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From the Publisher: Last summer, when we significantly this year were putting together the schedule for this year's before this issue, then the next issue in two weeks, and then four weeks after that. I'm sure there was a reason for this, but I cannot remember what it was. In any event, that's our story and we're sticking to it, so we'll be back for our last biweekly issue of the season next time.

We are continuing to print Tim Hall's Border Inn DXpedition report ... but if you want the whole thing, check out the issue of DXtra News sent out to electronic DXN subscribers about a month ago, where we had the full report all in one

The spring equinox usually produces some New England. good deep Latin American DX, and with all the auroral conditions we've had this year, hopefully we'll have some good reports the next couple of issues. The season isn't over yet!

# From the Archives

90 Years Ago: From the March 6, 1935 issue of DX News: WLW-700 is scheduled to run a "Four-Star Special" DX test for the NRC on the morning of March 17; if they are at 500 kW it will be the most powerful DX test in NRC history! WLW has been running 500 kW days and 50 kW nights due to complaints of interference from Canada, but is working on a directional night antenna it can use at 500 kW.

75 Years Ago: From the March 4, 1950 issue of DX News: A total of 28 DX Tests are on the calendar for March 9 through March 27.

**50 Years Ago**: From the March 3, 1975 issue of DX News: The number of DX tests is up

to a ten-year high – 51 arranged by the NRC, 25 DX News, we wound up with a three-week break by the Newark News Radio Club (but 14 of them were no-shows), and 8 by the IRCA.

> **25 Years Ago**: From the March 6, 2000 issue of DX News: WMBE (now WZBU-1520) calls itself the "world's only sturgeon reporting station," and is very popular with the sturgeon fishing community on Lake Winnebago. (Talk about narrowcasting!)

> **10 Years Ago**: From the February 23, 2015 issue of DX News: Bruce Conti has been chasing weak unID carriers on 864.000 kHz and 1548.010 kHz at dawn, probably AIR Shillong, India, and 4QD Emerald, Australia, respectively, making it to

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# Membership Report

Returning Member: Welcome back to Kevin Wasag, Crestwood, IL.

Renewing Members: Thanks for the ongoing support from Leslie Couchenour; Steve Geary; Richard D. Hansen; Mike S. Hardester; Willard G. Hoffmann; John J. Long; David Rivera; Brian Rogers; Glenn Small; Douglas E. Smith; and Philip Zmenkowski.

# Volume 92 DXN Schedule

No	D'dline	Print	16	June 8	June 17
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12	Mar. 9	Mar. 18	17	June 29	July 1
13	Apr. 6	Apr. 15	18	July 27	Aug. 5
14	Apr. 27	May 6	19	Aug. 24	Sept. 2
15	May 18	May 27	20	Sept. 14	Sept. 23



# 45th Edition of the NRC AM Log

The 45th Edition (August 2024) of the NRC AM Log is now shipping. being accepted at the NRC web Orders are www.nationalradioclub.org or by regular mail to P.O. Box 473251, Aurora CO 80047-3251.

For Priority Mail delivery in the United States, price is \$30.95 for NRC/IRCA members or \$37.95 for non-members.

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# AM Switch

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

# FCC and CRTC Decisions and Applications

# **CALL CHANGES**

Changes reflected in FCC database:

**560 KSFO CA San Francisco** – Call change to KZAC (effective Jan. 6).

**810 KGO CA San Francisco** – Call change to KSFO (effective Jan. 6).

**880 WAMI AL Opp** – Call change to WAPC (effective Feb. 5).

**1230 WRBS MD Baltimore** – Call change to WFOA (effective Feb. 6).

**1240 KSAM MT Whitefish** – Call change to KHNK (effective Feb. 17).



# **STATIONS GOING DARK**

970 WWYO WV Pineville – License cancelled Feb. 13 by FCC; silent since Mar. 3, 2023.

**1230 WBHP AL Huntsville** – Requested license cancellation Feb. 14; silent since Oct. 3, 2024.

KLCB MT Libby – Cancelled license un-deleted by the FCC.

1320 KHRT ND Minot – Requested license cancellation Feb. 24; silent since Aug. 1, 2024.

1380 KLPZ AZ Parker – License cancelled Feb. 7 at licensee's request.

1450 WVAX VA Charlottesville – License cancelled Feb. 13 at licensee's request.

## **CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPS) FOR EXISTING STATIONS**

CPs granted final approval and on the air:

**900 WNMB SC North Myrtle Beach** – Granted license to cover CP with U1 250/80, 33-50-06.6, 78-47-01.1.

**960 KALE WA Richland** – Granted license to cover CP to make minor changes to night pattern.

**1370 KWRM CA Corona** – Granted license to cover CP with U1 1100/240, new site (at Chino CA airport) at 33-58-09.5, 117-38-04.4.

CPs built, awaiting final licensing (probably being used on the air):

1410 KCAL CA Redlands – Applies for license to cover CP with U4 2000/4000, consolidating at existing night site at 34-06-39.0, 117-09-14.1.

**1440 KODL OR The Dalles** – Applies for license to cover CP with U1 1000/370, current site at 45-37-11.4, 121-06-03.3.

CPs granted:

770 WEW MO Saint Louis- Granted CP with U4 10000/115, new site (co-located with WIJR-880) at 38-45-23.2, 89-39-18.3; supersedes prior CP for U4 10000/200 from a different new site.

**820** WWBA FL Largo – Granted CP with U2 10000/230, new site (co-located with WHBO-1040) at 27-50-52.4, 82-46-22.4; supersedes prior CP for U4 10000/630 at current site.

**830 WCCO MN Minneapolis** – Granted CP with U1 50000/45000, new site (currently a licensed auxiliary site) at 45-13-30.0, 93-24-00.0.

**880 WSLK VA Moneta** – Granted CP with D1 800, new site at 37-09-14.8, 79-37-19.7.

**920 KRLV NV Las Vegas** – Granted CP with U1 5000/210, current site at 36-11-28.0, 115-10-40.0.

**940 WINZ** FL **Miami** – Granted CP with U1 50000/16, current site at 25-57-40.0, 80-16-10.0.

**990 KRKS CO Denver** – Granted CP with U2 6500/390 (ch 4200), new towers on same site at 39-47-56.0, 104-58-15.9 (d), 39-47-58.0, 104-58-15.9 (n), replacing identical CP which has expired.

**1230 KDYM WA Sunnyside** – Granted CP with U1 10000/430 on 1200 kHz, current site at 46-19-48.4, 120-02-14.1; replaces expired CP for the same.

**1270 KDJI AZ Holbrook** – Granted CP to change antenna feed method; no other changes.

**1350 WEGA PR Vega Baja** – Granted CP with U4 360/2200, current site at 18-28-30.8, 66-23-41.6; replaces identical CP for the same.

**1430 WYMC KY Mayfield** – Granted CP with U1 1000/33, current site at 36-47-12.2, 88-38-16.2.



Applications for CP submitted:

**910 KNAF TX Fredericksburg** – Applies for CP with U1 630/165, new site 30-21-49.3, 98-54-47.8.

**1060 WNPC TN Newport** – Applies for CP with D1 250, correct coordinates to 35-59-05.7, 83-10-40.0.

**1270 WACM MA Springfield** – Applies for CP with U1 1000/350, new site 42-06-06.6, 72-37-20.9; requests cancellation of prior CP with U1 800/180 from a different new site.

**1480 WSLI MI Kentwood** – Reinstated application for CP, D1 1000, "umbrella" antenna at new site 42-58-58.0, 85-39-55.0.

**1510 KSPA CA Ontario** – Applies for CP, <u>CoL to Colton CA</u>, U4 5000/2000, new site (co-located with KKDD-1290 San Bernardino CA) at 34-07-27.3, 117-14-17.5.

# Applications to amend existing CP submitted:

610 KILT TX Houston – Has already applied for license to cover CP with U4 2700/2500, new site (co-located with KNTH-1070) at 29-59-34.8, 95-28-20.8; applies to amend CP to U4 4000/2500.



# **SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)**

# STAs granted:

**590 KSUB UT Cedar City** – Granted STA, U1 250/138, during tower work.

630 WLAP KY Lexington – Granted STA, U4 1250/250, day pattern 24 hours.

670 WWFE FL Miami - Granted STA, U4 50000/24000, Cuba QRM.

**700 KSEV TX Tomball** – Granted STA, U1 400/210, tower at 30-04-14.0, 95-42-39.0; pattern problems at licensed site.

**1150** WCRK TN Manchester – Granted STA, U1 1000/13, backup transmitter.

**1210 KHAT WY Laramie** – Granted STA, U1 10/10, rooftop whip at studio 41-18-39.4, 105-35-42.9 during tower work.

1220 WLPO IL LaSalle – Granted STA, U4 105/500, night pattern 24 hours.

**1250** WHNZ FL Tampa – Granted STA, U1 1475/1475, one tower is out of commission.

**1370 KZSF CA San Jose** – Granted STA, back to licensed parameters except no antenna monitor.

1460 KION CA Salinas – Granted STA, U1 or U4 2500/2500, tower work is progressing.

**1490 WIKE VT Newport** – Granted STA, U1 10/10, backup transmitter.

#### Applications for STA received:

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**820 KUTR UT Taylorsville** – Applies for STA, U4 1000/1000, equipment problems.

1130 KTLK MN Minneapolis – Applies for STA, parameters at variance.

**1280 WBIG** IL **Aurora** – Applies for STA, U1 250/125, tower at 41-46-32.8, 88-14-40.5, has lost licensed site.

**1340 WJPF IL Herrin** – Notified FCC it is running U1 200/200 as of Feb. 18.

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

**600 WSJS NC Winston-Salem** – Granted STA extension, U1 1250/1250, 332' LW at 36-07-00.5, 80-21-25.2.

**750 WGMF PA Olyphant** – Granted STA extension, D1 500.

**790 WKRD KY Louisville** – Granted STA extension, night parameters at variance.

**KBET NV Winchester** – Granted STA extension, D1 250, CP site 36-06-35.9, 115-00-14.0.

900 KALI CA West Covina -Granted STA extension, now with night parameters at variance.

920 WHJJ RI Providence – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250.

930 WHLM PA Bloomsburg – Granted STA extension, U1 1000/18.

**940 KYNO CA Fresno** – Granted STA extension, U1 12500/12500.

WIPR PR San Juan – Granted STA extension, U1 1000/950.

**KFEL CO Pueblo** – Granted STA extension, U1 200/185.

**KUFO** OR Portland - Granted STA extension, night parameters at variance.

**980 KTCR WA Selah** – Granted STA extension, U1 1000/125, KRSE-105.7 tower at 46-42-41.4, 120-37-26.3.

**1020** KJJK MN Fergus Falls – Granted STA extension, U1 60/60.

**1070 KFTI KS Wichita** – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.

WCSZ SC Sans Souci – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/375.

**1090** KAAY AR Little Rock – Granted STA extension, U1 50000/12500.

**1170 WFPB MA Orleans** – Granted STA extension, D1 25, whip at 41-44-51.4, 69-58-28.0.

- 1200 WSML NC Graham Granted STA extension, D1 10000.
- 1230 WONN FL Lakeland Granted STA extension, U1 199/199.
- 1240 KOKL OK Okmulgee Granted STA extension, U1 250/250.
  - **WNVL TN Nashville** Granted STA extension, U1 600/600, 45.7m vertical LW on tower at 36-14-06/86-45-19.
    - WALO PR Humacao Granted STA extension, U1 1000/5000, Dom. Rep. QRM.
- **1290 WJNO FL West Palm Beach** Granted STA extension, U4 10000/1200, day pattern 24 hours.
  - WFBG PA Altoona Granted STA extension, U2 1000/1000.
- 1370 WXXI NY Rochester Granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250.
  - WLLN NC Lillington Granted STA extension, U4 50/49.
- 1380 WPYR LA Baton Rouge Granted STA extension, U4 1300/62.
- **1390 KBBO WA Yakima** Granted STA extension, now U4 5000/177, day parameters at variance.
- **1410** WDOV DE Dover Granted STA extension, U1 1250/1250.
  - WELM NY Elmira Granted STA extension, U1 5000/250.
- **1440** KMAJ KS Topeka Granted STA extension, U1 1000/250.
- **1450 WKIP NY Poughkeepsie** Granted STA extension, U1 250/920.
- **1470** KUTY CA Palmdale Granted STA extension, U1 1250/1250.
- **1480 WSLI MI Kentwood** Granted STA extension, U1 100/100, 166' slant wire antenna at 42-58-58.1, 85-39-55.1.
- **1500 WAKE IN Valparaiso** Granted STA extension, U1 62.5/11, CP site 41-32-21.0, 87-17-59.0.
- **1510 KSPA CA Ontario** Granted STA extension, U1 10/10, whip, now at 34-04-02.0, 117-36-42.0.
- **1550 KKCL CO Golden** Granted STA extension, U1 200/87.5, 36.6m LW at 39-45-59/105-14-12.
- **1570** WDRE NY Riverhead Granted STA extension, D1 70, 23m LW at 40-51-57.7, 72-45-51.7.
- **1590 WGBW WI Denmark** Granted STA extension, now with parameters at variance.
- 1600 KAHZ CA Pomona Granted STA extension, now with night parameters at variance.
  - WLVY NY Elmira Heights-Horseheads Granted STA extension, U1 250/40.
- **1630** KKGM TX Fort Worth Granted STA extension, U1 6500/1000.

Applications to extend previously granted STAs received from WSYR-570 Syracuse NY, WADS-690 Ansonia CT, WOAY-860 Oak Hill WV, KAGO-1150 Klamath Falls OR, WREV-1220 Reidsville NC, WIPC-1280 Lake Wales FL, and KOPB-1600 Eugene OR.

## Termination of STAs:

- **680 WCNN GA North Atlanta** Was on reduced power Jan. 22 to Feb. 9.
- 830 WACC FL Hialeah Back to licensed operations Feb. 5; STA for U4 4100/310 is moot.
- **1270 KELO SD Sioux Falls** Back to licensed operations Jan. 31; STA for U1 5000/1000 is moot.
- **1290 WJNO FL West Palm Beach** Back to licensed operations Feb. 5; STA is moot.
- **1350** KLHC CA Bakersfield Back to licensed operations Feb. 21; STA for U1 317/33 is moot.

#### **SILENT STATIONS**

#### Stations that have notified the FCC that they are silent:

- **670 WYLS AL York** Silent Feb. 16, tower collapsed in storms.
- 1110 WWMN MI Petoskey Silent Dec. 20 (2024); loss of licensed site.
- 1140 WHNQ VA Saint Paul Silent Feb. 12, major tower work.
- **1230 KZHC OR Burns** Silent Jan. 29; transmitter failure.
- **1550 KKOV WA Vancouver** Silent Feb. 19; losing licensed site.
- **1600 WPOM FL Riviera Beach** Silent Jan. 2; financial reasons, plans sale.

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

- **630 KJNO AK Juneau** Silent since Dec. 15; back on the air Jan. 19.
- **640 KTIB LA Thibodaux** Silent since Jan. 3; back on the air Feb. 19.
- **790 KBET NV Winchester** Silent since Aug. 18 (2024); on the air with STA Dec. 30, 2024.
- 860 WDMG GA Douglas Silent since May 15 (2024); on the air Jan. 15.
- **1070** WCSZ SC Sans Souci Silent since Sept. 27 (2024); came back with STA Oct. 27, 2024 but forgot to tell the FCC.
- **1240 WJLX AL Jasper** Silent since Feb. 2 (2024); on the air with STA Feb. 1.
- **1350 WZKO FL Fort Myers** Silent since Feb. 15 (2024); back on the air Feb. 14.
- 1400 WIRA FL Fort Pierce Silent since Feb. 13 (2024); back on the air Feb. 12.
- **1510 KSPA CA Ontario** Silent since July 21 (2024); on the air with STA Feb. 21.

