

# DX News

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### CPC Test Calendar

WQSN	MI	1660	Feb. +	24 hours
KEYZ	ND	660	Feb. 15	0105±0600
WILM	DE	1450	Feb. 21	0100-0300
KTSA	TX	550	Mar. 8	0100-0300
KIML	WY	1270	Mar. 8	0200-0500
KSDR	SD	1480	Mar. 10	0100-0600
KNEU	UT	1250	Mar. 15	0200-0700

WQSN-1660 will insert Morse code ID's into their legal ID at the top of each hour through February, and perhaps longer, according to IRCA's Lynn Hollerman

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From the publisher ... Bridgeport '99 is shaping up nicely, and Bill and Brenda Swiger have made arrangements for us to be at the same Holiday Inn many of us enjoyed in 1991 at the last convention in Bridgeport. He's now collecting all the costs and travel details so we that we can pass them along in a couple of weeks.

Still no volunteers for the CPC, Target DX, Contests; and let me be the very first to tell you that if you don't want to see them continue, don't volunteer! I'm not going to ask current editors to take on additional duties. How about some of you new members who have a couple of hours of time available each week taking over some responsibilities? I'd be delighted to help you get started.

I've noted a continuing series of little glitches in various columns and submissions recently, and so maybe now is the best time to pitch the "NRC Contributors' Guidebook", available on the NRC web site (see back page) for downloading, or for a first-class stamp if you want a hard copy from the publisher. Basically, what you see on your screen may not be best for what the editors and I need, and it shows you how to avoid sending us bad copy. I define "bad copy" as that which is not clean ... it contains extra spaces, returns, etc., that we have to take time to strip out so that what we present in DXN at least approaches a professional appearance, and at best is readable to even those with failing eyesight. Common errors that I've seen even from several editors (who should know better) include using tabs for indents or a long series of spaces instead of tabs or centering. Even if you don't edit a column, you could help us out by

downloading and studying a copy of the "Guidebook", which covers non-DX News contributions for NRC Publications, also; at the least, you could save yourself some typing time.

DXChange ... Dick Truax - 812-246-6377 (after 6pm EST or <<k9rt@aol.com>>) is offering his Drake R8A Communications Receiver in AS NEW condition with original manual, box, etc. He says it's one of the best made, an excellent broadcast band receiver as well as shortwave. It covers long wave thru 30 mhz continuous. Asking \$735; shipped UPS insured to your door in the lower 48 states ... From Alan Merriman <<merriman@shore.intercom.net>> or 757-336-6759; WTB: Kiwa Map.

### DXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 66

Iss.	Deadline	Pub. Date	Iss.	Deadline	Pub. Date
19.	Feb. 12	Feb. 22	25.	Apr. 9	Apr. 19
20.	Feb. 19	Mar. 1	26.	May 7	May 17
21.	Feb. 26	Mar. 8	27.	June 4	June 14
22.	Mar. 5	Mar. 15	28.	July 9	July 19
23.	Mar. 12	Mar. 22	29.	Aug. 6	Aug. 16
24.	Mar. 26	Apr. 5	30.	Sept. 10	Sept. 20

### DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the February 19, 1949 DXN: In regard to a scheduled DX broadcast from KCTX-1510 on February 23, a letter from the station informed us that the FCC had requested KCTX to remain silent on the mornings of February 21, 22, and 23 while other stations, under directions from the FCC, would be on 1510 kc. conducting special broadcast to determine propagation characteristics for future trans-ocean broadcasting.

25 years ago ... from the February 11, 1974 DXN: Ray Moore, Walpole, MA, noted Urumchi-1525 China on 1/20, 2152-2201, with "East is Red" and a pattern change after the hour ... Gary Atkins, Louisville, KY, asked, "Why do all the good DX'ers seem to leave Kentucky? First Jerry Conrad, then Larry Cowles, and lately, Dan Phillips ... Next thing you know Dick Truax will be packing his bags and moving."

10 years ago ... from the Monday, February 13, 1989 DXN: Cesar Objio reported that both his frequency counter and his DX-400 were inoperable ... George Santulli, Leesburg, VA reported hearing a "K" call in KCTA-1030 signing off above WBZ on January 12 ... Gene Martin, Denver, reported that intense solar activity January 11 through 16 prompted him to explore the high band on the 11th, and he bagged the two Australians on 1629, and again on the 14th and 15th.

# AM Switch

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

## CALL LETTER CHANGES

	Old call		New call
730	WPAL SC Charleston		WBUB
940	WGMY MI South Haven		WCSY
1250	WBUB OH Washington Court House		WCHO
1310	KPOZ TX San Antonio		KXTN
1330	WCPQ NC Havelock		WANG
1400	KFSO CA Visalia		KVBL
1440	WREY NJ Millville		WMVB
1630	KBCM TX Fort Worth		KOME

## APPLICATION FOR NEW STATION

730 TX Forest Hill: 9/9 U1 (synchro for KKDA)

## GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

## APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

1400 CKRN PQ Rouyn-Noranda: to 95.7 FM

## GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

970 KAFY CA Bakersfield: 1000/1000 U4  
1110 CKTY ON Sarnia: to 106.3 FM  
1450 KMCA CA Burney: 260/250 U1, city of license to Shasta, CA, relocate transmitter (will become a two-site operation, the only Class 4 station to do; so, a modification to an existing CP)  
1510 WXXV PA Monroeville: 1000 (1000 CH) D1, relocate transmitter

## OTHERNESS

540 KUHB AK St. Paul: CP for new station CANCELLED, call DELETED  
560 WJLS WV Beckley: CP for 4500/470 U2 from new transmitter location is on  
840 KABN AK Long Island: CP for 8000/8000 U1 CANCELLED  
850 KLYF CA Thousand Oaks: CP for 25000/1000 CANCELLED  
1000 WVWI VI Charlotte Amalie: silent station is ON THE AIR  
1010 WIOJ FL Jacksonville Beach: CP for 23000/4300 Baldwin CANCELLED  
1190 KXKS NM Albuquerque: CP for 10000/24 U1 CANCELLED (station remains 10000 D1)  
1200 WCHB MI Taylor: silent station is ON THE AIR  
1200 KYOO MO Bolivar: CP to relocate transmitter CANCELLED  
1240 KLOA CA Ridgecrest: CP to relocate transmitter CANCELLED  
1270 KTRT OK Claremore: CP for 1000/1000 U2 CANCELLED (station remains 1000 D1)  
1310 WSSJ NJ Camden: station is SILENT pending a sale  
1390 CJCY AB Medicine Hat: CP to move to 96.1 FM is on  
1410 KCOL CO Fort Collins: CP for 5000/1000 CANCELLED  
1490 KBIX OK Muskogee: CP for 450/450 CANCELLED  
1490 CKEN NS Kentville: CP for 1000/750 U5 is on  
1600 WINX MD Rockville: silent station is ON THE AIR  
1600 KUSH OK Cushing: license CANCELLED, call DELETED  
1620 KSMH CA Auburn: new station has been testing  
1680 WTTM NJ Princeton: new station still testing; call was incorrectly shown as "WTTN" last issue

Note: Most of the cancelled CPs above represent plans that have been abandoned for various reasons, cancellations were at the licensee's request.

