fortaleza, JUNE 25 2352-0005 - Religious program, ID at 0003 along with greetings to people in hospitals in Fortaleza; SIO 322 [Burnell-NF]
- 760 BRAZIL, R. Manchete (ZYJ478), Niteroi, JUNE 25 2354-0001 - Generally below R. Record but poked through a few times in this time frame, two ID's noted; new one for me! SIO 222 [Burnell-NF]
- 760 MEXICO XENY Nogales, APR 25 0411 - Over/under KFMB with various mixes of ranchera, tejano and traditional folk tunes. IDs as "Radio Geny, Nogales". [Kelly-AZ]
- 910 ARGENTINA, La Red (LR5), Buenos Aires, JUNE 26 0303 - News from "La Red;" SIO 333 [Burnell-NF]
- 940 CUBA R. Reloj, APR 29 0245 - Don't know which outlet, but most likely CMKD; strong behind CBM. [Kennedy-PA]
- 970 MEXICO XEJ Cd. Juarez, MAY 10 0355 - Originally was going after KVWM (a no-brainer try, it's a daytimer!) when I got this one, with ranchera and folk tunes. Faint

- but clear signal with R. Mexicana ID between songs. Most interesting was that the transmitter echoed the whole time. [Kelly-AZ]
- 980 BRAZIL, R. Nacional (ZYH707), Brasilia, JUNE 26 0448 - Over CBV with PP music; SIO 433 [Burnell-NF]
- 990 MEXICO XECL Mexicali, MAY 10 0618 - Squished like a frog under dominant KTKT, barely heard music and "La Ellay de Mexicali" while CNN Headline News blasted. [Kelly-AZ]
- 1030 ARGENTINA, R. Del Plata (LS10), Buenos Aires, JUNE 26 0305 - "Radionoticias del Plata," fanfare, weather; WBZ was buried, SIO 444 [Burnell-NF]
- 1060 MEXICO XEMYL Merida, MAY 12 0806 - Beautiful catch. I don't know specifically which state, but it's north of Campeche, northeast of Quintana Roo, with Chiapas to the southwest and Belize to the southeast, way down there. I'd as "Super MYL" many times, confirming my catch. WRTH has this listed as 1000 kHz, but it is on 1060. [Kelly-AZ]
- 1090 MEXICO XEPRS Tijuana, MAY 16 0311 - Signal so strong it nearly fried the voice coils on my 'phones. Contemporary latino music format like modernized tejano. Many IDs with laser gun shooting sounds, including canned "Radio Expreso" or "Express" in accented EE. Also an as for Ford Explorer, minivans, etc. [Kelly-AZ]
- 1170 ARGENTINA, tentative R. Mi Pais, Buenos Aires, JUNE 26 0320-0406 - Mainly SS talk including a promo for an event in Buenos Aires, flute music bridges; frequency housed at least two SS stations but one was definitely Argentinean; SIO 222-1 [Burnell-NF]
- 1190 ARGENTINA, R. America, Buenos Aires, JUNE 26 0408 - Telephone interview about illegal drug use in Ciudad de la Plata; SIO 433 [Burnell-NF]
- 1190 BRAZIL, R. CBN (ZYJ594), Natal, JUNE 26 0434 - Emerged from below the Argentinean with PP news and ID; SIO 322 [Burnell-NF]
- 1240 BRAZIL, unID, JUNE 26 0411-0421 - "Voz de Libertacao" program which ended at 0412, possible ID's but unfortunately nothing really comprehensible, then more religious talk; SIO 342 [Burnell-NF]
- 1310 BRAZIL, R. Nacional station, JUNE 26 0425-0502 - Strong with lots of music without announcements (disco songs, Abba, PP and FF songs) all // 980, then "Nacional" IDs at 0501; no R. Nacional station is listed here...who is this? SIO 443 [Burnell-NF]
- 1420 MEXICO XERD Pachuca, MAY 16 0332 - Faint, but steady all by itself in the ether, with American jazz music. Played songs from the likes of Spyro Gyra, Acoustic Alchemy and George Benson. Very Americanized format. Station uses wolf howl and two IDs as "Radio Lobo" and "La Super Estación". [Kelly-AZ]
- 1440 MEXICO XEVSD Cd. Constitución, MAY 16 0404 0 "Grocery Store" muzak, simple as that, the same thing heard in just about any K-Mart or Food basket! Static-lashed signal with KENO Las Vegas bleed-over 20 kHz up until I nulled it. Announcer said music program was an FM simulcast, but no FM ID was given. WRTH says ID is "La Señal del Progreso", but I think it should be "La Música de la Tienda". [Kelly-AZ]
- 1620 ARGENTINA, R. Esmerelda, Buenos Aires, JUNE 26 0218-0232 - Religious talk and phone calls, a number of ID's; at times surprisingly strong, SIO 443 [Burnell-NF]

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 666 NEW CALEDONIA, RFO Nouvelle-Caledonie, Noumea, MAY 27 1155 - French chat, // 738; SIO 232. I was not able to hear this one at all in 1997. [Burnell-WA]
- 675 NEW ZEALAND, 3YA, National R., Christchurch, MAY 29 1209 - Mellow music, // 756; SIO 232-1. [Burnell-WA]
- 702 AUSTRALIA, 2BL, ABC Metro. Svc., Sydney, MAY 27 1122-1125 - Interviews, phone caller talked about film festival; other Metro. Service stations were inaudible at this time, SIO 322. [Burnell-WA]
- 702 NEW ZEALAND, 1XP, R. Pacific, Auckland, MAY 27 1225 - Tentative; man with talk briefly rivaling 2BL, accent sounded more like NZ, but can't be at all sure; SIO 222. [Burnell-WA]
- 720 AUSTRALIA, unID ABC station, MAY 27 1224 - Woman with talk definitely // 702 and 774; 6WF (Metro. Service) or one of the Regional Radio stations? SIO 222. See unID ABC on 828. [Burnell-WA]
- 738 FRENCH POLYNESIA, RFO Tahiti, Mahina, MAY 27 0957-1001 - French song, news at 1000; SIO

