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CPC Test Calendar

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| WRIB | RI | 1220 | daily | 0255-0305 |
| WTOP | DC | 1500 | March 14 | 0000-0100 |

WTOP-1500 ... 3400 Idaho Avenue, NW - Washington, DC 20016 ... will conduct a DX test from midnight - 1 am EST Sunday, March 14. The test will consist of WTOP's regular all-news format; the station identifies frequently. The test will be run at WTOP's full power of 50000 watts and will switch to a daytime-directional antenna pattern for the duration of the test. Reception reports may be sent to the address above. WWW: <http://www.wtopnews.com/>. (Arranged by Lynn Hollerman for the IRCA CPC.)

From the Publisher ... Thanks to Lynn for arranging the WTOP test, and a reminder to those of you who don't belong to the NRC listserv (see back page for info) that other short-notice tests have been arranged and posted on the listserv ... but were not set up in time to make DXN deadlines. Get wired to get the latest!

I can't find NRC Contest Editor Eric Conchie, as he's not answering e-mail queries as to why the NRC Contest column was not submitted in January, and none has shown up for February ... so my apologies to those of you who have sent in entries for those two months. Until I can determine otherwise, I'm going to have to assume that Eric is, for some reason, unable to continue as editor, and I will again assume the temporary ... I repeat, *temporary*, editorship of the column. Please resubmit your entries for January and February to the publisher's address (see that back page again) or to pls@nrctxas.org, and if you can recreate them, I'll just have to trust you to properly separate and

date them as to which stations you're submitting for which month. Also, for DXAS members, please identify yourself as a DXAS member, as I have no other way to discern if you are an NRC/DXAS member or just Joe Blow from Kokomo, and I'll have to return your entries. (We've had a few non-NRC members submit loggings recently, and perhaps I must remind all that membership in the NRC has its privileges, submission to DX columns being one of them.)

DXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 71

| Iss. | Deadline | Pub. Date | Iss. | Deadline | Pub. Date |
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| 21. | Feb. 20 | Mar. 1 | 26. | May 7 | May 17 |
| 22. | Feb. 27 | Mar. 8 | 27. | June 4 | June 14 |
| 23. | Mar. 12 | Mar. 22 | 28. | July 2 | July 12 |
| 24. | April 2 | April 12 | 29. | Aug. 6 | Aug. 16 |
| 25. | April 16 | April 26 | 30. | Sept. 10 | Sept. 20 |

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the February 13, 1954 DXN: The boys of the Croton DX Club, Croton-on-Hudson, NY reported that they enjoyed listening to "Hopalong Cassidy" every Monday morning, 0400-0430, over 2WL-1430.

25 years ago ... from the February 26, 1979 DXN: César Objío, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, reported hearing R. Satellite, Guacara, giving an ID 1/15 at 0257, and then going into music and poetry ... Dave Rukakoski, Brooklyn, CT managed to hear WNAV-1430 on 1/25 "blasting in with concert info" at 1649 and WVAM-1430 on 1/30 at 1556 with mentions of Blair County.

10 years ago ... from the February 21, 1994 DXN: Gray Scrimgeour, Victoria, BC reported KLO-1430 often but ID'ing finally at 0206 1/29 under loud "KBRC Stereo-1430"; a third station remained unID'ed.

What a Time-saver - the County Cross Reference

A complete list of counties, parishes, and similar political divisions in the U. S. and Canada. Two lists are included: alpha by county, and by state. Compiled by Bill Hale and designed and produced by Wayne and Joan Heinen. \$7.50 for members, \$10.95, non-member. Order "CCR" from the NRC Publications center; NY residents, please include sales tax.

AM Switch

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

| | <u>New Call</u> | | <u>Old Call</u> |
|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 810 | WCKS | AL Jacksonville | WNSI |
| 1030 | KWFA | TX Tye | new station |



GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

- 660 WFAN NY** New York - Granted Auxiliary Facilities of U1 35000/35000 from a 300' tower. The license states 'salt water ground'.
- 1190 KXMX CA** Paramount - CP is for an increase in day power, a decrease in night power, a move to a new three-tower site, and a change in city-of-licence (formerly Anaheim). When built, will become U4 25000/1000.
- 1320 WBRT KY** Bardstown - CP grants nighttime authorization. Will be U1 1000/44.
- 1410 KDBS LA** Alexandria - Granted a CP to reduce nighttime power and relocate transmitter. Will become U1 1000/30.
- 1430 WOWW TN** Germantown - Station currently operates from two sites. This CP authorizes them to co-locate the day and night sites at the former night site. Facilities remain U2 2500/2500.

CPs ON THE AIR

- 1130 WRKY KY** Murray - Now licensed for U8 1500/250 CH 1500. (U8 = non-DA days; two different patterns nights and CH)
- 1230 WAKI TN** McMinnville - Now licensed for U1 620/1000, ex: U1 1000/1000.
- 1580 WANB PA** Waynesburg - Now licensed for D1 720/0, ex: D1 1000/0.
- 1690 WSWK GA** Avondale Estates - CP to move to this east Atlanta suburb from Adel with U1 10000/1000 is on and testing. Transmitter coordinates (N33-47-13 W84-14-55) are the same as WATB-1420 Decatur, Georgia, so we assume they are sharing one of WATB's towers (see WATB item below).

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

- 730 WSCC SC** Charleston - Currently licensed for U1 1000/103, station has a CP to raise the daytime power and relocate the day site only to three new towers to become U5 5300/103. This application asks to reduce the day power level by 100 Watts.
- 1290 KPAY CA** Chico - Correction in coordinates to N39-42-38 W121-47-16.
- 1400 KRZV AZ** Springerville - Coordinate adjustment to N34-08-17 W109-16-14
- 1420 WATB GA** Decatur - Applies to move to 1430 kHz with U5 50000/160 and to add one tower to their current three.
- 1540 WADK RI** Newport - Application is to add two towers to their current single tower and increase day power to become D1 20000/0.

