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NRC/WTFDA Convention 2012: For what may well be the first time in NRC history, this issue is being published from the site of the annual NRC/WTFDA Convention. Once everyone has made it here, we're expecting 34 DXers and significant others here in Bridgeport. We'll eventually have the usual Convention report from John Malicky, but to whet the appetite of those who missed out this year, some photos and material from John can be found on page 23. Y'all will have to join us next year!

From the Board of Directors:

In January 2012, Bill Hale submitted his resignation to David Yocis from his columns in *DX News*. Subsequently, Bill also submitted his resignation from the Board of Directors to the Board of Directors. The Board has been reviewing candidates that we felt would be able to serve on the Board and keep the current goals of the current Board intact and further the our commitment to the membership to keep the National Radio Club and all of its publications interesting and viable as we move forward. We thank Bill Hale for his many years on the Board and his dedication to keeping the National Radio Club "hale" and healthy. It gives the Board of Directors great pleasure to announce that Mark Durenberger has been selected by the Board of Directors to succeed Bill as a member of the Board of Directors.

Wayne Heinen, Chairman

NRC AM Log 2011-2012 (33rd Edition): Pre-orders are now being accepted for the 33rd edition of the definitive North American AM station log. We expect to begin shipping around August 27. Prices are:

- \$22.95 to NRC members (USA)
- \$28.95 to non-members (USA)
- \$32.00 to Canada (Global Priority mail)
- \$36.00 outside the USA/Canada

Order from NRC Publications at the address found on the back page.

NRC Antenna Pattern Book (6th Edition): Is sold out! A seventh issue will be forthcoming, stay tuned for details!

FM Atlas – Close-Out Sale: The NRC has obtained the remaining copies of the 21st edition of the *FM Atlas*, the final edition of that definitive North American FM station guide published by Dr. Bruce Elving before his untimely passing last year. If you don't have a copy, you can order it for \$15.00 postpaid to USA addresses, or \$18.50 to Canadian addresses. Same prices to non-NRC members, if you wish to forward the tip on to them. For addresses elsewhere in the world, please contact us for a quote. The quantity is limited to the books on hand. Order from NRC Publications at the address found on the back page.

Madison-Milwaukee DX GTG: The 19th annual Madison-Milwaukee Get-Together for DXers and Radio Enthusiasts will be held on Saturday, August 18, 2012, beginning at 1 PM CDT. This year's location is Madison WI and your hosts are Bill and Nina Dvorak. For more information, please e-mail Bill at dxeak@aol.com (please include "Madison DX GTG" in the subject line), write him (3358 Ridgeway Ave., Madison WI 53704), or if you prefer call (608-244-5497). Participation by NRC members is strong every year for this event, and this year should be no exception. We hope you can join us!

Department of Corrections – In the Ultralight News column in 79-28, we said Richard Allen's 1000th Ultralight station was a Mexican station on 880 kHz, which it was. But it was XETC Torreón, Coahuila, not XEPNK Los Mochis, Sinaloa. We regret the error.

From the Editor – One more issue in this volume, #30 with a masthead date of September 17 (deadline here is Friday, September 7). Volume 80 starts two weeks later and we'll be weekly starting with #1. The full schedule for Volume 80 will appear in the next issue.

We're holding onto some Graveyard DX Achievement updates, geo indices, Ultralight news, and a great article by Karl Forth on the past and present of the clear channels. It's been great to have so much material to keep our summer issues full ... as summer cools off and the DX season heats up, keep your contributions coming so we can have full weekly issues too!

AM Switch



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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old Call	New Call
580 WBIL AL Tuskegee	WACQ
1130 WACQ AL Carrville	WALQ
1270 KPDA ID Twin Falls	KXQZ
1490 KFON TX Austin	KLGO
1510 KRDH TX Canton	KWJB
1550 WUTQ NY Utica	WUSP



NOW ON THE AIR

1050 WFSC NC Franklin – U1 5000/153 [1000/153]
1240 KWAK AR Stuttgart – U1 960/960 [ex: U1 1000/1000]
1340 WYBC CT New Haven – U1 1000/880 [ex: U1 1000/1000]
1350 KUSG GU Agana – New station is on with U1 250/250 at N13-27-24/E144-40-20.
1420 WVJS KY Owensboro – U1 980/20 [ex: U4 5000/1000]
1450 KONP WA Port Angeles – U1 1000/910 [ex:U2 1000/1000]

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

830 CP OR Grants Pass – CP granted for U2 5000/1000 from two towers at 42-26-26/123-17-35.

ACTIONS

560 WXBT SC Columbia – Coordinate correction to 34-01-55/81-08-31.
700 CJLI AB Calgary – This new station, not yet on the air, has been granted an extension to April 24, 2013 to take to the air. Issues securing land for their transmitter/tower site were cited.
860 WDMG GA Douglas – CP granted to remove three of their four towers and reduce their nighttime power to become U1 5000/29 [ex: U2 5000/1000].
950 KRWZ CO Parker – CP granted to change from U3 5000/5000 to U4 5000/5000 and change their City-of-License from Denver.
990 KZZB TX Beaumont – Licensed for U3 1000/1000, KZZB is operating under a Special Temporary Authorization (STA) with U1 250/250 due to repair work being done on coaxial cables from the transmitter to their tower #1.
1010 KXEN MO St. Louis – Licensed for U4 50000/500, KXEN has a CP for U4 50000/420. This action temporarily moves their transmission to Tower #2 of the WGNU-920 transmitter site located 1.16 km east of the KXEN site with U1 350/125. The land on which KXEN's towers are located is being sold and the new owners have indicated that the land will be used for commercial, rather than as a broadcast tower site. The temporary facilities will be in force until KXEN finds a new tower site and the facility can be built.
1270 WSPR MA Springfield – CP granted for auxiliary facilities of U1 1000/350.
1400 KKTK TX Texarkana – Coordinate correction to 33-26-34/94-03-20.
1550 KWBC TX College Station – CP granted to move here from Navasota with U4 1500/45 co-located at the KZNE-1150 Bryan, Texas antenna array at 30-37-54/96-21-58. They will add a fourth tower to the site and use two of the standing three in addition to the new one. Both day and night patterns are identical in shape, aside from size, and are virtual circles from the transmitter site headed to the northeast, with a small lobe to the southwest.
1570 CKMW MB Winkler – CP granted for a new FM station on 103.7 to replace CKMW. Once the new facility is on the air, the AM may simulcast for no longer than 90 days, then will go silent.
1580 CP CA Red Bluff – New station granted with U2 3000/1000 from two towers at 40-10-15/122-15-51. Licensee is IHR Educational Broadcasting.



1590 WGBW WI Denmark – CP granted for U4 10000/500 [ex: U4 10000/50].

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AMENDMENTS

550 CP NV Reno – This new station has a CP for U4 1000/250. This amendment requests U4 1000/270.

930 KOGA NE Ogallala – Licensed for U4 5000/500 from a 4-tower array, KOGA has a CP to modify both day and night patterns after replacement of Tower #1 (shorter than the original). Before all of the phasing adjustments and readings could be finalized, Tower #2 sustained damage from a storm. Now, the owners have decided to apply for U2 2100/500 utilizing the (new) Tower #1 for daytime operation, and three at night.



1190 KQQZ IL Fairview Heights – Licensed at De Soto, Missouri with U4 10000/22, KQQZ has a CP to change the City-of-License (CoL) to Fairview Heights with U4 25000/650. This request is for U7 10000/650 CH 10000 returning to De Soto.

APPLICATIONS

550 WAYR FL Orange Park – Applies to change City-of-License to Fleming Island with U4 5000/500 [currently: U4 5000/65]

660 WORL FL Altamonte Springs – Applies for U4 3500/1000 [currently: U1 1000/1000]

880 KJOZ TX Conroe – Applies to change City-of-License to Friendswood with U7 5000/1000 CH 5000 [currently: U4 10000/1000]

910 WLAT CT New Britain – Applies for U2 5000/2800 [currently: U2 5000/5000]

1000 KTOK OK Oklahoma City – Applies for U4 5800/5800 [currently: U4 5000/5000]

1240 WTWA GA Thomson – Applies for U1 600/600 [currently: U1 1000/1000]

1300 KKOL WA Seattle – Applies for U4 12000/43000 [currently: U4 50000/47000]

1340 CFYK YT Yellowknife – Applies to move to 98.9 MHz with 1.2 kW

1400 WBIZ WI Eau Claire – Applies for U1 970/1000 [currently: U1 1000/1000]

1590 KTEL OR Tillamook – Applies to change their City-of-License to Netarts while remaining U2 5000/1000.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS

830 KOTC TN Memphis – Licensed for D1 3000/0, KOTC applied for D1 8000/0 CH 8000. This request is for U1 8000/2 CH 8000.

1140 KYOK TX Conroe – Licensed for D3 5000/0, KYOK applied to change their CoL to Katy with D3 800/0. This latest request is for D4 800/0 CH 800 at Katy.

APPLICATIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION

620 WVUV AS Leone – Application for renewal of license and call reinstatement.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

600 APP QC Montreal – Applies for U4 10000/5000

1220 APP ON Saint Catharines – Applies for U4 10000/10000. If granted, the station will utilize the transmitter and antenna array of the now-deleted CHSC; will be 88% AC-Oldies/12% Ethnic.

APPLICATIONS/CONSTRUCTION PERMITS DISMISSED

1260 KBSZ AZ Apache Junction – Application for U1 6000/50. KBSZ remains licensed for U1 3500/50 with an application for U1 4500/50.

1360 WAGS SC Bishopville – CP for U1 5000/38. WAGS remains D1 1000/0.

1600 KRKE NM Albuquerque – CP for U1 50000/175. KRKE remains U1 10000/175.

LICENSE CANCELLATIONS/CALL LETTERS DELETED

1130 WASP PA Brownsville (surrendered by licensee)

1340 WBGI PA Connellsville (surrendered by licensee)

1600 WAIA KY Beaver Dam (surrendered by licensee)

OTHER NEWS

690 CKGM QC Montreal – Bell Media has applied to change the format from English language Sports (TSN) to French-language Sports (RDS) when they move from 990 later this year.

1340 CFWH YT Whitehorse – The new FM station on 94.5 MHz has signed on, meaning 1340 has (now) less than 90 days of broadcast life.

AM ON FM

1010 WQYK FL Seffner – WHFS 98.7 Holmes Beach with Sports

HEAR AND THAR

✿ **Courtesy of our friends in Washington (the FCC):**

The station totals as of 30 June 2012, 4754 AM and 10,328 FM stations.

✿ **Returning to the airwaves: WLVA-580 Lynchburg, Virginia** with Oldies; **WMTC-730 Vancleve, Kentucky** with Southern Gospel as *Mountain Gospel*; **WCLC-1260 Jamestown, Tennessee** with Southern Gospel as *New Life 105*; **WTYL-1290 Tylertown, Mississippi** with Country as *Your Kind of Country* from Dial Global - Mainstream Country; **WONA-1570 Winona, Mississippi**; **WONA-1570 Winona, Mississippi** and **WVZN-1580 Columbia, Pennsylvania** with a Spanish Religion format.

✿ **Reported as silent: WACQ-1130 Carrville, Alabama**; **KBPS-1450 Portland, Oregon**; **WNBK-1290 Meridian, Mississippi**; **KYUL-1310 Scott City, Kansas**; **WTKE-1490 Milton, Florida** and **WKJQ-1550 Parsons, Tennessee**.

✿ **Fines: KDDD-800 Dumas, Texas** (along with KDDD-FM 95.3): \$8000 for failing to maintain an operational Emergency Alert System and failing to keep records for the system; **KLRG-880 Sheridan, Arkansas**: \$7000 for failure to have a secure fence around their antennas; **KOAN-1020 Eagle River, Alaska**: \$7000 for failure to have a secure fence around their tower; **WDGR-1210 Dahlonega, Georgia**: \$11,000 for failure to have a secure fence around their antenna and for operating with daytime power past local sunset; **WMAF-1230 Madison, Florida**: \$8000 for failing to maintain an operational Emergency Alert System and failing to keep records for the system; **WNIX-1330** (and **WLTM-FM**) **Greenville, Mississippi**: \$15,000 for failing to maintain operational Emergency Alert System equipment and associated EAS logs, and for **WNIX** operating with daytime power at night; and **WPWC-1480 Dumfries-Triangle, West Virginia**: \$7000 for failure to have a secure fence around their towers.

