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From the Publisher: Another nice full issue this time around. We'll have one more three-week interval next time before we go monthly for the summer.

and press clippings for use in DX News. We use these on a "space available" basis and haven't had a lot of space lately, but perhaps we'll have more over the summer. If you see a clipping you think might be of interest, it's easiest if you send a link to the article to NRCDXNews@gmail.com. Please don't try to format the article - it's actually easier for me to work with the original online source.

We are also holding a few more Ken MacHarg "Radio History Revisited" articles, which many members are enjoying. But we definitely would like to solicit even more material for publication.

One particular focus: Is there a member who would be interested in selecting posts and discussions of interest for collating publishing in DX News (now that Shawn Axelrod has retired from "DX Toolbox")? All you would need to do is to select and cut-and-paste the posts, they can be formatted and edited at the publisher's end. Interested in talking more? Send me an e-mail at NRCDXNews@gmail.com. 73 and until next time, David.

From the Archives

75 Years Ago: From the May 8, 1948 issue of *DX* News: The NRC and Newark News Radio Club courtesy program committees together arranged more than 175 DX programs during the 1947-48 season. NRC CPC chair Len Kruse thanked the NNRC CPC chair, Arnold Gerrard, for the cooperation between the clubs in arranging so many tests. Bob Gorsuch reported on the Midwest DX Get-Together held in Cedar Rapids on April 10-11.

50 Years Ago: From May 2, 1973 issue of DX News: The Boston Publishing Committee asked to be relieved of its duties in the next few months after five years of work, which included the transition to offset printing and the doubling of Vance.

the club membership. Larry Magne and Adrian Peterson were among the seven new members joining the club with this issue.

25 Years Ago: From the April 20, 1998 issue of Thanks to everyone who sent in various articles | DX News: Plans are underway for the annual NRC convention in San Antonio on Labor Day weekend. New station WTOR-770 in Youngstown NY is testing their three-tower array and should be on the air soon; given the calls and the directional pattern (sending almost all the signal into Canada), it's presumed Toronto will be the target market. And speaking of Toronto, the first Canadian application for an expanded-band station (Toronto on 1670) was denied, Canadian authorities stated they have no interest in using the new band.

> **10 Years Ago**: From the May 6, 2013 issue of DX*News*: Many activities planned for the joint NRC – IRCA - WTFDA convention scheduled for Minneapolis in August were announced.

> All DX News back issues through Volume 89 are available online at https://nationalradioclub.org/dxnews-archives/.

Volume 90 DXN Schedule

<u>No</u>	D'dline	<u>Print</u>	18	July 9	July 18
16	May 14	May 23	19	Aug. 13	Aug. 22
17	Tune 11	June 20	20	Sept. 10	Sept. 19

Membership Report

"Please renew me for another year. Keep up the good work!" – Phil Boersma

"61 years with NRC and counting." - Ken Chatterton.

Renewing Members: Thanks for the ongoing support from Neil Bartlett; Charles Behler; Philip Boersma; Kenneth Chatterton; Tim Clampit; Richard Colgan; Mike Cooper; George Csahanin; Richard L. Evans; Martin Foltz; Mark Hogan; Jeff Imel; Richard L. Lucas; Kenneth Lyon; Donald Moore; Lee Reynolds; David Rivera; Patrick Roberson; Robert G. Stonier; Leonard Thompson; Alphonse Tobia; Walter B. Turner; and Gary

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

Call changes reflected in FCC "LMS" database:

1230 KKPC CO Pueblo – Call change to KDZA (Apr. 21).

1360 WHCG GA Metter – Call change to WEGC (Apr. 17).

1580 WVOK AL Oxford – Call change to WTAZ (Apr. 17).



Applications for future call changes:

990 WNTI PA Somerset – Applies to change calls to WGGI (to be effective May 4).

1200 WYSN WV Huntington – Granted call change to WJOE (to be effective May 19).

1240 WIOV PA Reading – Granted call change to WRLD (to be effective May 1).

STATIONS GOING DARK

1000 WKVG KY Jenkins – License cancelled Apr. 5, no reason stated on FCC web site.

1540 WWGK OH Cleveland – License cancelled Apr. 21, silent since Dec. 20, 2021.

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPS) FOR EXISTING STATIONS

CPs built and moving toward final licensing (likely being used on the air):

930 KMPT MT East Missoula – Granted program test authority on CP with U1 5000/22, new site (diplexed with KGRZ-1450) at 46-52-39/114-02-36.

1010 KXXT AZ Tolleson – Granted program test authority on CP with U7 23000/300 (ch 9800), new site (diplexed with KPXQ-1360) at 33-30-28/112-13-01.

1380 KRKO WA Everett – Applies for license to cover CP to modify night pattern.

1520 WIZZ MA Greenfield – Applies for license to cover CP with D1 1000 (ch 160), new site (diplexed with WHMQ-1240) at 42-35-20/72-37-05.

1580 KWED TX Seguin – Applies for license to cover CP with U1 1450/300, new site at 29-33-46/98-03-29.

Application to modify CP received:

MA Boston – Has CP with D1 2700 (ch 1800), new site (with WJDA-1300); applies to modify to D1 2600 (ch 1750) from a different new site (with WBIX-1260) at 42-16-30/71-02-32.

Applications for CPs received:

620 WSNR NJ Jersey City – Applies for CP with U4 7000/1700, new site (with WPAT-930 and WNSW-1430) at 40-50-59/74-10-59.

1320 WDMJ MI Marquette – Applies for CP with U1 5000/140, rebuilt tower at licensed site.

1360 WPPA PA Pottsville – Applies for CP with U1 3000/22, existing site.

1460 WGMM PA Tunkhannock – Applies for CP with U1 2500/86, existing site.

1520 WNDO FL Apopka – Applies for CP with U4 4000/8, new site (with WRSO-810) 28-34-12/81-26-00, CoL to Fairview Shores FL, replacing similar CP that has expired unbuilt.

SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)

STAs granted:

860 WFSI MD Baltimore – Granted STA, D3 1160, power module failure.

910 WBZH WI Hayward – Granted STA, U1 1000/75, transmitter damage from power surge.

970 KIXL TX Del Valle – Granted STA, U1 250/250 during phasor/ATU replacement.

1370 WDEA ME Ellsworth – Granted STA, U3 5000/5000, night pattern 24 hours.

1420 WRSA VT Saint Albans – Granted STA, U1 107/107, transmitter problems.

1500 WZZQ SC Gaffney – Granted STA, D1 250 from backup transmitter, lightning strike.

Applications for STA filed:

1360 WFFF MS Columbia – Applies for STA, U1 200/159, lightning damage.

1540 KZMP TX University Park – Applies for STA, U1 100/100, TIS whip at 32-50-51/96-48-40.

Extensions of prior STAs granted (usually for an additional 6 months):

590 KSUB UT Cedar City – Granted STA extension, now U1 5000/138 (as in CP application).

760 WORA PR Mayagüez – Granted STA extension, U1 1250/1250.

810 KXOI TX Crane – Granted STA extension, U1 125/125.

860 KTRB CA San Francisco – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/5000 from KDOW-1220 tower.

880 KLRG AR Sheridan – Granted STA extension, D1 31000.

930 WLSS FL Sarasota – Granted STA extension, U1 1250/750.

950 WIXZ OH Steubenville – Granted STA extension, U4 250/8.75.
 WKDN PA Philadelphia – Granted STA extension, U4 6000/21000.

1070 WCSZ SC Sans Souci – Granted STA extension, U1 15000/375.

1250 WSPL IL Streator – Granted STA extension, U1 110/35.

WGL IN Fort Wayne – Granted STA extension, U1 580/250 from WIOE-1450 tower.

1260 WSKO NY Syracuse – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250.

1420 KFYN TX Bonham – Granted STA extension, U1 130/117 from CP site, as in CP.

KUJ WA Walla Walla – Granted STA extension, U1 1000/900.

1430 KVVN CA Santa Clara – Granted STA extension, U1 250/625.

WENE NY Endicott – Granted STA extension, U4 650/5000, night pattern 24 hours.

1460 WKHZ MD Easton – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.

1520 WTRI MD Brunswick – Granted STA extension, D3 2450.

1550 WLTI IN New Castle – Granted STA extension, U4 250/62, day pattern 24 hours.

1560 KZIZ WA Pacific – Granted STA extension, U1 2000/225 from CP tower.

Applications to extend previously granted STAs received from KTSM-690 El Paso TX, KZIM-960 Cape Girardeau MO, WTZA-1010 Atlanta GA, WATX-1220 Hamden CT, WNDE-1260 Indianapolis IN, KKOL-1300 Seattle WA, KSDT-1320 Hemet CA, KUIK-1360 Hillsboro OR, KVHZ-1430 Wasilla AK, KIKR-1450 Beaumont TX, WTOX-1480 Glen Allen VA, KBRN-1500 Boerne TX, WNDO-1520 Apopka FL, WINW-1520 Canton OH, and WLLQ-1530 Chapel Hill NC.

SILENT STATIONS

Stations notifying the FCC that they are silent:

540 KNAK UT Delta – Silent Mar. 24, weather-related tower collapse.

650 KPRP HI Honolulu – Silent Nov. 25, 2022, pending sale/donation of station.

750 WOUF MI Petoskey – Silent Apr. 15, "financial distress."

KAMA TX El Paso – Silent Apr. 4, studio demolished due to unstable soil.

940 KKNE HI Waipahu – Silent Nov. 25, 2022, pending sale/donation of station.

960 WHAK MI Rogers City – Silent Mar. 31, "financial constraints," hopes to sell.

1210 WJNL MI Kingsley – Silent Mar. 31, "financial constraints," hopes to sell.

1520 WVXN WI New Holstein – Silent Mar. 25, "equipment issues."

Formerly silent stations notifying the FCC that they are on the air:

860 WFSI MD Baltimore – Silent Mar. 10; on the air with STA (notified Apr. 18).

910 WBZH WI Hayward - Silent Aug. 7, 2022 (as WCBN); on the air with STA Apr. 2.

1240 WCEM MD Cambridge – Silent Mar. 31, unspecified technical reasons; on the air Apr. 19.

1490 KXAR AR Hope – Silent Apr. 22, 2022; back on the air Apr. 18.

NON-COMMERCIAL STATUS

1270 WHGS SC Hampton – Granted non-commercial status.

1430 WYGI TN Madison – Granted commercial status.

NRC AM Log updates



700 WARB AL Dothan — Networks to CMP. (RI)

810 WCKA AL Jacksonville — Slogan & Group to Grp= Real Country 94.3 97.1 and AM 810 (ex-Grp= Alabama 94.3 97.1 and AM 810). (StIntel)

900 WATV AL Birmingham — Networks to A/CMP. (RI)

WMOP FL Ocala — Networks to CMP. (RI)

KCLW TX Hamilton — Networks to Tx. (DXM)



910 WBZH WI Hayward — Delete // W245CT-96.9. (NP)
920 KWUL MO Saint Louis — Format to AOR (ex-SPT). (JN)

940 KWBY OR Woodburn — Slogan to "La Pantera," adds // K227DU-93.3; delete Grp= KWBY La Pantera. (StIntel)

1010 KOOR OR Milwaukie — Format to SS:UC (ex-SS:SPT), slogan to "Urbana 1010," drops networks. (StIntel)

1030 WKEG MI Sterling Heights — Networks to RR; Group to Grp= Relevant Radio Detroit (ex-Grp= Family Life Radio). (DXMid)

1050 KXCA OK Lawton — Networks to WW1/CMP. (RI)

1080 KSCO CA Santa Cruz — Group to Grp= KSCO News Talk (ex-Grp= Red Hot News-Talk). (DG)

KNDK ND Langdon — Format to NWS/TLK (ex-C&W); slogan to "News Talk," networks to Fox/P/WW1/C2C. (StIntel)

1120 WHOG AL Hobson City — Networks to CMP. (RI)

1130 KQRR OR Mount Angel — Format to ETH (ex-SS:OLD); delete Grp= KWBY La Pantera. (StIntel)

1150 KXET OR Portland — Slogan & Group to Grp= La Gran D 93.5. (StIntel)

1160 WEWC FL Callahan — Format to SS:AC (ex-SS:MEX); slogan & Group to Grp= Latina 92.1 (ex-Grp= La Raza 92.9). (RI)

1220 WWSF ME Sanford — Format to NOS (ex-OLD). (RI)

1230 WONN FL Lakeland — Adds // W296CS-107.1. (DXMid)

1260 WLAK WI Amery — Delete slogan. (NP)

1280 WMCP TN Columbia — Format to REL (ex-C&W), slogan to "Radio Maria," delete networks. (StIntel)

1340 KOMY CA La Selva Beach — Slogan "News Talk," delete Grp= Red Hot News-Talk. (DG) WOKS GA Columbus — Networks to CMP. (RI)

WOKS GA Columbus — Networks to CMP. (RI)
 KACH ID Preston — Format to CLR (ex-AC); delete Grp= Favorites 105. (DXMid)

1420 WRCG GA Columbus — Format to UC:AC (ex-CLR), slogan to "92.1 Smooth R&B," adds // W221DP-92.1; delete Grp= Classic Rock 105.5. (RI)

1430 WYGI TN Madison — Delete * (no longer Non-Commercial). (FCC)

1450 WLAY AL Muscle Shoals — Slogan "Rock 'n Roll Gold," adds // W284DS-104.7. (DXMid)

KENA AR Mena — Format to C&W (ex-GOS), delete slogan; adds // KENA-FM-104.1. (StIntel)

KSIG LA Crowley — Format to C&W (ex-AC/EZL); slogan to "Freedom 95.1." (StIntel)

1460 WQOP FL Jacksonville — Slogan & Group to Grp= Relevant Radio Jacksonville. (irca)

1490 KGBA CA Heber — Adds // K263CC-100.5. (FCC)

1510 KLQR KS Larned — Format to CLR (ex-TLK), slogan to "Classic Hits," delete // KMDG-105.7. (RI)

1520 KGDD OR Oregon City — Format to SS:MEX (ex-Russian:REL); slogan & Group to Grp= La Gran D 93.5. (StIntel)

1550 WOCC IN Corydon — Format to C&W (ex-OLD); slogan to "Capitol Country." (RI)

KIWA IA Sheldon — Slogan to "We're All Talk," nets to USA/RIa/P/WW1/RER. (WH)

1570 WBGZ IL Alton — Networks to THN/II/WW1/SRN. (DXM)

1590 WVNA AL Tuscumbia — Format to NWS/TLK (ex-VAR); slogan to "News Talk." (StIntel)

1600 WZNZ FL Atlantic Beach — Slogan & Group to Grp= Relevant Radio Jacksonville. (irca)

New Groups

Grp= La Gran D 93.5 — KXET-1150, KGDD-1520, K228EU-93.5 (StItel)

Grp= Lake Air — WLAK-1260, WBZH-910, W245CT-96.9, W297CU-107.3 (NP)

Grp=Latina 92.1 — WJXR-92.1, WEWC-1160, W248CT-97.5 (RI)

Grp= Relevant Radio Jacksonville — WQOP-1460, WZNZ-1600, W229CZ-93.7 (irca)

Group Changes

Grp= La Raza 92.9 deletes WEWC-1160 and W248CT-97.5 (RI)

Grp= The G.O.A.T. adds W254BQ-98.7 (BH)

Group Name Changes

Grp= Alabama 94.3 97.1 and AM 810 becomes Real Country 94.3 97.1 and AM 810 (StIntel)

Grp= Family Life Radio becomes Grp= Relevant Radio Detroit (DXMid)

Delete Groups

Grp= Classic Rock 105.5 (RI)

Grp= Favorites 105 (DXMid)

Grp= KWBY La Pantera (StIntel)

Grp= Red Hot News-Talk (DG)

Drew Carey's Warning for Radio After A.I. Goes Awry (from Radio Ink):

"Will AI take over radio?" is one of the industry's most burning questions as companies eye costcutting measures and air talent worry about their futures. With ChatGPT and new AI vocalizers popping up and updating with increasing regularity, some fear if audiences can even tell the difference. Spoiler alert: they can, at least for now. And one celebrity found out the hard way.

During a recent episode of Drew Carey's Friday Night Freak-Out on SiriusXM, fans noticed the Price Is Right/former-Whose Line? host sounded different. His delivery was choppy. He sounded robotic. His scripts were stilted. Some asked is this AI? And it was. Carey fessed up.

Carey used ElevenLabs' AI vocal cloner for the show, which has been used to mimic celebrity voices and make them say whatever the operator wanted. His scripts were written by ChatGPT. Carey says it was all in the name of an experiment he put together over a weekend with a friend.

Out of this experiment, came a message to all broadcasters. In an interview with Engadget's Devindra Hardawar, Carey said, "I violated a rule from Radio 101. The reason FM stations and treasured radio stations still make money is because people like the personality of the DJs." He also says his fans had a message once he came clean: don't do it again.



Our Thanks to our Contributors and Various Media Sources (BH) Bill Hale; (DG) Dennis Gibson; (DXM) DX Monitor; (DXMid) DXMidAmerica; (FCC) FCC; (irca) IRCA list; (JN) James Niven; (NP) Northpine.com; (RI) Radio Insight; (StIntel) StationIntel.com; (WH) Wayne Heinen.

FCC silent list as of April 21, 2023 (99 stations) 1300 WFFG-FL 1420 WRSA-VT 540 WGOP-MD 970 WCHN-NY **KNAK-UT** WWYO-WV KDSO-OR 1440 WGMI-GA 580 KANA-MT 980 KDBV-CA 1310 KZYP-AR WIBU-IL 650 KPRP-HI **KICA-NM** KKZI-CA 1450 KVBV-CO 1000 WCCD-OH WSRO-MA 1330 WYRD-SC WELY-MN 690 KCEE-AZ 1010 KXPS-CA 1340 KPGE-AZ **KBEN-TX** KRGS-CO WCKW-LA WKCB-KY 1480 KRXR-ID WADS-CT WHKT-VA KJMU-OK WNKW-KY 700 WQVD-MA 1080 KWAI-HI WVNR-VT **WRCK-NY** 1090 KVOP-TX 720 KDWN-NV WXKX-WV 1490 KSYC-CA 730 KDBI-ID 1110 WJML-MI 1350 WELB-AL WTVL-ME KEZX-OR 1140 KXST-NV WZKO-FL KRSN-NM 750 WOUF-MI 1150 KXET-OR 1360 KNGN-NE KFCR-SD KAMA-TX 1190 KREB-AR **WYOS-NY** 1500 WAKE-IN 850 1370 KWRM-CA WKGE-PA 1200 KPSF-CA 1520 WVXN-WI 860 KOSE-AR 1210 WJNL-MI 1380 WWNT-NC 1530 KMAM-MO 880 WAMI-AL 1220 WSLM-IN 1390 KFFK-AR **KVOG-Guam** 920 KLMR-CO 1540 KZMP-TX KQMG-IA KHOB-NM KQBU-TX KZEE-TX 1400 WZHR-FL WAZX-GA 1550 KFLB-TX 1240 KVRC-AR KSPT-ID KTLU-TX 940 WINE-CT KRAL-WY KREW-TX 1590 WABV-SC KKNE-HI 1270 KEPS-TX KITZ-WA **KDAV-TX** 950 WYWY-KY 1280 KNBY-AR 1410 WZBR-MA 1600 WLAA-FL 960 KCGS-AR **WANS-SC WEGO-NC** KTUB-UT WHAK-MI 1290 KJEF-LA **WVCB-NC**

Unreported Domestic Stations

No stations were reported to DDXD for the first time this issue since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000). The closest we came was WBHP-1230, last reported in Volume 69. But WKVG-1000, one of the stations on our list, has now been deleted, so there are only 210 stations remaining not reported to DDXD in this century.