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSE RENEWAL SUBMITTED

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|------|----|--------------|------|------|----|-------------|------|------|----|-------------------|
| 540 | KNOE | LA | Monroe | 910 | KLCN | AR | Blytheville | 1010 | KDLA | LA | De Ridder |
| 620 | WJDX | MS | Jackson | 910 | WALT | MS | Meridian | 1010 | WCKW | LA | Garyville |
| 670 | KWXI | AR | Glenwood | 920 | KARN | AR | Little Rock | 1030 | KFAY | AR | Farmington |
| 690 | WTIX | LA | New Orleans | 930 | WSEZ | MS | Jackson | 1050 | KVPI | LA | Ville Platte |
| 710 | KAPZ | AR | Bald Knob | 940 | WYLD | LA | New Orleans | 1050 | WACR | MS | Columbus |
| 710 | KEEL | LA | Shreveport | 940 | WCPC | MS | Houston | 1060 | KAYR | AR | Van Buren |
| 730 | KSUD | AR | West Memphis | 950 | KFSA | AR | Fort Smith | 1060 | WLNO | LA | New Orleans |
| 780 | WIIN | MS | Ridgeland | 950 | WBKH | MS | Hattiesburg | 1060 | WKMQ | MS | Tupelo |
| 790 | KOSY | AR | Texarkana | 950 | WAKM | TN | Franklin | 1070 | KBCL | LA | Bossier City |
| 800 | WSHO | LA | New Orleans | 960 | KCGS | AR | Marshall | 1090 | KAAY | AR | Little Rock |
| 810 | WSJC | MS | Magee | 960 | KROF | LA | Abbeville | 1100 | WMYQ | MS | Newton |
| 830 | WFNO | LA | Norco | 960 | WABG | MS | Greenwood | 1110 | WOMN | LA | Franklinton |
| 840 | KWDF | LA | Ball | 970 | KNEA | AR | Jonesboro | 1130 | KAAB | AR | Batesville |
| 860 | KWRF | AR | Warren | 980 | KOKA | LA | Shreveport | 1130 | KWKH | LA | Shreveport |
| 870 | WWL | LA | New Orleans | 980 | WKOR | MS | Starkville | 1130 | WQFX | MS | Gulfport |
| 890 | WEEZ | MS | Laurel | 990 | WGSO | LA | New Orleans | 1150 | KLRG | AR | North Little Rock |
| 900 | KHOZ | AR | Harrison | 1000 | WXTN | MS | Lexington | 1150 | WJBO | LA | Baton Rouge |

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|------|------|----|-------------------|------|------|----|---------------|-------|------|----|-----------------|
| 1190 | KREB | AR | Bentonville/Bella | 1330 | KVOL | LA | Lafayette | 1450 | WBYU | LA | New Orleans |
| Vill | | | | 1340 | KBTA | AR | Batesville | 1450 | WROX | MS | Clarksdale |
| 1190 | KNEK | LA | Washington | 1340 | KZNG | AR | Hot Springs | 1450 | WFFX | MS | Meridian |
| 1190 | WBSL | MS | Bay St. Louis | 1340 | KCAT | AR | Pine Bluff | 1450 | WNAT | MS | Natchez |
| 1210 | WSKR | LA | Denham Springs | 1340 | KRMD | LA | Shreveport | 1450 | WROB | MS | West Point |
| 1220 | KVSA | AR | McGehee | 1340 | WAML | MS | Laurel | 1450 | WTRO | TN | Dyersburg |
| 1230 | KCON | AR | Conway | 1350 | WSMB | LA | New Orleans | 1450 | WYOK | LA | Baton Rouge |
| 1230 | KFTW | AR | Fort Smith | 1350 | WKCU | MS | Corinth | 1470 | KLCL | LA | Lake Charles |
| 1230 | KBTM | AR | Jonesboro | 1360 | KFFA | AR | Helena | 1470 | WCHJ | MS | Brookhaven |
| 1230 | WBOK | LA | New Orleans | 1360 | KBYO | LA | Tallulah | 1490 | KXAR | AR | Hope |
| 1230 | KLIC | LA | Monroe | 1370 | KAWW | AR | Heber Springs | 1490 | KJIN | LA | Houma |
| 1230 | WSSO | MS | Starkville | 1370 | KTPA | AR | Prescott | 1490 | KRUS | LA | Ruston |
| 1240 | KVRC | AR | Arkadelphia | 1380 | WYNK | LA | Baton Rouge | 1490 | WXBD | MS | Biloxi |
| 1240 | KTLO | AR | Mountain Home | 1390 | KDQJ | AR | De Queen | 1490 | WCLD | MS | Cleveland |
| 1240 | KWAK | AR | Stuttgart | 1390 | KZAR | AR | Rogers | 1490 | WHOC | MS | Philadelphia |
| 1240 | KANE | LA | New Iberia | 1400 | KWYN | AR | Wynne | 1490 | WTUP | MS | Tupelo |
| 1240 | WPBQ | MS | Flowood | 1400 | KAOK | LA | Lake Charles | 1500 | WQMS | MS | Quitman |
| 1240 | WGRM | MS | Greenwood | 1400 | KVLA | LA | Vidalia | 1510 | KAGY | LA | Port Sulphur |
| 1250 | KLIH | AR | Little Rock | 1400 | WBIP | MS | Booneville | 1520 | KDYS | LA | Lafayette |
| 1250 | WHNY | MS | McComb | 1400 | WJWF | MS | Columbus | 1530 | KVDV | AR | England |
| 1260 | KBHC | AR | Nashville | 1400 | WYKC | MS | Grenada | 1540 | WKXG | MS | Greenwood |
| 1270 | WMLC | MS | Monticello | 1400 | WFOR | MS | Hattiesburg | 1570 | KBRI | AR | Brinkley |
| 1280 | KNBY | AR | Newport | 1400 | WKXI | MS | Jackson | 1570 | WSSA | GA | Morrow |
| 1280 | WODT | LA | New Orleans | 1410 | WLVV | AL | Mobile | 1570 | KLLA | LA | Leesville |
| 1290 | KUOA | AR | Siloam Springs | 1410 | KDBS | LA | Alexandria | 1570 | WONA | MS | Winona |
| 1290 | WJBI | MS | Batesville | 1420 | KPOC | AR | Pocahontas | 1580 | KHGG | AR | Van Buren |
| 1290 | KJEF | LA | Jennings | 1420 | KPEL | LA | Lafayette | 1580 | KXZZ | LA | Lake Charles |
| 1290 | WNBN | MS | Meridian | 1420 | WIGG | MS | Wiggins | 1580 | WORV | MS | Hattiesburg |
| 1300 | KWCK | AR | Searcy | 1430 | KHBM | AR | Monticello | 1580 | WZZJ | MS | Pascagoula-Moss |
| 1300 | WIBR | LA | Baton Rouge | 1430 | KMRC | LA | Morgan City | Point | | | |
| 1300 | WOAD | MS | Jackson | 1440 | KITA | AR | Little Rock | 1590 | KZRA | AR | Springdale |
| 1310 | KMBS | LA | West Monroe | 1440 | KMLB | LA | Monroe | 1590 | WZRZ | MS | Jackson |
| 1320 | KYHN | AR | Fort Smith | 1440 | WRBE | LA | Lucedale | 1640 | WTNI | MS | Biloxi |
| 1320 | KRLW | AR | Walnut Ridge | 1440 | WSEL | MS | Pontotoc | 1650 | KWHN | AR | Fort Smith |
| 1320 | WRJW | MS | Picayune | 1450 | KENA | AR | Mena | 1680 | KRJO | LA | Monroe |

