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DX Tests: WNJC-1360 Washington Township NJ continues to run weekly DX tests Saturday evenings/Sunday mornings from 2000 to 0600 ELT. Night pattern with 800 watts to 0000 ET, and day pattern with 5 KW after. CE Duke Hamann will post updates on the special Facebook group https://www.facebook.com/groups/wnjc1360dx

For those wishing to QSL the WCPH-1220 **Etowah TN** on December 26 and/or January 2, Joe Miller KJ8O has designed a special 65th anniversary card. Send a report to the CPC at <u>les@highnoonfilm.com</u> with an .mp3 recording to the best reception, no more than 2 minutes in length, or detailed written reports if you can't record. A PDF of the card will be sent. Or send snail-mail reports to Les Rayburn N1LF, 121 Mayfair Park, Maylene AL 35114 and include a Matthew Sittel, Bellevue, NE. SASE with return postage.

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From the Publisher: For subscribers to the print version, patience, please! The mail has been really slow lately.

Still holding a lot of stuff for next (or later) issues ... you have lots of full issues of DX News to look forward to in the new year!

Membership Report

"DX News continues to be a great publication" **Craig Barnes**

Rejoining **Members**: Welcome

Renewing Members: Thanks for the ongoing **From NRC HQ**: Users of hotmail.com please support of Jeff Ankstitus; Craig Barnes; Thomas E. Connatser; Rick Dau; Bruce Hackworth; William Trevarthen; James Webster;

NRC *AM Radio Log* – 41st Edition

The 41st edition of the AM Radio Log, the premier source for information on AM radio stations in the United States and Canada, is available now for sale. The Log contains of individual station data,



cross references and 12 pages of instructions in 8-1/2" x 11" size, 3-hole punched U.S. loose leaf format. This publication fits nicely into a 1" threering binder. Reference lists include State/Provinces in frequency order, call letters of FM simulcasts with the AM Stations listing, listings of regional groups of stations in the groups section (separate section of the logbook), a cross reference of those stations that are licensed to use IBOC (In Band On Channel) digital audio, and a comprehensive list of FM translators that are now simulcasting with AM broadcasters.

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AM Switch

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NRC AM Log data mining provided by Shawn Axelrod and Bill Hale

FCC and CRTC Decisions and Applications

CALL CHANGES

1240 WQFM PA Wilkes-Barre – Call change to WFUZ (Dec. 28).

1390 WLLI TN Jackson – Call change to WTJF (Dec. 28).

1510 WVJJ NJ Salem – Call change to WXCY (Jan. 1).

1580 KHGG AR Van Buren – Call change to KAGE (Jan. 1).



STATIONS GOING DARK

1450 WCOX AL Camden – License cancelled; station has been silent since May 29, 2019.

Dan Sys reports that CJMS-1040 Saint-Constant QC has had its license revoked by the CRTC and is silent as of Dec. 26, although the station is still listed as active in the Industry Canada database.

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPS) FOR EXISTING STATIONS

CP built, awaiting final licensing (and likely being used on the air):

1240 WGCM MS Gulfport – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 940/940, adjust coordinates to 30-25-45/89-01-08.

Applications for CPs received:

600 WBOB FL Jacksonville – Applies for CP with U1 20000/80, adjusted coordinates to 30-18-00/81-45-24.

CA Eureka – Applies for CP with U1 500/310 on 760 kHz, new site diplexed with KWSW-980 at 40-48-02/124-07-39; replaces similar CP (but with higher day power) which has expired.

1050 WLYQ WV Parkersburg – Applies for CP with U1 1000/144, existing site (reducing day power).

1160 WBQN PR Barceloneta-Manati – Applies for CP with U5 5000/2400, new site (former WVOZ-1580 towers) at 18-20-37/66-25-04.

1270 WWWI MN Baxter – Applies for CP with U2 12000/5000, existing site (increasing day power).

KIML WY Gillette – Applies for CP with U1 1000/40, adjusted coordinates 44-18-09/105-29-50.

1450 WBSR FL Pensacola – Applies for CP with new site, diplexed with WPNN-790, at 30-27-09/87-14-26, remaining U1 1000/1000.

SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)

STAs granted:

990 WJEH OH Gallipolis – Granted STA, D1 100, 472′ LW at 38-48-16/82-12-46.

1270 KIML WY Gillette – Granted STA, U1 1000/250.

1430 WKOX MA Everett – Granted STA, U1 2500/26 from WROL-950 tower at 42-26-09/70-59-35.

Applications for STAs received:

920 KYFR IA Shenandoah – Applies for STA, U2 3500/2500, failure of power module.

1160 WBQN PR Barceloneta-Manati – Applies for STA, U1 120/120, LW at 18-25-37/66-29-07.

Extensions granted to existing STAs:

610 WTVN OH Columbus – Granted STA extension, minor parameters at variance.

660 KGSV CA Oildale – Granted STA extension, U1 2000/1500.

760 KMTL AR Sherwood – Granted STA extension, D1 1000.

790 WLBE FL Leesburg-Eustis – Granted STA extension, U1 5000 (or less)/250.

860 WDMG GA Douglas – Granted STA extension, U1 400/400.

920 KKLS SD Rapid City – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.

950 WORD SC Spartanburg – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.

- 1030 WONQ FL **Oviedo** – Granted STA extension, U1 (reduced)/425.
- 1220 KHTS **CA** Canyon Country – Granted STA extension, U1 250/125.
- WA Seattle Granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250. 1250 KKDZ
- **1270** WHLD NY Niagara Falls Granted STA extension, U1 1250/250.
- 1310 WADB NJ Asbury Park Granted STA extension, U1 625/250.
- KS Wichita Granted STA extension, U1 2500/1000. 1330 KNSS
- **1500 WAKE IN Valparaiso** Granted STA extension, D3 8 from CP site (at Hobart IN).
- TX Galveston Granted STA extension, U1 625/127. 1540 KGBC
- **1570** WHTX OH Warren Granted STA extension, U1 750/170 as in CP.
- 1580 WNYG NY Patchogue Granted STA extension, U1 10000/125.

Applications to extend existing STAs received:

- **860 WOAY WV Oak Hill** Applies to extend STA, U1 7000/11 (ch 5000).
- 910 WSRP NC Jacksonville – Applies to extend STA, U1 500/500.
- 1380 WLRM TN Millington Applies to extend STA, U1 1000/9.
- 1390 WPLM MA Plymouth Applies to extend STA, U3 2500/2500, night pattern 24 hours.
- 1430 KRGI **NE** Grand Island – Applies to extend STA, U1 5000/250.
- **1440 WGVL SC Greenville** Applies to extend STA, U1 5000/1250.
- **1550 KKCL CO Golden** Applies to extend STA, U1 200/87.5, 120' LW at 39-45-59/105-14-12.
- **1560 WCNW OH Fairfield** Applies to extend STA, D3 1000.
- **MD** Glen Burnie Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance. 1590 WFBR

SILENT STATIONS

Formerly silent stations informing the FCC they are back on the air:

- **1490 WPAK VA Farmville** Silent Dec. 31 (2019), on the air Dec. 18.
- **1500 WSMX NC Winston-Salem** Silent Nov. 12, on the air with rental transmitter Dec. 23.

Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

1450 WROX MS Clarksdale – Silent Nov. 23; licensee fighting foreclosure.

NRC AM Log Updates

We are making a network abbreviation change. Since SB Nation Sports has become SportsMap Radio, SBN will now be listed as SMR.

- **540** KNMX NM Las Vegas Networks to Fox. (DXN)
- WAUK WI Jackson Slogan to "ESPN Milwaukee," delete Group. (RI)
 560 WGAN ME Portland Networks to C/P/Ru/CMP/WW1/C2C. (TV)
- 570 WPLW NC Raleigh Format to CLR (ex-AC); Group to Grp= Rock 92.9 (ex-Grp= Star 92.9), drop slogan. (RI)
- 580 KSAZ **AZ** Marana – Format to SS:CCR (ex-SS:Ranchera). (DXN)
- WA Spokane Slogan to "News Radio." (StIntel) 590 KQNT
- **610 WXVA VA Winchester** Networks to C. (TV)
- 620 KPOJ OR Portland – Slogan to "Rip City Sports Radio 620." (StIntel)
- 660 KTNN **AZ** Window Rock – Group to Grp= The Voice of the Navajo Nation. (nrc-am)
- OH Cincinnati Networks to A/RER. (WoR) 700 WLW
- 740 WNYH NY Huntington Group to Grp= Korean Christian Broadcasting Network (ex-Grp= WNYH Group). (BH)
- AL Birmingham Group to Grp= WXJC FM 101.5 AM 850 (ex- Grp= The New 101.1 850 WXJC FM, The Truth). (StIntel)
- **910 WMOG MS Meridian** Adds // W240DY-95.9. (FCC)
- 960 WCRU NC Dallas Slogan & Group to Grp= The Truth-Charlotte. (FCC)
- TX Fort Worth Format to UC:NWS/TLK (ex-UC:GOS); slogan to "Black 970 KHVN Information Network," networks to BIN. (RI)
- ND Langdon Networks to C/Rf/AGt/WW1/DR/C2C. (TV) 1080 KNDK
- 1130 KRDU CA Dinuba – Slogan to "Fresno's Christian Radio." (WH)
- 1150 KCKY **AZ** Coolidge – Format to SS:CCR (ex-SS:Ranchera). (DXN)
- WMST KY Mount Sterling Slogan & Group to Grp= America's Best Music 1150 & 106.9. (FCC)
- AZ Golden Valley Adds // K222CZ-92.3. (FCC) 1170 KYET
- NY New York Slogan to "All Gospel, All Hits, All the Time," drops nets. (BH) 1190 WLIB

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1230 WHUC NY Hudson – Group to Grp= WRWD Country 107.3 (ex-Grp= WRWD FM). (StIntel)
1240 KJAA AZ Globe – Adds // K291CU-106.1. (FCC)

KANE LA New Iberia – Slogan to "The Voice of the Catch." (DXN)

WKDK SC Newberry – Networks to Fox/SCn/SCs. (DXN)
1270 WWWI MN Baxter – Networks to Fox/Mn/Bf/Ru/P/WW1/SMR. (WH)

WLIK TN Newport – Networks to C/Tn (TV)

KBAM WA Longview – Slogan to "93.5 K-Bam," "Real Country." (DXMid)
1310 KKNS NM Corrales – Format to Navajo/C&W (ex-SS:REL); networks to WW1; slogan & Group to Grp= The Voice of the Navajo Nation. (nrc-am)
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1340 KCBL CA Fresno – Slogan to "Fox Sports 1340," delete // KRZR-1400. (StIntel)

1370 KRAC CA Red Bluff – Slogan to "Crack Radio," networks to A/WW1/TRN/RER. (DXMon) WGOH KY Grayson – Slogan to "Country Gold." (DXN)

1380 KHWK MN Winona – Networks to A/Li. (TV)

TN Jackson – Format to TLK (ex-C&W); networks to Fox/CMP/P/WW1; slogan & Group to Grp= Tennessee Patriot Network. (RI)

WSAM MI Saginaw – Slogan & Group to Grp= The Bay 104. (FCC)
 WEST PA Easton – Format to UC:HipHop (ex-SS:Tropical); slogan to "Loud 99.5," adds // W288DS-105.5; delete Grp= Mega 99.5. (RI)
 KBJM SD Lemmon – Adds // K285HH-104.9. (FCC)

1430 KYNO CA Fresno – Slogan to "The Greatest Hits on Earth." (StIntel)

1440 WEBR NY Niagara Falls – Networks to USA. (TV)

1450 KBUN MN Bemidji – Slogan & Group to Grp= The Bun. (FCC)

1460 WIFI NJ Florence – Format to CHR (ex-CCR); slogan to "WiFi 92.9." (RI)
 KLTC ND Dickinson – Networks to Nn/dkn/AGt/AAg/WW1/C2C. (WH)

1480 KPHX AZ Phoenix – Format to SS:CCR (ex-SS:Ranchera). (DXN)

1490 WANG MS Biloxi – Format to Tourist Info (ex-C&W); slogan & Group to Grp= 106.3 Casino Radio (ex-Grp= The Possum). (RI)

WSTP NC Salisbury – Slogan to "Real Country 1490." (StIntel)

KNDC ND Hettinger – Adds // K294DG-106.7. (FCC)

1510 KMSD SD Milbank – Slogan & Group to Grp= Classic Hits 95.1fm 1510am. (NP)
 WGKB WI Waukesha – Format to UC:TLK (ex-TLK); slogan to "101.7 The Truth," drops nets; adds // W269DL-101.7, drops Group. (RI)

1600 KYBC AZ Cottonwood – Networks to USA/WW1. (WH) KXEW AZ South Tucson – Slogan to "Radio Tejano." (StIntel)

1630 KKGM TX Fort Worth – Format to UC:NWS/TLK (ex-GOS/REL); slogan to "Black Information Network," networks to BIN. (RI)

1640 WTNI MS Biloxi – Format to Tourist Info (ex-C&W); slogan & Group to Grp= 106.3 Casino Radio (ex-Grp= The Possum). (RI)

1690 WIGT VI Charlotte Amalie – Format to REL (ex-NWS/TLK); slogan to "The Word of God," drops nets. (StIntel)

New Groups

Grp= America's Best Music 1150 & 106.9, - WMST-1150, W295BD-106.9, W256EB (FCC)

Grp= Classic Hits 95.1fm 1510am - KMSD-1510, K236CU-95.1, K252FB-98.3 (NP)

Grp= Rock 92.9 – WPLW-570, W225DF-92.9, W228CZ-93.5, W252EL-98.3, W262CZ-100.3 (RI)

Grp= The Bay 104 – WSAM-1400, WSAG-104.1, W222CQ-92.3 (FCC)

Grp= The Bun – KBUN-1450, K235BP-94.1, K261EV-100.1 (FCC)

Grp= The Truth-Charlotte – WCRU-960, W253CV-98.5, W289BO-105.7 (FCC)

Grp= The Voice of the Navajo Nation – KTNN-660, KTNN-FM-101.5, KKNS-1310 (nrc-am)

Group Name Changes

Grp= The Possum becomes 106.3 Casino Radio (RI)

Grp= The New 101.1 FM, The Truth becomes WXJC FM 101.5 AM 850(StIntel)

Grp= WNYH Group becomes Korean Christian Broadcasting Network (BH)

Grp= WRWD FM becomes WRWD Country 107.3 (StIntel)

Group Changes

Grp= 106.3 Casino Radio W278CE-103.5 becomes W292GD-106.3 (RI) Grp= Community Radio adds K254CH-98.7 LaPorte. (WH)

Deleted Groups

Grp= La Mega 101.7 & 99.5 (RI); Grp= ESPN Milwaukee (RI); Grp= Star 92.9 (RI)



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Domestic DX Digest – East

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in the Eastern & Atlantic time zones All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT)

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LB-NY Linda Brodsky, Malverne – Sangean PR-D5, SDRPlay RSPDx
SC-IN Steve Chappell, McCordsville – Homebuilt receiver, K9AY loop antenna

BC-NH Bruce Conti, Nashua – Excalibur SDR, variable termination 50 x 75-ft SuperLoop at 60° northeast.

TF-NH Tony Fitzherbert, Campton – C Crane CC Radio 2E, Terk Advantage loop

PG-NY Peter Gonciarz, Marilla – Drake R8A, Airspy HF+ Discovery, Alpha-Delta DX-SWL Sloper, Radio West loop, Quantum Phaser

HJH-PA Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre – C Crane Skywave, ALA-1530 loop

KK-VA Kraig Krist, Manassas – Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium Loop, homemade 134 foot multiband antenna running NW to SE.

JJL-CT John Long, Southbury – Drake-R8; 170' inverted L; 800' Beverage east/west

GL-NH Ginnie Lupi, Concord – CCRadio 2E + Select-A-Tenna

DM-PA Don Moore, Zion – Elad FDM-S2, Airspy HF+ Discovery; 220 meter BOG at 40 degrees, 200 meter BOG at 165 degrees.

PS-ON Paul Snider, London – Elad FDM-S2, Wellbrook ALA 1530 LN loop, MFJ-1020C tuner

BT-PEI Brent Taylor, Stratford – SDR-IQ, 75' Pennant.

JW-PA Jim Weber, Oyster Point – Grundig S350, Sony ICF2010

DY-VA David Yocis, Mount Vernon – SDRplay RSPdx, Wellbrook ALA-1530LN

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A TONE FOR OUR SINS

1220 WCPH TN Etowah – 12/26 0200 – Holiday DX Test (1000 watts), caught it when it started at 0200 with sweep tones. Poor but clearly audible, occasionally dominant. QRM from CFAJ-St. Catharines ON and others. **(PG-NY)**

+++ - 12/26 0200 – Mixing with WFAX, another station with religious talk, more talk and singing. Morse code ID, sweep tones, bubble tones, steady tones, phone

ringing sounds, marching band music and a female talking about/describing the DX Test. New station for me. **(KK-VA)**

+++ - 12/26 0208 – DX Test heard, very weak under very strong gospel discussion from WHKW Cleveland 50kw. Heard sweep tone followed by very weak Morse code. (JJL-CT)

+++ -12/260200 – Morse code "WCPH" began at the stroke of 0200, followed by sweep tones, more code IDs, and a steady tone at 0202. It seemed to me to be a slower code ID (easier for me to copy) began

at 0206. This was always under WHKW's religious talk. (STB-MD)

+++ - 12/26 0200 – Through WHKW; DX test with Morse code, then sweep tones. Audio clip www.bamlog.com/1220wcph.mp3. Also noted 1/2 0102 – Under WHKW; Morse code, DX test started an hour earlier than scheduled. (BC-NH)

+++ -1/2 0202 – Atop a weak jumble in WHKW null with code IDs, sweeps. **(DY-VA)**

+++ - 1/2 0240 - Fading in and out under an UNID station (probably WHKW) from 0240 to 0300 with sweep tones, long solid tone, code IDs. **(LB-NY)** *I didn't even try for this one as I felt that my chances would have been nearly zilch because of heavyweight pest WHKW and near-local CFAJ. Mike.*



- **1360 WNJC NJ Washington Township** 12/26 0255 DX Test (800 watts), Morse code, poor under strong QRM from WSAI-Cincinnati OH, sweep tones 0301, occasionally improved to dominant. **(PG-NY)**
 - +++ 12/27 0000 Through WKMI and WLYN; DX test slow Morse code, then stepped sweep tones. (BC-NH)

UNID

- **1160 unID** -- 12/31 2358 Jumble of several stations, one playing the "Long and Winding Road" by the Beatles, then "Gloria" by Van Morrison, but none in well enough for an ID. **(BT-PEI)**
- -- 12/31 0508 Two UNID stations mixing, one with jazz piano including "O Christmas Tree" and vocal by female fading in and out. Second station: man and possibly woman talking or doing ads or PSAs. At 0519, political discussion, recording of Bernie Sanders talking about COVID bill on Senate floor. Possibly WATR CT. Music station playing "O Come Let Us Adore Him" and "Jingle Bell Rock" at 0523. (LB-NY)
- **1410 unID** -- 12/31 0058 Large jumble of stations, with one of them transmitting precise and accurate time pips at the top of the hour, and an unintelligible ID, while the other station had the exact same time pips 11 seconds late. **(BT-PEI)**