The full list of unreported stations was last published in issue 89-18 – we'll run it again over the but if you want an updated list sooner, just e-mail the publisher NRCDXNews@gmail.com. Let's see if we can get another one knocked off the list next time!

RA-CA1

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. All times are Eastern Local Time (ELT)!! In some instances, minor editing may occur. Reports older than 30 days may be excluded at the editor's discretion. New members are especially welcome to report!! Remember . . . if you want your email address published, include your 'OK' with your report.
- Thanks to all who take time to submit their latest loggings to the column. Much appreciated! Remember to give yourself credit (XX-XX) after each logging!

Please observe the following . . .

Upcoming deadlines for DDXD-West: Issue 16: May 12; Issue 17: June 9. Please don't wait 'til the last minute to submit your reports.

---REPORTERS ---

René Auvray Pomona, California 2020 Toyota Corolla caradio

RA-CA2	René Auvray Pomona, California Grundig Yacht Boy 400
RA-CA3	René Auvray South Los Angeles, California 2020 Toyota Corolla caradio
SB-CA	Stephanie Battaglino Palm Desert, California Receiver: Perseus with Jaguar Pro;
	Antennae: Twin Wellbrook ALA 1530 LNP loops on rotors at 25 feet: DXE NCC-2

Antennae: Twin Wellbrook ALA 1530 LNP loops on rotors at 25 feet; DXE NCC-2, Sharp/Connelly Phaser/Preamp

BF-IL Barry Finkel Chicago, Illinois Receiver: Yaesu FRG-7700; Antenna: McKay-Dymek DA-5 antenna

KDF-IL Karl D. Forth Chicago, Illinois Sangean ATS-909, Sangean DT-200VX

MJ-QRO Mike Jeziorski Juriquilla, Queretaro, Mexico Receivers: Perseus and Kiwi SDRs; Antenna: W6LVP loop <mjeziorski@gmail.com>

TK-FL Terry Krueger Niceville, Florida Receivers: IC-R75, NRD-535, ICF-7600GR, Tescun PL-360; Antennae: active loops, random wire, misc. junk

JN-TX James Niven Cedar Creek, Texas Receivers: ELAD S2, Perseus SDR with Jaguar Pro software, and Drake R8B; Antennas: DKAZ at 60°, DKAZ at 120°, DKAZ at 310° and Super KAZ at 10° < iniven@austin.rr.com >

JP-AB Jon Pearkins Edmonton, Alberta CCRadio 2E and Sangean PR-D15, both barefoot on batteries

JJR-MI John J Rieger L'**Anse, Michigan** Grundig Satellit 750 -Terk AM1000 loop, Sangean ATS-909X stock

JJR-WI John J Rieger South Milwaukee, Wisconsin Icom IC-R75, MFJ-959B tuner/preamp, Kiwa loop, Sangean ATS-909X stock

MT-MN Matt Todd Hugo, Minnesota Receiver: Airspy HF+ Discovery; Antenna: Youloop RV-TX Robert Vance El Paso, Texas Receivers: SDRplay SDRuno, WinRadio G33DDC; Antennae: various indoor and outdoor loops

JW-CO John Wilkins Wheat Ridge, Colorado Receiver: Drake R-8; Antenna: 4-foot box loop

--- NOTES FROM CANADA ---

Jon Pearkins jon@pearkins.com

Canada's first rock and roll DJ, Red Robinson, passed away on April 1, two days after his 86th birthday. His first show was on November 12, 1954 and the



first song he played was 'Marie' by the Four Tunes, a song that first charted on Billboard nine days later. The station was CJOR-600 in Vancouver, BC and it marked the first daily rock and roll program in Canada. Wanting to expand into television, Red moved to KGW-620 and KGW-TV Portland, OR in 1959, before contemplating a move to Los Angeles in 1961, but instead went back home to Vancouver for the rest of his career. His last show was on CISL-650 Richmond, BC in August 2017 just before the station switched to All Sports under new ownership (Rogers).

Rogers plans to complete its deal to buy Shaw on April 7 after receiving final approval from all necessary federal government departments. Rogers owns radio stations, most notably the CityNews and Sportsnet stations, but Shaw spun off Corus in the 1990s and moved all of its stations there. The Shaw family will continue to maintain its controlling interest in Corus.

Auroral conditions have been almost continuous over the last couple of weeks, only allowing Cuba's CMBQ-530 to make it to Edmonton once. And, even then, with Aurora conditions still blocking reception from some locations. The night of March 23-24 marked the first time in about 10 years that I actually saw Northern Lights. Oddly enough, they were directly overhead and slightly to the South. Normally, they are close to the Northern horizon. Of course, Skywave reception was virtually non-existent during the event.

The CRTC announced license renewal decisions until August 31, 2030 for three more AM stations, listed below. Each was reminded of the Revised Commercial Radio Policy's expectation of 5% of the music aired to be from Canadian emerging artists. A new annual report is also required that details the amount of Indigenous content aired, including percentage of Indigenous music and number of Indigenous musical artists played.

980 CJME SK Regina – License renewal.

1280 CFMB QC Montreal – License renewal noted the requirement to serve at least 16 cultural groups in 16 languages.

1320 CJMR ON Oakville – License renewal noted the requirement to serve at least 11 cultural groups in 15 languages, with a maximum of 62% of the broadcast week (6:00 AM to midnight) being brokered ethnic programming.

ON Toronto – Very rare catch in Alaska, heard simulcasting CFRB-1010 at **0321 on March 13, 2023**. The shortwave station with 1 kW, first went on the air in 1937 thanks to Canada's legendary inventor and broadcaster, Ted Rogers, Sr., best known for creating the first viable radio receiver and radio transmitter that ran off household AC current, rather than batteries and/or AC-DC inverters. In fact, CFRB stands for Canada's First Radio Batteryless. CFRX is currently non-directional, but was previously directional to the northwest, to provide service to Northern Ontario and Western Canada.

The Facebook page *Canadian Radio News* by **Dan Sys** provides much of the information for this column with additional tips from **Paul B. Walker Jr.**

--- U.S. STATION NEWS ---

1120 WPRX CT Bristol – An Order to Pay or to Show Cause initiating a license revocation proceeding has been issued against Nievezquez Productions' Spanish Tropical 'Dinamica 1120', WPRX Bristol CT. WPRX owes delinquent regulatory fees from 2010, 2012-14, 2016-17, 2020 and 2020 totaling \$27,150.64. (radioINSIGHT)

1340 WJOY WI Milwaukee – **4/20 0700** – Totally OFF for the past 2 days. Didn't stay here long. 45+ logged on 1340; expect nothing. **(JJR-WI)**

___ DX TESTS ___

880 KJJR+ MT Whitefish – 4/8 0203 – Not nearly as good as the previous test, but there at 0203 with VVV ID, Morse and sweep tones at 0228, VVV ID at 0233, 1000 Hz long tone at 0244. Some co-channel from someone domestic with Mexi-tunes format, suspect WMDB Nashville, who has cheated previously. Also, a little WXBN Sweetwater, Florida with BIN programming occasionally. Virtually no WCBS. No trace of KSEN on 1150 two nights later from here. (TK-FL)

880 KJJR+ MT Whitefish – 4/8 0237 – So strong with female talk, in best CHQT null, that I thought it was a local mixing product on the CCRadio 2E. By the time I tuned in with the less image-prone Sangean PR-D15, tones were being broadcast. Very easy to hear during the CHQT's talk-only portions of programming in best CHQT null, but somewhere between tough and impossible otherwise. Sweep tones began at 0241:48 then single frequency tones starting at 0242:25, high frequency sweep tones starting at 0247:26, regular sweep tones starting at 0250:26 and Fax-like data transmission starting at 0255:58. Most memorable were the 1960s Hollywood space 'wow' sounds that started at 0249:16. (JP-AB)

880 KJJR+ MT Whitefish – 04/08 0200 – Under KRVN, with a few seconds of silence before News starts when a female mentions '...special DX Test...' then wiped out by KRVN News starting. Funny electronic sound was noted which I take was SSTV, then followed by Morse Code. Easily noted under KRVN, with Fair signal. Reviewed the rest of my 2-hour recording. Morse Code was heard over KRVN at times. Fair-to-good signal. Relog. (JN-TX)

KJJR MT Whitefish – 4/9 – DX Test: nothing identifiable heard in 880 WCBS null. (BF-IL)
 KSEN+
 MT Shelby – 4/10 0206 – Heard Morse ID. Also heard 'Weatherology Weather Center' and 'Coast-to-Coast' on unID stations. My older 'Log' has a number of 1150 stations broadcasting C-to-C, and the web site has listings by state, not frequency. I clicked on all states and found these stations: KRMS-MO, KAGO-OR, WNDB-FL,

WIMA-OH and KQQQ-WA. I have no idea which station I heard. I guess WIMA in Lima, OH, which I have heard before. The 'Coast-to-Coast' program had a female host mentioning Easter. (BF-IL)

1150 KSEN+ MT Shelby – **04/10 0300** – DX Test with Morse Code and sweep tones. All noted under KSAL. Poor-to-Fair signal. (JN-TX)

1150 KSEN+ MT Shelby – 4/10 0312:30 – First sign of tones under a weak CJSL in the best null of CKFR. Next heard warble tones usually associated with data at 0335. Aurora conditions that weakened and sometimes completely eliminated Regina and Winnipeg stations, likely blocked KSEN's signal. (JP-AB)

--- UNID HELP NEEDED ---

TX? - 4/11 0400 – Under a clear 'KYTY Somerset, San Antonio's Star, AM 8-10' ID there was a multi-station ID in English, including KZAM-98.7-Wichita Falls TX and FMs on 98.5, 107.9, 103.9 in Corpus Christi (not found, perhaps misheard), and 101.7 possibly in Houston. The Texas cities imply a state network, but the only other Texas station listed on 810 is KXOI Crane, currently identified as silent. KZAM is described as 'La Tremenda' with a Mexican regional format, but has no web presence to use for matching. Any ideas? (MJ-QRO)

-4/5 0327 – An unknown Spanish music station . . . reception good. Sometimes KRVN Lexingtion, Nebraska comes in but not this case. Before I say it broadcast in the United States, it had to have come from Mexico. Any clues? (RA-CA1) [KKMC Gonzales, California is definitely a possibility. Any other guesses? – BH]

900 unID

 4/06 2155 – Fair, with Classic Rock music by Oasis, Peter Frampton, and Naked Eyes. Signal conveniently drops when there's likely to be any kind of ID. WATK is most likely based on format and location. (MT-MN)

1290 unID -4/12 0857 – '7:57, the Best Music' followed by 'Honky Tonk Woman' by The Rolling Stones, then a CDT time check. Nothing jives! NOT WZTI! as they have NEVER been live. Very Poor. **(JJR-MI)**

- 4/17 1959-2000 – 'O'Reilly Auto Parts' jingle in English, then that ad in Spanish, followed by another ad. Call ID was in buried in QRM . . . unable to make it out. Was it KFSD San Diego or another station? I tried to get a Call ID, but there was too much QRM. (RA-CA3) [KFSD? Unlikely, as they are REL: EWTN, so I wouldn't think they would have an ad for O'Riley's. But . . . you never know. Any help from out there? – BH]

--- DX LOGGINGS ---

SK Watrous – **4/10 0320** – Signal completely blocked by Aurora conditions, leaving XEWA all alone. CBC programming gradually faded up, with 'CBC' mention at **0323:50**, leaving me hoping that CBK was off the air and CBT was being heard, but a quick check with CBX-740 and the programming was the same, with CBX several seconds behind CBK. **(JP-AB)**

CO Denver – **4/10 0318** – Normal powerhouse signal from KMON faded down, leaving KLZ on top with a long block of local ads, many of which mentioned the KLZ call letters in the ad itself. That, and the 303 area code for the sponsors, make KLZ easy to ID. **(JP-AB)**

LA Alexandria – 3/29 0600 – Heard above both WIBW and presumed XELRDA with ending of Radio Maria programming, station promo/request for donations and network ID: 'You're listening to Radio Maria, a Christian voice in your home'. A listing of Radio Maria stations followed and '580, KJMJ, Alexandria' was in the middle of them, followed by more EE REL programming. **NEW one here. (RV-TX)**

600 KCOL CO Wellington – 3/30 0500 – Heard '600, KCOL. Wellington, Fort Collins. An iHeart radio station'. TOH ID in a 10-second dead-air period of local KROD. Lucky. NEW one here. (RV-

610 KNML NM Albuquerque – 04/15 0700 – With male giving ID as 'This is 95.9 FM and AM (9-30, why is 930 announced??) Albuquerque KNML Albuquerque KNML Albuquerque Fair signal. Relog. (JN-TX)

620 KTAR AZ Phoenix – **04/15 0659** – With a string of promos mentioning 'Arizona'. Male mentions 'ESPN 620'. Fair signal over XEGS. Relog. **(JN-TX)**

640 WWJZ NJ Mount Holly – **4/9 0728** – With 'Catholic' and 'Relevant Radio' mentions. Poor, but only fit. WMFN nulled, though in. (**JJR-MI**)

- **640 KWPN OK Moore 4/3 0200** with PSA then TOH ID '. . . KWPN Moore-Norman-Oklahoma City, ESPN 6-40 Oklahoma's home for ESPN Radio; a Cumulus station', then back to ESPN programming. **Also heard on 4/13 @ 0300** With TOH ID that included reference to WWLS-FM Oklahoma City, but this parallel may no longer be valid as of 4/17, given what I later heard from KSIW-1450. In null of KFI. **(RV-TX)**
- 670 KMZQ NV Las Vegas 4/11 0359 With network ad followed by ID: 'Live from the South Point Hotel, Casino and Spa Studios on the Las Vegas Strip, AM 6-50 KMZQ Las Vegas . . .' followed by Townhall News. (RV-TX)
- **680 WDBC** MI Escanaba 04/06 2158 Fair, Signal starting poor and slowly improving to the top of hour. No ID heard but multiple Escanaba references in commercials. Then USA Radio News Top Story: 'Tennessee Republicans expel two Democrat law makers for breaking rules'. Overtaken by noise just after the top story. (MT-MN)
- **680 WOGO WI Hallie 4/8 0750 –** Talk format. '103.1' heard. Poor-to-Very Poor through the entire hour. No CJOB! (JJR-WI)
- **TX** El Paso 04/15 0659 With male saying, 'News on the hour and a half hour, Traffic and weather all day. News Radio 6-90 KTSM El Paso, an I-Heart radio station', then into NBC News Radio. Fair-to-Good at times over a Spanish station with music. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 710 KXMR ND Bismarck 4/14 0000 'KXMR' legal ID after fading up in KIRO null ESE, becoming dominant. (JP-AB)
- 710 WDSM WI Superior 4/06 2200 Good, with 'Minnesota Wild' post-game show and press conference with head coach Dean Evanson, then station ID. (MT-MN)
- 730 KSVN UT Ogden 4/9 0500 Caught a '... La Mexicana, KSVN ...' ID by an exaggerated deep-throated male announcer under a nulled XEX. Several references to 'La Mexicana' as well as an FM frequency that I couldn't copy. ID announcement was followed by Regional Mexican music. NEW one here. (RV-TX)
- 730 WJMT WI Merrill 4/06 2200 Good, with 60s-era sounding Light Rock then TOH ID: 'Blue Jay 96–3' then CBS News. NEW Log. (MT-MN)
- **CA San Francisco 4/7 0100** In the mix, with 'Weather-On-The-8s', local news, TOH ID: 'When you need to know, KCBS AM, San Francisco . . .' then into CBS News. It's not as common a visitor as KRMG or KTRH because it's essentially sitting 'behind' local KAMA-750. (**RV-TX**)
- **740 KVOR CO Colorado Springs 4/7 0100** With local ad followed by simple TOH ID 'AM 7-40, KVOR, Colorado Springs.', then into ABC News. It basically sits 'behind' local KAMA-750 so it's not a common visitor. **(RV-TX)**
- **740 KNFL ND Fargo 4/10 0816** Poor, with talk of breakfast cereals. This is a sports, hi?! '100.3 KFAN' and 'Fan' mentions heard. (**JJR-MI**)
- **GA Atlanta 4/9 0100 –** TOH ID and presumptively the start CBS News (from the sounder) during a dead-air period of KOAL, AND with local KAMA off-air. Heard them off and on in the SDR recordings this evening on the EW Loop. This is a relog and it looks as if I last heard it in 2013. (**RV-TX**)
- **750 KBNN MO Lebanon 4**/**7 0629** With Sign-on for the broadcast day, with local KAMA offair. MissouriNet News followed the sign-on announcement, local weather '. . . from the talk of Laclede County', PSAs, an unidentifiable talk program followed. **Another NEW one here. (RV-TX)**
- **750 KOAL UT Price 4/6 0824 –** With 'America's First News', local ads, ID: 'NEWsTalk 107-3 FM and 7-50 AM' and local sports. I monitored the frequency for a few days with different antenna combos and this was the most prevalent during the period. With local KAMA off-air. **(RV-TX)**
- 750 **CKJH SK Melfort 4/7 0159** Briefly competing with KOAL, with local KAMA off-air. With local ads, TOH ID: 'CKJH AM on 7-50 AM, Melfort, and streaming on Radio Player's App. We are Saskatchewan's Beach Radio', then into some 80s US CHR. **NEW one here for Saskatchewan #8.** I never thought I'd bag this one with KAMA's HD junk. I monitored the frequency for a few days with different antenna combos and this was the second most prevalent during the period. **(RV-TX)**
- 750 CKJH SK Melfort 4/13 0534-0618 Well under KOAL, and a little bit of mixing from KXTG. The web address of the station was noted at the end of a promo by male 'Beachradiosk.ca.' Later, at 0618 ELT clearly copied the Whitney Houston tune 'I Wanna Dance With Somebody' the time of which matched the station's archived playlist perfectly! NEW! 25 kW at 1,428 miles. Woo hoo! (SB-CA)
- 770 KUOM MN Minneapolis 4/2 0800 Sign/on (with no Star Spangled Banner), '104.5, 106.5, Radio K' mentions. Poor. (JJR-MI)