ODDS AND ENDS

- WQXI-790** Atlanta, Georgia lost one of their four towers to a crew clearing trees. For now, they are operating U1 28000/500 until that tower is rebuilt.
- Thanks to Wayne Heinen and Perry Crabill.

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

* indicates record held by DXer from North America (excluding Alaska)

| 1450 kHz: | | | | | Miles |
|-----------|----|---------------|----------------|-------------|-------|
| KFLS | OR | Klamath Falls | Deane McIntyre | Calgary, AB | *712 |

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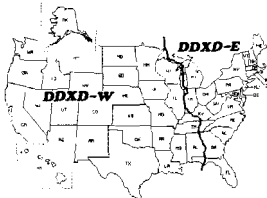
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DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-hr. ELT

(Division line is
between East and
Central time zones)



DDXD-West

RANDOM STUFF

- I'm in the middle of moving to my new house, and as a result I had to "close" this column at 1800 ELT on February 11 because of an interruption in my internet service. If you sent your loggings to me by e-mail after then, they will appear in the next bulletin.
- The scattered furniture and stacks of boxes give my new house a Dada-like appearance. I took a break from unpacking to do a quick scan with my ICF-2010, and it's clear KDWN-720 is going to be a BIG problem here!
- Even though we're approaching the traditional end of the "DX season," the next few weeks offer some superb opportunities as we approach spring. The changing sunrise/sunset terminators and near-equalization of daytime and night provide the chance to nail some stations difficult (or impossible) to hear the rest of the year. Give it a try!
- And be sure to let your fellow NRCers know what you're hearing! Please follow the format you see below, including *all* pertinent information—frequency, call, state, city, date and time of reception, and details of your catch. Please use ELT for all times, regardless of your local time zone.

REPORTERS

JJR-WI John J. Rieger, South Milwaukee. Icom R75, GE Superadio III, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B.
 JSM-BC Steve McDonald, Mayne Island. Icom R75, 450-foot NW-SE "mini-Beverage."
 KR-AZ Kevin Redding, Mesa. Kenwood R-1000, 60-foot wire, Sony ICF-2010.
 MS-MB Morris Sorenson, Winnipeg. Realistic DX-392
 PG-CO Patrick Griffith, Westminster. Drake R8, Kiwa loop.
 SP-WI Sheryl Paszkiewicz, Manitowoc. Receiver, antenna.
 WH-CO Wayne Heinen, Aurora. Drake R8B, N/S flag, E/W flag, SuperPhaser, a few random wires.
 Ed.-NV Your Editor, Las Vegas. Lots of moving boxes, no time.

FREQUENCY CHALLENGE RESULTS—1180 kHz

1180 KLAY WA Lakewood. 2/7 0152 w/talk into news and ID at TOH. 1 KW. Clobbered by KOFI. (JSM-BC)
 1180 KOFI MT Kalispell. 2/7 0200. Talk into news, Radio "FI." 10 KW. (JSM-BC)

STATION NEWS, LOG UPDATES, ETC.

1550 KMRI UT West Valley City. 2/8 0105 "listen to Hope for the Heart at 9:05 mornings on AM 1550 KMRI West Valley City Utah" to USA Radio News add that to the LOG. (WH-CO)

REGULAR DX LOGGINGS (times in ELT)

550 KFYZ ND Bismarck. 2/11 0708. Fair and dominant //KFYZ-TV5 news, local ads. (JJR-WI)
 560 CFOS ON Owen Sound. 2/10 0115. Poor in WIND null w/"560-CFOS" and OLD. (JJR-WI)
 580 CKY MB Winnipeg. 2/11 0703. Poor, AC music and "???? and now 102 Clear FM." (JJR-WI)
 580 WTCM MI Traverse City. 2/10 0105. Poor with ABC news, weather w/tons of snow, calls, PSA, "Coast to Coast." Alone on frequency. (JJR-WI)
 620 CKRM SK Regina. 2/11 0701. Poor-fair in local WTMJ null w/ID, news, C&W. (JJR-WI)
 630 WLAP KY Lexington. 2/9 0714. Poor, calls heard in passing. Alone. (JJR-WI)
 660 KTNN AZ Window Rock. 2/8 0237. Poor but o/WFAN w/truckers show. Legal ID @:00 into CNN news. Heard later in morning also. (JJR-WI)