THANKS: Bill Hale, Dave Schmidt, Perry Crabill, Ed Krejny & MSJ

With this edition we take our annual leave to go NASCAR racing where it's warmer than it is here in Ohio. There will be no AM Switch until Issue 22 at which time we will catch you up on everything that has transpired, and you won't miss a thing.

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



# Domestic DX Digest

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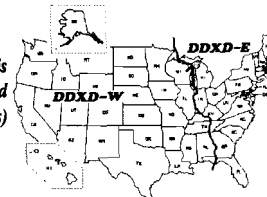
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*DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-br. ELT*

(Division line is between East and Central time zones)



## DDXD-West

### MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- A comment from one of my regular reporters wonders why more members do not report their DX. Funny ... I've been asking myself that for over 10 years of doing this column.
- Donning my other club hat (Graveyard DX Achievements) ... I have great news! Fred Vobbe has set up a Graveyard DX reflector from his DXAS site. To subscribe to the GYDX distribution, send a message to GYDX-REQUEST@NRCDXAS.ORG. In the subject line put the single word SUBSCRIBE. In the body of the message put the words SUBSCRIBE GYDX followed by your e-mail address. Be sure to put in your address. After you send the message, you will get a confirmation message back within 15 minutes. When I send GYDX updates, you will have it in your mailbox in 5 minutes. THANKS, Fred.
- Speaking of Graveyard updates ... Ron Schiller has claimed some pre-1960 records, which haven't been updated since 1989!! Those lists haven't appeared in print for years due to 'no updates' and lack of room in DX News. The entire GY lists, however, will be transmitted to the GYDX distribution list.
- Kind of a short column this week. Let's hope it's the flu that's keeping you from reporting.

### REPORTERS

**FA-ID** Frank Aden Boise FRG-7 with 3 foot box loop <wvll23a@prodigy.com>  
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**RD-AZ** Ragnar Danneskjold Mesa Delco Radio in a 94 Buick or \*Kenwood R-1000 with terminated helical coil antenna <ldwxer@juno.com>  
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**JJR-WI** John J Rieger South Milwaukee IC-R70, KIWA loop, MFJ-959B Tuner/Preamp, DSP599zx Audio Noise Reduction Filter <johnrieger@webtv.net>  
**JTR-OK** John Reed, KASQEP Ponca City Sylvania R1414/URR & Harris RF-550 + noise reduced wire, homebrew ferrite loop, MFJ-1025 phaser <jtreed@poncacity.net>  
**RR-UT** Rocky Robello Sandy Sangan ATS-909 and Select-A-Tenna <ka7eii@webtv.net>  
**INET** Chip Kelley at http://www.metronet.com/~chipk/Texas/TXradio.html  
**Ed.-TX** Editor North Richland Hills

### SPECIAL

- 940 KXTK 1A Des Moines - 2/4 - Word off the Internet, is that KXTK has given up their talk format in favor of simulcasting KIOA — *Oldies* 93.3. Can anyone there confirm? [Ed.]
- 1240 KBEL OK Idabel - 2/1 - Format to Standards, ex: GOS. (Inet)
- 1390 KSLM OR Salem - Was purchased by Entercom a while back, and is now re-broadcasting 910 KFXV Vancouver. This gives the Salem area (about 40 miles south of Portland) a better signal of *Sports Radio, The Fan*. (AK-WA)
- 1620 KSMH CA Auburn - 1/29 1958 - Beginning Testing. Gave an address of Catholic Radio KSMH Immaculate Heart Radio, Tahoma, CA 96142 and the name given to contact was Dave Leatherby. Off air here due to power drop at 1958. (RD-AZ) [You sure this wasn't on 1620? - Ed.]
- 1620 KSMH CA Auburn - 1/30 1900 - Figthing it out with KRIZ. Gave address at 1900. Running Catholic program *Life Line*. (FA-ID)

**WGVA AM1240**  
THE SPIRIT OF THE FINGER LAKES

**DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS**

- 850 KICY- AK Nome - 1/23 0400-0415 - Nothing but several volts (OK, lots of micro volts) of signal from KOA. (RR-UT)
- 850 KICY- AK Nome - 2/1 0400-0415 - Nothing heard under KOA. (FA-ID)
- 1160 KSL+ UT Salt Lake City - 1/30 0155-0305 - Loud & clear with regular programming. ESPN until 0200, then CBS News. Then into syndicated trucker/C&W show from Central Time Zone. At 0230 KSL sent Morse code at 10-15 WPM. At 0259 more code, then VID and mention they were *helping out DXers* (whatever that is). (BK-CA)
- 1160 KSL+ UT Salt Lake - 1/30 0200-0300 - Running regular *Road Gang Show*, started some code at 0230 but taped stopped at that time. Nothing unusual as they are a big pest! (FA-ID)

**MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT**

- 550 CKPG BC Prince George - 1/31 0300 - A/C music with what sounded like a country mix. Network news at the top of the hour. Weak, under KOAC Corvallis. 550, CKPG. (AK-WA)
- 1400 KART ID Jerome - 2/3 0042 - Weak-to-fair, on top of the mess with NOS music. 1400 K-A-R-T. WW1 satellite format. (AK-WA)
- 1420 KTOE MN Mankato - 1/27 0740 - Under WOC, with call ID, weather, news and school closings. (JTR-OK)
- 1430 KAOL MO Carrollton - 1/27 0732 - Weak signal, with news and call ID. (JTR-OK)

**0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT**

- 890 WLS IL Chicago - 2/1 1139 - With ID Chicago's Newstalk 89, WLS. New log. (RD-AZ\*)
- 1120 KCLE TX Cleburne - 1/29 0805 - In loop null of KMOX, with local news. Last heard two years ago. (JTR-OK)
- 1130 KHTH CO Dillon - 1/29 0800 - Call ID and *High Country Radio*. Oldies and news. New here. (JTR-OK)