✿ **News Item: National Radio Hall of Fame Inductees**

As they did last year, the 23-member NRHOF Steering Committee broke away from the rules of previous years, passing on the usual nomination process and not allowing any outside or public voting. The National Radio Hall of Fame inductees for 2012 are:

- 1) Howard Stern – arguably the biggest radio personality of all time
- 2) Jack Cooper – called the first black disc jockey, who started in Chicago in the 1930s.
- 3) Gary Burbank – legendary Cincinnati/Louisville broadcaster
- 4) Art Laboe – Los Angeles "Oldies but Goodies" pioneer
- 5) Ron Chapman – Dallas radio icon
- 6) Luther Masingill – Chattanooga radio great for over 70 years
- 7) "Fresh Air with Terry Gross" – long-running National Public Radio interview program

My source says: "The induction of Howard Stern corrects the longtime mistake of not entering him years ago, before far less-deserving individuals were inducted. Stern has been up for induction four times in the past. He has steadfastly said he wants nothing to do with the NRHoF and urged his fans to not vote for him. It remains to be seen if he will have anything to do with the induction ceremony this fall.

The induction ceremony and radio broadcast will take place on Saturday, November 10th at 9:00 PM from the Museum of Broadcast Communications in Chicago, located at 360 N. State Street in Chicago.

[Note: the opinions expressed herein are those of the writer (Larz on the web site www.chicagoradioandmedia.com), and not necessarily those of this editor or the NRC.]

✿ **News Item: Radio reception problems prompt call for study**

Doug Schneider Green Bay Press-Gazette

Reports of problems with AM radio reception in parts of Green Bay neighborhoods have prompted a county lawmaker to call for a study of electromagnetic fields along University Avenue. Residents of parts of the city's east side this year have complained of radio reception difficulties, said Brad Hopp, a Brown County supervisor whose district is south of University Avenue and east of the East River. He asked last week that the county conduct a study on whether excess electromagnetic radiation is causing problems, perhaps because of the amount of electrical-transmission equipment in the area.

"This is more to satisfy my constituents' concerns, but I have some concerns myself," said Hopp, who is in his first term on the County Board. He said several residents in his district raised concerns during his campaign. Radiation is emitted by electronic devices where electricity flows, from video monitors to cellphones to power lines. Concerns have been raised about possible links between radiation and certain types of health problems, though actual links to certain illnesses remain the subject of debate.

Hopp said he did not know what it would cost to conduct a study. Once a cost is known, the county would have to determine if it was worth funding.

A spokesman for Wisconsin Public Service Corp., which is responsible for the power lines, said a line that has broken insulation equipment could affect reception of certain broadcast signals. Spokesman Kerry Spees said the company receives "one or two calls a year about radiation interference."

In such cases, he said, the company sends an employee to the area to check equipment and correct any problems.



✿ **News Item: Montreal radio station torched** from cnews.ca

A Haitian radio station here was hit by arsonists recently after hosts criticized the country's former dictator. "CPAM-1610" was torched following calls by the radio hosts for a criminal trial for Jean-Claude Duvalier, who returned last year to the country he terrorized for decades. CPAM's north-end administrative offices were partially destroyed and the studio suffered water damage, rendering it useless.

But the operators wouldn't be intimidated and were back on the air 10 hours after the attack. "The culprit has disturbed our routine, but he can't disrupt our ideas," station manager Jean-Ernest Pierre told listeners Monday morning from a temporary studio. CPAM is a beacon for the 100,000 Haitian expatriates in Montreal who form the largest such community in Canada.

Pierre told QMI Agency a fellow broadcaster made his studios available to CPAM during the rebuilding process. He has spent the past two days reassuring listeners and appealing for calm. Hosts and loyal listeners were shocked at the arson attack. "People have continued to stream in to see the debris," Pierre said. "It's like a funeral." No arrests have been made and police have no suspects.

✿ **Thanks to Shawn Axelrod, Tim Noonan, Dan Sys and Dave Schmidt.**

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U.S./Canadian Loggings from Pacific/Mtn/Central Time Zones. All times ELT.

Reporters

BD-WI Bill Dvorak, Madison, WI Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop
DY-CA David Yocis, traveling in Palm Springs CA - Grundig G5, barefoot
JJR-WI John J Rieger, South Milwaukee, WI Icom IC-R75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner, preamp
JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO Drake R-8, GE Superadio II, 4-foot box loop.
NB-CA Neil Bell, KJ6FBA Clayton, CA WinRadio Excalibur, Quantum Phaser with two random wires.
RD-NE Rick Dau South Omaha, NE Sangean ATS-909X, Quantum QX Pro loop
RV-TX Robert Vance, El Paso, TX WinRadio G303e/PD, 12'x 9' terminated corner-fed N and E loops, 25-yr old Palomar Loop
SA-MB Shawn M. Axelrod, VE4DX1SMA/VEPC4SWL, Winnipeg, MB Icom ICR-70 / Drake R8; 3 Foot un-amplified box loop / Quantum QX LOOP v2.0/ 155 Foot "U" shaped outdoor wire / 100 Foot indoor wire run around the basement walls / MFJ 1026 Phasing unit

DX Test

1590 WGBW WI Denmark – 7/15 0100 – DX test heard here with long tone at 0104 and the Morse Cope ID at 0105 both under KVGB who dominated the frequency. Nice to get a DX test in the summer. (SA-MB)

DX Loggings

660 WXQW AL Fairhope – 7/18 0306 – Fair with bouncy Black GOS music, "Gospel 660" said by quite lively host. No WFAN at all! Thanks to Willis-TN for heads up! (JJR-WI)
690 KOAQ NE Terrytown – 6/4 2331 – Fair with "The Oldies Station, 690 KOAQ" ID, then into song by Hall & Oates. (RD-NE)

- 710 WAQI FL **Miami** – 7/18 0336 – Poor though steady. "WAQI, Radio Mambi" said twice in 2 minutes by woman. **(JJR-WI)**
- 720 KFIR OR **Sweet Home** – 7/11 0830 – After a long time of trying, finally heard them after KDWN had faded out and KFIR had shifted to their 10 KW day power and I got reasonably good KFIR reception for about 15 minutes before it also faded out. **(NB-CA)**
- 740 KATK NM **Carlsbad** – 7/4 1645 – Decided to check out daytime groundwaves with the arrival of monsoon and found this in weakly with Midnight Train o Georgia and other 70's oldies. Caught TOH CL and COL into news. First time here, only about 120 miles from here but got a mountain range between us; plus there's local KAMA-750 to contend with. **(RV-TX)**
- 960 KGKL TX **San Angelo** – 6/30 2314 – In with Texas Rangers baseball via flagship station ESPN 103.3 FM, which is actually in Dallas-Ft. Worth metro. There were ads during the broadcast for businesses in the DFW area, so this one kind of threw me a curve (see how I snuck that in?) until I did a little bit of research. Caught a local ID at BOH "ESPN 960, KGKL, San Angelo". Poor, with a few fades to fair. **(RV-TX)**
- NEWS•TALK**
960
KGKL•AM
- 990 KFCD TX **Farmersville** – 7/1 0055 – Noted with Tejano music into TOH EE ID "...KFCD, 990 AM, Farmersville-Dallas...", brief talk by man then back into music. Poor in mix. **(RV-TX)**
- 1070 KNTH TX **Houston** – 7/1 0247 – Local ads with 281 area code, "1070 KNTH" IDs, Cal Thomas Commentary, "Houston's choice for intelligent talk ... Newstalk 1070, KNTH" announcement; Chris X Radio, faded back up after TOH with Dennis Prager Show after local ads and ID. Poor-fair with QRN and deep fades on E Loop. **(RV-TX)**
- 1090 KPTK WA **Seattle** – 7/1 0329 – Brief fade-up with promo for station programing: "...here on KPTK, Seattle," then back to nothing. Poor. **(RV-TX)**
- 1130 KWKH LA **Shreveport** – 7/1 0405 – Noted with Fox Sports Radio and "1130TheTiger.com" and local Shreveport ads. Fair-good. **(RV-TX)**
- 1150 WJBO LA **Baton Rouge** – 7/1 0459 – In with PSA from DOJ, ID announcement "Your news, traffic, and weather; 1150 WJBO, Baton Rouge," then into Fox News during 1:50 of dead carrier of partially-phased local KHRO. Sometimes it's great to be lucky! **(RV-TX)**
- 1150 WIMA OH **Lima** – 7/16 0410 – Poor, steady "Hannity weekdays ... 1150 WIMA." **(JJR-WI)**
- 1180 KZOT NE **Bellevue** – 7/27 0758 – Omaha spots; legal ID at 0759:50: "This is 1180 Zone Two, The Deuce, KZOT Bellevue-Omaha-Council Bluffs, Nebraska's newest all-sports station;" Yahoo! Sports was next. Fair signal. Ex-KOIL. **(JW-CO)**
- 1190 KNUV AZ **Tolleson** – 7/28 0753 – Radio Fórmula programming (from Mexico); legal ID at 0800:30 by gal: "KNUV 1190 AM Tolleson," followed by a time check for "cinco en punto" (Arizona does not observe Daylight Time); KXKS powered up a few seconds later. Local KVCU was off the air. **(JW-CO)**
- 1190 KXKS NM **Albuquerque** – 7/28 0858 – "Bible in the News" just ending; legal ID at ToH, followed by "Health by Nature" program. Fair/good signal, with local KVCU off the air. **(JW-CO)**
- 1200 KPSF CA **Cathedral City** – 7/1 1852 – Ads, "Money 1200" ID, anti-Obama talk show, very good. FCC web site says this new station CP received "program test authority" on April 13, but still hasn't been formally licensed. The station broadcasts from the same site as co-owned KXPS-1010. **(DY-CA)**
- MONEY RADIO 1200**
- 1240 KRDO CO **Colorado Springs** – 7/22 0300 – Caught partial ID announcement "...KRDO Newsradio, Colorado Springs.." then into news in weak mix during fadeout of local XEWG. Poor. **(RV-TX)**
- 1240 KSLV CO **Monte Vista** – 7/22 0330 – Fade up with CWM into announcement using 2 male voices "...the great country favorites; it's a radio (packed?) weekend, here on AM-1240, KSLV...", then back into CWM. **(RV-TX)**
- 1240 WSDR IL **Sterling** – 7/15 2005 – Poor with SS music and talk, directly (without legal ID) into CBS news in English at top of hour; promo for the Mission(?) Show with Jim O'Brien 11 AM until noon "on WSDR" back to SS music. Local WHFA was off air at the time. **(BD-WI)** *I think the Midday Show with Tim O'Brien? - DY*