CATCH THE DRIFT

959.92 WTGM MD Salisbury – 12/23 0000 – Good, measured off frequency at 959.918 kHz and easily separated from 960 WEAV; "Fox Sports 960 WTGM Salisbury, an iHeart radio station, online at Fox Sports 960 dot com." (BC-NH)

LOGGINGS

- **NL Grand Falls/Windsor** 12/31 2358 Very good, with standard network ID and into news with no mention of the new year (of course by this time Newfoundland was already 90 minutes into 2021). **(BT-PEI)** *Brent was logging the arrival of* 2021 *at* 2359/0000 *ET on as many stations as possible, via SDR. Mike.*
- **560 WGAN ME Portland** 12/31 2358 Good, with PSA for the Girl Scouts of Maine, and then ID followed by CBS Network news, mentions of New Years having just dropped in Times Square. **(BT-PEI)**
 - WFRB MD Frostburg 12/29 1655 Dominant with no WGAN or CFOS, classic C&W, "Willie 106.7" slogan, into "I Never Promised You a Rose Garden", "Your station for real country music" slogan, more music, ID for WFRB. (TF-NH)
- **570 WKBN OH Youngstown** 1/1 1805 Fighting CKGL ("570 News") groundwave with Youngstown State v. Wisconsin-Green Bay college hoops. **(MKB-ON)**
 - CFCB NL Corner Brook 12/31 2358 Very Good, with "Take My Breath Away" by Berlin running to the top of the hour, then VOCM ID "the trusted source for news in Newfoundland and Labrador" at 23:59:40 (at this time Newfoundland was already 90 minutes into 2021, so lack of fanfare not unexpected) and segue into "Hungry Eyes" by Eric Carmen a few seconds before 0000 ELT. // 590, 620 650 & 740 (BT-PEI)
- **ON Ottawa** 12/31 2358 Fair to good, TSN 1200 mentions ("Your home of Ottawa Senators hockey, TSN 1200"), then back into pre-recorded talk show about what sounded like interior decorating. No mention of 2021 occurring. (**BT-PEI**)
- **590 VOCM NL St. John's** 12/31 2358 Excellent, with "Take My Breath Away" by Berlin running to the top of the hour, then VOCM ID "the trusted source for news in Newfoundland and Labrador" at 23:59:40 (at this time Newfoundland was already 90 minutes into 2021, so lack of fanfare not unexpected) and segue into "Hungry Eyes" by Eric Carmen a few seconds before 0000 ELT. // 570, 620, 650 & 740. **(BT-PEI)**
- **600 WMT** IA Cedar Rapids 12/19 2302 "News Radio 600 WMT" clear by man in jumble. (DY-VA)
 - WFST ME Caribou 1/1 1600 Production of "The Twilight Zone" for kids, with plenty of their voices heard in the show, way over usual WICC or WTEL. (TF-NH)
 - WREC TN Memphis 12/19 2304 "WREC and 92.1 FM" clear by man in jumble. (DY-VA)
- **620 WTMJ WI Milwaukee** 12/31 0701 Over "Power 620" Syracuse, "21 degrees in Milwaukee at 6:01...from the WTMJ Newsroom" into local news. **(MKB-ON)**



CKCM NL Grand Falls – 12/31 2358 – Excellent, with "Take My Breath Away" by Berlin running to the top of the hour, then VOCM ID "the trusted source for news in Newfoundland and Labrador" at 23:59:40 (at this time Newfoundland was already 90 minutes into 2021, so lack of fanfare not unexpected) and segue into "Hungry Eyes" by Eric Carmen a few seconds before 0000 ELT. // 570, 590, 650 & 740. **(BT-PEI)**

- 630 WEJL PA Scranton – 12/22 1609 – Alone on frequency with no WPRO, ESPN feed about the Pittsburgh Steelers, ad for Pennzoil, traffic report for Scranton area, ads for AMA Auto, Progressive Insurance, Riverfront Sports, Nationwide Insurance, Allstate Insurance, Auto Zone, O'Reilly Auto Parts, and Sirius XM Satellite Radio, and "ESPN for Northeast Pennsylvania" slogan. (TF-NH)
- **640 WWJZ** NJ **Mount Holly** – 12/27 0600 – Very poor signal with Catholic programming into partial ID, "Mount Holly Relevant Radio... 640 AM." (SC-IN)
 - **CBN** NL St. John's – 12/31 2358 – Very Good, with ad for "Les Miserables" programming, and standard network ID and into news with no mention of the new year (of course by this time Newfoundland was already 90 minutes into 2021). (BT-PEI)
 - **CFMJ** ON Richmond Hill – 12/20 1800 – Beginning news, "Global News Radio 6-40 Toronto," briefly fair. (DY-VA)
- 650 CKGA NL Gander – 12/31 2358 – Fair to good, with "Take My Breath Away" by Berlin running to the top of the hour, then VOCM ID "the trusted source for news in Newfoundland and Labrador" at 23:59:40 (at this time Newfoundland was already 90 minutes into 2021, so lack of fanfare not unexpected) and segue into "Hungry Eyes" by Eric Carmen a few seconds before 0000 ELT. // 570, 590, 620 & 740. **(BT-PEI)**
- 660 WFAN NY New York 12/31 2358 Good, with change of shift chatter between the last host of 2020 and the first host of 2021, and "I'll kick this silly year right out the door..." Then "Sports Radio 101-9 FM WFAN New York," promo for holiday football and other programming, full AM & FM IDs, and "Happy New Year" and mention of Knicks game . (BT-PEI)
- WV Charleston 12/22 2215 Promo for rebroadcast of Meet The Press on WCHS-680 WKAZ 580, "The Voice of Charleston." Good with many others. (HJH-PA)
- QC Montreal 12/31 2358 Fair, "TSN 690" mentions leading up to ToH, but deep 690 CKGM fade right at midnight. ESPN programming faded up at 00:00:30. (BT-PEI)
- NY New York 12/31 2358 Very good, ads leading up to midnight. Then woman 710 WOR ID with "WOR and WAXQ HD2 New York," followed by crowd shouting "Happy New Year!" and man saying "it can only get better. much better, welcome 20-21 from the voice of New York, 7-10 WOR...(woman) an I-Heart radio station..." Into weather and time check, then news and interview with Times Square attendee commenting on the lack of people. (BT-PEI)
- **720 WGN** ILChicago – 12/31 2358 – Fair, under KNR Greenland with 11 p.m. time check and news. Not New Years there for another hour. (BT-PEI)
- **730 CKAC** QC Montréal – 12/31 2358 – Very good in FF with ads leading up to the top of the hour. Then, "Radio Circulation sept cent trente" ID at 00:00:10 and straight into traffic updates. (BT-PEI)
- 740 CHCM NL Marystown – 12/31 2358 – Fair to good, with "Take My Breath Away" by Berlin running to the top of the hour, then VOCM ID "the trusted source for news in Newfoundland and Labrador" at 23:59:40 (at this time Newfoundland was already 90 minutes into 2021, so lack of fanfare not unexpected) and segue into "Hungry Eyes" by Eric Carmen a few seconds before 0000 ELT – then brief fadeup of co-channel "I Feel Good" by James Brown from UNID station. // 570, 590, 620 & 650. **(BT-PEI)**
- **750 CBGY** NL Bonavista Bay – 12/31 2358 – Good, with standard network ID and into news with no mention of the new year (of course by this time NL was already 90 minutes into 2021). No sign of semi-regular WSB. (BT-PEI)
- 760 WJR MI Detroit – 12/31 2358 – Good, with PSA for Oakland Mediation Center leading up to ToH, then "WJR Detroit, and WDVD H2D Detroit, the great choice (voice?) of the Great Lakes, 7-50 WJR, where Detroit comes to talk." Then Fox network news leading with New Years in New York City. (BT-PEI)
- 770 WABC New York – 12/31 2358 – Very good, with Bee Gees "Stayin' Alive" busting through the ToH; finally interrupted by Cousin Brucie about 10 seconds late for recognition of New Year's arrival, then playing of Auld Lang Syne with "10-9-8-..." countdown that was running about 30 seconds late. The song ended at 00:02:32, followed by a Bernie and Syd promo. (BT-PEI)

- **770 WYRV VA Cedar Bluff** 12/25 2237 Gospel music over and under WABC. ID as "95.1 FM and 770 AM". **(HJH-PA)**
- **780 WBBM IL** Chicago 12/31 2358 Fair, with lottery numbers and quick traffic update, followed by long ID package, local headlines, and CBS Network news about 10 seconds late, leading with New Years in Sydney, Australia. Only 11 p.m. in Chicago at this point. **(BT-PEI)**
 - **WAVA VA Arlington** 12/28 0759 Over nulled WBBM with promo "ask Alexa to play AM 780 WAVA" as part of ToH ID into SRN News. **(MKB-ON)**
- **790 WTNY NY Watertown** 12/29 1625 Over usual pest WAEB with Ad Council COVID PSA, local weather "from the WTNY Weather Center". **(MKB-ON)**
 - WPRV RI Providence 12/31 2358 Fair, in jumble, rising for ToH ID "WPRV Providence, a Cumulus station." Then into ABC network news with mention of 2021. (BT-PEI)
 - WVWZ TN Ashland City 1/1 0059 C&W music, ToH ID "WVWZ Ashland City...103.9 The Bear", more music. Fair to very poor with WNIS. (PS-ON)
- **QC** Montréal 12/31 2358 Fair to poor under VOWR, with ad for "the Brick" furniture retailer, PSA, then Spinelli car dealership ad, station promos, ending with "Newstalk Radio, CJAD 800." Then, they seemed to run the same PSA and promo package all over again through the top of the hour. **(BT-PEI)**
- **810 WHB** MO Kansas City 12/25 2225 Noted ESPN mentions under/over WGY, Lakers v. Mavericks NBA game, post game show, various ads. Poor to very poor mostly under WGY. No ID, but // to Tune In stream (not to other ESPN station on 810, WPIN). First time heard at this location. **(PS-ON)**
 - WGY NY Schenectady 12/31 2358 Good, on busy channel, with a special edition of the Ben Shapiro show, and several seconds late with ToH ID and into network news. (BT-PEI)
- **810 WEDO PA McKeesport** 12/25 1635 Over WGY with call ID and infomercial from Medical Wellness Associates. **(HJH-PA)**
- **820 WBAP TX Ft. Worth** 12/24 0601 Under WNYC; "News Talk 820 WBAP... and WBAP dot com," and first traffic and weather on the ones. **(BC-NH)**
 - WJFN VA Chester 12/24 0500 Over WNYC; "This is WJFN-FM Goochland, WJFN Chester, 100.5 FM, 92-7 FM, and AM 820," and Townhall news. (BC-NH)
 - CHAM ON Hamilton 12/31 2358 Presumed, fair in jumble, with stand-up comedy routine running right through the top of the hour. No ID, no recognition of arrival of 2021. (BT-PEI)
- +++ 12/26 0300 Under WNYC; "CHAM AM Hamilton... iHeart radio, Funny 820." (BC-NH)
- 830 WCRN MA Worcester 12/31 2358 Good, with "The Look of Love" by Sergio Mendes & Brazil 66 segue into James Taylor cover of Buddy Holly's "Everyday." Finally, at 00:02:06, "You're listening to music of the North star, on WACE Chicopee, and WCRN Worcester." Then a brief cut-off time check "...o'clock, happy new year," and rolled into Sweet Surrender by Bread. Very poor production value there. (BT-PEI)
 - WQZQ TN Goodlettsville 12/28 2015 On after sunset tonight with "The Joker" by Steve Miller Band, "...we are 93.3 Nashville's Classic Hits" slogan into "The Power of Love" by Huey Lewis & The News, various ads including a COVID PSA mentioning Tennessee, "You are listening to 93.3 Classic Hits" at 2022. Fair at times over WCCO to poor under. (PS-ON)
- 840 WHAS KY Louisville 12/31 2358 Fair, ad/promo package leading up to the hour, and then "Happy New Year Kentucky...from news radio 8-40 WHAS, Louisville," then into ABC news 20 seconds after the hour with live hit from Times Square. (BT-PEI)
- **850 WAXB** CT Ridgefield 12/22 1550 Way atop with Spanish music, at 1600 ID for "WAXB-AM, Ridgefield", ad in EE for Geico Insurance, followed by more SS music, a format change. (TF-NH)
 - **WEEI** MA Boston 12/31 2359 Good, with "AM 8-50 WEEI" ID and into ESPN music bed with no mention of the new year. (BT-PEI)
 - WPTK NC Raleigh 12/22 1650 Out of "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer," ads for Mattress Factory and Carolina Journal, woman announcer inviting listeners to enjoy Christmas music on "Just Right"
 - Radio", into more Christmas music, gone by 1655. **(TF-NH) WTAR VA Norfolk** 12/22 1645 Fox Sports feed for four minutes

before fading under WPTK. (**TF-NH**)

- **860 WWDB PA Philadelphia** 1/1 1700 Promos for home fix-up show and stock options advice program. Strong signal with mention of "WWDB AM.com" then abrupt drop out. **(HJH-PA)**
 - CJBC ON Toronto 12/31 2359 Very good, with program announcements in FF, then "vous écoutez ICI Radio Canada Première, au huit-cent-soixante A-M, à Toronto." Network news opened with new travel restrictions for incoming passengers to Canada, with no recognition of new years. (BT-PEI)
- **870 WWL LA New Orleans** 12/31 2359 Poor to Fair in heavy jumble, out of talk show into promos, then one clean "WWL" mention at 00:00:13. Very rough copy. **(BT-PEI)**
- 880 WCBS NY New York 12/31 2358 Excellent, despite heavy het from BBC Wales on 882, with ZipRecruiter ad followed by husband (Mike Sugarman) and wife (Janice Wright) co-anchor banter, talking about working together on New Years Eve and navigating technical difficulties trying to get audio from the ball drop at Times Square. Seemed like a delayed, double countdown, but eventually called in the new year at 00:00:32, with Auld Lang Zyne, and quickly back to the studio. (BT-PEI)
- **890 WLS IL Chicago** 12/31 2358 Fair to Good, diving under WAMG at times, end of Mark Levin hour, then ad for Recovery Centers of America and the annoying Kars for Kids ad, which ran right through the top of the hour. ID finally at 0000:45. **(BT-PEI)**
 - **WAMG MA Dedham** 12/29 0808 Fighting usual 800 lb gorilla WLS with Mexican or Puerto Rican hot hits, "La Mega" jingles. **(MKB-ON)**
- **900 CHML ON Hamilton** 12/31 2358 Good at times, out of old time radio drama, followed by old fashioned NBC chimes, then heavy echo effect ID of some kind, but unintelligible due to audio distortion. Eventually, CHML news faded up around 00:01:00. **(BT-PEI)**
- **910 WEPG TN South Pittsburg** 12/18 2037 C&W, woman with ad, man with ID: "Happy new year from 104.9 The River," fair in mix. **(DY-VA)**
 - WRNL VA Richmond 12/22 1620 James Madison v. Virginia Commonwealth basketball game play by play, alone on frequency with weak signal, soon gone, new station for me. (TF-NH)
- **920 WHJJ RI Providence** 12/31 2359 Fair, in jumble, with ID "...920 and 104-7 FM, WHJJ Providence, an I-Heart radio station" right at ToH and into Fox network news. **(BT-PEI)**
 - **CFRY MB Portage la Prairie** 12/21 0800 Creaming usual CKNX groundwave with local news, promo for Portage Live app. **(MKB-ON)**
- 930 CJYQ NL St. John's 12/31 2358 Good in QRM, with country version of "O Holy Night" that ended about 20 seconds late, then simple quick stinger, "Kicks" and segue right into another song. (BT-PEI)
- 940 WCPC MS Houston 12/27 1859 Weak but on top. Ad for water heater vendor in Houston. Promo for "The Good News Hour" on Sunday morning. ID and announcement about local events into religious program. (DM-PA)
 - CFNV QC Montréal 12/31 2358 Good, with the Moody Blues' "Nights in White Satin" rolling through midnight, followed at 00:00:50 by news sounder type of music under male ID in FF: "Les essentiels de l'actualité et la musique de marquer sans jamais...neuf cent quarante, Montréal. Then into the album version of "You'll Never Find Another Love Like Mine" by Lou Rawls. (BT-PEI)
- **950 WKDN PA Philadelphia** 12/31 1623 Fighting WWJ, WIBX, et al with "Family Radio and on <u>familyradio.org</u>" promo amid religious organ music. **(MKB-ON)**
 - **WXGI** VA Richmond 12/26 1647 Wiping out WWJ with ESPN Gameday show, "99.5 and 102.7 ESPN Richmond" slogan. (MKB-ON)
 - CKNB NB Campbellton 12/31 2358 Fair to good, with "SOS" by Rhianna rolling right through the hour, and finally "95 CKNB, and MBS Radio Station" ID at 00:01:05, and segue into "I Took a Pill in Ibiza" by Mike Posner. (BT-PEI)
- 960 WTGM MD Salisbury 12/22 2045 Invitation to listen to Christmas music "on Delmarva's Christmas stations, 104.7 and Q-105", followed by sports talk about athletes not wearing masks in locker rooms, soon lost to WELI and others, new for me here. (TF-NH)
 - WATS PA Sayre 1/3 0820 Under CKNT open carrier with 80s classic rock, listing of local events, inviting listeners to email their events to events@choice102.com. (MKB-ON)
 - +++ 12/31 1601 Under WEAV; "AM 960 WATS Sayre... locally owned and operated radio station..." (BC-NH)