433. MAY 30 1203 - French Open tennis report; SIO 343. [Burnell-WA]
- 756 NEW ZEALAND, 1YA, National R., Auckland, MAY 29 1204-1207 - Woman talked about cricket, weather, then mellow music, // 675; SIO 333. [Burnell-WA]
- 774 AUSTRALIA, 3LO, ABC Metro. Svc., Melbourne, MAY 27 1209 - Sports report, "weather for the state" so not // 891 at this time; SIO 343. MAY 30 1201 - Sports play-by-play; SIO 322. [Burnell-WA]
- 774 FIJI, R. Fiji 2, Suva, MAY 27 0947 - One of few openings to Fiji with audio: Indian film music; SIO 222. [Burnell-WA]
- 792 AUSTRALIA, 4RN, ABC R. National, Brisbane, MAY 27 1107-1113 - Woman interviewer; deep fades but definitely // 846, SIO 222-1. [Burnell-WA]
- 810 NEW ZEALAND, 4YA, National R., Dunedin, MAY 29 1218 - Fairly strong, but underneath KGO, with piano music, // 675; SIO 322. [Burnell-WA]
- 828 AUSTRALIA, unID ABC station, MAY 27 1211-1223 - Description of upcoming programs, "It's Not the 10 O'clock News" at 1212 with unusual news items, definitely // 702 and 774 at 1222, although these are Metro. Service stations and 828 must be a Regional Radio station; suspect 3GI Sale rather than 6GN in Geraldton, WA; SIO 333. See 5AN 891. [Burnell-WA]
- 846 AUSTRALIA, 2RN, ABC R. National, Canberra, MAY 27 1113 - Interviews by woman, // 792; SIO 232-1. [Burnell-WA]
- 855 AUSTRALIA, 4QB / 4QO, ABC Regional R., Maryborough / Eidsvold, MAY 30 1220-1249 - "Saturday Night Country" program with interview with Randy Travis. [Burnell-WA]
- 891 AUSTRALIA, 4TAB, Townsville, MAY 27 1127 - Horse racing over 5AN; SIO 333. [Burnell-WA]
- 891 AUSTRALIA, 5AN, ABC Metro. Svc., Adelaide, MAY 27 1240 - Up clearly with program summary and "It's Not the 10 O'clock News" feature, identical with what had been heard half an hour earlier on 828; SIO 343. [Burnell-WA]
- 927 UNID, 2 stations, MAY 27 1227-1234 - Very tricky to separate these two, initially one had woman presenter while other had pop music; woman talked about a prize and a "competition," which was followed by an announcement for a help line "if you can't read or write well enough" followed by an ad that began with sirens; one station had Bruce Springsteen at 1234; both SIO 222. [Burnell-WA]
- 999 AUSTRALIA, 2NB, ABC Regional R., Broken Hill, MAY 28 0927 - Very weak so only tentative; interview about politics and corruption (in Indonesia?), I am pretty sure this was // to 4QR 1548, and 2NB is the only ABC station on this frequency; SIO 121. [Burnell-WA]
- 1008 NEW ZEALAND, 1ZD, Newstalk ZB, Tauranga, MAY 29 1013 - Male phone caller, woman host of program, // 1278; SIO 232. MAY 29 1251 - Woman hosts phone-in, // 1035; SIO 222. [Burnell-WA]
- 1017 TONGA, A3Z, Tonga BC, Nuku'alofa, MAY 27 0915-0946 - Nat King Cole songs, woman announcer in unID lang, news or announcements at 0945; SIO 232. [Burnell-WA]
- 1026 UNID, 3 stations, MAY 27 1018-1032 - Three stations in English noted simultaneously on this nominal frequency, one with sports play-by-play and another had a jingle that ended with "the greatest songs of all time" that may have been 1ZN, Whangarei, New Zealand, or 4MK, Mackay, Australia - the latter was positively IDed half an hour later; all were SIO 232-1. One station, probably the strongest one, seemed to be ca. 20 Hz on the high side of 1026. [Burnell-WA]
- 1026 AUSTRALIA, 4MK, Mackay, MAY 27 1101 - Faded up with temperature then "This is 4MK" followed by a pop song; SIO 232. This station is missing from WRTH'98. [Burnell-WA]
- 1035 NEW ZEALAND, 2ZB, Newstalk ZB, Wellington, MAY 28 1013 - Man and woman alternating items; SIO 232-1. MAY 29 0717 - Briefly heard man with sports report; SIO 232. [Burnell-WA]
- 1062 AUSTRALIA, 4TI, ABC Regional R., Thursday Island, MAY 27 1234 - Two stations, but this one had a woman with talk about health // 702; SIO 242. MAY 30 1217 - Country and Western music, // 1548; SIO 242. [Burnell-WA]
- 1098 MARSHALL ISLANDS, V7AD, R. Majuro, MAY 28 0923 - Likely this with Island music; SIO 232. [Burnell-WA]
- 1107 AUSTRALIA, 2EA, Sydney, MAY 27 1002-1006 - Only reasonable possibility on this frequency; woman with news in English; SIO 222-1. MAY 27 1247 - Interview with woman health care