**1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT**

- 930 WSLI MS Jackson - 1/31 2045 - ESPN sports talk, call ID. In loop null of WKY. New here. (JTR-OK)
- 950 KPRC TX Houston - 1/29 2045 - Ad for Houston Job Finder. Heard on a fade-in. (JTR-OK)
- 1260 KTTS MO Springfield - 1/29 1745 - Poor, but clear/steady, on KTTS in promo and C&W music. Not common here. (JJR-WI)
- 1270 KJUG CA Tulare - 1/26 2327 - Classic C&W music, ad for Pacific Bell Wireless, spot for Paul Harvey and slogan *AM 1270 Tulare and King County's Classic Country Station*. (RR-UT)
- 1410 KERN CA Bakersfield - 1/26 2305 - Weather report and *KERN Newstalk 1410* slogan. (RR-UT)
- 1440 WGEM IL Quincy - 1/27 2050 - Call ID, sports news and talk. Good signal but last heard three years ago. (JTR-OK)
- 1450 WCEV IL Cicero - 1/26 2145 - Only heard call ID, then lost in the noise. New here. (JTR-OK)
- 1450 KATE MN Albert Lea - 1/31 2054 - Poor, in mess, with *on Kate Radio*, then out. (JJR-WI)
- 1550 WBSC SC Bennettsville - 1/31 1800 - Fair, with Southern Gospel music, full ID, USA Net News. (JJR-WI)
- 1580 KMIK AZ Tempe - 2/1 1900 - Was wondering who the Radio Disney is under KGAL. Finally caught some local ads, and see from DXN and DXM that it is this, ex:KCWW. (FA-ID)

**GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE**

# indicates a Pre-1960 record

1230 kHz:				Miles
WSOK	GA Savannah	Joe Kureth	Uniontown, MD	571

**1240 kHz:**

				Miles
WWON	RI Woonsocket	Joe Kureth	Uniontown, MD	279
WKOY	WV Bluefield	Joe Kureth	Uniontown	279

**1340 kHz:**

#KNOG	AZ Nogales	Ron Schiller	Avenel, NJ	2131
WGBY	CUB Guantanamo Bay	Ron Schiller	Lighthouse Point, FL	543
BBC	UK Lisnagarvey	Ron Schiller	Monmouth Beach, NJ	3190

**1490 kHz:**

WFAD	VT Middlebury	Joe Kureth	Uniontown, MD	361
#KBLI	ID Blackfoot	Ron Schiller	Avenel, NJ	1953

Totals:	1230	1240	1340	1400	1450	1490	Total
Joe Kureth Uniontown, MD	29	35	40	36	36	38	207

**DDXD-East**

Deadlines are Tuesdays.

*John Malicky* notes that the WGAI-560 test ran at 0108-0132 on 1/4 instead of 0000-0030, and that the Pittsburgh area tests WJAS-1320 and WPTT-1360 ran an hour early, 0000-0006 and 0016-0021 respectively, on 1/24. Apologies from John to those who listened at the scheduled times.

**STATION NEWS**

- 640 WWJZ NJ Mount Holly - Seems much stronger recently ... gone to full assigned day power? Now makes WHLO a very distant second in the day. (JEK-MD)
- 1650 WHKT VA Portsmouth - 1/23 2353 - Still playing continuous music, no ID's. (JR-NY) + 1/28 1653 - EZL instrumental music without interruption until 1731 with surprised guy "*Aaahh, testing, testing ...*" but I missed the rest in TV QRN. I'm pretty confident it's them, with loop pointing their way. Still testing in the evening (with KDNZ in the background), waited 1.5 hours for a clue and got bored. (DP-PQ)

**RADIO 310WGY**  
First with NEWS

**DX TESTS**

- 850 KICY AK Nome - 1/23 0400-0415 - *Not heard*, just WRMR, WJAC, CKVL, Radio Reloj. (JF-ON) *Not heard* in a big mix. (SK-PA)
- 1070 KHMO MO Hannibal - 1/25 0100-0300 - *Not heard*, but someone was testing with steady tone 0100-0110, then John Fogarty album to 0130. (SK-PA)
- 1160 KSL UT Salt Lake City - 1/30 0200-0400 - *Heard* with very faint code at 0229 and 0329 under a multitude of others. Before 1982, this one was a nightly visitor with armchair copy! (SF-TN)
- 1320 WJAS PA Pittsburgh - 1/24 0100-0115 - *Not heard*, unneeded. (RA-MA) *Not heard*; tough tonight mixing with CKEC, CJMR. (SK-PA)
- 1360 WPTT PA McKeesport - 1/24 0115-0130 - *Not heard*, unneeded. (RA-MA) *Not heard* and assumed a no-go. (SK-PA)
- 1390 WFIW IL Fairfield - 1/25 0200-0600 - *Not heard* through mix. (SK-PA)

**UNID and UNID HELP**

- 610 UNID -- ----- 1/24 2119 - Emergency Alert System test poked through WIP. Lots of New England stuff tonight, so maybe WGIR or WSNG. Had talk. Another station, or the same, 1/25 2159 with end of Michael Reagan show, Rush Limbaugh promo, ID killed by WIP, then CBS News at 2200, weather by female 2205, into One on One Sports 2206. Again 1/27 1955 with break in sporting event, probably basketball game, ad by female for something in Russellville. When I null out WIP, this one goes too. (SK-PA) [I think WSNG is still NOS, and WGIR doesn't send much signal this way. - DY]
- 1160 UNID -- ----- 1/27 2105-2115 - North Carolina v. Duke basketball game. (WM-MD)
- 1230 UNID -- ----- 1/23 0100 - End of United Talk Network, into UPI News. No one listed with both. (SK-PA)
- 1320 UNID -- ----- 1/26 1700 - ID as "*Oldies 106.5*" (WM-MD)
- 1350 UNID -- ----- 1/27 1710 - Business Day on the Business News Network. No one

- listed on this net; sat through a long ad set with no local ads or ID. (SK-PA)  
 1360 UNID -- ----- 1/14 1955 - GOS station here with slogan "Victory AM 1360." (JF-ON)  
 1390 UNID -- ----- 1/16 1836 - Strong station with GOS music, ID "The all new gospel radio 1390." WDCW? (JF-ON)  
 1550 UNID -- ----- 1/27 1915 - Ad for Kimble Furniture into possible sports talk show, also heard someone with black Gospel music and mention of Jackson Highway. (WM-MD)