#### COMMERCIAL/NONCOMMERCIAL STATUS

**1090** WCZZ SC Greenwood – Applies to change to noncommercial status.

### **COORDINATE CORRECTION**

**1230 WBLJ GA Dalton** – Granted modification of license to correct to 34-45-22.0, 84-57-03.5.

# NRC AM Log Updates

**Attention Minnesota Members!** Is anyone able to confirm if KYES-1180 and KSKK-1070 are simulcasting? Thanks – wh

- **560 KZAC CA San Francisco** Format to Stunting (ex-TLK), drops nets. (AB)
- 570 KNRS UT Salt Lake City Slogan & Group to Grp= TalkRadio 105.9. (BH)
- **580 KRFE TX Lubbock** Slogan to "The Station that Listens," adds // K240FA-95.9. (BH)
  - **WLVA VA Lynchburg** Group to Grp= 94.1 100.5 & Fox 580 (ex-Grp= 94.1 & Fox 580). (BH)
- **600 KOGO CA San Diego** Delete // K292CR-106.3. (BH)
- **660 WLOY VA Rural Retreat** Slogan to "True Oldies Channel." (AB)
- 740 WIAC PR San Juan Format to SS:NWS/TLK (ex-SS:TLK), adds // WYAC-930. (StIntel)
- 760 WURL AL Moody Slogan to "Where-U-R-Loved." (DXM)
- 770 WKFB PA Jeannette Slogan to "770 KFB," adds // W248AR-97.5; delete Grp= 770 KFB. (DXN)
- **790 WTSK AL Tuscaloosa** Slogan to "The Truth." (DXN)
- WLBE FL Leesburg-Eustis Slogan & Group to Grp= La Ley 107.7FM 1550 AM 790 AM. (AB)
- **810 WEDO PA McKeesport** Group to Grp= WEDO Radio. (DXN)
- **870** WFLO VA Farmville Slogan to "The New 870 Flo." (DXM)
- **910 WAKO IL Lawrenceville** Networks to A/WW1/Bf. (DXN)
  - KVIS OK Miami Format to REL:CCR (ex-Reported Silent); slogan to "Inspiration 910." (EB)
- 930 WFAT MI Battle Creek Slogan & Group to Grp= Michigan's Oldies Cool FM. (DXMid)
  - **WIZR NY Johnstown** Slogan & Group to Grp= The Star. (*Returns to this-wh*)(AB)
  - WYAC PR Cabo Rojo Adds // WIAC-740. (StIntel)
- 960 WSBT IN South Bend Networks to FSR/ISR; slogan & Group to Grp= Sports Radio WSBT. (DXNid
- 970 WNNR FL Jacksonville Format to SS:Tropical (ex-SS:MEX); slogan to "Tropical 97.3," adds // W247CF-97.3; delete Grp= La Raza 92.9. (StIntel)
- **1050** WFSC NC Franklin Slogan & Group to Grp= The Smokies Classic Hits. (FCC)
- **1060 KBFL MO Springfield** Slogan & Group to Grp= The Jock 96.9 99.9 & 1060. (DXN)
- **1130 KPHI HI Honolulu** Format to OLD (ex-Smooth Jazz), slogan to "Oldies 107.5." (StIntel)
  - **KBMR ND Bismarck** Networks to Nn. (JW)
- 1150 WTMP FL Egypt Lake Format to SPT (ex-UC:OLD), networks to ESPN. (StIntel)
- **1230 WFOA MD Baltimore** Format to SS:CHR (ex-REL), slogan to "Maxima 94.3," drops nets. (DXMid)
  - **WFER MI Iron River** Slogan to "My 97.9." (DXN)
  - **KLAV NV** Las Vegas Networks to VSin. (DXMid)
- **1240 WSDR IL Sterling** Networks to THN. (DXN)
- **1250 KZDC TX San Antonio** Adds // K277CX-103.3. (RI)
  - **KIKZ TX Seminole** Networks to A/Tx/Tf/WW1. (WH)
- **1270 KFSQ CA Thousand Palms** Format to SPT (ex-CHR), networks to FSR; delete Grp= K-Gay 106.5 & 92.1. (SB)
- **1280 WADO NY New York** Format to SS:MEX (ex-SS:NWS/TLK), slogan to "Que Buena," drops nets. (AB)
- **1300 WJMO OH Cleveland** Slogan to "Fuego 1300 AM & 94.5 FM." (StIntel)
- **1350** WEGA PR Vega Baja Slogan to "Candelita." (irca)
- **1380 WDLW OH Lorain** Slogan to "Kool Cat Oldies." (DXN)
- 1390 WISA PR Isabela Slogan to "La Voz Del Noroeste," delete // WIAC-740. (StIntel)
- **1400 WQYQ MI Saint Joseph** Format to SPT (ex-AOR), networks to FSR/ISR; slogan & Group to Grp= Sports Radio WSBT. (DXMid)
- **1410** KTNK CA Lompoc Format to CLR (ex-C&W), slogan to "Rocket 103.7." (RI)
- **1430 WNFO SC Sun City-Hilton Head** Format to SS:MEX (ex-SS). (StIntel)
  - **WOWW TN** Germantown Format to REL (ex-AOR); slogan to "The Shepherd." (EiB)
- 1490 WTTB FL Vero Beach Slogan to "News Talk," networks to Fox/P/WW1/RVA/C2C. (StIntel) (WH)

WCSS NY Amsterdam — Adds //W295CZ-106.9; delete Group. (AB)

**1500 WQCR AL Alabaster** — Adds // W248BO-97.5. (EiB)

**1510 KPLS CO Littleton** — Reported Silent. (JW)

**1550 WAMA FL Tampa** — Slogan & Group to Grp= La Ley 107.7FM 1550 AM 790 AM. (AB)

**1570 WBGZ IL Alton** — Networks to THN/II/BNN.WW1/SRN. (EB)

**New Groups** 

Grp= La Ley 107.7FM 1550 AM 790 AM – WAMA-1550, WLBE-790, W299CI-107.7 (AB)

Grp= Sports Radio WSBT – WSBT-960, WQYQ-1400, W291DK-106.1, W241AD-96.1 (DXMid)

Grp= TalkRadio 105.9 - KNRS-570, KNRS-FM-105.9, K289AF-105.7 (BH)

Grp= The Jock 96.9 99.9 & 1060 – KBFL-1060, KBFL-FM-99.9, K245CA-96.9 (BH)

Grp= The Smokies Classic Hits – WFSC-1050, W245DS-96.7, W285FD-104.9 (FCC)

Grp- The Star - WIZR-930, WYVS-96.5, W275BS-102.9, W282CU-104.3 (AB)

(Cranesville Block Company continues to revamp their parallel operations and this groups remains-wh)

Grp= WEDO Radio – WEDO-810, W286CZ-105.1, W227DB-93.3 (DXN)

**Group Name Change** 

Grp= 94.1 & Fox 580 becomes Grp= 94.1 100.5 & Fox 580 (BH)

**Group Changes** 

Grp= La Raza 92.9 drops WNNR-970 and W247CF-97.3 (StIntel)

Grp= Mountain Country 97 adds W241AJ-96.1 (FCC)

Grp=Sports Radio 610 adds W247AD-97.3 and drops W253BT 98.5 (BH)

**Deleted Groups** 

Grp= 770 KFB (DXN)

Grp= K-Gay 106.5 & 92.1 (DXN)

Grp= WCSS Radio (AB)

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# GRAVEYARD DX: UPDATE

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1240 kHz

Station State City	DXer	DX Location	Miles
WVOS NY Liberty	Jim Weber	Oyster Point, PA	148

**Total Stations Heard** 

<u>DXer</u> <u>DX Location</u> <u>1230</u> <u>1240</u> <u>1340</u> <u>1400</u> <u>1450</u> <u>1490</u> <u>Total</u> Jim Weber - Oyster Point, PA <u>7 13 11 18 12 7 68</u>

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# Domestic DX Digest – West

Bill Hale, 6124 Roaring Springs Drive, North Richland Hills, TX 76180-5552, w\_r\_hale@sbcglobal.net 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)

Thanks to all who take time to submit their latest loggings to the column. Much appreciated! Remember to report your loggings in frequency order and then by state, and don't forget to give yourself credit (XX-XX) after each logging!

Please observe the following upcoming deadlines for DDXD-West: Issue 12: March 7; Lucky Issue 13: April 4. Join us!!

# --- **REPORTERS** ---

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   ➤ SB-CA Stephanie Battaglino The Radio Hacienda, Palm Desert, California Equipment Perseus with Jaguar Pro v11, Twin Wellbrook ALA 1530LNP loops, DXE NCC-2
- ➤SD-MN Carl "Skip" Dabelstein KØSBV Maple Grove, Minnesota Receivers: Icom R75 and Drake SW8; Antennae: 10′ X 24′ FLAG and Quantum Loop
- ➤BH-TX Bill Hale North Richland Hills, TX Grundig G6 Aviator barefoot
- ➤MJ-QRO Mike Jeziorski Juriquilla, Queretaro, Mexico Receivers: Perseus and Kiwi SDRs; Antenna: W6LVP loop <mjeziorski@gmail.com>
- ➤TK-FL Terry Krueger Boggy, Florida Occidental (Niceville, Florida) Receivers: IC-R75, NRD-535, ICF-7600GR, Tescun PL-360; Antennae: active loop, random fence-stapled wire, miscellaneous junk
- **▶JP-AB Jon Pearkins Edmonton, Alberta** GE SupeRadio II and Qodosen SR-286 barefoot on batteries and internal ferrite bar antennas
- ➤JJR-MI John J Rieger L'Anse, Michigan Grundig Satellit 750 -Terk AM1000 loop, Grundig S450-DLX stock, 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
- ➤ JW-CO John Wilkins Wheat Ridge, Colorado Receiver: Drake R-8; Antenna: 4-foot box loop

# --- NOTES FROM CANADA ---

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As expected, the sale of Bell's smaller market British Columbia stations to Vista, listed below, was approved last week. Although not mentioned in the CRTC decision, it is unlikely that Bell included the brands as part of the purchase agreement, so we can expect all the slogans to change. Among the AM stations, 'Bounce' is currently the most common branding. Most of the formats are also likely to change. Once Vista has fully revamped all the stations, they will likely concentrate on moving all the stations to FM, as former owner Astral was in the midst of doing when they sold the stations to Bell. The only possible exceptions would be CKFR-1150, and especially CJDC-890, if they currently are actively servicing nearby markets that are too distant to receive a city grade FM signal. To simplify future license renewals, the CRTC gave all Bell stations sold to Vista last week a license expiry date of August 31, 2030. The new Vista stations are: CFTK 590 CFTK Terrace; CKOR 800 Penticton; CKIR 870 Invermere; CJOR 1240 Osoyoos; CFKC 1340 Creston and CIOR 1400 Princeton, all British Columbia.

As part of the expansion of the CRTC's role, to include on-line broadcasting, there needs to be a consistent definition of Canadian Content that can be applied across both traditional radio stations and audio services available by other means, i.e. - mostly from the Internet. A Broadcasting Notice of Consultation has been issued, titled The Path Forward – Supporting Canadian and Indigenous audio content. Until April 7th, Canadians and Canadian organizations can provide the CRTC with input to make subject. **Details** them better decisions the can be found help on https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2025/2025-52.htm.

Other news and a couple of loggings . . .

- **ON Brampton** Despite co-owned CFMB-1280 being no longer licensed to test HD, CHLO still prominently displays the HD logo on their web site. Latest information indicates that CHLO is still running Hybrid HD/IBOC full-time.
- 610 CKTB ON St. Catharines Noted off the air on February 18 and not reported back on the air yet. On December 19, the CRTC approved the sale of CKTB by Bell Media to Golden Horseshoe Broadcasting Limited.

1470 cfrW

860 CFPR BC Prince Rupert – 2/9 0224 – The station runs single tower, non-directional, with 10 kW day and 2.5 kW night (U1 10000/2500). Reception verified by the CBC. (Dave Gasque – Fort Smith, Arkansas)

**920 CBKG BC Granisle** – This 40 Watt CBC Radio One LPRT of CBYG-FM Prince George has been approved by the CRTC to become CBYG-FM-4 on 105.9 MHz with 106 Watts non-directional at 142 feet below average terrain, no later than January 29, 2027.

**990 CBQF YT Carmacks** – This 40 Watt CBC Radio One LPRT of CFWH-FM Whitehorse has been approved by the CRTC to become CBQF-FM on 105.1 MHz with a directional 550 Watts at 585 feet below average terrain, no later than January 29, 2027.

1060 CKMX AB Calgary – It is a big surprise that Bell has found a buyer, *Akash Broadcasting Inc.* of Surrey, for CKMX despite it being off the air for more than 18 months. That means this is likely the last DX Season to catch KYW Philadelphia for those previously impacted by CKMX's strong signal. CKMX first signed on as CFCN in 1922. Original owner William Walter Westaver Grant began in Halifax with his own radio station in 1919.

**1280 CFMB QC Montréal** – Is no longer licensed for HD. It has been several years since they announced their testing of Hybrid HD/IBOC, with no recent updates on their progress. Unless this was a clerical error, this appears to be the end of HD plans for CFMB.

1290 CFRW MB Winnipeg – Akash Broadcasting Inc. negotiated a deal to buy CFRW and CKMX subject to CRTC approval after the upcoming March 27 hearing to consider the sale. The CRTC has emphasized to Akash, which owns ethnic stations CJCN-FM Surrey and CKER-FM Edmonton, that CFRW and CKMX have a standard AM license which limits non-English programming to 15% of the Broadcast Week. That translates into 18.9 hours per week PLUS midnight – 6:00 AM seven days a week. Reading in between the lines of Akash's response, it appears that once they get CRTC approval, they will apply to change the licenses of both stations to allow full-time Ethnic

programming. CFRW began in 1963 on 1470 as CJQM with a very early IGM stereo automation machine, rumoured to be Serial Number 000005, used mainly on CJQM-FM. When CJOR Vancouver owner Jim Pattison bought the pair of stations in 1970, and changed their call letters to CFRW AM & FM, he had no interest in automation, so previous owner CHQM tried to recover their costs by shipping the automation machine to Vancouver and using it for CHQM-FM. Despite immediate failure trying to get the AM announcer to also run the automation machine for FM, one of their board operators just could not figure it out, so he was fired and replaced by a UBC Computer

Science student. As for the manufacturer, IGM, they were owned by KGMI-790 Bellingham WA, with the "GMI" a rearrangement of the IGM name, which stood for International Good Music, with IGM's first automation machine used for KGMI-FM.

**6030 CFVP AB Calgary** – This 100 Watt shortwave repeater of CKMX-1060 is not mentioned in the CRTC application by *Akash Broadcasting* to buy CKMX from Bell.