- **980 WDDO GA Perry** 12/23 0659 Steady signal under the jumble with announcement mentioning "gospel", then ID: "The new 9-80 AM. WDDO, Perry. Praise the Lord!" and into fire-and-brimstone preacher. **(DM-PA)**
- **990 WNTP PA Philadelphia** 12/22 2200 Under WDCX; "WNTP Philadelphia, AM 990 The Answer... 990 The Answer dot com," and Townhall news. **(BC-NH)**
 - CBY NL Corner Brook 12/31 2358 Very good, with standard network ID and into news with no mention of the new year (by this time Newfoundland was already 90 minutes into 2021). (BT-PEI)
- **1010 WINS** NY New York 12/31 2358 Excellent, with no sign of CFRB. Rapid ID by man at 23:59:30, then flip to ABC News for "live" (7-8 second delayed) coverage of the ball drop. Station hourly tone superimposed on the audio, and then Auld Lang Syne with interviews of attendees at nearly deserted Times Square. **(BT-PEI)**
- **1030 WWGB MD Indian Head** 1/1 0029 On after sunset with assorted Spanish language religious (I assume) music, "...Radio Poder" slogan at 0043, more music. Good to fair with WBZ. // to Tune In stream. First time heard at this location. **(PS-ON)**
 - WBZ MA Boston 12/31 2358 Terrible audio and poor signal compared to pre-IBOC days, with discussion of the final seconds of 2020 ticking down as midnight approached, and throw to ABC news feed, // WINS. (BT-PEI)
- **1040 WURN FL** Miami 12/22 2301 Over/under WCHR; "This is WURN 1040 AM covering the Florida Keys... and W280FV 103.9 FM covering..." into Actualidad program in SS. (BC-NH)
 - WHO IA Des Moines 12/24 0601 Over/under CJMS; "Right now, today's top stories from Des Moines news, traffic, and severe weather station, News Radio 1040 WHO Des Moines, an iHeart radio station." Also noted 12/28 2100 Good, CJMS off the air; Iowa Hawk Talk on Hawkeye network, "WHO Des Moines, an iHeart radio station, and KDRB 100.3 HD2 Des Moines, available everywhere with the iHeart radio app, now number one for podcasting." (BC-NH)
 - WYSL NY Avon 12/31 1600 Good; "You're listening to the voice of liberty," WYSL jingle, "AM 1040 Avon-Rochester, FM 92-1 Rochester, and FM 95-5 Spencerport," and Townhall news. (BC-NH)
- **1050 WEPN NY New York** 12/31 2358 Excellent, with ESPN promos, then the following ID: "10-50 ESPN New York, the biggest names and the biggest days, they're all right here, WEPN New York." Into ESPN trademark music, and Sportscenter with no mention of 2021 arriving. **(BT-PEI)**
 - **CHUM ON Toronto** 12/24 0600 Over WEPN; "CHUM AM Toronto is TSN 1050, an iHeart radio station, the Raptors live here." **(BC-NH)**
- **1060 WQOM MA Natick** 12/31 2359 Fair to poor, with mentions of the Station of the Cross, and a female recording advising what listeners can do after sunset if reception of the station is poor. **(BT-PEI)**
- **1080 WTIC** CT Hartford 12/31 2358 Arthritis Foundation PSA, and promos and ID at top of the hour, followed by CBS network news and coverage of New Years around the world. (BT-PEI)
- **1090 WBAL MD Baltimore** 12/31 2359 Poor, in 1089 talkSPORT UK slop. End of talk show. No apparent recognition of arrival of 2021, and network news started 30 seconds late. **(BT-PEI)**
- **1100 WTAM OH Cleveland** 12/31 2358 Poor to fair, with news on the hour, fading up at 00:02:35, and finally an intelligible mention of "WTAM News" at 00:02:50, followed by woman reading news about Ohio. **(BT-PEI)**
- 1110 WJML MI Petoskey 12/29 1725 Totally creaming WBT with string of local ads: Scallywag's Fish and Chips, Top of Michigan Insurance, among others. Did someone leave the day rig on after local sunset? (MKB-ON)
 - H+++ 12/29 1824 Thanks to a tip from Herb Shatz on the NRC's Facebook group, MWDX, I heard that powerhouse WBT seemed to be off the air. Sure enough, instead I heard a station giving market news coming in strong, but with deep fades. Suddenly, at 1830, in the midst of a local ad, the signal cut off, leaving dead air. A minute later, though, it came back with a "CBS News Special Report." That was followed by ads for "Scalawags Whitefish & Chips" [in Mackinaw City] and "The Barn on 105 2nd Street [in East Jordan, MI]. Off again, leaving dead air, until suddenly several repetitions of "This is the Detroit Pistons Radio Network." By 1845, I could hear "WBT" again, but in WJML's null. (STB-MD)



+++ - 12/28 1958 – Good, over WBT; local ads for Mill Street Pizza off I-75 and Johnson Propane in northern Michigan, then dead air where ID should've been inserted, and CBS news. Also noted 12/29 1900 – Good; "Now let's pause 10 seconds for station identification on the Pistons basketball network," and dead air. (BC-NH)

WBT NC Charlotte – 12/31 2359 – Presumed, poor with CBS news at the hour. (BT-PEI)

1120 KMOX MO St. Louis – 12/31 2358 – Poor, with ad for a medical supplement, followed by ID at ToH with no special mention of 2021, then into CBS network news. **(BT-PEI)**

1130 WBBR NY New York – 12/31 2358 – Very good, with traffic report leading up to midnight, the Raptors-Knicks score, a quick weather hit, then announcer Steve Reggie commenting "happy new year" before regular "Bloomberg eleven-three-oh" ID package and straight into news, leading with COVID-19. (BT-PEI)

1140 CBI NS Sydney – 12/31 2358 – Excellent, and being already one hour into 2021 in the Atlantic time zone, there was no mention of new years at the top of the hour.

Regular CBC network ID, then into news with lead story about Rod Phillips, a cabinet minister in Ontario, who resigned earlier because of a trip to St. Barts during COVID travel restrictions (PT PEI)

during COVID travel restrictions. (BT-PEI)

1150 CKOC ON Hamilton – 12/31 2359 – A couple of stations in the mix, one of them carrying news read by a female. Time pips heard at ToH, but no IDs heard in the jumble. CKOC Hamilton eventually rose near the end of the capture, based on content (news about the IIHF World Junior Hockey tournament in Edmonton). **(BT-PEI)**

1160 WSKW ME Skowhegan – 12/27 1859 – Local ads for Farmington Ford and Franklin

Chrysler, ID, then lost in jumble. (DM-PA)

+++ - 12/26 1549 – Fade-up at 1545 with "Cara Mia" by Jay and the Americans then "I Saw Her Again" by the Mamas and Papas. This was followed by a partial station promo and ID, "From The Byrds to The Eagles, Elvis to... Legacy 1160." Extremely weak signal mixing with WYLL and others. // to audio stream with a 22 second delay. New. (SC-IN)

WYDU NC Red Springs – 12/25 0559 – "This is your station for inspiration and information, WYDU Red Springs. WYDU1160.com" ID into news. Weak in the mix. (DM-PA)

1170 WFPB MA Orleans – 12/29 1612 – NPR News with woman announcer, over/under WWVA with Sean Hannity and WWLE with Spanish music, gone by 1615, heard once before when the station was a directional 1000 watter. **(TF-NH)**

WWVA WV Wheeling – 12/31 2359 – Fair, with talk/banter leading up to midnight. Then "Newsradio 11-70 WWVA Wheeling" IDs and then opening trumpets heralding the start of the Overcomer Ministries broadcast with Brother Stair. **(BT-PEI)**

1180 WSQR IL Sycamore – 12/26 2230 – Probably at day power tonight with oldies/classic rock from The Police, Gary US Bonds, Loverboy and the Righteous Brothers (Rock & Roll Heaven). Mention of 92.9 (W225CC Sycamore) at 2342, WSQR ID at 2352, nice "WSQR The Squirrel, 92.9 FM & 1180 AM" at 0004.. Fair at times to very poor under WHAM. First time heard at this location. (PS-ON)

WHAM NY Rochester – 12/31 2358 – Fair to good, getting hit pretty hard by a 1 Khz het from either Spain or Romania (or both), with promo for an iHeart Radio podcast leading up to midnight. Then, "WHAM Rochester" ID along with sister/translator station, into Fox News. (BT-PEI)

1200 WOAI TX San Antonio – 12/22 2200 – Over/under WXKS; promo, "Now more than ever... WOAI," and ID, "News Radio 1200 WOAI San Antonio, an iHeart radio station," into Fox news. **(BC-NH)**

1210 WPHT PA Philadelphia – 12/31 2358 – Ads for stomach relief and Balance of Nature prepared meals. Then "Newstalk Radio 12-10, WPHT" ID and into CBS news about 22 seconds late. **(BT-PEI)**

1220 WZBK NH Keene – 1/1 1611 – Ad for Monadnock Medical Center, sports talk, soon lost to more commonly heard WSTL with Spanish. WZBK is seldom heard here, WSTL, WGNY, and WHKW more commonly occupy 1220 in Campton. **(TF-NH)**

WHKW OH Cleveland – 12/26 0157 – Nice "Fifty Thousand Watts of Inspiration" slogan at 0200, just as the WCPH DX Test began. (STB-MD)

+++ - 12/26 0250 – Discussion of religious values by two men. 0257 "WHKW" ID over sweep tones and code from WCPH test. (LB-NY)

1240 WJTN NY Jamestown – 12/13 1903 – ID by man: "Keeping you up to date, need-to-know information, the latest national and local news on the coronavirus outbreak, WJTN Jamestown." **(DY-VA)**

- CKIM NL Baie Verte 12/31 2359 Poor to fair, with telltale "Take My Breath Away" by Berlin, making it parallel to the other VOCM stations down the band. Then, muffled but unmistakable VOCM ID. Not bad for 1 kW. New. (BT-PEI)
- **1250 WMTR NJ Morristown** 12/31 2358 Fair to good, with promo for music show at noon on Sunday, then "Classic Hits WMTR" ID a minute early, rolling in to "Uptight" by Stevie Wonder, that spanned the midnight hour ending at 00:02:01, then segue into "Build Me Up Buttercup" by the Foundations. **(BT-PEI)**
- **1260 WQOF DC Washington** 1/3 0800 Alone on frequency with promo for Relevant Radio app, "listener supported WQOF Washington 1260 AM" ToH ID into Relevant Radio news. **(MKB-ON)**
 - **WPNW MI Zeeland** 12/31 0825 Fighting WSKO sports talk with local weather for western Michigan, "more music to uplift you on community supported Joy Worship" into gospel songs. **(MKB-ON)**
 - Cancer Center ("a nationally-ranked cancer hospital right here in Buffalo") and FeedingAmerica.org and ready.gov PSAs. Then "On the voice of the Central New York sports fan, Score 1260." Relatively strong, on top. (GL-NH) +++ 12/28 1616 Sports talk with fading, ads for Rocket Mortgage, Page

Publishing, and NY gambling.org, no usual WBIX or CKHJ. (TF-NH)

NY Syracuse – 12/31 1620 – Ads for self-publishing, Warby Parker and Roswell Park

- **CKHJ** NB Fredericton 12/30 1659 Under WBIX; "Fredericton's Pure Country 103.5," and "Neon Light" by Blake Shelton. (BC-NH)
- **1270 WLBR PA Lebanon** 12/29 1616 Andrew Gold's "Lonely Boy" over/under talk of some sort, DJ refers to the song as "today's lost classic" and reads an ad for Merrill Lynch. Then recorded "The greatest hits of all time, Wilbur 1270". Faded at 1620 but back at 1621 with a <u>forhims.com</u> hair loss treatment ad and "on WLBR" by man into music. At 1626, "WLBR spells Wilbur and Wilbur stands for Lebanon." Relatively good with some fading. **(GL-NH)**
 - CJCB NS Sydney 12/30 1626 C&W version of "Summertime Blues" and other C&W songs, very poor in QRM. // stream. (GL-NH)
 - +++ 12/31 2358 Excellent, out of the song "Honky Tonk Attitude" by Joe Diffie, with the slogan "Only the best music gets our stamp of approval. Cape Breton's country, 12-70 CJCB," and segue right into "Bottoms Up" by Brantley Gilbert at 23:59, rolling through the hour, and "CJCB" jingle/segue into "Sold" by John Michael Montgomery at 00:02:35. (BT-PEI)
 - +++ 12/30 1700 Good, over WTSN; "Lawn Chair Lazy" by James Barker Band, "You've found Cape Breton's country favorites, 1270 CJCB in Sydney, an MBS radio station," and "The Night the Lights Went Out in Georgia" cover by Reba. (BC-NH)
- **1280 WNAM WI** Neenah-Menasha 12/28 2246 Tuned into "1280wnam.com" ID, into "Music Box Dancer" by Frank Mills at 2251. Poor to very poor with WUZZ and CFMB. // to 1280wnam.com stream. First time heard at this location. **(PS-ON)**
 - **CFMB QC Montréal** 12/31 2358 Strong but with some deep and rapid fades, out of music with "Ici, CFMB, douze-quatre-vingt, Radio Montréal..." by male, then female ID in EE, and into "Stranger in Paradise instrumental" by Al Hirt. No mention of 2021 arriving. **(BT-PEI)**
- **1290 WKBK NH Keene** 12/27 0359 Good, with ID "94-1 AM 12-90 WKBK Keene," and then into CBS news. **(BT-PEI)**
 - WNBF NY Binghamton 1/1 0758 Red Eye Radio Million Mile Club ad, then faded into UNID station with old "Superman" show. Back at 0806 with Red Eye Radio, // stream. (GL-NH)
 - **WDZY** VA Colonial Heights 1/1 0749 "WDZY" ID by man at 0800, into religious choir music and preacher. Back to WNBF's Red Eye Radio at 0806. (GL-NH)
- **MD Baltimore** 12/26 2030 NFL football mixing with political disussion and Spanish music. "Sports Radio 1300 24/7 Sports WJZ AM Baltimore, WJZ FM" ID at 2059 into CBS Sports Radio call-in show. **(LB-NY)**
 - **WJDA** MA Quincy 12/23 1615 Portuguese song by woman, // stream. Lots of fading and QRM. (GL-NH)
 - WXRL NY Lancaster 12/13 1900 ID by man: "WXRL Lancaster-Buffalo, your western New York family station," over sports talk (presumed WJZ). (DY-VA)
 - **WGDJ** NY Rensselaer 12/27 0459 Fair to good, with ToH "WGDJ" ID. Heard frequently here. (**BT-PEI**)
 - +++ 12/28 1700 Full ID, "WDGJ Renssalaer, W254DA Renssalaer... on 1300 and 98.7" into ABC News. **(LB-NY)**

- **1310 WOKR NY Canandaigua** 12/28 1705 ID with mention of Canadaigua and greater Rochester area, C&W songs. Poor with fading. **(LB-NY)**
 - +++ 12/13 1900 ID by man: "here on WOKR classic... 95.5," fair with semi-local WDCT. (DY-VA)
- **1320 WARA MA Attleboro** 12/23 1638 "1320 WARA" by man into Mariah Carey's "All I Want for Christmas is You". Very strong for a couple of minutes, then faded. **(GL-NH)**
 - WJAS PA Pittsburgh 12/22 1650 Sean Hannity show with guest host. "Building Homes for Heroes" PSA, car ad, then mention of "greater Pittsburgh", "Talk Radio 1320" by woman, and "WJAS Talk Radio" ID by man at 1700, into news. Lots of fading but strong at times. (GL-NH)
- 1330 WRCA MA Watertown 12/27 0459 Good, with multiple IDs by male of all translator stations at high speed, "WRCA Watertown WBOS HD2 Brookline WNBP W291CC W221EE Newburyport W291CZ Boston...and now a global news update," and into network news at the top of the hour. (BT-PEI)
 - WESR VA Onley-Onancock 1/2 0504 In OK at this time with nice "You are listening to 1330 WESR, Coastal Country" ID. Weather segment followed through 0506. (JW-PA)
- **1340 WYBC CT New Haven** 12/20 1643 Presumed when "<u>prx.org</u>" faded up out of the slop. Very poor. **(GL-NH)**
 - WVNR VT Poultney 12/21 1609 C&W music fading in and out with "K94.1" ID by announcer at 1612. Very poor, mixing with WIRY's Christmas music. (GL-NH)
- **1350 WARF** OH Akron 12/21 1647 Sports betting ad, then "Fox Sports 1350 The Gambler" and "The Gambler weather" before fading out. **(GL-NH)**
- **1360 WDRC** CT Hartford 12/31 2358 Fox network programming, then Ad Council drug PSA, then the rapid-fire WDRC IDs of all affiliates and translators. Then Fox News network news with Carmen Roberts, "The US welcomes the new year..." headline. (BT-PEI)
 - WLYN MA Lynn 12/27 1613 SS music underneath WDRC talk, // stream. Very poor. (GLNH)
 - WKYO MI Caro 12/27 0001 Popped up over WKMI and WNJC; "This is WKYO 1360 AM Caro..." (BC-NH)
 - WKMI MI Kalamazoo 12/22 0340 In very well with local announcements and ads. Red Eye programming included a discussion about William Barr. WNJC low power sweeps in the background. (JW-PA)

TALK RADIO 1360

- +++ 12/25 0106 "WKMI and the WKMI app" on top just as I tuned in for the WNJC DX test (which I did not hear this night, oddly). Confirmed the ID on 12/26 at 0006 with another nice "WKMI" ID atop the channel, fighting it out with unneeded "WDRC" in "Fox News." (STB-MD)
- +++ 12/27 0000 Fair, over WLYN and WNJC; "The conversation starts here, WKMI Kalamazoo, a Townsquare Media station." (BC-NH)
- WYOS NY Binghamton 1/2 1700 Fair; "Binghamton's home for CBS Sports Radio and the Jim Rome Show weekdays from noon to 3, you're listening to CBS Sports Radio 1360 AM WYOS Binghamton, and now streaming online at 1360 Binghamton dot com." (BC-NH)
 - +++ 12/21 2150 CBS Sports Radio feed, mixing with Fox Sports radio, dominant with 500 watts night power. **(TF-NH)**
- **WSAI** OH Cincinnati 12/23 1800 Alone on frequency with "This is Fox Sports Cincinnati WSAI" ToH ID and promo for iHeart Radio app into Fox Sports talk about NBA season tip-off. (MKB-ON)
 - +++ 12/21 2105 Fox Sports Radio feed, football talk, mostly over WDRC, only Fox Sports station listed on 1360 in the Log (other than 34 watt KBKB and KLSD in San Diego). New for me. (TF-NH)
- **1370 WDEA ME Ellsworth** 12/31 0058 Fair, with "Alfie" by Dionne Warwick, then recorded ID "AM 13-70 WDEA" at 00:59:27. No mention of city of license. Then straight into "Yesterday's Songs" buy Neil Diamond. Rolled through into 2021 with no break. **(BT-PEI)**
 - WFEA NH Manchester 12/31 0505 End of CBS news, ads for Ray Reynolds webinar and Newsmax TV. ID as "From Grimard Financial Studios, this is WFEA" into Red Eye Radio talk show. Alone on frequency. (LB-NY)
- **1380 WPHM MI Port Huron** 12/31 0711 Under CKPC groundwave with local weather "on News, Talk and Sports 1380 WPHM". **(MKB-ON)**

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ME Presque Isle – 12/31 0058 – Excellent signal with last moments of the Patrick Madrid show, which ran through the midnight hour until 16 seconds after, then about 5 seconds of dead air where the ID presumably should have been. Then "With Relevant Radio news I'm Mary Gramm..." and no mention of the passage of the hour. In the dead air gap there was "Show Me The Way" by Peter Frampton but no ID of the station underneath. (BT-PEI)