680 KNBR CA San Francisco. 2/8 0745. Fair w/"KNBR 680-The Sports Leader" after five and a half minutes of ESPN promos. Alone on frequency. (JJR-WI)
 730 CKDM MB Dauphin. 2/9 0713. Fair; weather after C&W song into ads. Alone. (JJR-WI)
 740 CHWO ON Toronto. 2/8 0159. Local ad for Halton Transmissions with a 905 area code telephone number. Then "AM 7-40 presents an all time favorite classic." (PG-CO)
 750 CKGB ON Timmins. 1/30 0631. News, weather, two more IDs, very poor. (SP-WI)
 760 KTLK CO Thornton. 2/8 1132 mixing with XENY and KFMB with ad for www.coloradoeconomy.com. (KR-AZ)
 780 WBBM IL Chicago. 2/10 0245. "Chicago's weather station, WBBM" and it was to be 22F and then went into sports. (KR-AZ)
 800 CHAB SK Moose Jaw. 2/11 0649. Poor in w/AC stn (CKDR?) & no CKLW. Local ads, highway cx, calls. OLD. (JJR-WI)
 810 KGO CA San Francisco. 2/8 0225. Dr. Wattenburg program taking telephone calls about scientific subjects. Local news and weather at BOH. ABC news at TOH. (PG-CO)
 810 WMGC TN Murfreesboro. 2/9 0709. Fair @20/9 w/ID including "Nashville, TN." SS chatter. (JJR-WI)
 880 CKLQ MB Brandon. 2/11 0645. Fair, no WCBS at all. Weather: tons of snow, asking for calls, "880-CKLQ" & C&W mx. Live. Not on bird. (JJR-WI)
 880 WRFD OH Worthington. 2/9 0800. Poor with legal ID into news o/unID NOS station. (JJR-WI)
 910 WJCW TN Johnson City. 2/8 0233. Poor but o/others w/calls three times in promo. Not common. (JJR-WI)
 930 WTAD IL Quincy. 1/29 2051. SPT, ID, ad for Doug's Home Remedy program, "Talk Radio 930 WTAD," PSAs, CBS News. (SP-WI)
 940 CJGX SK Yorkton. 2/8 0322. Poor but o/others w/live jock, time check, weather. C&W & "GX94" non-IDs. (JJR-WI)
 980 WITY IL Danville. 2/8 0347. Poor u/WONE w/calls & NOS. (JJR-WI)
 1010 WHIN TN Gallatin. 2/9 0700. Poor but atop w/Real Country, legal ID. (JJR-WI)
 1070 CBA NB Moncton. 2/2 2110. Northern Lights pgm parallel 1550, CBC Radio 1 IDs, ad for upcoming pgm, CBC News. Mixing w/WTSO & CHOK. NEW PROVINCE. (SP-WI)
 1070 WIBC IN Indianapolis. 2/9 0742. Poor w/calls in fade up, then out. (JJR-WI)
 1150 CKOC ON Hamilton. 2/4 2224. Oldies 11-50 CKOC, OLD, ads for furniture store & travel agent. (SP-WI)
 1230 KEXO CO Grand Junction. 2/3 0700. Mixed EE/SS ID and return to SS:MEX programming. (WH-CO)
 1230 KVOC WY Casper. 2/4 0400. Ending NOS with "KVOC Casper The Voice of Casper Celebrating 50 years," ABC news. (WH-CO)
 1270 WKZT KY Fulton. 2/10 0029. Poor but on top w/C&W & nice legal ID. 54w! (JJR-WI) As noted in a previous column, I suspect most stations run higher night powers than authorized, especially when listed at < 100 watts. (Ed.-NV)
 1320 KFNZ UT Salt Lake City. 2/3 0753. Poor to fair with talk about something in Colorado, talk about Janet Jackson's "performance" at Super Bowl, used slogan "K-fan" faded quickly. NEW! (MS-MB) Maybe it's just me, Morris, but I get the feeling the Jackson family has some issues regarding human sexuality. (Ed.-NV)
 1370 KWRT MO Boonville. 2/8 0753. Poor w/calls & OLD C&W o/WSPD,WCCN. (JJR-WI)
 1410 KERN CA Bakersfield. 2/9 0920. ID and then sports news. Fighting with XECF which is VERY strong here. (KR-AZ)
 1470 KKTY WY Douglas. 2/8 0341. "The biggest variety of the best oldies, we're Classic 14-70, KKTY." (PG-CO)
 1500 WOLY MI Battle Creek. 2/5 0645. "AM 1500 WOLY," Lord's Prayer, hymn. NEW. (SP-WI)
 1530 KFBK CA Sacramento. 2/8 1200. ToH ID and slogan "Newstalk 1530 KFBK, Sacramento" into ABC News. (KR-AZ)
 1570 WBGX IL Harvey. 2/9 0205. Program notes for NOS program at 5AM "right here on your 24 hour Gospel Station WBGX." New for me. (WH-CO)
 1600 WMHG MI Muskegon. 2/2 1826. NOS, news, ID, poor-fair mixing w/WAAM. (SP-WI)
 1690 KFSG CA Roseville. 2/11 0150. SS talk possibly taking telephone calls. TOH in EE "KFSG

Sacramento." Then into SS music. Huge S9+25 signal on top of everything in null of local KDDZ. (PG-CO)

DDXD-East

DX Challenge Schedule

1210 kHz – Listen February 18 – 24, due February 25

Maine and Canadian Maritimes (New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island) plus

Newfoundland– Listen February 25 – March 9, due March 10

State/Province Capitals (must be City of License!) – Listen March 10 – 30, due March 31

REPORTERS

MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig YB-400PE, Panasonic RF-2200.
SC-ON Saul Chernos, Burnt River – Sangean ATS909; Radio Shack loop; three roughly 1000-foot longwires looped roughly N/S, NE/SW, E/W.
HH-PA Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre – Superadio II & III, Kiwa Pocket Loop.
DH-NJ Dave Hochfelder, Highland Park – Sony ICF-2010 with Quantum QX Pro Loop.
JH-GA John Hunter, Rossville - TRF 12-655, with SM-2 ferrite loop and Sangean ATS 909.
JK-NJ Jason Koralja, Surf City – Sony ICF-SW7600GR and Terk Loop.
BDM-ON Barry McLarnon, Ottawa - NRD-525, 1 m air-core loop, 40 m inverted-vee, MFJ-1026.
AO-FL Al Ogrizovich, Jacksonville – Crane Radio Plus and Justice Loop.
PEW-SC Powell E. Way, West Columbia – Ranger truck radio in the parking lot of BI-LO and Dollar Tree.
JW-MD Jim Weber, Elkridge – Grundig S350.
NJW-ON Niel Wolfish, Burnt River – AOR-7030+ and two longwire antennas.