- worker; SIO 243. [Burnell-WA]
- 1116 AUSTRALIA, 4BC, Brisbane, MAY 27 0949-0953 - Likely this fading up with Hollies tune, male presenter; SIO 232. MAY 28 1120-1126 - Telephone phone-in, caller on Gold Coast says he "wakes up with 4BC;" SIO 333. MAY 28 1139-1156 - Ads, back to phone-in program, more ads including the "4BC Business of the Month;" SIO 333. [Burnell-WA]
- 1134 JAPAN, JOQR, Bunka Hosō, Tokyo, MAY 29 1212-1216 - Japanese talk, sounded like sports play-by-play; over 4YQ, SIO 222. [Burnell-WA]
- 1134 NEW ZEALAND, 4YQ, National R., Queenstown, MAY 29 1214 - Music faded up under JOQR that was // 756; SIO 222-1. [Burnell-WA]
- 1143 NEW ZEALAND, 1YW, National R., Hamilton, MAY 29 1211 - Woman talking, // 756; SIO 222. [Burnell-WA]
- 1179 JAPAN, JOOR, Mainichi Hosō, Osaka, MAY 29 1153-1201 - Fast-talking Japanese, nothing special seemed to happen at the top of the hour; SIO 322-1 with huge domestic splatter. No sign of Vanuatu here or on 1125 at any time. [Burnell-WA]
- 1251 NEW ZEALAND, 1XG, R. Rhema, Auckland, MAY 29 0917 - English talk about learning to cope; SIO 232-1. [Burnell-WA]
- 1278 NEW ZEALAND, 2ZC, Newstalk ZB, Napier, MAY 29 0833-0841 - Just occasional glimpses of English talk, // 1296; SIO 131. [Burnell-WA]
- 1296 NEW ZEALAND, 2ZH, Newstalk ZB, Hamilton, MAY 29 0843 - Brief peak with phone talk, // 1278; SIO 232. MAY 29 0913 - Woman phone caller talked about rugby, // 1035; SIO 232. [Burnell-WA]
- 1314 AUSTRALIA, 2ZW, Wollongong, MAY 28 1156-1213 - Racing or betting information, ads; deep fades, SIO 222-1. MAY 28 1229-1257 - More racing and betting odds, peaked at 1241 with ad for golf shops "all over Sydney" and odds on World Cup soccer: SIO 333 at peak. Dave Onley's Australian station list indicates that 2ZW is a relay for 2KY in Sydney, and 2KY features racing according to WRTH'98. [Burnell-WA]
- 1332 AUSTRALIA, 2 stations, MAY 29 1029-1044 - Two Australians are listed here (3SH and 4BU) - one had all phone talk and the other had pop music (Roxy Music's "Avalon" at 1033) - but it was not possible to catch an ID on either station; both SIO 222-1. [Burnell-WA]
- 1386 NEW ZEALAND, R. Tarana, Auckland, MAY 29 0853 - Woman in unidentified language; SIO 232. MAY 29 1048 - Faded up well with Hindi music; SIO 343. [Burnell-WA]
- 1431 AUSTRALIA, 2RN, ABC R. National, Wollongong, MAY 29 1245 - Instrumental jazz, // 792 and 1512; SIO 222. [Burnell-WA]
- 1475 MALAYSIA/SABAH, RTM, Kota Kinabalu, MAY 30 1109 - Tentative; het only that never developed audio. Noted every morning in 1997, this was the only time detected in 1998. [Burnell-WA]
- 1476.22 NEW ZEALAND, 1XD, Auckland, MAY 29 0803-0808 - Notoriously off-frequency station with news items; mainly at threshold level, SIO 131. [Burnell-WA]
- 1503 UNIDs, JUN 10 1025-1030 - two stations here with pronounced 1 Hz SAH. Dominant station with man talking, believe in EE, woman talking on other station. This frequency has been producing the strongest TP carrier all spring, but this is the first time I've been able to get any audio. Not able to pick out any words or phrases from tape. TP carriers also noted 1548, 1593 and 1512 this morning. [Moore-FL]
- 1512 AUSTRALIA, 2RN, ABC R. National, Newcastle, MAY 29 1241 - Repetitive jazz instrumental, // 792; SIO 232. [Burnell-WA]
- 1530 NEW ZEALAND, 2YP, National R., New Plymouth, MAY 29 1223 - Music under the domestic was clearly // 675, 810; SIO 222. [Burnell-WA]
- 1548 AUSTRALIA, 4QD, ABC Regional R., Emerald, MAY 27 1257-1301 - Phone-in program with doctor, fanfare and ABC News at 1300; bad splatter from 1550, SIO 322. MAY 30 1215 - Country and Western music program; SIO 333. [Burnell-WA]
- 1557 AUSTRALIA, 2RE, Taree, MAY 29 1235-1240 - Tentative; English talk and ads; SIO 232-1. [Burnell-WA]
- 1592.98 NEW ZEALAND, Chinese R., Auckland, MAY 29 0812-0830 - All talk in Chinese; SIO 242. MAY 29 0848 - Peaking as woman spoke in Chinese; SIO 343-2. Pretty good for 800 watts. [Burnell-WA]
- 1593 AUSTRALIA, 3RG, R. Italia, Melbourne, MAY 28 1039-1047 - Tentative; mellow songs back-to-back, some seemed to be in Italian; SIO 232-1. MAY 29 1228-1233 - Peaking quite well with



- Italian talk; SIO 333. [Burnell-WA]
 1665 AUSTRALIA, 2MM, Greek R., Kingsgrove, MAY 30 1156 - Noted in passing with Greek talk; QRM'd by local noise, SIO 222. [Burnell-WA]
 1682.97 AUSTRALIA, R. Club AM, Sydney, MAY 29 1115-1126 - Greek phone caller, Greek music; SIO 343-2. Only 400 watts, but pretty decent signal! [Burnell-WA]
 1700.98 AUSTRALIA, R. 1701, Brisbane, MAY 29 1109 - Tentative; very weak Hindi music; definitely two carriers here, though! MAY 30 1142-1155 - Indian music; weak but clear and steady, SIO 252. Not bad for 100 watts! [Burnell-WA]



Ray speaks about using 160 meter band for TP propagation clues: "This has been the worst TP season in many years. No Down Under audio at all until the June 10 reception above. Only redeemed by the fantastic Japanese opening of 12/26 and 12/29, the still unidentified oriental on 1575 on 2/1 and a good tape on Majuro, Marshall Islands in August. Regarding 160 meters, W8JI comes on every morning at 1000 calling CQ DX on 1832 kHz. Australians and other Down Under stations have a net on that frequency and W8JI often QSO's them. He must be using beverages as I am rarely able to hear the stations he contacts." On June 10, 1011-1018 Ray heard ZL2JR (New Zealand) and VK3DQW (Australia) in morse code: "Guess this was a good morning, first TP's I ever copied on 160 meters."