- **WLAN PA Lancaster** 12/30 2100 Weak signal, in SS with ID for "WLAN AM and FM 100.5, Rumba 1390", into more Spanish music. 18 watts night power successfully straining to reach NH. **(TF-NH)**
- **1400 WSTC** CT Stamford 12/25 0720 Steady signal with NPR Morning Edition, full ID at 0758. //WSHU 91.1 FM. (LB-NY)
 - WLTN NH Littleton 12/26 0643 "Welcome to Oldies 1400, WLTN, Littleton's first radio station" by man, almost in the clear, then immediately faded. (GL-NH)
 - CBG NL Gander 12/31 0058 Excellent here, with CBC network programming and into news at midnight ELT. (BT-PEI)
- **1410 WDOV DE Dover** 12/15 1631 No call letters, but mentions of "Delaware" and "Dover" under local WHAG, then into Hannity show. **(STB-MD)**
 - WHLN KY Harlan 12/27 0541 Garbled call sign ID at this time. "1410 WHLN" ID at 0549 followed by "She Drives Me Crazy" by the Fine Young Cannibals. Coming in decently at times. (JW-PA)
- **1420** WLIS CT Old Saybrook 12/18 1723 Atop the frequency at 1716, but no ID until "WLIS, WMRD" at 1723. (STB-MD)
 - WKCW VA Warrenton 12/26 0716 James Taylor's "How Sweet It Is (To Be Loved By You)", then "There's only one station in Northern Virginia for classic hits WKCW" by man, into "Lonely Boy" by Andrew Gold. By 1718, fading out into WNRS and others. (GL-NH)
- 1430 WNSW NJ Newark 12/18 1725 Numerous mentions of "Relevant Radio" but no call letters. Finally heard enough chatter to match WNSW's stream at 1748. (STB-MD)
 - +++ 12/26 2240 "Relevant Radio" Catholic programming. Poor considering how close they are to my QTH. (LB-NY)
 - WENE NY Endicott 12/21 0319 Presumed with Fox Sports programming, no call sign ID but announcing at this time the station was on 1430 and broadcasting to Binghamton. (JW-PA)
 - +++ $-12/18\,1743$ Weakest of the three stations fighting it out with CHKT and WNSW. In sports talk about Larry Bird and James Harden; matched online stream at 1743. (STB-MD)
 - +++ 12/31 0058 Good, with ads from AARP and AD Council, then "1430, Binghamton's sports station, WENE Endicott," and mention of iHeart. Then sports news with a Green Bay Packers' injury leading the news. No mention of 2021 arriving. (BT-PEI)
 - WTNA PA Altoona 12/20 1706 Christmas music, "Your official Christmas station, Toona 14-30 and 99-7," good and atop. (DY-VA)
 - WKEX VA Blacksburg 12/22 0318 Variety of rock and roll hits simulcasted from WZFM 101.3. "Nothing's Going To Stop Us Now", "Hurts So Good", and "Papa Was a Rolling Stone" preceded "Classic Hits 101.3 in Blacksburg" slogan. (JW-PA)
 - CHKT ON Toronto 12/18 1738 Chinese talk with mentions of Canada. Matched CHKT's stream, about 30 seconds delayed. (STB-MD)
- **1440 WRED ME Westbrook** 12/31 0058 Fair, with "WRED Portland" ID at ToH and into sports news // WENE. **(BT-PEI)**
 - **WVEI MA Worcester** 12/26 2300 Raiders football broadcast, WVEI ID on the hour. Fading in and out, mixing with WCDL. **(LB-NY)**
 - WHKZ OH Warren 12/28 1800 Second day in a row heard on this frequency with many mentions of "Relevant Radio" but no call letters. "First Word in News from the Vatican and around the world" at ToH. Recent DX News reporters have said WHKZ's slogan is "The Word." (STB-MD)
 - WCDL PA Carbondale 12/28 1651 "The Mothership...in northeast Pennsylvania" slogan followed by oldies over unidentified SS station (WMVB in Millsville, NJ?). Mention of "14-00, WICK" [WCDL's sister station] and of Scranton, Honesdale, and Clarks Summit, followed by "where no other station will go, The Mothership, WICK" at 1701. (STB-MD)
 - +++ 12/26 2310 Oldies. ID'ed as WICK, its // station on 1400. (LB-NY)

- **1540 KXEL IA Waterloo** 12/24 0500 Over/under CHIN; "News/Talk 1540 KXEL Waterloo-Cedar Falls-Cedar Rapids," and Fox news. **(BC-NH)**
 - CHIN ON Toronto 12/31 0059 Good, with promos and ads through the top of the hour, and finally, 30 seconds late, "...You're listening to CHIN Radio AM 1540, the voice of multicultural Toronto, bringing you the latest updates on COVID-19..." and eventually into an episode of "Dragnet," beginning with a Chesterfield cigarettes ad. (BT-PEI)
- **ON Windsor** 12/31 0059 Poor to only a fair signal, but no mistaking the telltale ICI Radio Canada news sounder at midnight. **(BT-PEI)**
- 1560 WFME NY New York 12/31 2359 Good, with piano music to 0059, then "Hear the Word, family radio, with WFME New York." Then a promo to assist listeners who might lose the signal due to "circumstances beyond our control." The app was promoted, as well as other listening options. No mention of 2021 arriving. (BT-PEI)
- **1570 WVTL NY Amsterdam** 12/31 0409 Complete ID perfectly in the clear into C&W music. Deep fade. Second "1570 WVTL" ID at 0417. **(LB-NY)**
- WYTL 1570 AM CLASSIC COUNTRY RADIO 104.7 FM +++ 0001 including their 104.7 simulcaster. Mentions of Amsterdam, etc. This would be quite a catch for me at their listed 204W nighttime power. New. (BT-PEI)
- **1580 WVOK AL Oxford** 12/21 1759 Briefly on top with old Billy Joel song, ID "AM 15-80 WVOK, Oxford, Anniston, a Warner Broadcasting Company", then faded down into jumble. **(DM-PA)**
 - WNYG NY Patchogue 12/24 0459 Good, over CKDO; open carrier, then canned ID, "You're listening to Cantico Nuevo Ministry, 1580 AM WNYG Patchogue, New York, and rebroadcasting at 96.5 FM W243BF Shirley, New York," and more dead air. (BC-NH)
 - **CKDO ON Oshawa** 12/31 2358 Fair, already playing Auld Lang Syne at 2358 beginning of my capture. Then ID of "Daryl Maclean's Beach Party" at ToH and into "Wasn't That a Party" by the (Irish) Rovers. Didn't hear a legal ID, but unmistakable by content. **(BT-PEI)**
- MD Maugansville 12/29 0736 Preacher telling the story of the three magi, then mention of "The Calvary Hour", several religious songs, an ad from the Christian Law Association telling pastors they need to be careful "when allegations are read to the congregation at large", more music. Then, just as the previously strong signal deeply faded, a faint ID at the top of the hour: "WHGT is a ministry of …" by man. // FBN stream. (GL-NH)
 - WBHN NC Bryson City 12/22 1800 Suddenly faded up with announcement: "the following is a presentation of the Tarheels Sports Network" and into coverage of UNC v. NC State basketball before fading back down. This is the only UNC network station on 1590 so presume it was them. (DM-PA)
 - WPSN PA Honesdale 12/29 0727 Hugh Hewitt show, ads for "Radio Bold" smartphone app from Bold Gold Media Group (which owns WPSN, among others), Honesdale National Bank and a healthcare practice mentioning the "Lakes Region". Fair amid QRM with some fading. (GL-NH)
 - WARV RI Warwick 12/31 2358 Fair, weak audio despite decent signal, almost like there was an open carrier on top. A promo for the Army National guard, followed by "Life Changing Radio, 15-90 Radio AM, WARV, Warwick-Providence..." (BT-PEI)
- **1600 WUNR MA Brookline** 12/31 2359 Good, presumed with man talking in Spanish right through the hour. **(BT-PEI)**
 - WUCT TN Algood 12/22 0459 Weak but on top with local Covid-related news including mentions of Putnam County and the Cookeville Regional Medical Center. "Newstalk 94.1" slogan but no call ID. (DM-PA)
- **1610 CHHA ON Toronto** 12/31 0058 Fair to good, with distinctive steel drum sounder at 2358:32, then "in your car, at home, anywhere, or wherever you're listening from....CHHA 1610 AM, radio Voces Latinas..." then into promos and music that crossed over the hour. **(BT-PEI)**
- **1660 WBCN** NC Charlotte 12/29 1701 "Fox Sports Radio" alternating atop the channel with unneeded WWRU. Matched WBCN's "live" stream, which was about a minute delayed. (STB-MD)
- **1690 WPTX** MD Lexington Park 12/31 0417 "1690 WPTX" ID into "Let Me Be There", ads for State Farm Insurance, auto parts store and PSA to join the Scouts in southern

Maryland. "Streaming online 1690 WPTX.com" promo at 0443 into "I Don't Want to Live Without You" and "Lady is a Tramp." (LB-NY)

ON Toronto – 12/24 0701 – Greek music, several notes of Jingle Bells", followed by full ID in EE by female: "You're listening to CHTO, AM 1690. Visit our website at www.am1690.ca", then into Greek. Fair to poor with deep fades. (LB-NY)

Des Moines – 12/31 0600 – Through WRCR open carrier; "KBGG Des Moines, a 1700 KBGG Cumulus station." (BC-NH)

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Report your verifications to the NRC eGroup and they will appear here, or send them directly to me at the above address. Next deadline: 03/20/21 1 PM PLT. pb

560 KSFO CA, San Francisco. Prepared card in 27 days, unsigned. Third try since 2005. (MF-

WA, Pasco. PPC in 21 days. V/s illegible. (JW-CO) 870 KFLD

920 KVIN CA, Ceres. Email in 2 days, v/s Doug Wulff, Music Director/Co-owner/ Operations Manager. Also included station log matching my report. (MF-CA)

1030 KVOI AZ, Cortaro. Prepared form letter in 28 days and note, v/s Ray. Also included bumper sticker. (MF-CA)

1110 KLIB CA, Roseville. Prepared card in 40 days, v/s Rosario De la Torre, General Manager, (MF-CA)

KBND OR, Bend. Email in 12 days and prepared card in 11 days, v/s Frank Bonacquisti, Program Director. (MF-CA)

MT, Shelby. DX Test pdf QSL received in 40 days for Email report to 1150 KSEN les@highnoonfilm.com. To see the QSL go to the USA section of www.kg4lac.com. (KK-VA)

> Email verification certificate in 40 days, v/s Les Rayburn, Joe Miller, Paul Walker Jr, CPC. (MF-CA) also (pb-WA)

1420 KTAN AZ, Sierra Vista. Prepared card in 15 days, v/s Grady Butler, Operations Manager.

1460 WEEN **TN**, Lafayette. Prepared QSL received in 1 day for Email report to Ivon Davis, Station Engineer wlct@nctc.com. To see the QSL go to the USA section of www.kg4lac.com. (KK-VA)

MO, St Joseph. PPC in 20 days. V/s Doug Schmitz, G.M. (JW-CO) 1550 KESI

Phil Bytheway – Seattle WA (pb-WA) **Martin Foltz** – Mission Viejo CA (MF-CA) Kraig Krist – Manassas VA (KK-VA) John Wilkins – Wheat Ridge CO (JW-CO)

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Wayne Heinen – Aurora CO

Once again, I jumped ahead and my logs for December 25 & 26 looking for WCPH-1220 DX Test went to Bill Hale. My tentative WCPH logging and more are in DDXD-W. Picking up in November 11/20 on "KWOR Worland AM 1340 & 104.7 FM" added a tape for the collection in the quiet automation malfunction of KDCO at 0600. Later at 1900 KHGG-1580 "You're listening to the Sports Hog 1580 AM and 103.5 FM" and off to a College FB game. 11/21 Up briefly over KRNT at 2000 "106.5" and AM 1350 WCMP Pine City" and then in the null of KLTT-670 "CBS Sports Radio 670 the Score" added WSCR at 2359. 11/25 out of NOS "KYBC Cottonwood AM 1600..." to USA Radio News, this one was new for me and taped. 11/26 0100 "AM 1340 KCQL..." KDCO's bad automation has been good to me this season but that has all come to an end with the sale of the station to El Sembrador Radio and 24/7 SS:REL, so far, the automation seems fixed. Now I've moved from 473 last time to 511 logged with a total of 13 new ones for the season. Jumped to January 1 & 2 for another shot at WCPH-1220 and got some good copy on the code, not in the log yet I'll wait my QSL from the CPC. I trust everyone had a Happy New Year and we can all look forward to a better 2021! See you next time and Good DX 73!

Domestic DX Digest – West

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in the Central, Mountain, Pacific, Alaska, and Hawaii-Aleutian time zones – All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT)

Please submit all reports in the format seen below. Send either within an email, or as an attachment in plain text or RTF. No Excel, Word or PDF documents, please. All times are Eastern Local Time (ELT)!! In some instances, minor editing may occur. Remember, this column reports DX Achievements and is not a platform for political or social commentary/remarks. Your cooperation is much appreciated. Reports older than 30 days may be excluded at the editor's discretion.

Please observe the upcoming deadlines for DDXD-West: Issue 9: January 15; Issue 10: January 30.

--- REPORTERS ---

- SMA-MB Shawn Axelrod Winnipeg, Manitoba Receivers: ICOM IC-R70 / Drake R8 / SDRPlay RSPduo Antennae: 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
- NB-WI Neil Bartlett Mount Horeb, Wisconsin Eton Elite Field
- **SD-MN Skip Dabelstein KØSBV Maple Grove, Minnesota** Icom R75 and Drake SW8 Receivers, Ratzlaff Active Whip and Radio Plus Quantum Loop Antennas
- MF-CA Martin Foltz Mission Viejo, California HQ-180A & 75 foot wire; Sony SRF-M37W [Martin adds: "Ended 2020 with 24 new stations heard".
- KDF-IL Karl D. Forth Chicago, Illinois Hammarlund HQ-160, Masterwork M-502, Sangean DT-200VX
- **WH-CO Wayne Heinen Aurora, Colorado** SDRPlay RSP2Pro, E/W Flag, N/S Flag TG-1 Termination Gizmo and WA1ION/Quantum Phaser
- MJ-QRO Mike Jeziorski Juriquilla, Queretaro, Mexico ICF-2010
- **TK-FL** Terry Krueger Niceville, Florida IC-R75, NRD-535, ICF-7600GR, active loop, random wire, miscellaneous junk
- MN-KY Mike Newland Morgantown, Kentucky ICOM IC-7300 and 450 foot terminated beverage at 30 degrees
- **JN-TX James Niven Cedar Creek, Texas** Receivers: ELAD S2, Perseus SDR and Drake R8B Antennas: DKAZ 120°, DKAZ 60° and DKAZ 310°
- JP-AB Jon Pearkins Edmonton, Alberta Sangean PR-D15, HDR-18 barefoot and CCRadio 2E, all barefoot
- **JJR-MI John J Rieger L'Anse, Michigan** Grundig Satellit 750 -Terk AM1000 loop, Sangean ATS-909X stock (The Terk loop can/does phase the Grundig antenna)
- **BT-AL Bryan Turner Athens, Alabama** :a Airspy HF+ Discovery and approximately 66 foot wire; :b Tecsun PL-880; :c Panasonic RF-2200 & Select-a-Tenna
- JW-CO John Wilkins Wheat Ridge, Colorado Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop

<u>---DX Tests---</u>

- **TN** Etowah 12/26 0159 Day power test, up just before 0200 with lady: "This is WCPH . . . test sponsored by the International Radio Club of America . . .", then a long cycle of Morse IDs, sweep and 1000 Hz tones, John Philip Sousa's 'Hands Across the Sea', iPhone xylophone and analog ring tones, busy tones, closing ID and ending a few seconds before 0400. Good to, at times, almost excellent level. (TK-FL)
- **1220 WCPH TN Etowah 12/26 0200-0400 –** Tentative A few tentative snippets of code copy mixed with local KLDC and KKDR Oakes, ND. Taped report off to CPC for verification. **(WH-CO)**
- **TN** Etowah 12/26 0200 With step tones, Morse Code at two different speeds with "V V V de WCPH", phone off the hook sound and phone ringing. Noted oldies station with The Beatles' 'Paperback Writer' underneath. Quite readable and peaking to good at times. DX Test. New. (JN-TX)
- 1220 WCPH TN Etowah 1/2 0106 DX Test fair under CFAJ, KDDR and WLPO. Heard with CW ID: "VVV VVV de WCPH WCPH WCPH" followed by sweep tones. (SD-MN)



--- NOTABLE ---

1560 WFME NY New York – 12/22 1759 – Religious programming into Top-of-Hour ID: "This is Family Radio 1560, WFME New York. Due to circumstances beyond our control you may have trouble tuning in to WFME". The announcer then proceeded to advise listeners to sign up for their APP or tune to their FM station on 106.3. (SD-MN)

---UNIDS---

- 910 UNID 12/20 0630 BBC-ish time sounders poking through the cacophony of stations. (TK-FL)
- 1220 UNID

 -12/26 0400 After the WCPH test concluded, someone with Oldies and Oldies Christmas vocals, beginning with Booker T & the MG's 'Green Onions', Gilbert O'Sullivan's 'Get Down', Brenda Lee with 'Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree' and Perry Como singing 'Home For the Holidays'. At fair-to-good level on peaks. WCPH continuing with regular programming after the test, or someone else? WCPH stream was broken. (TK-FL)
- **1260 UNID 12/27 0428** Christian talk, 'Relevant Radio' promos, back to Christian talk. Surfaced briefly. LOB is roughly NNE, so, is it WSDZ Belleville, Illinois, or WQOF Washington, DC? **(TK-FL)**
- **1260 UNID 12/27 1849** Someone in the mix with FOX Sports, local breaks mentioning "104-1 FM" but no FM or translator spotted with a 1260 AM FSN affiliate. WNDE Indianapolis, maybe? **(TK-FL)**

--- DX LOGGINGS ---

- **540 WXYG MN Sauk Rapids 12/31 0949** Poor, with "... not the same 200 songs. Deep and wide, Album Rock WXYG". No CBK. (**JJR-MI**)
- 540 WAUK WI Jackson 12/22 1857 Pre-game for the Boca Raton Bowl Game between Central Florida and BYU into Top-of-Hour ID: "This is WAUK Jackson, WGKB Waukesha and W269DL Milwaukee. ESPN Radio for Milwaukee lives here". (SD-MN)
- 550 KFYR ND Bismarck 12/22 0705 Poor, with news story about a drive-by shooting in Bismarck, then other North Dakota news. Lost to WSAU. (JJR-MI)
- **560 KMON MT Great Falls 1/1 0826 –** Poor, in fade up: "Legendary 560 KMON, playing Classic Country songs". (JJR-MI)
- **NY Syracuse 12/22 1828 –** ID: "News at the top and the bottom of each hour, News Radio 570 WSYR", then into the 'Sean Hannity Program'. (SD-MN)
- 580 KJMJ LA Alexandria 12/20 1758 Soft Christian vocal, woman canned "You're listening to Radio Maria USA . . . and in Louisiana, KJMJ . . ." within very long ID string of calls/cities, seemingly all affiliates, at least regionally. (TK-FL)
- **WCHS** WV Charleston 12/26 2320 End of Cure Bowl football game between Coastal Carolina and Liberty followed by a program promotional announcement for Kim Komando: "Saturday mornings beginning at 10 on the Voice of Charleston, WCHS", then a program announcement for the Liberty Bowl between Army and West Virginia "... on 104.5, 96.5, and 580, WCHS". (SD-MN)
- 600 WMT IA Cedar Rapids 1/1 1930 ID heard underneath WREC. (MN-KY)
- **600 WREC TN Memphis 1/1 1924 –** Ad for 'Edelmans Financial Engine' at **1924** followed by skin care ad at **1925**. Mark Levin show at **1926**. No ID at BOH. I-Heart Radio mentioned at **1933**. Suspected WREC and verified by internet simulcast on the WREC I-Heart app. **(MN-KY)**
- 610 KVNU UT Logan 12/25 1900 "The Voice of Northern Utah, KVNU Logan" to ABC News. (WH-CO)
- **620 KMNS IA Sioux City 12/25 1742 –** Poor, with ads for 'Sleep Number Bed' and 'Quick-Trip', then "Minnesota Vikings on FOX Sports 620 KMNS". **(JJR-MI)**
- **620 WRJZ TN Knoxville 12/31 1715 –** Fair-to-poor, with ID: "Joy 620 WRJZ", into political discussion. Improved reception at **1739** with review of 2020 and famous persons who passed away during the year (Fox News Radio). **(MN-KY)**
- **WTMJ** WI Milwaukee 12/31 1834 ID, then discussion about upcoming Packers- Bears NFL game. Underneath WRJZ. Took phone call at 1838. ID at 1901: "Your source for the Packers, Brewers and Bucks, News Radio WTMJ", then to news at 1901. First time to hear WTMJ. (MN-KY)
- 630 KYFI MO St. Louis 12/28 0000 ID, SRN News. (BT-AL:a -)