- 1240 KBIZ IA **Ottumwa** – 7/14 0659 – Quick fade-in near ToH with ad for Carriker Ford Oskaloosa (next county over); station faded before legal ID. Local WHFA was off air at the time. **(BD-WI)**
- 1240 KALY NM **Los Ranchos de Albuquerque** – 7/22 0230 – Poked just above partially phased local XEWG with Kids radio promo; ending with "KALY, AM 1240" ID by young girl. What little programming I caught was formatted similarly to Radio Disney but it's not Disney. **(RV-TX)**
- 1240 WOMT WI **Manitowoc** – 7/14 0159 – Fair with legal ID (cities given as Manitowoc-Two Rivers) into CBS news. Local WHFA was off air at the time. **(BD-WI)**
- 1250 KCFI IA **Cedar Falls** – 6/3 0032 – Weak with "Lighting Strikes" by Lou Christie, "Cruisin' 1250" slogan heard in local promo at 0038. Nice to see these CLs back on 1250 in Cedar Falls. **(RD-NE)**
- 1250 KBTC MO **Houston** – 6/7 2231 – Weak under KYYS with St. Louis Cardinals BB. **(RD-NE)**
- 1280 WBIG IL **Aurora** – 6/2 2238 – Fair with wrap-up of Kane County Cougars BB postgame show. **(RD-NE)**
- 1390 KCRC OK **Enid** – 6/7 2326 – Fair under KJAM with St. Louis Cardinals BB. **(RD-NE)**
- 1400 KRLN CO **Cañon City** – 7/24 0859 – Weather by gal, followed by legal ID: "The Michael Medved Show live Monday thru Friday 3 to 5 PM on News Radio AM 1400 KRLN Cañon City"; CBS news was next at ToH. **(JW-CO)**
- 1400 KDTA CO **Delta** – 7/21 0758 – List of sponsors and supporters; legal ID at 0759:15 "You're listening to non-commercial KJOL Grand Junction and KDTA Delta...;" soon faded. **(JW-CO)**
- 1400 KFTM CO **Fort Morgan** – 7/25 0859 – Legal ID: "AM 1400 KFTM Fort Morgan-Brush-Wiggins," followed by AP news. **(JW-CO)**
- 1400 KCOW NE **Alliance** – 7/13 0759 – Area weather, then legal ID and ABC news at 0800. Signal up and down in the jumble. **(JW-CO)**
- 1400 KVSF NM **Santa Fe** – 7/7 0759 – PSAs from Smokey the Bear and National Parks Service; legal ID about 0800:24: "Twenty-four years of...??., Santa Fe's Sports Leader - ESPN 1400 KVSF Santa Fe." A long-needed call change here, ex-KTRC. **(JW-CO)**
- 1400 KSRR UT **Provo** – 7/28 0158 – Heard "1400 K-Star KSRR..." then faded into the muck. **(JW-CO)**
- 1400 KKTL WY **Casper** – 7/24 0759 – Casper spots; legal ID at 0759:52: "KKTL Casper - follow us online at am1400espn.com"; into ESPN programming at ToH. Fair in QRM. **(JW-CO)**
- 1400 KODI WY **Cody** – 7/29 0459 – Man says "You're listening to KODI-AM Cody, Wyoming"; not sure what followed. Rough copy in the pileup. **(JW-CO)**
- 1520 KKXA WA **Snohomish** – 7/9 0705 – Older C&W tunes; canned "Classic Country 1520 K-X-A" slogans and versions thereof after each song. Fair signal but generally under blowtorch KOKC. A new one here, WA #27. **(JW-CO)**
- 1580 KCHA IA **Charles City** – 7/16 0431 – Poor over weak CKDO. Calls, weather: Hi:90s, low:70s. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1680 KRJO LA **Monroe** – 7/18 0331 – Poor; Bayounet, Bayou.com ad, others. Promo for "Talk 540 KMLB" into George Noory. **(JJR-WI)**



Errata

In 79-28, I incorrectly attributed a couple of Rick Dau's "on-the-road" loggings. Given that Mr. Dau takes the trouble to submit his mobile DX activity, the least I can do is get them right. The corrected logs are:

- 580 WILL IL **Urbana** 4/30 139. Good with conclusion of program "Afternoon Magazine" with host Celeste Quinn, then brief announcement by Celeste that this was her last day on the air on WILL, as she was retiring. **(RD-IL, logged at the Cumberland Ave bus station in Chicago)**
- 1680 KRJO LA **Monroe** 4/30 2056. Fair with ad for local business Diva Connections, then ID as "Old School 1680", and into music. Heard while passing through Iowa City, it's my first new logging from my old stomping grounds since Dec. 2001. **(RD-IA, logged in downtown Iowa City.)**

The editor regrets the error.

Hope you all have a good summer, what remains of it. See you next time. **(JDT-WA)**

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U.S./Canadian Loggings from Eastern/Atlantic Time Zones. All ELT.

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REPORTERS

- KDF-GA** **Karl D. Forth, Bainbridge** – Ford Focus car radio
HJH-PA **Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre** - Grundig S 350, Kiwa Pocket Loop
KK-VA **Kraig Krist, Manassas** - Winradio G33DDC SDR, homemade 134 foot multiband antenna running NW to SE.
TLK-FL **Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater** - JRC NRD-535, ICOM IC-R75, Sony ICF-7600GR, Sangean PR-D5, Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio, GE Superadio III; roof dipole, room random wire.
TLK-FL1 **Terry L. Krueger, Manasota Key** – at Paul V. Zecchino’s QTH, using some of the equipment above.
MKB-GA **Mike Brooker, Atlanta** – Grundig G5
MKB-ON **Mike Brooker, Toronto** – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)

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DX TEST

- 1590 WGBW WI Denmark** – 7/15 0104 – Over usual pest WAKR with tone, voice ID mentioning “testing during the experimental period with 10000 watts,” “WGBW” code ID (.-. -. -... .-) into Beach Boys song and other oldies. Another code ID and sweep tones at 0117. Not needed, QSLed on similar test in 2011. **(MKB-ON)**
 +++ - 7/15 0055 – DX test mixing with WAKR, WFBR, WKTP and ESPN. Heard sweep tones, long tones and WGBW in morse code. CE Mark Heller confirmed I did indeed hear the DX test. **(KK-VA)**

TIS/HAR

- 1700 KNAA585 NY New York** – 7/20 2145 – Very weak but clearly made out. Loop repeating “You’re listening to JFK highway advisory radio station KNAA585...” I thought I’d look for this thanks to a tip from Bruce Conti in February and the fact that the NYC SS station was coming in on 1710. **(HJH-PA)**

UNID

- 1070 UNID --** 7/22 0700 – ID slogan mentioning 101.3 and 104 point something, lost in co-channel with other domestics and the Cuban. I don't find anyone on the NRC AM Log that matches the FM simulcast(s), or Google searching for that matter. **(TLK-FL)**
1510 UNID -- 7/15 0055 – Yahoo Sports talk mixing with WLAC. Is this WWZN Boston, MA? **(KK-VA)** *Could be. Last time I checked, the Boston 1510 station was part-time sports and brokered “Radio Revolution” libertarian-conservative talk the rest of the time. Mike.*
1670.20 UNID -- - 7/15 0752 – Weak carrier, no audio making it, with presumed WPLA, Dry Branch, GA with FOX Sports Radio on 1670.00. Possibly a TIS. The Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport TIS has been on 1670.3 for years. **(TLK-FL)**
1680.15 UNID -- - 7/15 0754 – Weak carrier also here, with presumed KRJO, Monroe, LA with Urban Gospel preacher, and WOKB, Winter Garden, FL with Urban gospel vocals both on 1680.00. **(TLK-FL)**

LOGGINGS

- 640 WMEN FL Royal Palm Beach** – 7/6 1545 – Fair with sports talk, Cuban Radio Progreso was off the air (it was on a half-hour earlier while driving around Venice). Progreso was back up a little less than an hour later, with no trace of WMEN possible. **(TLK-FL1)**

- 740 KRMG OK **Tulsa** – 6/30 0504 – Alone on frequency with station promo “Tulsa’s most accurate and dependable weather forecasts on news-talk KRMG,” ad for Cox high speed internet. No WSB-750 slop – either WSB shut off their IBOC or never swilled the iBiquity Kool-Aid. **(MKB-GA)**
- 850 WFTL FL **West Palm Beach** – 6/30 0506 – Presumed with ad for Paul Bange Roofing, mentioning 954-981-ROOF phone number, into Dial Global “Week in review.” **(MKB-GA)**
- 900 WSWN FL **Belle Glade** – 7/6 1720 – Extremely weak on the Benmar RDF from Paul’s topside porch with Southern Gospel tunes. **(TLK-FL1)**
- 940 WECO TN **Wartburg** – 6/30 0523 – Over in-state WMAC with “AM 940 WECO” canned ID between C&W-gospel songs. QSLed on equipment test in 1980. **(MKB-GA)**
- 1160 WYLL IL **Chicago** – 7/28 2100 – Presumed, having to use USB to avoid the new 1159.00 kHz Cuban het. Tune-in to SRN Radio News till 2102, brief Urban gospel vocal segment or filler and into Christian talk. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1170 WKFL FL **Bushnell** – 7/21 0700 – Poor with male canned ID right at tune in, “WKFL, Bushnell, FL” into network news. Kickin’ Country” slogan per their website wkfl1170am.com, and still listed as daytime-only DA1 at 1 kW per FCC. 2011 NRC AM Log had this as silent 7/2011 though believe it’s been back on for awhile now, and had an application for D4 10000/CH 5300 which I suppose they blew. **(TLK-FL)**
- KFAQ OK **Tulsa**- 7/8 0603 – Very good with ads for Primo Kia and Sigma truck driver school, “...1170 KFAQ or text to...” station promo into WSJ Weekend Report. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1260 WYDE AL **Birmingham** – 7/29 0059 – Male (seemingly canned) ID for “WYDE and WYDE-FM 101.1... Birmingham...,” into AP Radio News. Listed as U1 5000/41. Really running 41 watts during my reception? If so, nice. Faded up over WSUA and the others again at 0116. And also seconds before 0200, with The Who’s “Won’t Get Fooled Again” as background bumper music over male ID, including the FM, and again into AP Radio News. **(TLK-FL)**
- WSUA FL **Miami** – 7/28 2200 – SS Radio Martí rebroadcast (not // 6030 shortwave), after the WSUA ID at 2200 with Radio Martí sounders, ID, news items. Fair-good on peaks over a multitude of other stations on 1260, though WSUA dominates. Forget the exact schedule, at least week nights, I think 2200-midnight ET? Classified as an open brokered clandestine in my books. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1410 WSCW WV **South Charleston** – 7/15 0226 – In KQV mix with C&W songs. “Classic country all day and all night. This is AM 14-10” slogan and station promo. **(KK-VA)**
- 1460 WQXM FL **Bartow** – 7/29 1516 – Barely even threshold with Spanish pop-ish vocal, talk by female. Not sure I’ve ever heard this from here. U1 1000/155. Slogan is “La X” per their rudimentary website <http://lax1460.com/>. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1480 WRCK NY **Remsen** – 7/21 2118 – Loop repeating “Move it on up to 100.7 FM, WUTQ ... soft music favorites will no longer be available on this channel.” Background music, Jefferson’s TV theme “We’re movin’ on up.” **(HJH-PA)** *Note call letter change from WADR, effective March 23, 2012 according to the FCC – DY.*
- 1490 WMRC MA **Milford** – 6/17 2103 – ID as “First Class Radio, WMRC Milton,” briefly then gone. **(HJH-PA)**
- WRCE NY **Watkins Glen** – 6/23 2033 – Ad for remote at Arnot Mall. Call ID and mention of “Wink 106.9.” **(HJH-PA)**
- WKVT VT **Brattleboro** – 6/30 2203 – Slogan “Your Red Sox station, WKVT,” up well, briefly. **(HJH-PA)**
- 1500 WSEM GA **Donalsonville** – 6/20 1200 – Strong open carrier heard here while I was traveling in this area. Nothing else heard during several checks. **(KDF-GA)**
- WLQV MI **Detroit** – 7/15 0200 – In WFED mix with religious talk. “This is WLQV Detroit... station...” ToH ID. **(KK-VA)**
- 1550 WITK PA **Pittston** – 7/15 0200 – Religious talk in mix with WDLR and Cuban Radio Rebelde. “You’re listening to WITK” ToH ID. **(KK-VA)**
- 1570 WHTX OH **Warren** – 7/15 0128 – In WPGM mix with oldies, slogan “the new 15-70 WHTX.” **(KK-VA)**
- WPGM PA **Danville** – 7/15 0130 – In WHTX mix with religious talk, man with WPGM ID at bottom of hour. **(KK-VA)**
- 1580 WHLY IN **South Bend** – 7/15 0258 – In CKDO/WLIJ mix with ETWN Catholic religious programming, ID mentioning “...Global Topic Network.” **(KK-VA)**

- WLIJ TN Shelbyville** – 7/15 0231 – In CKDO/WHLY mix with C&W songs, station promo "...stop and shop 4 times a day Monday to Friday, twice on Saturday...Monday through Friday...7:45 AM...noon time hour and 4:45 in the afternoons...Saturday 6:30 and 7:45. Remember...if you want to buy, sell or trade a truck or give away give us a call at the WLIJ stop and shop..." (**KK-VA**)
- 1590 WPSL FL Port St. Lucie** – 7/15 0745 – St. Lucie Jewelry & Coins and other local ads, ESPN Radio promo, "ESPN 1590, WPSL, The Talk of the Treasure Coast" and back into net feed feature on a Moroccan training for the Olympics. Fair-good with my local, WRXB, St. Pete Beach partially nulled. Surely not really on their listed night 63 watts. (**TLK-FL**)
- WCSL NC Cherryville** – 7/22 2335 – Pretty sure this was the ID I heard of a station playing country music. Slogan, "The station that invented summertime fun." NRC log lists this as gospel so I am trying to hear again to make sure. (**HJH-PA**)

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Loggings of stations outside the Lower 48 and Canada. All times UTC.