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

660 WXQW AL Fairhope – 2/15 0743 – Continues simulcasting with WGOK, Mobile AL (despite News/Talk format listed). Parallel air checked, both. WATV, Birmingham co-channel on the 900 kc/s channel. (TK-FL)

# --- UNIDs ---

• 2/8 0718 – Southern Gospel, mostly with solo piano accompanying. Fade down to unusable level. KJOZ, Conroe TX with Spanish Christrian vocals dominating before. Again there at 0640 on 9 Feb with slow, white Gospel. Future checks afterward with no trace. Could it have been WAPC (formerly WAMI, Opp, Alabama) with a brief license renewal activation from Opp (D1 1000 Watts)? Call change is to WAPC, and to be relocated to Jackson's Gap, Alabama at a whopping D1 13,000 Watts, and well over 120 miles NE of the former WAMI Opp site (visited a few years ago). (TK-FL)

**1060 unID** – **2/21 0706** – Orchesteral 'Star Spangled Banner' – seemingly not WQMV and not heard via streaming. **(TK-FL)** 

1580 unID — 2/6 0105 – Someone underneath CKDO giving tornado warnings. Difficult to understand, but two of the areas named seemed to be "Elkhorn" and "Bagwell". (SD-MN)

1600 unID

- **2/17 0800** - "AM 1600 WB?? . . . A Cumulus Station" by woman. Stumped in South Milwaukee! (JJR-WI)

# --- TENTATIVE ---

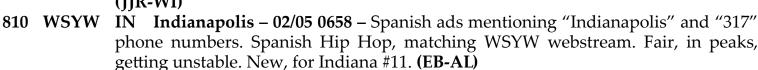
**ON Brampton – 2/5 0335-0615 –** Fair-to-Poor, fading from armchair quality-to-non-existant, with back-to-back-to-back piano/instrumental versions of popular songs. Vocals in undetermined language heard on occasion. Unable to make out an announcement by female at **0530**, which was under the noise. Tentative, but being heard now (to 2/21/25) daily to around **0600**, then gone. 1195 miles. **[BH-TX]** 

1060 KDYL UT South Salt Lake – 1/27 0258 – Mexican music here normally means KDYL forgot to switch to night power. But exceptional Mexican conditions (two Mexicans heard while nulling usually unnullable CBW-990 Winnipeg MB) makes XECPAE or XERDO more likely. All alone with no sign of regular KYW Philadelphia PA. (JP-AB)

# --- DX LOGGINGS ---

- **550 KFYR ND Bismarck 2/2 0744** "K-Fire 5-50, the legendary voice of the Northern Plains" into a Fleetwood Mac song. **(JJR-MI)**
- **WA Seattle 2/18 0003 –** Strongest signal ever heard, with nice call letter ID, in exceptional DX conditions towards Seattle (see KTTH-770 below). Also good to Portland but mediocre to Vancouver, BC. Normally impossible to hear anything on 570 thanks to local CHAH-580. (**JP-AB**)
- **620 KMNS IA Sioux City 2/2 1836 ". . . time out on Fox Sports 620-KMNS" into ad. WTMJ nulled. <b>(JJR-MI)**
- **640 WCRV TN Collierville 2/10 0820 –** Adrian Rogers with Bott REL. Worked out good! WMFN nowhere! (JJR-WI)
- 660 WMIC MI Sandusky 2/23 0805 WMIX-WTGV morning news at 8:05. Alone. (JJR-MI)
- **VA** Rural Retreat 02/11 2240 Oldies, mixing with XECPR's Radio Chan, fading in and out in the background. One slogan heard, "Oldies . . . 93.3 FM", nothing else fits format and FM. Beatles, Great Balls of Fire, etc. New, for Virginia #05 from the Appalachians not far from Tennessee. (EB-AL)
- 680 WPTF NC Raleigh 2/16 0749 North Carolina chatter, including North Carolina state pensions on Sunday morning PSA programming. Alone. (JJR-WI)
- 690 WJOX AL Birmingham 2/16 0747 Alabama travel and other Alabama PSAs. Alone, steady. (JJR-WI)
- **690 WNZK MI Dearborn Heights 2/23 0803 –** Talking of WNZK, then promoting "WNWI, 1080 on your radio dial." (JJR-MI)
- **690 CBKF1 SK Gravelbourg 2/3 0805** Alone, with FF. Only fit. The usual here is CKGM. WTMJ nulled. **(JJR-MI)**
- **WA** Seattle 2/6 0502 Briefly popped up above the dominant mix of KSPN and KFIA with on "...7-10, ESPN" by female. 50 kW pointed in the opposite direction of me at night at 993 miles. New! Washington #25 from the Hacienda! (SB-CA)
- 730 WZGV NC Cramerton 2/2 0749 ESPN arguing, etc. ". . . the Game". Alone, no CKDM, which was in earlier. (JJR-MI)
- 730 WPIT PA Pittsburgh 2/15 0815 ". . . use code WPIT at MyPillow.com. No CKDM. Alone, steady. (JJR-WI)
- **740 KRMG OK Tulsa 02/03 0631** 'Chevy' ad, weather: high 78, Tulsa police, KRMG Morning News. Strong today. **(EB-AL)**
- 740 CBX AB Edmonton 2/3 0803 "CBC" mentions in newscast. Have heard this a bit better. No CFZM, KNFL etc. (JJR-MI)
- **ON Toronto 02/04 0915 –** Clear signal with oldies. A mystery for a while until ID: "The Original Greatest Hits Zoomer Radio". Toronto unexpected at this time of day, but I'll take it! Heard again on **2/20 @1919** booming in on caradio with Rock music, ads with "dot cee a" and for events sponsored by Zoomer Radio, '12,000 people in Toronto experience homelessness'. "AM 7-40 Zoomer Radio The Original Greatest Hits". Best Canadian here by far. **(EB-AL)**
- 770 KATL MT Miles City 2/2 0728 Popular hits in, with assumed KKOB. No WABC at all. (JJR-MI)
- 770 KKOB NM Alburquerque 2/2 0730 Red Eye Radio 'Million Mile Safe Drivers Club' mention. In/out. "News Radio 96.3". (JJR-MI)
- 770 WAIS OH Buchtel 2/19 0805 'Amazing Grace' back-announced in fade up over WVNN. Christian music. (JJR-WI)

- 770 KTTH WA Seattle 2/18 0010 Mostly all alone, but some fluttery fades, while nulling CHQR Calgary, Alberta, with antenna E-W. Finally confident that it is KTTH, thanks to the familiar voice and delivery of 'The Mark Levin Show', confirmed for that time by the KTTH web site's Program Schedule. Finally able to put them in the log book. No sign of regular KATL Miles City, Montana. (JP-AB)
- 780 WJAG NE Norfolk 2/2 1827 'Brownfield' (Farm news) promo and calls mentioning '105.9'. WBBM easily nulled. (JJR-MI)
- **780 WAVA VA Arlington 2/2 0700** WAVA 'begging' another broadcast day. Full data sign-on wiping out WBBM! (JJR-MI)
- 800 WVHU WV Huntington 2/16 0834 Long tones: weather alerts for West Virginia and southeast Ohio. "... take shelter...". Alone. (JJR-WI)



- **880 KLRG** AR Sheridan 02/02 0812 Rock music, ID: "Thank you for choosing Arkansas Rocks". Fair with fading. (EB-AL)
- **880** WHSQ NY New York 02/03 0557 Gambling ad. Traffic on "8-80 ESPN New York". Legal ID: "WHSQ and WCBS-FM-HD2 New York". Strong. (EB-AL)
- AB Edmonton 2/5 0117-0132 Already off air when I first checked, back on at 0121:30, off again at 0122:55 then back on at 0126:55 until I gave up. Initially CKLQ Brandon, Manitoba was strongest but easily nullable, leaving KRVN with signs of a third male talk station, likely KJJR Whitefish, Montana. CKLQ gradually faded, with continuous C&W. No IDs heard, but KRVN sounded like Rich Valdes with America at Night. As for CHED, could not tell between their normal 50 kW night pattern, 10 kW auxiliary transmitter or emergency 5 kW non-directional emergency night-licensed power. First time noted off the air in about 10 years. (JP-AB)
- 910 WMOG MS Meridian 2/15 0801 Very good with nice Black Gospel. (TK-FL)
- 920 WGOL AL Russellville 2/15 0804 Squeaking through briefly with C&W under crushingly local level KARN Little Rock with their idle sports babble. (TK-FL)
- 920 KARN AR Little Rock 2/11 2359 Mention of "central Arkansas" and legal ID. Fair with XERE off or weak. Arkansas #4. (MJ-QRO)
- 920 CFRY MB Portage la Prairie 2/23 0755 With calls and C&W songs. WMPL has Open Carrier for hours of this typing. (JJR-MI)
- 930 WEOL OH Elyria 2/2 0822 "Ohio State Department of . . . ?" and "Ohio Department of Transportation" mentions. NO CALLS into talk. Alone. (JJR-MI)
- 930 KSDN SD Åberdeen 2/23 0827 ". . . high today: 57! Followed by an ad for 'Aberdeen Chrysler-Jeep'. Alone. (JJR-MI)
- 950 WAKM TN Franklin 02/04 1823 Country music, matching webstream. Real strong on caradio. New, for Tennessee #48. (EB-AL)
- **960 KMA IA Shenandoah 2/19 0830** Commodities, ABC News, and . . . finally: "7:37 at KMA" and no-to-weak WSBT. (**JJR-WI**)
- 960 KROF LA Abbeville 2/11 0959 "TalkRadio 960" and legal ID. Fair. Louisiana #20. (MJ-QRO)
- **960 WTCH WI Shawano 2/16 0828 –** "WTCH Breakfast Club, mornings at eight". C&W music. Oddly, no WSBT. (JJR-WI)
- 970 KVWM AZ Show Low 2/6 0759 Ad for 'North Star Business Center', then legal ID: "... AM 970 KVWM Show Low" with no mention of KDJI-1270; Five minutes of Fox News followed. Generally Fair. (JW-CO)
- 970 KKRK ID Rupert 1/28 0832 Rock music; "Balanced Rock 100.5" slogans. Occasionally fair, but generally down in the muck. (JW-CO)
- **990 WNML TN Knoxville 2/10 0808 –** Sports chatter. \$25 gift certificate to ???. "... locations in Knoxville . . .". No CBW. (JJR-WI)
- **1010 WJXL FL Jacksonville Beach 2/5 0630+** Two "jockeys" Sports talking with emphasis on Super Bowl LIX and Mavericks/Lakers trade. Many live and splitter mentions of "XL 1010" and "XL 92.5". It's almost impossible to imagine hearing this due to both of their patterns favor the east. Fair-to-Poor. **Florida #1 from this QTH! (BH-TX)**
- **1010 WKJW NC Black Mountain 02/01 1804** Christian Country music, ID as: "Hoopers Creek Church Broadcast", which is a church affiliated with WKJV/WKJW. Also matching webstream. Strong signal. **New, for North Carolina #12. (EB-AL)**
- **1010 WHIN** TN Gallatin 2/10 0805 'So Caught Up In You' by .38 Special. "100.7 and 10-10 WHIN" into chatter. Alone. (JJR-WI)

- 1020 WCIL IL Carbondale 02/01 1820 Short fade-in for ID: "Voice of Southern Illinois WJPF" into talk. Quite strong in that one peak; otherwise gone. New, for Illinois #16. (EB-AL)
- 1020 KDKA Pittsburgh 2/6 0300-0301 Fair, but readable, under dominant KTNQ, with TOH ID by male, "The Voice of Pittsburgh, 100.1 FM and 10-20 AM, KDKA" into TOH CBS News ping and "CBS News on the Hour" by male anchor. Also, mention of the Audacy app by female. 50 kW at 2,042 miles. New! Pennsylvania #1 from the Hacienda! (SB-CA)
- **1030 WONQ FL Oviedo 02/01 1812 –** Spanish ads with 407 area code, jingle: "Romántica". Quite strong in KCTA's null. **New, for Florida #32**. Heard again on 02/02 @ 0709 with Spanish pop, ID: "Romántica . . . tres punto . . .". **(EB-AL)**
- **MA Boston 02/03 2058** Ads for 'aaa.com/marketplaceMA', 'Battery Guy. WBZ Boston W...-FM, an iHeart Radio station". "WBZ Boston Newsradio redefining local news." News about Boston mayor. Strong, but heavy QRM+QSB. **(EB-AL)**
- **1060 WILB** OH Canton 2/2 0815 EWTN chatter about priests not liking it when parishoners leave Mass early. KYW gone. (JJR-MI)
- **1060 KGFX SD Pierre 2/2 0953** Pierre-Fort Pierre forecast, from the "South Dakota Weather Center" into 'KGFX Cowboy Corner' show. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1060 WQMV TN Waverly 2/21 0648 Finally IDed the one after three days. 'Little Star' by The Elegants to 'Turn Me Loose' by Loverboy then 'Rawhide' by Frankie LAine to Pat Boone and 'Speedy Gonzales.' Faded at the top of the hour into ABC News (all parallel to 'OnlineRadioBox' since the station has no streaming). Male sweep and introducing 'Eye In the Sky' by the Alan Parsons Project. A train wreck format. Presumably on daytime 1000 Watts vs. 4 Watts night. Occasionally overtaken by XERDO La Raza 1060. (TK-FL)
- **1070 KATQ MT Plentywood 2/2 1911** 'American Country Countdown' program, to which KATQ is an affiliate. Power drop at **1915**. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1070 WDIA TN Memphis 2/10 0802 Birthday wishes. Sounded like a national show. OLD R&B music. No WTSO. (JJR-WI)
- 1080 KNDK ND Langdon 2/2 0951 "Call 701-320-1220" for hiring truck drivers. Ad for 'Park City Dental' at 204-6131. Alone. Back into my earbuds on 2/23 @ 0859 Again, an ad for 'Park River Dental', then lost as quick to KYMN's power up. (JJR-MI)
- 1080 WWNL PA Pittsburgh 2/22 0811 Talk of the New and Old Testament // stream. Usually WNWI here. A treat! Alone. (JJR-MI)
- 1100 KJCW MO Webb City 2/8 1755 Battling with usual pest WTAM, with programming from the Catholic Radio Network into TOH ID: "KJCW 1100 AM and 92.1 FM". NEW! Missouri #65. (SD-MN)
- 1110 WBT NC Charlotte 2/19 0826 "99-3 WBT" chatter over WXES's open carrier show! Over 30 minutes of that, with KFAB super-weak. (JJR-WI)
- 1130 WYXE TN Gallatin 02/01 2320 Mexican music, ID in Spanish and English: "... Tennessee Radio Vida, radio para toda la familia, W... Radio Vida, a Family Radio Station". Quite strong with fading. Rather late for a daytimer. New, for Tennessee
- **1140 WQBA FL Miami 02/02 0703 –** Spanish pop. Talking: ". . . una invitación . . . oncecuarenta . . . Pulso de Miami". Unstable reception. **(EB-AL)**
- 1160 WPIE NY Trumansburg 2/2 0809 ESPN's endless yakking on Lakers and Raiders. "ESPN Ithaca". No WYLL. (JJR-MI)
- 1160 KBDT TX Highland Park 02/04 0824 Talk in Vietnamese mentioning 'Dallas'. Jingle: "Saigon Radio". Then suddenly an ID in English: "This is KBDT from Highland Park, Texas." Good signal on caradio today. (EB-AL)
- 1170 WAVS FL Davie 02/09 2108 Long prayer, then conversation between man and woman with Caribbean and Asian accents. Matching webstream. Strong; others also suspect day power at night. Mixing with equally strong 'Boss Hogg Radio' WKFL which shouldn't even be on at this time. Heard again on 02/11 @ 2010 with '305' ads, the "Best of the Caribbean", and Reggae music. New, for Florida #33. (EB-AL)
- 1170 KOTV OK Tulsa 02/03 0816 Weather: "Chilly conditions in Northern Oklahoma", a 7:19 time check, ad for 'White Water Express Car Wash' [yep, exists in Tulsa EB], nice ID: "Follow the Cowboys on their journey to victory on 1170 AM News on 6 Now". Quite strong with fading. New, for Oklahoma #11. (EB-AL) [I'm sure that reference to 'Cowboys' is for Oklahoma State, not those losers from Dallas BH]
- 1170 WDEK SC Lexington 02/11 0648 Gospel rap, matching webstream. Fair, but faded out soon. New, for South Carolina #11. (EB-AL)

- 1180 KYES MN Rockville 2/22 0846 Catholic chatter about a woman who lost father and husband within 30 days. Alone. (JJR-MI)
- 1220 CFAJ ON St. Catharines 2/22 0755 70s songs by Flying Machine and Edward Bear. "Classic 1220". Alone. (JJR-MI)
- **1240 WSBC** IL Chicago 2/18 0829 ETHnic programming. Possible ad with "Illinois" into next show. No WOMT today! (JJR-WI)
- **1240 WATT** MI Cadillac 2/2 1900 Weather just before TOH ID: "1240 WATT and 106.1 WATT, Cadillac into Fox News. Atop. (JJR-MI)
- 1260 KWYR SD Winner 2/3 0858 "Best songs on the radio! Country 1260". Alone. (JJR-MI)
- **1270 WMKT MI Charlevoix 2/19 0752** Michigan-based 'Steve Gruber Show'. Not heard in a while. (**JJR-WI**)
- 1270 WLIK TN Newport 2/10 0734 'Going Up the Country' by Canned Heat. Faded, but "WLIK" jingle noted. (JJR-WI)