Jan speaks about West Coast TP DX: "I had really enjoyed my introduction to West Coast DX by John Bryant, Dave Clark, and John Fisher in June of 1997.

This year I was scheduled to participate in a conference near Vancouver so I took the opportunity travel west a few days before my meeting in order to sample again some DX from Down Under. I returned to Grayland WA with my Drake R8A and a large spool of wire, and every evening I laid out two terminated Beverages, a 1,200-foot "New Zealand wire" at 230 degrees and a 1,000-foot "Australian wire" at 260 degrees. Conditions were certainly not as good as they had been in June of 1997. On only one morning (29 May) did the New Zealanders put in a decent showing, and, with the exception of RFO Tahiti on 738 kHz and Tonga on 1017 kHz, the Pacific Island stations were essentially unheard. In spite of the generally weaker signals, a number of stations that I did not hear or identify in 1997 made it into the logbook. The new North American X-band stations are making reception of the low-powered Australian X-banders much more difficult. For instance, last year 4AM and 4ADR were relatively easy catches on 1620 kHz. This year, KRIZ from Seattle completely dominated 1620 kHz at all times. Nevertheless, reception of Radio Club AM and Radio 1701 were highlights. Any help on my unID's would be much appreciated!"

QUERIES, ETC.

Ray Moore is looking for any info on a good Trans-Pacific station list. The WRTH is not too accurate, in his opinion. One of the Australian clubs published the Pacific-Asian Log some years ago which was really good, he remembers. Can anyone help Ray?

STATION NEWS

FRANCE: Today I received a very nice QSL-letter from Latina AM which transmits the Caracol programmes during the football championship on mediumwave. The station is on the air till Monday, 13th of July. Frequencies: 1062 kHz power 5 kW transmitter: Villebon, south of Paris; 1080 kHz power 5 kW transmitter: Romainville, eastern Paris. Latina AM is created by Radio Latina (99.0 FM in Paris). For the operation of Latina AM they are associated with Caracol, Colombia and Sonora FM, Ecuador. [Max van Arnhem, the Netherlands, via e-mail]

NAMIBIA: Joe Duwe, chief technician of NBC, had this to say about his station. Right now we use shortwave for the farmer community and other outlying areas not covered by FM. As we expand our FM network to cover 95% of the population, we will be closing down the shortwave and mediumwave. In fact, we have already started this on the latter, as we shut down 747 kHz at the beginning of May. As for shortwave, it probably has about five or ten years left. [Cumber DX #193, Direct from station via Hans Johnson]

PORTUGAL: From 21 May 1998 is transmitting the new RADIO EXPO from Lisbon. This station has been held to commemorate the Lisbon International EXPO and will broadcast until the 21 September 1998. Operation Frequency: 756 kHz (via Lamego Txer) // 103.0 FM Operation Schedule: 24 hours a day. The station broadcasts in the three official languages of the EXPO: Portuguese, Spanish and English, with short items in French, German and Swedish also. Format is: Traditional Portuguese music with tips and info on Lisbon and EXPO in the three official languages (plus French sometimes). Weather forecast and National News on the hour. Full multi-

lingual IDs at minute '59 to '01. [Jorge Garzon, MediDX, via e-mail]

BEN'S BERMUDA BLUES

"Just in case anyone wonders if I heard anything interesting on my recent Bermuda trip here it is in a few words. With my KIWA pocket loop and SW1 there were indeed possibilities, but at Bermuda, at least in the summer, there is constant heavy static that makes listening difficult day and night. Plus, the 5 locals are all so close that you get spurs all over the dial. Mark suggested I try for TAs at sunset, but unfortunately our dinner hour on ship, where we ate every night even while in Bermuda, was 8:30 PM so no tuning at that hour. I tried for hets later but found no significant ones. I think the most interesting thing on this trip was the remarkable daytime reception midway between Philadelphia and Bermuda. For example, on the way home, at a distance of about 360 miles northwest of Bermuda, 380 miles southwest of Philadelphia and New England, and 340 out from Norfolk, stations along the coast from New Bedford, New York City, Long Island, New Jersey, Philly and Norfolk were blasting in while the 5 Bermudans [1160, 1230, 1280, 1340 and 1450] were still quite strong, especially on 1160 and 1280. Each one of them had a New Jersey coastal station to compete with. Maybe in the winter with my R8A and wire strung out on a beach - plus much more time- things would be a lot better. But my family and I had a good time."

CONNELLY'S CAPE DX-CAPADES

Here's a summary of DX from my recent trips. Logs on 29 JUN to 2 JUL '98 are from East Harwich; those on 6 JUL from West Yarmouth; and 7 JUL from Plymouth. Dates and times are UTC.