Trans-Atlantic DX

- 162 **FRANCE** *France Inter*, Allouis JUN 14 0058 - Pop male French vocal, heavy percussion. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 171 **MOROCCO** *R.Mediterranee Internationale*, Nador JUN 14 0059 - Dance club music including rapping, then talk by woman; good. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 207 **MOROCCO** *Radiodiffusion Television Marocaine* (A), Azilal JUN 14 0101 - Arabic talk by man; in the clear (QI beacon off?). [Connelly*D-MA]
- 234 **LUXEMBOURG** *RTL Junglinster* JUN 14 0101 - French news by woman; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 252 **ALGERIA** *R.Algerienne*, Tipaza JUN 14 0100 - Pips, man in French; dominant. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 531 **ALGERIA** *Jil FM*, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi JUN 14 0030 - Parallel stronger 549 with Arabic talk by woman. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 549 **ALGERIA** *Jil FM*, Les Trembles JUN 14 0029 - Woman in Arabic; good. 0100 now huge with "Jil FM" ID by woman, dance club music. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 585 **SPAIN** *RNE1 Madrid* JUN 14 0029 - Man in Spanish parallel 621; in tough WEZE slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 603 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Tramoyes JUN 14 0045 - Woman in French; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 612 **MOROCCO** *SNRT Sebaa-Aioun* JUN 14 0031 - Chanting; poor. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 621 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** *RNE1 sychros* JUN 14 0028 - Man in Spanish; to fair peak over slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 639 **SPAIN** *RNE1 La Coruña et al.* JUN 14 0101 - News by woman in Spanish; poor. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 693 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5*, Droitwich et al. JUN 14 0101 - Talk about Syrian civil war; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 711 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Rennes JUN 14 0102 - French news by woman; through WOR slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 756 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Braunschweig & Ravensburg JUN 14 0100 - Classical music, woman in German, *Deutschlandfunk* ID, pips; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 774 **EGYPT** *Middle East Radio*, Abis JUN 14 0100 - Male Arabic vocal; mixed with Spain. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 774 **SPAIN** *RNE1 sychros* JUN 14 0100 - Spanish news by woman; mixed with Egypt. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 783 **SYRIA** *Syrian Arab Republic Broadcasting Corp*, Tartus JUN 14 0100 - ID included "es Suriya," dramatic news intro music; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]

- 792 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Limoges JUN 14 0100 - *France Info* theme music, talk by woman; mixed with others. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 819 **EGYPT** *ERTU Santah* JUN 14 0100 - Male a cappella Koranic chanting; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 837 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Nancy JUN 14 0100 - *France Info* theme music; over others. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 855 **SPAIN** *RNE1 Murcia et al.* JUN 14 0100 - Spanish news by man; in WEEI slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 864 **FRANCE** *France Bleu*, Villebon-sur-Yvette JUN 14 0100 - News by woman in French; to good peak. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 890.96 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Algiers JUN 20 0129 - Bits of audio on huge carrier; clobbering WAMG. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5* synchros JUN 14 0045 - Two men discussing economics, environment; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 945 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Toulouse JUN 14 0045 - Man and woman in French; fair on USB to dodge WPKX IBOC. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 981 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 2*, Algiers JUN 14 0031 - Arabic string music; in slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 999 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA R.Quran*, Tabuk JUN 14 0045 - Koranic male vocal; briefly over Spain. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 999 **SPAIN** *COPE Madrid* JUN 14 0028 - Man in Spanish; poor. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1053 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros JUN 14 0045 - *TalkSport* ID parallel stronger 1089; through WEPN slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1080 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros JUN 14 0045 - Parallel 1116 with instrumental music; under WTIC. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1088 **ANGOLA** *R.Nacional*, Mulenvos JUN 20 0029 - Woman in Portuguese; about equal to 1089 UK and 1090 WBAL. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros JUN 14 0031 - Two men talking about players; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1098 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros JUN 14 0029 - Parallel 1125 with man in Spanish; to fair peak. 0100 ID, "Radio Nacional de España... informativos"; over others. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1107 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros JUN 14 0045 - Echoey Spanish talk; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1116 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros JUN 14 0045 - Parallel 1080 with instrumental music, Spanish talk. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1125 **BELGIUM** *RTBF VivaCité*, Houdeng JUN 14 0100 - "She Loves You" by the Beatles, man and woman in French; good. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1125 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros JUN 14 0029 - Parallel 1098 with man in Spanish; to fair peak. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1134 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros JUN 14 0030 - Parallel 1296 with two men in Spanish; poor to fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1134 unID JUN 14 0045 - Kuwait suspected, a cappella female Mideast vocal; over Spain. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1143 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros JUN 14 0100 - Parallel 1134 with Spanish news by man; poor. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1152 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros JUN 14 0029 - Fast Spanish talk; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1170 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** *R.Sawa*, Al Dhabiya JUN 14 0059 - Mideast boy-band pop-dance vocal, Sawa ID; over WWVA. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1179 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** *SER* synchros JUN 14 0029 - Woman in Spanish; over music station that was probably Romania. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1179 **ROMANIA** *România Actualitati*, Galbeni-Bacau et al. JUN 14 0058 - Parallel 1530, 1593 with Donovan "Wear Your Love Like Heaven"; mixing with *SER* Spain-Canaries. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1206 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Bordeaux JUN 14 0030 - Parallel 1377, 1557 with jazz, *France Info* theme, woman in French; good, over WXKS slop. 0045 talk parallel 1242; loud! [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1215 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros JUN 14 0030 - Man in Spanish; over UK. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros JUN 14 0045 - '80s-era Pretenders song; mixed with Spain. 0100 "You're listening to Absolute Radio"; good. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1242 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Marseille JUN 14 0045 - Parallel 1206 with woman in French; good, over WBUR slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1296 **SPAIN** *COPE* Valencia JUN 14 0030 - Spanish news by man, teletalk; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]

- 1341 **NORTHERN IRELAND** *BBC R.Ulster*, Lisnagarvey JUN 14 0100 - *BBC R.Ulster* ID, news; through slop. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Lille JUN 14 0030 - Parallel 1557 with *France Info* theme, woman in French; good. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1422 **ALGERIA** *R.Algérienne*, Algiers JUN 14 0029 - Woman in French; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
JUN 20 0042 - Energetic North African music. [Connelly*O-MA] AUG 3 0455 - Poor; Koranic recitations. [Conti-NH]
- 1422 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Heusweiler AUG 3 0345 - Poor but with brief strong fade ins; news/talk parallel 6190 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1458 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Sunrise Radio*, Brookmans Park JUN 14 0100 - Indian music, ID, "This is Sunrise Radio"; to fair peak. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1503 **IRAN** *IRIB R.Iran*, Bushehr JUN 14 0058 - Mideast male group vocal, orchestra; over Spain. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA* Duba JUN 14 0029 - Brief instrumental music interlude, then man and woman in Arabic; good. 0100 local-like! [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1530 **ROMANIA** *România Actualitati*, Mihaileni & Mahmudia JUN 14 0058 - Parallel 1179, 1593 with Donovan "Wear Your Love Like Heaven"; under WDJZ and WVBF. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1548 **KUWAIT** *R.Sawa*, Kabd-Kuwait City JUN 14 0031 - Pop Mideast music; to fair peak. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1557 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Fontbonne JUN 14 0030 - Parallel 1377 with *France Info* theme, woman in French; good. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1566 **BENIN** *TWR* Parakou AUG 3 0450 - Presumed with most of Europe in daylight by this time; only bits of English talk and religious-sounding music. Fighting splatter from 1570 CJLV with 1560 WQEW phase nulled. 1386, 1413, 1476, 1485, and 1602 all from Spain the only other transatlantic signals noted. [Conti-NH]
- 1575 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** *R.Farda*, Al Dhabiya JUN 14 0030 - *R.Farda* ID, talk by man; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1593 **ROMANIA** *România Actualitati*, Ion Korvinn JUN 14 0100 - Parallel 1179, 1530 with "Wear Your Love Like Heaven" by Donovan, ID, "Aici Bucuresti, Radio România Actualitati... hora exacta," pips; fair. [Connelly*D-MA]

Pan-American DX

- 530 **CUBA** *R.Enciclopedia*, Villa María JUN 20 0130 - Woman in Spanish, piano version of "What a Difference a Day Makes"; poor to fair on LSB to dodge Algerian. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 560 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Ciego de Avila JUL 17 0200 - Sounder under WFIL. [Conti-NH]
- 580 **MEXICO** *XEFI Estéreo Mexicana*, Chihuahua, Chih. JUL 13 1114 - XE music, canned "Estéreo Mexicana" slogans after each song; faded at 1123, replaced by XEHO a few minutes later. A slight change from former "Radio Mexicana" slogan. [Wilkins-CO]
- 580 **MEXICO** *XEMU* Piedras Negras, Coah. JUL 29 0504 - Probably just after national anthem, "La Rancherita del Aire, radio sin fronteras" singing ID, then temps as 32C/90F; makes slow pumping SAH of 160/minute = 2 and two-thirds Hz with WIBW as IDed shortly. Did not catch calls, but gave 580 plus an uncopied FM frequency. Cantú shows that is another recent addition, XHEMU 103.7, and AM night power is 2.5 kW. [Hauser-OK]
- 580 **MEXICO** *XEHO* *La Fuerza de la Palabra*, Cd. Obregón, Son. JUL 13 1133 - Non-descript Latino music; female voice with frequent call letters and "La Fuerza de la Palabra" slogans. Briefly fair. [Wilkins-CO]
- 590 **MEXICO** unID JUL 28 1119 - "Radio Paco" mentioned amid music, sure sounds like an ID slogan, but no Mexicans listed anywhere by that name. Since I have just been getting XENK Mexico City on 620, a good bet is the 590 in the DF, officially XEPH "La Sabrosita," which can be loosely translated as "mouth-watering." Trying to avoid being too distracted by the cheesecake infesting the website, at www.sabrosita590am.com.mx I find that the Saturday 6-8 a.m. bloque musical is deejayed by one Francisco Suárez, who could easily nickname himself "Radio Paco." [Hauser-OK]
- 600 **NICARAGUA** *R.Ya*, Managua JUL 9 1028 - Excellent and alone with inspirational-tinged kiddie radio play with animated characters, roosters and sound effects, punctuated often with "Ya, Ya, Ya, Ya, Ya..." Already beginning to fade by 1043. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 610 **BRAZIL** *ZYL268 R.Itatiaia*, Belo Horizonte JUN 20 0101 - Portuguese shouting man; over WGIR. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 620 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Colón JUN 20 0101 - Cuban news by woman, electronic "splash" sounders; over/under WZON. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 620 **MEXICO** *XENK* México, DF JUL 28 1111 - Classic rock in English, "He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother" by the Hollies; good signal. 1116 "Lo mejor de los 70" and Radio 620 ID,