- **630 CHED AB Edmonton 12/26 0900 "**From all of us at 630 Ched . . . minus seven degrees" and "ched". News. Local KHOW rarely off. First new log on 630 since 1984! New for me and taped. **(WH-CO)**
- **630 CHED AB Edmonton 12/31 0820** Poor, with WREY nulled. Story about a host retiring after 50 years at 630 Ched. **(JJR-MI)**
- **660 WMIC** MI Sandusky 12/22 0841 Poor, with '?? Cellular' in Bad Axe and Sandusky followed by obituaries. July-like DX. (JJR-MI)
- **660 KCRO** NE Omaha 12/22 0742 Poor, with "Dr. J. Vernon McGee", per site. No CFFR today. WBHR later. (JJR-MI)
- **660 CFFR AB Calgary 12/31 0841** Poor, with mention of 'EastSideDodge.com'. "Be safe Calgary, 6-60 Newstime 6:41". Alone. **(JJR-MI)**
- **670 KHGZ AR Glenwood 12/29 0712** Poor, with 'Heartaches by the Number' followed by "Caddo Country". In WSCR null. (**JJR-MI**)
- 680 KKGR MT East Helena 12/19 0010-0018 Mostly 90s Light Rock with "KGR" weather forecast at 0017:40. Completely eliminating any sign of KNBR, but occasionally buried by CJOB despite best efforts to null them. KKGR is a 5 kW non-directional daytimer that was on at night for almost a week and was first reported 12/17. (JP-AB) [They have two translators that operate 24 hours, but their 'operators' must not know how to trip the switch on the 5 kW rig. Gone are the days of a responsible, full-time engineer for most of the stations Ed]
- **690 KFXN MN Minneapolis 12/22 0841** Poor, but Hmong chanting coming through. Not that common. **(JJR-MI)**
- 700 KSEV TX Tomball 12/20 2100 Conservative talk and misheard ID. Poor. Texas #29. (MJ-QRO)
- 740 KRMG OK Tulsa 12/25 1900 Weak, with "KRMG" call ID and FOX News. Under KVOR. (WH-CO)
- **740 WDGY WI Hudson 1/1 0901 –** Poor, with 'I'm a Man' by The Yardbirds. Calls through CBX! CFZM mostly gone. (JJR-MI)
- **AB** Edmonton 1/1 0902 Poor, with "I'm . . . CBC News, Montreal" in newscast. 630 Ched not in though. (JJR-MI)
- 740 CFZM ON Toronto 12/19 0530 Ending of the J Geils Band's 'Centerfold' into The Pretenders' 'Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas', then a man with canned "Zoomer Radio...the All Night Jukebox" liner into Bruce Hornsby and the Range. Parallel station stream and set list scroll. Minor KTRH co-channel. (TK-FL)
- 750 **WSB** GA Atlanta 12/26 0000 "News... WSB Atlanta", mixing with KAMA and CKJH. (WH-CO)
- **750 WNDZ IN Portage 12/31 0816 –** Poor, through CKJH, with Legal ID (as such) in sign-on. (JJR-MI)
- **780 WJAG** NE Norfolk 12/25 1738 "News Talk 780 and FM 105.9 WJAG" followed by Christmas music. Poor, in WBBM null. (JJR-MI)
- **790 WKRD KY Louisville 12/30 1948 –** NBC's 'That's Entertainment' into PSA for 'SIPC', an ad for 'Bowman Roofing', a promo for 'Best of 2020 Podcast' and ID: "Listen to the Afternoon Underdogs, Tony and Dave, on 790 KRD". **(SD-MN)**
- **790 WNIS VA Norfolk 12/19 0620** "AM 790, WNIS" into something talk with a "FOX News" mention. **(TK-FL)**
- **800 WSVS VA Crewe 12/19 0623 –** Someone with a Country version of 'White Christmas' into 'Coal Miner's Daughter' by Loretta Lynn. Parallel station stream. **(TK-FL)**
- **800 CJAD QC Montreal 12/25 0734** Poor- though solid, with "The Voice of Montreal, CJAD 800. Next news at eight." **(JJR-MI)**
- **820 WBKK** MN Wilton 12/26 0821 Poor, with Catholic chatter. Assumed. CHAM was in yesterday during SRS. (JJR-MI)
- 830 WCCO MN Minneapolis 12/13 0638 Vaccine discussion with Dr. Faucci on "The Takeout with Major Garrett"; Medical PSAs; CBS News promo and I.D. Faded out briefly. Back with 'Pet Cremation' ad; station promo. (BT-AL:b)
- 830 WTRU NC Kernersville 12/19 0635 Preacher with alleged meaning of the 'Star of Bethlehem'. (TK-FL)
- **830 WQZQ TN Goodlettsville 12/28 2111 –** Heard songs that matched stream. Signal even with WCCO. Checked back later at **2300** and heard with ID: "WQZQ Goodlettsville-Nashville, 93.3", absolutely killing WCCO. New one here. **(KDF-IL)**
- **NE West Point 12/21 0847 –** Ag news, then two fertilizer spots, then country music, all part of "The Morning Show. Heard a couple of IDs as: "840 Country and Classic Country 98.3 FM". Fair-to-good after powering up at **0845**. **(JW-CO)**

- 840 CFCW AB Camrose 12/21 0843 Weather, sponsored by 'Circle K', then a "CFCW" singing ID and Country music. Fair at best, and then covered by KTIC power-up at 0845. (JW-CO)
- 860 KKOW KS Pittsburg 12/30 1743 Poor, with "860 AM KKOW and 97-5 FM in Joplin". Through CJBC. (JJR-MI)
- 870 KFJZ TX Fort Worth 12/25 1902 Out of SS Religious music with "Radio Vida" slogan. New for me and taped. (WH-CO)
- 870 KFLD WA Pasco 12/25 1900 Up briefly, with "KFLD" call ID. (WH-CO)
- **880 WRFD OH Columbus-Worthington 12/22 1659 –** With AM-FM ID, then gone right at **1700**. Very strong signal. Has large coverage area both on 23,000 Watt day power and critical hours setup. **(KDF-IL)**
- **880 WMDB TN Nashville 12/19 0645 –** Ranchera vocal, lady "¡La Ranchera!" slogan between XE-tunes. **(TK-FL)**
- 900 WGOK AL Mobile 12/29 1802 Very weak, but caught ID. (BT-AL:a)
- 900 CKBI SK Prince Albert 12/31 0814 Poor, with "Saskatchewan Country CKBI" after Country song. No CHML. (JJR-MI)
- 910 WFDF MI Famington Hills 12/28 0000 'Air Fryer' commercial, ID with location as "Farmington Hills Detroit". (BT-AL:a)
- 910 WSRP NC Jacksonville 12/19 0749 Mexi-tunes, "¡La Grande!" slogan by man between songs. Faded, allowing others on the channel to poke through, then resurfaced until all faded well post-sunrise. New one for me, I think. (TK-FL)
- 910 WJCW TN Johnson City 12/19 0758 FOX News promo, ID, into -- of all things -- FOX News. Quickly faded out. (TK-FL)
- 910 WEPG TN South Pittsburg 12/19 0821 Two local redneck guys bantering about college football. At times briefly near local level followed by nearly total fades. Break at bottom of hour with a couple of local spots, then "The River, 104.9, WEPG" and back to the babbling dudes. Parallel station stream. New one for me. Oddly, no trace of WZMG, Pepperell, Alabama. Had to map this town out: near Chattanooga. (TK-FL)
- 930 KSDN SD Aberdeen 12/22 0758 Poor but alone. '605' area codes in ads, one for 'Harr Redfield Ford'. "On NewsTalk 930 KSDN". (JJR-MI)
- 940 WCPC MS Houston 12/29 0900 Very weak, but caught ID. (BT-AL:a)
- 940 CFNV QC Montreal 12/25 1718 Poor, but atop, with FF chatter and music. CBM in its day was so much stronger! (JJR-MI)
- **950 WNTD IL Chicago 12/28 0000** ID, News from the Vatican and around the world. Slogan: "Relevant Radio". **(BT-AL:a)**
- 950 WORD SC Spartanburg 12/28 2000 Overly dramatic Westwood One ID, multiple station ID, Westwood One football. (BT-AL:a)
- 950 CFAM MB Altona 12/26 0759 Fair, with Classical Music, "CFAM Classics 'til Dawn". WWJ in later. (JJR-MI)
- 960 WLPR AL Prichard 12/29 1800 Gospel music, ID with Radio 950 location as "Prichard Mobile", SRN News. (BT-AL:a)

 960 KLTE MN Little Falls 12/25 0831 Man saving: "for news and information AN
- 960 KLTF MN Little Falls 12/25 0831 Man saying: "... for news and information, AM 960 KLTF Little Falls" and into ads. Soon faded. (JW-CO)
- 960 KLAD OR Klamath Falls 12/19 & 20 2339-0006 'Beavers Sports Network', Arizona State vs. Beavers football game; ID at 0006: "... the Basin's sports leader". Poor, mixing with CFAC. (MF-CA)
- 970 KCFO OK Tulsa 12/26 0500 Program note: "Right here on KCFO". (WH-CO)
- 980 KSVC UT Richfield 12/27 2311 CBS Sports Radio program, 'Gresh Show', nice ID at 2312, In strong, with local KFWB. (MF-CA)
- 980 WPFP WI Park Falls 12/30 1003 Poor, with 'Heaven is a Place on Earth' by Belinda Carlisle, then Legal ID for AM translator. With others. (JJR-MI)
- 990 WNML TN Knoxville 12/28 0000 ID mixed with several stations. "You're listening to the flagship station for University of Tennessee Sports". (BT-AL:a)
- 990 KWAM TN Memphis 12/29 0900 ID played twice, "townhall.com" news. (BT-AL:a)
- **1000 WMVP** IL Chicago 12/27 0859 With mentions of "ESPN 1000" at 0900, "The home of the White Sox . . . WMVP". Fighting it out with three other stations, peaking to good at times. New. A good morning hearing two new stations on the same frequency. (JN-TX)
- 1000 WHNY TN Paris 12/27 0847 With commercial for 'Antique Furniture' at 23 Eastwood Street in Paris. Noted earlier with Country music (Ronnie Millsap). Peaking fair-to-good levels. Noted at 0849 with male with canned ID: ". . . 97.5, your home for Real Country", then back into Country music. New. (JN-TX)

- **TX** Marion 12/26 1759 With Spanish religious programming, then male in EE: "You are listening to KBIB 1000 kilo-Hertz, Marion, Texas". Peaking fair-to-good signal at times. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 1010 KSIR CO Brush 12/26 0817 Very poor, through WPCN/others. "KSIR, Best of Dave Ramsey . . .". (JJR-MI)
- **1010 WJXL FL Jacksonville Beach– 12/26 1758 –** With sports talk. Mentioned Jacksonville Jaguars, along with call letters. Fair-to-good signal. Relog. **(JN-TX)**
- **1010 WJXL FL Jacksonville Beach 12/29 1800** Sports news, law firm ad, ID, sports talk show with two women. **(BT-AL:a)**
- **1010 WHFS FL Seffner 12/27 1900 –** With station peaking on top of the jumble with male saying: "WHFS WGYK-FM HD2 . . . 92.1 FM W221DW Tampa". Peaking to fair signal. New. **(JN-TX)**
- **ON Toronto 12/13 0613 –** Traffic; Weather (-1°C); PSAs for 'Carbon Monoxide', 'Salvation Army' and 'Toronto COVID'. Ad for a florist. Charley Pride's 'Kiss an Angel Good Morning' and news of his death. CTV vaccine story (Could not receive CFRX on 6070 kHz) **(BT-AL:b)**
- 1020 KCKN NM Roswell 12/19 0457 Radio Visión Cristiana net feed with Spanish contemporary Christian vocal dumped for music bed with Spanish preacher atop and lots of palabra, nombre, gracias a Dios mentions. English man with canned multi-station non-legal ID just after top-of-hour (calls/frequency/city order -- but hey, they at least finally dropped 530 kHz Turks & Caicos from the roster), then back to seemingly the same Spanish preacher over music. KDKA easily snuffed. First log of this one from this location. It was an occasional visitor in my former Clearwater, Florida location, before it went silent. Easiest New Mexico from east of the muddy river, if your 1020 kHz is free. (TK-FL) [I dunno 'bout that. I heard (at the time) KOB-770 on a cold February morning in 1973. It was at 0920 ELT (just after their switch to their 50 kW day operation) while living just south of you in Shalimar, Florida Ed.])
- 1020 KCKN NM Roswell 12/29 0758 SS leading into long string of Legal IDS. Not heard in while. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- 1030 KVOI AZ Cortaro 12/27 0600 In the jumble of three to four stations. Male with mention of clear "KVOI" call letters rises up. Fair signal. New. Arizona #16. (JN-TX)
- 1030 WGSF TN Memphis 12/29 0900 Spanish-language station; caught ID. (BT-AL:a)
- **1040 CKST BC Vancouver 1/1 0856 –** Very poor, with "TSN Year In Review". WHO nulled. Steady. Only West Coaster in. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1050 WFAM GA Augusta 12/28 2000 ID dug out of several stations. (BT-AL:a)
- 1050 KMIS MO Portageville 12/27 0849 With promotion for FSR show "The Odd Couple . . . on KMIS", then mention to go to 'foxsports.com'. Signal was peaking to fair at times. Mixed with R&B station. Missouti #33. New. (JN-TX)
- **1050 KXCA OK Lawton 12/27 0835** With male: "... the best of heart and soul these days in the prime time ... on are heart and soul 93.7 ... favorite old time station ... ", then female with commercial. Fair signal. Oklahoma #41. New. **(JN-TX)**
- **1050 KGTO OK Tulsa 12/27 0904** With R&B music. . . with male at **0905** with quick liner as: "Heart & Soul 99.1 & 1050", then back into female vocals with R&B music. Fair signal, under another station. Nice to log both Oklahoma stations on this same frequency. Oklahoma #42. New. **(JN-TX)**
- 1060 WKNG GA Tallapoosa 12/29 0900 ID, FOX News. (BT-AL:a)
- 1070 WNVY FL Cantonment 12/29 1800 Promos for religious shows, ID, 'Grace in Focus'. (BT-AL:a-)
- 1080 WQOS FL Coral Gables 12/30 0700 Caught ID. Mixing with several stations. (BT-Al:a-)
- 1080 WKJK KY Louisville 12/28 0000 'Shelter Pet' PSA, ID, CBS News. (BT-AL:a)
- **AR** Little Rock 12/20 0252 Occasionally fairly strong, presumed to be the old style Country or Southern Gospel music, with antenna SSE under KFNQ and over XEPRS. Their STA was recently extended to run 12,500 Watts non-directional at night, which makes them somewhat viable, but they may well have been accidentally running their 50 kW day power, though I have heard them twice previously in recent months. **(IP-AB)**
- **1090 KAAY AR Little Rock 12/29 1800 –** Gospel Music, ID, news, audio (automation?) problem with sound cutting in and out. **(BT-AL:a -)**
- **1090 WCZZ** SC Greenwood 12/28 2000 ID dug out of several stations. Sounded like urban music. (BT-AL :a -)
- 1110 KFAB NE Omaha 12/20 0800 Man with fast "KFAB, Omaha" into FOX News. (TK-FL)

- 1130 WWBF FL Bartow 12/20 0806 Soft Cell's 'Tainted Love' and man with "WBF 102.9" liner, into Foreigner song. Clobbered by KWKH change to non-DA. (TK-FL)
- 1140 CHRB AB High River 12/26 0838 Poor, with "AM 1140 is everywhere" between Country songs. (JJR-MI)
- **1160 WYLL** IL Chicago 12/28 0000 'Keep the Faith' PSA, ID, 'Keep the Faith Christmas Marathon'. (BT-AL:a -)
- 1160 WSKW ME Skowkegan 12/30 2206 Very poor, with 'Do You Want to Know a Secret?' by The Beatles. In OK, with WYLL nulled. "Legacy 1160 WSKW" // Streema match! Thanks to Michigan DXer. Wrote station. NEW! (JJR-MI)
- **1160 KCTO MO Cleveland 12/31 0901 –** Very poor, then taking over WYLL. Not heard in a while. Radio Maria. SS. (JJR-MI)
- **1170 KFOW MN Waseca 12/29 1658** Good-to-excellent, with road conditions. In null with ID and mentioned affiliation with FOX News. **(NB-WI)**
- 1170 KFAQ OK Tulsa 12/29 0900 "Oklahoma Wesleyan University" mention, ID, "Talk Radio 1170 Instant Update" (news). (BT-AL:a -)
- 1180 WJNT MS Pearl 12/27 1000 ID (gave location as Jackson), FOX News. (BT-AL:a-)
- 1180 KLPF TX Midland 12/26 0900 "Thank you for listening to KLPF Midland" to EWTN programing. (WH-CO)
- **1190 WOWO IN Fort Wayne 12/27 0959 –** Ad for 'Canadian Rockies by Rail Trip'. 'WOWO' ID, FOX News. D Layer must be sleeping late today. **(BT-AL:a-)**
- 1200 WFCN TN Nashville 12/27 0959 "Focal Point Radio", weather, ID, Moody program. (BT-AL:a-)
- **AL** Birmingham 12/26 2356 Surely (don't call me) on 1000 Watts day power and not 75 Watts darkness. Mexi-tunes, man: "¡La Jefa!" slogan dropped after every couple or three songs. First noted 12/24 1818, then briefly good post-sunset with nonstop Mexi-tunes, parallel station website stream. New one for me. (TK-FL)
- **1220 KLPW MO Union 12/26 0229** Wth rock music and male giving ID. Fair-to-good at times. Noted during WCPH DX-Test. Missouri #32. New. **(JN-TX)**
- **1220 WDYT NC Kings Mountain** 12/29 0700 Caught ID. Very weak, mixing with several stations. **(BT-ALa-)**
- 1220 KDDR ND Oakes -12/26 0302 Out of C&W: "AM 1220 KDDR Oakes and FM 95.9". Over KLDC while listening for WCPH. (WH-CO)
- POCK-N-AMERICANA!
- **1220 CJRB MN Boissevain 12/31 0833 –** Poor, with weather, calls and Ag report. In mix of three stations!: this, CFAJ and WHKW. (**JJR-MI**)
- 1230 KFJB IA Marshalltown 12/26 0600 "KFJB Marshalltown" to ABC News. (WH-CO)
- **1230 KMRS MN Morris 1/1 0850** Very poor, with Time Check, weather, 'Covid' stuff, then ". . . here in Morris . . . 1230 KMRS and FM 107.7". (**JJR-MI**)
- **1230 KFUN NM Las Vegas 12/24 0859** Legal ID, which also included 103.7 FM. Fair, in the zoo. (**JW-CO**)
- **1240** KDLR ND Devils Lake 12/25 0906 "The best country ever heard 1240 and 99.7 FM KDLR". Alone, but poor. (JJR-MI)
- **1240 KVSO OK Ardmore 12/25 1900 –** Multi-Station "The Sports Animal" ID to ESPN programing. **(WH-CO)**
- **1250 WZOB** AL Fort Payne 12/26 0802 Man: "Next up is John Anderson here on WZOB" and after that track into Charlie Pride. Good, then rapid fade. (TK-FL)
- **AL** Wetumpka 12/26 0824 Bananarama's 'Cruel Summer' cover, then Casey Kasem announcing "This is AT40's 1984 Countdown", into Huey Lewis & the News with 'Heart & Soul' and Lionel Richie's 'Penny Lover' songs. Very poor, after WZOB faded, and quickly lost. Parallel station streaming. New one for me. **(TK-FL)**
- 1250 KYYS KS Kansas City 12/30 1738 "Super estacion . . . more informacion". I knew the High School Spanish would come in handy one decade! J Very poor. (JJR-MI)
- 1250 CJYE ON Oakville 2/24 1716 Poor, with "Joy Radio" featuring Christmas music. "In Touch' with Dr. Charles Stanley noted later. (JJR-MI)
- 1260 WSDZ IL Belleville 12/28 2000 ID dug out of several stations. (BT-AL:a)
- 1260 KSGF MO Springfield 12/27 0158 Exit of "When Radio Was", then man: "104-1, broadcasting live from the . . . it's one o'clock" into FOX News. Back to "When Radio Was" which is listed as local day/time Saturday 10 pm Sunday 4 am on the station program link. Back to "When Radio Was" with 1940's-era Christmas songs. (TK-FL)
- **1260 KWYR SD Winner 1/1 0806** Poor, though alone. South Dakota temperatures and references in newscast. (**JJR-MI**)