## LOGGINGS: 0000-0800

- 610 WTVN OH Columbus - 1/26 0628 - Crown Eurpocares Mercedes commentary, then ID "6-10 WTVN." (TT-MI)  
 630 CFCO ON Chatham - 1/26 0626 - ID "Oldies and more, 6-30 CFCO." (TT-MI)  
 930 WBEN NY Buffalo - 1/26 0558 - Promo for boat show at Niagara Falls Convention/Expo Center, then WBEN ID. Weak signal, heavy mixing with stronger WEOL. (TT-MI)  
 970 WZAN ME Portland - 1/21 0245 - Sports scores on "ESPN Sports Network Sports Center," weak to fair under WWDJ. (LW-NY)  
 1040 WSGH NC Lewisville - 1/22 0103 - Southern gospel music, partial ID "WXRI Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Joy AM," into USA News. This has stayed on all night every night this month, finally an ID. Has CP kicked in on this? Behind WHO. (SK-PA)  
 1290 WHIO OH Dayton - 1/26 0534 - ID "WHIO news time 5:34," local news. (TT-MI)  
 1310 WYUR MI Dearborn - 1/24 0608 - Fair with news, mention "WYUR news," time check "WYUR news time is 6:09," weather. First time heard with these calls. (MS-ON)  
 1450 WTBO MD Cumberland - 1/29 0400 - Atop with "Route 66" theme and ID "AM 560 WFRB Frostburg, AM 1450 ...." Faded away then, but it's WTBO per Steve Kennedy in 8/17 DDXD-E. (SF-TN)  
 1480 WZRC NY New York - 1/31 0710 - Music and talk in unID language, some kind of history course (mentions of Francis Scott Key, Abraham Lincoln, Bill of Rights, etc.), ID in EE with pips 0800 "WZRC New York, AM 1480." Over, under unID REL. (DP-PQ) [Language should be Korean. - DY]  
 1580 WRDD PA Ebensburg - 1/16 0008 - Fair with song "Dream Weaver," other OLD // WNCC-950. Listed 4 watts! This and WNCC must have been running way more than their listed nighttime powers. (MS-ON)  
 1650 KDNZ IA Cedar Falls - 1/28 0717 - Sports results, "... right here on KDNZ," ad for women's basketball game Thursday night at 1835, ad for J.C. Plumbing (988-3709), weather 0721. (DP-PQ)  
 1690 WMDM MD Lexington Park - 1/26 0634 - Frequent mention of St. Mary's (County), Maryland area sports scores, then "St. Mary's County This Morning" show. No ID's other than "Bay Talk 16-90" and "Bay Vision 16-90." Very strong signal. (TT-MI)

## LOGGINGS: 0800-1600

- 540 WLUX NY Islip - Now seems a day regular under WWCS with new longwire. Don't know if WDMV is on these days. (JEK-MD)  
 1000 WXWY AL Robertsedale - 2/1 1200 - Weak, readable with religious programming, 1 kW power. Steady signal from 425 miles or so across the Gulf. (PZ-FL)  
 1170 WCTF CT Vernon - 1/25 1555 - Tentative with Open Forum with Brother Francis, went over WWVA for this, then fell way back. (SK-PA) [This is usually // all the Family Radio outlets, if you have an FM one near you, or sometimes on WYFR shortwave. - DY]  
 1260 WNSS NY Syracuse - 1/30 1045+ - With non-ID's "W-News" and "News 1260," has become quite regular days, over WNRK. (JEK-MD)  
 1370 WALK NY Patchogue - 1/30 0801 - ID, AP Network News. This one is strong along the MD/DE coastline int he day, but rarely gets in this far inland. (JEK-MD)  
 1390 WEOK NY Poughkeepsie - 1/30 1010+ - Calls, "Trading Post" with Rich Stevens, good with no sign of WLAN. (JEK-MD)  
 1450 WWSC NY Glens Falls - 1/24 0920 - Fair with ads for McCann's Pharmacy and Christy's Restaurant, into "Music with a Message" with Paul Gibbs. (HJH-PA)  
 1460 WWKL PA Harrisburg - 2/1 1210 - Weak with OLD in WKDV null, call ID only 1222.



- (PC-VA)  
 1500 WKIZ FL Key West - 2/1 1300 - Medium, readable signal, repetition of Latin favorites for a format. Steady signal from 250 watt station here 180 miles to their north, in the null of their E-W lobe pattern. (PZ-FL)  
 1530 WCTR MD Chestertown - 1/29 1550 - NOS, "Tune in WCTR every morning at 8:30," weak in late afternoon flutter. (PC-VA)  
 1550 WDZK CT Bloomfield - 1/28 0835 - Radio Disney "in Connecticut," // WQEW-1560, over, under WNTN. (DP-PQ)  
 1570 WBUG NY Amsterdam - 1/30 1000+ - ID between C&W, way over WKDB. (JEK-MD)  
 1590 WASB NY Brockport - 1/15 1557 - Fair with USA Radio News, ID "You're listening to WASB 1590 Brockport, New York and W??? Canandaigua, New York," into Bible reading from Isaiah. Used to be a regular here but not so in recent years. (MS-ON) [Transmitter problems, we hear. - DY]  
 1690 WMDM MD Lexington Park - 1/28 1535 - Political talk, ID 1544 "Bay Talk AM 1690, WMDM-AM Lexington Park," ad for Specialty Exhausts, weather 1546. Strong signal an hour and a quarter before LSS. (DP-PQ)

## LOGGINGS: 1600-2400

- 540 WDMV MD Pocomoke City - 1/26 2228 - Good at times with a weak WWCS, slogan "Classic Hits 54," oldies, numerous ads for the Marines and the Shriner's Hospital. (HJH-PA)  
 WLUX NY Islip - 1/29 2121 - Ad for jewelry store in Bay Shore, under CBT. Unusual to hear them at night. (JEK-MD)  
 550 CHLN PQ Trois Rivières - 1/28 1832-1859+ - Poor, mainly under WKRC but on top for a few minutes. Man in FF with sports call-in program, woman gave call just at top of hour. New, PQ #20. (HF-MI)  
 560 WQAM FL Miami - 1/22 2120 - Phone number given (305) 374-5100, separate ad or part of following promo for WQAM Armchair Giveaway. Then back to sports talk show, under WFIL. (SK-PA)  
 + 1/27 2212 - Strong during the end of Florida Panthers vs. Montreal Canadiens hockey, "Sports Radio 56 QAM," start of Panthers recap show. (HJH-PA)  
 WGAI NC Elizabeth City - 1/26 2358 - Many promos before hour with ID "WGAI Stereo AM 56," fair signal. New. (HJH-PA)  
 CJKL ON Kirkland Lake - 1/26 2330 - Coming up strong overtaking WFIL with C&W music, "Join us for ... bingo on CJKL." (HJH-PA)  
 580 WTAG MA Worcester - 1/24 2300 - ID at top of hour, "News Talk 580," bad QRM from WARM-590. (HJH-PA)  
 600 WSJS NC Winston-Salem - 1/27 2250-2315 - In fair on peaks with long fades. Carolina basketball coverage, ads for Hardee's Restaurant and Carolina Theater of Greensboro, no calls noted. (HJH-PA)  
 620 WDNC NC Durham - 1/27 2305 - Duke network basketball vs. North Carolina, game over 2315 and station gone, perhaps cutting back to night power. Was mixing with WHEN, who had the same game from Westwood One. (SK-PA)  
 680 WCTT KY Corbin - 1/25 1740 - ID, Elvis "Crying in the Chapel." (WM-MD)  
 WPTF NC Raleigh - 1/16 1825 - ID, "Sports Central USA," "North Carolina's number one news and information station." (LW-NY)  
 690 WJOX AL Birmingham - 1/16 1750 - "Classic Sports Moment," "Sports scores every 20 minutes on ESPN Radio," sign-off at 1800. (LW-NY) [Should be power drop rather than sign-off. - DY]  
 + 1/31 1736 - With pre-game Super Bowl show, call-ins, ads, ID's. Despite temporary fade after 1748, generally good reception to apparent power cut 1758. (AR-ON)  
 + 2/2 1819-1830 - Loud and way atop channel with local spots talk program, lost at 1830 power cut. CBF silent. (MD-MA)  
 WOKV FL Jacksonville - 1/31 1650 - Talk over, under unID REL, ID 1700: "This is News Talk 690, WOKV, Jacksonville's official news, traffic, and weather station," into CBS news with David Jackson (about Super Bowl, Clinton trial, etc.). FL #3. (DP-PQ)  
 + 1/31 1721 - With ad cluster, ID's, and "Computer America" call-in show. Van-





ished 1728 with apparent power cut. (AR-ON)  
 + 2/1 1836-1851 - Good signal, alone on channel, with talk program on nutrition, "Dr. Dean Adell on News-Talk 6-90 WOKV." CBF silent. (MD-MA)