- 29 JUN / 0000-0059: Canaries-621, Venezuela-750, Colombia-610.
 29 JUN / 0100-0159: St. Kitts & Nevis-555, Venezuela-640, Venezuela-580, Puerto Rico-580, Grenada-535, Venezuela-600, Brazil-720, Venezuela-720.
 29 JUN / 0200-0320: Venezuela-780 (YVOD // 4980), Colombia-810 (// 5076.8), Cuba-860, Ireland-567.
 29 JUN at 1510 UTC (daytime groundwave): Turks & Caicos-530.
 30 JUN / 0100-0159: Canaries-621, PJB Neth. Antilles-800, unID SS Latin American - 820.22.
 30 JUN / 0200-0330: Puerto Rico-630, Colombia-650, St. Kitts & Nevis-830, Saudi Arabia-1521, unID (Vatican ?)-1530, unID het-1529.5, Spain-1107, Spain-1044, Canaries/Spain-837.
 1 JUL at 0050 UTC: tentative ZBVI-780, severe static from nearby thunderstorms.
 2 JUL / 0000-0059: Western Sahara-711.05, St. Kitts & Nevis-895, Algeria-891, Cuba-860, St. Kitts & Nevis-830 (killing WCRN).
 2 JUL / 0100-0159: YVOD-780 (o/ Coro & CFDR), Colombia-770, Colombia-760, Guyana(t)-760, unID het-729.12 (not sure if TA or PanAm), St. Vincent-705, Colombia-700, Colombia-690 (Recuerdos), Azores-693, Azores-837, Spain-684, Cuba-660, Cuba-640, Ireland-612.
 2 JUL / 0200-0259: Germany(t)-549 mix Algeria, ZLS Bahamas-526, Ireland-567, Cuba-570, Cuba-600, unID SS-734.7, Haiti-840 (o/Cuba), Cuba-890, Cuba-900, Colombia-940, UK-1089, UK-1215, Libya-1251.
 2 JUL / 0300-0430: Germany-1422, Anguilla-1505, unID blank carrier-1404 (France ?), Spain-855, Spain-603, Algeria-549 LOUD !, Spain-1521, Spain-1539, Spain-1584, Sao Tome VOA - 1530 HUGE, annihilating WSAI at 0430 UTC - maybe the strongest signal ever from this!
 6 JUL / 0126-0304: Cuba-1180, Cuba-710, Colombia-1100, Colombia-1170, Cuba-1060.
 6 JUL / 0848-0935: Cuba-620, unID SS-600.08 QRM'd by Cuba-600, St. Kitts & Nevis-555 fading out, Cuba-540, Cuba-570, Cuba-690, Cuba-940, Cuba-640. Comment: This dawn-period DX session was a quest for western South America, Central America, Jamaica, Mexico, western USA, and Trans-Pacifics, but, as is often the case, it just produced wall-to-wall Cubans and routine domestics from eastern and midwestern areas.
 7 JUL / 0005-0109: Senegal-765, Azores-837, Azores-693, Morocco(t)-819, Spain-855, Spain-873, Canaries/Spain-882, Algeria-891 (measured 890.95), Spain-954 very good, Spain-999, Spain-1071, Canaries/Spain-1179, UK-1053, Spain-1044, Portugal-1035, UK-909, Spain-738, Spain o/unID-729, Spain-639, jumbled messes on several TA channels (747, 756, others). 1350 didn't have a 1349 het, so maybe Mauritania is having technical problems. Normally 1349 shows up a half-hour or more before sunset at coastal sites.
 Here's a summary of DX from an after-work session at Granite Pier in Rockport, MA. Receiver: Drake R8A Antenna system: BBL-1 broadband loop and MFJ-1024 whip (as cardioid array) with Superphaser-1 phasing unit.
 9 JUL at 2354 UTC (pre-sunset): Algeria-981



- 10 JUL / 0000-0059: Algeria-1550, Spain-1413, Canaries-1179, Croatia-1134 (o/Spain), Spain-1152, Spain-1107 (loud), het-1161 prob. Spain, Spain-1098 (o/Slovakia), Spain-1044, Spain-1116, Spain-1125, Spain-1296, Canaries/Spain-837
- 10 JUL / 0100-0202: Spain-738 (loud), Spain-774, Spain-801, Egypt-864 (o/2 others), Algeria-891 (huge), Spain-936, Spain-729, Spain-585, Spain-576, Spain-531, Spain-639, Spain-855, Spain-1359, Germany-1422, Saudi Arabia-1512, Spain-1575, Spain-1584, Spain-1314, Spain-1215 (o/ UK) Latin Americans, even routine stations, were poor.

CONTRIBUTORS (@ = via e-mail)

- @Jean Burnell, St. John's, NF DXing at Grayland WA; Drake R8A, with a 1,200-foot terminated wire at 230 degrees and a 1,000-foot terminated wire at 260 degrees.
- @Jean Burnell, DXing near Cappahayden NF; Drake R8A, two 30-50 meter wires., also Dxing from near Middle Cove NF; Drake R8A, Model 108 23" spiral loop; also DXing. near Middle Cove NF; Drake R8A, 220 meter wire towards Europe
- @Mark Connelly, DXing from Cape Cod locations, and from Rockport MA..
- @Ben Dangerfield, Wallingford PA., Drake R8A, 3 slopers. Also Dxing from Bermuda with SW1 and KIWA pocket loop.
- Nile Kelly, Mesa AZ; Sony Walkman (an analog WM-FX301).
- Steve Kennedy, Coal Township, PA
- Ray Moore, La Belle FL; Homebuilt receiver, Drake R8, Model 108 23" spiral loop.

Bargain Bin

The following publications are available for the cost of shipping. Most are in excellent condition, although some have logos clipped on some pages, and some have notes written in the margins. I will give top priority to anyone who is maintaining a DX club-sanctioned archive of DX materials. In event of multiple requests, I'll draw names from a hat (allowing time for snail mail letters to reach here on par with e-mail)

- New Zealand DX Times* APR 92 (44-7) - OCT 97 (49-12) missing: 49-9
- DX'ers Calling (DX Australia)* APR 92 (117) - DEC 1997 (185) Missing 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 140, 141, 170, 180
- Distance (UKVK, Sweden)* 90-16, 91-4, 91-8 through 96-15.