- **1260 WDKN TN Dickson 12/27 0450** Something C&W vocal, then man liner: "101.5 FM and 1260 AM, WDKN". Briefly in, then FOX News which may well have been someone else on a very busy channel. And was this really 18 watts night power? New one for me. Again on 12/27 at **1827** with a` mountain/folk vocal, "101.5" mention and 615 Area Code local business ad, into C&W vocal. **(TK-FL)**
- **1270 WGSV AL Guntersville 12/20 1329** NBC Mystery Movie Theme; 'WGSV' ID with 96.3 FM. "Best of Sean Hannity", 'WGSV ID'; Hannity 'My Pillow' commercial; 'The Money Changers Theme' and 'Pink Panther Theme'. (Somebody likes Mancini theme music!) **(BT-AL:a)**
- **1270 WCMR IN Elkhart 1/1 0843 –** Poor, but cutting through. Satellite-fed "Solid Gospel". Only fit. (JJR-MI)
- **1270 KFAN MN Rochester 12/31 1014 "**The Fan" best and worst of 2020. 'KFAN.com'. Poor, with others. JJR-MI
- **TN** Newport 12/27 0213 Neil Sedaka with 'Oh Carol' into Buffalo Springfield's 'For What It's Worth', then man liner: "FM 97.9 and AM 1270, WLIK, The Smokies Oldies" and then, sadly, Whitney Houston. Suspiciously strong for night power, though from here, the Tennessee valley is amazingly hot. (**TK-FL**)
- **1270 KFLC TX Benbrook 12/27 1822** Spanish fútbol coverage, break with Tu-DN network promos, back to game. Presumably still on 50 kW day power. **(TK-FL)**
- 1280 WODT LA New Orleans 12/29 1800 ID, BIN News. (BT-AL:a)
- 1290 WCHK GA Canton 12/27 0534 Reggaetón and CHR Spanish vocals, screechy lady "¡La Mega!" between tracks and one "¡La Mega, Éxitos!" at excellent level. Really 500 Watts night power and not 10 kW day? (TK-FL)
- 1290 WHKY NC Hickory 12/29 2000 ID dug out of several stations; FOX News. (BT-AL:a)
- 1300 WLXG KY Lexington 12/28 2000 ID dug out of several stations. (BT-AL:a)
- 1300 WOOD MI Grand Rapids 12/28 2000 ID dug out of several stations. (BT-AL:a)
- **1300 KPMI** MN Bemidji 1/1 0923 'Half the Way' by Crystal Gayle, "1300 the Legend KPMI". Very poor, but through WOOD. (JJR-MI)
- **1300 KBRL NE McCook 12/26 0900** "KBRL McCook" ID in the mix. **(WH-CO)**
- **SD** Mobridge 12/16 0115 Poor-to-fair, in local WRDZ null. Heard songs by The Carpenters, Backstreet Boys and The Hollies that matched stream. Did not hear an ID. (KDF-IL)
- **1300 WMTN TN Morristown 12/24 1558 –** Morristown news and "Country Legends 93.3" slogan. At least three stations mixing together. **(BT-AL:c)**
- **1310 KZIP TX Amarillo 12/25 2301 Out** of SS:REL "Radio Vida" ID with a long list affiliates but no mentioning KZIP. Thanks to Rick Dau for help at [nrc-am]. **(WH-CO)**
- **1320 KWHN AR Fort Smith 12/16 0820** News, features, call letter IDs. Signal up and down and mixing with others. **(JW-CO)**
- 1320 KIFM CA West Sacramento 12/22 0859 Legal ID at 0859:50: "KIFM West Sacramento, home for 49'ers football. ESPN 1320, a radio.com sports station, driven by Lashers Elk Grove Dodge". ESPN programming followed, of course. Signal fair-to-good with fading. (JW-CO)
- 1320 WILS MI Lansing 12/20 1634 ID: "1320 WILS", then return to talk show discussing investing. Fair-poor. (MN-KY)
- 1320 WILS MI Lansing 12/26 0800 Faded up with "WILS it's 8 o'clock". (WH-CO)
- **1320 KOZY MN Grand Rapids 12/26 0916** Ads for 'Super One Foods' and 'Deer River Cenex'. "KOZY Sports". No WILS. Poor. (**JJR-MI**)
- 1320 WCOG NC Greensboro 12/30 0700 Ad for 'Hilldale Veterans', ID: "Where the Triad Comes to Talk Sports", college football scores. (BT-AL:a)
- **SD** Sioux Falls 12/27 0910 Poor, with Sunday morning REL: "I grew up in South Dakota . . . am a priest here in Sioux Falls". (JJR-MI)
- 1320 CJMR ON Oakville 12/24 1759 Poor, but replaced WILS, with ETHnic. Assumed. (JJR-MI)
- 1330 KLBS CA Los Banos 12/13 0900 Man with legal ID: "You're listening to KLBS 1330 AM Los Banos". This was followed by a quaint version of "Little Drummer Boy" sung by a child in Portuguese. Fair peaks, fighting it out with others, playing a variety of Portuguese and Christmas music. (JW-CO)
- **1330 WEBY** FL Milton 12/27 1000 Law firm commercial, ESPN / Sports Promo, ID (location given as 'Pensacola'), religious program. (BT-AL:a)
- 1330 WYRD SC Greenville 12/30 0700 'Allstate' ad, ID, Sports. (BT-AL:a)
- **1340 KROC MN Rochester 12/26 0900** Poor, though alone and steady. Live ID for "KROC-AM" and their FM translator, then ABC News. **(JJR-MI)**

- 1350 WWWL LA New Orleans 12/29 1800 R&B music, ID, R&B Music. (BT-AL:a-)
- **1350 WKCU MS Corinth 12/27 0959** ID with slogan "Corinth's Best Country" Several stations mixing, Iowa commercial may have been KRNT. **(BT-AL:a-)**
- 1350 KABQ NM Albuquerque 12/15 0859 Legal ID at 0859:54; not sure what followed. (JW-CO)
- 1350 WZGM NC Black Mountain 12/24 1656 Religious message; station ID/'King Radio Network'; local weather; car dealer commercial. (BT-AL:c-)

 1350 WARE OH Akron 12/29 1805 Good with sports report ID as "FOX"

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- **1350 WARF** OH Akron 12/29 1805 Good, with sports report, ID as "FOX Sports 1350 The Gambler", and Cleveland-area traffic. (KDF-IL)
- 1360 WNAH TN Nashville 12/27 1000 'Brother L.E. Speck, Lebanon, Tennessee' program. ID: "Christian Talk Radio WNAH CLEVELAND Nashville". (BT-AL:a-)
- **1370 KSUM MN Fairmont 12/26 0100** Out of Country tune: "When you want the most Country, pick KSUM Country". Thanks Håkan Sundman for help on the ID on [nrc-am]. **(WH-CO)**
- **1370 KJCE TX Rollingwood- 12/26 0900 "KJCE** Rollingwood . . . HD2 Talk 1370" to infomercial. **(WH-CO)**
- 1380 WAOK GA Atlanta 12/30 0902 ID, Local News. (BT-AL:a)
- 1380 WPYR LA Baton Rouge 12/29 1800 PSA for car donations to charity, announcement that FCC requires them to lower their power causing most people to lose their signal. Suggested WPYR-LP instead (I didn't think you could get a LPFM if you have other stations). (BT-AL:a -) [According to the FCC AM and FM Queries, the two stations are owned by separate entities and, to my knowledge, do not carry the same programming. The announcement on 1380 may just be a 'courtesy' to get listeners to tune to a station with a similar format. (??) Can any Baton Rouge area members clarify this for us? Ed.]
- **1380 WPHM MI Port Huron 12/22 0810** Poor, with "... on WPHM", followed by a time and temperature check: "32 degrees in Port Huron". No WOTE. (**JJR-MI**)
- 1380 KHEY TX El Paso 12/26 0900 "KHEY El Paso" and FOX Sports. (WH-CO)
- 1390 WMER MS Meridian 12/29 0900 ID, SRN News. (BT-AL:a)
- **1400 KVFD IA Fort Dodge 12/25 1900** Briefly on top, with promo for "Dave Ramsey Show on KVFD Fort Dodge". New one for me, and on Christmas Day! **(KDF-IL)**
- **1400 KAYS KS Hays 12/25 1900 –** "AM 1400 KAYS Hays". **(WH-CO)**
- **1400 WQXO MI Munising 1/1 0838 "97-7 QXO"**, 'All Right Now' by Free ('70). Poor, with a few others. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1400 WKNW MI Sault Saint Marie 12/30 1730 –** Very poor, through WCCY. 'ESPN app', then ESPN news. "ESPN 1400". (**JJR-MI**)
- **1400 WBIZ WI Eau Claire 12/31 0847 –** Poor, with host talking of how he has been at "The Fan" for four years. (JJR-MI)
- **1410 WNGL AL Mobile 12/27 0959** ID with slogan: "Archangel Radio"; 'The Archbishop Show'. (BT-AL:a)
- **1410 WRMN IL** Elgin 12/28 1751 Very poor, with ". . . in downtown Elgin" popped through WIZM. Rare. (JJR-MI)
- **1410 KGRN IA Grinnell 12/26 0857** Poor, with "1410 KGRN . . .", chatter, and news at eight. Country and Oldies music, through WIZM. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1410 KOOQ** NE North Platte 12/22 0910 Poor, with "98.1 and 1410". Then Christmas music. Lotta personality, hi!. (JJR-MI)
- **1420 WACT AL Tuscaloosa 12/27 1000** WKSR Pulaski, Tennessee off the air and at least four stations audible caught "Tuscaloosa and W245BR" in the confusion. **(BT-AL:a)**
- **1420 WKWN GA Trenton 12/27 1000** WKSR Pulaski, Tennessee off the air and at least four stations audible caught "WKWN" ID. **(BT-AL:a)**
- **1420 WHK** OH Cleveland 12/24 1744 Poor, with promo for "Saturday nine to ten AM on AM 1420 The Answer". No KTOE. (JJR-MI)
- **1420 KGIM SD Aberdeen 12/22 0927 –** Poor, with ad for 'Pierson Ford' and PSA for the 'Aberdeen Visitors Bureau'. Weatherology report: "windy". **(JJR-MI)**
- **1420 WGXI WI Plymouth 12/28 1733** Very poor, with NOS: "... the new Love 98 dot 5 FM", through others. (JJR-MI)
- 1440 WVGG MS Lucedale 12/29 0900 Weather, ID, News. (BT-AL:a)
- **1450 KATE** MN Albert Lea 12/26 0910 Poor, with interview with a senator ". . . in Albert Lea". KNSI more common. (JJR-MI)
- **1450 KBUN MN Bemidji 12/28 0958** Poor- KBUN has filed for our licence renewal w/the FCC. Poor, but atop alone! (JJR-MI)

- **1460 WZEP FL DeFuniak Springs 12/27 1000** ID heard clearly, mixing with several stations. (BT-AL:a)
- **1460 WKAM IN Goshen 12/31 0922 –** Poor, with lively SS music, "La Raza" by woman. Chasing others. Lost. (JJR-MI)
- **1460 KDWA MN Hastings 12/31 0922 –** Very poor, with ad for "Valley Chevrolet, Highway 316", and gone. I checked for a "Valley Chevrolet" and it led to this. No KXNO. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1470 KLCL LA Lake Charles 12/29 1800 ID with mention of talk format mixed in with several stations. (BT-AL:a)
- **1470 KHND ND Harvey 12/27 0932** Fair! Loudest ever heard! with "The Mix, 1470 KHND" into Weatherology: "snow and 20 degrees". Rare. (**JJR-MI**)
- **1470 WIBD WI West Bend 12/25 0800 –** Poor, with Live ID for AM and their FM translator. Lost to "16 inches of snow in the U. P.". **(JJR-MI)**
- **1480 WSDS** MI Tawas City-East Tawas 12/30 0952 Poor, with ad for 'Cordell and Cordell: Ann Arbor and Troy". Through WGVU. Rare! (JJR-MI)
- **1490 KIBM NE Omaha 1/1 0918** With "60s and 70s . . . Boomer Radio", 'Cry Like a Baby' by The Boxtops. Poor, but atop! **(JJR-MI)**
- **1510 KIFG IA Iowa Falls 12/27 1740** Strong, with PSA about Covid precautions in Iowa. (NB-WI)
- **1530 WLAK WI New Holstein 12/27 0822 –** Very poor, with 'Old Days' by Chicago, matching // WGBW minutes before. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1540 WSMI IL Litchfield 12/22 1737-39** Fair, with local obituaries and mentions of a couple of towns near Litchfield. **(NB-WI)**
- **1550 KUAZ AZ Tucson 12/20 1858** Discussion of vaccine, then legal ID: "89.1 and 1550". Good, for US state #15 in the new 2020 logbook. **(MJ-QRO)**
- **MO St. Joseph 12/25 0917 –** Very poor through phased WHIT. "St. Joe" in two ads, '?? Sports Show' promo. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1560 KLNG IA Council Bluffs 12/13 1201 Legal ID at 1201:30. Weak, but alone at 10:00 AM local time! (JW-CO)
- **1560 KBEW MN Blue Earth 12/25 0743** Poor, with "… news on KBEW". 1560 in Portage, Michigan (reported) SILent, leaving this. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1570 WTWB FL Auburndale 12/18 0458** With good signal with male giving AM and FM call letters, then back into Regional Mexican music. Relog. **(JN-TX)**
- **1570 WABL** LA Amite 12/17 0503 With male coming up out of the channel with: "... WABL 97.3 FM...", then gone as quick as it showed up with XERF in the background. Fair signal. (JN-TX)
- **1570 KLLA LA Leesville 12/17 0401 With great oldies, ID and slogan. Peaking to big signal at times. Relog. (JN-TX)**
- **1570 KAKK MN Walker 12/27 0929 "**Your oldies station 1570 KAKK". Songs by The Cars and Madonna. Poor, but alone. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1570 KBCV MO Hollister 12/20 0054 "3.9" heard in English after occasional fade-ups of male English religious talk in a noisy audio mess thanks to transmitter problems at XERF. Not a positive ID since the "3.9" could be the FM frequencies for KTGE (93.9), XERF (103.9) or KBCV (103.9). XERF did fade up at 0102 with their State Anthem, but still weak and faded out soon after. (JP-AB)
- 1570 KLVG TX La Grange 12/18 1758 With Country music at fair-to-good signal level. Not heard too often here. Male with ID as: "This is Real Country KVLG KBUK La Grange, your station with the best country from yesterday and today", then singing "Real Country" jingle, then power drop to 11 Watts. Totally gone at 1700 local time. Relog. (JN-TX)
- **1580 WVOK** AL Oxford 12/18 0200 Male with ID as: "AM 1580 WVOK Oxford, Anniston, are Woodard Broadcasting Company". Fair-to-good signal. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 1580 KQFN AZ Tempe 12/20 1906 Sports broadcast (football or basketball) and "1580/99.3 The Fanatic". Fair, for Arizona #2. This, and KUAZ, (then KUAT) were my first Arizona catches as well, when in

1580 AM

1580 KAMI NE Cozad – 12/27 0953 – Very poor, but alone, with songs by Mickey Gilly and Billy Ray Cyrus. Slogan: "Country

Chicago in 1979-80. (MJ-QRO)

Legends 100.1". Was once so common. (JJR-MI)

1590 WKTP TN Jonesborough – 12/28 2000 – Tennessee Basketball. City g

"Jonesborough – Johnson City" in ID. (BT-AL:a)

1590 KDAV TX Lubbock – 12/26 0000 – SS programing: ""La Caliente" slogan. (WH-CO)

- **1600 WZZW WV Milton 12/14 0905 –** Good signal with West Virginia news, "Newsradio WVHU 800" ID and WSAZ mention. There was a lot of sky wave well after sunrise today, but this was unusual. **(KDF-IL)**
- 1620 WNRP FL Gulf Breeze 12/27 1000 ID, FOX News. (BT-AL:a)
- **1620 WNRP FL Gulf Breeze 12/31 0259** PSAs for 'Greener Magic.org' and 'National Highway Safety Organization's Project Yellow Light' and Top-of-hour ID: "News, Talk, Traffic, and Weather, this is News Radio 92.3 and AM 1620 WNRP, Gulf Breeze Pensacola" into FOX News. **(SD-MN)**
- **1620 WNRP FL Gulf Breeze 1/1 0717** Poor, in KOZN null, with ad for 'Rocket Mortgage', then "Happy New Year" from various advertisers. "NewsRadio 92-3". **(JJR-MI)**
- **OK Enid 12/27 0904 –** Poor, with ad for 'Term Busters Insurance', followed by Town Hall News, and slogan: "The Eagle". No WSJP. (JJR-MI)
- 1660 KWOD KS Kansas City 12/30 0900 Poor . . . listening for others.