- various federal PSAs, promos, Asociación de Radio del Valle de México clinches it must be XENK in the DF. Is also selling this music? 1118 "El Catálogo de Oro," next "Ophelia" in English; is it all? "Internacional" may be a code-word for that. Per www.mexicoradio.tv.com, "620 XENK Radio 6.20 Audio Música de catálogo internacional. 50,000 watts día, 5,000 watts noche desde San Andrés de la Cañada, [Estado de] México Grupo RASA," and the logo claims AM stereo. Gaisma.com shows DF sunrise today as 1212 UT, later than I would have guessed, more than a semihour after Enid's 1135; but being further west and much further south accounts for it. [Hauser-OK]
- 630 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, multiple sites JUL 16 0400 - Over/under WPRO; choral national anthem and network ID with theme song parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 630 **MEXICO** XEFB Monterrey, NL JUL 19 0458 - Mexican national anthem is playing in a version not often heard, band rather than orchestral or choral; 0502 segué to another anthem, of a state? Only lyrics I could copy were "entre tierra y montaña," and suspect it's the usual dominating signal here, XEFB in Monterrey, but I don't find a match to those words in the Canto a Nuevo León, nor a sportive one for Monterrey itself. JUL 20 0504 - I listen again to the unfamiliar state or city song following the national anthem, and then definite ID this time for XEFB, U.S. stations more or less nullable. Turned back on at 1122, now nothing but Spanish talk, probably same, with nothing from Denver or St. Louis. [Hauser-OK]
- 640 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, multiple sites JUN 20 0116 - Parallel 650, 900 with old-fashioned Spanish female vocal; over others. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 650 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Ciego de Avila JUN 20 0116 - Parallel 640, 900 with female vocal, some "wobbling" noticed. [Connelly*O-MA] JUL 15 0935 - No audio heard, but the distinctive sporadically wobbling Cuba noise under WSM. Probably the *R.Progreso* transmitter. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 650 **MEXICO** XETNT Los Mochis, Sin. JUL 7 1118 - Jingle amid music for "Los Mochis - 106.5," a.k.a. *Radio 65*, a regular here on SRS. [Hauser-OK]
- 650 **UNITED STATES** WSRO Ashland, MA JUL 16 0200 - Good; 650 AM jingle in Portuguese, "AM 650 WSRO Ashland," into news in Portuguese with Brazil and Globo mentions. [Conti-NH]
- 660 **MEXICO** XEEY Aguascalientes, Ags. JUL 7 1120 - IFE PSA, "102.9, la que sorprende" (surprises, not sure of last word). No, it must be this in a Cantú AM/FM match: XEEY La Kaliente + FM 102.9 Aguascalientes, Ags. 50,000 10,000. [Hauser-OK]
- 670 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites JUN 20 0130 - Parallel 620 with sportstalk show in Spanish, intro to Michael Jackson's "Bad" used as bumper music; over others. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 671.00 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown site JUL 6 1530 - Fair, delayed audio from the other and much stronger Rebelde on 670, totally different LOB's. JUL 7 2013 - Audio on a weaker one was present, but right on 670, so 671 was apparently off at this check and one of the other Rebelde sites on 670 the likely source. [Krueger*M-FL]
- 680 **MEXICO** XELG León, Gto. JUL 14 1117 - "En LG, la Grande," i.e. per Cantú XELG La Grande + FM 95.5 León, Gto. 10,000 3,000. So the LG has a double meaning. Also with IFE PSA, same heard on several other stations, congratulating themselves on carrying out the election, and with an artificially sped-up disclaimer at the end, something about not representing any particular party. [Hauser-OK]
- 690 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Santa Clara JUN 20 0130 - Talk and music parallel 900; to fair peak. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 700 **MEXICO** XEDKR Guadalajara, Jal. JUL 14 1120 - A weak Spanish station with no interference unlike all the other frequencies; 1128, promo for 1,110 *R.Red*, i.e. relay of México DF, and by now there is a weak SAH from something else. As this signal is weakening, a mention of *Grupo R.Centro*, i.e. per Cantú: XEDKR *R.Red* AM Guadalajara, Jal. 10,000 150. Site axually Tonalá, Jalisco. Standard remark about day vs. night power. [Hauser-OK]
- 710 **MEXICO** XEDP Cuauhtémoc, Chih. JUL 20 1124 - Very good signal in Low German, preacher about the Bibel with accent sounding more English than Spanish; 1126 address of Die Bibel Sag, in Cuauhtémoc, segué to jingle, "con la música que te gusta, XEDP, La Ranchera de Cuauhtémoc." Then starts hard-sell adstring. KGNC might as well not exist. JUL 21 1106 - Goes from multi-verse choral national anthem to "Soy Soldado," super-patriotic militaristic pledge of allegiance, spoken by a male rather than sung; 1109 segué to state song, tenor with choir and band. 1110.5 a male prays briefly to Jesus, then a female sings to be pardoned. Finally sign on with FM getting top billing, XHDP 89.7 10 kW, y XEDP 710, 5 kW, La Ranchera, street address, another station of Grupo BM Radio, usual jingle ID, 1113 live DJ mentions 89.7 only, 1120 time as 5:20. Since I heard a Low German

gospel-huxter yesterday at this time, I was trying to catch when that started, but not at all on this Sabbath by 1128. Cantú shows 89.7 with the real callsign XHEDP, so some previous holder of XHDP must have objected to such an usurpation. Since many letters of the Spanish alfabet end in the syllable -e, including ache, the intrusive E in the middle of the official callsign can easily be swallowed, unheard. I bet that's why SCT picked it for this purpose. The jingles produced long ago still just say XEDP. JUL 26 1125 - I check again for Low German as heard last Friday at this time: it's the same preacher and same program, but presented only in Spanish with a slight accent, pontificating about repenting and accepting JC, closing with address in Colonia Álvaro Obregón, or La Biblia Dice, Apartado 213, Cuauhtémoc, Chihuahua, phone 584-0126; 1126 "La Ranchera de Cuauhtémoc" jingle. By 1137 it was losing out to KCMO rather than KGNC. Sunrise here was 1134. Maybe he's in Low German on Fridays only. [Hauser-OK]

- 720 **MEXICO** unID JUL 9 1055 - End of soft vocal, into choral XE anthem 1056, but on the fade-out, no ID. XEAVR *R.Fórmula*, Veracruz the best candidate and noted previously. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 740 **BRAZIL** ZYH446 *R.Sociedade da Bahia*, Salvador JUN 20 0050 - Woman in Portuguese; over CHCM. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 750 **VENEZUELA** YVKS RCR Caracas JUN 20 0115 - A couple of "RCR deportes" mentions/promo's; good. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 760 **BRAZIL** ZYH588 *R.Uirapuru*, Fortaleza JUN 20 0049 - Religious-sounding Portuguese talk by woman; fair. Up to good strength a few minutes later. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 760 **COLOMBIA** HJAJ RCN Barranquilla JUN 20 0116 - Man in Spanish, RCN ID; coming up over Brazil. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 770 **MEXICO** XEREV Los Mochis, Sin. JUL 7 1122 - *Los 40 Principales*, then song "El Sinaloense," naming various towns in tribute to this lovely state. By 1127 ID for an FM station in Los Mochis, so it is: XEREV *Los 40 Principales* + FM 104.3 Los Mochis, Sin. 5,000 100. I suspect it was on day power already, 50 times greater than at night. [Hauser-OK] JUL 14 1126 - *Los 40 Principales* slogan and ID sounded like Radio Ka (the letter K), with an FM ID I could not copy, but also definite 5:25 timecheck. [Hauser-OK]
- 780 **BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS** ZBVI Roadtown, Tortola JUL 17 0200 - Under YVMN; signing off with "God Save the Queen" instrumental anthem. [Conti-NH]
- 780 **VENEZUELA** YVMN *R.Coro*, Coro JUL 15 0429 - Fair; Ruta Musical promo, 0432 choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- 790 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Pinar del Río and Holguín JUL 16 0259 - Syncopated clock and wobbling through WPRV. [Conti-NH]
- 810 **BAHAMAS** ZNS3 Freeport, Grand Bahama JUL 6 1514 - Bahamian-accented female announcer mentioning local events, then (reason unknown) into cool small band version of God Save the Queen from 1518. Poor, with tight nulling all the adjacent channel mess. [Krueger*M-FL]
- 819.54 **COLOMBIA** HJAD Cartagena JUN 20 0116 - Bits of Spanish talk, big het against St. Kitts. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 820 **CUBA** *R.Ciudad de la Habana*, Arroyo Arenas JUL 6 1525 - Fair with tightly-nulled WWBA Largo. [Krueger*M-FL]
- 820 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** TBN *R.Paradise*, Charlestown JUN 20 0116 - U.S. male preacher; good on USB to dodge 819.54 kHz. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 840 **HAITI** *Radio 4VEH*, Cap Haitien JUN 14 0031 - Man in French. [Connelly*D-MA] JUL 16 0140 - Good; discussion in French. [Conti-NH]
- 860 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** VON Bath Village JUN 20 0129 - Man on Caribbean-accented talk show; fair. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 860 unID JUL 14 1112 - "Radio Frecuencia" which sounded like a station name rather than a generic mention, into a balada. But nonesuch listed in Cantú, IRCA or WRTH. KKOW Kansas no problem yet. [Hauser-OK]
- 870 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, multiple sites JUN 20 0129 - Reloj news, ticks, beeps; mixed with WLVP and unID Spanish music station. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 880 **VENEZUELA** YVYM *R.Venezuela*, Puerto Ordaz JUN 20 0130 - *R.Venezuela* ID; over WCBS. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 900 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, San Germán JUN 20 0116 - Parallel 640, 650 with old-fashioned Spanish female vocal; to good peak. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 910 **CUBA** *R.Cadena Agramonte*, Camagüey JUL 16 0300 - Fair; ascending chimes, canned ID and theme music, "Desde la cuna de el major, transmite Radio Cadena Agramonte, Camagüey, Cuba." [Conti-NH]

- 940 **PUERTO RICO** WIPR *Máxima 940*, San Juan JUN 20 0031 - ID including *Máxima*, nueve cuarenta, San Juan; good. [Connelly*O-MA] JUL 15 0445 - Fair; salsa music, promo, "...lunes a viernes ...nueve de la mañana, *Máxima 940*." [Conti-NH]
- 950 **MEXICO** XERN Monterrey, NL JUL 7 1105 - As I tune by this frequency adjacent to local KGWA, I hear one word, "Montemorelos." Is there a 950 there? Yes! XERN *R.Naranjera* + FM 100.9 Montemorelos, NL 5,000 1,000 says Cantú. Chance is high, but not 100% that this was it. Fortunately I don't have to decide whether to count it since I don't count stations heard. [Hauser-OK]
- 980 **MEXICO** XEQO Cosamaloapan, Ver. JUL 1 0430 - Caught callsign ID by woman in the mix, during announcements by a man and woman, then back into Mexican adult contemporary music. XE #200 from this location. [Vance-TX]
- 990 **CUBA** *R.Guamá*, La Palma, Pinar del Río JUL 6 2130 - Excellent. [Krueger*M-FL]
- 990 **MEXICO** XET Monterrey, NL JUL 14 1105 - "La T Grande" with morning newscast, temp 24 and pleasant, child electrocuted, as he was wet, barefoot and grounded when he potentially touched something. [Hauser-OK]
- 1000 **CUBA** *R.Artemisa*, Artemisa JUL 6 2105 - Excellent with sports round-up program, ID. [Krueger*M-FL] JUL 7 1715 - Noticiero Nacional de Radio relay, nice ID by female over music bed at 1732, into Cuban techno-pop program. The presumed source of a "wobbler" noted at 1748 and 1810, wobbling audio for a few seconds each time. Very few of these wobblers are detected any more, the presumed defective junk Chinese transmitters having found a repair patch I guess. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1000 **CUBA** *R.Guamá*, Los Palacios, Pinar del Río JUL 6 2120 - Extremely weak under *R.Artemisa* on the Benmar RDF while sitting on the balcony. I'd been listening to *Artemisa* for about a half-hour, when traces of something else bled through. Paralleled the audio to strong 990. So, *Guamá* for sure remains here. [Krueger*M-FL]
- 1010 **BRAZIL** ZYH625 *Radio CBN*, Fortaleza JUN 20 0028 - Portuguese talk by man and woman; briefly over WINS. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1020 **CUBA** *R.Artemisa*, unknown site JUL 6 1955 - Big, badly overdriven signal. [Krueger*M-FL] JUL 8 1025-1245 - Nice traditional Cuban vocals, despite over-modulation. *Artemisa* still here, parallel 1000, maybe the same transmitter that was *R.Mayabeque*. Believed to be the former *R.Guamá* transmitter, which would be Bahía Honda, Pinar del Río if sites are to be believed. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1020 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Victoria de las Tunas JUL 8 1116 - Weak and about the last traces post-sunrise with *R.Artemisa* dominating daytime. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1040 **CUBA** *R.Mayabeque*, Güines JUL 29 0352 - Checking to see if *R.Victoria* may still be here (confirmed still on 1050 per my log the night before). A big signal with male and female newscast and sound effects between items, male canned ID 0400:42, *Mayabeque* theme 0401:20, another ID, into current Cuban ballads. About equal level to WHBO Pinellas Park (just south of my location) with ESPN Radio. No trace of Spanish WQBA Miami, or *R.Victoria*, for that matter. Site per EcuRed, or could be my often-listed La Salud. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1050 **CUBA** *R.Victoria*, Victoria de las Tunas JUL 28 0206 - Big signal with a couple of mentions of Bayamo, initially making David Crawford and I think it was *R.Bayamo* on a new channel. But after a couple of traditional Cuban vocals, several *R.Victoria* IDs, and an Apartado address and a URL. First *Victoria* log for me in a very long time. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1070 **CUBA** *R.Guamá*, Santa Lucía, Pinar del Río JUL 22 1114 - Good with unidentified U.S. gospel nulled (Tallahassee or Cantonment presumed). Male ID 1115, into traditional Cuban vocal oldies. Parallel 990 kHz. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1100 **BRAZIL** ZYK694 *R.Globo*, São Paulo JUN 20 0030 - Reverberated Portuguese talk by woman; fair, dominant. [Connelly*O-MA] JUL 16 0240 - News/talk in Portuguese on brief fade ins over WTAM. [Conti-NH]
- 1100 **COLOMBIA** HJAT CARACOL Barranquilla JUL 16 0025 - Poor but alone on the frequency; sports commentary parallel 1170 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1110 **CUBA** *R.Angulo*, Holguín JUL 14 0034 - Big signal on post-sunrise, once the local Tampa station is down, and WBT not fading in yet. Cuban techno-pop, 0038 ID by hyper man. Audio way over-mod. JUL 15 0826 - Female "Onda ---" (not copied, program name) into Shakira "Suerte" vocal. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1110 **VENEZUELA** YVQT *R.Carúpano*, Carúpano JUN 20 0129 - Carúpano ID; dominant. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1121.00 **CUBA** unID JUL 6 2000 - The usual 24/7 western Cuba open carrier transmitter or exciter, strong. [Krueger*M-FL] JUL 15 0920 - The carrier-only transmitter actually not on, allowing