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Network listings for team sports stations

Sorry for the mixup in the footnotes in the ESPN Radio Network list in my last column. I had changed footnotes from r-z to a-i, but I had forgotten to change my source file. (The file I sent to Paul had the problem; the file I had sent to Wayne for the "Log 19" was fine.) Here are the footnote equates: a=s, b=t, c=y, d=u, e=v, f=z, g=x, h=w, and i=r.

Here are Major League Baseball updates from Steve Kennedy (via USPS).

Baltimore Orioles - WHVR-PA is 1280, not 1290.

Cincinnati Reds - 1340 WLBC-IN has changed calls to WXFN.

New York Yankees - Steve has heard Yankee broadcasts on 1270 UNID; my list does not contain a station at 1270.

Philadelphia Phillies - 1420 WCOV-PA does NOT carry the broadcasts. Add 1200 WRKK-PA (which simulcasts 1400 WRAK-PA).

New York Mets - Add 1470 WTKO-NY to the network list.

New York Yankees - Add 1270 WTSN-NH, which was listed on the Red Sox network. Steve does not know if they still broadcast the Red Sox.

Here are Arena Football updates also from Steve Kennedy.

New Jersey Red Dogs - Add 1240 WSNJ-NJ to the list. **Iowa Barnstormers** - 1040 WHO-IA

Here are Major League Soccer updates also from Steve Kennedy.

Columbus Crew - Add 1270 WUCO-NY to the list.

NY/NJ Metrostars - Steve has heard a SS broadcast on 1440 UNID.

Here is more Minor League Baseball information from Russ Edmunds and Bob Pietsch (both via e-mail) and Steve Kennedy (via USPS). Some of these are full network lists (from the web); I have reprinted and enhanced the lines from my Minor League flagship column. Some of these are full minor league networks that I did not have in my previous column. I think that I have included all of the e-mail that I have received. In my job as e-mail postmaster at work I get a lot of undeliverable mail, and sometimes I overlook mail. As usual "*" indicates the flagship station, and "s" indicates that the station broadcasts only selected games.

International League (AAA)

Charlotte Knights - 610 WFNZ-NC; Matt Swierad, Tommy John (per "Charlotte Observer")

Scranton-Wilkes Barre Red Barons - 1400 WICK-PA *, 960 WEMR-PA, 1340 WYCK-PA, 1440 WC DL-PA, 1490 WAZL-PA, 1550 WKQV-PA; Kent Westling

Pacific Coast League (AAA)

Calgary Cannons - 940 KXTK-AB (per website)

Oklahoma Redhawks (not Redbirds)

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Eastern League (AA)

Binghamton Mets - 1290 WBNF-NY; Dave Schultz

Hardware City Rock Cats (New Britain, CT) - 990 WNTY-CT (per *Hartford Courant*)

Harrisburg Senators - 1230 WKBO-PA *, 1000 WIOO-PA; Brad Sparesus, Mark Mattern

New Britain Rock Cats - 890 WNTY-CT *, 1350 WNLK-CT (or WINY-CT Steve is not sure which)

New Haven Ravens - 1300 WAVZ-CT *, 960 WELI-CT, 1150 WMRD-CT s, 1420 WLIS-CT s; Matt Devlin

Norwich Navigators - 980 WSUB-CT *, 1150 WMRD-CT s, 1230 WERI-RI, 1310 WICH-CT, 1400 WILI-CT, 1420 WLIS-CT s; Shawn Holliday, Mark Leinweaver

Portland Sea Dogs - 970 WZAN-ME *, 1240 WTME-ME, 1400 WIDE-ME, 1450 WKTQ-ME, 92.7 WOXM-ME, 100.7 WTBM-ME; Andy Young

Reading Phillies - 1340 WRAW-PA *, 1370 WPAZ-PA, 1100 WGPA-PA; Steve Degler

Trenton Thunder - 1350 WHWH-NJ *, 1410 WHTG-NJ, 1040 WJHR-NJ, 1350 WHWH-NJ; Tom

McCarthy, Andy Freed

Southern League (AA)

West Tennessee Diamond Jaxx (not the Jacks)

Texas League (AA)

Wichita Wranglers - 1330 KFH-KS (different flag per website); Dennis Higgins

Carolina League (A)

Kinston (NC) Indians - 960 WRNS-NC *, 930 WDLX-NC, 1070 WNCT-NC; Josh Whetzel
 Wilmington Blue Rocks - 1290 WJBR-DE *, 1410 WDOV-DE, 1550 WSER-DE, 1590 WPWA-DE (Sun only); Mark Nasser, Kevin Reiter (per website)
 Winston-Salem Warthogs - 1380 WTOB-NC*, 100.9 WIFM-NC; Tim Grubbs (per website)

South Atlantic League (A)

Charleston (WV) Alley Cats - 950 WQBE-WV *, 580 WCHS-WV, +3 FMs; Dan Loney

New York-Penn League (Short Season Class A, 6/16 to 9/3)

Batavia (NY) Muckdogs - This is the correct name.
 Lowell Spinners - 1400 WLLH-MA *, 1120 WADN-MA; Bob Ellis, Chaz Scoggins

Northern League (Independent)

Winnipeg Goldeyes - 680 CJOB-MA; Paul Edmonds

Atlantic League (<<http://www.atlanticleague.com>>)

Atlantic City Surf - 1450 WFPG-NJ Bridgeport Bluefish - no information available
 Nashua Pride - no information available
 Newark Bears - no information available
 Newburgh Black Diamonds - no information available
 Somerset Patriots - 1450 WCTC-NJ

Frontier League (<<http://www.bright.net/~paints/frontier.html>>)

Canton Crocodiles - 1480 WHBC-OH
 Chillicothe Paints - no information available
 Evansville Otters - no information available
 Johnstown Steal - 850 WJAC-PA Bill Czaja (1997 Info)
 Kalamazoo Kodiaks - no information available
 Ohio Valley Redcoats - no information available
 Richmond Roosters - no information available
 Springfield Capitals - no information available