COUNTRY

CLASSICS

- **1280 KVXR MN Moorhead 2/22 0838** EWTN with Catholic Mass (// KWTL, Real Presence Radio). WWTC and WNAM the norm. (**JJR-MI**)
- **1290 KOUU ID Pocatello 1/31 0759 –** AM/FM legal ID, then 'Funny Face' by Donna Fargo. Fair signal. (**JW-CO**)
- **MN Bemidji 2/22 0907 –** Syndicated Classic Country showwith '73 and '99 songs. "The Legend 94.3 FM". First time heard this season! (JJR-MI)
- 1320 WKAN IL Kankakee 2/18 0800 Legal ID including '101.3 FM', then FOX News. It's been years! Rare! (JJR-WI)
- 1320 KOZY MN Grand Rapids 2/3 0825 With Minnesota sports talk chatter including Minnesota Golden Gophers and Twins. No WILS all morning. (JJR-MI)
- 1320 KXYZ TX Houston 1/29 0749 Houston traffic and weather, then ID'd only as "Black Information Network" and into chat. Rough copy. (JW-CO)
- **1330 WWAB FL Lakeland 02/09 2120 –** Oldies parallel to 1170-WKFL 'Boss Hogg Radio'. Weak. **New, for Florida #34. (EB-AL)**
- 1330 WBGW IN Evansville 02/11 2032 "The Alternative Broadcast" with Dr. Evans preaching. Approaching ToH, asking for a donation, then FRN News at 2058: "Trump & Musk", "teenagers interested in Jesus", "White House Faith Office". Legal ID, "WBGW Evansville Indiana". Dr. Evans from Evansville, but just a coincidence. Strong, but mixing with WYRD. New, for Indiana #12. (EB-AL)
- 1330 WYRD SC Greenville 02/11 2055 College basketball live, behind WBGW's preaching. Occasional fade-up, mentioning an app, and one "The Fan". Tried again at 2158: short comedy about pineapple on pizza, more "3 to 7 on the Fan Upstate", download the app. This tells me which of the "Fans" in the LOG this is. New, for South Carolina #12. (EB- AL)
- **1340 KGGS KS Garden City 2/2 1756** Nice signal over usual pest KWLM, with Mexican music into TOH ID in heavily accented English: "This is KGGS Trece Cuarenta AM and K275CT 102.9 FM, a Steckline Communications Station, La Raza". **NEW! Kansas #30. (SD-MN)**
- **1340 WLEW** MI Bad Axe 2/2 0852 "94.1 WHST and 1340 WLEW" into 'There Goes My Everything' (C&W). Atop. (JJR-MI)
- 1360 WHNR FL Cypress Gardens 02/09 2125 Oldies parallel to 1170-WKFL 'Boss Hogg Radio' . A tad stronger than 1330-WWAB. New, for Florida #35. (EB-AL)
- **1360 KSCJ IA Sioux City 2/22 0835 "... the views, nor opinions of KSCJ... ". Alone, with no WTAQ. (JJR-MI)**
- **1370 KWTL ND Grand Forks 2/22 0834 With a Mass being said. Didn't want to wait for calls, hi. Alone. WSPD in earlier. (<b>JJR-MI**)
- 1420 WFLT MI Flint 2/23 0852 Very uptempo Black GOSpel church service. Only fit. No KTOE, etc. (JJR-MI)
- **MN Mankato 2/3 0758** *Punxsutawney Phil* update, followed by program lineup, legal ID, and ABC News. Usually a good signal, but poor copy today in bad band conditions. **(JW-CO)**
- **1430 WCMY IL Ottawa 2/18 0753 '**RFD Illinois' with farm reports and commodities. Only fit, rare! **(JJR-WI)**
- 1430 WLCB KY Buffalo 02/14 0840 Country music replacing WOWW as Tennessee fades out. Announcement: "93.7 Radio . . . best of Kentucky", Country music matching webstream. Later an ID: "Abe 93.7". Not too strong, but eventually in the clear. Buffalo is a tiny place, but Abe refers to Lincoln's birthplace half a mile down the road. New, for Kentucky #17. (EB-AL)

Spanish Radio

- 1430 WOWW TN Germantown 2/14 0835 Hymns, then man says "You are listening to 97.7... worship ...", another hymn, and slogan: "97.7 The Shepherd". Church choir, then another ID sounding like "97.7 The Good Shepherd". The FM and halfway decent reception at this time of day points to WOWW, and indeed: some googling reveals people complaining that the one decent rock station went away, replaced by Christian content, apparently already since December or January. No more Pig! (EB-AL) [Online sources indicate 'Radio Pig' is an online-only station now BH]
- **1430 WOWW TN** Germantown 2/18 0359 Call ID for '1430 AM and 97.7 FM'. Fair. Tennessee #6. (MJ-QRO)
- **1460 WKAM IN Goshen 2/23 0910 –** La Raza and uptempo SS music. No KXNO. This one gets out! (**JJR-MI**)
- **1460 KDWA MN Hastings 2/3 0720 "KDWA** is here 24/7 along with "KDWA.com" and "Hastings" mentions. No usual KXNO. (**JJR-MI**)
- **ON Guelph 2/2 0844 'I Want You to Want Me'** by Cheap Trick, calls, then lost to KXNO's power-up. **Also in on 2/22 @ 0831 –** Toto's 'Africa', then "1460 CJOY, with more non-stop music in minutes". Alone. (**JJR-MI**)
- 1470 WQXL SC Columbia 02/04 0923 Two women talking about doing business in sales. 0930 News: Trump; plane crash; then more talk about being a manager and supervisor. Eventually matched with WQXL webstream. Fair signal, with fading. New, for South Carolina #10! (EB-AL)
- **1480 KSDR SD Watertown 2/2 0829** End of a program, then ad for "??? Credit Union, Highway 81 in Watertown". (**JJR-MI**)
- 1490 WRLA GA West Point 02/16 1659 From within the soup a lady said: "WRLA 14-90", then some news, a "Classic Country Forecast", slogan "Classic Country WRLA", and Country music. A few songs later, references to 'FM 98.9 and 92.3'. Mixing with more country from WHOC MS and others. New, for Georgia #41. (EB-AL) [92.3 is their translator; 98.9 is the translator of WTRP-620, which they simulcast -BH]
- **1490 KNDC ND Hettinger 2/22 0900** Legal ID for AM and 106.7 FM, into news. All that was Very Poor, but there! Rare! (**JJR-MI**)
- 1500 WPJX IL Zion 2/10 0851 Loud metal "vocalist" blowing out vocal chords, or trying hi! Over KSTP. 'Rebel Radio'. (JJR-WI)
- 1500 KMXO TX Merkel 1/28 0700 Slow-shouted long ID in English, then Spanish. Poor under XEDF. Texas #141. (MJ-QRO)
- 1510 KLQR KS Larned 2/22 0835 Ad for 'Big Lou', followed by call letter ID and some 60s music. Briefly Fair. Needed for a call change as last heard as KNNS. (JW-CO)
- **MO Independence 2/11 0818 –** Promo for 'ESPN app', a few non-local ads, then back to ESPN programming; at **0829** heard this ID: "Sports Radio 810 WHB . . . your home for the NFL". Fair peaks. **(JW-CO)**
- **1510 KOAZ NM Isleta 2/8 0749** Mentions of Albuquerque, then "103-7 The Oasis" ID and into non-descript music. Briefly fair. Local KPLS still off the air. (**JW-CO**)
- 1510 KMND TX Midland 2/12 0752 Fox Sports programming in progress; programming note for upcoming Dan Patrick show; ID as "Fox Sports 1510 and 99.5 FM Fox Sports Radio for Midland, Texas". Also noted AM/FM legal ID at ToH. Signal up and down (mostly down). (JW-CO)
- **1520 KVEN CA Port Hueneme 2/5 0053 –** "La Voz 1520 y 96.3" and "TuDN Radio". Poor. California #13. (MJ-QRO)
- **1520 WZBU WI New Holstein 2/3 0811 –** Faded in over KOLM, with talk of housing in green Bay's Brown County. (**JJR-MI**)
- 1530 KVDW AR England 2/3 1840 Putting up a good fight with WCKY, with Gospel programming and local announcements giving several Area Code 501 telco numbers. Arkansas #14. (SD-MN)
- **1560 KBEW** MN Blue Earth 2/3 0848 "AM 1560, FM 95.3 KBEW" followed by an ad for a Jewelry store ad (too weak) and 'Menards' ad. (JJR-MI)
- **TN** Shelbyville 2/19 0838 Morning chatter, "98-9" mention into a Waylon Jennings song. No WJFK. (JJR-WI)
- **1600 KDAK** ND Carrington 2/2 0912 "Your favorite Classic Hits FM 100.1 and AM 1600, The Tornado". No KGYM. (JJR-MI)
- **1600 WZZW WV Milton 2/10 0820 –** REL teaching. Pure Radio feed. In again! No usual KGYM. (JJR-WI)

# Tim Hall's October 2024 Border Inn DXpedition

US 6/50 at the Nevada-Utah border, Utah Continued from last issue

- **1240 KWIK** ID Pocatello - 10/26 2059 - Poor-fair signal with ad for studio sponsor Fall River Propane, followed by multi-station "KID News Radio" ID which unfortunately neglects to include KWIK!
- **1240 KIUL** KS Garden City – 10/25 0559 – ID indicating that they are once again // KYUL-1310 and K285HE-104.9. The same ID was heard on KYUL-1310 throughout the weekend. 713 miles.
- **1240 KJCR** MT Billings – 10/25 2134 – Fighting two or three other stations with high school football: Billings Central Catholic Rams @ Miles City Custer County Cowboys, sponsored by 'Emmaus Road Catholic Book Store' 1739 Grand Avenue in Billings. The opposing team's station, KATL-770, provided the audio for KJCR, and as a result, several KATL IDs were heard on KJCR this evening. 542 miles.
- **1240 KLTZ** MT Glasgow – 10/25 2142 – Faded up under KJCR with high school football: Wolf Point/Frazer/Lustre Christian Co-Op Wolves @ Glasgow/Hinsdale/Nashua Scotties.
- 1240 KFBC **WY** Cheyenne – 10/25 2113 – On top of channel, with high school football: Cheyenne East Thunderbirds @ Gillette Campbell County Camels.
- 1240 KFBC WY Cheyenne – 10/26 0759 – On top of channel, with promo/ID: "Amy Lawrence overnight, on the Infinity Sports Network, right here on your station for the home team, 97.5 FM / AM 12-40 KFBC Cheyenne" and back to Infinity Sports network programming. 506 miles.
- 1240 KASL WY Newcastle - 10/25 2130 - Faded up under two talk stations, with high school football: Newcastle Dogies @ Wheatland Bulldogs. 606 miles.
- 1240.200 KCRT CO Trinidad 10/24 2358 Carrier was noted on all eastern wires again this year. No audio had been found in this year's recordings so far (last year I found two IDs). With both this station and XEWG operating off-frequency, DXing on 1240 has been difficult lately.
- 1250 KHIL AZ Willcox - 10/27 2158 - Fighting XEDK with Classic Country music and prerecorded ID by announcer imitating John Wayne's voice. Listed 196 Watts nights and sounded like it (they have left their day power on all night in the past). 525 miles.
- CA Yucca Valley 10/25 2104 Under KWSU, and presumed KNEU, with news, 1250 KNWH local ad for 'Morongo Casino,' and into 'Markley, Van Camp and Robbins Show' // KNWQ-1140. 359 miles.
- **1250 KBRF** MN Fergus Falls – 10/25 2059 – ID: "Serving west central Minnesota and the eastern Dakotas since 1926, News Talk 12-50 AM KBRF Fergus Falls" into Town Hall News. 1037 miles.
- WTMA SC Charleston 10/25 2152 Fighting presumed KYYS, with 'Dan Bongino Show' 1250 and promo "Take WTMA radio wherever you go. Stream on your smart phone via the iHeart, TuneIn, or WTMA app." 1942 miles.
- TX Seminole 10/24 2159 Fighting presumed KHIL, with high school football: **1250 KIKZ** Denver City Mustangs @ Brownfield Cubs.
- 1250 KIKZ TX Seminole – 10/26 0558 – On top of channel, with weird Adult Contemporary music and ID: "News, weather, sports, today's hits and yesterday's favorites, KIKZ 12-50 AM, Seminole." Listed 250 Watts, but they were all over my recordings this year (even my northern wires), and they've also been dominant at home recently. So probably stuck on 1 kW day power? 773 miles.
- **1250 KNEU** UT Roosevelt – 10/25 2242 – Under KWSU, and at least one other station, with local ads including 'Uintah Basin Technical College' 435-722-6900 and a promo for the station's web site, 'www.basinnow.com.' They no longer seem to carry Union Cougars high school football. Listed 129 Watts nights. 233 miles.
- WA Pullman 10/25 2104 On top of channel with NPR News followed by what 1250 KWSU they try to pretend aren't commercials. 551 miles. Celebrate Life
- 1260 KROX MN Crookston – 10/27 0659 – Under KPOW, with nice, clear ID: "We're 12-60 AM, online at kroxam.com, from the Voice of the Valley, 12-60 AM KROX radio in Crookston, Minnesota." 1059 miles.
- 1260 KLYC OR McMinnville – 10/25 2245 – Faded up under KKOO and a talk station, with Classic Hits and ID: "All your favorites play here! Classic hits of the 70s, 80s and 90s. It's KLYC 12-60." 630 miles.

- **1260 KWYR SD Winner 10/24 2104** Fighting KPOW, with start of post-game show for Thursday night high school football playoffs: Hot Springs Bison @ Winner Warriors, sponsored by 'Frontier Motors' in Winner. Listed 150 Watts nights. 791 miles.
- **1260 KPOW WY Powell 10/25 2128** On top of channel, with high school football: Powell Panthers @ Evanston Devils, sponsored by 'Blair's Supermarket,' 'Burg Simpson Law Firm,' 'Sunlight Federal Credit Union,' 'Cody Regional Health,' 'Pinnacle Bank' and 'Live Wire Electric.' Listed 210 Watts nights. 474 miles.
- **1270** KTFI ID Twin Falls 10/24 2059 ID (including FM translator K269HA-101.7) with slogan "Listener-supported Catholic Radio for the Magic Valley." Generally // KGEM-1140, except when KGEM is running high school football. 242 miles.
- **1270 KSCB KS Liberal 10/25 1957** On top of channel, with pre-game show for high school football: Liberal Redskins @ Hays Indians.
- **1270 KSCB KS Liberal 10/27 1959** On top of channel, with promo: "We're the sports guys, weekday mornings seven thirty-five to nine, on Talk Radio 12-70 KSCB Liberal." 727 miles.
- **ND Mandan 10/26 0758** On top of KSCB, with ad for Montana Ag Expo, and usual ID: "From the Vue Community Credit Union studios ..." into ABC News. 854 miles.
- **1270 KRXO OK Claremore 10/27 0815** Faded up from the slop, with "Ritmo 107.9 FM" liner. Not heard often here. 1022 miles.
- **1270 KNWC SD Sioux Falls 10/25 2128 –** Under KLXX, with Religious programming // KTIS-900 and KFNW-1200. 944 miles.
- **1270 KEDO WA Longview 10/25 2245 –** Faded up under unidentified talk station, with high school football: R. A. Long Lumberjacks "Jacks" @ Ridgefield Spuddlers. Apparently a spuddler is someone who clears fields after a harvest, loosening or digging up stubble and weeds. Listed 83 Watts nights. 667 miles.
- **1280** KFRN CA Long Beach 10/26 2058 Under KZNS with Family Radio programming // KECR-910 and ID. 424 miles.
- **1280 KCNI NE Broken Bow 10/27 0700 –** Weak signal, under CFMB, with ID by female announcer: "You're getting all the best Country in (the world?) ... KCNI, Broken Bow." Listed 500 Watts PSRA. 774 miles.
- **1280 KQLL NV Henderson 10/27 0559** Top of hour ID: "From the Aaron Taylor The Real Estate Guy studios, KQLL Henderson, Q-102." Listed 28 Watts nights. 213 miles.
- **TX** Abilene 10/26 0000 Faded up briefly under KXEG for top-of-hour ID. Listed 226 Watts nights. 922 miles.
- **WA Yakima 10/25 0205** On top of channel, with ID: "News Talk 12-80 KIT, your source when you need to know," followed by Yakima Valley weather forecast and ad for Yakima Symphony. Announcer used the unusual phrasing "12-80 on the AM, 101-3 on the FM" when giving the station's frequencies. 610 miles.
- **1280 CFMB QC Montréal 10/27 0700 –** Strong signal on top of channel: with Haitian French Religious programming. 2092 miles.
- **AZ** Tucson 10/25 2159 Over KMMM, and way over a station running high school football (probably KIVY?), with a local ad for 'Dorado Rock and Materials,' an ID with "Wildcats Radio" slogan and wildcat growl, then back to Infinity Sports Network sports talk. 498 miles.
- 1290 KAZA CA Gilroy 10/27 0817 Vietnamese talk, eventually overtook KMMM ... a battle of perennially "compliance-challenged" stations. Listed 19 Watts nights, but just like our other poster child for operational ineptitude (KHAT-1210), KAZA has gone through CPs and STAs seemingly without having any idea that they were running their 1.5 kW day power around the clock. 432 miles.
- **1290 KOUU ID Pocatello 10/26 0859 O**ver KGVO, with ID: "This is Country Classics AM 12-90, FM 96.5 KOUU Pocatello-American Falls-Idaho Falls, KORR-HD4 American Falls." Listed 24 Watts nights (no known PSRA). 282 miles.
- **1290 KMMM KS Pratt 10/25 2159** Under KCUB with Classic Country and ID. Have they finally stopped running day power all night? Probably not. They were still quite loud on some wires overnight. Listed 500 Watts nights. 836 miles.
- **1290 KGVO MT Missoula 10/25 0204** Fighting KUMA with liner "Missoula's news, talk and weather station" followed by Coast to Coast AM. 536 miles.
- **1290 KUMA OR Pendleton 10/25 0204 –** On top of channel, with FOX News, followed by weather sponsored by 'Wildhorse Resort & Casino' in Pendleton. 515 miles.
- **1290** KRGE TX Weslaco 10/27 2021 Good signal with female announcer reading prayer requests //web stream. 1287 miles.