- KMOX to be heard in AM and USB mode clearly for a change. But back on early afternoon. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1140 **CUBA** *R.Mayabeque*, La Salud JUL 8 1559 - Male canned ID initially not copied, but not parallel *Rebelde* AM, *Rebelde* FM, *R.Musical Nacional* or *R.Cadena Habana*, so this narrows things down. Into some Cuban pop-ish vocals, male but mostly female squeaky talker. Same canned ID 1659, "Esta es Radio Mayabeque. Desde la ciudad de..." over steel pan theme, into Noticiero Nacional de Radio news feed. Another ID, maybe live, coming out of NNdR at 1730, into Cuban pop-ish vocals. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1140 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites JUL 15 0956 - At least three clearly audible, all out-of-synch, ICRT interval signal X 1 at 1000 into news. Almost as entertaining as 1180 kHz. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1140 **CUBA** *R.Surco*, Morón JUL 15 0400 - Over/under WRVA and weak *R.Rebelde*; choral national anthem, "Sintonise CMIP Radio Surco..." [Conti-NH]
- 1140 **CUBA** unID JUL 8 1000 - Cuban national anthem bubbling up (6 a.m. Havana time). Not parallel *R.Rebelde* or *R.Musical Nacional*, leaving at least a couple of other possibilities here. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1140 **MEXICO** XEMR Monterrey, NL JUL 1 0835 - Fair-good with Mexican pop music, "MR Once-Cuarenta" slogan ID's and time checks. [Vance-TX] JUL 5 0216 - On the caradio as we are parked awaiting the Enid fireworx show near Meadowlake Park, I am trying to ID Spanish gospel stuff I am hearing here if it's not XEMR Monterrey, which isn't supposed to be religious. A clear ID as "Radio Esperanza 1140 AM" goes by, plus praise music in Spanish. WRTH lists that slogan for HJKO, 10 kW in Cartagena, Colombia, and nothing else in Latin America on 1140. JUL 31 0511 - Hyper gospel huxter in Spanish, inviting phone calls with prayer requests and putting them on the air, with overmod/distortion. Frequently gives numbers "en cabina 83-75-50-51 y 83-75-50-55," one or the other of which is busy; 0514 mentions iglesia in Colonia del Prado. It's now certain to be XEMR and a 'local' program, not relaying frequency and namesake Cartagena, Colombia station. There are several Colonias del Prado in Mexico, top hit Monterrey, also Monclova, Reynosa, and in Costa Rica, and phone numbers lead directly to XEMR. [Hauser-OK]
- 1159.00 **CUBA** unID JUL 29 0045 - A new one, the newest of the carrier-only (see also 1121.00 kHz) or barely-audio stations (see 671.00, which I ID'ed as *R.Rebelde*). This one discovered by Paul Zecchino mid-day while David Crawford and I were at Paul's Manasota Key site. DF bearing has it coming from Artemisa or near. Logged here in Clearwater upon returning home, just a carrier but a big signal. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1160 **BERMUDA** VSB3 Hamilton JUN 14 0030 - BBC news by man mentioning war crimes; over jumble. [Connelly*D-MA] JUL 16 0040 - Fair; BBC World Service. [Conti-NH]
- 1160.50 unID JUL 6 1058 - Certainly something Central American, but just a weak carrier. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1170 **COLOMBIA** HJNW CARACOL Cartagena JUL 16 0025 - Under WWVA; sports commentary parallel 1100 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1170 **MEXICO** XEIB Caborca, Son. JUL 1 0955 - In with baladas, top of the hour ID, "Esta es más... (unID word) estrella, de Radio Visa; Radio Visa, XEIB; once-sesenta frecuencia... (unID word); cinco mil wats..." into ads. Also gave address of Avenida 13 de Julio 5-A entre calles 5 y 6, Colonia Centro. Good with fades to poor. [Vance-TX] JUL 14 1120 - Lively salsas and other Mexican music; canned "Once Setenta Frecuencia Mega" and "La Número Uno" slogans, sometimes separately, sometimes together. Fair signal in null of KFAQ. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1170 **MEXICO** XEFEM *R.Paraíso*, Hermosillo, Son. JUN 2 1120 - Soft xylophone music; "Once Setenta Radio Paraíso" slogans. Fair/good with no sign of XEIB or KFAQ; covered at 1130 by KJJD sign-on. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1170 **MEXICO** XEZZ *R.Hit*, Coatzacoalcos, Ver. JUL 2 1054 - Unidentified at this point with male announcer into Mexican ballads, signal lost with sunrise fade. JUL 4 1036 - Two stations here, one with Spanish preacher but mixing with another playing Mexican music, also WAVS Davie with the usual weekday morning drive Caribbean-English programming, and "The Deck" WDEK Lexington oldies. At 1058, the choral Veracruz anthem briefly bubbled up, which by default means it's XEZZ. Cantú lists this as a simulcast of 92.3 XHZS. Googling finds references to a XHZS "Planeta" on 100.3 MHz in Mazatlán, Sinaloa. Cantú list shows 100.3 XHZS as a "Los 40 Principales" affiliate/slogan, not Planeta. So, I gather the same calls can be used if the station isn't in the same state? Not quite so. An inquiry to Cantú resulted in this reply: "There is a actually a lot of that going on right now because of Mexico's transition from AM to FM. AM stations are being assigned an FM channel and by default the new FM is assigned the XH-- equivalent of their XE-- AM calls. So XEZZ's FM

- will be assigned XHZS. As near as I can tell they'll only change it if the holder of the XH call complains or is widely known. In most cases the change involves inserting a letter E. So XEZS's new FM may be reassigned the calls XHEZS." [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1170 unID JUL 5 1039 - First heard the day before, faded up here again in the mix with WDEK Lexington and another weak Spanish (possibly XEZS), lots of hallelujah, espíritu santo, and palabra references by preacher. Already faded out by 1048 with WAVS now dominating. JUL 6 1012 - Fade-up: male preacher again with a couple of "Señor Jesús" mentions, Mexican-sounding gospel vocal 1025, back to preacher but lost the signal shortly thereafter. Suspect something Central American. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1180 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites JUL 15 0359 - Over/under WHAM; sounder, news items with digital splash attention signal, 0401 choral national anthem, parallel 1140 and 1620 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1180 **MEXICO** XEDCH *Ke Buena*, Cd. Delicias, Chih. JUL 30 1056 - Ranchera music to 1059, then canned ID: "Ke Buena, frecuencias 95.3 FM y 1180 AM, 25 mil wats, XHDCH-FM y XEDCH-AM..." followed by address on Avenida Segunda Norte, sounding like "Número 215 Colonia Centro" rather than the listed Número 309; back to music after the ID. Cantu's list shows this as XEJK, i.e. a frequency swap with XEDCH going to 980, but the ID indicates XEDCH still on 1180, with merely a slogan change. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1190 **MEXICO** XECT *Contacto 1190*, Monterrey, NL JUL 6 1046 - Mexi-pop, female ID 1049. Fair. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1220 **BRAZIL** ZYJ458 *R.Globo*, Rio de Janeiro JUN 20 0031 - Brasil mentions in Portuguese news by woman parallel 1100; to loud peak, strongest of the Brazilians. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1230 **MEXICO** XEIZ Guadalupe, NL JUL 22 0450 - Faded up with Grupo Fórmula news/talk program. Local ID near the hour by fast-talking man into network ID and string of promos. Poor. [Vance-TX]
- 1260 **CUBA** *R.Enciclopedia*, unknown site JUL 28 0111 - The longtime otherwise undocumented one (I show my first log way back in 2000) bubbling up a couple of times with easy listening instrumentals, female announcer, parallel 530. WSUA Miami (Spanish *R.Caracol*), *R.Progreso*, one U.S. talk format (The Rusty Humphries Show) suspect WFTW Ft. Walton Beach, and also WYDE Birmingham heard here the next night. Also, an unidentified oldies station occasionally in the mix. Busy channel. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1260 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Media Luna JUL 28 0233 - Occasionally fading up over all the others on the channel with traditional Cuban vocals. David Crawford and I kept checking for parallels until finally confirming Progreso, parallel 640. First time for me here - I think - but we note Paul V. Zecchino had this in 2009, and site per the EcuRed list. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1280 **BRAZIL** ZYJ455 *Super R.Tupi*, Rio de Janeiro JUN 20 0130 - Fast Portuguese talk by man; mixed with WPKZ, others. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1320 **MEXICO** unID JUL 14 1059 - Unfamiliar presumably state anthem in progress, 1101 segué to familiar choral national anthem, heavy interference and lost by the time any ID would follow. [Hauser-OK]
- 1500 **VENEZUELA** YVRZ *R.Dos Mil*, Cumaná JUN 14 0028 - Spanish talk mentioning Venezuelan cities including Maracay; mixed with and then covered by WFED. [Connelly*D-MA]
- 1540 **BAHAMAS** ZNS1 Nassau JUN 20 0100 - Soca party music; over WXEX. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1540 **MEXICO** XEHOS *La Invasora*, Hermosillo, Son. JUL 10 1131 - Mexican music, canned "La Invasora 101.9 FM" slogans; ex-"La Poderosa," apparently. Generally fair. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1550 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde* multiple sites JUL 15 0954 - Good over WRHC with Spanish pop vocals, parallel 1140, 1180, 1620 etc. [Krueger*C-FL]
- 1570 **MEXICO** XERF Cd. Acuña, Coah. JUL 8 0505 - Playing the Coahuila state anthem, after the midnight national anthem. Usual considerable CCI from all the U.S. stations infesting what was once a Mexican clear channel, including one certainly in English at right angle to Del Rio. 0508 XERF gave an ID including an FM frequency now. Cantú does not yet show that, tho he does include FM parallels for an ever-increasing number of Mexistations, as transition from AM to FM is being promoted by the SCT. Nor does their own website www.lapoderosa.imer.gob.mx. JUL 11 0508 - After the national and state anthems, I try again amid the U.S. interference to catch the new FM frequency XERF is announcing along with 1570. It's either 103.9 or 106.9; power 4,000 watts, but could not copy the callsign either. Nothing about it on the IMER website, so I resort to the webstream; ID at 1501 says XHRF on 103.9. [Hauser-OK]
- 1610 **ANGUILLA** *Caribbean Beacon*, The Valley JUN 14 0029 - Female U.S. preacher; good, way over Hyannis, MA TIS. [Connelly*D-MA] JUL 22 0724 - Fair-poor on peaks with Pastor