- 770 KATL MT Miles City 4/2 0819 Calls, 'Victoria's Secret', by Jax. Very poor. And KUOM, which was in earlier . . . gone! Heard again, this time on 4/12 @ 0834 Ad for 'Murdock's Ranch & Farm Supplies', with music on both sides. No calls. (JJR-MI)
- **790 KSPD ID Boise 4/9 0227** Idaho government PSA in break between two paid religious programs, initially with no sign of KGHL, but they faded up very strong from time to time. Tentative, but very likely considering how strong KLER-1300 was coming in. **(JP-AB)**
- **ND Fargo 4/14 0003-0008 –** All alone, but in rapid fade cycle, with **0007** 'prerecorded' disclaimer into 'Coast to Coast'. Nothing else in any direction except occasional trace of KGHL. **(JP-AB)**
- 800 KBFP CA Bakersfield 3/29 0840 With Fox Sports Radio ('AM 800 Fox Sports Radio').
 Promo for Bakersfield Condors hockey and local weather during
- **800 KXIC IA Iowa City 4/06 2200 Poor, with several Fox Sports promos, then TOH ID pretty deep in the noise. NEW Log. (MT-MN)**

network break. (RV-TX)

- **800 WVAL** MN Sauk Rapids 4/06 2155 Poor, with TOH ID: 'This is AM 800 ?? 102.3 WVAL'. (MT-MN)
- **810 KBHB SD Sturgis 4/9 0811** 'This is KBHB, the Voice of ????, powered by ????'. No usual WJJQ! Poor signal, but lucked out! **(JJR-MI)**
- **820 KUTR UT Taylorsville 4/5 2159** Ending of a religious program, then a mention of 'KUTR 820 Taylorsville Salt Lake City'. Weak, but audible. Strong QRM from KLAA 830 Anaheim. **First time in Pomona! (RA-CA1)**
- **840 KTIC** NE West Point 4/06 2158 County music then TOH ID: '?? Country KTIC 98.3 FM and AM 840 West Point'. Poor, under WHAS. (MT-MN)
- 840 KXNT NV North Las Vegas 4/13 0400 Coming up from the mix with TOH ID: 'Broadcasting live from the . . .it's KXNT, North Las Vegas. Always live on the Audacy app. Newstalk 8-40, KXNT' and CBS News. Local news, PSAs, then C2C followed. (RV-TX)
- **870 KRLA CA Glendale 3/27 0927** With 'The Morning Answer' program. BOH ID: 'KRLA, 8-70, The Answer' followed by local traffic, news, and weather, then returned to the program. **NEW one here**. I was targeting it this morning, hoping the power change occurred before the band died. **(RV-TX)**
- 880 KJOZ TX Conroe 4/11 0700 'KJOZ ocho ochenta AM Conroe-Houston' and FM translator K283 104.5. Fair. NEW, for Texas #122. (MJ-QRO)
- **880 WMEQ WI Menomonie 4/8 0747** Poor, with 'IHeartResults.com', national ads, and 'call me in Menomonie', though never gave the number. Nice! (**JJR-WI**)
- 900 WKDW VA Staunton 4/22 0701 With C&W. So: CKBI? WDLS? Not quite! Legal ID confirms it. Not heard in years! Poor, but alone. (JJR-WI)
- 900 CKBI SK Prince Albert 4/11 0844 Chasing others when C&W and 'CKBI' faded in weakly. Very Poor. (JJR-MI)
- 910 WBZH WI Hayward 4/17 0825 Mentions of 'Wisconsin', 'Walker Administration', and 'Wisconsin drug usage'. Lost to WDOR. Ex: WCBN. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- 910 WDOR WI Sturgeon Bay -4/17 0825 Ad for 'Wisconsin Building Supply in Sturgeon Bay', then 'Sports on WDOR'. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- **920 WMPL** MI Hancock 4/06 2158 Poor, with weather report: 'Tomorrow's High 34' then TOH ID into ABC News. Never logged outside the Upper Pensinula. (MT-MN)
- **920 KDHL MN Faribault 4/14 0737 –** Poor, '... on the Mighty 920 KDHL 97.9 FM'. Poor, in WMPL null. (**JJR-MI**)
- 920 KRLV NV Las Vegas 03/31 0759 With male in low deep voice saying '. . . This is the place for . . . (unclear) . . . on . . . Radio 9-20 AM KRLV Las Vegas . . . This is VSIN . . . The Sports Betting Network', then wiped out by Mexican National Anthem. Thanks to Andrew Brade of RealDX group for cracking this one for me. Poor signal on the frequency. NEW. (JN-TX)
- **920 KKLS SD Rapid City 04/09 0058** With 'Jose Cuervo' by Tracy Byrd, followed by quick singing jingle by male as: 'The Cowboy'. Then back into more Country music. A check at **0159** noted Country music equal level to KYFR when I noted male mentioned '... The Cowboy 104.7'. Fair signal. **NEW, for South Dakota** #**13.** (JN-TX)
- 920 WOKY WI Milwaukee 4/2 0655 Fox Sports, 'Big 920'. WMPL had open carrier. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- 920 CFRY MB Portage la Prairie 4/12 0824 With calls and 'LocalJobShop.ca'. Nothing great, but easily wiping out (semi-local) WMPL. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- 930 WTAD IL Quincy 4/06 2200 Very Poor, with TOH ID: 'Stay informed with Fox News at the top of the hour . . . Talk Radio 930 WTAD Quincy, FM 103.3 K277CF Quincy', then Fox News. NEW Log. (MT-MN)

- 930 KOGA NE Ogallala 4/11 0835 '100% Classics! 9-3-Oh, KOGA, Classic Country for the High Plains!' Others phased, though no WLBL/KKIN/etc. Catch of the day! Rare! Poor. (JJR-MI)
- 930 KCCC NM Carslbad 4/2 0640 Fading in and out, with C&W and plenty of 'Classic Country, KCCC, 9-30 AM' splitter IDs. 'Country legends play here. Southeast New Mexico's number one place for Classic Country. You're listening to KCCC 9-30 AM, Carlsbad, Artesia, and Seven Rivers'. (RV-TX)
- 930 KCCC NM Carlsbad 04/09 2300 Noted under KLUP with ID by male: 'You're listening to Classic Country in the heart of the Permian Basin, Carlsbad, Artesia, Seven Rivers and beyond . . . KCCC, 9-30 AM. Fair signal. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 930 WLBL WI Auburndale 4/1 0745 Station promos; mentions of NPR and WPR; 'Support comes from . . .'. A nice ID as: 'AM 930, FM 99.1 and 100.9 WLBL Auburndale' and into a WPR program. Fair at best. (JW-CO)
- 940 KGMS AZ Tucson 04/09 0659 With male saying: 'The Good News Station, AM 9-40 KGMS [Tucson muffled]'. Have not heard for some time. Fair over Spanish music station. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 940 KYNO CA Fresno 3/30 0737 Oldies music; ID as: 'kino K-Y-N-O, the greatest hits on earth'. Fair peaks, on top at times. A needed call change here, ex: KFIG. (JW-CO)
- **940 KIXZ TX Amarillo 04/09 0100** With male coming out of nowhere with 'News Talk 9-40 KIXZ Amarillo, a Townsquare Media Station'. Good signal. Relog. **(JN-TX)**
- 950 KTNF MN Saint Louis Park 4/17 0821 'The Progressive Voice', then talk over an unID with 'Song Sung Blue'. Poor. but no WWJ. (JJR-MI)
- 960 WLPR AL Prichard 4/7 0727-0734 Two Southern GOS songs, and REL announcements. No calls heard, but only thing with format on frequency. Very poor, over WSBT for three minutes, then down. NEW! (JJR-WI)
- 960 KSRA ID Salmon 3/31 0825 Call letter ID and into 'Hey Jude' by The Beatles. Rough in QRM. (JW-CO)
- 960 KMA IA Shenandoah 4/1 0835 Area funeral and celebration-of-life announcements for southwest Iowa burgs. No ID heard. Fair-to-Poor in the mix. (JW-CO)
- 970 WZAM MI Ishpeming 4/19 0808 Ad for 'Tadych's Food Store, weather, then '... the Rockin' Eagle' with Hard Rock. Very poor through WHA. (JJR-WI)
- 970 KQAQ MN Austin 4/06 2300 TOH ID: 'You're listening to the ?? Network, AM 9–70 KQAQ, Austin Rochester'. Poor. (MT-MN)
- 970 WDUL WI Superior 4/10 0805 Very poor, with a Justin Bieber song and 'Hot 98' mention. A weak WDAY in background. No WZAM all morning. (JJR-MI)
- 980 KFWB CA Los Angeles 4/7 0827 Presumed, with area websites and Los Angeles mentions; PDT time check, then: 'Lo mejor de nuestra tierra, escucha mejor . . . La Mera Mera' and into Latino music. Fair, in QRM. (JW-CO)
- 980 KMBZ MO Kansas City 4/06 2300 Poor, with a PSA about contractor fraud 'If you didn't request it, reject it'. Then TOH ID into ABC News. (MT-MN)
- 980 KMIN NM Grants 4/11 0300 Energetic announcer with 'KMIN Grants New Mexico'; poor but alone. NEW, for New Mexico #5. (MJ-QRO)
- 980 KDSJ SD Deadwood 4/9 0708 Poor, with 'Tracy' by The Cuff Links, 'Western Union' by the Five Americans, calls, and 'Black Hills Gold Hits'. (JJR-MI)
- 980 WPRE WI Prairie du Chien 4/6 0815 '. . . on the WPRE Morning show' into Wisconsin State Network Sports. Not heard in decades; possibly only second or third time since logging on 3/26/68! SUPER rare! Poor. After not hearing in decades, until a few days ago, in again on 4/8 0738! 'WPRE' jingle, then 'Relax' by Duran Duran. I'm not moving the loop, hi! Poor. (JJR-WI)
- **1000 KSOO SD Sioux Falls 4/10 0841 ESPN** chatter. Nulled WMVP had local chatter. Very poor . . . assumed. (JJR-MI)
- 1010 KSIR CO Brush 3/31 0900 With talk of last night's Colorado Rockies baseball game and into promo for tonight's game: '. . . right here on 10-10 KSIR . . . ' followed by full ID. (RV-TX)
- **1030 WKEG MI Sterling Heights 4/22 0725 –** Relevant Radio, apps, etc. Recent sale. Was Family Radio. ex: WUFL. Poor, but alone. (JJR-WI)
- 1040 KPPF CO Monument 4/2 0900 With ad or station promo and TOH ID: 'KPPF, 10-40 AM, 98.5, and 95.7, Monument, Colorado Springs. PowerTalk 10-40'. Needed call change here. (RV-TX)
- **1040 WHO IA Des Moines** 4/06 2300 TOH ID then news Top local story: 'Federal jury convicts Des Moines man of possessing ammunition in connection to a deadly shooting last year'. Strong, strong signal, but some noise. **(MT-MN)**

- **1060 KRCN CO Longmont 4/2 0840 –** With REL programming from the Catholic Radio Network. TOH ID: 'Streaming live on the Catholic Radio Network's Gabriel 3, 10-60 AM and 92.1 FM, KRCN, Longmont, Denver'. **(RV-TX)**
- 1060 KRCN CO Longmont 4/6 0855-0901 Rose up nicely out of KDUS/KDYL scrum, with the conclusion of the 'Son Rise Morning Show' with Anna Mitchell into promo for the Spirit World 'on EWTN Radio' and a bumper sticker promo for EWTN Radio. At 0859 a weather report by male for Kansas City (!) was noted followed by the TOH ID by male: 'This is EWTN Catholic Radio . . . 11-90 AM, 95.3 FM, KDMR, Kansas City and Overland Park. This is the Catholic Radio Network.' So I'm guessing someone flipped the wrong switch and IDed the other EWTN station?! On day power of 50 kW after local sunrise at 772 miles. NEW!! (SB-CA)
- 1060 KDYL UT South Salt Lake 4/15 0900 Came up out of the mix with TOH ID by female announcer whose voice cut through the QRM: 'This is KDYL, 10-60 AM, South Salt Lake City, Utah . . .' followed by SS ID that basically mirrored the EE ID. (RV-TX)
- 1060 CKMX AB Calgary 4/9 0358-0401 Under, then briefly even with, mix of KDYL's 'LaMejor' and KKVV's sports betting programming with the end of a segment by Ellen DeGeneres into the next with Richard Lewis. In between the following ID was noted by a female 'Ellen DeGeneres . . . Calgary's Funny 10-Sixty AM . . . Richard Lewis.' 50 kW at 1,190 miles. Re-log of the first Canadian station I logged from the Radio Hacienda! (SB-CA)

Newsradio

- **1070 WKOK PA Sunbury 4/6 0814** With calls and talk format. Lost to WTSO, but nice for a few minutes. Poor, but steady. **(JJR-WI)**
- **1070 WKOK PA Sunbury 4/20 0752** Talk of police, crime in cities. Calls. WTSO, in earlier, now gone. Poor. **(JJR-WI)**
- **1070 WTSO WI Madison 4/06 2257** Fair, with Michigan vs. Quinnipiac playing in the NCAA Frozen Four. Quinnipiac leads 4–2. Pause for station ID. **(MT-MN)**
- **1080** KNDK ND Langdon 4/14 0757 'Red River Farm Network'. Poor, weak, with KYMN in back. No calls noted. (JJR-MI)
- **1090 KAAY AR Little Rock 4/4 0645** Mixing with XEPRS, with Singing News Radio ('The trusted voice for Southern Gospel'), caught full ID at TOH. (**RV-TX**)
- **1090 WFCV IN Fort Wayne 4/22 0722 –** 'I listen to Bott Radio' or 'Bott Radio overnight' testimonials. Poor, but the only fit. **(JJR-WI)**
- **1090 KNWS IA Waterloo 4/8 0824 –** Heard two REL songs. Then 'MyFaithRadio.com' at **0828**. Poor; no WAQE, KAAY, etc. (**JJR-WI**)
- 1100 WZFG MN Dillworth 4/17 0815 U.S. 2 Road conditions and North Dakota road report. Poor, but over WTAM. (JJR-MI)
- 1100 WISS WI Berlin 4/15 0823 A 'Civic Media' mention, then 'The 'Sha, 101 FM and WAUK 540, Waukesha's Only Talk Station' (oops! wrong station promo inserted.) Poor, through WTAM. (JJR-MI) [Aren't computers wonderful? BH]
- **1140 WBXR AL Hazel Green 4/7 2300** Caught WBXR under WVEL. Both stations are daytimers on late, and both playing GOSpel music. WRVA also in there. Heard both WBXR and WVEL on at night, but not at the same time. **(KDF-IL)**
- 1140 KNWQ CA Palm Springs 3/29 2002-2004 Mentioning the website 'www.knewsradio.com'. Ads for the Coachella Valley, into the 'Mark Levin Show'. Weak, with QRM from KEIB-1150. NEW! First time in Pomona. (RA-CA)
- **1140 KHTK CA Sacramento 4/20 0315-0320** Fair-to-Poor, working around local KNWQ, with the 'Amy Lawrence Show' on CBS Sports. Several 'After Hours' mentions. // stream. 50 kW aimed at the San Francisco Bay area. 419 miles. **NEW! (SB-CA)**
- **1140 KXRB SD Sioux Falls 4/7 0816** 'Real Country Variety The New 100.1 and 1140 KXRB'. Poor, but over others. **(JJR-WI)**
- **AB High River 4/20 0246-0308** Very Poor, well under nulled local KNWQ, with a mix of Contemporary Christian music and then at fade-up on the other side of TOH, a male preacher. All were // stream. 46 kW nights pointed due north away from me at 1,192 miles. **NEW! (SB-CA)**
- 1150 KSAL KS Salina 4/06 2300 Poor, with station ad soliciting local story ideas, then TOH ID into Townhall News. (MT-MN)
- **1150 WMST KY Mount Sterling 4/7 0752 '106.9 and 1150 WMST' . . . steady, wiping out all others. No usual WHBY all morning. Poor. (JJR-WI)**
- 1150 WIMA OH Lima 4/6 0811 With an ad for a used car, then lost. Then, '. . . on Allentown Road in Lima' and gone! Go figure! ;-) Very Poor. (JJR-WI)
- **TX** Quanah 04/09 0847 With Country music, fighting it out with KSAL. Male giving ID as: '... 100.7 and 101.7 KOLJ ...', then back into Country music. Poor-to-Fair under KSAL. Relog. Not heard too often here. (JN-TX)