WTIX LA New Orleans - 1/29 2205 - Tentative with NBC news, then Talk America, which coincides with NRC Log listing. QRM from WJOX, Venezuela. Probably them again 1/30 0200 with UPI News and Mike Seigal Show, but no ID heard. (JR-NY)

WNZK MI Westland - 1/30 1700 - Faded up out of a jumble with ID "WNZK Detroit," full-blown ID may have included "... one of America's great ethnic stations ... WNZK Detroit," but I'm not sure of this. Promptly faded away. (AR-ON)

WZAP VA Bristol - 2/1 1741-1815 - Dominant with gospel music, ads, USA Network sports 1745 and news 1800. Announcement at 1815 seemed to be sign-off, but could have been for power cut; WOKV then took over. (AR-ON)  
 + 2/2 1811-1815 - Strong with country gospel tunes "here on AM 6-90 WZAP. It's 46 degrees outside." Lost at 1815 power cut. New. (MD-MA)

700 WCAT MA Orange-Athol - 1/28 1729 - Noted with sign-off following break in Talk America program. Seems like this is signing off later than it should. (JR-NY) [Using WLW's sunset time maybe? - DY]

720 CHTN PI Charlottetown - 1/29 2100 + - Burying WGN with "Good Time Oldies." (JEK-MD)

740 WMBL NC Morehead City - 1/27 2130-2202 - Presumed with Duke v. North Carolina basketball, definitely the Duke network since not // WBT-1110. Pest CBL dominating. (SK-PA)

850 WYLF PA Penn Yan - 1/26 1800 - NOS music, ID, news on the hour. (WM-MD)

850 WEEU PA Reading - 1/29 1805 - ABC news on the hour, listings of sports events, "The Sports Leader," ID. (WM-MD)

890 WKNV VA Fairlawn - 1/16 1700 - Fair, mixed with WLS, ID by man "This is WKNV Fairlawn, Joy AM." (MS-ON)

930 WIZR NY Johnstown - 1/19 1843-1901 - Good at times over, under WBEN with NOS music, ID 1900 "Serving the tri-cities, this is WIZR Johnstown-Amsterdam-Gloversport," into unID network news. New and long sought after! (JF-ON)

940 WMAC GA Macon - 1/23 1659 - Surfaced over jumble with ID "We are News Talk 940, WMAC Macon," then gone. Last logged as WMAZ. (JF-ON)

950 WNCC PA Barnesboro - 1/15 2319-2358 - Fair with weather, WNCC ID, OLD pretty much non-stop, clear ID again 2358, "Wake up in the morning with ... on AM 950 WNCC and AM 1580 WRDD." Mixed with Cuban and others. Must be running way more than listed 29 watts night power. (MS-ON)

960 WTGM MD Galisbury - 1/26 1740 - Commentary on Olympic Committee, Pat O'Brien's sports report, ID "Delmarva's sports leader," into One on One Sports. (WM-MD)

970 WESO MA Southbridge - 1/21 1805 - Weather for area, fair under WWDJ. (LW-NY)

WWSW PA Pittsburgh - 1/30 2000 - "Saturday Night Oldies Party" program, songs like "What a Day for a Daydream" and "Play the Game of Love," fading in and out, from very clear to inaudible. (PGM-VA)

1030 WFTK NC Wake Forest - 1/28 1605 - REL in WWGB null, clobbered by WBZ until 1616, ID 1620: "The Ministry Station, AM 1030 WFTK." (PC-VA)

1070 WIBC IN Indianapolis - 1/11 1738 - ID, "For traffic and trust, a voice you can count on," traffic report with Big John Ellis. (LW-NY)

WNCT NC Greensville - 1/25 0139-0159 - Presumed behind WKOK, both stations taking their breaks at the same time, with Carolina Beach music at 0152. Who else would play a song called "Shaggin' on Ocean Drive"? (SK-PA) [Now I know what "Carolina Beach" music is ... - DY]

1120 WADN MA Concord - 1/21 1820-1834 - Good over KMOX with business news, weather report, "Personal Finance Radio" slogans. New. (JF-ON)

1130 WDFN MI Detroit - 1/26 1723 - ID "Sports Radio 1130 the Fan," unneeded. (WM-MD)

1150 WMRD CT Middletown - 1/30 2051 - Dual ID with WLIS-1420, OLD format, "Streets of Philadelphia" (never heard that song before). Good with no QRM; 46 watts. Heard only once before as WCNX. (JEK-MD)



WHUN PA Huntingdon - 1/26 1710 - Local news, mention of New Castle and Indiana, C&W music. Under financial talk. (WM-MD)

1170 WLGO SC Lexington - 1/29 1710-1720 - Black gospel music in WWVA null, mention of South Carolina. Good signal. (WM-MD)

1230 WSBB FL New Smyrna Beach - 1/15 1951-1953 - Surfaced briefly with couple of ads for Holly Hill and Daytona Beach, into NOS music. New. (JF-ON)

WFII OH Columbus - 1/22 2137-2150 - Fair with Columbus-Johnstown hockey, "FYI" slogans. Ex-WCOL. (JF-ON)

1240 WTAX IL Springfield - 1/22 1955 - Fair under WHBU with calls, mention of Springfield, CBS news. New, local WZZQ-1230 off. (MB-IN)

WHBU IN Anderson - 1/22 2000 - Fair with calls, news. New with local WZZQ-1230 off. (MB-IN)

1300 WIMG NJ Ewing - 1/25 1845 - Various ads, "Praise the Lord on WIMG." (WM-MD)

1320 WAMR FL Venice - 1/14 1930-1935 - Only thing on channel during aurora with Seminole basketball, slogan "1320 WAMR, the Sports Animal." New. (JF-ON)

WDER NH Derry - 1/30 1901 - ID "Voice of inspiration for northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire, WDER, Derry," good over CKEC. New. (JEK-MD)

CKEC NS New Glasgow - 1/13 1820 - End of local news and weather, AC music, fair. (LW-NY)  
 + 1/30 1710+ - Northern Nova Scotia weather, calls, "Blackwatch" program with lively fiddle and bagpipe music. Alone and booming in 20 minutes before LSS, WGET nulled. (JEK-MD)