CLEAR CHANNEL CHALLENGE – 1180 kHz

1180 WHAM NY Rochester – 2/5 0320 - Truckin' Bozo call in program in very well at this time, running parallel with WWVA on 1170. A few callers then Allison Krause version of old Foundations tune "Baby, Now That I've Found You (You Don't Need Me)". There was a decent advertisement for the CCRadio as well. CBS news at 0400. (JW-MD)
 + 2/5 1159 – potent mid-day waterpath-assisted groundwave with choral SSB (do they play the SSB every day at noon?), top of hour ID: "Rochester's official weather radio station, Newsradio 1180 WHAM Rochester", into local news. (MKB-ON)
 + 2/8 1651 - Program "Money Talk" then Rush Limbaugh commercial with ID "NewsRadio 1180 WHAM". (JK-NJ)
WJFF RI Hope Valley - 2/8 1639 - Country music, "Real Country 1180 WJFF" ID. (JK-NJ)

PRESUMED AND UNID

660 CFFRp AB Calgary – 2/11 0640 – Presumed with Procol Harum's "Whiter Shade Of Pale", other oldies, in very weak in WFAN null mixing with at least one Mexican and possibly country station (AZ?) for several hours. Only time heard before was with WFAN off. (SC-ON)
700 UNID — _____ - 2/6 2157 – Spanish talk heard under WLW-Cincinnati. Sounded religious. WCAT running late? (NJW-ON)
960 UNID — _____ - 2/7 0645 – Man and woman taking phone calls in Spanish. (SC-ON)
 + 2/7 1848 – Spanish program with man and woman talking phone calls. At one point the woman went into English, but then back into Spanish. Mixing with WFIR-Roanoke and CFFX-Kingston. (NJW-ON)
1140 CHRb AB High River – 2/11 0500' – No ID heard but was carrying Back To The Bible (mostly talk, some music) music right through 0600. Fits per CHRb and BITB web sites. Also has the recognizable bad audio hum I heard earlier this season. (SC-ON)
1220 UNID — _____ - 2/11 0720 – Canadian suspected with metric weather (current 8 kilometre per hour wind speed and -12 high forecast). Either Boissevain, MB (relog) or Kenora, ON (needed). (SC-ON)
1400 UNID — _____ - 2/6 2224 – Somebody playing Minnie Ripperton's "Loving You" and singing along with it at times. Heard several times over the course of the

hour. Mixing with others on the frequency, including "La Mega" (WLLH?) and WAMC. (NJW-ON)

+ 2/6 2240 – Minnie Ripperton's "Loving You" (oldies format) heard repeatedly with some appearance of spoofing or commentary. Maybe a station stunting / teasing with planned format change? (SC-ON)

Editor's Note: WAMC Public Radio was holding their famed membership drive when Niel and Saul heard the above. WAMC often plays music during their fundraisers, replete with singing along and general silliness.

WLLHp MA Lowell - 2/6 2224 – Surfacing at times with Latin American music. Heard "La Mega" IDs at 2224 and 2237. (NJW-ON)
WLTJp MI Traverse City – 2/9 0841 – Presumed with Christian programming that checks. (SC-ON)
1420 WKCWp VA Warrenton – 2/8 1710 – Spanish talk. (SC-ON)
1480 WGFYp NC Charlotte – 2/8 0906 – Radio Disney. Very much doubt Wichita KS as VA and NC in strong elsewhere, so this one is logged. New. (SC-ON)
1660 UNID — _____ - 2/5 0600 - Heard what sounded like "WIPR 1660" then sports announcer said "Payton and Shaq take up the Slack", poor under severe monitor QRM. I REALLY need a new NRC AM Log! (JH-GA)
1670 UNID — _____ - 2/9 1550 – Toby Keith's "The Red White and Blue" (country) song cut and signal went off-air within a few seconds of my landing here. At about 1730 I heard the same song cut suddenly to a very polished news item about a "riot" of the fashion or entertainment variety in Hartford. Very strong and clear, suddenly got a bit choppy and then the song and Hartford item repeated itself, as if a loop tape. Way over the GA and WI stations. About a month ago I heard WBCQ 7415 on 1670. Pirate? (SC-ON)
1690 UNID — _____ - 1/31 1924 - gospel music and then off suddenly & back on about 5 minutes later. (AO-FL)
1700 UNID — _____ - 2/7 1842 - Phone number heard for business that repaired hail was 972-980-HAIL. Ad for Dallas Desperados football tickets. Strong. (JH-GA)