- **1150 WEAQ WI Chippewa Falls 4/6 0811** '95-9 Jamz' jingle after a Lady Gaga song. Poor, with others. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1150 CKFR BC Kelowna 4/9 0158-0210 All alone, with male talk in most directions and occasional signs of CJSL, waiting 24 hours too early for the KSEN test. Top-of-the-hour CKFR ID included 'a Bell Media Radio Station' tag. (JP-AB)
- **MO Cleveland 4/12 0800 –** With 'CTO Cleveland, 100.5 and 99.5 Kansas City' (with the 'W' being cut off) over a song! Poor . . . WYLL barely in. (**JJR-MI**)
- 1170 KBOB IA Davenport 4/06 2300 TOH ID: 'This is the Quad Cities Sports leader ESPN 104–1 FM, 11–70 AM KBOB Davenport, K281DB Davenport'. Poor, down in the noise. (MT-MN)
- **1180 KYES MN Rockville 4/06 2300 Poor, Poor signal but pulled out 'Rockville Saint Cloud' and Relevant Radio content. (MT-MN)**
- **1190 WBHA MN Wabasha 4/17 0811** With detailed weather: '32 in Red Wing at Bluff Country (// 1250 KCUE). Poor, but no WOWO! (**JJR-MI**)
- **1190 WBWA MN Wabasha 4/18 0749** Ad for 'First Farmers and Merchants Bank', into C&W and 'Bluff Country' slogan. Poor, no but WOWO! (**JJR-WI**)
- **1190 KDMR MO Kansas City 4/4 0805** 'Father Rocky', then station program notes, and Relevant Radio app announced. Replaced WOWO. Poor, but Steady. (**JJR-WI**)
- **1190 KDMR MO Kansas City 4/20 0710 –** 'Relevant Radio', University of Maryland mention. No WOWO. Poor. (JJR-WI)
- **1200 WRTO** IL Chicago 4/06 2300 Fair, with Spanish programming, then TOH ID in half-English and half-Spanish. (MT-MN)
- **1210 WDAO OH Dayton 4/18 0738** 'WDAO 1210AM FM 102.3, the real Rhythm of the City! WDAO Dayton'. With WJNL now silent, this is possible. R&B music. Poor. **(JJR-WI)**
- **TX** San Juan 4/5 0904 Faded up with regional Mexican music, ID by female announcer: 'Escuchando La Radio Cristiana Network . . .', mentioning KUBR, KVOZ (on 890), and KCZO (on 92.1). Then into local news. (RV-TX)
- **1210** KHKR UT Washington 4/3 0100 Heard in a 10-second dead-air period of KGYN, with TOH ID: '. . . sports is Sportsradio 97-7 ESPN, KHKR Washingtom St. George, K249EQ St. George'. Needed call change here. (RV-TX)
- **1210 KMIA WA Auburn-Federal Way 4/10 2257** Very strong signal on 27.5 kW day pattern, with no sign of them at **2301** on their 220 Watt night pattern. **(JP-AB)**
- 1210 KRSV WY Afton 4/5 0900 Heard TOH ID in partial KGYN null: '{Horse bray} Ride on into the Country hits, KRSV 12-10 AM Afton, KDWY 105.3 FM Diamondville, and KMER 9-40 AM Kemmerer. Spur Country', into C&W tunes. NEW one here. (RV-TX)
- **1220 KDDR ND Oakes 4/14 0755** Weather: 'high in the 40s, snow possible'. 'News Dakota' mention into C&W. Poor, but alone. (**JJR-MI**)
- **1220 WLSD VA Big Stone Gap 4/18 0722 –** Very poor- though 276-523-XXXX ad for paint store heard. Then weather. Then lost. (276 is Virginia Area Code). **(JJR-WI)**
- **ON St. Catharines 4/2 0735** With 'Save the Last Dance For Me' by The Drifters, calls, '. . . how to advertise on the station: call 905-351-XXXX'. Poor, but alone. (JJR-MI)
- **1230 WBHP** AL Huntsville 03/30 0559 In the jumble, April 22, 2023 with male saying: '... WBHP Huntsville... ...com WTAK-FM...'. Poor signal, but calls do stand out. Thanks to Tim Hall for the assist with this. **NEW. (JN-TX)**
- 1230 KGHS MN International Falls 4/12 0752 OLDies (off the bird), calls. Earth, Wind & Fire song. Over others. Poor until lost. (JJR-MI)
- 1230 KHAS NE Hastings 3/31 0913 Weather, then call letter ID with mention of '104.1 FM'. Poor copy in the mess. (JW-CO)
- 1230 KHAS NE Hastings 03/30 0302 With male giving ID as: 'The one, the only, The Legendary KHAS Hastings 12-30 AM and 104.1 ... ', then into CBS News. Poor-to-Fair signal. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 1230 WYTS OH Columbus 4/17 0100 Fair for a few minutes, with a '23 and Me' ad, several Black Information Network mentions and one 'Columbus' reference. No ID heard. Not noted in a long time. (KDF-IL)
- **1230 KDRN TX Del Rio 04/08 2100** With Regional Mexican style music, then male with 'La Unica 12-30 AM'. Fair-to-Good signal. Relog. (**JN-TX**)
- 1230 KLVT TX Levelland 04/08 2259 With a promo for 'TXDOT', male with ID as 'KLVT Levelland owned and operated by Cute Boots Broadcasting, LLC'. Fair-to-Good signal. Relog. (JN-TX)
- **1240 KBGV CO Monte Vista 4/12 0600** Popped out of the mix with local XEWG nulled, with ID: '... 24-7, KBGV ...', into Fox Sports. **NEW one here. (RV-TX)**

- **1240 KBGV CO Monte Vista 4/15 0659-0701** TOH ID rose up out of the mix with: 'The voice of the Colorado Rockies . . . 12-40 AM and 101.3 FM, KBGV, Monte Vista' by male followed by the FOX Sports sounder. 1 kW at 630 miles. Re-log. **(SB-CA)**
- **1240 KFOR NE Lincoln 4/06 2300** TOH ID: 'This is ?? Local news, 101.5 12–40 AM KFOR Lincoln' then ABC News. Very Poor. (**MT-MN**)
- **1240 KVSO OK Ardmore 03/30 0800** With a promo for a blood drive . . . 'call to make an appointment: 580-223-0625'?, some numbers not too clear. Commercial for 'Hoghead Designs' at 1109 East Street NW in Ardmore. Male give ID as '... Campbell, KVSO 12-40 AM 107.5 FM, broadcasting from the . . . Studios in Ardmore.' Fair signal. Relog. **(JN-TX)**
- **1240 KDOK TX Kilgore 03/30 0259** With male coming out of nowhere with a string of frequencies and towns: 'Right now it's 1:59 KDOK 1240 AM & 105.3 FM Kilgore 101.9 FM Longview 94.9 Chalk Hill, Lake Cherokee and now 106.1 FM Henderson. K-DOK is also heard on KYZS 1490 AM and 95.7', then into more classic rock with fairly good signal. Relog. **(JN-TX)**
- **TX** Sweetwater 04/01 2258 With Country music with male giving ID as: 'Where Country music colors outside the lines, it's called Texas Country . . . Planet Texas every Thursday, 9 to midnight on 96.7 KXOX. Good Times, Great Country Music . . .'. Fair signal. Relog. (JN-TX)
- **1240 KCVL WA Colville 4/13 0859-0900 –** Rose up briefly out of the mud, with partial TOH ID: 'KCVL . . . Good Morning' by female. **NEW! 1 kW at 1,022 miles. (SB-CA)**
- **1260 KWYR SD Winner 4/14 0816** With possible obits. 'Winner' said twice. Poor, with others. (JJR-MI)
- **1260 WLAK WI Amery 4/10 0709** Three phone numbers given, all with 414 Area Code. Poor, with many others. Assumed. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1260 WOCO WI Oconto 4/15 0820 –** With Weatherology forecast: '61 degrees'. 'WOCO 1260 AM' with others. Rare! Very Poor. (JJR-MI)
- **1270 KFAN MN Rochester 4/3 0826** '93-5 FM and 1270 AM, The Fan!' With so many others, this is not common. Poor, but alone. (**JJR-MI**)
- **1270 KFAN MN Rochester 4/07 0016** Fair, with ads into TOH ID, then Fox Sports update. **(MT-MN)**
- 1270 KNWC SD Sioux Falls 4/13 0825 Faith Radio chatter and programming. Poor in fadeup. WMKT in later on. (JJR-MI)
- **1280 KBNO CO Denver 4/20 0428-0435 –** Fair-to-Poor, mostly under, sometimes even with KZNS' Fox Sports with a mix of Mexican music. // stream. 5 kW at 747 miles. **NEW! (SB-CA)**
- 1290 KOIL NE Omaha 4/06 2300 Fair, with TOH ID:

 'Serving Omaha since 1925, this is K–O–I–L Omaha', then ABC News. (MT-MN)
- 1300 KLER ID Orofino 4/9 0219 'AM Thirteen Hundred KLER' ID surprised me after promo for the station being part of the Seattle Mariners network, given a Seattle station on 1300 (KKOL). Followed by C&W. Signal mostly very strong but some fading. (JP-AB)
- **1300 KGLO IA Mason City 4/07 1544 –** Comes out of the noise just enough to hear TOH ID then start of CBS News. Poor, fighting with other stations. **(MT-MN)**
- **1300 KPMI MN Bemidji 4/14 0850** '. . . in Bemidji' upon tuning in. Then a life insurance ad, followed by weather. Very Poor, through others. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1300 KBRL** NE McCook 4/6 0900 Caught a '. . . 1300 KBRL . . .' ID, then Fox News under nulled local XEP. NEW one here. (RV-TX)
- **SD** Mobridge 4/14 0751 With South Dakota FFA (Future Farmers of America) mention, Red River Farm Network, 'DRG' (Dakota Radio Group) mentions. Still in one hour later. Poor, but no WOOD or KGLO. (JJR-MI)
- 1310 KOKX IA Keokuk 4/18 0759 Calls, time check and AP Newscast. Poor, with WIBA nowhere or weak. (JJR-WI)
- **WIBA** WI Madison 4/06 2300 Good, with station promo, then TOH ID: '...?? stories at the top of the hour, this is News Talk 13–10 WIBA Madison, an iHeart Radio Station' into Fox News. (MT-MN)
- **MO Clayton 4/4 0838** With Biblical teaching, up from barely audible minutes earlier. Poor . . . WILS weaker. (JJR-WI)
- **1320 WFHR WI Wisconsin Rapids 4/12 0852** '1320 and 97-5' in chatter. In 6 minutes, that's all I noted. WILS weak. Very Poor. (**JJR-MI**)
- 1330 WKTA IL Evanston 4/20 0708 SS ETH chatter; alone on freq; // stream. Despite closeness, not common. Poor. (JJR-WI)

- **1330 KPTY IA Waterloo 4/06 2302** Very Poor, with Country-sounding music, then 'Broadcasting from the Highland Arms Studio . . . ' then eaten by noise. Assumed based on sponsor and format. **(MT-MN)**
- 1340 KGGS KS Garden City 4/16 0200 Faded up with regional Mexican music and a mixed-language (EE/SS) TOH ID: 'This is, KGGS, trece-cuarenta AM, K275CT, ciento-dos punto nueve FM, La Raza, Garden City en Kansas . . . La Raza' followed by another announcement in which I heard the FM frequency and 'La Raza' slogan. Then back into the GY mix. Sounds like a format change from EE Classic Rock. I checked the stream on Tune-In later in the day, and they were playing Mexican Pop. (RV-TX)
- **1340 KVBR MN Brainerd 4/14 0833** With '1340 95.1 KVBR'. Very poor, with others, in passing. (JJR-MI)
- 1340 KVOT NM Taos 3/25 0916 Contemporary Christian music with occasional canned 'Voice of Truth' slogans mentioning '1340 AM and 98.1 FM'. Legal ID at 1001. Fair peaks, in null of local KDCO's open carrier. (JW-CO)
- **1350 WARF OH Akron 4/3 0746 –** National ad for 'Jackson Hewett', then 'SportsRadio 1350, the Gambler'. Good to the East today? Poor. (JJR-MI)
- **1360 WKMI** MI Kalamazoo 4/3 0743 '. . . Radio 1360 WKMI' out of nowhere. 'Steve Gruber'. Poor, but WTAW and KKBJ weak. (JJR-MI)
- **1360 KKBJ MN Bemidji 4/3 0743** With 'MinnesotaDailyWeather.com' mention and calls. WTAQ barely there. Poor. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1360 WSAI** OH Cincinnati 4/5 0818 With scores; traffic: mentions of 'I-275' and ' I-75'. No calls noted. Poor, but no WTAQ. (JJR-WI)
- **1360 KWWJ TX Baytown 3/30 0359** ID for Baytown-Houston-Galveston and 'Gospel 1360' slogan. Poor-to-Fair. **NEW! Texas** #**120. (MJ-QRO)**
- **1360 WVRQ WI Viroqua 4/3 0743** '. . . in Viroqua' noted. All THREE of these 1360s (WKMI, KKBJ and WVRQ) within one minute! How often does that happen? Very Poor. (JJR-MI)
- **1370 WLLM IL Lincoln 4/7 0717 –** With 'Dr. Charles Stanley'. Program match. No sign of WSPD, etc. Poor. (JJR-WI)
- **1370 WQEZ KY Fort Campbell 3/29 0100** '. . . broadcasting from . . . Real Estate studios . . . WQEZ Fort Campbell AM 1370 . . . a Five Star Media Group Station'. Poor, but alone. Listed at 1 kW days, 53 Watts nights, so even if on day power, 1352 miles on a regional channel is a huge surprise. **NEW, for Kentucky #2. (MJ-QRO)**
- **1370 KSUM MN Fairmont 4/06 2305** Weather report mentioning ID, high tomorrow: 65 and sunny. Poor. (MT-MN)
- 1370 KWTL ND Grand Forks 4/3 0822 'Real Presence Radio for news'. Call 701-960-XXXX to contact. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- 1370 KWTL ND Grand Forks 4/22 0754 EWTN family celebration, RPR, Real Radio Presence mentions. Poor, but alone. (JJR-WI)
- **1370 WSPD** OH Toledo 4/06 2300 TOH ID popped out of noise, then Fox News and quickly faded. Very Poor. (MT-MN)
- **1380 WPHM MI Port Huron 4/3 0821** ′. . . weather report on 1380 WPHM is being brought to you by . . .′. Poor. Others in better. (**JJR-MI**)
- 1380 KLIZ MN Brainerd 4/15 0817 '1380 KLIZ' and '80 million people depend on AM radio. Reliable. Free. Text . . . to Congress to save AM radio'. The number was said too fast to copy, and only once. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- **MN Brainerd 4/18 0734** Poor, with 'save AM radio' and Minnesota Department of Transportation PSA and 'The Fan'. No WKJG or WOTE. (**JJR-WI**)
- **1380 KXFN MO St. Louis 4/06 2301** Fair, with church organ music, then TOH ID: 'Sacred Music 13–80 KXFN, St Louis' then choral music. (**MT-MN**)
- **1390 WLCM MI Holt 4/3 0741 –** Unusual, for sure! REL teaching matching station schedule. Poor, but no usual WGRB all morning! (**JJR-MI**)
- **1400 KTUC AZ Tucson 4/4 0816** Basic '1400 KTUC' ID and into NOS music. Occasionally fair in the jumble. (**JW-CO**)
- **1400 WSAM MI Saginaw 4/15 0745** With '. . . the Bay' slogan twice, followed by a song by Adele. Poor, in tight WCCY null, with a C&W station and a Sports station there too! (IIR-MI)
- **1400 WKNW MI Sault Ste. Marie 4/10 0825** With 'Steve Gruber Show'. No calls noted. Only affiliate on channel. Very poor, in tight WCCY null. (**JJR-MI**)
- **1400 KFRU MO Columbia 4/06 2305** Poor, with promo for the 'Kansas City Chiefs NFL draft preview show' then station ID. **NEW Log. (MT-MN)**
- 1400 KVSF NM Santa Fe 3/31 0957 Several ads, then Legal ID at 0959:50: 'You're listening to KVSF-AM Santa Fe, ESPN 1400 and K229DU 93-7 FM' followed by sports, probably an ESPN program. Fair peaks; alone at times. (JW-CO)

- **1410 KOOQ NE North Platte 4/13 0851 –** With an ad: 'Help Wanted in North Platte' for a canning company, then another for a trucking company. '??? 98-1' jingle into a Pat Benatar song. Poor . . . no WIZM. (JJR-MI)
- **1410** KNTX TX Bowie 4/10 0359 Caught partial TOH ID in the mix: '. . . 97.3 FM and 14-10, KNTX, Bowie Nocona.' into CBS News. (RV-TX)
- **1410 KWYO WY Sheridan 4/7 0103:40** End of C&W instrumental with mention of 'one-oh-six point' (their FM translator is 106.9 MHz). Strong, under usually un-nullable CFTE. **(JP-AB)**
- **1430 WXNT IN Indianapolis 4/06 2258** Poor, with ad for 'QC Kinetix' giving phone number for a place in Carmel, Indiana. **(MT-MN)**
- **1430 KBRK SD Brookings 4/13 0846** 'AM 1430 KBRK' and weather between a Melissa Manchester and a Beatles song. Very Poor, but alone. **(JJR-MI)**
- **TN** Madison 4/4 0802 With Nashville Traffic (I-40, I-24 mentions), '94.5 Hippie Radio', and weather: 'Sunny, high of 85!' Poor. (JJR-WI)
- **1440 WROK IL Rockford 4/3 0804** 'WROK weather . . .'. Due to WNFL and KYCR, this is not too common! Very Poor. (**JJR-MI**)
- **1450 WHTC** MI Holland 4/15 0834 '... weather from 99-7 1450 WHTC & WHTC.com'. Poor, but over others. (JJR-MI)
- **1450 KSIW OK Woodward 4/17 0100** With a TOH ID for WWLS-FM Oklahoma City then into Fox Sports. The KSIW call was not heard in this announcement. Went to the website for WWLS-FM (TheSportsAnimal.com) and the 1450 station in Woodward was referenced in the Station Information section as carrying WWLS. Also, going to the KSIW website (WoodwardRadio.com) and clicking the KSIW logo took me to the WWLS website. **(RV-TX)**
- **1450 KYNT** SD Yankton 04/06 2303 Poor, with TOH ID: 'FM 102–9 and AM 14–50 KYNT Yankton' into ABC News. (MT-MN)
- **1450 KFIZ WI Fond du Lac 4/11 0806** Very poor, though 'KFIZ.com' and 'KFIZ and the Fond du Lac . . . ' heard in mess! **(JJR-MI)**
- **1450 WRCE WI Richland Center 4/14 0806** '. . . at Jones Chevrolet-Buick in Richland Center'. Very poor, but over others . . . and lost. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1460 KDWA MN Hastings 4/11 0732 'KDWA 1460** and FM 97.7' into morning chatter. KXNO not in all day. Very Poor. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1460 CJOY ON Guelph 4/9 0743** With 'You Had a Bad Day' by Daniel Powter (a 2005 OLDie), then calls. Very poor, but no KXNO all morning. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1470 WMBD IL Peoria 4/06 2300 Fair, with TOH ID, then local news . . .top story: 'Peoria county judge as agreed that the parents accused of causing the death of their son last year should be tries separately'. (MT-MN)
- 1470 KHND ND Harvey 4/6 0749 Local ad, call letter ID, then into music. Briefly fair. (JW-CO)
- **1470 KYYW TX Abilene 4/3 0902** ABC News in progress; **0905**: program note for 'The Money Pit'. ID as: 'News Talk 1470 KYYW' and into 'Glenn Beck' show. Fair signal. **(JW-CO)**
- **1470 KBSN WA Moses Lake 4/7 0211 –** Partial ID as '14-70 KBS' with last letter sounding more like 'C' than 'N'. Was unaware of their format change to C&W, so was hoping for KXSL on 5 kW day power, given how well KWYO-1410 above) was coming in. Strong under unnullable CJVB. **(JP-AB)**
- **1490** KRIB IA Mason City 4/5 0837 With baseball scores '... on KGLO' (co-owned). Poor, over others. (JJR-WI)
- **1490 WLAW MI Whitehall 4/5 0730** With a song by the Judds and a 'Nash' mention. Not common, despite closeness. Very Poor. (JJR-WI)
- **NE Omaha** 4/06 2257 Poor, with unID pop 70s or 80s-sounding music, then 'Music that makes you feel good, 94–5 Boomer' into music. Faded out for several minutes then comes up around 0301 with commercial for memory care place then TOH ID. **NEW Log. (MT-MN)**
- 1490 WOSH WI Oshkosh 4/17 0910 'Oshkosh' and 'downtown Oshkosh' mentions in local chatter. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- **1520 WHOW IL** Clinton 4/18 0754 With High School sports, scores, and mrntions of Sox-Phillies and Cubs-Oakland. Assumed. **Poor.** (JJR-WI)
- **1520 KSIB IA Creston 4/17 0836** Songs by Stevie Wonder and The Spinners (both 1970s songs), then 'Kool 102'. **Poor.** (**JJR-MI**)
- **1520 KOLM** MN Rochester 4/06 2300 Good, with TOH ID: 'CBS Sports from coast-to-coast plays on Rochester's sports talk station, 15–20 The Ticket, KOLM Rochester', then the 'JR Sports Brief'. (MT-MN)
- **1520 WPAY** OH Rossford 4/10 0725 '. . . stay with us at Relevant Radio', then a 'Patrick Madrid' promo. With others. Poor, but only fit. (JJR-MI)