1340 WBRK MA Pittsfield - 1/23 2013 - "Over 60 years serving the Berkshires, WBRK," Neil Diamond's "Cracklin' Rosie." Good for about 2 minutes. (JEK-MD)

1350 WGPL VA Portsmouth - 1/14 2045-2055 - Alone with GOS music, "Gospel Connection" slogan, ex-WSVY. (JF-ON)  
 + 1/16 1843 - Fair with GOS music, ad for gospel production mentioning sponsors in Portsmouth, Norfolk, etc., WGPL ID, "Your Gospel Connection." I've been after a clear ID on this on for some time now! (MS-ON)

1370 WLTC NC Gastonia - 1/15 1925-1935 - Good with GOS music and ID "WLTC 1370 Gastonia and WGCD1490 Chester." No longer // WDEX-1430 and no longer a daytime? (JF-ON)

WTAB NC Tabor City - 1/24 1802 - Good with full sign-off announcement that followed the SSB. (HJH-PA)

1400 WIDE ME Biddeford - 1/31 1645 - NOS music (instrumental version of "Tenderly"), calls. New, ME #14. (JEK-MD)

WRAK PA Williamsport - 1/16 1805 - Fair with weather, man "And that's the latest from the WRAK weather ... center." (MS-ON)

1420 WLIS CT Old Saybrook - 1/31 1645 - Crested atop others for several minutes, ID 1647 "You can follow all the action here on 1420 WLIS and 1150 WMRD." (PC-VA)

WLNA NY Peekskill - 1/31 1655 - Pushing out all the rest with C&W, ID 1700 "You are listening to the Sound of the Valley, 1420 WLNA, Peekskill." (PC-VA)

WVOT NC Wilson - 1/24 1805 - "From the best in ... mornings on 1420 WVOT," in brief fade-up. (SK-PA)

WCOJ PA Coatesville - 1/31 1630 - Penetrated jumble with "AM 1420 WCOJ," then swamped by at least three other stations. (PC-VA)

WWSR VT St. Albans - 1/31 1702 - During WLNA fade, heard "Your sports leader, AM 1420 WWSR." (PC-VA)

1430 WDIC VA Clinchco - 1/24 1730 - Weak to fair with sign-off over song, mention 5,000 watts, "Join us tomorrow at 6 a.m. on WDIC AM 1430." (HJH-PA)

1460 WWWG NY Rochester - 1/29 1700 - Broke through QRM in WKDV null with call ID, then lost. (PC-VA)

WHBK NC Marshall - 1/29 1715 - Momentarily readable with call ID after WKDV change at LSS, then disappeared. (PC-VA)

WMBA PA Ambridge - 1/25 1853 - ID by young female, OLD music. (WM-MD)  
 + 1/29 1655 - ID "Supertalk 1460 ... WMBA Ambridge," one out of many. (PC-VA)

WBCU SC Union - 1/29 1612 - Breaking through mix behind nulled WKDV, ID 1618 "... tune in next Saturday morning right here on AM 1460, WBCU." (PC-VA)

1470 WMBD IL Peoria - 1/31 1800 - Underneath flutter and music on the hour, difficult copy,



- but ID "WMBD in Peoria, 1470" ID helped by tape playback. (PC-VA)
- 1480 **WPDM** NY Potsdam - 1/28 1655 - Beatles song, ID. (WM-MD)
- WADR** NY Remsen - 1/25 2000+ - Whitesboro High School basketball, Star Radio Net ID with WRNY and WUPQ (FM?). Good. (JEK-MD)
- 1510 **WLAC** TN Nashville - 1/18 1940 - Sports talk on Tennessee Oilers, soon to be Titans, football season, and #1 Volunteers' great season, on "Sports Media Network." (LW-NY)
- 1520 **KOMA** OK Oklahoma City - 1/24 2232 - End of Voice of Truth broadcast, ID "1520 KOMA," into another religious program. Not heard since 1994. Under, and a few shots over, a weaker than usual WWKB. One of my 4 heard-but-unverified states. Will this be enough to get it? (SK-PA)
- 1540 **WADK** RI Newport - 1/22 1635 - "That's your WADK Weekend forecast," then Dr. Joy Browne. No sign of WNWR; finally got this one. Only 5 more RI's to go! (SK-PA)
- 1570 **WBUG** NY Amsterdam - 1/23 1913 - C&W music, ID, "Bug Central," "WBUG and WLFH," "Real Country." (LW-NY)
- WANR** OH Warren - 1/26 1845 - Weather, ID, under someone with C&W. (WM-MD)
- WPGM** PA Danville - 1/16 2200 - Fair, ID by man "1570 AM Danville," mention of 96.7 WPGM-FM Danville and another station. (MS-ON)  
+ 1/23 1825 - End of Radio Disney program, into religious sermon 1830. (LW-NY) [Odd combo ... DY]
- 1580 **CBJ** PQ Chicoutimi - 1/17 2205 - News in FF, dominant on the channel. (LW-NY)
- 1590 **WVNA** AL Tusculumbia - 1/26 2100 - ID in mess, then NBC news on the hour. (WM-MD)
- WONX** IL Evanston - 1/28 1804 - Presumed with man in SS, several Chicago and Colombia ads, spots, "Colombia en Chicago ... música de Colombia especial," lots of sound effects. Fair. (HF-MI)
- 1600 **WWRL** NY New York - 1/28 1642 - Poor, up briefly with promo for the "All-Star Morning Show," call ID, into soul oldie, then gone. (HF-MI)
- WBFD** PA Bedford - 1/15 1700 - Fair with ID by man as "1600 WBFD Bedford, Pennsylvania," into USA Radio Network News with Ron Jacobs. (MS-ON)
- 1630 **KCJJ** IA Iowa City - 1/24 2050 - Rock music, ID, fair under local TIS, booming signal. First time heard, IA #3. (LW-NY)

**TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS**

- 1610 **TIS** -- ----- (WAZY234) - 1/28 1615 - ID "Radio station WAZY234, broadcasting on 16-10 ...," gave phone number sounding like 994 (or 884) 385-1360 (or 3060). Since there are no 894 or 994 area codes, maybe it's 814 (west PA) or 914 (southeast NY)? QRM from WPAN997 Buffalo. (DP-PQ) [I believe the calls on the Westchester County Center TIS in White Plains NY are WNTY224, and the County Center phone number is (914) 285-4050. Close? - DY]
- 1630 **TIS** NY Westbury (WPMI-899) - 1/24 1920 - "Fortunoff's Department Store with traffic info," "WPMI 899 traffic and information station serving the area adjacent to Source Mall and Nassau's hub," seat belt law for young passengers. Located right in my hometown area. (LW-NY)
- 1700 **WINC?** VA ----- - 2/1 1200+ - Regular programming of WINC 92.5 Winchester. Noted a weak OC at 1400. Believe Harrisonburg 550 has a 1700 CP but these two towns are 70 miles apart. (JEK-MD)
- 1710 **Pirate** -- ----- - 1/28 1901-1910+ - Rock music under, over modem sounds. Again 1/29 2001-2016+, LSB cutting out most of the modem sounds, obscure rock music. Again 1/31 2000-2115+, best ever heard here using LSB, all Styx? No voice. (HF-MI)

**INTERNET UPDATES**

News from Scott Fybush's "North East Radio Watch," used by permission: WELI-960-CT extends the John and Ken show to 1600-2000, dropping Kevin Skiest's afternoon talk show after a rate dispute. WNED-970-NY will simulcast WBFO-88.7 Buffalo beginning in mid-February; will no longer broadcast internet programming. Some Pirate-MA stations: in addition to the Haitian "WRNM-Radio Noveaute Mattapan" on 1640 in Boston, Portuguese "WKNM" (1570 Lowell) has built a 50-foot tower in back of its studios at 599 Central St.