Melissa Scott, oldie rock 'n' roll fill, male canned, "To make your reservations for this Sunday's service, call 1-800..." parallel 6090 kHz. [Krueger*C-FL]

1620 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites JUL 24 2334 - A very sweet program titled "Hecho en Cuba" hosted (at least today) by a female and sporadically a male, Tomás something. But www.radiorebelde.cu/programas doesn't appear to show this program airing at this time, this Tuesday, even as a repeat. Maybe no surprise; look near the bottom of the above URL at all the now-imaginary shortwave frequencies they think they are on, save for correct 5025. The "Hecho" program is modern Cuban vocals, but not hip-hop junk, just good pop and mostly ballads. Great show. Program ended seconds before 0000, into sports round-up with two announcers and steel pan sound effects near the opening. They like to sometimes say "baseball" instead of "béisbol" when talking about the game. You can "Like" Rebelde on Facebook now per the above URL, bottom of page. [Krueger*C-FL]

1620 **U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS** WDHP Frederiksted JUN 20 0030 - Caribbean-accent political talk show; over Cuba. [Connelly*O-MA]

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International News

MEXICO: Nuevamente se escucha con muy buena presencia aquí en la Ciudad de México a "ZER Radio" en los **1650 kHz** misma que, habíamos escuchado a fines de abril y que suspendió su emisión el 1 de mayo. [Julián Santiago D. de B., via Glenn Hauser, *DX Listening Digest*] Really XEARZ is being heard again locally after more than two months off following a brief appearance in early May. Cantu linx to www.facebook.com/GrupoRadiofonicoZer. [Glenn Hauser, *DX Listening Digest*]

73 and Good DX!

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Thanks to John we have a column this time. Next deadline 10/1/12 pb

780 KCEG CO, Fountain. PPC in 6 days from Timothy C Cutforth, Owner/GM. (JW-CO)

890 KJME CO, Fountain, PPC in 11 days from Timothy C Cutforth, Owner/GM. (JW-CO)

1260 KWEI ID, Weiser. PPC in 7 days from David L Combs, Operations Manager KTRP (the current calls). Took just 9 tries for 2004 logging. (JW-CO)

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Improving your DX skills – tips from new and veteran members

Greetings once again from the Heart of the Continent and welcome to the DX Tool Box Column number 42.

This Month's Radio Saying:

Every DX'ers Dream...The Immaculate Reception

Some updates from readers:

Update on using your computer as a recording device from DX Tool Box 39. I received an email from Mark Durenberger who wrote to me to say:

One thought that occurred to me...sounds like you're using the Pink MICROPHONE input on the computer ... and that could create audio overload unless you turned the radio output way down ... in which case you could be adding a lot of unnecessary NOISE. I wonder if there is a BLUE jack on your computer? That input might better match your radio. I'd be curious

Well I tried what Mark had suggested and he was spot on. At first I did not hear a big difference but after a bit I figured it all out. It does keep the noise down and if you use a display on the Sound Recorder you can see the difference. I could see the difference on the monitor by watching the line jumping around on the display. (I was using the "scope" in bars and waves displays.) It may not be huge but every little bit helps with those weak ones. Thanks Mark for the help.

Another update from the last column in regards to keeping *DX News*. Fred Vobbe wrote in saying:

Regarding John R. Wallace's question, I've gone away from cardboard boxes, as they have a tendency to attract moisture, which can cause ink run on the contents. I've found that either small Tupperware boxes or some I found at US Plastics here in Lima,OH hold magazines nice. They are stackable, and you can write on the ends the contents.

If you see anything in this column and have a suggestion or comment like Mark did please forward it along so we can all benefit.

SDR Loggings and Tips

SDR logs from March 10, 2012 (0255-0655 EST) using WinRADiO G33DDC SDR RX with homemade 134 foot multiband antenna running NW to SE.

900 WNMB North Myrtle Beach SC – Mixing with WILC, R. Progresso, preaching and Fox sports. WNMB with oldies. At 2104 man: "AM stereo 9 hundred WNMB... sounds... Myrtle Beach" into ad for clothes center in North Myrtle Beach.

910 WTMZ Dorchester Terrace SC – Mixing with WRNL, Spanish and singing. At 2100 man: "ESPN radio 9-10 WTMZ Dorchester Terrace, Brentwood, Charleston. The low country's number 1 home for sports."

950 WTLN Orlando FL – Mixing with other talk, Fox sports, R. Reloj and Spanish from Cuba. At 1859 man: "What do you think about the new 9-50 WTNL.. how are we making a difference in your life... at WTLN... dot com... central Florida's... teaching network.. best in ... bible study... teaching programs... WTLN... WTLN dot com. Tell us what you think about 9-50 WTLN. AM 9-50 WTLN" into weather forecast.

970 WBLF Bellefonte PA – Mixing with WBFF, oldies and Spanish singing. 2100 ET "CBS news". 2105 ET OM "Here's your latest WBLF weather forecast I'm...". Call in show about "War on women."

990 WDYZ Orlando FL – Mixing with WEEB and other talk. Typical Radio Disney programming. 1920 YL "AM 9-90 Radio Disney" into ad for Altamonte Florida.

1550 WRHC Coral Gables FL – Mixing with WDLR, WMRE, talk, more talk and religious talk. WRHC with Spanish singing. At 0528 man in English "This is WRHC 15-50 AM Coral Gables, Florida." Interesting call sign. RHC in the shortwave community is Radio Habana Cuba. I wonder if intentional?

1560 WYZD Dobson NC – Mixing with WQEW and WSBV. At 0630 WYZD mixing with WSBV sign on by man: "... WYZD operates on the assigned frequency of 15-60 kilohertz ... 1,000 watts.

- WYZD studios are located 121 West Atkins Street here in Dobson North Carolina ... and our transmitters are located"
- 1560 WSBV South Boston VA – Mixing with WQEW and WYZD. At 0630 WSBV mixing with WYZD sign on. Man: "Good morning. Welcome to another day of broadcast activities from WSBV. Operating at an assigned frequency of 15-60 on the AM dial in South Boston Virginia."
- 1570 WISP Doylestown PA – Mixing with WLBO, WILO, WNDA, WHTZ, WPGM, WNST, WYTI, Gospel, ESPN, talk and Spanish. At 0459 woman: "This is WCOJ 14-20 Coatesville and WISP"
- 1570 WILO Frankfort IN – Mixing with WLBO, WISP, WNDA, WHTZ, WPGM, WNST, WYTI, Gospel, ESPN, talk and Spanish. At 0502 National Anthem then woman: "America's best music. 15-70 AM and 94 point 1 FM WILO Frankfort."
- 1570 WHTX Warren OH – Mixing with WLBO, WISP, WNDA, WILO, WPGM, WNST, WYTI, Gospel, ESPN, talk and Spanish. At 0259 man: "More nonstop oldies. Fabulous 15-70 WHTX."
- 1570 WLBO Morgantown KY – Mixing with WHTX, WISP, WNDA, WILO, WPGM, WNST, WYTI, Gospel, ESPN, talk and Spanish. At 0501 man: "Thanks for listening to the voice of Bucks County. AM 15-70 WLBO... Morgantown"
- 1570 WNST Townson MD – Mixing with WHTX, WISP, WNDA, WILO, WPGM, WLBO, WYTI, Gospel, ESPN, talk and Spanish. At 0621 man: "Sports talk 15-70 WNST."
- 1570 WYTI Rocky Mount VA – Mixing with WHTX, WISP, WNDA, WILO, WPGM, WLBO, WYTI, Gospel, ESPN, talk and Spanish. At 0630 man: "... 2 locations in Rocky Mount and a location in West Lake ..." into bluegrass.
- 1580 WHLY South Bend IN – Mixing with CKDO, WVKO, WHFS, ESPN and C&W. WHLY with EWTN religious programming. At 0257 man: "Monday on EWTN." Only EWTN I find on 1580 is WHLY.
- 1580 WVKO Columbus OH – Mixing with CKDO, WHLY, WHFS, ESPN and C&W. At 0328 ET woman: "AM 15-80 WVKO Columbus." At 0331 ET man: "The liberal media you keep hearing about. WVKO Columbus."
- 1590 WAIK Galesburg IL – Mixing with WCSL, WAKR, WKTP, WHGT, music, other singing, and ESPN. At 0500 ET man: "News talk 15-90 WAIK Galesburg."
- 1590 WCSL Cherryville NC – Mixing with WAIK, WAKR, WKTP, WHGT, music, other singing, and ESPN. At 0535 man with "WCSL 15-90 Cherryville" into religious song.
- 3/12/2012 1855-2135 EDT SDR capture using WinRadio G33DDC SDR RX with homemade 134 foot multiband antenna running NW to SE.
- 690 WJOX Birmingham AL – Mixing with WOKV, R. Progresso and singing. WJOX with typical Fox Sports programming. 2000 man with "WJOX Birmingham. The Voice of... this is..."
- 750 WBMD Baltimore MD – Mixing with WSB and Spanish. 1914 man with signoff "Good evening. This is WBMD 7-50 AM serving the Baltimore area with sacred music and the spoken word. WBMD is a non commercial, non denominational Christian radio ministry owned and operated by Family Stations Incorporated of Oakland California. Most of WBMD material is prerecorded for payback at a later time. We operate on the assigned frequency of 7 hundred fifty kiloHertz on the AM dial with 7 hundred thirty watts of power. Our studios and offices are located in Annapolis Maryland. WBMD makes no charge for airtime and is supported solely by listener contributions. WBMD now leaves the air at the close of another broadcast day and we invite you to tune in tomorrow for another day of inspirational programming here on the 'Sound of the New Life' WBMD Baltimore."
- 790 WAXY South Miami FL – Mixing with WSVG, WNIS, R. Reloj and religious singing. OMs talking about Payton Manning. At 1930 ,am "7-90 'The Ticket'. When we hold a seashell up to our ear we hear...". 1934 ET ad for Miami Herald, then OM "You're listening to the flagship station for the Heat and Marlins. 7-90 'The Ticket.'" At 2003 man: "South Florida's sports talk 7-90 'The Ticket'."
- 800 WPLK Palatka FL – Mixing with WSVS, WCHA, Cuba, talk and religious talk. 1932 man talking about box office hits. "8 hundred AM WPLK" into ad for Palatka financial advisors.
- 820 WWBA Largo FL – Mixing with WWFD, R. Reloj and Spanish. At 1931 man "AM 8-20 news. Tampa Bay news update."

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- 1010 WPMH Portsmouth VA – Mixing with WINS and Spanish. At 2000 man: "AM 10-10 WPMH Portsmouth" into SRN news. Then religious talk.
- 1050 WHSC Conway SC – Mixing with WBQH, ESPN, WLON and Spanish (not WBQH). Typical Fox sport radio programming. At 2029 man with ad for "Alternate Home Clinics in Conway."