Heartland League (<<http://www.newwave.net/~railkings/heart.htm>>)

Cook County Cheetahs - no information available
 Dubois County Dragons - no information available
 Huntington Rail Kings - 930 WRVC-WV Dave Shannon
 Lafayette Leopards - no information available
 Tennessee Tomahawks - no information available
 Tupelo Tornado - no information available

Northeast League (<<http://www.northeastleague.com>>)

Adirondack Lumberjacks - no information available
 Albany-Colonie Diamond Dogs - 1300 WTMM-NY Rip Bowan, Ranone Masliyah
 Allentown Ambassadors - no information available
 Catskill Cougars - no information available
 Elmira Pioneers - no information available
 Massachusetts Mad Dogs - no information available
 New Jersey Jackals - 89.5 WSOU-NJ
 Waterbury Spirit - 1320 WATR-CT

Texas-Louisiana League

Abilene Prairie Dogs - no information available
 Alexandria Aces - no information available
 Amarillo Dillas - no information available

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Greenville Bluesmen - no information available
 Lafayette Bayou Bullfrogs - no information available
 Lubbock Crickets - no information available
 Rio Grande Valley White Wings - no information available

Western League (<<http://www.westernbaseball.com>>)

Bend Bandits - 1110 KBND-OR
 Chico Heat - 1290 KPAY-CA Rory Miller, Mike Baca
 Grays Harbor Gulls - 1320 KXRO-WA
 Mission Viejo Vigilantes - 830 KPLS-CA Jerry Scanlan
 Pacific Suns - no information available [not on the SK list]
 Reno Chukars - 1450 KHIT-NV Cory Alan Fergie, Bob Moffatt
 Salinas Peppers - no information available [not on the web list]
 Sonoma County Crushers - 1350 KSRO-CA Tri-City Posse - 960 KALE-WA

Here is some Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) information from Bob Pietsch (via e-mail) and Steve Kennedy. There was broadcast information for four of the ten teams; the website <<<http://www.wnba.com>>> had no mention of flagships or nets for the other six teams.

Cleveland Rockers - 1300 - WERE OH *, 930 WEOL-OH s, 1330 WELW OH s, 1570 WANR-OH s, 1590 WAKR-OH s, 107.1 WDOH-OH s; Joe Tait
 Los Angeles Sparks - 570 KLAC CA *; Larry Burnett, Wanda Szeremata
 New York Liberty - Steve heard a broadcast on 620; he believes it is either WHEN-NY or WJWR-NJ. [not on the web list]
 Sacramento Monarchs - 1140 KHTK CA *; Brian Wheeler, Krista Blunk, Steve Buzzard
 Utah Starzz - 1320 KFZ-UT *; David Locke, Tom Nissalke

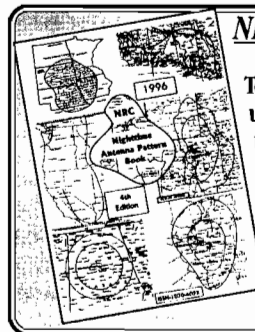
Yet More Log Help Needed!

The NRC's AM Radio Log is in need of some help with some conflicting reports on format, networks, and other information that is needed to help keep it current Listed by State. If you can help, thanks! If you can pass the question on to someone who can thanks also! Please DO NOT quote other peoples' info from *DX News* or *DX Monitor*. That's where most of the conflicts came from! Thanks, JD Stephens, Ken Onsyuchuk, Paul Mount and those who responded in the pages of *DX News*. This posting includes the unanswered questions as of July 5, 1998

Many thanks for the help! 73 Wayne Heinen <<nrclog@aol.com>>, NRC AM Radio Log Editor

FL Need a valid address and phone for all these

WJNO-1040 Boynton Beach?
 WJNA-1230 West Palm Beach? WJNX-1330 Fort Pierce
 KY WPKE-1240 - Last known format CHR //WBPA-1460 //FM "HOT 103.1" Reported via Inet as TLK
 MA WVBF-1530 Middleboro New Address and Phone
 WARE-1250 Ware MA Address and Phone
 NB CHSJ-700 St. John NB New Address and Phone
 NY WCKL-560 Catskill Current formats and nets
 WDOT-1070 Plattsburg NY Address and Phone
 VA WVLR-880 Moneta Current Format & Net Affiliation
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Note: Effective immediately: All Musings are to be sent to Dave Schmidt at the addresses above. Why not re-intro yourself for the August issue? His deadline will be around August 3 -pls.

REMOTE CONTROL FAILS TO TURN OFF KXTD-1530

Ernest J. Wesolowski - 13312 Westwood Lane - Omaha, NE 68144-3543 For the past 6 months, an open carrier has been bothering DXers in the midwest. Who is doing this has been the question for members JOHN TUDENHAM, myself, and others. John suggested it was KXTD in Wagoner, OK as its direction was from his S.W. My direction was straight South. Nearly every night a 10db/S9 signal of OC over & under WSAI. However we could never hear the station s/on or s/off. It's a SS station. So on 11/30 after a visit with John in Joplin, MO, I drove to Tulsa, OK and enroute listened to KXTD & later in the evening at a motel on the East side of Tulsa, the OC was strong on both my new Optimus 12-604 Radio Shack RX & the '97 Buick car radio. The NRC Log shows the station to have an address at WWLS-640 in Norman, OK. So a visit was made there and the secretary told me the ex-verie signer was no longer employed there and the station was sold two years ago. She didn't know the new address. In calling John that night, he said the station was off and thought I got it done. I was too close to KOMA-1520 to hear 1530. However after getting back home in Omaha, the OC was present again. Information operator had no radio station listening in Wagoner. So then a letter was sent to the GM, addressed to Wagoner, OK 74467. It was returned by the P.O. saying "Addressee unknown". Later, member GARY HOUDEK of Munden, KS gave me the address of the OK Association of Broadcasters in OKC. On 1/9 I received a phone call from Mr. George Chambers of KQLL-1430 in Tulsa, who was sent my letter from the OK Association of Broadcasters. He is a contract engineer for KXTD and the night before drove over to Wagoner and found the XR on with full power of 5000 W. The problem was found in what I suggested: a welded contact on a relay of the remote control unit. The owner was wondering why her power bill was so high! The XR has a 2 tower Daytime Only array protecting the east. Studios are at 587 S. Garnett in Broken Arrow. Mailing address: Tulsa 741 46. Another simular problem: My local KLNG-1560 Council Bluffs, IA has been leaving their low power XR on all night. I called 5 times at night and left a message on the machine. Did no good! Finally I called around 2pm & talked to the GM. He acted as not knowing it. However since then, they close down at Sundown! If you have a simular problem, call or write the GM. Be nice and state the problem. Mention that it is illegal to do so and also they are failing to ID on the hour for each of the 12 hours during the night! Good Luck. 73's, Ernie