**STATION ADDRESSES**

The intrepid Steve Kennedy comes up with this: WPAD-1560-KY per v/1 now at P.O. Box 2397, Paducah KY 42202-2397; (502) 554-8255. He needs an updated address for WMLF-1270-GA.

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**ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD**

/ :/:parallel to :00: on the hour AC:Adult contemporary AP:Associated Press BBD:big band C&W:country & western CCR:contemporary Christian radio CHR:contemporary hit radio CID:code ID CL:call letter EZL:easy listening EE:English FF:French GOS:gospel LSR:local sunrise LSS:local sunset NFL:National Football League NBA:National Basketball Association NHL:National Hockey League NPR:National Public Radio OC:open carrier PSRA:pre-sunrise authority PSSA:post-sunset authority QRM:man-made interference (power lines, etc) QRN:natural interference (lightning, etc) QTH:location PRI:Public Radio International REL:religious ROK:rock 'n' roll RS:regular schedule S:stereo SID:singing ID SRS:sunrise skip SS:Spanish SSB:Star Spangled Banner SSS:sunset skip TC:time check TT:test tones UC:urban contemporary UPI:United Press International VID:voice ID

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# International DX Digest

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

One of the strangest stations I've ever heard was SRS-725, from Suriname, in the late nineteen sixties. Their 50 kW signal was easily heard many nights in Connecticut. Although the language was incomprehensible to me (probably Papiamentu or Hindi?), my 8th grade DX friend and I both noted a lot of what was then called underground rock being played on the station. In particular, I remember hearing "White Room" by Cream. It was eerie hearing that song over such a long distance as I listened in my (you guessed it) white room!

690 continues to be a fruitful frequency for DXing with CBF off the air. I managed to hear a good one this week: CBU in Vancouver BC. Alas, CBU was not playing "White Room" (nor am I listening in a white room anymore!).

Welcome to first time reporter Mike Beu, offering results of his DXing from Austin, Texas. Perhaps Mike has a white room?

Jim

## TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 864 FRANCE R.Bleue, Paris, JAN 23 0605 - Good; man in French with ID, nostalgic vocal, // 945. [Conti-NH]
- 945 FRANCE R.Bleue, Toulouse, JAN 23 0555 - Strong fade-in with Otis Redding's "Dock of the Bay" followed by a man in French. [Conti-NH]
- 954 SPAIN R.España, Madrid JAN 23 0540 - Good; in-studio discussion in Spanish. [Conti-NH]
- 981 ALGERIA Alger, JAN 23 0525 - Fair; flute and string music much stronger than 891 which produced nothing more than a weak het. [Conti-NH]
- 1089 ENGLAND Talk Radio synchronos, JAN 23 0455 - Fair; telephone talk with Mike Dicken, motorboating over an unID station. [Conti-NH]
- 1098 SPAIN RNE synchronos, JAN 23 0450 - Fair; talk // 1107, well over what was assumed to be Slovakia. [Conti-NH]
- 1107 SPAIN RNE synchronos JAN 23 0445 - Fair; man in Spanish with fading echoes from synchronized stations. [Conti-NH]

*Bruce speaks:* "My pipeline to Cuba remains hot with logs on the rather unusual frequencies of 630 and 790. Some TA action this time too, although TA reception has not been anywhere near the levels of the past couple of years."

## PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 540 MEXICO XEWA San Luis Potosi-Monterrey JAN 31 0655 - Fair; lively tropical and Tex-Mex music, echoed ID with "de México" mentions, over R.Rebelde-Cuba. [Conti-NH]
- 550 CUBA R.Rebelde JAN 31 0650 - Poor; salsa // 620 through domestics. [Conti-NH]
- 570 CUBA R.Relój, Pilón, JAN 16 0132 - SS News with clock-ticks and beeps; fair. [Beu-TX] JAN 31 0645 - Good; huge signal with news, time checks, syncopated clock, and RR code IDs; phasing was required to hear domestics with Cuba nulled. [Conti-NH]
- 580 CUBA R.Rebelde JAN 31 0640 - Merengue music under WG-Worcester, // 600, 620, & 5025. [Conti-NH]
- 608.25 CUBA JAN 26 0100 - The Mark Connelly Cipher manifests itself nightly at precisely 0100. Strong signal bears the Radio Rebelde format. Signal is about half strength of 600 Holguin, with bearings within a crab whisker of one another. Rumors that this is an transmitter problem with 600 are premature, but it is its own unique station. [Zecchino-FL]
- 630 CUBA R.Progreso JAN 31 0630 - Salsa music // 640, under WPRO-Providence, first time heard, not listed in WRTH; a new transmitter? [Conti-NH] (There was a strong station here for years, although not recently. It's apparently back. Did it shift to this frequency from another? - Jim)
- 650 COLOMBIA RCN Antenna Dos, JAN 17 0055 - "Antenna Dos" ID, good. [Beu-TX]
- 660 MEXICO UNID, FEB 6 0635 - momentarily good through WFAN with mention of "...CR, Distrito Federal ... Mexico", probably XERTL. [Renfrew-NY]
- 690 COLOMBIA R. Recuerdos, Bogotá, JAN 24 0115 - Emotional ranchera-style vocals in R.Progreso-Cuba null, CBF was off. [Conti-NH] FEB 5 0559 - lengthy list of call letters and cities read by announcer at top of the hour, also mentioned Caracol network. FEB 6 0604 - I can't resist reporting this one again ... R. Recuerdos heard with usual IDs between musical selections, with interference from CBU, Vancouver! [Renfrew-NY]