- **1300 KROP CA Brawley 10/25 2104 –** On top of channel, with news, ID as: "KGBA 100.1 FM, and local ad for 'Álvaro Madrid Concrete Construction Company' on Imperial Avenue in Imperial, California. 424 miles.
- 1300 KLER ID Orofino 10/25 0204 Fighting KKOL, with obscure Country music (sounded more like bad AC) and liner: "This fall, while Mother Nature's turning down the temps, we're turning up the music. Clearwater Country, KLER."
- 1300 KLER ID Orofino 10/25 2242 Fighting two talk stations, with high school football: Orofino Maniacs @ St. Maries Lumberjacks, sponsored by 'Teri Bolling Camas Financial Services' 208-476-7100, 'Pizza Factory,' 'Riverside Physical Therapy,' and 'Main Street Tire.' "You're listening to the Maniacs on KLER ...." 524 miles.
- 1300 KBRL NE McCook 10/25 0758 Way under KCSF, with 'Dave Ramsey Show' (they run it throughout morning drive, but constantly cut away for Brownfield Farm updates and other features, all completely automated) and ID: "News talk KBRL McCook ... the big talker ...." Believed to still be on 34 Watt non-directional night STA at this time (normal night power is 136 Watts; they have no known PSRA). I've been after this one for a long time. 716 miles. NEW, for Nebraska #45.
- 1300 KACI OR The Dalles 10/26 0959 Faded up under KLER with ID: "News Radio 13-hundred AM and 103.9 FM, KACI The Dalles." Listed 13 Watts nights (no known PSRA). 577 miles.
- **SD** Mobridge 10/26 0859 Fair signal, with ID: "We're your bridge to information, ag news, and Classic Hits,13 hundred AM and 101.9 FM, KOLY Mobridge, part of DRG Media Group." 828 miles.
- **1300 KKOL WA Seattle 10/25 0204** Fair-to-Good signal, with Town Hall News and an ad for 'West Coast Armory North' in Everett. 704 miles.
- 1310 KFKA CO Greeley 10/25 2227 Fair signal, on top of channel, with "A1 Organics" high school football game of the week: Loveland Resurrection Christian Cougars @ Wellington Eagles. 502 miles.
- **1310 KLIX ID Twin Falls 10/25 2104** Under KEIN, with FOX News, local weather, and ID as: "News Radio 96-1 and 13-10, KLIX" into 'Glenn Beck Show.' 242 miles.
- **1310 KYUL KS Scott City 10/26 2359 –** Fighting several other stations, with multi-station ID including KIUL-1240 and translators on 104.9 and 98.5. Listed 147 Watts nights. 707 miles.
- 1310 KGLB MN Glencoe 10/25 2134 Fighting KFKA and one or two other stations with Classic Country and liners "FM 96.1 and AM 13-10, KGLB." Listed 270 Watts nights. 1093 miles.
- Vandals college football, with an automation failure in their comedy feed: all that was airing was the pre-recorded female announcer giving the names of the comedians. The comedy clips were not airing, and there was no dead air where the clips should have been inserted, so it was just an endless list of comedians' names. 599 miles.
- 1310 KKNS NM Corrales 10/26 0600 Under KZIP and KIHP, with Navajo chants // KTNN-660. Listed 82 Watts nights. 488 miles.
- **TX** Amarillo 10/25 2159 Crushing everything else on the channel (as usual!), with Mexican Contemporary Christian music and multi-station ID. Listed 88 Watts nights, but they continue to sound stronger than they should sound, even at their 1 kW day power. 716 miles.
- **TX** Dallas 10/27 2200 Faded up under KZIP, KIHP and one other station, with ID: "Sports Radio 96.7 and 1310 ... KTCK Dallas-Fort Worth." 1042 miles.
- **1320 KWHN AR Fort Smith 10/24 2358** On top of channel, with 'Ramsey Show' ads and ID: "KWHN Fort Smith, available everywhere on the iHeartRadio app, now Number One for podcasts. KWHN, an iHeartRadio station" into "News Talk 13-20 KWHN News Update." 1108 miles.
- **1320 KLWN KS Lawrence 10/25 2152 –** Fighting two other stations, with high school football: Lawrence Lions @ Lawrence Free State Freebirds. Listed 250 Watts nights (day power is only 500 Watts). 1005 miles.
- **MI Lansing** 10/26 0759 Faded up under KELO, with ID: "Your Capital Cities connection, 13-20 WILS Lansing, and worldwide at 1320wils.com." 1547 miles.
- **1319.966 KCLI OK Clinton 10/24 2259 –** Still operating off-frequency and making a mess of a fairly open channel. ID in station break from Westwood One's NFL Thursday Night Football included translator on 97.3 and KWEY-FM-95.5-HD4 Weatherford. Listed 108 Watts nights. 862 miles.

- **SD** Sioux Falls 10/26 0759 On top of channel, with ID: "News Talk 13-20 KELO Sioux Falls, FM 107.9 KELQ Landreau-Sioux Falls, and online at kelo.com." KELO is usually pronounced as "Kello." 951 miles.
- 1320 KNIT UT Salt Lake City 10/24 2129 On top of channel, with promos for various religious teaching shows, "... here on Utah's Hope." 157 miles but quite rare here.
- **1320 KXRO WA Aberdeen 10/26 0206 –** Faded up over CHMB and presumed KGDC, with ID: "KXRO News Radio 101.7 FM and 13-20 AM, Aberdeen" into 'Coast to Coast AM.' Listed 250 Watts non-directional nights (STA). 734 miles.
- **1320 KGDC WA Walla Walla 10/25 2104 –** On top of channel, with FOX News and local political ad for Mark Klicker for 16th District legislator. 528 miles.
- 1320 CHMB BC Vancouver 10/25 2258 Fighting one other station, with light instrumental music and simple top-of-hour ID in English: "This is CHMB, AM 13-20, Vancouver," followed by a man and woman talking in Chinese. 826 miles.
- **1330** KNSS KS Wichita 10/24 2130 Over KWKW, with local ads including 'The Gutter Cover of Wichita' in Derby, 777-1185. 912 miles.
- 1330 KGAK NM Gallup 10/25 2358 Fighting KCKM, with KGAK Diné Sports high school football game of the week with a male and female announcer (Harrison Dehiya and Carol) covering the game in the Diné Bizaad Navajo language. 379 miles.
- **TX** Monahans 10/25 2104 Fighting KWKW, with Country music and local political ad for 'Sarah Stogner for District Attorney,' followed by jingle: "North Texas Powerhouse, 13-30 KCKM" and ID. Blasting in on every wire this year. Possibly on day power. 804 miles.
- **1330 KOVE WY Lander 10/27 0859 –** Faded up under KWKW, with ID "KOVE Lander Wyoming. 13-30 AM, 107.7 FM and streaming online ...." Listed 250 Watts nights (no known PSRA). 380 miles.
- **1330 CJYM SK Rosetown 10/26 0201** Classic Rock completely // CFYM-1210 including ID: "12-10 AM in Kindersley, CFYM ... connecting communities." 904 miles.
- **1340 KTOX** CA Needles 10/26 2059 Way under KACH with top-of-hour ID mentioning 104.1 FM, into Las Vegas Golden Knights hockey pregame show. 292 miles.
- **1340 KTMM CO Grand Junction 10/25 2227 –** Fighting a few other stations with high school football: Longmont Trojans @ Grand Junction Central Warriors, sponsored by 'Grand Valley Bank' and 'Hudson Family Dental' 970-242-5151. 292 miles.
- 1340 KACH ID Preston 10/25 2128 On top of channel, with high school football playoff: Malad Dragons @ Dayton West Side Pirates, sponsored by 'Flying S Title and Escrow' in Preston. After that game ended, they ran a replay of another playoff game, Snak e River Panthers @ Preston Indians, from about 10 PM to Midnight local time ". . . on the My Local Radio Sports Network." Slogan is "The music you grew up with." 241 miles.
- **1340 KGGS KS Garden City 10/27 0818 –** Faded up over KTMM with liner: "la raza 102.9 FM y 13-40 AM." 712 miles.
- 1340 KPRK MT Livingston 10/26 0159 Under KPOK and KACH, with ID for sister station "AM 14-50 KMMS, Where Montana Talks" into FOX News. 490 miles.
- **1340** KGFW NE Kearney 10/27 2059 Fighting several other stations, fading up just in time for a quick ID: "KGFW Kearney." 800 miles.
- 1340 KCQL NM Aztec 10/27 2158 Still mostly a useless string of Fox

  Sports and iHeartRadio promos, but they have at least managed to ID on a regular basis and throw in some local weather forecasts. They were all over my recordings on every wire this year. 363 miles.

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- 1340 KVOT NM Taos 10/27 2158 Fighting KCQL (as they were on most wires all weekend), with "Contemporary Christian" music (placed in quotes because most of the songs they play fail to live up to both of those adjectives!), ID and slogan "The Voice of Truth." 497 miles.
- 1340 KPOK ND Bowman 10/26 0159 Under KACH's high school football replay with Country music and ID "Good time radio, 13-40 KPOK AM Bowman." This was followed by Townhall News which started about 20 seconds before the top of the hour. 731 miles.
- **1340 KWVR OR Enterprise 10/25 0205** Faded up with local weather and ID. This seemed to be followed by SRN sports and another ID, then 'Coast to Coast AM.' 467 miles.
- **1340 KIHR** OR Hood River 10/26 0958 On top of channel, with Country music and ID: "Hood River AM 13-40 and 98-3 FM, KIHR." 596 miles.

- **SD** Rapid City 10/25 0659 On top of channel, with ID: "KTOQ AM / K289AI Rapid City, a division of Haugo Broadcasting, ESPN Rapid City, 105.7 FM and 13-40 AM." 659 miles.
- **1340 KWKC TX Abilene 10/26 0659** Faded up for ID: "Fox Sports Abilene KWKC Abilene, 13-40 AM, and KABT-HD3 Hawley-Abilene, 101.7 FM." 922 miles.
- **1340 KTMP UT Heber City 10/24 1958** Weak, but on top of channel, with Disco song and ID about a minute and a half after the top of the hour: "KTMP Heber City, The Peak. 13-40 AM and 94.5 on FM translator K233DP, 94.5 The Peak." 170 miles.
- **1340 KYSP WA Wenatchee 10/25 0859** Faded up from the slop, with ID "KYSP Wenatchee ... The Hawk." 655 miles.
- **1340 KWOR WY Worland 10/26 0859 –** Fair signal, with ID: "KWOR Worland, 13-40 AM and 104.7 FM, a Big Horn Media Network station." 464 miles.
- 1350 KLHC CA Bakersfield 10/25 2134 Punjab chanting under the Fox sports stations on this channel. Listed 33 Watts nights, but several Punjab-formatted stations seem to leave their day power on all night (day power is 317 Watts under an STA). 373 miles.
- 1350 KPWK CA San Bernardino 10/26 2100 During a break in Dodgers baseball, they gave a non-ID as "Riverside's sports station, AM 13-50." When the baseball feed broke for the actual top-of-hour ID a few seconds later, there was dead air. When they do ID, they usually give the incorrect city-of-license (Riverside). 387 miles.
- 1350 KTIK ID Nampa 10/26 2058 On top of channel, with pregame show for Idaho Steelheads minor league hockey. Still audible after power cut at top-of-hour. 333 miles.
- **1350 KBRX** NE O'Neill 10/25 0559 Under suspiciously loud KABQ, with top-of-hour ID including translator K260DO-99.9. Listed 44 Watts nights. 837 miles.
- 1350 KABQ NM Albuquerque 10/24 2159 In the soup, with ID and iHeartRadio promos. The Fox Sports feed allows numerous optional "hooks" for iHeartRadio promotional content, so this station and KCQL-1340 are little more than iHeartRadio promo stations. Listed 500 Watts nights, but they were all over this year's recordings. 489 miles.
- **1360 KLSD CA San Diego 10/25 2105 Faded up under KRKK, with San Diego traffic report sponsored by 'Jim Bottrell Real Estate Group,' then back to iHeartRadio promos. 468 miles.**
- **1360** KHNC CO Johnstown 10/25 0559 Strong signal, with ID: "You're listening to the roar of the Rockies, 13-60 AM KHNC Johnstown-Greeley-Loveland-Fort Collins" into Fox Business Report. 494 miles.
- **1360 KSCJ IA Sioux City 10/25 2134** Fighting KRKK and KHNC, with high school football game of the week (I did not hear the team names, and they did not bother to publicize the game on their web page or Facebook page). 954 miles.
- **1360** KTNZ TX Amarillo 10/25 1959 On top of channel, with 'Radio Guadalupe' promos. 721 miles.
- 1360 KACT TX Andrews 10/26 2359 On top of channel, with Texas A&M Aggies college football, sponsored by 'Wilcox Insurance Agency' in Andrews. Listed 247 Watts nights. 792 miles.
- **1360** KMNY TX Hurst 10/26 2159 Faded up under presumed KRKK, with ID and "la voz" slogan. Listed 890 Watts nights. 1024 miles.
- 1360 KRKK WY Rock Springs 10/25 2104 Blasting in on 5 kW day power after sunset, as usual, with Easy Listening and Oldies music, with ID liners mentioning 103.5 FM. This station has been running their 5 kW day power 24/7 for over a year. I contacted them before this year's DXpedition and they promised to look into the problem, but a month later they were still at it. Total operational incompetence or deliberate cheating? You make the call. 309 miles.
- 1370 KWRM CA Corona 10/25 2201 Faded up nicely over KWRM and a Spanish language station, with ID by male voice: "This is KWRM AM 13-70 Corona-Rolling Heights, iCiti Radio" followed by an ID in Chinese by a female voice. Listed 200 Watts nights from yet another temporary site on latest revised STA. About 406 miles (in recent years they have been broadcasting from various temporary sites, after their original transmitter site was seized years ago for a massive expansion of the I-15/CA-91 freeway interchange).
- 1370 KGEN CA Tulare 10/26 2359 Under KGNO, with Regional Mexican music and "94.5 la ley, la que manda en el Valle" liners. Listed 72 Watts nights, but probably running 710 Watt day power all night again. 360 miles.