- **1520 KZOY SD Sioux Falls 4/9 0924 –** With 80s songs by Glen Frey and Chicago. 'Sunny' slogan. Poor, in fades, but no KOLM. (**JJR-MI**)
- **1520 WVXN WI New Holstein 4/5 0815 70s** OLDies by Paul Simon and Kenny Loggins. Poor, though steady and alone. Assumed. (**JJR-WI**)
- **1530 WCKY OH Cincinnati 04/06 2300** Good, with 'USO' PSA, then TOH ID, then SportsCenter. **(MT-MN)**
- **1540 KXEL** IA Waterloo 04/06 2300 Fair, with TOH ID, then signal fades. Audio logo heard in background sounds like CBC. Time pips heard at TOH, didn't seem likely for KXEL. Talking in foreign language and music heard underneath. (MT-MN) [I'll bet that station underneath was CHIN Toronto, as they are brokered Ethnic -BH]
- 1550 WJIL IL Jacksonville 04/06 2305 Very Poor, with Female reader giving ID before weather report: 'High 62 tomorrow', then signal fade. (MT-MN)
- 1550 WQCD OH Delaware 4/19 0746 With 'CD 92-9' between songs. Poor, but alone. It's been a while since last heard. (JJR-WI)
- **1560 WGLB WI Elm Grove 04/06 2300 –** Poor, with signal coming up in time to catch tail-end of TOH ID: '... 96.1 FM W241CI Milwaukee', into music. **(MT-MN)**
- 1570 WSCO WI Appleton 4/3 0723 Sports format: 'All Wisconsin, All the time The Score' through others. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- **1580 KAGE** AR Van Buren 03/30 0359 With Country Music, then male mentions 'Music, real music, music you love, Red Dirt Radio 96-7', then back into Country music. Fair. Relog. (JN-TX)
- **CO Colorado Springs** 03/30 0459 With Mexican tunes. Then heard male with 'KRYE in Beulah, KFCS Colorado Springs and K276GG Colorado Springs . . . FM', then back into more tunes. Fair signal. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 1580 KFCS CO Colorado Springs 4/9 0104:25 After years of trying, including camping out over the Top-of-the-Hour, finally heard call letter ID, the only thing in English during a longer than usual male Spanish splitter in typical excited 1960s Mexican Ranchero radio announcer style. Gave Pueblo as City of License, in what I assume was their Legal ID. Mostly strong signal and all alone except for a 'Wildfire' PSA in English at 0103, likely KKTS. (JP-AB) [Colorado Springs IS their legal City-of-License. So, if they said 'Pueblo' indicating their City-of-License, it's WRONG BH]
- **1590 KVGB KS Great Bend 04/06 2300** Poor, with TOH ID: 'From the ?? Studios, 15–90 KVGB Great Bend and ???', then SportsCenter. (**MT-MN**)
- 1590 KELP TX El Paso 4/6 2200 Legal ID and promo in English for upcoming Christian program in Spanish. Good. NEW for Texas #121. (MJ-QRO)
- **1600 KEPN CO Lakewood 3/31 0815** With ESPN programming, local ads in the ad block and 'Your 24-7 home for the four biggest letters in sports, ESPN Denver 1600'. ID at **0817**. **(RV-TX)**
- 1600 KATZ MO Saint Louis 4/5 0823 Very up-tempo GOSpel music // stream. Poor; alone; replacing others. (JJR-WI)
- **1600 KNCY NE Nebraska City 04/06 2258 Poor, with County music then TOH ID: 'Listen to Otoe County Country, KNCY 1600 AM, 105.5 FM'. (MT-MN**)
- **1600 WZZW WV Milton 4/4 0830** With 'Pure Radio' slogan into REL programming. Replacing KGYM, which was in earlier. Poor. (**JJR-WI**)
- **1630 KKGM TX Fort Worth 04/06 2300** Poor, with TOH ID with several Black Information Network mentions, then news. **(MT-MN)**
- **1640 WSJP WI Sussex 04/06 2300** Fair, with TOH ID, then news Top Story: 'IRS says no reason for the average filer to expect more audits'. **(MT-MN)**
- **1650 KCNZ IA Cedar Falls 04/06 2258 –** Fair, with Michigan vs. Quinnipiac NCAA Frozen Four hockey game; pause for station ID. **(MT-MN)**
- **WA Seattle 4/10 2259-2301** Long promos for KGNW-820 and KKOL-1300 just before the top of the hour and the power cut from 10 kW to 1 kW, changing from strong to weak signal. Other than PJB, first power change heard since the 1970s. **(JP-AB)**

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BC-NH Bruce Conti, Nashua – Excalibur SDR, terminated SuperLoop antennas at 60° and 180°, terminated double Delta at 60°

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SC-IN Steve Chappell, McCordsville – Homebuilt receiver, K9AY loop antenna

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

KK-VA Kraig Krist, Manassas – Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium

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DX TESTS

880 KJJR MT Whitefish – 4/8 0215 – Not heard under monster WCBS signal. Logged and QSLed on similar test in 2022 so not really needed. (MKB-ON)

1150 KSEN MT Shelby – 0207 4/10 – Test signal appeared at 0207 with code then sweeps and others during the 2 hours. The test was characterized by several minutes of fair

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reception and deep fades with nothing heard except WHBY occasionally. Then the test signal appeared again and this was repeated throughout the 2 hours. It was noted that the stairstep type sweep was the best for breaking through the noise and the continuous tone the least effective. The test was originally scheduled the night before (4/9) and nothing was heard until 3:58:30 when code was heard for 5 seconds. Don't know if this was the original KSEN test that was started but discontinued. New. (SC-IN)

<u>UNID</u>

780 unID -- − 3/27 1932 – In multi-station mix (WWOL, WAVA, WCKB, WBBM and another UNID playing rock & roll songs) with Stray Cats song, Bee Gees, Al Green, etc. At 1943 male "... the songs you love 95 9". **(KK-VA)**

LOGGINGS

760 WCPS NC Tarboro – 3/27 1914 – Mixing with WCIS, WJR and more talk, ID as "We're the peoples station, WCPS." (KK-VA)

770 WCGW KY Nicholasville – 3/27 1837 – In WABC mix with ID as "770 AM and 93.3 FM Central Kentucky's Gospel Music." (KK-VA)

780 WCKB NC Dunn – 3/27 1905 – In multi-station mix (WAVA, WWOL, WBBM, UNID rock & roll songs) with North Carolina News Network, "Hi. This is Clint Brown with "South Down" and you're listening to Lottie on WCKB 'We Got the Power'." (KK-VA)

WWOL NC Forest City – 3/27 1929* – In multi-station mix with sign-off by male: "This is WWOL Forest City, North Carolina signing off the air the air. To continue listening join us online www.wwol780.com." (KK-VA)

790 WBLO NC Thomasville – 3/27 1900 – In multi-station mix (WNIS, WAEB, UNID Jazz music, more Spanish and Cuban R. Reloj) with ToH ID in Spanglish: "W-B-L-O...W295CE 103 [sic] point 9..." I listened several times and he definitely said "103.9". The W295CE translator is 106.9. **(KK-VA)**

WAEB PA Allentown – 3/27 1850 – In multi-station mix with ID as "News radio 790 WAEB... the Lehigh Valley's news, traffic and weather." **(KK-VA)**

800 WNNW MA Lawrence – 3/24 1945 – Spanish music, alone on frequency with no sign of usual CJAD or other Canadian powerhouses. **(TF-NH)**

- **WDSC** SC Dillon 3/31 1920 Mixing with WSVS and TWR-Bonaire, male "... weekdays at noon on WDSC, Fox Sports 800 AM". (KK-VA)
- **810 WPIN** VA **Dublin** 3/31 1902 Mixing with WGY, ZNS-3 Bahamas and Spanish talk, male "ESPN Blacksburg and ESPN Blacksburg.com". (KK-VA)
- **840** WCEO SC Columbia 3/31 1914 "La Raza" slogan in mix with WKTR, WHAS and UNID talker. (KK-VA)
- **850 WKIX** NC Raleigh 4/10 1855 Mixing with WXJC and WTAR, "Good time oldies done just right...Oldies 850" station promo. At 1857 male "Oldies 850, WKIX Raleigh" ID. (KK-VA)
 - WTAR VA Norfolk 4/10 1910 Mixing with WXJC and WKIX, female "Here's another new... right here on 'The Coast'." At 1935 female "You're listening to 'The Coast'." At 1940 male "We've got songs for everybody. Right here on the all new 96.5 'The Coast'." (KK-VA)
- **890 WKNV VA Fairlawn** 4/10 1900 Mixing with WLS and R. Progresso, male "Joy FM... joyfm.org" slogan. **(KK-VA)**
- 900 WJWL DE Georgetown 4/13 2000 Mixing with WACA, WIAM and other talk, male in Spanish "... 93.1 FM La Raza". Only La Raza slogan I see on AM 900 is WJWL. Also, W266CW is 93.1 in Georgetown, DE. New station for me. (KK-VA)
 - **WGHM NH Nashua** 3/14 1932 Rock oldies mixed with CHML, WURD, and others, ID for "Oldies Radio WGAM, WGHM-900 AM, WGAM-1250 and ...103.5", into more oldies, soon under WURD. Very unusual here. **(TF-NH)**
 - WIAM NC Williamston 4/13 1958 Mixing with WACA, WJWL and other talk, "Your home for the North Carolina Tarheels 92.1 and radio900.net...Classic Country". Station promo at 2011: "Back to back classic country artists play on 92.1 and radio900.net." Finally at 2101 a ToH ID: "Serving Williamston and surrounding counties with classic country 24 hours a day, we are 92.1 FM, radio 900 AM WIAM Williamston and anytime, anywhere at radio900.net." (KK-VA)
- **910 WAAF PA Scranton** 3/9 2115 Penn State BKB play by play, WILK musical sounder, promos for programs on WILK, weak signal with fades. 440 watt non directional night signal is seldom heard here. **(TF-NH)**
 - WRNL VA Richmond 4/13 1858 Mixing with WFJX and UNID singing, "This is the Deuce sports radio 910 AM 'The Fan', 105.1 FM." (KK-VA)
 - WFJX VA Roanoke 4/13 1957 In WRNL mix with female announcer: "Hello I'm Janey ... and this is the WFJX Fox Radio 910 AM and 104.3 FM calendar brought to you by..." (KK-VA)
- 920 WGHQ NY Kingston 3/19 2023 Oldies with good signal, at 2100 an ID for "920 WGHQ and Magic 92.5, covering the Hudson Valley" and a WGHQ

musical sounder. 35 mighty watts night signal atop the frequency? (TF-NH)

- 930 WNCL DE Milford 4/13 2002 In multi-station mix (WFMD, WRVC, UNID religious singing and Spanish talk) with male "Thanks for listening to Cool 102 1". "Cool 102 1 Delaware's greatest hits" slogan at 2011 and at 2029, "Number 1 of the greatest hits. Cool 102 1". New station for me. (KK-VA)
 - **WFMD MD Frederick** 4/10 0653 Fighting WBEN groundwave with local traffic, "Fox News every day on WFMD" promo. (MKB-ON)
- 940 WINZ FL Miami 4/13 2023 Mixing with WKGM and UNID singing, "Fox Sports 940 the home of Florida Gators football." (KK-VA)
 - WIDG MI St. Ignace 4/7 0800 Above noise floor with "WIDG St. Ignace" ID mentioned amid other Relevant Radio Michigan stations into special Good Friday edition of Relevant Radio's Morning Air show. (MKB-ON)
- 950 WKDN PA Philadelphia 3/13 2105 Preaching under Fox News on usual night visitor WIBX. Same preacher as on WFME-1560, another Family Radio station (TF-NH)
- **1070 WKMB NJ** Stirling 4/8 0712 Dr. Bill Winston's "Believer's Walk of Faith" show mixing with WKOK and CHOK, // to stream. Audible until just after 0730, not bad for 250 watts! (GL-NH)
- **1090 WILD MA Boston** 3/12 1917 Way over usual WBAL with preaching about the Rapture with fades, seldom heard here. Station simulcasts WVNE-760. **(TF-NH)**
- **1120 KMOX MO Saint Louis** 3/27 2000 CBS News on the hour on "News-Talk 1120 KMOX" into Sports Open Line sports talk program, with discussion of NCAA tournament and Cardinals 2023 season. (LW-NY)
- **1190 WTSD VA Leesburg** 3/12 1925 Sports betting stuff, atop frequency with no sign of usual WLIB. **(TF-NH)**

- **1200 WXKS MA Newton** 3/9 0528 "WBZ Radio" ID into Jim McCann with Fox News on the half hour, followed by "Jim Polito Talk show." **(LW-NY)**
- **1220 WGNY NY Newburgh** 4/16 0501 Popped up out of the jumble with ID; "...WGNY-FM Rosendale-Poughkeepsie-Kingston." **(BC-NH)**
- **1230 WGUY ME Veazie** 4/15 0101 Poor; "The legendary songs of the '60s and '70s are always on The Legend WGUY Veazie-Brewer-Bangor and beyond..." **(BC-NH)**
 - WCMC NJ Wildwood 4/14 2200 Fair; end of Phillies Playback on the Phillies Radio Network, promo's for Sports Radio 94 WIP and South Jersey's rock station 100.7 WZXL. Also noted 4/16 0000 Fair, over unID Fox sports; oldies, quick ID and promo, "Listen to WMID anytime, anywhere, just download the free WMID mobile app..." (BC-NH)
 - **WMAJ** NY Elmira 4/16 0600 Poor; promo, "Magic 106-7 and 106-9 is available wherever you go..." ex-WENY. (BC-NH)
 - **WMML NY Glens Falls** 3/31 2055 Country music, "Country 97.9" slogan and more C&W mixed with WGUY. Format change to C&W, as WMML is listed as a Fox Sports station. **(TF-NH)**
 - WHUC NY Hudson 3/31 2125 C&W music, local weather for Hudson County, numerous WRWD IDs with which WHUC simulcasts, mixed with WGUY and WMML. Call stands for "Hudson County." (TF-NH)
- **1240 WSYY ME Millinocket** 4/15 2200 Over WWCO and WGBB; "WSYY AM 1240 and W273DJ 102.5 FM Millinocket, Maine, talk radio for the Katahdin region." (**BC-NH**)
 - **WBAS** MA West Yarmouth 4/14 2100 Poor; time check and promo for WJIB/WJTO and WJIB Facebook page. (BC-NH)
 - WGBB NY Freeport 4/15 2159 Over/under WSYY and WWCO; "WGBB AM 1240 and W240DF FM 95.9 Freeport, New York," Chinese Radio time pips on the hour. (BC-NH)
- **1250 WMTR NJ Morristown** 4/15 2100 Under local WGAM oldies; "This is WMTR Morristown... another hour of... starts right now," WMTR jingle, and "Ain't That a Shame" by Fats Domino. (**BC-NH**)
 - CJYE ON Oakville 4/15 0000 Poor; "Joy Radio is locally owned and operated by Trafalgar Broadcasting... on CJYE 1250..." (BC-NH)
- **1260 WBIX** MA Boston 4/16 0100 Fair; "You're listening to WBIX 1260 AM Boston, WFLL 1400 AM 107.1 FM W296DK Fort Lauderdale, Nossa Radio USA," with Nossa Radio USA jingle. (BC-NH)
 - **CKHJ NB Fredericton** 4/16 0458 Good; promo, "This is Pure Country," and "Stick That in Your Country Song" by Eric Church. (**BC-NH**)
- **1270 WDLA NY Walton** 4/16 0200 Poor, through CJCB; "...730 and 1270, the news and talk leader, a service of Townsquare Media," and Fox news. **(BC-NH)**
 - WLBR PA Lebanon 4/16 0600 Through local WTSN; "...this is 1270 WLBR Lebanon." (BC-NH)
 - CJCB NS Sydney 4/16 0101 Fair; country music, jingle, "We're the spirit of Cape Breton, 1270 CJCB." (BC-NH)
- 1280 WPKZ MA Fitchburg 3/31 2145 Celtics BKB play by play, ads for Shaw's Supermarkets,
 - McGovern Auto, Honda, and more play by play. Unusual to hear in Campton because WADO and CFMB usually dominate the frequency at night. 1000 watt night signal is directional from three towers east over Boston and the Atlantic. (TF-NH)

 +++ 4/16 0600 Good, over WADO; promo, "The K-Zone has the
 - most live and local guests and local games, support local by joining us from car, home or work, The K-Zone Fitchburg-Leominster, 105.3 FM and AM 1280 WPKZ," legal ID, and Fox Sports. (BC-NH)
 - **CFMB QC Montreal** 4/16 0400 Under WADO; Communication Evanov ID by woman in French. **(BC-NH)**
- **1290 WNWW CT West Hartford** 4/15 2000 Under WKBK; "AM 1290 WNWW West Hartford and My Faith Radio dot com." **(BC-NH)**
 - WNBF NY Binghamton 4/16 0000 Fair, over WKBK; "This is News Radio 1290 AM WNBF Binghamton, now on 92.1 FM W221EJ Binghamton, a Townsquare Media station." (BC-NH)
 - WHKY NC Hickory 4/18 2243 Alone on frequency with Fox Sports talk program, ads for generic equivalent of Viagra ("Go to 4him.com"), Autozone, eBay Motors and Progressive Insurance. Full ID at TOH: "You are listening to WHKY, Hickory