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540 WFLF FL Pine Hills – 2/2 2118 – Ad for Rush Limbaugh program then had excerpts from Pres. Bush's speeches. Weak signal. (HJH-PA)
CBK SA Watrous – 2/11 0632 – Canadian anthem followed by full list of stations relaying CBK. On the half hour was an odd time to do this. (SC-ON)
570 WNAX SD Yankton – 2/11 0506 – Voice ID and musical jingle. Second time heard and by far best reception. (SC-ON)
580 CKY MB Winnipeg – 2/11 0510 – "102 Clear FM" and 80s pop. Later heard a slogan: "... how much is too much (music) ... AM 580 ... 102 Clear FM ..." // 102.3 and soon to sign-off AM forever. (SC-ON)
590 WMBS PA Uniontown – 2/7 1950 – Fair at times w/WARM nulled. Had four promos in a row that mentioned the ID. "Music of Your Life" mentioned. (HJH-PA)
600 WSJS NC Winston-Salem – 2/7 2225 – Break in Sporting News Radio coverage then ID. Weak when the dominant Cuban faded. (HJH-PA)
620 WWNR WV Beckley – 2/7 2004 – Ending CBS News then ID, "Newstalk 620 WWNR". Weather forecast. Fair to good during pronounced conditions to the Southwest. First time heard. (HJH-PA)
CKRM SA Regina – 2/11 0628 – CKRM jingle and country music. Best signal ever. (SC-ON)
650 WSRO MA Ashland – 2/9 1701 – Northeastern versus Harvard hockey game. Both are Boston teams. New and much wanted. (SC-ON)
660 WLFJ SC Greenville - 2/5 1730 - Urban gospel WLFJ urban weekend and Greenville weather. (AO-FL)
690 WPHE PA Phoenixville – 2/1 1445 – Fair to good with Spanish religious talk. New. (DH-NJ)
KGGF KS Coffeyville – 2/8 0700 – top of the hour ID mentioning "Independence (Kansas)". Mixing with a Mexican station and another American station signing on with the Star Spangled Banner. (NJW-ON)
760 KMTL AR Sherwood - 2/9 0828 - Gospel with preacher giving his home phone as 479-754-3399 at end of sermon then into Gospel song. Strong here. (JH-GA)
770 KUOM MN Minneapolis - 2/11 0700 - Sign-on with legal ID, mention of "Radio K" slo-

gan, and into soft rock music. Poor, but alone with WABC nulled. New. (BDM-ON)

790 **WNIS VA Norfolk** - 1/30 2105 - Good signal. CBS News then into Michael Savage Program. (HJH-PA)

810 **WMJH MI Rockford** - 2/8 1717 - "Playing America's best music, Magic 810" into Everly Brothers song. (NJW-ON)

WPIN VA Dublin - 2/8 1728 - ID as "WPIN, Your Information Station". Mixing with WMJH-Rockford. No sign of WGY-Schenectady. (NJW-ON)

830 **KOTC MO Kennet** - 2/7 - 1814 until 1830 signoff. "Cotton Country 830... The Music That you Love" in great with CW music, "Chantilly Lace" played at 1815. (JH-GA)

850 **WREF CT Ridgefield** - 2/1 1400 - Excellent and alone on channel. "Oldies 850." 1960s rock. Dave Steiner show. New. (DH-NJ)

WKNR OH Cleveland - 2/9 2250 - Fair to good at peaks with sports talk. New. (DH-NJ)

860 **WWDB PA Philadelphia** - 2/1 1405 - Excellent and alone on channel. Talk show. New. (DH-NJ)

900 **WURD PA Philadelphia** - 2/1 1420 - Excellent with African-American talk show. Nostalgia music under. New. (DH-NJ)

WKDW VA Staunton - 2/7 1904 - C&W, jingle and ID. ID at 1921 mentioned Clear Channel Communications. Over CHML-Hamilton. (NJW-ON)

910 **WDFD MI Flint** - 2/7 0957 - Over WAVL-Apollo with usual Radio Disney programming. ID with calls at 0959. (NJW-ON)

920 **CKNX ON Wingham** - 1/24 0145 - strong; very good at peaks. ID'd as "Country 920." New. (DH-NJ)

940 **WKGM VA Smithfield** - 2/5 1701 - fighting off Montreal pest with ID as "WKGM, the ministry station" into gospel talk by Pastor Gary Shuttlesworth. (MKB-ON)

CINW PQ Montreal - 2/6 0432 - Fair in noise with news, weather -10 degrees and ad for Micro Byte Computer Design (JH-GA)

950 **WHVW NY Hyde Park** - 2/5 2354 - Men's choir, then announcer with "Mark Jack (?) and his music... WHVW", and into honky-tonk music, in mess with WIBX and others. Nice to get a much-wanted station on a random tune-in! New. (BDM-ON)

WROL MA Boston - 2/6 2130 - breaking away from usual brokered ethnic/religion, with Yale v. Harvard hockey. Harvard won this very old Ivy League rivalry 7-5. (MKB-ON)

CKNB NB Campbellton - 2/8 1627 - under WROC-Rochester with ID into song by No Doubt. (NJW-ON)

970 **WGTK KY Louisville** - 2/5 0637 - Good with announcer Allen White, and PSA for Louisville Metro Health Dept sponsored tuberculosis skin testing then into BBB list of business with the highest number of complaints. (JH-GA)

KNFX MN Austin - 2/11 0622 - Sports, local references to Moorhead. (SC-ON)

1080 **WUFO NY Amherst** - 2/6 1725 - Advil ad, ID "Buffalo's radio station, WUFO", good over WTIC. (BDM-ON)

1150 **WJBO LA Baton Rouge** - 2/12 1806 - "... most accurate weather it's 45 degrees in Baton Rouge." First time heard. (PEW-SC)

1170 **KOWZ MN Waseca** - 2/11 0608 - "News Talk 1170 KOWZ." Relog but only heard before on day power. CX hot to west and likely still on night power. (SC-ON)

1190 **WMUS MI Muskegon** - 2/11 0836 - Local ads. New. (SC-ON)

1230 **WHUC NY Hudson** - 2/7 1743 - ID: "The Music of Your Life on AM 1230 WHUC". Mixing with a second station playing oldies. (NJW-ON)

WCWA OH Toledo - 2/8 1704 - Fox Sports programming; promo for Bob Martz program; ID as "The Talk Station WCWA-1230, Seaway". Over top of WECK-Cheektowaga. (NJW-ON)

1240 **WBBW OH Youngstown** - 2/7 1026 - "Mahoning Valley's sports radio, 1240 The Fan", Commercial for CTW Development Corp. Fair signal. (NJW-ON)

WSNJ NJ Bridgeton - 2/8 0500 - Mention of New Jersey, then ID "1240 and 1440, WSNJ Bridgeton and WMVB Millville-Vineland", slightly over the rest of the pack. (BDM-ON)

1280 **WHVR PA Hanover** - 2/7 1717 - over top of WHTK-Rochester with C&W music, promo for the WHVR Country Club Card and the WHVR Festival of Good Living.