- **1370 KGNO KS Dodge City 10/25 2159** On top of channel, with Country music and top-of-hour ID liner, which now ends with a horse whinny. Listed 230 Watts nights, and it sounds like that's what they were actually running, after several years leaving their day power on all night. 759 miles.
- 1370 KSUM MN Fairmont 10/25 2114 Faded up for promo and ID before resuming Country music. Almost alone on the EENE wire, but barely above the noise. Pretty rare here, despite this channel being pretty wide open. 1059 miles.
- 1370 KXTL MT Butte 10/25 2104 On top of channel, with FOX News and local ads for 'Denny Menholt Ford' in Butte and 'Pacific Recycling' 905 Gaylord St. in Butte. 485 miles.
- **1370** KAWL NE York 10/25 0758 On top of channel, with 70s hits and ID: "13-70 KAWL and KTMX-HD2 York." Listed 500 Watts PSRA. 878 miles.
- **ND Grand Forks 10/26 0159 –** ID and slogan "Real Presence Radio for North Dakota and Minnesota," audible during a few seconds of dead air on KXTL. Listed 270 Watts nights. 1044 miles.
- **1370 KWNC WA Quincy 10/25 0205** Poor signal, fighting one or two other stations, with local weather sponsored by 'Lighthouse Christian Ministries' in Wenatchee, and '106.7 FM' liners. Listed 39 Watts nights. 638 miles.
- **AZ** Parker 10/28 0659 Over KTKZ, with top of hour ID, a weird countdown "5... 4... 3... 2... 1..." and FOX News. Listed 58 Watts nights, but they seem to be running day power all night again. 339 miles.
- 1380 KXCA OK Lawton 10/25 2200 Over KHEY, with long top-of-hour ID liner: "My station for R&B ... My station for R&B ... Heart and soul 96.7 and 13-80, carrying the best \_\_\_ R&B and that old school you grew up on, Heart and Soul 96.7, the beat of the city, broadcasting 24/7 from the Mollman Media studios, this is KXCA and K244FW, 96.7 FM and 13-80 AM, Lawton, Oklahoma. Classic Oldies, throwback, and \_\_\_ R&B." This is the result of yet another call/format swap between Mollman's 1050 and 1380 stations. 918 miles.
- **SD** Rapid City 10/24 1959 On top of channel, with pregame show for Thursday night high school football: Rapid City Central Cobblers @ Rapid City Stevens Raiders. 657 miles.
- **SD** Redfield 10/26 0159 Briefly on top of channel, with nice clear top-of-hour ID: "You're listening to KQKD Redfield, 13-80 AM, 99.9 FM." I've been trying for these guys for a long time. Listed 142 Watts nights with a CP for 400 Watts. 891 miles. **NEW, for South Dakota #32**.
- **1380 KBWD TX Brownwood 10/26 2159 –** Faded up over KHEY, with ID: "We are KBWD" and jingle: "Magic 13-80 KBWD Brownwood." Listed 500 Watts nights. 987 miles.
- 1380 KRKO WA Everett 10/25 2246 Faded up over a couple other stations, with high school football: Everett Cascade Bruins @ Everett Seagulls. This cross-town rivalry game is known as "The Battle for Broadway." 729 miles.
- 1390 KENN NM Farmington 10/25 2152 Weak signal, with high school football: Rio Rancho Rams @ Farmington Scorpions. I think they must have been running day rig at night in recent years, but not this year. Coincidentally, the big noise spurs I have had in recent years on 1382 and 1398 (which I had originally guessed were coming from KHOB until observing that the spurs continued after KHOB was gone) are gone too. 360 miles.
- 1390 KRRZ ND Minot 10/25 2128 Fighting pest KLTX, with Classic Hits and liner "Classic Hits 13-90, KRRZ, Minot's Classic Hits station." 897 miles.
- **SC** Charleston 10/26 2258 On top of usual pest KENN at times, with Urban Gospel music hosted by DJ Dex. I've heard his Friday/Saturday night program (8pm-Midnight ET) on my last two DXpeditions. They were all over my EENE, EESE and SESE wires overnight. 1938 miles.
- 1390 KLGN UT Logan 10/26 0159 Faded up for ID: "The home for Skyview sports ..." (bobcat growl) "... KLGN 13-90 Logan, The Fan." They carry Smithfield Sky View Bobcats high school football (the team had a playoff bye this weekend). Once a pest, this station is hardly ever heard anymore from my DX location. Listed 500 Watts nights. 218 miles.
- **1400 KSUN AZ Phoenix 10/25 0146** Fair signal, with Regional Mexican music and "La Mejor FM" liners. 407 miles.
- **1400 KTUC AZ Tucson 10/25 0159 –** On top of channel, with Red Eye Radio ads and non-ID: "A new home for conservative talk radio ... This is Freedom 14 hundred" into ABC News. 498 miles.

- **1400 KKJL CA San Luis Obispo** 10/26 2236 Fighting a Country station and a station running Wyoming college football. Usual easy listening music and "K-Jewel" slogan liners. 448 miles.
- **1400 KRLN CO Cañon City 10/27 1959 –** On top of channel with "KRLN" jingle and ID "We are Royal Gorge Broadcasting, AM 14 hundred KRLN Cañon City-Florence-Penrose." 476 miles.
- **1400 KFTM CO Fort Morgan 10/24 2130** Fighting presumed KKTL, with Thursday night high school football: Loveland Thompson Valley Eagles @ Fort Morgan Mustangs.
- **1400 KFTM CO Fort Morgan 10/25 2134** On top of channel, with Friday night high school volleyball: Keenesburg Weld Central Rebels @ Fort Morgan Mustangs. 548 miles.
- **1400 KWUF CO Pagosa Springs 10/26 1959** Faded up with ID: "KWUF AM 14 hundred and FM 102.5 Pagosa Springs" into ABC News. 401 miles.
- **1400 KART ID Jerome 10/25 2104 –** In a typical graveyard mess, with Country music and "94-7 Buck FM" liners. 255 miles.
- **1400 KXGN MT Glendive 10/27 0815** Promo for local morning show including two IDs: "AM 14 hundred, KXGN." 726 miles.
- **1400 KXGF MT Great Falls 10/26 0158** Under KKTL, with PSAs and Fox Sports promos, and liner "Fox Sports Radio, AM 14 hundred and FM 98.3." 596 miles.
- **1400 KBRB** NE Ainsworth 10/27 0659 Faded up for ID: "Your number one source for local news, KBRB Ainsworth." 780 miles.
- **1400 KSHP NV North Las Vegas 10/26 2059 F**aded up for promo and ID: "Pushing the Limits with Brian Shapiro, weekdays at noon on KSHP, North Las Vegas, AM and FM." The FM is a new translator, K296HP-107.1 North Las Vegas. 205 miles.
- **1400 KTNM NM Tucumcari 10/27 2016** On top of the channel at times with Classic Country music and liner: "Country Classics 14 hundred AM, KTNM." 629 miles.
- **1400 KIUN TX Pecos 10/25 2217 –** In the mix, with high school football Pecos Eagles @ San Angelo Lake View Chiefs. 792 miles.
- **TX** Perryton 10/25 2152 On top of channel, with high school football: Perryton Rangers @ Levelland Lobos, complete with crowd noise and whistles from passing trains. 744 miles.
- **1400 KRSC WA Othello 10/26 0959** ID by the female announcer who records all the IDs for the Bustos and La Estación de la Familia stations. 595 miles.
- **1400 KKTL WY Casper 10/26 0158 –** On top of channel, with Country music and ID almost a minute after the top of the hour: "KKTL Casper, the Cowboy, AM 14 hundred and FM 101.9." 478 miles.
- **1400 KODI WY Cody 10/25 2128 Faded up nicely, with high school football: Cody Broncs @ Jackson Hole Broncs. 455 miles.**
- **1410** KGSO KS Wichita 10/25 2152 Fighting KOOQ, with high school football: Derby Panthers @ Bishop Carroll Golden Eagles. 906 miles.
- **1410 KOOQ** NE North Platte 10/24 2129 On top of channel, over presumed KIIX, with girls' high school volleyball: Kearney Catholic Stars @ North Platte Bulldogs. One male announcer, one female.
- **1410 KOOQ NE North Platte 10/25 2128** Fighting presumed KCAL, with Friday night high school football: North Platte Bulldogs ("Dogs") @ Lincoln High Links, sponsored by 'Great Plains Health Home Care, Great Plains Foot and Ankle' 308-532-3600, 'The Gathering Spot' at 1218 North Ash Street in North Platte, and 'Runza.' (Runza is the name of a restaurant that serves the eponymous pocket sandwich popular in Nebraska). Listed 500 Watts nights. 716 miles.
- **1410 KDKT** ND Beulah 10/26 0159 Fighting KOOQ, with ID: "KDKT Sports Radio 14-10 AM 106.5 FM, streaming live at 'kdkt.us' ... a DSN radio station." Listed 189 Watts nights. 838 miles.
- **TX** Bowie 10/26 0059 Faded up over KGSO, with ID: "Keeping you entertained and informed for over 60 years, KNTX 97.3 FM and 14-10 AM" into CBS News. For some reason they didn't seem to be running the Bowie Jackrabbits high school football game earlier this evening. Listed 150 Watts nights. 977 miles.
- **1410 KWYO WY Sheridan 10/25 2139** Way under KOOQ, with high school football: Sheridan Broncs @ Laramie Plainsmen. Listed 350 Watts nights. 537 miles.
- **1420 KTAN AZ Sierra Vista 10/25 2200** Faded up (seconds after KWBF), with top-of-hour ID and mention of translator on 98.1. Listed 500 Watts nights. 560 miles.
- **1420 KJCK KS Junction City 10/25 2152 –** Fighting presumed KULY, with high school football: Junction City Blue Jays @ Emporia Spartans. Listed 500 Watts nights. 922 miles.

- **KULY** KS Ulysses 10/25 0804 On top of channel, with local ads including 'Grant County Bank' in Ulysses and 'Pioneer Electric,' as part of the "Get Up and Go" local morning show. No Ulysses Tigers high school football this weekend; the team had a bye. Listed 500 Watts nights (no known PSRA). 694 miles.
- **1420 KTOE** MN Mankato 10/25 2128 On top of channel with Minnesota State Mankato Mavericks Hockey vs. Nebraska-Omaha. 1094 miles.
- **1420 KWBF TX Lubbock 10/25 2200** Faded up for "Walk by Faith Radio" liner and ID mentioning translator on 98.7 FM. Listed 140 Watts nights. 773 miles.
- 1430 KJAY CA Sacramento 10/27 0814 Fighting KVVN and one or two other stations with their Saturday night overnight Urban Gospel program (they normally broadcast in one or more Asian languages). ID by male announcer: "You're listening to KJAY, 14-30 AM and 98.1 FM, KJAY, K251CA." Listed 20 Watts nights. 405 miles.
- 30 AM and 98.1 FM, KJAY, K251CA." Listed 20 Watts nights. 405 miles.

  1430 KVVN CA Santa Clara 10/25 0205 Under presumed KBRC, with Vietnamese programming // KLIV-1590. Listed 625 Watts nights on STA. 440 miles.
- **1430** KRGI NE Grand Island 10/25 0559 Under KAMP, with legal ID mentioning simulcast on 105.5 FM. Listed 200 Watts or 21 Watts nights on STA. 842 miles.
- **1430 KALV OK Alva 10/26 0559** Faded up suddenly under KAMP and one or two other stations with ID "AM 14-30 and (99.5 on?) your FM dial, this is KALV Alva." Heard way more often than usual this year. Listed 500 Watts nights (day power is also 500 Watts). 859 miles.
- **1430 KTBZ OK Tulsa 10/27 2258** Fighting KNES with Fox Sports programming and ID: "Your home for Fox Sports radio, 14-30 the buzz, KTBZ Tulsa." 1006 miles.
- **SD** Brookings 10/26 0859 Way under a couple other stations, with ID: "… news and sports, \_\_\_\_, 14-30 KBRK Brookings." They would be on 1 kW day power at this hour with a full path of darkness to my location. 959 miles. **NEW, for South Dakota** #33.
- 1440 KRDZ CO Wray 10/25 0807 Finally put a dent in KPUR with local ad for the new office of 'PRA Roofing' at 306 Main Street in Fort Morgan 970-467-1716. Listed 212 Watts nights, and sounded like it. They used to be a nightly pest, but the past two years they have been all but missing from my recordings. Perhaps they were stuck on day power in previous years? 634 miles.
- **1440 KCHE IA Cherokee 10/26 0800 –** Appeared suddenly over usual pest KPUR, with ID "KCHE, Cherokee" followed by ABC News sponsored by 'Noggin Water' and 'Landmark Logistics' in Cherokee. Listed 500 Watts PSRA (which is surely no longer valid, as their day power is only 390 Watts).
- **1440 KODL** OR The Dalles 10/26 0958 Fighting one other station, with Country music and ID including translators K256AC-99.1 and K264DF-100.7, both of which are in The Dalles. Listed 500 Watts PSRA. 578 miles.
- **1440 KPUR TX Amarillo 10/25 2134 –** On top of channel, with 'Wall Street Journal Report' and local ad for 'Street Toyota' followed by ID. This station is a pest here, but I hadn't noticed the WSJ affiliation before. 726 miles.
- **1440 CKJR AB Wetaskiwin 10/25 2242** On top of channel, with Fox Sports programming and local ad string including 'Nisku Ford' just outside of Edmonton. 960 miles.
- **1450 KNOT AZ Prescott 10/25 2258 –** Over KTZR's hockey game, with Oldies and ID: "Oldies 14-50, My Fun Oldies, the greatest music ever made ... KNOT Prescott."
- **AZ** Tucson 10/25 2159 On top of channel, with local ad string including 'Sarah Fileccia-Haynie State Farm Insurance' 520-449-8422, then back to Tucson Roadrunners minor league hockey. 504 miles.
- **1450 KGIW CO Alamosa 10/24 2159** Faded up with ID "You're listening to KGIW 14-50 AM, 105.3 FM, Alamosa" into ABC News. 457 miles.
- **1450 KGRE CO Greeley 10/25 2134** Faded up under KJCV, with Regional Mexican music and "Tigre FM" jingles. 504 miles.
- **1450 KBFI ID Bonners Ferry 10/25 0205** Faded up from the slop, with "North Idaho Weather" jingle followed by weather forecast and ad. 674 miles.
- 1450 KQDI MT Great Falls 10/26 0158 Faded up over KJCV, with local ads including 'Bleskin Motors,' and ID: "It's the talk of the town! News talk 14-50 KQDI Great Falls." 596 miles.
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  MT Missoula 10/26 0959 Faded up for ID:

  "Broadcasting from the Republic Services studio,
  AM 14-50 and FM 92-7 KGRZ Missoula" then back to Fox Sports. 540 miles.

  MISSOULA'S SPORTS LEADER

- 1450 KLMX NM Clayton 10/26 0601 Faded up with Contemporary Christian music and "Crossroads Christian Radio" liners. They never seem to give a legal ID; they just give the slogan. 619 miles.
- **1450 KOBE** NM Las Cruces 10/28 0559 ID: "KOBE 14-50 AM and K224FI 92.7 Las Cruces, New Mexico. News talk done right" and Town Hall News. 618 miles.
- **1450 KSEL NM Portales 10/27 2259** Faded up for usual top-of-hour liner with a very pronounced "Moo!" at the beginning and end. 681 miles.
- **1450 KWES NM Ruidoso 10/27 2300** Faded up with ID: "From the Dr. Pepper \_\_\_\_\_ studios, KWES AM, also broadcasting on K234AQ, Ruidoso, New Mexico." 611 miles.
- 1450 KZZJ ND Rugby 10/26 0159 Faded up under KQDI and several other stations with ID: "AM 14-50 and FM 92.1, KZZJ Rugby" and CBS News. I have been trying for these guys for years. 948 miles. NEW, for North Dakota #32 and Graveyard station #255.
- **1450 KWHW OK Altus 10/25 2301** Faded up under KNOT and KTZR, with ID: "You're with the Legend, 14-50 KWHW Altus, FM translator K245CY." 867 miles.
- 1450 KBFS SD Belle Fourche 10/26 0200 "Close Encounters" 5-note sounder pierced through KQDI et. al. (as it does almost every hour on my northern wires). Still // KYDT-103.1 Pine Haven, Wyoming as "Dirt Road Radio." 650 miles.
- **1450** KCLX WA Colfax 10/25 2242 On top of channel, with Country music and liner: "Your choice for Classic Country, Palouse Country 14-50." 565 miles.
- 1450 KJCV WY Jackson 10/26 0859 Under KBFS, with Bott Radio Network liners. 348 miles.
- **1450 KVOW WY Riverton 10/25 2100** Faded up from the slop with ID: "Hi! This is Mike Bailey. You're listening to KVOW 14-50 Riverton" followed by CBS News. 404 miles.
- **1460 KTYM CA Inglewood 10/26 2058 –** On top of channel with 'Esne Radio' programming and rare legal ID at top-of-hour. A lot of Esne Radio stations seem to fail to run a top-of-hour ID much of the time. 423 miles.
- **1460 KXNO IA Des Moines 10/25 2113** On top of channel with high school football: Des Moines East Scarlets @ Des Moines Roosevelt Roughriders. 1091 miles.
- **1460 KLTC ND Dickinson 10/25 0653** Fighting another Country station on ENE wire with ID: "Classic Country KLTC." 780 miles.
- **1470 KUTY CA Palmdale 10/25 2104** Fairly steady signal, but getting trampled by XERCN's big signal. Light Mexican Oldies and "Hermosa 14-70 AM" liners. 374 miles.
- **1470 KHND ND Harvey 10/25 2141** Faded up under XERCN's big band music (and rooster crows!), with promo for station web site 'khnd1470.com.' Listed 161 Watts nights. 926 miles.
- **1470 KYYW TX Abilene 10/25 0559** Weak, but on top of channel, with ID: "News talk 94.7 and 14-70 KYYW and K234DA Abilene. A Townsquare Media station. News talk KYYW. It's 5 o'clock" into ABC News. Listed 110 Watts nights. 918 miles.
- 1470 KDHN TX Dimmitt 10/25 2152 Fighting KYYW, with high school football: Springlake-Earth Wolverines @ Happy (Texas) Cowboys. Easily recognizable husband and wife announcing team as heard for several years. This station normally covers the Hart Longhorns, but that team forfeited this week's game for some reason, so they arranged to cover the Happy Cowboys game instead. Legal ID now gives city of license as Dimmitt-Hart-Tulia. Listed 149 Watts nights. 717 miles.
- **1470 KELA WA Centralia-Chehalis 10/25 0205** Faded up from the slop, with promo for the Ramsey Show ". . . weekdays at three on AM 14-70 and FM 101.3, K...E...L...A." (Call letters were read in a much deeper voice than the rest of the announcement). 692 miles.
- **1470 KBSN** WA Moses Lake 10/26 1000 Appeared suddenly over CJVB, with top-of-hour ID. Sounded like they switched to day power 15 minutes early. 615 miles.
- **1470 KKTY WY Douglas 10/26 0758** Under KHND, with Classic Hits, slogan "Greatest Hits of the Rock Era," jingle ID and Town Hall News. Listed 500 Watts nights. 518 miles.
- 1470 CJVB BC Vancouver 10/26 0959 Faded up for ID: "AM 14-70 CJVB Fairchild Radio" and top-of-hour pips. 828 miles.
- 1480 KPHX AZ Pĥoenix 10/26 0558 On top of channel, with bizarre assortment of Spanish-language music, numerous liners/slogans in Spanish ("La Hermosa radio," "las mas música, los mejores programas," "tu radio, tu música," "somos tu mejor compañia," etc.) and ID in English mentioning translator on 92.9 in Paradise Valley. Listed 33 Watts nights, but widely reported running day power all night. 405 miles.
- **1480 KQAM KS Wichita 10/25 2128** High school football: Wichita Northwest Grizzlies vs. Eisenhower Tigers 7pm @ Goddard Stadium, sponsored by 'Quincy's Bar & Grill' 2047 North West Street in Wichita. 911 miles.