- 1290 AM and 102.3 FM". At 2318 ads for Carolina West Telecom and S&S Lawnscape, local weather read by Maria Lopez. New. **(LB-NY)**
- +++ 4/15 2300 Over/under WKBK; promo, "Go to WHKY dot com and click on NASCAR," and ID, "1290 AM and 102.3 FM." (BC-NH)
- CJBK ON London 4/18 2331 Took over frequency from WHKY but faded in and out. Local ad "bring your gold and silver to London Gold Buyer", more local ads for Green Valley Recycling, Gravity Blinds in uptown Hyde Park and Green Valley Recycling, at end of ad string "This is John Ward (?) on the I Heart Radio network". New. Recorded. (LB-NY)
 - +++ 4/15 2100 Over/under WKBK; promo, "...online at CJBK dot com." (BC-NH)
- **1300 WAVZ CT New Haven** 3/10 1935 With local WPNH off the air for some unknown reason for a few days, 1000 watt signal is way atop frequency with University of Connecticut basketball v. Marquette, ads for Big Y, Lippincott Moving Vans, the Varsity app, and no sign of somewhat usual night visitor WGDJ. As the station is on the shore of Long Island Sound, WAVZ stands for "Waves", the station was a Top 40 station in the 1960's and 1970s, and the night signal is directional east. **(TF-NH)**
 - **WODS PA West Hazleton** 3/11 0636 With WPNH off the air, and a weak signal, a Lowe's ad, promo for athletic event sponsored by WILK and an athletic association, mixed with WGDJ. New here! **(TF-NH)**
- **1310 WLOB ME Portland** 3/12 1932 Old radio program features, all alone. Unusual here because the night signal is directional out over the Atlantic. **(TF-NH)**
 - **WADB** NJ Asbury Park 3/10 2004 Country music, male announcer, briefly on top before being mixed with WORC and Spanish music, new for me. Call stands for "Adamant and Dorothy Brown" former station owners. **(TF-NH)**
 - CIWW ON Ottawa 3/11 1842 Atop with US and Canadian news, numerous mentions of "City News", snow in Ottawa and other local information, and ToH ID for "This is City News on 101.1 FM and 1310 AM". Very good signal. Canadian broadcasting regulations do not require identification of a station by its call sign. (TF-NH)
- **1370 WFEA NH Manchester** 4/19 2303 Clear call sign ID and mention of 93.9 FM at this time. (**JW-PA**)
 - WXXI NY Rochester 4/21 0500 In well with NPR news, wrapping up Russian mad dog story. (JW-PA)
 - WSPD OH Toledo 4/21 0057 In very well with several call sign IDs and mentions of Northeast Ohio. (JW-PA)
- 1390 WFBL NY Syracuse 4/10 0502 "Wedding Bell Blues" by the Fifth Dimension underneath WLAN then a string of affiliate IDs at 0502 including WFBL call sign and mention of Sylvan Beach (WMVN-FM). Unusual reception. (JW-PA)
- 1400 WSTC CT Stamford 4/22 0659 Fair; "This is 91.1 WSHU-FM and HD1 Fairfield, 89.9 WSUF and HD1 Noyack-Freeport-New London, 1260 WSHU Westport, 1340 WYBC New Haven, 1400 Stamford, and WSHU dot org, your station for NPR news and classical music." Note 1400 callsign not announced. (BC-NH)
 - WJZN ME Augusta 4/22 1901 Fair; "Maine's alternative rock station WCYY." (BC-NH)
 - WHZP ME Veazie 4/21 1858 Fair; urban contemporary music, "Hot Radio Maine" into ad string. (BC-NH)
 - **WOND NJ Pleasantville** 4/21 2200 Poor; "WOND live from the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino Atlantic City studio..." and time check into ABC news. **(BC-NH)**
 - **WNZE** TN Clarksville 4/5 0605 Frequency showing some brief clarity overnight. Faint call sign ID at this time but unfortunately, no other info. (JW-PA)
 - WBBD WV Wheeling 4/5 0456 Frequency exhibiting some occasional clear reception of several stations; news, sports, and an ad for C Crane. At first, only WBBD providing identification. Fox Sports and 103.9 FM mention then back into mush. A couple sports radio slogans prior to faint call sign ID at this time. (JW-PA)
- **1410 WPOP** CT Hartford 4/22 1901 Fair; "You're listening to the Hartford Yard Goats on 1410 WPOP." (BC-NH)
 - WHTG NJ Eatontown 4/22 0301 Fair; "WHTG Eatontown, W264DH Eatontown, Press Communications welcomes you to the new 100.7 The Breeze and 1410 AM, online at Breeze Radio dot com" and jingle. (BC-NH)
 - WLSH PA Lansford 4/22 0700 Fair; "AM 1410 WLSH Lansford-Lehighton-Hazleton." (BC-NH)

- **1420 WLIS** CT Old Saybrook 4/22 0600 Caught part of ID under WCOJ; "...105.3 FM WMRD Middletown." (BC-NH)
 - **WBSM MA New Bedford** 4/23 0600 Under WCOJ; "WBSM W258DR New Bedford...WBSM, a Townsquare Media station." **(BC-NH)**
 - WACK NY Newark 4/22 0400 Under WCOJ; SportsMap Radio promo's, "Hometown Radio WACK Newark, 1420 AM and 96.9 FM," into College Sports Weekly with Brian Schiable. (BC-NH)
 - WHK OH Cleveland 4/23 0000 Under WCOJ; "WHK Cleveland, a service of Salem Media Group, broadcasting from the Discount Drug Mart studios, proud to be celebrating..." and Townhall news. (BC-NH)
 - WCOJ PA Coatesville 4/21 2200 Fair; "This is WISP Doylestown-Philadelphia and WCOJ Coatesville" with St. Anne Philadelphia message into EWTN Open Lines. (BC-NH)
- 1430 WKOX MA Everett 4/22 1800 Fair; paraphrased from ID in Spanish and Spanish-accented English, "WSOL HD2 Yulee, Florida, W272CQ Jacksonville, Florida 102.3 FM, WRJD Durham, North Carolina 1410 AM, WHVN Charlotte, North Carolina 1240 AM, WKOX Everett-Boston 1430 AM, KKTH Bosque Farms-Albuquerque, Nuevo Mexico 104.7 FM, WWLV HD4 Lexington, North Carolina, W242CD Greensboro, North Carolina, W242CC Winston-Salem 96.3 FM, La Verdad Network." (BC-NH)
 - WNSW NJ Newark 4/22 0700 Over WENE; "Always loud and clear on your smart speaker, details at Relevant Radio dot com slash smart, talk radio for Catholic life, WNSW Newark-New York City and WVNJ Oakland, Relevant Radio 1430 and 1160 AM." (BC-NH)
 - WENE NY Endicott 4/22 0400 Good; "Broadcasting from the HomePlus Mattress and Furniture studio, this is Fox Sports 1430 WENE Endicott-Binghamton, an iHeart radio station." (BC-NH)
 - CHKT ON Toronto 4/23 0300 Under WENE; time pip, "This is AM 1430 CHKT, Fairchild Radio for Toronto." (BC-NH)
- **1440 WRED ME Westbrook** 4/22 2300 Good; "WJJB Gray-Portland, WRED Westbrook-Portland, The Big Jab" and Fox sports. **(BC-NH)**
 - WVEI MA Worcester 4/22 0600 Fair; "Bruins and Red Sox play here, central Massachusetts' sports original 1440 WVEI," and CBS Sports Radio. (BC-NH)
 - WLIM NY Medford 4/22 0400 Under WVEI; "93.3 W227CL Port Jefferson and 1440 WLIM Medford, New York." At 0458, under WVEI; "WLIM The Breeze" and classic hits. (BC-NH)
- **1450 WPGG NJ Atlantic City** 3/18 1745 In with "WPGG 1450 and 95.5 FM" ID into Sean Hannity show. **(LW-NY)**
 - +++ 4/21 0802 Usual programming, seemingly IDing as WENJ at this time. (JW-PA)
 - +++ 4/22 0600 Fair; "WPGG Atlantic City, WENJ HD3 Millville, a Townsquare Media station." (BC-NH)
 - WKIP NY Poughkeepsie 4/22 1900 Fair; "WJIP Ellenville, from the Millspaugh Furniture studios, this is News Radio 1450 and 1370 WKIP Poughkeepsie." (BC-NH)
- **1460 WOPG NY Albany** 4/22 0600 Over WTKT; "This is Bishop Ed, and you're listening to WOPG 1460 AM and WOPG-FM 89.9, words of peace and goodness." **(BC-NH)**
 - WVOX NY New Rochelle 4/22 1900 Fair; WVOX jingle and nostalgia. (BC-NH)
 - WHIC NY Rochester 4/22 0500 Under WTKT and WOPG; promo, "Visit the Station of the Cross dot com for more information," and ID, "Thank you for listening to the Station of the Cross..." (BC-NH)
 - WTKT PA Harrisburg 4/22 0700 Good; "Harrisburg's home for local, state and national sports is WTKT Harrisburg and WTKT HD, Fox Sports 1460, it's 7 o'clock." (BC-NH)
- **1470 WMBD IL Peoria** 4/22 0300 Under WSAN; fast ID, "1470 and 100.3 WMBD, WPBG 93.3 HD4 Peoria..." **(BC-NH)**
 - **WLAM ME Lewiston** 4/21 2101 Fair; PSA for Community Partners, "The Golden Memories Station, 1470 WLAM," and WLAM jingle. (**BC-NH**)
 - WNYY NY Ithaca 3/14 2353 In with oldies, "Pure Oldies 1470" slogan. Formerly WTKO 1470. (LW-NY)

- WSAN PA Allentown 4/22 0301 Fair; "WSAN Allentown, the Lehigh Valley's greatest hits of the '60s and '70s, this is Real Oldies 1470..." and iHeart radio app promo. (BC-NH)
- WBTX VA Broadway-Timberville 3/12 1840 Fair signal with C&W programming, three-day weather forecast for area, "WBTX 1470" ID. (LW-NY)
 - +++ 4/23 0700 Over/under WSAN; time check and WBTX forecast from the National Weather Service. (BC-NH)
- **1480 WSAR MA Fall River** 4/22 0601 Good; "We're your only local news radio, FM 95-9, AM 1480, WSAR Fall River," and ABC news. **(BC-NH)**
 - **WDAS PA Philadelphia** 4/22 0700 Poor, under WZRC; iHeart promo and Fox Sports Radio Philadelphia ID. (**BC-NH**)
- **1480 WPWC VA Dumfries-Triangle** 3/14 2023 Spanish hymns for about ten minutes under usual WSAR and mixed with WZRC, unusual because the 500 watt night signal from four towers is directional south. Call stands for Prince William County. **(TF-NH)**
 - +++ 4/22 0400 Over/under WSAR; "WPWC 1480 AM... serving Dumfries-Triangle, Virginia," and ID in Spanish. (BC-NH)
 - WTOY VA Salem 4/23 0500 Over/under WZRC; promo, "WTOY Power Sound 1480, the home of... radio show... the best in gospel music..." (BC-NH)
- **1490 WCCM MA Haverhill** 4/22 0701 Good; "WÜBĞ 105.3 FM, WCCM 103.7 FM Methuen-Boston, LatinX, la mezcla de Boston." **(BC-NH)**
 - WBCB PA Levittown 4/22 0458 Poor; local ad for Delaware Valley business. (BC-NH)
 - WINQ VT Brattleboro 4/22 1900 Under WCCM; "WINQ-FM and HD1 Winchester, WINQ Brattleboro." (BC-NH)
- **1500 WLQV MI Detroit** 3/9 0430 Fair signal under WFED-Washington with religious programming, 'In Touch' with Charles Stanley. "Faith Talk Radio 1500 and 92.7 FM" station ID. **(LW-NY)**
- **1510 WLAC TN Nashville** 3/20 0210 "News-Talk Fox Radio 1510 WLAC" into talk show. **(LW-NY)**
- **ON Toronto** 4/2 2015 Almost at local strength with foreign language program, not French or Spanish, with several people arguing, yelling, and interrupting each other. They sounded angry. At 2100 an ID by a woman with a thick accent for "CHIN Radio International, Toronto, and 91.9 FM". Thought I was listening to WNWR in Philadelphia which had neglected to drop its power. CHIN uses five towers on City Island in Toronto Harbor and sends most of its signal north, so an unusual reception at this signal strength here. **(TF-NH)**
- **1550 WLOR AL Huntsville** 3/14 2010 Briefly atop with loud hip hop stuff. 50,000 watt day signal, mixed with preaching from WITK and French from CBE, lasted until about 2025 before vanishing. **(TF-NH)**
 - WIGN TN Bristol 3/14 2005 Bluegrass music, very weak, mixed with WITK, 35,000 watt day signal soon vanished. WIGN occasionally shows up here at sunset. (TF-NH)
- **1570 WUBG MA Methuen** 3/14 1920 Spanish music with deep fades, unusual to hear because 1570 is all CJLV here. **(TF-NH)**
- **1600 WAAM MI Ann Arbor** 4/8 0800 Over New York's WWRL, "Your First Amendment at work...WAAM Ann Arbor" ToH ID into Fox News. **(MKB-ON)**

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PAN-AMERICAN DX

- MEXICO XEWA San Luis Potosí, SLP APR 22 0200 Reported off the air by other DX'ers starting around 12 April; my own archived recordings show the typically strong signal from them 11 April on 540.029 kHz, but no sign on 14 April. However, on 22 April they were heard with "Los Cuarenta" slogans and mentions of 103.9, their FM in San Luis Potosí. The signal was far weaker than before; at 100 miles, XEWA usually booms in at night and puts in a decent signal throughout the day. Now they often fade into the mush, and rarely heard XEWF was in the mix with them. No proper ID ever heard, as usual. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 550 **COLOMBIA** HJHF *R.Nacional de Colombia*, Marinilla MAR 25 0401 Faint on auroral evening with music that included piccolo-like pipe and piano, then clear *R.Nacional de Colombia*, talk by man and woman, mentions of Universidad de Colombia. Even better ID two minutes later. New. [Kenneally-CT]
- MEXICO XEGS Guasave, Sin. MAR 28 0500 "GS FM" heard with top of the hour full ID for both AM and FM (104.7 XHGS) sides, Grupo Chavez Radio affiliation; then into talk program. [Vance-TX]
- PUERTO RICO WUNO *NotiUno 630*, San Juan MAR 25 0100 All alone on frequency with excited and long list of parallel stations in full top of hour announcement. Frequent "¡NotiUno Seis Trenta!" [Kenneally-CT]
- 650 **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** HIAT *R.Universal*, Santo Domingo MAR 25 0400 In deep fade of WSM with end of female vocals, then "HIAT para Santo Domingo. Radio Universal." Replaced earlier *RCN* Colombia. [Kenneally-CT]
- MEXICO XEJMN Jesús María, Nay. APR 9 1303 Suddenly appeared (possibly sign-on), while local KAMA was off-air; chimes and opening announcement followed by a mix of music snippets and announcements. ID at 1305, "Estas escuchando, la radio XEJMN, La Voz de los Cuatro Pueblos, en la frecuencia siete-cicuenta amplitude modulada..." also mentioning affiliation with INPI (Instituto Nacional de los Pueblos Indigenas). This was followed by a program of music and talk. New one here. [Vance-TX]
- COLOMBIA HJAJ, RCN Barranquilla MAR 25 0400 Climbing over WJR; slow, dramatic female vocals, RCN ID, talk by man and woman, including the woman wishing feliz cumpleaños from someone in Brooklyn, New York, then RCN noticias. [Kenneally-CT]
- 760 **MEXICO** XEABC México, CMDX MAR 28 0600 "Radio Cañon" heard with Mexican national anthem followed by full ID with "La 760" branding; then música romántica. [Vance-TX]
- BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS ZBVI Roadtown, Tortola MAR 25 0439 Always happy to hear this station. Man speaking at a political rally, then woman (the politician) says "Thank you Master of Ceremonies," and talks to the crowd (people blowing horns and cheering). Quotes included, "Thank you Virgin Islands... Tonight I want to talk to you about Virgin Gorda, your home... This time will be different! There will be change! We are one Virgin Islands!" Good signal, bad static buzz. Relog. [Kenneally-CT]
- MEXICO XECHEP *Arre en Acústica*, Chihuahua, Chih. APR 11 1200 "Arre en Acústica" slogan (spelled as AcustiK); poor; Chih. #14. As noted by Tim Hall, this network is a bastion of neglect. The top-of-hour ID's mention only "las tres ciudades más importantes del país": 1150 XEJP Mexico City, 1120 XEUNO Guadalajara (silent), and 600 XEMN Monterrey (silent). On XEJP, I have heard only a single repeated ad for a company that sells front loaders, with a phone number that doesn't work, and a promo for advertisers to contact the network gives an obsolete phone number. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 940 **MEXICO** XERLA Santa Rosalia, BCS APR 10 0158 Lively Mexican tunes, male and female gives ID in turn as "Radio Surcalifornia, la música Mexicana... Aquí Radio Surcalifornia," fair signal, this station has been silent for a number of years, seem to be back on. Usually I hear XEQ *Ke Buena* on the frequency with a big signal. New. [Niven-TX]
- 940 **MEXICO** XEMMM Mexicali, BC APR 10 1158 Under another Mexican station; jingle "Oldies 940... XEMMM transmite la música... mil wats... Oldies 940..." Fair signal. Usually I hear XEQ *Ke Buena* on the frequency with big signal, seem to be absent for a few nights now. New. [Niven-TX]

- 1000 **COLOMBIA** HJAQ, *RCN* Cartegena MAR 25 0101 Rose slowly up from the jumble with man and woman trading talking, then nice clear ID just after top of the hour. No sign of WMVP on auroral night. Relog. [Kenneally-CT]
- 1150 **CUBA** CMKX *R.Bayamo*, Bueycito APR 10 0805 Soft Spanish ballads mixed with nice, traditional Cuban vocals, reverb lady host. Parallel radiocubano.cu stream. [Krueger-FL]
- MEXICO XEXX Tijuana, BC APR 13 0801 First, dancing music intro. Then call ID in Spanish by a man, "XEXX Tijuana, Baja California, México." Music played short, then a lady speaking in Spanish. Interference, but audible. Recorded first time here. [Auvray-CA]
- 1470 **MEXICO** XERCN Tijuana, BC APR 18 0300 Song fading out. Announcing call ID in Spanish. Reception weak. First time here. [Auvray-CA]

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

KIRIBATI *R.Kiribati*, London, Christmas Island APR 4 0655 – JBA carrier from R.Kiribati and one other 9/kHz split. APR 7 0645 – JBA carrier, no other 9/kHz splits. APR 10 0614 – JBA carrier, and no other 9/kHz splits below 1220. [Hauser-OK]

Transoceanic carrier search: APR 4 0656 – 648 kHz, two JBA carriers beating; I never hear any TAs or TPs here, and the three least unlikely propagationally, 10 kW from Spain and NSW, 25? or 4 kW from R.Caroline on ex-BBC frequency, all seem improbable; nothing in NZ. [Hauser-OK]

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

MEXICO: 800 XEROK *R.Cañon*, Cd. Juárez, Chih. – This legendary station, silent since last March, is gone for good. A video clip on a Facebook site for Mexican radio enthusiasts showed dismantled towers and abandoned offices. [Mike Jeziorski]

MEXICO: The IFT has ordered 760 XEEB Cd. Obregón, Sonora (silent for over a decade!) to turn their AM back on, and they have apparently done so. Slogan is "La Zeta 98.5 FM." This is part of a nationwide effort to get certain AM stations that should have stayed on the air after FM migration but didn't, either because the station was defying the order, or in some cases (possibly including this one), the IFT or its predecessor the SCT failed to issue the AM continuity order until long after the AM had been legally turned off. The XEEB case is particularly bizarre, because the station turned off its AM over a decade ago (legally, I think), and sold the surviving FM to another licensee, who has now been issued a "move CP" by the IFT to "move" the long-nonexistent AM to (I think) the current transmitter site of the FM. Anyway, this station was not widely heard in the past, but it is a new target for most of us now. [Tim Hall, NRC MWDX Facebook group]

MEXICO: 940 XERLA Santa Rosalia BCS is back on the air after being silent several years. This is probably part of the IFT's efforts to get stations like XERLA that were not living up to their AM continuity obligations to put their AMs back on the air. This problem has been especially bad in Baja California Sur. XERLA slogan (and automated programming) appear unchanged from before. [Tim Hall, NRC MWDX Facebook group]

TURKS & CAICOS BANDSCAN – 2023

Rick Kenneally

This is my report from our recent vacation to Turks & Caicos. We were there March 1-10, 2023, and stayed in Providenciales for 3 nights and Pine Cay for 6 nights. As this was a special (long saved-for) vacation for my wife and me, my goal was to minimize the time spent doing radio stuff and maximize the amount of recording I could bring home for later review.