- 1050 WLON Lincolnton NC – Mixing with WBQH, ESPN, WHSC and Spanish (not WBQH). WLON with oldies. 2057 ET OM "Baby boomer favorites, music and more. All day, every day. From your hometown radio 10-50 WLON."
- 1060 WIXC Titusville FL – Mixing with KYW, preaching and Cuba. "Michael Savage Show." At 1924 man with "The national news, local news, weather, traffic and sports. 10-50 news WIXC."
- 1080 WHOO Kissimmee FL – Mixing with Religious talk and Cuba. Two men talking about NCAA tournament. At 1900 man with "This is Genesis Communications," woman with "Radio Station," man "WHOO Kissimmee. Orlando's ESPN 70 'The Team.'"
- 1110 WTIS Tampa FL – Mixing with WBT and singing. 1930 OM "Tampa Bay... God's... AM 11-10 WTIS Tampa"
- 1130 WWBF Bartow FL – Mixing with WBBR, KWKH and UnID sounding like "WXET." At 1914 man: "Get up to speed with 'Nascar Today' weekday afternoons at 5-40 on WBF."
- 1130 KWKH Shreveport LA – Mixing with WBBR, WWBF and UnID sounding like "WXET." At 2059 man: "Your home for the legends. KWKH" into C&W song.
- 1150 WGBR Goldsboro NC – Mixing with CKOC, other talk and other oldies. 1956 ET OM "Catch all the tar heel action right here on news talk 11-50 WGBR Goldsboro." "Sean Hannity Show."
- 1160 WTEL Red Springs NC – Mixing with WMET, WYLL, ESPN, other talk, Spanish and singing. WTEL with endless Gospel singing. At 1940 man: "WTEL the power house Red Springs North Carolina"
- 1170 WAVS Davie FL – Mixing with WWVA. At 1920 man with ad for "... North Avenue in Miami," "Special for the WAVS listeners" At 1930 man with Caribbean accent "WAVS 11-70 AM."
- 1200 WMIR Atlantic Beach SC – Mixing with WRKK and WOAI. At 1924 man: "Rejoice... soul food 12 hundred WMIR."
- 1200 WRKK Hughesville PA – Mixing with WMIR and WOAI. At 2100 man: "The best talk 14 hundred and 12 hundred AM and 94 point 9 FM. WRAK... and WRKK..." into Fox news.
- 1230 WFAY Fayetteville NC – Mixing with WJOI, oldies, talk and Fox Sports. WFAY with typical ESPN Radio programming. At 2000 man "ESPN radio 12-30 WFAY Fayetteville."
- 1240 WJEJ Hagerstown MD – Mixing with other singing, talk, C&W songs and ESPN. WJEJ with oldies. At 1900 ET man "WJEJ in Hagerstown Maryland. It's 7 o'clock" into "CBS World Roundup."
- 1250 WYKM Rupert WV – Mixing with WKDL, other talk, Gospel and oldies. WYKM with C&W songs. At 2039 woman finishes weather forecast "You're listening to WYKM in Rupert."
- 1270 WTJZ Newport News VA – Mixing with WCBC, singing, oldies, Yahoo sports and Spanish. 1944 ET OM "You can listen to 12-70 AM all over the world. That's right. Listen live on the world wide web. When you listen to 12-70 on the world wide web you can send in your prayer requests, order anointing oils... health products and more. And where you're on the web make sure you check us out on Facebook and twitter. Login to www dot wtjz 1270 dot com. That's www dot wtjz 1270 dot com and listen to us over the world wide web where ever you may be. The number 1 in Gospel... to the world with 12-70 AM WTJZ and on the web at www dot wtjz 1270 dot com."
- All from 3/12/2012 2255-0135 EDT SDR capture using WiNRADiO G33DDC SDR RX with homemade 134 foot multiband antenna running NW to SE. This was during high northern geomagnetic activity.
- 1230 WOIC Columbia SC – Mixing with WJOI, WFAY, oldies and Fox Sports. 2132 OM "... at 11 on 12-30 WOIC."
- 1240 WGGG Gainesville GA – Mixing with WJEJ, other singing, talk and C&W songs. WGGG with typical ESPN radio programming. 2045 OM "From WGGG here's your Sky Tracker... forecast for ESPN Radio"
- 1280 WJAY Mullins SC – Mixing with WHVR, WADO, WSAT and WJST. WJAY with Gospel singing. 1928 OM "WJAY... spreading joy... joy across the... 12-80... 12-80 AM"
- 1280 WJST New Castle PA – Mixing with WHVR, WADO, WSAT and WJAY. WJST with typical Fox sports programming. 2104 OM "... on sports radio 12-80 WJST". 1280 WSAT NC Salisbury. Mixing with WHVR, WADO, WJST and WJAY. WSAT with oldies. 2129 OM "Memories 12-80 WSAT."
- 1300 WLXG Lexington KY – Mixing with WJZ, WKCY, singing and Gospel singing. WLXG with typical ESPN radio programming. 2100 OM "WLXG Lexington sports radio 13 hundred."
- 1310 WCCW Traverse City MI – Mixing with WDCT, religious talk and Gospel singing. WCCW with typical ESPN radio programming. 2125 YL "Follow 13-10 WCCW on Facebook and twitter...1310 wccw dot com."

- 1320 WJNJ Jacksonville FL – Mixing with WJAS, WAGY, Gospel singing, other talk, sports talk and Russian talk. 1902 OM "Christian teaching and music to strengthen your faith. WJNJ AM 13-20 Jacksonville and FM 1 oh 3 point 7 W279AG Atlantic Beach."
- 1330 WBTM Danville VA – Mixing with WYRD and other C&W songs. WBTM with a mix of oldies and C&W songs. 1933 OM "All day.. the kids... now it's your turn to relax on 13-30 WBTM."
- 1340 WLSG Wilmington NC – Mixing with WEPM, oldies and ESPN. WLSG with Gospel singing. 1959 OM "This is WLSG Wilmington North Carolina" into IRN news.
- 1350 WNTX Fredericksburg VA – Mixing with WOYK, WGPL, WBLT and WARF. 1856 OM "Talking sports on 13-50 AM and 96 point 5 FM."
- 1350 WOYK York PA – Mixing with WNTX, WGPL, WBLT and WARF. 1903 OM "Sports radio 13-50 WOYK."
- 1350 WGPL Portsmouth VA – Mixing with WNTX, WOYK, WBLT and WARF. 1915 OM "Passion 13-50 AM WGPL."
- 1350 WBLT Bedford VA – Mixing with WNTX, WOYK, WGPL and WARF. 1928 ET OM "...contact me at ESPN Danville..." Ad for downtown Roanoke. 1930 OM "WBLT Bedford."
- 1360 WELP Easley SC – Mixing with ESPN and singing. 1931 OM "You're listening to WELP. At this time the weather forecast"
- 1370 WTAB Tabor City NC – Mixing with WVIE, WGIV, WXXI, WSPD, other singing and oldies. 1939 OM "This is 13-70 AM WTAB home town radio playing more country music."
- 1380 WAOK Atlanta GA – Mixing with WKJV, R. Disney, ESPN, Spanish, Chinese and other talk. 1921 OM "News talk 13-80 WAOK". OMs discussing Supreme Court and Justice Department.
- 73, Kraig Krist, KG4LAC Manassas, VA USA www.kg4lac.com KG4LAC -- Amateur radio extra class KDX4KWK -- All-Band Radio Monitor



Bits and Bites from the NRC listserv:

Remember when you had to travel hours or days to another DX'er to see his equipment. Now all you do is go to You Tube and watch:

From: d1028gary@aol.com Subject: 5" MW Ferrite Sleeve Loop Antenna (\$95 model) Demonstration Video

Hello All For those interested in antenna experimentation, a new demonstration video of the compact 5" diameter Medium Wave FSL model has been uploaded to YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A1gfUeoQhHQ&feature=youtu.be> Designed to be easily assembled with a total component cost of under \$100, this antenna was the subject of a "Heathkit-like" assembly article recently published in DXN, DXM and MWN (and also available at <http://www.mediafire.com/view/?9ze98h293s85p86>). The video covers the antenna's basic construction details, and includes a demonstration of the inductive coupling gain it provides, boosting the signal of the fringe Canadian daytime DX station 1070-CFAX (10 kW at 99 miles) on a barefoot Sony ICF-2010 model from no LED's at the noise level up to 8 LED's at a booming level. For those who can ignore the goofy-looking antenna fanatic giving the demonstration, it may prove interesting :-)

73 and Good DX, Gary DeBock (in Puyallup, WA, USA)

Subject: 30 Inch (76 cm) Loopstick Sony ICF-2010 Model

Hello All, For those interested in antenna experimentation, a demonstration video of a Sony ICF-2010 SSB receiver with a 30 inch transplanted loopstick has been uploaded to YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sLrukpoL7vM> Designed to operate as an SSB spotting receiver for Ultralight radio transoceanic DX'ing on ocean beaches, the modified ICF-2010 has a 30" loopstick composed of four Amidon 7.5" type 61 ferrite rods, with the coil inductances matching those of the stock MW loopstick. The coil leads from the new loopstick are transplanted in place of the stock coils, duplicating the original circuitry. The long loopstick is mounted on an orange plastic frame taken from a 48" carpenter's level, which is glued to the top of the ICF-2010 cabinet. In the video demonstration a daytime DX fringe station (750-KXL in Portland, OR, 50 kW at 160 miles) is first received weakly on a barefoot ICF-2010 model around local noon, at a 2 LED signal level. The same Portland fringe station is then received strongly on the 30-inch loopstick ICF-2010, at a 7 LED signal level. Although this 30" loopstick was designed to greatly boost the ICF-2010's medium wave reception, further experimentation is already under way to develop Longwave-optimized loop sticks for the ICF-2010 (both internal and external), leading to SSB spotting receivers for Ultralight LWBC and NDB-DX'ing. Of course, for those not interested in Ultralight DX'ing, these modified portables can provide a lot of DX'ing excitement in their own right. For those who can concentrate on the loop stick's DX'ing performance (and ignore the goofy-looking antenna fanatic giving the narrative :-), the video may be interesting. 73 and Good DX, Gary DeBock (in Puyallup, WA, USA)

From: chet13@comcast.net Subject: New Mobile DX Radio!

As many of you know, I drive a Big Truck for a living. This Spring I finally got my own Truck. I also found the perfect AM-FM-CD DX machine! The Stereo is sold by a company in Ft Wayne, Indiana. The company is called the Custom Radio Corporation. The Radio has a great tuner. During Summer/Daytime conditions I can pretty much pick up our Chicago Blowtorches at 300+ miles! My old radio would get only noise at 220 miles. I have the CSS 6520A model. It is really sensitive on AM & FM, (NO Digital AM), with decent selectability. My model has an input for Mp3 or whatever. IT also has a memory built in to it. I believe that it is for putting music or books on tapes for later listening! I'm also wondering if you can record radio (TOH ID's) to the memory. For \$7.00 you can order the optional remote, (so I can DX from the sleeper when I can't get home!) The radio is standard size. It was a direct plug & play for my Volvo Truck, but I'm sure that their tech dept can help with adapters. The pricing is about \$200.00 + or - , depending on the model. This winter should be pretty interesting!

From: d1028gary@aol.com Subject: Major Ultralight Radio-related Article in July Pop Comm

Hello All, For those interested, Bruce Conti has written an excellent article in the July issue of Popular Communications detailing the history and growing appeal of the Ultralight Radio AM-DX'ing movement. With interviews from Allen Willie, Phil Bytheway, Mark Connelly and myself, Bruce has done a comprehensive job of explaining the challenge and excitement of ULR-DX'ing, as well as introducing the compact receivers and antennas which are currently popular among our booming niche group. Thanks to Bruce for his detailed work in preparing the article, as part of his major series on the Modern AM Broadcast Band DX'er (or maybe as a contrast to the Modern AM Broadcast Band DX'er series? :-) 73 and Good DX, Gary DeBock (in Puyallup, WA, USA)

This Month's DX Tool Box Web Site is:

HF Underground located at: <http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php#2>

This page of the HF Underground web site lists the loggings and questions boards that DX'ers from around the world but mostly in North America utilize. These boards could be of assistance for DX'ers looking for information on pirate stations not only on Shortwave but also the Broadcast Band. There is a MW Loggings board where you can post your loggings or questions or just look at what others may be hearing. It might be a good way to solve some of those UNID's you have on frequencies such as 1710.

If you have any radio sayings we can use each month to start the column off send them in so we can all share.

73 for this time Shawn

Remember On A Clear Day You Can Hear Forever



The 2012 NRC/WTFDA is off to a great start here at the Days Inn & Suites in Bridgeport, West Virginia. The convention is being hosted for the third time by Bill and Brenda Swiger, who also hosted us in 1991 and 1999.

On Saturday afternoon, most of the conventioners are out at the studios of WBOY-TV Channel 12 in Clarksburg, while your editor puts the final touches on this issue of *DX News*.

At the right, several NRC members are wrapping up Friday night's pizza dinner with chats about all sorts of DX-related topics. (Photo by John Malicky.)



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