- **1480 KKCQ MN Fosston 10/26 0859 –** Fair signal, on top of channel, with local weather and ID: "It's eight o'clock and this is KKCQ" into ABC News. 1087 miles.
- **1480 KBMS** WA Vancouver 10/26 0959 Faded up over KEJB, with ID: "KBMS Vancouver-Portland" and mention of translator on 97.5 FM. 631 miles.
- **AZ** Prescott 10/25 1959 Over KRTN with ID: by slow-talking male announcer: "103.5 FM KYCA Prescott. It's time coming up for headlines from Town Hall News. It is five o'clock." 323 miles.
- **AZ Tucson 10/27 0000 –** Fighting KRTN, with ID and "ESPN Tucson" slogan. Top of hour ID includes KMXZ-FM-HD4 and the phrase "An Arizona Lotus Corp radio station." 501 miles.
- **1490 KRKC** CA King City 10/27 0859 Faded up from the slop, with ID: "US 101 KRKC Country" by female announcer. 433 miles.

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# Domestic DX Digest – East

Mike Brooker, 99 Wychrest Avenue, Toronto ON M6G 3X8 (Canada), <u>patria1818@yahoo.com</u> *Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in the Eastern and Atlantic Time Zones*All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT)

# **REPORTERS**

- **BC-NH** Bruce Conti, Nashua WiNRADiO Excalibur, Mini DXP-5 broadband phasing unit, SuperLoop antennas at 60° and 180°, double Delta at 60°.
- **TF-NH Tony Fitzherbert, Campton** C. Crane CC Radio 2E, Terk Advantage Loop
- **HJH-PA** Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre C Crane Skywave, Tecsun PL-390, Kiwa Pocket loop
- JI-IN Jeff Imel, Fishers Perseus, Jaguar Pro, AFE822x SDR, Linrad, Beverage on Ground antennas pointing 70 140, and 270 degrees, Loop on Ground, Wellbrook Loop
- **JK-WV Joe Kremer, Fairmont** Kenwood TS-890, JRC NRD-525, 122' Tilted Terminated Folded Dipole (T2FD), AOR LA-400 loop.
- **KK-VA** Kraig Krist, Manassas Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ Imperium Loop antenna
- **RJS-OH Bob Schroeder, Cincinnati** Yaesu FT-991A with random long wire.
- **RKS-NC** Rick Shaftan, Rodanthe RSP Duo, Wellbrook A1A antenna.
- **FS-NH** Frank Smith, Milford Flex 8400 SDR, Power SDR 3.6.1, Icom 7300, HQ-180, 43' Zero Five vertical, MLA-30 loop.
- **JW-PA Jim Weber, Oyster Point** Grundig S350
- LW-NY Leslie Wood, East Meadow C Crane 2E, Tescun AN 100 loop
- NjW-ON Niel Wolfish, Toronto WinRadio Excalibur G31DDC and Wellbrook Loop
- **MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto** Grundig YB-400PE, XHDATA D-808 and D-109, Sihuadon R-108, C Crane Skywave, Tecsun PL-330, Qodosen SR-286, Panasonic RF-2200

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### **UNID**

- 990 unID -- 2/13 1907 In multi-station mix (KWAM, WTLN, WNRV, WNTP, WGGI, WNML), someone with Morse code. No, not R. Reloj. I can hear, but difficult to "decode", due to talk on WNTP, basketball on WNML. (KK-VA)
- **1090 unID** -- 2/23 0000 Poor to fair with WBAL cancelled; Bible reading, "This is... Thank you for listening," and promo for TWR TransWorld Radio gospel around the world with wind-up radios. Heard gospel music earlier, so possibly KAAY. **(BC-NH)**

# **MISSING IN ACTION**

610 CKTB ON St. Catharines – 2/18 1800 – Has been off the air. Still off the air when last checked at 0730 on 2/21. Most of the time WTEL-Philadelphia and WTVN-Columbus were ruling the roost. (NjW-ON) *Noted back on as of 2/21 1800. Mike.* 

# NEWSTALK 610

# **LOGGINGS**

**540 WBWD NY Islip** – 2/15 1835 – Over WGR-550 slop with non-stop Hindi and Bollywood tunes. Presumably on 10 kW day rig. (MKB-ON)

- **550 WAYR FL Fleming Island** 2/18 0100 Over/under WSJW; "WAYR Fleming Island...WAOC St. Augustine," jingle, and contemporary Christian music. New log. **(BC-NH)** 
  - WDUN GA Gainesville 1/26 2334 Promo for "Bill Cunningham on WDUN." (RKS-NC)
- **580 CFRA ON Ottawa** 2/21 1900 Fair with local WTAG cancelled; "CFRA AM Ottawa, a division of Bell Media..." **(BC-NH)**
- **590** WVLK KY Lexington 1/26 2000 "97.3 WVLK" weak but clear ID on tape. (RKS-NC)
- **600 WFST** ME Caribou 2/3 1640 Christian music, with fades, song about the Devil as enemy, soon lost, only Christian station on this frequency. (TF-NH)
- 610 WIOD FL Miami 2/20 0100 Fair with local WGIR cancelled; "WIOD Miami, WBGG FM HD2 Fort Lauderdale, available everywhere...News Radio 610 WIOD." (BC-NH)
  - **KFNZ MO Kansas City** 2/20 0650 Over all comers with "your home for Kansas City sports, 96.5 The Fan...you're listening to 96.5 The Fan, from the Mission Plumbing Heating and Cooling studios" into Fox Sports talk. (**NjW-ON**)
  - WTEL PA Philadelphia 2/20 2100 Over/under WIOD with local WGIR cancelled; Black Information Network promo's and ID. (BC-NH)
  - WPLY VA Roanoke 2/18 1800 ToH ID that also mentions WPLI-Lynchburg (1390) heard under WTVN-Columbus with CKTB off the air. (NjW-ON)
- **620 WSNR NJ Jersey City** 2/2 2025 Ethnic music, not EE or SS, and woman yelling, all under WVMT with an old radio program, this frequency has changed here with the demise of WZON. **(TF-NH)** 
  - WVMT VT Burlington 1/20 1752 "Your voice in Burlington, Plattsburgh, 620 WVMT" station ID, ad for Twin City Ford dealers, followed by talk program. (LW-NY)
- **680 WCBM MD Baltimore** 1/7 1730 In with "News-Talk radio 680 WCBM" ID, ad for Medicare, phone number 833-SHARE55 given, into traffic/weather report for area. Mention of Rod Carson talk program, 12-3 PM daily. **(LW-NY)** 
  - +++ 2/21 1800 Fair with local WRKO cancelled; jingle ID, singing "Talk Radio 680 WCBM Baltimore" into Townhall news. (BC-NH)
- **690 WOKV FL Jacksonville** 1/7 1725 In with weather for area, ads for Jacksonville Dodge Ram dealers and Consumer Cellular, phone number 1-888-FREEDOM given. Mention of the Florida Fishing Show, Saturday 7 to 9 PM. **(LW-NY)**
- **AB** Calgary 2/23 0100 Poor with WLW cancelled; ad by woman for support services with dot ca website, then canned ID by man, "This is AM 700, The Light..." New log. (BC-NH)
- 710 WTPR TN Paris 2/12 1920 WTPR ID out of "Love Train" by the O'Jays, into Sugarloaf's "Green Eyed Lady". On after hours. (RKS-NC)
  - +++ 2/14 2259 Under WOR with local ads for Swifts Sawmill, Dover Family Pharmacy, Anglin Funeral Home and Renfroe Family Dental. Presumably during a break in Stewart County Rebels basketball as the Swifts Sawmill said "go Rebels." (NjW-ON)
- **740 WNYH NY Huntington** 2/3 1920 Foreign language church service with shouting preacher, way over usual CFZM, hours ago somebody forgot to put the station into its 43 watt night power and pattern. **(TF-NH)**
- **790 WAMM VA Mount Jackson** 2/14 0500 ToH ID: "WAMM Country" into C&W songs. (JI-IN)
- **800 WVAL** MN Sauk Rapids 2/12 0500 ToH ID: "Minnesota's Country Western station AM 800 and FM 102.3 WVAL", C&W songs and local agricultural news. (JI-IN)
  - WVHU WV Huntington 1/23 1700 "800 WVHU.com" website promo. Strong. (RKS-NC)
  - CKLW ON Windsor 2/7 0514 Presumed with weather and school closing issues; also traffic info from "Country 89" which appears to be CKYY-FM in Welland. (JW-PA)
- **810 WYZI GA Royston** 2/14 0745 "95.9 The Beat of Athens" slogan, Urban format. Heard using Linrad Diversity Reception to null out local pest WYSW, Indianapolis, 20 miles away. **(JI-IN)** 
  - WHB MO Kansas City 2/12 0330 Usual ESPN Radio sports talk. Probably on day power/pattern. (RKS-NC)
  - WWOS SC Walterboro 2/1 \*0700 Sign-on announcement: "You're listening to 99.1 FM WWOS St. George...810 AM WWOS Walterboro..." into SRN News and religious programs. (JI-IN)
- **820 WVSG OH Columbus** 1/23 1700 strong signal with Catholic programming. First time noted during the day. **(RKS-NC)**

870 AM

- WBAP TX Fort Worth 2/3 0724 Walmart Broccoli floret recall "here in Texas" ID. Weak. (JK-WV)
- **830 WCCO** MN Minneapolis 2/21 0000 Poor with local WCRN cancelled; "News/Talk 8-3-0 WCCO... St. Paul," also mentioned HD and free Audacy app into CBS news. (BC-NH)
  - **WEEU PA Reading** 2/22 1700 Poor with local WCRN cancelled; WEEU jingle and Townhall news. **(BC-NH)**
- **850 WXJC AL Birmingham** 1/27 1732 In multi-station mix (WKIX, WFTL, WTAR) with station promo: "Make sure you tune in every Saturday night at 11 PM for the 'No Compromise In Time' broadcast here on 101.1 WXJC". **(KK-VA)** 
  - WKIX NC Raleigh 1/27 1656 In multi-station mix with "Windy" by the Association, "Oldies 850" slogan, male "WKIX Raleigh" ID at 1702. (KK-VA)
  - WTAR VA Norfolk 2/21 0600 Fair with local WEEI cancelled; "The all new Talk Radio 96.5 and AM 850 WTAR," and CBS news. (BC-NH)

Ithaca – 1/27 1730 – In multi-station mix (WPWT, WFLO, WWL, UNID Spanish

talk and R. Reloj) with ID as "This is news talk WHCU" into news and Sean Hannity Show. (KK-VA)

WTCG NC Mount Holly – 2/2 0700 – ToH ID: "You're listening to Charlotte

WHCU NY

- WTCG NC Mount Holly 2/2 0700 ToH ID: "You're listening to Charlotte Christian Talk Radio 870 AM WTCG Mount Holly..." into usual religious program. (JI-IN)
- WFLO VA Farmville 1/27 1915 In multi-station mix with Jackson Browne song "Doctor My Eyes", female DJ "... back to the music you can sing along with... and more... on WFLO the new 870...feel the..." At 1928 noted song "Closing Time". (KK-VA)
- **880 WPIP** NC Winston Salem 2/11 1859\* Under The Station Formerly Known as WCBS with sign-off announcement. (NjW-ON)
  - CKLQ MB Brandon 2/12 0659 Over The Station Formerly Known as WCBS with C&W and ID: "CKLQ, Q Country 91.5 proudly serving WestMan". News sponsored by WestMan Communications Group. (NjW-ON)
- **900 WGOK AL Mobile** 2/13 2334 Usual gospel show and "Gospel 900 WGOK" ID. Could be running day power. **(RKS-NC)** 
  - **WACA MD** Laurel 2/3 1655 Mixing with WIAM and UNIDs (singing, preaching, talk and other Spanish) with Spanish singing group, "Radio Americas" slogan. **(KK-VA)** 
    - +++ 2/15 2045 Spanish music, upbeat modern stuff, tag teaming with more Spanish music from WJWL, and rock from WABY, both Spanish stations had enthusiastic (yelling!) announcers, heard an ID for "100.3" from WJWL. WACA's night signal is directional east, away from here, from three towers, new here for me. (TF-NH)
  - KTIS MN Minneapolis 2/12 0500 ToH ID: "Faith Radio is KTIS and KTIS FM HD-2 Minneapolis-St Paul and myfaithradio.com...." into usual religious program. (JI-IN)
  - WABY NY Watervliet 2/2 2110 Rock oldies, finally an ID for "93.9 WABY", into more music, 70 watts mixed with WURD. (TF-NH)
  - WIAM NC Williamston 2/3 1701 Mixing with WACA and various UNIDs, caught ID during a surprising break in WACA audio: "WIAM Williamston...we are 92.1 FM W221ES and radio 900 AM WIAM Williamston...worldwide at radio900.net." (KK-VA)
- **910 WTOS ME Bangor** 2/3 1852 In multi-station mix (WRNL, WFJX, WSRP0 with station promo: "Mountain of pure rock... TOS community in ..." First time heard since changing calls from WABK. **(KK-VA)** 
  - **WAAF PA Scranton** 2/21 1919 On top of the gabble with Lehigh Valley sports news and Wilkes-Barre-Scranton Penguins hockey news (obviously Pittsburgh's farm team). **(FS-NH)**
- **920 WDMC FL** Melbourne 1/20 0530 ID: "This is God's Holy Catholic Apostolic Church...WDMC 920 AM..." into Catholic programming. (JI-IN)
  - WHJJ RI Providence 2/3 1706 Mixing with WURA, CKNX and more talk, "News radio 920 and 104 7 FM an iHeart radio station" into Sean Hannity Show. ToH ID at 1800: "News radio 920 and 104 7 FM WHJJ... Rhode Island's..." (KK-VA)
  - WURA VA Quantico 2/15 2105 Signal at almost local strength with Spanish ballads, burying usual WHJJ, a reliable source advised me that two of the station's three towers are down and that the station is using its 7000 watts day power. (TF-NH)
  - CKNX ON Wingham 1/14 2030 "The Leafs radio network" mentions, ad for Honda Civic Hybrids into Toronto Maple Leafs vs. Dallas Stars hockey game. (LW-NY)