DXing would be done at beaches, so I tried to put together some kind of amplified loop to optimize the signal-to-noise ratio. I purchased a K9AY loop amp from Everett Sharp, but ran out of time before

the trip to assemble, enclose and test. So instead I went with a longwire/unun combo and focused on portability and ease of deployment/removal. The travel kit is pictured here:

It includes:

- SDRPlay RSPduo
- USB cable
- DX Engineering 9:1 unun transformer
- 2 x 3-meter RG174 cables with SMA connectors, plus an SMA-to-PL259 adapter
- 100 ft of 24 gauge silicone coated wire (wrapped on a Crate & Barrel Christmas ribbon spool)
- Short dowel as shaft for the wire spool
- ~4 ft of bare stranded copper ground wire
- A sign in a Ziploc to satisfy curious beachcombers
- Pliers and screwdriver
- Zipper case with pockets to hold everything but the wire spool

Not pictured is the 14-inch Lenovo laptop running SDR Console from SDR-Radio.com, Ltd. I relied on mwlist.org for station listings, but again, I wasn't trying to ID stations at the time – just trying to get clean recordings of the entire band.

The first location in Providenciales (Provo) wasn't successful – it was all noise. But I was hopeful I could set up the antenna in our beach-facing room at Pine Cay. So I was planning to record across the top of each hour every evening, night and morning. While the arrangement of the room next to the beach supported this quite well, the electrical noise did not. I



couldn't configure a permanent setup without getting more noise than signal. This meant the only solution was to set up temporarily at various times on a quiet part of the beach. Fortunately the island is very safe. Once I found a quiet spot reasonably close to our room, I could leave the antenna set up. Now and then I was able to leave the laptop unattended, tucked deep in a backpack. Using this method I couldn't get the large number of top-of-hour recordings I'd hoped for, but was able to get several hours in total at different times of the night without disruption to the vacation.

The beach faced northwest on Pine Cay, but the whole island was only 1 mile across, so reception seemed pretty omnidirectional. Several TA carriers were seen, but audio only from 684 Spain. The attention was of course on the Latin American stations. There are no superlocals in Turks & Caicos (530 is not on the air), so almost every frequency was open for multiple receptions.

Being new to SDR DXing, I now have an appreciation for just how much work goes into reviewing an entire band over several hours. This has taken several weeks to finish. But it's been great fun hearing the band from a different perspective, and now I have a list of new targets for the south-pointed BOG in Connecticut.

Below is the full bandscan. In total there 410 stations logged in 21 countries, 24 states + DC, and one province. Stations are listed in approximate (highly subjective) order of dominance on the frequency. Stations strong enough to consistently slop over onto neighboring frequencies are highlighted in bold.

- 530 R.Rebelde (Cuba), R.Enciclopedia (Cuba) Note: No sign of R.Vision Cristiana
- 539.86 YNOW R.Corporación (Nicaragua)
 - 540 Radio ABC Banco Popular (Dominican Rep), WFLF (Florida), HJKA R.Auténtica (Colombia), R.Rebelde (Cuba)
 - 550 WPAB (Puerto Rico), ABC Radio (Honduras), HJHF R.Nacional de Colombia, R.Rebelde (Cuba)
 - 560 *R.Rebelde* (Cuba), WQAM Miami
 - 570 *R.Reloj* (Cuba), *R.Cristal* (Dominican Rep), HJND *R.Nacional de Colombia*, WTBN (Florida), WWNC (N.Carolina)
 - 580 **WKAQ (Puerto Rico)**, WDBO Orlando, HJHP R.Nacional de Colombia, R.Rebelde (Cuba)
 - 590 R.Santa Maria (Dominican Rep.), CMBF R.Musical (Cuba)
 - 600 *R.Rebelde* (Cuba), WYEL (Puerto Rico), WBOB (Florida)
 - 610 R.Rebelde (Cuba), WIOD Miami
 - 620 WDAE (Florida), R.Rebelde (Cuba), Radio Fe y Alegría (Venezuela)
 - 630 WUNO NotiUno 630 (Puerto Rico)
 - 640 WMEN (Florida), R. Progreso (Cuba), WWJZ (New Jersey)
 - 650 HIAD (Dominican Rep), HJKH Antena Dos (Colombia), WSM Nashville, R. Progreso (Cuba)
 - 660 R. Visión Cristiana (Dominican Rep), WFAN New York, R. Progreso (Cuba)
 - 670 *R.Rebelde* (Cuba), YVLL *R.Rumbos* (Venezuela)
 - WBQN (Puerto Rico), HJZO R. Nacional de Colombia, WPTF (N. Carolina), R. Zamba (Dominican Rep)
 - 684 RNE (Spain)
 - 690 R.Guarachita (Dominican Rep), R.Progreso (Cuba), WOKV (Florida), WQNO New Orleans

- 700 HJCX W Radio (Colombia), WLW Cincinnati, R. Gosen (Dominican Rep)
- 710 *R.Rebelde* (Cuba), WAQI *R.Mambí* (Florida), WOR New York, WKJB (Puerto Rico)
- 720 R. Progreso (Cuba), WGN Chicago, R. Norte (Dominican Rep.), R. Católica (Nicaragua)
- 730 R.Progreso (Cuba), Melodía Stereo (Colombia), WZGV (N.Carolina), WLTQ (S.Carolina), unID (Mexico)
- 740 *R.Angulo* (Cuba), HJNS *R.Gatapurí* (Colombia), WYGM Orlando, CFZM Toronto, XECAQ *R.Fórmula* (Mexico), WIAC (Puerto Rico)
- 750 *R.Jesús Internacional* (Dominican Rep), WSB Atlanta, *R.Progreso* (Cuba)
- 760 R.Progreso (Cuba), HJAJ RCN (Colombia), WEFL (Florida), WJR Detroit, WORA (Puerto Rico)
- 770 R.Rebelde (Cuba), HJJX RCN (Colombia), WABC New York, WBCN (Florida), R.Artemisa (Cuba)
- 780 WBBM Chicago, WCKB (North Carolina), ZBVI (British Virgin Islands)
- 780.38 unID Spanish (Colombia?)
 - 790 R.Reloj (Cuba), WAXY (Florida), WNIS (Virginia)
 - 800 *TransWorld Radio* (Bonaire), WSVS (Virginia)
 - WKVM (Puerto Rico), ZNS3 (Bahamas), R. Progreso (Cuba), HJCY Caracol (Colombia), WHB Kansas City
 - 820 R.Reloj (Cuba), R.Progreso (Cuba), R.Ciudad de La Habana (Cuba), WWDB (Florida)
 - HIJB (Dominican Rep), WACC (Florida), WTRU (N.Carolina), YVLT *R.Sensación* (Venezuela) Note: Heard not a peep from the *R.Reloj* listed here no Cubans at all.
 - 840 CMKC R.Revolución (Cuba), 4VEH (Haiti), WHAS Louisville, CMHW Doblevé (Cuba)
 - WFTL (Florida), R.Reloj (Cuba), WABA (Puerto Rico)
 - 860 YVYE R.Enlace 860 (Venezuela), WGUL (Florida), R.Reloj (Cuba), Voice of Nevis (St.Kitts & Nevis), R.Reforma (Panama)
 - 870 *R.Reloj* (Cuba), WWL New Orleans, *Radio la Vega* (Dominican Rep) Note: Frequency polluted by "The Wobbler" *R.Reloj*
 - WXBN (Florida), WCBS New York, R. Progreso (Cuba)
 - 890 R.Progreso (Cuba), HJPM Caracol (Colombia), Consentida (Dominican Rep), HJCE Vida 890 (Colombia), WLS Chicago, WFAB (Puerto Rico), CMKC R.Revolución (Cuba)
 - 900 R.Progreso (Cuba), HJDD R.Cúcuta (Colombia)
 - 910 WPRP *NotiUno* (Puerto Rico), HJMY *RCN* (Colombia), YVRQ *AM Center* (Venezuela), CMHA *R.Agramonte* (Cuba)
 - 920 WDMC (Florida), YVQX R.Nueva Esparta (Venezuela)
 - 930 *R.Reloj* (Cuba), WFXJ (Florida), HJCS *La Voz de Bogotá* (Colombia), WFMD (Maryland)
 - 940 WMAC (Georgia), WINZ Miami, HJTL *RCN* (Colombia), WIPR (Puerto Rico)
 - 950 **WORL** (Florida), R.Reloj (Cuba), R.Popular (Dominican Rep)
 - 960 *R.Reloj* (Cuba), WTGM (Maryland)
 - 970 Radio La Vega (Dominican Rep), R.Rebelde (Cuba), WFLA Tampa
 - 980 R.Reloj (Cuba), WTPA (Florida), WTEM Washington DC
 - 990 WMYM (Florida), R. Eternidad (Dominican Rep), WTLN Orlando
- 1000 HJAQ *RCN* (Colombia), WMVP Chicago, *R.Artemisa* (Cuba), WVWI (U.S. Virgin Islands), WYBT (Florida)
- 1010 WJXL (Florida), WINS New York, WHFS (Florida), HJOP Sistema Cardenal (Colombia)
- 1020 R.Artemisa (Cuba), WLVJ (Florida), R.Trinchera Antiimperialista, KDKA Pittsburgh, WWAC (New Jersey)
- 1030 WONQ (Florida), KCTA (Texas), WBZ Boston, WDRU (North Carolina)
- 1039.6 YVLB *La Voz de Carabobo* (Venezuela)
- 1040 WURN Miami, WHO Des Moines
- 1050 R.Victoria (Cuba), RCN R.Monteria (Colombia), WEPN New York, WROS (Florida)
- 1060 *Radio* 26 (Cuba), WCGB (Puerto Rico), KYW Philadelphia, WIXC (Florida)
- 1070 R.Trinchera Antiimperialista (Cuba), WMIA Borinquen Radio (Puerto Rico), HJCG R.Santa Fe (Colombia), WKII (Florida), HIBI Radio (Dominican Rep), HJAH Emisora Atlántico (Colombia)
- 1080 **WQOS (Florida)**, R.Cadena Habana, WTIC (Connecticut)
- 1090 R.Amistad (Dominican Rep), WBAL Baltimore
- 1100 R.Oriente (Dominican Rep), HJAT Caracol (Colombia), WTAM Cleveland, WCGA (Georgia), WHLI (New York)
- 1110 R.Angulo (Cuba), WVJP (Puerto Rico), WBT Charlotte
- 1120 KMOX St. Louis, WMSW R. Once (Puerto Rico), WSME (N. Carolina)
- WBBR New York, WOIZ *R.Antillas* (Puerto Rico), WHHW (S.Carolina), *R.Rebelde* (Cuba), WWBF (Florida) Note: *R.Rebelde* not listed location unknown.

- 1140 WQBA Miami, R.Surco (Cuba), WRVA Richmond, R.Mayabeque (Cuba), R.Rebelde (Cuba)
- 1150 *R.Bayamo* (CUB), WTMP (Florida), WDEL (Delaware)
- 1160 Caribbean R.Lighthouse (Antigua), WMET (Maryland), WMTI Borinquen Radio (Puerto Rico)
- 1170 R.Trinchera Antiimperialista (Cuba), HJNW Caracol (Colombia), WAVS (Florida), WWVA Wheeling, WLEO R.Leo (Puerto Rico)
- 1180 *R.Rebelde* (Cuba), *R.Marti* (Florida) Note: Quite the little Cold War being fought here.
- 1190 WBMJ (Puerto Rico), *R.Sancti Spiritus* (Cuba), WTSD (Virginia), WPSP (Florida) Note: Also heard unID with Haitian French at 22:34 long after WAMT cuts power. Could have been 4VAF.
- 1200 *Radio VEN* (Dominican Rep), WOAI San Antonio, *R.Sancti Spiritus* (Cuba)
- 1210 R.Sancti Spiritus (Cuba), WNMA (Florida), WPHT Philadelphia, R.Merengue (Dominican Rep), WHOY (Puerto Rico), R.Reloj (Cuba)
- 1220 R.Caribe (Cuba), XEB (Mexico), WHKW Cleveland
- 1230 WBZT (Florida), R. Progreso (Cuba), WNIK (Puerto Rico), WCMC (New Jersey)
- WMMB (Florida), R.Maria (Dominican Rep), WALO (Puerto Rico), WGBB (New York), WFOY (Florida)
- 1250 WHNZ Tampa, R. Trinchera Antimperialista (Cuba), WTMA (S. Carolina), WGHB (N. Carolina)
- WSUA Miami, WAPA (Puerto Rico) Note: WSUA has some French religious programming heard at 2200 on March 5, broken by English disclaimer at top of hour: "Radio Psalm 27 is not responsible for the content..."
- 1270 WIWA (Florida), HJAR *La Cariñosa* (Colombia), WLIK (Tennessee) Note: *La Cariñosa* seems much stronger than listed 1 kW heard well most nights.
- WCMN (Puerto Rico), WODT New Orleans, WJAY (South Carolina), HJMB R.Suroeste (Colombia)
- 1290 **WJNO (Florida)**, WTKS (Georgia), KRGE (Texas), HJMC *R.Viva* (Colombia)
- 1300 WTIL Boringuen Radio (Puerto Rico), WNQM Nashville, WJZ Baltimore
- 1309.67 HJAK Voz de la Patria Celestial (Colombia)
- 1310 WGH (Virginia), R.Real AM (Dominican Rep)
- 1320 WLQY (Florida), WSKN (Puerto Rico)
- 1330 *R.Vision Cristiana* (DOM), HJAP *R.Auténtica*, WYRD (South Carolina), WRCA (Massachusetts)
- 1340 AFN Guantanamo, WWNA (Puerto Rico), WMID (New Jersey), RCN (Colombia)
- WEGA (Puerto Rico), *R.Libertad* (Cuba), *Ondas del Yuna* (Dominican Rep), *R.Ciudad del Mar* (Cuba) Note: One of these stations ID'ed clearly as "Desde Las Tunas...? en Cubano, transmite CMLL Radio Victoria." Assume that it was *R.Libertad*, as it is also in Las Tunas.
- 1360 **WQVN (Florida)**, WHNR (Florida)
- 1370 WIVV (Puerto Rico), HIRC R. Seibo (Dominican Rep), R. Playita(?)/R. Progreso (Cuba)
- 1380 WWMI (Florida), R. Angulo (Cuba), WOLA (Puerto Rico)
- 1390 WISA (Puerto Rico), WSPO (South Carolina), HRVC (Honduras), WAVP (Florida)
- 1400 Harbour Light of the Windward Islands (Grenada), HJAS La Cariñosa (Colombia), WOND (New Jersey)
- 1410 WMYR (Florida), WRSS R. Progreso (Puerto Rico), WNGL (Alabama), WQBQ (Florida)
- 1420 WUKQ (Puerto Rico), WAOC (Florida), WQBQ (Florida), WPEH (Georgia)
- 1430 *R.Emanuel* (Dominican Rep), WOIR (Florida), WLKF (Florida)
- 1440 R.Impactante (Dominican Rep), WGIG (Georgia), R.Maranatha (Nicaragua), WWCL (Florida)
- 1450 WKAT Miami, WSTU (Florida), WPGG (New Jersey)
- 1460 **WQOP (Florida)**, WLRP (Puerto Rico), HJJW Emisora Nuevo Continente (Colombia)
- 1470 WWNN (Florida), WKUM (Puerto Rico), WWBG (N.Carolina)
- 1480 WGFY (N.Carolina), WMDD (Puerto Rico), WCXS (Florida)
- 1490 CMKN R.Mayari (Cuba), WDEP R.Isla (Puerto Rico)
- 1491.38 Someone here late one evening with dance beat and what sounded like Spanish
- 1500 WFED Washington DC, YVRZ R.Dos Mil (Venezuela), WMNT R.Antena (Puerto Rico)
- 1510 WLAC Nashville, WWBC (Florida), WBSG (Puerto Rico)
- 1520 R. Baraguá (Cuba), WEXY (Florida), WWKB Buffalo, HJLQ Radio 1520 (Colombia)
- 1530 WUPR (Puerto Rico), WCKY Cincinnati, XEUR Buenísima (Mexico)
- 1540 **ZNS1 (Bahamas)**
- 1550 R.Rebelde (Cuba), WAMA Tampa, WRHC (Florida), WNZF (Florida)
- 1560 KGOW (Texas), *R.Unica* (Dominican Rep), WSBV (Virginia) Note: There was something else here, sometimes quite dominant, but with audio so distorted I couldn't make an ID.
- 1570 WPPC R.Felicidad (Puerto Rico), Radio VEA (Guatemala), WOKC (Florida), WVOJ (Florida) Note: Planned R.Vision Cristiana in Turks & Caicos is not yet on air
- 1580 WSRF (Florida), WCCF (Florida), WPGC (Maryland)

- 1590 WHOT (Florida), WPSL (Florida), WXRF *Borinquen Radio* (Puerto Rico) Note: WHOT is simulcasting WZPP, WZOP. New slogan: "The Caribbean Voice of Tampa."
- 1599.955 Couldn't dig out audio on this, but it was harassing 1600 heavily some nights.
- 1600 WPOM (Florida), WZNZ (Florida), WKWF (Florida), WCMA (Puerto Rico), WKZK (S.Carolina), WWRL New York, WAOS (Georgia)
- 1610 Nothing ID'ed in the slop from the 3-way battle on 1620.
- 1620 R.Rebelde (Cuba), WDHP (U.S. Virgin Islands), R.Bayamo (Cuba)
- 1630 KKGM (Texas), KCJJ (Iowa)
- 1640 WSJP (Wisconsin)
- 1650 WJFV (Virginia), KCNZ (Iowa), CINA (Ontario)
- 1660 **WGIT (Puerto Rico)**, WCNZ (Florida)
- 1670 WMGE (Georgia), XEFCR Focus Radio (Mexico)
- 1680 R.Senda (Dominican Rep), WOKB (Florida)
- 1690 WMLB (Georgia), WPTX (Maryland) Note: No sign of WIGT (U.S. Virgin Islands)
- 1700 WJCC (Florida)

73 and Good DX!