 Complete shocker! Live ID, then Dan Patrick. (JJR-MI)

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 AM 1640
- **MI** Kalamazoo 12/22 1957 Fair-to-poor signals, under KQWB, with their new callsign and R&B format. Slogan is "The Touch". New. (SMA-MB) [Shawn utters: "Ending the year on a better note DX wise at least with another new one. Have a Merry Christmas and let us hope 2021 is better than 2020".]
- **1680 KRJO LA Monroe 12/23 0100** ID and partial ".7 FM", later with "KRJO The Legend". Fair. Louisiana #3. **(MJ-QRO)**
- **1690 WMLB GA Avondale Estates 12/27 0959 –** Song "Sea Cruise", ID with location as Avondale Estates Atlanta", song 'Sea of Love'. **(BT-AL:a -)**
- **1700 KVNS TX Brownsville 12/21 0000 –** FOX Sports, I Heart Radio, legal ID. Good. Texas #30. **(MJ-QRO)**

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- **TX** Austin 10/30 0759 "News Radio KLBJ" ID audible through KSUB's ID. Mixing with another station, probably KID or KQNT. 1110 miles. Relog, but fairly rare.
- **590 KSUB UT Cedar City 10/30 2119 –** On top of channel, but with surprising deep fades. High school football: Dixie Flyers @ Cedar City Reds (formerly Redmen). 105 miles. Relog.
- **600 KVNA AZ Flagstaff 10/28 2230 –** Faded up over several stations with slogan/ID: "Flagstaff's sports leader, ESPN Radio, KVNA". 297 miles. Relog.
- **600 WMT IA Cedar Rapids 10/29 0600 –** ID and iHeartRadio promo under KSJB. 1194 miles. Relog.
- **ND Jamestown 10/29 0559 –** Country music, ID by NDSU Bison head football coach: "Your home for Bison football, KSJB, Jamestown" followed by "KSJB" jingle. 939 miles. Relog.
- 600 CKSP BC Vancouver 11/1 0105 Taking turns with KOGO on top of channel. Punjabi chanting really stands out on this channel of mostly news talk stations. New, BC #15.
- 610 WIOD FL Miami 10/30 0200 Fighting through XEGS and a few domestic stations, with ID: "WIOD Miami, WBGG-FM HD(2?) Fort Lauderdale, with the iHeartRadio app, Number 1 for podcasts, News Radio 6-10, WIOD, an iHeartRadio station". Still audible six minutes later with another ID after the news. 2157 miles. New, FL #12.
- **610** KCSP MO Kansas City 10/29 0816 Mixing with KVNU, with local traffic report and promo for "Ben Maller Show overnights on 6-10 Sports Radio". 1039 miles. Relog.
- **610 KVNU UT Logan 10/30 2116** High school football: Logan Grizzlies @ St. George Snow Canyon Warriors (playoffs, game started at 5 PM local time). 212 miles. Relog.
- **610 KONA WA Kennewick-Richland-Pasco 10/28 2058** Over KVNU, with end of "Afternoon Report" program, ad for 'Henry's Restaurant and Catering' in West Richland 509-967-2657, ID and ABC News. 553 miles. Relog.
- **620 KTNO TX Plano 10/29 0558 –** On top of channel with Spanish contemporary Christian music, secondary slogan (overnight program name) "Radio Oasis 6-20 AM" and ID. 1053 miles. Relog.
- 630 KFXD ID Boise 10/28 2058 About level with KPLY, but slopping up the channel with new hip-hop "music" format and "Power 105-5" slogan. ID about a minute after the top of the hour. No more "Fox Sports" 'echo (KPLY/KFXD) on 630. 330 miles. Relog.

- **630 KPLY NV Reno 10/28 2058** Fox Sports Radio, network ads, and ID, followed by "University of Nevada Wolfpack Coach's Show" after the top of the hour. 312 miles. Relog.
- **640 WCRV** TN Collierville 10/29 0800 Appeared suddenly with a strong signal (over KFI and XEJUA) as they switched to day rig, with the start of 'Love Worth Finding' by Adrian Rogers, as found in the station's online schedule. 1355 miles. Relog.
- **TN** Nashville 10/29 2358 Under KGAB, and trading places with KMTI. Nice Country-Bluegrass music, ID and CBS News started almost two minutes after the top of the hour. 1501 miles. Relog.
- **660 KEYZ ND Williston 10/30 2059 –** Steady signal under KTNN with ID, slogan "6-60 Keys News Radio", mention of 'Cherry Creek Radio', and ABC News. 818 miles. Relog.
- **660 KAPS** WA Mount Vernon 10/28 2058 Under KTNN and CFFR, with Country music, FM 102.1 mentions, ABC news. 767 miles. Relog.
- **660 CFFR AB Calgary 10/31 0659 –** Over KTNN and KEYZ, with ID and national weather forecast. 807 miles. Relog.
- 670 WSCR IL Chicago 10/29 0814 Under pest KLTT, with promos and slogans "Chicago's sports radio 6-70 the score". 1372 miles. Relog.
- 670 KMZQ NV Las Vegas 10/29 0004 Under WSCR, with local ad string including a Las Vegas law firm, 'Quality Hearing Aids', and 'Findlay Chevrolet'. KBOI and KLTT soon faded back up. I don't normally hear KMZQ at night. 198 miles. Relog.
- **680 KOMW WA Omak 10/29 2104 –** Local ad and ID "Serving the Okanagan Valley every day since 1945, with news, sports, and weather, AM 6-80 KOMW". 700 miles. New, WA #92.
- 680 CJOB MB Winnipeg 10/29 2358 Local ads including a denture clinic, ID and Global News. They should send almost all of their signal north at night, but for the second year in row they were a pest on every single wire. It seems obvious that their night DA is out of whack. 1103 miles. Relog.
- **690 KGGF KS Coffeyville 10/29 0815** Over CBKF1 with local weather for Coffeyville and surrounding towns. Still using "The Mighty 6-90" slogan. 1015 miles. Relog.
- **690 CBU BC Vancouver 10/30 0800 CBC** News sounder poking through huge pest XEWW, KGGF, and Spanish sports station (probably XERG). 829 miles. Relog.
- 700 KMBX CA Soledad 10/29 0005 Under KALL, with Spanish Catholic repetitions // KMES-1430. 434 miles. Relog.
- **700 WLW** OH Cincinnati 11/1 0059 ID: "This is News Radio Seven Hundred, WLW" way under KALL and KMBX. Audio slightly distorted. 1582 miles. Relog, but can be difficult due to KALL.
- **700 KGRV OR Winston 10/28 2100 –** Faded up under KALL and two other stations (probably KXLX and CJLI) with ID. 559 miles. Relog.
- **700 KHSE TX Wylie 10/28 2230** Mixing with several stations. Mostly English ads, including a 'Peri Peri' restaurant, read by female announcer with Indian accent. 1106 miles. Relog.
- 710 KBMB AZ Black Canyon City 10/28 2231 Faded up over XEDP (under many sloppy Rebelde transmitters), with liner "José 7-10 AM, toca las de tu rancho". The "José" format seems to have lost quite a few stations since last year, which is too bad, because it's one of the best Mexican music formats out there. 359 miles. Relog.
- 710 KXMR ND Bismarck 10/30 2100 Steady signal under KSPN and Rebelde, with Fox Sports update. 850 miles. Relog.
- **710 KGNC TX Amarillo 10/30 0757** On top of channel, with ad for 'CS Building Supply' in Canyon. 730 miles. Relog.
- **720 WGN** IL Chicago 10/29 0558 On top of channel, with local ads. Legal ID now includes the phrase "A Nexstar Media Group Station". 1374 miles. Relog.
- **OR** Sweet Home 10/28 2058 On top of channel, with promos for station web site, "Voice of the Valley" slogan, 'A&W' ad, and ID. 603 miles. Relog.
- **TO ROBI**10 Boise 10/30 2200 Under XEX and over KLOE, with Regional Mexican music, ID including FM 103.7 and 106.3, "la grande" slogan. 330 miles. Relog.
- **KS** Goodland 10/29 0558 On top of channel, with America's First News, ID and local ad for 'Wheat State Signs', which if I recall correctly is affiliated with the company that owns KLOE. Listed 20 Watts nights. Possibly still running day rig at night? 657 miles. Relog.
- **730 CKDM MB Dauphin 10/29 0814** On top of channel, with local morning show, promo for sweepstakes hosted by Alec Wolfton, local weather and ID "The Parkland's best, 7-30 CKDM". 1069 miles. Relog.

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TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- MOROCCO *R.Mediterranee Internationale*, Nador DEC 30 0526 Poor to fair; pop music, male announcer with rapid-fire Arabic speech, 0528 female announcer in French, 0530 news in French with male and female announcers, improved to fair. [Gonciarz-NY]
- **LUXEMBOURG** *RTL* Junglinster DEC 31 0345 Poor; talk in French, music 0346 followed by more talk in French by lively male announcer at 0348 UTC. Reception improved to fair 0405-0410 UTC. [Gonciarz-NY]
- ALGERIA *R.Algerienne*, Tipaza DEC 31 0421-0429 Fair to good; Arabic music, then a brief intro by a male announcer in French and another Arabic song. The signal weakened until 0436 then came back fair 0443 with more Arabic music. [Gonciarz-NY]
- **ALGERIA** *Jil FM*, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi DEC 29 0458 Fair; choral marching band national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- **ALGERIA** *R.Algérienne*, Béchar JAN 3 0100 Good; brief announcement and Koran parallel 1422 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5*, Droitwich et al. DEC 24 0400 Fair; BBC news at 4 o'clock. DEC 29 0600 Good; "This is BBC Radio 5 Live" and BBC news at 6 o'clock. [Conti-NH]
- **IRAN** *VOIRI* Kiashahr JAN 3 0100 Poor; choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros DEC 29 0500 Good; "La ultima hora en la mañana, Cope, estar informado." [Conti-NH]
- **EGYPT** *ERTU* Santah DEC 23 2200 Good; ID, "Quran... min al-qahira" and Koran. [Conti-NH]
- **TURKEY** *TRT* Trabzon DEC 27 0258 Poor; multiple cycles of interval signal. [Conti-NH]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros DEC 27 2100 Fair; "On DAB digital radio, and 1089 and 1053 AM, TalkSport," into news, "From the Sky News Centre at 9..." [Conti-NH]
- **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros JAN 2 0600 Good midband opening to Spain; Las Mañanas de Radio Nacional parallel 1107, 1125, 1152, 1305, and 1314 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati,* Galbeni//Vascau DEC 27 2100 Good; "Aici Bucuresti, Radio România Actualitati, hora exacta," and time marker. [Conti-NH]
- **IRAN** *IRIB R.Payam,* Tehran DEC 27 2100 Fair; signature ascending notes marking the hour. [Conti-NH]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros DEC 28 2200 Good; presenter celebrating 40 years since release of "Back in Black" by AC/DC. [Conti-NH]
- **LITHUANIA** *R.Baltic Waves*, Viesintos DEC 27 2058 Good but fading at tune in with instrumental music, off at 2100 UTC. DEC 29 0500 Poor to fair; Radio Poland ID. [Conti-NH]
- **MOLDOVA** *Vesti FM*, Grigoriopol DEC 29 0500 Fair; touchtone sounder, time marker, and another sounder. [Conti-NH]
- **ITALY** *Rai Radiouno*, Genova DEC 29 0500 Fair; time marker and check, Radiouno sounder. [Conti-NH]
- NORWAY LGN Telecom Marine Radio, Marøy(Bergen) DEC 28 2234 Came on with man and woman announcements. Weak. On peak around 2237 seemed to be English but not certain. DEC 29 2234 Still weak but clearer tonight. Able to pick out lots of English numbers and nautical terms when the woman talking. Man announcer not clear and may have been in Norwegian. [Moore-PA]
- **DENMARK** *OXB Lyngby Radio*, Blaavand DEC 30 0136 Weaker than and parallel to 1758 and 2586 kHz. Came on at same time as 1758 but audio didn't fade up until 0136 but then was steady. [Moore-PA]
- SCOTLAND Stornoway Coast Guard Radio, Stornoway (Hebrides Islands) DEC 31 0110 Just after the announcement on 2182 finished this came on with a woman, ID, and into English maritime info. Listed in Stornoway but transmitter site is 20 miles north at the northern tip of the island, a point named Butt of Lewis. I have been trying to hear this and 1770 since the mid 1990's. Marine radio hobbyist in Britain says this and 1770 are 250 watts. [Moore-PA]

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- DENMARK OXZ Lyngby Radio, Skagen DEC 30 0133 Weak but peaked when they came on. Woman with "Lyngby Radio" ID repeated several times. Then switched to man with nautical info. At 0138 switched over to woman. The initial ID was actually the clearest part of the broadcast. The man was in English. Not sure of the woman. Parallel 1734, 2586 kHz. [Moore-PA]
- SCOTLAND Shetland Coast Guard Radio, Collafirth (Shetland Islands) DEC 31 0112:30 For about fifteen seconds a woman's voice with nautical info faded up out of the noise, clearly parallel 1743 kHz. [Moore-PA]
- NORWAY *LFO Telecom Marine Radio, Ø*rlandet DEC 31 0233 Came on at scheduled time with weak but gradually improving signal. Monotonous male voice. Think was in Norwegian. [Moore-PA]
- NORWAY LGZ Telecom Marine Radio, Farsund DEC 29 2234 Threshold level signal but parallel 1728 with same voices and switching between woman and man at the same time. DEC 31 0234 Threshold signal with same voice parallel 1782 kHz. [Moore-PA]
- 1797 **SWEDEN** *Stockholm Radio*, Gislövshammar DEC 29 0600 Came on at 0600 with announcement by woman and probable mention of Stockholm then into English marine info. Weak but on peaks it was clear enough to understand the nautical terms and numbers. Also heard with much weaker signal at 0200 UTC. DEC 30 0600 Much better and definitely in English with navigational warnings. DEC 31 0200 Very readable signal. Computerized woman's voice in English with nautical info. [Moore-PA]

Transatlantic carrier search: DEC 28 0135-0142 – Contrary to usual method, I'm tuning in 9-kHz steps downward from 1 kHz above the channels, so any carrier making a 1 kHz het can be recognized; 1503, 1422, 1296, 1215, 1107, 1089, 1053, 936, 909, 891*, 882(2), 837(2), 774(2), 747, 711, 639, 621 kHz. *Strongest. (2) = at least two carriers beating. There would have been more below 700 kHz, but currently the local line noise level is much higher in the 700-300 kHz range, as well as many short wave ranges. Earlier in the afternoon, driving around the neighborhood tuned to open 1040 kHz where traces of WHO might have been otherwise, the noise did not correlate with any lingering Xmas lighting, but continued buzzing over a much wider area; and it's just as bad daytime as nighttime. JAN 1 0052 – Not a thorough search but stepping 10 kHz on USB I hear the telltale hets from plus 1 kHz against domestic frequencies 530, 620, 710, 890, and 1430 kHz. [Hauser-OK]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- MEXICO XEWA San Luis Potosí, SLP DEC 22 0137 "Jingle Bell Rock" in English from dominant station on car radio with fast SAH; then a carol in Spanish. Fits for XEWA, in mwoffsets as 539.973 kHz. [Hauser-OK]
- 560 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* Ciego de Avila DEC 23 0500 Under WGAN; choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- 570 **MEXICO** XELQ *Candela*, Morelia, Mich. DEC 20 1931 Full legal ID for FM/AM; fair; Mich. #3. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 580 **MEXICO** XELRDA Piedras Niegras, Coah. DEC 21 0101 Legal ID not fully copied, but Coahuila mentioned; fair; Coah. #3. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 590 **MEXICO** XEGTO León, Gto. DEC 20 2200 Mention of León and 95.9; poor under XEPH; Gto. #7. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 600 **MEXICO** XEHW *La Mejor*, Mazatlán, Sin. DEC 29 0600 Early anthem, then full ID mentioning Mazatlán, Sinaloa and *La Mejor*; poor on open channel; Sin. #2. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 700 **MEXICO** XELX Zitácuaro, Mich. DEC 20 2000 Legal ID; poor; Mich. #4. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- MEXICO XEABC Reyes de la Paz, Edo. Méx. DEC 19 1038 Lousy Spanish pop tune, man with station liner, into Spanglish "One Two Three, GO!" by Belanova (a Gwen Stefani/No Doubt clone, they seem to have been). Excellent signal. [Krueger-FL]
- 780.28 **COLOMBIA** HJZG *La Voz del Valle*, Cali DEC 19 1050 Massive and roughly north/south of me heterodyne-o-mite on WBBM. Estimated measurement. David Crawford, Titusville, Florida followed up on my log and confirmed it's HJZG. [Krueger-FL]
 - 800 **MEXICO** XEERG, *RG La Deportiva*, Ojo de Agua, NL DEC 30 0148 Mexican soccer discussion and *RG La Deportiva* slogan; fading up to good; NL #10. [Jeziorski-QRO]
 - 820 **MEXICO** XEBM *La Ke Buena*, San Luis Potosí, SLP DEC 20 2100 Legal ID; fair; SLP #3. [Jeziorski-QRO]
 - **CUBA** CMHW *Doblevé*, Santa Clara DEC 23 0459 Under WHAS; choral national anthem and canned ID, "Esta es Doblevé..." then heard choral national anthem from *R.Revolución*. [Conti-NH]
 - 870 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Baracoa-Van Van//Bueycito//Sancti Spíritus DEC 27 2259 Normal pips, time checks, news. No sign of WWL. [Moore-PA]

- MEXICO XETAR Guachochi, Chih. DEC 21 1322 Announcements in Indian language; call letter ID's, time and temperature checks (1 degree Celsius) in Spanish; ID as "La Voz de La Sierra Tarahumara." Generally fair, occasionally on top. [Wilkins-CO]
- 900 unID DEC 22 0135 On car radio, dead air above any other modulation; could it be XEW? [Hauser-OK]
- 930 **MEXICO** XETLA *La Voz de la Mixteca*, Tlaxiaco, Oax. DEC 27 1245 Announcements by woman in Spanish and indigenous languages programming matched internet stream. Peaking to good signal at local sunrise. [Beu-TX]
- 950 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Arroyo Arenas//Camagüey-Isábel Hortensia//Santiago de Cuba-Frente DEC 24 0000 Loud wobbling noise, echoing RR code, over WIBX. [Conti-NH]
- 960 **MEXICO** XEHK Guadalajara, Jal. DEC 19 0221 HK slogan, local ad; good; Jal. #5. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 970 **MEXICO** XERFR *R.Fórmula*, México, DF DEC 20 1213 Man and woman bantering, Grupo Fórmula promo, long ad string, mention of 970 AM and something FM. [Krueger-FL]
- 990 **MEXICO** XET *La T Grande de Monterrey*, Monterrey, NL DEC 19 0229 *La T Grande de Monterrey* slogan, start of baseball game in Los Mochis; fair; NL #9. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 1000 **CUBA** *R.Artemisa*, Artemisa DEC 27 0204 Dead air on KTOK, so I can hear some weak Spanish perhaps XEOY, and from the southeast some whoop-whooping, like the defective Cuban transmitter. [Hauser-OK]
- 1010 **MEXICO** XEHL Guadalajara, Jal. DEC 19 0059 Health news from U. of Guadalajara, call ID at 1959; very good; Jal. #3. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- MEXICO XETUL *Mexiquense Radio*, Tultitlan, Mex. DEC 20 2120 *Mexiquense Radio*, no call ID but parallel to web; poor; Mex. #3. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 1100 **MEXICO** XETGO *R.Cañón 90.1*, Tlaltenango, Zac. DEC 31 0618 *R.Cañón 90.1* ID; fair-good; Zac. #2. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- MEXICO XEJP *Grupo Acústica*, México, DF DEC 31 0300 ID with XEUNO Guadalajara and XEMN Monterrey, Grupo Acústica; good-poor; DF #27. They are listed at 50/10 kW, but I logged 125-watt XEUAS Sinaloa on 1150 before hearing XEJP. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- **MEXICO** XEMEFM *La H Heraldo de México*, Morelia, Mich. DEC 20 0123 *La H Heraldo de México* slogan, 98.5, parallel to web, classic rock/pop; excellent; Mich. #2. This appears to be newly on the air and is now my strongest GY'er. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 1340 **MEXICO** XECR *La Zeta*, Morelia, Mich. DEC 30 0831 Call ID, *La Zeta* and Morelia Michoacan; fair above GY noise; Mich. #5. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- MEXICO XELBL San Luis Rio Colorado, Son. DEC 15 1340 Canned "Radio Centro" ID's, música romántica. Not very strong but alone at times. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1370 **MEXICO** XEPJ Guadalajara, Jal. DEC 19 0204 Radiorama news, full legal ID; good; Jal. #4. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 1520 **COLOMBIA** HJLI *Su Presencia Radio*, Bogotá DEC 23 0926 Previously recorded religious event with female speaker. Under 50 kW KOKC but frequently peaking to a fair readable level. Best in USB. [Beu-TX]
- 1570 **GUATEMALA** TGVE Cd. de Guatemala DEC 18 0359 Male mentioned Guatemala and then gives ID "Radio VEA" noted also with female mentioning Guatemala a few times as well, fair to good at times. After Mike Beu here in Austin reported hearing this station, I checked my overnight recording for that same date and I was rewarded with a new country. [Niven-TX]
- MEXICO XERF *La Poderosa*, Cd. Acuña, Coah. DEC 20 0602 State anthem heard, marking the only positive ID heard before or since, for several weeks. Mostly not there at all, indicating some sort of transmitter/tower/power issues, as they were previously unnullable. [Pearkins-AB]
- MEXICO XEARZ México, DF DEC 20 0031 Full legal ID, easy listening music; excellent; DF #26. I don't know if they are on the air intermittently, because they were awfully strong on a frequency I had usually found empty. [Jeziorski-QRO]

Don Moore speaks: I've recently put together a set of web pages at www.donmooredxer.com/logs/DXTravelLogs.html on some of the places I've DX'ed from my travels over the past few years. The pictures and

descriptions of the locations and logs and mp3 recordings of the DX. There are also links where you can download MW SDR recordings made in Panama, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Argentina.