- 690 MEXICO UNID, FEB 5 0601 - Mexican National Anthem weak under R. Recuerdos. I would sure like to ID this one. My tape from the previous week showed only a very tentative "Grande", so not enough to claim Manzanillo. FEB 6 0600 - no Mexican anthems heard this morning, just R. Recuerdos ... and CBU! [Renfrew-NY]
- 690 CUBA R.Progreso, Jovellanos JAN 31 0625 - Fair; programa ritmo with nostalgic salsa // 640, over R.Deportes-Colombia. [Conti-NH]
- 790 CUBA R.Relój, Pinar del Rio JAN 23 0615 - Fair; news, syncopated clock, minute markers, and RR code IDs in WSKO/CFAN null. This seems to be a regular now; new transmitter or power increase? [Conti-NH]
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES PJB, JAN 14 0240 - English Religious Program, strong signal. [Beu-TX]
- 830 CUBA R. Relój, unknown site, FEB 6 0648 - code tones easily heard under WCCO (call-in), WXII (CNN/Channel 12) ... and KPLS (chanting monks)! [Renfrew-NY]
- 830 ST. KITTS R. Paradise, FEB 6 0900 - presumed with Carib-accent church service, mention of 5:00 o'clock, very strong signal, WRTH shows 1000 sign-on, so this is an hour earlier. [Renfrew-NY]
- 940 CUBA DEC ??, 1900 - Whooper type sweep Jamming. Doubtless performed in celebration of Bonhomie and Cold War Denouement, this emission for several days obliterated the Miami local, as well as 930-WKXY, Sarasota and even R. Relój-950. Bearings point to, guess where. The axis starts at Varadero on the North coast of [Cuba] and proceeds along a 165 degree line from this QTH through Cadenas, Maximo Gomez, and eventually the Jaguey Grande Air Base. [Zecchino-FL]
- 1140 & 1150 CUBA, R. Bayamo. Media Luna and Buecitos, JAN ?? 0345 - R. Bayamo, Media Luna & Buecitos, respectively. Strong signal, SS music & informative chit-chat. [Zecchino-FL]
- 1190 PUERTO RICO WBMJ San Juan JAN 31 0730 - Fair; piano instrumental and inspirational message in English, in WOWO null, WLIB not on full-time yet. [Conti-NH]
- 1350 MEXICO XETM Naco, SON FEB 4 0340 - playing slow romantic music. The kind with the real nice harmony. Would guess the music is from the '40's. Gave ID several times. Faded out at 0353. [Danneskjold-AZ]
- 1360 CUBA JAN 23 0425 - R. Agramonte; Central Brasil, Nuevitas, & 1370 Esquivel, seriatim. 1380 was best sig of three, jovial instrumentals. [Zecchino-FL] (something got scrambled here translating Paul's margin to mine - Jim)
- 1530 MEXICO Mexico City, DF, Date and time? - Call letters unid as yet, Slogan is "La Poderosa". In nightly over/under domestic pest WSAI. Ranchera music featuring this enchanting seductive blend of cumbia, Andean woodwinds, Central American melodies with hushed yet driving West Indian ground Bass. Once knew the name of this type music, WD-40 challenged steel trap mind seeks someone who may know. [Zecchino-FL] (How about "good music"? - Jim) (Perhaps my favorite, vallenata? -pls)

*Paul speaks:* "On recent trip to Bahamas, a meeting was arranged to be at the old East End Lighthouse. A Mr. Kobayashi of V. Kint & Kobayashi Engineering checked the calibration of the Sose loop. He also strongly advocated for and it was agreed to install a pendant de-superheater on the R-388 to augment the existing cross-flow Cascades. A great improvement was noted. Regretably, Mr. Kint was reportedly in Lonsdale, RI overseeing the rehabbing of an AM station purchased by a Mr. Keaton, yet expressed nonetheless his gratitude to all NRC members for promoting MW Broadcast Band."

## STATION NEWS

- CEUTA: Check 1584 kHz from FEB 1-15 at night, because the local Carnival Feast at Ceuta could be transmitting with local IDs, not parallel to Radolé FM Net [Jorge Garzón in MediDX #46]
- CHINA: Last night, FEB 3, I heard Chinese on 1593 from about 2346 UTC (signal still audible at 0010) at my Suffolk, England location. Signal was in parallel with China on shortwave 6890. Another Circle member, Julius Hermans in Holland has had recent success with Asian signals around 2330UTC. This time corresponds with sunrise in China which is likely to be enhancing reception. Other good channels to try are the European clear frequencies 1395, 1440, 1467 and 1593. [Steve Whitt, Medium Wave Circle e-mail]

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## Professional Sports Networks

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Here are some National Hockey League (NHL) network lists. My NHL flagship column listed network sizes, so I know that there are NHL lists that I do not have. Please send me any NHL and National Basketball Association (NBA) network lists that you may have.

A trivia question - how much playing time was there in the just-completed "ad-fest" XXXIII? I measure time from the time the ball is snapped/hiked until the play is whistled dead. This game was the only one I timed this season, so I cannot compare it to any other games this season. This is not a contest, and there will be no prize for the closest guess. I will include the figure in my next column. If you want to know the answer quickly, then send me some information so that I can produce a next column!

**San Jose Sharks (NHL) 1998/99** Dan Rusanowsky, Drew Remenda (from a flyer enclosed in a cable TV bill [via Bob Karchevski] and Media Guide [via Bob Galerstein])

970 KANM-CA	1300 KYNO-CA	1400 KUKI-CA	
990 KATD-CA	1340 KATA-CA	1410 KMYC-CA	100.3 KSPY-CA
1230 KDAC-CA	1380 KTOM-CA	1490 KRKC-CA	105.7 KARA-CA *a

**Anaheim Mighty Ducks (NHL) 1998/99** Brian Hamilton, Darren Elliott (from Media Guide [via Bob Galerstein])

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a = The list did not contain a flagship station; Bob Karchevski said that the flagship was KARA (FM).

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## Changes in programming status; reported by listeners

First off, thanks to Tony Fitzherbert for many years of service in editing the Formats column. We'll start with some information from Tony, Phil Boersma, and others and in the next issue's work on catching up where Tony left off.

850 WKBZ MI Muskegon  
1140 WXBV MI Kentwood

-NPR Talk // WGUV-1480

-Talk: John & Ken, Tom Leykis, and local guy Bill Freeman

1230 WXNI RI Westerly  
1520 WQWQ MI Muskegon

-Public radio // WRNI-1290

-Talk: Allen Keyes, Judy Jarvis, Ken Hamblin, Michael Reagan, Art Bell. Brokered on weekends.

1560 WQEW NY New York

-Radio Disney

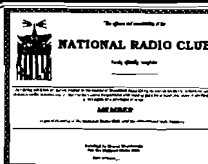
Talk of how one host is on against another host can get lost on listeners. The other day I heard Tom Leykis on WRKL-910 New City NY discussing how he is beating John & Ken in the ratings in LA; a fact top of his mind even though the hosts are on at another time on other stations, or not heard at all.

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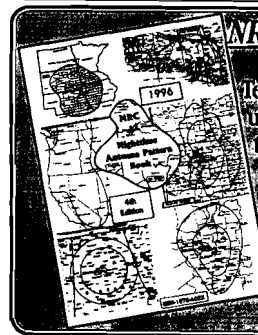
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