(NJW-ON)

WGBF IN Evansville - 2/8 0632 - local weather, ID as "News Talk 1280 WGBF". (NJW-ON)

1290 **WWTX DE Wilmington** - 2/7 1555 - On top with Delaware Blue Hens basketball. ID at 1557: "... Delaware Blue Hens basketball on 1290, the Ticket", followed by local commercials. Mixing with a station carrying opera (probably WFBG in Altoona, PA). (NJW-ON)

1310 **WADB NJ Asbury Park** - 2/2 1800 - Good with nostalgia music. // WOBN 1160. Community news about Toms River. New. (DH-NJ)

WEMG NJ Camden - 2/2 1810 - Good with Spanish music. Frequent ID's as "La Mega." New. (DH-NJ)

1340 **WMID NJ Atlantic City** - 2/2 1505 - Fair to good under local TIS. ABC news at top of hour; nostalgia music. New. (DH-NJ)

WALL NY Middletown - 2/6 2259 - Latin Music, "El Ritmo" ID (and no English ID) at TOH. New. (SC-ON)

1350 **WNLK CT Norwalk** - 2/2 1540 - Fair to good with local WHWH phased somewhat. / / WSTC 1400. News/talk. Ad for Mohegan Sun casino. New. (DH-NJ)

1370 **WLTC NC Gastonia** - 2/8 1817 - Gospel music, announcement about the Greater Salem Church. (NJW-ON)

1400 **WSLB NY Ogdensburg** - 2/7 1254 - over top of WWWS-Buffalo with station promos and ID "You're listening to the talk station, WSLB, Talk 1400". (NJW-ON)

1420 **WCOJ PA Coatesville** - 2/9 1625 - Ad for First national Bank of Chester County. New. (SC-ON)

WKCW VA Warrenton - 2/8 1710 - Spanish talk. New. (SC-ON)

1450 **WMAJ PA State College** - 2/4 1926 - over usual pest CHUC with promo for Penn State volleyball, slogan "State College ESPN Radio 1450" into "This week in the NHL" on Westwood One. (MKB-ON)

1470 **WAZN MA Watertown** - 2/6 2020 - playing up tempo Latin American music. ID at top of the hour by woman in English and mention of another station. Also mention of 617 area code. (NJW-ON)

+ 2/6 2100 - SS, Latin music, EE ID (dual ID included another station). New. (SC-ON)

1480 **WGFY NC Charlotte** - 2/8 0906 - Radio Disney. Very much doubt as Wichita, KS, VA and NC in strong elsewhere, so this one is logged. New. (SC-ON)

KAUS MN Austin - 2/11 0853 - Local ad. New. (SC-ON)

1490 **WCSS NY Amsterdam** - 2/7 0911 - Over top of WBTA-Batavia with "WCSS Swap Shop" and commercial for the A Little Bit of Everything Gift Shop. (NJW-ON)

WNTJ PA Johnstown - 2/7 1627 - Money Talk program, commercial for Gap Chevrolet in Windber, ID at 1633 as "News Talk 1490 WNTJ". (NJW-ON)

WIGM WI Medford - 2/10 0731 - Program promo "the Tony Kornheiser show, weekdays at 9 a.m. on WIGM, 1490 AM", good in SRS enhancement to the west. New. (BDM-ON)

WOSH WI Oshkosh - 2/11 0824 - Promo for Oshkosh Symphony Orchestra. (SC-ON)

1500 **KSTP MN St. Paul** - 2/9 0853 - wiping out WTOP with commentary on Minnesota Gophers basketball, ID as "AM 1500 KSTP, the talk station" into traffic report. (MKB-ON)

1520 **KOMA OK Oklahoma City** - 2/12 1909 - very weak underneath off frequency station and multiple promos ... "it's 5:10 at N/T KOMA." My very first time hearing this. Not a tweet out of WSAI or WLAC at this time. (PEW-SC)

1540 **WNWR PA Philadelphia** - 2/2 1500 - Excellent with ethnic programming. Carrying rebroadcast of China Radio International. New. (DH-NJ)

1570 **WBGX IL Harvey** - 2/5 1938 - gospel music and talk, 708 AC in church announcements, "AM 1570 WBGX." New. (SC-ON)

WYTI VA Rocky Mount - 2/8 0615 - gospel music, ID and weather forecast by man. (NJW-ON)

WQTW PA Latrobe - 2/8 0922 - Polka program. Commercial for Bardine Country Smoke House. Mixing with WNST-Towson. (NJW-ON)

1580 **WDQN IL Du Quoin** - 2/6 2200 - Fair. High school basketball game; presumably on day power. Du Quoin Indians vs. Anna-Jonesboro. Thanks to Barry McLarnon for the DX tip. New. (DH-NJ)

1590 **WNTS IN Beech Grove** - 2/9 0815 - over usual pest WAKR with gospel talk, ID as

"you've found the place for praise, 1590 on your AM dial, Indy's WNTS". (MKB-ON)

- 1630 KCJJ IA Iowa City - 2/6 0424 - Gerard Electric and Iowa City Tire and Dodge (?) ads then into song that sounded like "Time of Your Life" by Green Day. (JH-GA)
- 1650 KWHN AR Fort Smith - 2/5 0635 - In good with the Sean Hannity show. (JH-GA)
- WHKT VA Norfolk - 2/5 0641 - "Radio Disney WHKT Virginia Beach VA", ad for the Cinnamon Cafe or something similar then into Michelle Branch song. (JH-GA)
- 1690 WSWK GA Avon Estates - 2/5 1930 - country music with WSWK 1690 Avon Estates Test ID. Looks like this was UNID of a few days ago. (AO-FL)

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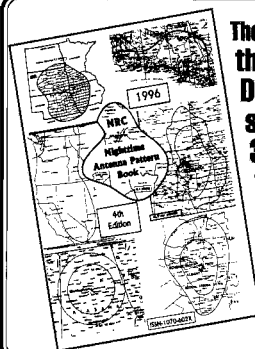
Network listings for team sports stations

Here's some Arena Football League flagships (<http://www.arenafootball.com>) from Robert Pietsch. There are teams for which I have no information; I have no idea if these teams have radio broadcasts. And I have no idea if there are any networks besides the ones listed below.