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<<iowarocker@hotmail.com>> This musing marks my 10th anniversary as a member of the National Radio Club. It's been a fun ride so far, although bumpy at times, but one I've thoroughly enjoyed nonetheless. Since starting my Iowa City logbook on Oct. 26, 1985 (with WHO), I've heard over 1240 domestic stations from 44 states and 6 provinces. Of the lower 48 states, the only one west of the Mississippi that I've not yet heard is Idaho. I have heard KBOI from other Iowa QTHs, but it's much tougher to get anything but Cuba through WMAQ here in eastern Iowa. Maine is also a much-wanted state, but if Steve Francis can get WJAE-1440 in Alcoa, it's certainly possible (with the right conditions and a LOT of luck) here. Only two new loggings here since May 1; WNML-1670 on regular sked and the DX test from KDSX-1700, which, as I understand, may be a one-shot happening. The Iowa City logbook is in the process of being updated, and it needs some help from the DXing public. WHO on 580 would have been using the slogan "Great 58" in late 1991? CKAP? KALB? Or maybe someone else? Also, I'm trying to find out who on 680 carried a bluegrass/gospel music program on Saturday mornings in late 1994. This unID has eluded me ever since. I suspect WCTT, but I want to be positively sure before counting it. Returning to the present, I recently went on a roadtrip north and stopped at the studios of KNFX-970 and KWEB-1270, both now located in the same building in Rochester, MN. Got the lowdown on schedule info from KWEB's program director, Brad Oistad. Both stations are now mostly all-sports; I'll have more details in Bill Hale's DDXD-W column. I'll close with a reminder that I'll be editing the College Sports Networks column again this year. Info about NCAA football and basketball networks, with affiliates and names of announcers, go to the addresses you see printed above. That's a wrap. 73 from the Hawkeye State.

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While wandering around my local library recently looking for something to read while flying to/from Hawaii I found an interesting book on radio: "Sparks out of the Plowed Ground" by Bob Doll, subtitled "The History of America's Small Town Radio Stations." Doll is the former owner and editor of the Small Market Radio Newsletter. As a retirement project he researched the evolution of stations in cities under 25,000 population. Many of his stories center on Midwestern and Southern operations, but I was

delighted to find a couple of paragraphs of the startup of KSRV-AM in my home town. (KSRV was sold last year after 51 years under the same family ownership—the longest ownership of a commercial station in Oregon.) The book is a fast read with an interesting perspective on changes that have come to the industry. DXing mainly limited to fishing for the Xbanders. Local KYIZ-1620 has a very sad daytime signal here only about 25 miles away. At night, KKJY-1640, some 190-miles away, is noticeably stronger. It is interesting to note while KKJY is on I have almost no interference from KDIA-1640, but when KKJY signs off at 11 pm PDT KDIA takes over at almost an equal level. With KDIA always strong I was expecting significant interference. In weeding out some files I came across some NRC items from 1963: the first from Executive Secretary Ray Edge are the 15 "Rules and Purpose" of the NRC effective in 1964. The second from Ernest J. Wesolowski is the proposed Constitution of the NRC and a ballot for members dated October 1963. Anyone wants them send me three first-class stamps and they are yours. A final note: KING-FM, Seattle, is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. The station has had a classical format from day one and in the Spring book had a 4.3 share. Question: is there any radio station in the US that has had the same format as long or longer? The station is owned by a consortium of arts groups (Seattle Symphony, Opera, etc.) with all profits (about \$750,000 last year) going to the arts in the Puget Sound area.

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After nearly 28 years of work as a line & cable splicer for NYNEX/Bell Atlantic, I decided to take an early retirement offer effective 3/31/89 at age 48. I loved the work but like many middle class working people got sick and tired of working from Jan. 1st to June 1st every year just to pay obscenely high taxes. How is it? It's just like being a kid again and I would highly recommend it to anyone! Time DX'ing continues to be primarily on the expanded AM band and some SW with good results. A steady buzz is noted on frequencies 1610 - 1700 except when there is even a weak signal on any one of these channels. The buzz then disappears or becomes very minimal. Veries received since 2/1/98...V/qr: WGAI-560 (for 2/12/96 DX Test), WVNS-670, WPHG-1620 & KGXL-1650. Letters have been received from WFRB-560 (non specific after 3 follow ups for 1/31/94 DX Test), CBN-640 (also sent QSL for report for their 1 KW SW outlet on 6160 khz.), WRPT-650, WJHR-1040, Highway Advisory Radio Stations on both 2630 & 1700 at JFK Airport, NYC, H.A.R. PA Turnpike Station WPKX724 on 1640 khz. and WNML-1670, "The Sports Animal". I am very happy with the new Drake Equipment and The Quantum Loop; both the R8A & SW8 are nice receivers. No conventions for us this year, maybe in '99? 73

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