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- 1150 **MEXICO** XEAD *Metrópoli*, Tonalá, Jal. OCT 30 0600 Faded up over KCKY; Deportiva Notisistema sports update, which ran a full 6 minutes before they finally got around to playing the Mexican anthem (fast adult choral version). The anthem almost always starts several minutes after midnight, much later than most other stations. 1423 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO unID OCT 30 0600 On the ESSE (Central México) wire, way under XEAD and KCKY, a children's choral version of the Mexican anthem. The anthem from the Radio Fórmula feed had already ended, which (along with antenna direction) would seem to rule out KNRV and XERM. Since XEUAS does not air the anthem at this hour, that would seemingly leave XEJP and XETVR, both still needed here. XETVR is known to run the full (4:40) children's choral version of the anthem; XEJP's anthem (which would likely have changed once the station was leased by Acustik Radio) is not yet known. I tuned in again at 1157 UTC and recorded for 10 minutes. At the very end of my recording (1207 UTC) a children's choral version of the anthem was just starting. This would seemingly rule out KNRV, and imply that it was XEJP or XETVR.
- 1160 **MEXICO** XEQIN *La Voz del Valle,* San Quintín, BC NOV 1 0110 Absolutely clobbering KSL; local indigenous music and "La Voz del Valle" slogans. Relog.
- 1170 **COLOMBIA** HJNW *Caracol Radio*, Cartagena OCT 30 0441 Colombian ads and Caracol mentions under KFAQ. Relog.
- 1180 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple locations OCT 29 0228 Lengthy news commentary by Juan Carlos Castelones(?) from La Sistema de la Radio Cubana, parallel 1550 kHz. Both channels very mushy from multiple transmitters. Relog.
- MEXICO XEFR *R.Felicidad*, México, DF OCT 30 0601 Appeared suddenly under the Rebelde stations with children's choral version of Mexican anthem, followed by full ID by female announcer "Radio Felicidad 1180 AM, los mejores momentos, XEFR, 10 mil wats de potencia" and mention of Grupo ACIR. 1622 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XEMBC *Cadena 1190*, Mexicali, BC OCT 30 0600 Faded up under presumed KNUV and 1 or 2 other Mexican stations; promotional announcement by mumbly male announcer, mention of Mexicali, and nice clear *Cadena 1190* slogan. Relog.
- 1190 **MEXICO** XEWK, *W Radio Guadalajara*, Guadalajara, Jal. OCT 30 0600 Fast adult choral version of Mexican anthem, brief musical interlude, female announcer "W Radio" followed by male announcer "101.5 FM." Followed by W Radio's descending arpeggio chimes. 1420 miles. Relog.
- 1190 **MEXICO** XECT *Contacto 1190*, Monterrey, NL OCT 31 0201 Faded up over KVCU's bizarre music; full ID by female announcer. No sign of XEPZ at this time. 1220 miles. Relog.
- 1190 **MEXICO** unID OCT 30 0558 On the ESSE (Central México) wire, under XEMBC, XEWK, and KNUV, another fast adult choral version of the Mexican anthem. Unneeded XECT and needed XEXQ both use this version of the anthem.
- **unID** OCT 29 0229 On SESE (Colombian) wire, I had 5+1 1000 Hz pips (or at least the 5 short pips) starting around 0229:14 UTC. Two nights later I had the same 5 short pips starting at 0229:17 UTC.
- **unID** OCT 31 0159 On SESE (Colombian) wire, during about 15 seconds of dead air on WOAI, I had a female announcer giving some kind of ID in Spanish. Unfortunately the audio was a bit distorted, so I couldn't make out any details except for a possible mention of "Venezolano" (implying unneeded YVOZ) and a possible mention of "Grupo."

- 1220 **MEXICO** XEB *La B Grande*, México, DF OCT 29 0228 Nice program of older instrumental music and full ID. 1632 miles. Relog.
- 1240 **MEXICO** XEWG *Bengala*, Cd. Juárez, Chih. OCT 29 1203 Children's version of Mexican anthem way under KRDO and KDGO. 667 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XEL *La Comadre*, México, DF OCT 31 1200 Children's choral version of Mexican anthem, ID, "La Comadre 1260 AM... XEL-AM, desde... (station address)." Due to a well-timed burst of static, I almost mistook the "XEL-AM" for XEJAM, but compared it to the ID I recorded from XEL's web stream a few months earlier and it matched. XEL uses iHeartRadio for their streaming service, and sometimes adds an iHeartRadio jingle after their ID. 1631 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO unID OCT 30 0557 On the ESSE (Central México) wire, under XEL and KTRC, a station with a liner, "Los mejores éxitos en Español e Inglés, todo el día disfrutando..." The music was mostly Mexican AC/CHR. No anthem was noted, so this is probably a secondary slogan for unneeded XEMW.
- MEXICO unID OCT 31 1200 On the ESSE (Central México) wire, children's choral version of Mexican anthem. Just before it would have ended, XEL powered up and clobbered it with their own children's choral version of the anthem. Due to some chronically-defective web streams, I may not be able to determine who this was. If it was anything but XEOG, it was a new catch. XEZH and XEJAM would be almost exactly on the beam of this antenna, but XEOG is only about 9 degrees off and XEMTV is only 10 degrees off.
- ARGENTINA LS11 *R.Provincia de Buenos Aires*, La Plata, Buenos Aires OCT 31 0459 5+1 1000 Hz time pips parallel 870 LRA1. Whenever 870 LRA1 is in, I look for the other Argentine stations that run the same 5+1 time pips. 1270 is among the frequencies most frequently reported by DX'ers. Finally caught them. New, Argentina #5.
- MEXICO XERPL *La Poderosa*, León, Gjto. OCT 30 0604 Way under KDJI, KFLC, and several other stations; children's or high adult choral version of Mexican anthem. There are 3 stations left on 1270 in México (plus a CP for a replacement station in Torreón which is not on the air yet), and only XERPL airs the anthem at this hour, a few minutes after local midnight. 1442 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XEP *R.México Nuestras Noticias*, Cd. Juárez, Chih. OCT 29 0228 Faded up with older vocal music and usual ID, still mentioning 40 kW and including the phrase "una esatación de Radiorama." Signal was not as overwhelmingly strong as usual this year; fades were quite deep. 668 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XETIA *R.Vital*, Tonalá, Jal. OCT 30 0600 End of adult choral version of Mexican anthem, ID by female announcer "XE-Tia, Radio Vital, desde Guadalajara, Jalisco, México." They still run a repeating 5-note oboe theme before, during, and after the ID. 1422 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XECO *Romántica*, México, DF OCT 30 0600 Children's choral version of Mexican anthem, full ID by female announcer including studio address and "Romántica 1380" slogan. 1624 miles. Relog.
- 1410 **MEXICO** XEBS *Bandolera* 1410, México, DF OCT 30 0600 Children's choral version of Mexican anthem (one verse), followed by Núcleo Radio Mil theme song "Somos NRM." Note this station used to use an uptempo adult choral version of the anthem very similar to XEKB. 1625 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XEF *Activa 1420*, Cd. Juárez, Chih. OCT 30 1200 Under KTAN; uptempo adult choral version of Mexican anthem, male announcer with full ID and "Radio Activa 1420" slogans. 666 miles. Relog.
- 1430 **MEXICO** XETT *R.Tlaxcala*, Tlaxcala, Tlax. OCT 30 0559 Mixing with KCLK and KMES (which was still ID'ing as KLO this weekend). Children's choral version of Mexican anthem (XETT is the last surviving Mexican station on 1430 AM). 1660 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XEEST *Ondas de Paz*, México, DF OCT 30 0557 On top of channel with sedate male announcer giving slogan "Ondas de Paz 1440 AM," followed by children's choral version of Mexican anthem. XEEST is the last surviving Mexican station on 1440 AM. 1626 miles. Relog.
- **MEXICO** XEYC *R.Fórmula*, Cd. Juárez, Chih. OCT 29 0228 Over KZNT and an unidentified Spanish station; *R.Fórmula* programming with lots of use of the *R.Fórmula* sounder (the "giant sucking sound"), full ID mentioning 1 kW power, into Fórmula Financiera program. 660 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XERCN, RCN 1470, Tijuana, BC OCT 30 0557 Over XEAI; nightly Catholic recitations, "RCN 1470" slogans, and non-ID giving studio address and mentioning Grupo Uniradio. This station used to have the fattest, sloppiest signal on the dial, even at this distance, but they finally appear to have cleaned it up after many years. 482 miles. Relog.

- 1470 **MEXICO** XEAI *R.Fórmula*, México, DF OCT 29 0228 Over KDHN; *R.Fórmula* programming. 1627 miles. Relog.
- 1480 **MEXICO** unID OCT 30 0600 Children's choral version of Mexican anthem must be XETKR. XECARH is a daytimer, and XEZJ airs a distinctive slow instrumental version of the anthem.
- MEXICO XEDF *R.Fórmula*, México, DF OCT 30 0558 *R.Fórmula* sounder and ID by male announcer including mention of 50 kW power and studio address, followed by children's choral version of Mexican anthem (one verse). Slightly distorted audio, mixing with KSTP and KSJX. 1626 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XEQI *Opus 1510 AM*, Escobedo, NL OCT 31 0200 End of "Adagio" classical music program, promo for "La Puerta Real del Flamenco" airing Tuesday nights 8 p.m. and Saturday nights 7p.m., "Opus" slogans. 1216 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XEUR *Extasis Digital*, México, DF OCT 29 0228 Over KFBK; US classic rock and "Éxtasis Digital" slogan, followed by promo for 6 a.m. Beatles program. 1624 miles. Relog.
- 1530 **MEXICO** XESD *Arroba FM* 99.3, Silao, Gjto. OCT 30 0600 On top of channel, best signal I've ever had from this easily-overlooked station. The station is no longer leased by Grupo Multimedios, and thus has reverted to Radiorama's "Arroba FM" English/Spanish pop format after a few years running Multimedios' "La Lupe" grupera format. Full FM/AM ID mentioned 10 kW power on AM. Slogan "Arroba FM 99.3 y 1530 en AM." Children's choral version of Mexican anthem started about 43 seconds after XEUR's similar anthem (note that the anthem on XEUR is only one verse and lasts about 1½ minutes, whereas XESD runs the full anthem lasting close to 4½ minutes). Relog.
- 1550 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple locations OCT 29 0228 Lengthy news commentary by Juan Carlos Castelones(?) from La Sistema de la Radio Cubana, parallel 1180 kHz. Both channels very mushy from multiple transmitters. Relog.
- MEXICO XEJPV, *W Radio*, Cd. Juárez, Chih. OCT 29 1301 Noted with local Megaradio Noticias newscast. Heard sporadically throughout my visit with *W Radio* programming, but they seemed to be missing much of the time. The station has been running on an expired license for a few years, and has reportedly been ordered by the IFT several times to cease broadcasting, but they are still operating at least some of the time, seemingly mostly during the day. OCT 31 0400 After finding an article online stating that XEJPV's programming from *W Radio* would only air from 6am-10pm local time, I started checking my 0400 UTC recordings, and sure enough, I found an uptempo adult choral version of the Mexican anthem way under KGOW and KNZR. The signal was weak but I'm reasonably sure they went off the air when the anthem finished. 666 miles. Relog.
- MEXICO XEMAS, XE-Mas, La Estación Familiar, Salamanca, Gjto. OCT 30 0600 With XEJPV signing off at 0400 UTC, it became an easy task to catch the only other station remaining on 1560 kHz. Children's choral Mexican anthem, then off the air, as heard on their web stream when I got home. Weak signal way under pests KGOW and KNZR. Thankfully the antenna was aimed right at them (146 degrees). 1486 miles. New, GJTO #4, México #211.
- MEXICO XERF *La Poderosa*, Cd. Acuña, Coah. OCT 29 0230 On top of channel with full AM/FM ID and several mentions of "radio pública," followed by Mexican government PSA's. 1000 miles. Relog.
- 1580 **COLOMBIA?** unID OCT 30 0459 On the SESE (Colombia) wire, 5+1 pips 1000 Hz. Final pip seemed short. HJQT has been heard here several times, but I have never heard pips on that station.
- MEXICO XEGEM *R.Mexiquense*, Metepec, Mex. OCT 30 0602 Very weak with end of Mexican national anthem and start of Himno Estatal del Estado de México (México state anthem), about 3 or 4 seconds ahead of 1080 XETUL. No trace of 1250 XETEJ, which simulcasts XEGEM (and which was confirmed by the station to still be active on AM in July, though they have been granted a CP for 88.3 XHTEJ); 1250 KHIL is just too loud. 1618 miles. Relog.
- 1620 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple locations OCT 29 0228 Over KSMH; lengthy news commentary by Juan Carlos Castelones(?) from La Sistema de la Radio Cubana, parallel 1180 kHz. Mushy signal from multiple transmitters. Relog.
- MEXICO XECSCGU *Creo Radio*, Guachochi, Chih. OCT 30 0212 Steady signal under KSMH; very long versions of Spanish contemporary Christian songs, parallel web stream. Power is 2 kW or less. 936 miles. New, CHIH #31, México #208.
- MEXICO XEUT *Radio UABC*, Tijuana, BC OCT 29 0228 On top of channel, way over KRND; odd assortment of obscure rock music, "UABC Radio" slogan, and multi-station ID including FM 104.1 in Mexicali. 479 miles. Relog.

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- 1650 **MEXICO** XEARZ *Zer Radio 1650*, México, DF OCT 30 0600 Barely audible under KBJD; about 10 seconds of the children's choral version of the Mexican anthem. Relog.
- MEXICO XEPE *Heraldo Radio*, Tecate, BC OCT 30 0958 On top of channel with overnight oldies program and "Heraldo Radio" slogans. Sure beats the dreary political speeches that used to air here (and are still heard on 1030 XESDD pretty much around the clock). Now that they are being leased by Heraldo Radio, they air a children's choral version of the Mexican anthem (one verse) at 6 a.m. Mexico City time each morning. 480 miles. Relog.

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- 567 **JAPAN** JOIK, NHK1, Sapporo OCT 29 1359 Poor with time pips. Relog.
- 594 **JAPAN** JOAK, *NHK1*, Tokyo NOV 1 1359 Poor with time pips. Relog.
- 693 **JAPAN** JOAB, NHK2, Tokyo OCT 29 1359 Poor with time pips. Relog.
- 702 **JAPAN** JOKD, *NHK*2, Kitami (location presumed) NOV 1 1359 Barely audible with time pips. Relog.
- JAPAN JOIB, *NHK2*, Sapporo NOV 1 1359 Fair-good with time pips and several minutes of audio including musical theme and ID after the time pips. Relog.
- 765 **unID** OCT 30 1053 Trace of a male voice in an Asian language. This has been noted in the past, but never well enough to copy.
- 774 **JAPAN** JOUB, NHK2, Akita OCT 29 1359 Fair-good with time pips. Relog.
- NORTH KOREA *KCBS*, Pyongyang OCT 29 1359 Poor with 3+1 pips, higher pitch than the NHK/KBS stations. Relog.
- 873 **JAPAN** JOGB, NHK2, Kumamoto OCT 29 1359 Poor with time pips. Relog.
- 909 **JAPAN** JOCB, NHK2, Nagoya NOV 1 1359 Barely audible with time pips. Relog.
- 972 **SOUTH KOREA** HLCA, *KBS*, Dangjin NOV 1 1159 Poor signal with 3+1 time pips. Relog.
- 1008 **unID** NOV 1 1259 Unusual 3+1 time pips (barely audible). The long pip was only one musical step above the short pips (usually the last pip is either the same note, or an octave higher than / double the frequency of the short pips). I have heard this type of time pips before on another channel.
- 1098 **unID** OCT 30 1047 Trace of male audio. Still trying for Marshall Islands. The best I can do (apart from setting up on the Nevada side of the site, where I would be a lot more conspicuous) is to aim an unterminated wire in the opposite direction.
- JAPAN JOLF, *NBS Nippon Hoso*, Tokyo OCT 29 1359 Presumed; 100 kW NBS station with "cuckoo" time pips and long top-of-hour tone, with musical pitches exactly matching the sample file linked to Russ Edmunds' time pip spreadsheet. New, Japan #12.
- JAPAN? unID OCT 29 1400 880 Hz top-of-hour pip. Fairly strong carrier. Must be the Japanese station, still needed here. NOV 1 1359 ...or maybe not! Same top of hour pip with at least two short pips beforehand (the rest covered by static).
- 1314 **unID** OCT 29 1400 880 Hz top-of-hour pip. Japan or South Korea?
- 1566 **SOUTH KOREA** HLAZ, *FEBC*, Jeju NOV 1 1258 Fair-good signal during Japanese program. Several minutes of fairly good audio this morning. Relog.

Unreported Domestic Stations

Two stations were reported to DDXD this issue for the first time since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000): WGSV-1270 and WBHN-1590. We also lost one station on the reported list, WCOX-1450, which is now silent for good and no longer a DX target. So we have 271 stations (not couning LPRT and HAR/TIS stations of less than 100 watts). in the United States and Canada not reported to DDXD at all during this period. Can you log and report one for next issue?

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