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| Arizona Rattlers | 860 | KMVP-AZ | Indiana Firebirds | 1130 | WSDX-IN |
| Austin Wranglers | | --- | | 1300 | WBOW-IN |
| Carolina Cobras | | --- | Las Vegas Gladiators | 920 | KBAD-NV |
| Chicago Rush | 1000 | WMVP-IL | Los Angeles Avengers | 690 | XETRA-BC |
| Colorado Crush | | --- | | 1150 | KXTA-CA |
| Columbus Destroyers | 107.1 | WAZU-OH | New Orleans Voodoo | 870 | WWL0-LA |
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Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELT, subtract 5 hrs.

Where have all the DXers gone? Must be a case of the mid-winter blues.

Pan-American DX

- 530 **TURKS & CAICOS** *R. Visión Cristiana*, South Caicos FEB 6 1430-1600 - Vocals, man and woman in Spanish, missed ID at 1500, but 1600 ID with "Radio... Cristiana... 1330... 1310... 530... West Indies." Just prior to 1600 ID, mention of New Jersey, Queens and into extended hymn by vocal group. Signal fair to good at ± 950 miles, and over local (maybe 5 air miles) Camp Lejeune information station. Re-check about 1700 and still there, much weaker. To clarify, this was 0930 to 1200 ELT on a car radio. [Hardester-NC]
- 810 **MEXICO** XERSV Ciudad Obregón, Son FEB 9 1332 - Bottom of the hour ID under KGO, and then playing ballads. [Redding-AZ]

Mike inquires: Since the WRTH does not list coordinates from MW-only foreign stations, is there an online source which has such info? I used Microsoft Streets and Maps to obtain approximate geo-coordinates of *R. Visión Cristiana*, South Caicos, and thus the mileage of 950. My coordinates (using a GPS receiver) are: 34-47-05N77-23-26W.

Bruce responds: I checked the FCC database, and although it lists many Caribbean and South American radio stations, 530 Turks & Caicos isn't listed. Per a QSL card, the power is 100 kW directional, bearing of 283 degrees, no coordinates given. Visit www.fcc.gov, select the Media Bureau, and then use the AM Query shortcut to check what's listed in the database.

Dynamic Duo

Mike Hardester, Jacksonville NC; Toyota car radio with imbedded windshield antenna in Jacksonville NC area. <DX4EVR@Earthlink.Net>
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International News

RHODES: An updated *R. Sawa* coverage map on MW, FM and satellite footprints is posted at <http://www.w4uvh.net/sawacov.jpg>, showing Rhodes 1260 instead of never-built Cairo. Rhodes has very similar coverage to Cyprus 990, but unlike all the other MW sites, has a minor backlobe toward mainland Greece. [Wolfgang Büschel, Glenn Hauser, Feb 9 *DX Listening Digest*]

73 and Good DX!

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Here is the NRC column which is Short & Sweet, diet version also available. When sending your reports in, please keep them radio related, meaning to things that you are hearing and something you might think may be a help to others in ID'ing stations and hearing them. Musings is also a great place for introductions, reintroductions, but we won't trade receipts. Here we go:

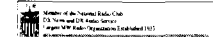
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Hi all, just thought I'd reintroduce myself since it's been about 22 years since I last was a member of the NRC! I joined back when I was 11 (1977) or so back when Ernie Cooper and Ray Arruda were doing the Musings section with their "theme" issues like the one for beer drinkers and "cities with 2 names" etc. Chuck Hutton lived in Decatur GA then and was the editor of IDXD. I stayed a member until 1982 or 1983 when the lure of girls and cars pulled me away from DXing seriously. Later on after getting a job with normal hours I would do the occasional band scan on both SW and AM just to see what was on but nothing serious. My "Rig" consisted of a Radio Shack TRF 12-655 radio and a Space Magnet 2 loop which worked great for AM and an old Hallicrafters S-53A for SW. If I remember right I logged about 1,200 stations during those years. Unfortunately all I have left of my original foray into DXing is my first 25 or 30 QSL's and no logs at all so I am starting all over from scratch again. My current setup includes the afore-mentioned equipment along with a new Sangean ATS 909, an ailing Hammarlund HQ-110, DX-394B, and a true boat anchor ... an old Wells Gardner BC-348Q for shortwave. Antennas are the SM-2, a 100 foot NW-SE long wire and a 70 foot E-W long wire. I was permanently disabled in 1997 so I started back on SW when I was able to and just got back into AM in November of this year. Wow have things changed! I REALLY need a copy of the NRC AM Radio Log and can't wait until the 24th edition comes out. Lots of new stations picked up during the mornings of 2-5 and 2-6 including WFIR 960 Roanoke, VA and WERC Birmingham fighting it out at 0546 on the 5th. Also heard were KCJJ 1630 Iowa City, IA at 0424 on the 6th and WPTX 1690 Lexington Park, MD with "Southern MD Update" program and ALANON ad. I thought they were on 920? The rest I'll send to the other editors. On a side note here, does anyone know Ralph Sanserinos email addy? I need some help on my TRF and I saw one of his postings on hard-core-dx.com mentioning he had the service manual for the 12-655 which I desperately need a copy of. Well I turned this into an essay so it's 73's for now. (and THANK YOU for the great reintroduction report, John, welcome back to the NRC! Please keep us posted on your DX doings. I don't know if they still do this but you may get the TRF book through Radio Shack; you may want to contact one of their stores to see if the TRF service manual is available through them. They did do it YEARS ago (even when they took over Allied, I ordered a few Knight Kit manuals that way). Good Luck!-DWS)

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A report on hand from DOUG BEARD, next issue! A good idea John mentioned above; lets retart the THEME Musings, and the first one can be "How I Got Started in DX'ing". Send your report along and SHARE it with the others here. We'll get a few reports together and feature them in mid March. 73

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