Musings of the Members

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Non-electronic submissions: Send to Publisher (see AM Switch for address)
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Martin Foltz, Sarasota FL

No new veries; DX; 4/1 heard nice ID from 1170 WAVS. 1230 WONN tentative hearing what sounded like Sunny Standards AM 12-30 and FM 107.1. Thanks to the GYDX group for help on this one. 4/3 1690 WMLB in for a report. 4/5 report to local 1340 WTAN. I still don't have a verie from a FL station. 4/7 caught an ID for WYBU on 1160 for a new one. 4/8 880 KJJR Test, heard weak tones under WCBS and WXBN, report sent to CPC. 4/9 took details for a report to 1190 WOWO. 4/10 1150 KSEN DX Test, not heard, only local WTMP and WJBO. 4/11 690 caught WOKV at 7:00 AM turning on day power/pattern for a new one. 4/11 in the evening heard 1340 WQSC in SC with Country music. Too much fading for a report. Also 1610 tentative on CHHA with Spanish songs. 4/18 just before midnight heard an ad with promo code "WOR" on 710 and mention of iHeart Radio. WOR New York is a new one here. And their antenna pattern doesn't send much signal to the south.

Changed a column in my Excel log that had Date Heard. I changed it to First Date Heard. Now I can sort chronologically. The only thing is when I go back to by frequency it mixes the Cubans in with the rest of the stations. I sort by frequency and then state. But I also need to sort by Country. Will need to figure that one out someday. Maybe I have to add a hidden column with numbers for country sorting. For now the undo button will have to do the job. 73's, Martin

Linda Brodsky, Malverne NY

I haven't had much time for DX'ing but I did pull out two new ones on 1290, WHKY and CJBK, from a recording made on 4/18. Details of those were sent to the DX East column.

I had an interesting and informative exchange with Tim Hall who is in the process of updating the IRCA Mexican Log. He wondered about a report I submitted in October 2021 about reception of a station on 1490 from my CO location which I thought was XEMS. Tim pointed out that XEMS has been off the air for several years, so I sent him the recording I made of the ID which followed the Mexican national anthem and which I thought had a 4 letter call sign that sounded like XEMS to me. He replied that it was a full ID of XEP 1300, which if I heard it on 1490, could have been XECJC, a station that has been in trouble for expired licenses, relaying XEP for some reason. Tim pointed out that Mexican broadcasting is in a pretty disorganized state at the moment. No matter how many times I listened to the recording, I couldn't hear a three letter or a five letter call, but maybe that's my "old ears" combined with less than excellent Spanish? In any case, I put that down as a tentative logging and will check 1490 again when I return to CO in a few weeks. It's good to know the IRCA/NRC tradition of verifying as many reports as possible before publishing log books continues on!

Pro Sports Networks

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<u>Texas Rangers (EE) 2023</u> Eric Nadel, Matt Hicks, Jared Sandler

https:	https://www.mlb.com/rangers/schedule/radio-affiliates (3/27/2023)								
670	KHGZ-AR		1400	KKTK-TX		92.1	KRWR-TX	100.1	K261EZ-TX
690	KPET-TX		1410	KNTX-TX		92.3	KNNU-OK	100.5	KBLY-TX
710	KGNC-TX		1450	KSNY-TX			K222DC-TX	100.7	K264AN-TX
900	KPYN-TX		1470	KDHN-TX		92.7	KALP-TX r	100.9	K265DV-TX
950	KJTV-TX	В		KWRD-TX		93.9	K230BS-TX	101.1	KEOJ-KS
960	KGKL-TX		1490	KBST-TX		94.3	KSEY-FM-TX	101.3	K267CB-TX
980	KICA-NM			KNEL-TX		94.5	K233DB-TX	101.9	K270CO-NM
1090	KVOP-TX			KPLT-TX		95.5	K238BF-TX	102.7	K274DG-TX
1230	KSEY-TX			KYZS-TX		96.1	KITO-FM-OK	103.9	KMHT-TX
	KSST-TX		1500	KMAD-OK		96.3	K242BC-TX	104.1	KCKB-TX
1240	KVLF-TX	t		KJIM-TX		97.1	KAMD-FM-AR	104.3	KGAS-FM-TX
1250	KZDC-TX		1510	KSTV-TX			KYAL-FM-OK		KBVP-TX
1260	KTAE-TX		1550	KYAL-OK		97.3	K247CW-TX	104.5	KBEF-LA
1300	KSYB-LA			KCOM-TX			KTTU-FM-TX	105.3	KRLD-FM-TX
1320	KNCB-LA		1560	KEBC-OK		97.5	K248DE-TX	105.5	KNAS-AR
1330	KTON-TX	В		KZQQ-TX		98.9	K255BH-AR	105.9	KQIK-FM-OK
1380	KBWD-TX		1590	KEKR-TX	В	99.3	K257GO-TX		
	KHEY-TX		1660	KRZI-TX		99.7	KCHT-TX		
1390	KDQN-AR					99.9	K260CR-OK		

Texas Rangers (SS) 2023 Eleno Ornelas, Jose Guzman

https://www.mlb.com/rangers/schedule/radio-affiliates (3/27/2023)

1270 <u>KFLC-TX</u> 1440 KPUR-TX

Toronto Blue Jays (EE) 2023 Buck Martinez, Dan Shulman, Ben Wagner, Hazel Mae

Toronto Blue Jays (FF) 2023 Jacques Doucet, Rodger Brulotte

https://www.mlb.com/bluejays/schedule/blue-jays-radio-network (3/27/2023)

Please note that not all stations will carry every one of the 162 games.

570	CKGL-ON		960	CFAC-AB	1210	CFYM-SK	90.5	CJMB-ON
590	CJCL-ON		980	CFPL-ON	1240	CJCS-ON	95.7	CJNI-NS
600	CKAT-ON		1070	CHOK-ON	1310	CIWW-ON	101.1	CIWW-ON
650	CISL-BC	A	1150	CJSL-SK	1330	CJYM-SK	101.7	CFRN-AB
920	CKNX-ON		1190	CFSL-SK				

Washington Nationals 2023 Charley Slowes, Dave Jageler

https://www.mlb.com/nationals/team/broadcast-affiliates (3/27/2023)

740	WRNR-WV	1230	WCMD-MD	1570	WECU-NC	105.1	W286CX-VA
910	WRNL-VA	1370	WHEE-VA			106.5	W293AM-WV
1050	WBRG-VA	1450	WTHU-MD	98.1	WOBX-FM-NC	106.7	WJFK-FM-VA
1140	WRVA-VA		WFTR-VA	102.1	W271AT-MD	107.5	WCHV-FM-VA

- * Announcer(s) from a previous season
- a The Orioles' announcers' page has names and photos, but does not say which broadcasters are on Radio or TV.
- b The Twins' network list has "FM Signal" instead of translator call letters and numbers. I used radio-locator.com tp get the calls.
- c Conflict station
- d RESERVED
- e ROOT Sports Northwest produces a Spanish-language audio feed of all Mariners home games. The feed is distributed via SAP channels on many of the cable and satellite systems that carry ROOT Sports NW.
- f Weekday games after 3pm ET, All weekend games
- g Weekday games before 3pm ET
- h RESERVED

- i Simulcast for some games
- j The Angels' list has no frequences; it has "KSPF AM Cathedral City". I believe the call is KPSF.
- k The Angels' list has no frequences; it has "KTOX Needles". I do not know if the AM or FM or both broadcasts the ganes.
- 1 The Yankees' list has no frequencies. I do not know if the AM or FM or both broadcasts the games.
- m The Yankees' list has an asterisk after "Binghamton" and "WINR", but there is nothing that gives the significance of the asterisk.
- n Night games only
- o Weekday nights and select weekend games only
- p Night/Weekend Home Games Only (Spanish)
- q The Giants' list has "KFIG/KFPT 1430 AM Fresno, CA", KFIG is 1430 and KFPT is 940.
- r Weekday games only
- s Select games only

DXer

- t Weekend games only
- A Seattle Mariners + Toronto Blue Jays
- B Houston Astros + Texas Rangers
- C Los Angeles Amgels + San Francisco Giants
- D Chicago White Sox + Chicago Cubs
- E Cincinnati Reds + Cleveland Guardians
- F New York Yankees + San Francisco Giants
- G Chicago White Sox + Cincinnati Reds
- H Los Angeles Dodgers + New York Yankees

DX Location

Mike Jeziorski - Juriquilla, QRO

I Miami Marlins + Tampa Bay Rays

GRAVEYARD DX: UPDATE

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1240 kHz							
Station	State City	DXer	DX Location	Miles			
KCLV	NM Clovis	Mike Jeziorski	Juriquilla, QRO	959			
		1340 kHz					
Station	State City	DXer	DX Location	Miles			
WTAN	FL Clearwater	Mike Jeziorski	Juriquilla, QRO	1219			
		$1400~\mathrm{kHz}$					
Station	State City	DXer	DX Location	Miles			
KAOK	LA Lake Charles	Mike Jeziorski	Juriquilla, QRO	799			
1490 kHz							
Station	State City	DXer	DX Location	Miles			
WHOC	MS Philadelphia	Mike Jeziorski	Juriquilla, QRO	1087			
Total Stations Heard							

<u>1230</u> <u>1240</u> <u>1340</u> <u>1400</u> <u>1450</u> <u>1490</u>

"Supercharged" XHDATA D-109 Model: the Good, the Bad and the Ugly

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XHDATA's new D-109 model is an AM-Longwave-FM-Shortwave portable with excellent, balanced audio from a powerful 3-Watt speaker, a full range of DSP filter choices (from its Si4734

chip) and an amazingly low price of \$30.95 (from the XHDATA website). There has been almost universal praise for the new radio's performance and value, with most users commenting on the "fun factor" in using the powerful, balanced audio for AM-DXing.

After Les Rayburn and Jay Allen both expressed interest in obtaining a 7.5 inch loopstick version of this popular new model, I ordered several units for "supercharging" experiments. As expected, the far more sensitive loopsticks really boost up AM-DXing fun and performance, but the model does have some unique technical challenges.



The Good

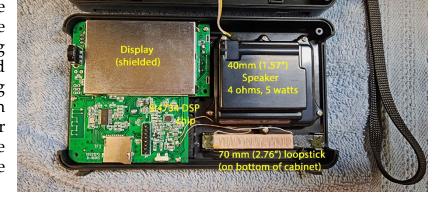
For a total cost of around US\$65 (the stock model plus construction parts) a DXer can have a supersensitive portable fully competitive with a 7.5-inch loopstick XHDATA D-808, except for the SSB capability. The combination of powerful, high fidelity audio, great sensitivity and a rock-bottom price is pretty unique in the hobby. The 18650 lithium battery provides extended run time, and the model has both Bluetooth speaker and MP3 playback capabilities. The model is promptly shipped out, and quality control on the six units that I've purchased has been excellent.

The Bad

The D-109 display generates digital hash noise, a problem which XHDATA tries to avoid by placing the loopstick at the bottom of the cabinet. But a super-sensitive transplant loopstick must be mounted above the radio, and it cannot be located directly above the display because of the digital hash. As a result, the transplant loopstick must be located slightly offset from the display, as shown in the photos. This solution avoids almost all of the digital hash in most cases (but there are exceptions, as described in the "Ugly" section).

In addition, the D-109 is not designed for easy or repeated disassembly. The tuning knob is snapped into the radio with plastic locking claws, which make it impossible to pull it out from the outside. In order to fully disassemble the radio, it is necessary to push in two of the locking claws

from inside while pulling on the knob from the outside (and failure to do this will make the radio impossible to reassemble). Self-tapping screws are used throughout the radio instead of threaded screws, and these self-tapping screws can strip out the plastic if too much force is used in tightening them. The rubber tabs on the bottom of the cabinet must also be partially removed to thoroughly disassemble the radio.



The Ugly

The amount of digital hash noise from the display varies from model to model. In most models the hash can be 99% controlled by offsetting the transplant loopstick from the display, but there are rare cases where the display noise is still irritating even after this precaution is done (in one model out of six, so far). If you are unlucky enough to get one of these noisy models your only real option is to try again with a different model – and keep your fingers crossed.

The Verdict

Despite all the challenges this loopstick transplant dramatically boosts AM-DXing performance in the D-109 model, and the final result is a radio with unparalleled value, and very thrilling potential. Because of the problems listed above I don't recommend that beginners try this project, but for those who are technically qualified if should be a real blast. I'm sure that both Les and Jay will enjoy their



models, and I plan to have some serious fun with the other two! For those who would prefer an easier project with routine success, I would recommend the XHDATA D-808 "Supercharging" article posted at https://dreamcrafts.box.com/s/5d0pi85jfptgmrj4pd0jsmaybgb6gteh

Best of DX, Gary DeBock (in Puyallup, WA, USA)

"Play Ball" on the Radio - Radio History Revisited

Kenneth D. MacHarg

One of life's simple pleasures during the summer, especially for a sports fan, is the joy of listening to a baseball game on the radio.

Whether it's at the lake, in the yard, on the deck, or in the car, a baseball broadcast is like sharing a conversation with a good friend, reminiscing about past times, current events, and debating which team or player is better.

Baseball is the perfect summer companion, the game has a rhythm that mirrors summer—the pace is gradual, sometimes slow, and often laid back. And, if there is anything that is typically all-American, it is baseball.

The first baseball game was played in 1846 between the Knickerbocker Club of New York City and The New York Nine. By the time the Civil War ended, the game had gained in popularity and was well on its way to becoming the National Pastime.

The first professional team, the Cincinnati Red Stockings, was formed in 1869. By 1876, sixteen pro teams formed the National League. That's the same year Custer fought his last stand at Little Big Horn. We don't often connect baseball with the Wild West, but it actually wasn't unusual for professional teams to barnstorm from town to town, taking on the local amateur clubs.

(An interesting side note not in any way related to radio is that, until the major league expansion starting in 1961, professional baseball teams were limited to the region east of the Mississippi River and north of the Mason-Dixon Line. The reason for that? Travel. In those days teams traveled by bus, not airplanes, so playing on the west coast or deep south was out of the question travel-wise. Yes, there were minor leagues in other parts of the country, but nobody following major league teams paid any attention to them!)

In 1921 many cities did not have a radio station of their own yet, but AM radio signals traveled a long distance and as a result, American listeners in the west could pick up eastern stations like KDKA in Pittsburgh or WBZ in Massachusetts and get the baseball scores.

Some baseball game scores and details of play had been transmitted on radio before 1921, among radio enthusiasts. From around 1912 onward, there were a growing number of amateur wireless operators. Some of these experimented with sending out information on baseball scores by voice to friends who were amateur wireless operators themselves. This early amateur experimentation culminated in August 5, 1921, in the first broadcast of a baseball game on commercial radio, a match between the Pittsburgh Pirates versus Philadelphia Phillies. The game was broadcast by KDKA of Pittsburgh, and the Pirates defeated the Phillies 8-5. It was broadcast by staff announcer Harold Arlin.

That year, KDKA and WJZ of Newark broadcast the first World Series on the radio, between the New York Giants and the New York Yankees, with Grantland Rice and Tommy Cowan calling the games for KDKA and WJZ, respectively. However, the broadcasters were not actually present at the game, but simply gave reports from a telegraph wire. In 1922, WJZ broadcast the entire series, with Rice doing play-by-play. For the 1923 World Series, Rice was joined on Westinghouse for the first time by Graham McNamee. During the Series, Rice was the main broadcaster, but during the fourth inning of Game 3, he turned the microphone over to McNamee. This was the start of McNamee's career, and McNamee became the first color commentator. Although frequently criticized for his lack of expertise, McNamee helped popularize baseball.

By 1924-1925, baseball broadcasts were occurring sporadically in other cities. For example, in Chicago in early October 1924, station WGN broadcast a "city series" between the White Sox and the Cubs. WGN also broadcast the Chicago Cubs home opener in April 1925. And in Boston, WBZ broadcast the opening day game for the Boston Braves, who played against the New York Giants. Newspapers said this was the first time either Boston team (the Braves or the Red Sox) had been on the air. Throughout the rest of the 1925 season, Boston station WNAC broadcast some of the Braves' home games. The Boston Red Sox, however, did not get on the air in Boston until 1926, also on WNAC, beginning with the opening day game against the Yankees.

Meanwhile, the establishment of the National Broadcasting Company (later known as NBC) and the Columbia Broadcasting System (later called CBS) meant that by October 1927, two coast-to-coast networks were able to broadcast the World Series for the first time. Graham McNamee was chosen to announce the games for NBC and Major J. Andrew White was the announcer for CBS. In that first year, the commissioner of baseball, Kenesaw Mountain Landis, gave permission for both networks to air the games.

Many owners were still wary. By the 1930s, the two-team cities of Boston, Philadelphia, St. Louis, and Chicago had reached an agreement not to broadcast away games. In other words, if the Boston Braves were at home, listeners could hear that game on the radio, but could not listen to the Boston Red Sox away game. The owners' argument –"they won't come to the park if you give the game

away"— was invalidated under this arrangement. The New York owners went one step further: in 1932 they agreed to ban all radio broadcasting—even of visitors' re-creations—from their parks. Larry MacPhail took over the Cincinnati Reds in 1933 and sold a controlling interest in the club to Powel Crosley, owner of two Cincinnati radio stations. It was a match made in economic heaven: MacPhail knew that broadcasting games would promote the team and Crosley could now boost his radio ratings. Their arrangement is reminiscent of St. Louis beer-garden magnate Chris von der Ahe's takeover of the St. Louis team in order to sell more beer. When MacPhail moved to Brooklyn in 1938, he brought Reds announcer Red Barber with him and broke the New York radio ban. The next year was the first year that all the major league teams broadcast their games.

Though radio grew quickly as a medium for baseball, many teams were still apprehensive about it, fearing negative effects on attendance. Nevertheless, each team was allowed to reach its own policy by 1932, and the Chicago Cubs broadcast all of their games on WMAQ in 1935. The last holdouts were the New York teams—the Giants, Dodgers, and Yankees combined to block radio broadcasts of their games until 1938. By the end of this period, radio had become increasingly commercialized. Wheaties started its long relationship with baseball in 1933, and in 1934, sponsorship rights to the World Series were first sold.

Golden age

During the Golden Age of Radio, television sports broadcasting was in its infancy, and radio was still the main form of broadcasting baseball. Many notable broadcasters, such as Mel Allen, Red Barber, Harry Caray, Russ Hodges, Ernie Harwell, and Vin Scully, started in this period.

However, broadcasting still did not look like the way it does today—recreations of games based on telegrams, the original means of broadcasting, were still widely used. The Liberty Broadcasting System operated solely through recreations of games, because live games were too expensive. Gordon McLendon broadcast games throughout the South from 1948 until 1952, when new blackout regulations forced him to stop. The Mutual Broadcasting System also broadcast a Game of the Day in the 1950s.

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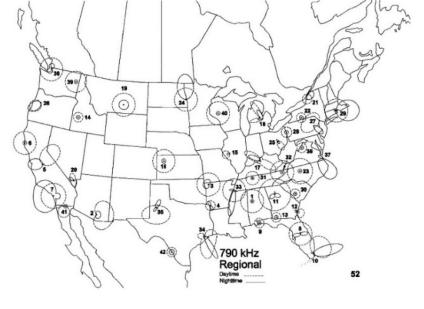
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