- 930 WPAT NJ Paterson 2/3 1800 In multi-station mix (WFMD, WBEN, UNID Fox Sports and oldies) religious singing and talk, "930 WPAT Paterson" ToH ID. (KK-VA)
  - WBEN NY Buffalo 2/3 1733 In multi-station mix with "...WBEN forecast..." local weather. Local news at 1903: "From the WBEN newsroom I'm..." (KK-VA)
  - WIZR NY Johnstown 2/22 1701 Fair with WPKX cancelled; pop music, "930 AM and 102.9 FM WIZR, The Star." (BC-NH)
- 940 WMAC GA Macon 2/7 0506 "News Talk 940 WMAC" ID, very weak, even with AF and RF gains completely maxed. (JW-PA)
- 950 WORL FL Orlando 2/13 1751 In WWJ, WAKM and R. Reloj mix with Salem Radio News, "AM 940 and FM 94.9 The Answer Orlando" slogan. (KK-VA)
  - **WROL MA Boston** 1/25 1611 Usual ethnic programming with Irish music, // online. **(RKS-NC)**
  - WWJ MI Detroit 2/13 1759 In WORL, WAKM and R. Reloj mix A Feast of Irish Music with ID: "From the Planet Fitness studios this is news radio 950 WWJ, Detroit's news, weather and traffic station". (KK-VA)
  - **WAKM TN** Franklin 1/24 1800 ToH ID: "Classic country is back home again, WAKM Franklin, TN" into C&W songs. (JI-IN)
    - +++ 2/11 1814 Over usual WWJ with station promo, "...on your Hometown Radio WAKM" into C&W songs. (MKB-ON)

Irish Hit Parade

- +++ 2/13 1822 In WORL, WWJ and R. Reloj mix with male "AM 950 WAKM" ID into "Motor Racing Network" programming. **(KK-VA)**
- **960 WERC** AL Birmingham 2/13 1819 In multi-station mix (WFIR, WRNS, WCRU, WJYZ, UNID singing and R. Reloj) with male "News, weather and traffic at 5:30 from news radio 105 5 WERC". (KK-VA)
  - WJYZ GA Albany 2/13 1832 In multi-station mix (see WERC above) during break in the other talk, etc. on 960 noted mention of "...WJYZ dot com". (KK-VA)
- 970 WGTK KY Louisville 2/7 1954 "970 WGTK" ID noted, clearly on day pattern. (RKS-NC) WNYM NJ Hackensack 2/13 1727 In multi-station mix (WBGG, WWRK, ESPN, UNID singing and a beep every minute, but this isn't R. Reloj) with website promo: "...
  - listen to us online at AM970theanswer.com". **(KK-VA) WKCI VA Waynesboro** 2/8 0000 ToH ID: "News Radio WJTY Harrisonburg, WKCI Waynesboro" into Fox News. **(JI-IN)**
- 980 WDDO GA Perry 2/13 1819 In multi-station mix (WTEM, WAAV, UNIDs: more talk, singing, Fox Sports and Spanish talk) with singing and preaching, station promo: "...all that...weekdays 7 AM until 3 PM on the new 107.9 FM and 980 AM WPGA." Local ad at 1832 mentioning "...3539 Vineville Ave in Macon". Perry is south of Macon, GA. Why is WDDO using their old callsign of WPGA? (KK-VA)
  - WOFX NY Troy 1/25 1726 Sports talk, "Fox Sports 980 and 95.9 FM" slogan. (RKS-NC)
- WAAV NC Leland 2/14 1758 Over CFPL-London with "107.9 and 980 The Wave" slogan and ad for Data Electric. ToH legal ID mentions their FM on 107.9 in Wilmington. Soon gone, probably due to them dropping to their 85-watt night power. (NjW-ON) +++ 2/21 1800 Popped up with local WCAP cancelled;
- "...WAAV Leland and WGNI HD2 Wilmington." (BC-NH)
   990 WTLN FL Orlando 2/13 1758 In multi-station mix (WGGI, WNRV, WNTP, KWAM, WNML and UNID Morse code, not R. Reloj) with talk and religious preaching, "Read your Bible every day and listen to us. AM 990, FM 101.5 'The Word'."
  - WGGI PA Somerset 2/13 1733 In multi-station mix (see WTLN above) with male mentioning Johnstown, into C&W song. "Froggy 95 5" slogan at 1741. First time heard since call change from WNTI. (KK-VA)
  - **KWAM TN** Memphis 2/13 1833 In multi-station mix with female "... in the 9 90 K-Wham Weather Center", then male, "...weather on mighty 9 90 K-Wham..." (**KK-VA**)
- 1000 WCMX MA Leominster 2/11 2120 Spanish, with animated preaching, strong signal atop and mixing with WMVP. Sunset, when the station must leave the air to protect WMVP, was four hours ago! (TF-NH)
- **1010 KRNI IA Mason City** 1/24 1800 ToH ID: "KNRI Mason City...Iowa Public Radio" into NPR programming. Nulled out WINS-New York using Linrad Diversity Reception. (**JI-IN**)

- WKJW NC Black Mountain 2/19 1750 Two ads stating numbers in the 252 and 828 area codes, both in western NC. Prayer, Christian teaching, Bluegrass Christian music. Clear ID at 1802. (RJS-OH)
- **1030 KCTA TX Corpus Christi** 2/6 0700 ToH ID: "KCTA Your Christian Companion" into USA Network religious programs. Sometimes noted with Spanish language programming. (JI-IN)
- **1040 WHBO FL** Pinellas Park 1/21 0500 ToH ID: "News Talk 1040 WHBO" and "News Talk 1040 Tampa Bay's News Leader". (JI-IN)
  - WPBS GA Conyers 2/2 0600 ToH ID: "WPBS Conyers AM 1040" into Vietnamese programming. (JI-IN)
- **1050 WFAM GA Augusta** 2/8 0638 Usual religious programs, strong // online and on day power early. **(RKS-NC)** 
  - +++ 2/6 0700 ToH ID: "AM 1050 WFAM Augusta...Radio that changes the way you live" into usual religious program. (JI-IN)
  - WEPN NY New York 2/4 0118 "ESPN New York" slogan. NBA scores and highlights. (JK-WV)
  - WSMT TN Sparta 1/24 0445 ID: "WSMT Sparta 1050 AM and 105.5 FM a Paeg Broadcasting Station" and "105.5 The Mullet" slogan into C&W. (JI-IN)
- 1060 WILB OH Canton 2/6 0700 ToH ID: "You're listening to Catholic Radio on the Living Bread Radio Network AM 1060 WILB Canton, Greenly, New Philadelphia proclaiming the truth." (JI-IN)
  - +++ 2/12 1759 ID as "Catholic Radio on the Living Bread Radio Network, WILB Canton" under WKNG. (RKS-NC)
  - **WQMV TN** Waverly 2/12 1846 Clearly still on day power, // online with FM-only "93.5 WQMV" ID. (RKS-NC)
- 1070 KSKK MN Verndale 2/2 0602 ID: "You're listening to Relevant Radio AM 1070 KSKK" into usual RR Catholic programming. (JI-IN)
  - +++ 2/12 0702 Over CHOK-Sarnia with with promo asking listeners to donate their cars to "KS Radio". Mention of sponsor Holy Family in Belle Prairie. (NjW-ON)
  - WNCT NC Greenville 2/2 0600 ToH ID: "From the Atlantic Coast Landscape Company Studios this is WNCT AM Greenville..." also "Beach, Boogie and Blues" slogan and "beachboogieandblues.com" website mentions amid oldies. (JI-IN)
    - +++ 2/5 0100 ToH ID: "broadcasting from The Well Manicured Atlantic Coast Landscaping Company Studios..." that lists three translators. (NjW-ON)
- **1080 WNWI IL** Oak Lawn 2/19 1820 Weak, in a jumble of stations with mention of Chicago and then clear ID at 1823. Back down into the hash right after. (**RJS-OH**)
  - WOKT KY Cannonsburg 1/23 2158 walkfm.org website promo. (RKS-NC)
  - **WWNL PA Pittsburgh** 2/6 0700 ToH ID mentioning "Quality Christian Radio", "Radio that changes the way you live" slogan and wilkinsradio.com website promo into usual religious program.
  - KRLD TX Dallas 2/12 1909 // online with local Dallas weather. Solid in the WTIC null. (RKS-NC)
- **1090 WKFI OH Wilmington** 2/6 0600 ToH ID: "Playing the music you want to hear, Real Roots Radio" into Fox News and C&W songs. (**JI-IN**)
- **1120 WPRX CT Bristol** 2/16 1859 Presumed battling KMOX with local ad in SS mentioning "...en todo Connecticut". **(MKB-ON)**
- 1150 WMRD CT Middletown 2/17 1845 Interview with Old Saybrook financial advisor, atop with some fades, at 1850 promo for "Anything Goes" at 11:00 AM and again at 7:00 PM on Saturdays on "WMRD and WLIS We've got personality", into a discussion about the Millstone Nuclear Power Plant, no sign of usual at night CKOC or occasional WWDJ. (TF-NH)
  - WIMA OH Lima 2/15 2305 Ending Fox news, ad for smoking cessation program in Lima, then into Art Bell program. Very strong signal then faded. (HJH-PA)
- **1160 WCFO GA East Point** 2/11 0500 ToH ID: "This is the home of listener supported Atlanta Catholic Radio, The Quest, AM 1160 WCFO East Point, Atlanta" into EWTN Catholic programming. (**JI-IN**)
  - WJLK NJ Lakewood Twp. 2/5 2145 Mention of 94.3 with audio // to station internet. Early season lightning static coming from western PA due to ice storm. (JW-PA)
  - WPIE NY Trumansburg 2/10 0800 ToH ID: "ESPN Ithaca 107.1 FM 1160 AM WPIE..." into usual ESPN Sports. (JI-IN)

- WCCS PA Homer City 2/4 2057 Decent ID with several other stations competing. Mention of their FM on 101.1. (JW-PA)
- **1210 WNMA FL Miami Springs** 2/7 1723 Spanish religious programs, "Radio Mundo Miami" slogan. (**RKS-NC**)
- **1220** WLSD VA Big Stone Gap 2/8 1727 "92.5 The Vault" slogan and then into some whiny Lite FM song. (RKS-NC)
- **1230 WECK NY Cheektowaga** 2/19 1915 Heard slogan "The Big WECK", spoken as a word, then back into the jumble. Heard during 4.5 hr. power outage here. **(HJH-PA)** 
  - WIXT NY Little Falls 2/14 1934 Briefly atop the mess, male announcer: "We play everything FM 99.1, Tony Radio". (TF-NH)
  - WEEX PA Easton 2/12 2100 ID for Fox Sports Radio, and into the Dan Patrick Show, before being consumed by the mush. New reception for me. (TF-NH)
- **1240 KICD IA Spencer** 2/12 1207 Briefly faded in over WJMC-Rice Lake with news from "Northwest Iowa Now Newsroom" read by Audrey McIrvin. Lead item was about a stabbing at 914 East Milwaukee Avenue in Storm Lake. Jasmine Jones has now been booked in the Buena Vista County Jail charged with Willful Injury and Domestic Assault with a Dangerous weapon. No ID heard, but KICD's website has a big "Northwest Iowa Now" banner on it. **(NjW-ON)** 
  - WSFC KY Somerset 2/9 0100 ToH ID: "Lake Cumberland's home for news and talk, news radio WSFC Somerset. Listen anywhere on the iHeart radio app. Free never sounded so good." (JI-IN)
  - WVOS NY Liberty 2/15 2020 Invitation to visit some business in Liberty during the week, then faded. Call stands for "Voice of Sullivan County". (TF-NH)
  - WPTR NY Schenectady 2/15 2015 Atop frequency with "From all of your friends at WPTR" and a request for "Rocky Mountain High" by John Denver, and other oldies. (TF-NH)

    1240 AM 97.1 FM
  - WATN NY Watertown 2/12 0158 In very briefly with call sign ID then local news. (JW-PA)
  - WJMC WI Rice Lake 2/14 0357 "Imaginary Lover" by Atlanta Rhythm Section, ID, The Byrds' "Turn Turn Turn" which was cut short by ToH ID and CBS news. (NjW-ON)
- 1250 WPGP PA Pittsburgh 2/10 0800 "AM 1250 The Answer" slogan into usual conservative talk. (JI-IN)
- **1260 WSKO NY Syracuse** 2/5 0724 Sports Call-In Talk (Phone: 855-212-4227). Ad for 12th Street Beer. "The Voice of the Central New York Sports Fan" slogan. (JK-WV)
- **1270 WDLR OH Marysville** 1/27 1810 In with frequent "96.7 Marysville" ID's into rock music. New and #30 heard from OH. **(LW-NY)** 
  - WLIK TN Newport 2/5 0600 ToH ID: "1270 AM WLIK Newport...the Smokies Oldies" into CBS News. (II-IN)
- **1280 WKST PA New Castle** 2/13 0714 "Willie 95.1 & 97.5" slogan. C&W music: "Nothing Short of Dying" by Travis Tritt. Morning Show with man and woman. "Bonehead Criminal of the Day" segment. **(JK-WV)** 
  - WMCP TN Columbia 2/10 0800 "Radio Maria" slogan followed by frequency and location of every radio station in their network into Catholic programming. (JI-IN)
  - **WNAM WI** Neenah-Menasha 2/5 0600 ToH ID: "1280 AM WNAM Neenah-Menasha, Fox City, a Cumulus Media Station" into ABC News and "America's Best Music" Adult Standards format. (JI-IN)
- **1310 WTLC IN Indianapolis** 2/23 0800 Over usual WDTW-Dearborn with "Indy's inspiration station...Praise 95.1" slogan, promo for local church mentioning 317 area code into urban gospel. **(MKB-ON)** 
  - **WLOB ME Portland** 2/15 2115 University of Maine hockey, playing the University of New Hampshire, atop with fades, rarely heard here because the station's night signal goes east out over the Atlantic. **(TF-NH)**
- **1320 WARA MA Attleboro** 1/31 1803 In with ad for LJ Car wash into local high school basketball game. **(LW-NY)** 
  - +++ 1/25 1615 Folk music show, weak // online. (**RKS-NC**)
  - WGOC TN Kingsport 2/10 0800 ToH ID: "...this is WJCW AM...Kingsport, Johnson City... a Cumulus Station" into ABC News, simulcasting WJCW programming. (JI-IN)
- 1330 WEBO NY Owego 2/19 0607 "WEBO" call sign ID at this time; no other info. (JW-PA)

- WHBL WI Sheboygan 2/19 0506 Cold weather local forecast then mention of 1330 and 101.5 with slightly garbled call sign. Competing with several stations and unable to detect station internet feed to what I was hearing over the air. Same ID sequence at 2135; this time in the clear "1330 and 101.5, WHBL". (JW-PA)
- **1340 WTRC IN Elkhart** 2/14 0200 ID heard atop the jumble: "WTRC Elkhart... 101.9 FM and 1340 AM". (**NjW-ON**)
  - WCHB MI Royal Oak 2/11 0702 over in-state rival WJRW-Grand Rapids and KROC-Rochester with Prayer School Hour program, which matches their website schedule. (NjW-ON)
  - **KROC** MN Rochester 2/11 0659 "Natural Resources Minute" from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, ToH ID and ABC news. (NjW-ON)
  - WMSA NY Massena 2/18 1806 Over in-state rival WLVL with "1340 WMSA weather" jingle into local weather and "For What it's Worth" by Buffalo Springfield. (MKB-ON)
- **1370 WGOH KY Grayson** 2/14 1712 Local ad for Commercial Bank of Grayson and local Kentucky News Network news. **(RKS-NC)** 
  - **WXXI** NY Rochester 1/30 1820 In with NPR news and talk program. Mixing in and out with WFEA. (LW-NY)
- **1380 WPYR** LA Baton Rouge 2/5 0705 EWTN programming, "Catholic Radio...WPYR" ID. (RKS-NC)
  - KHWK MN Winona 2/13 1820 "Real Country...more of your favorite country" liner into C&W songs. Another one in the post-CKPC mix. (MKB-ON)
  - WNRI RI Woonsocket 2/21 0733 "Radio Jeopardy" contest, "...get your gift card at 1380 WNRI". Yet another one in the mix since the demise of CKPC. (MKB-ON)
- **1390 WLCM MI Holt** 1/20 1728 "The End Times Show on 1390 WLCM" into Dobson Minute. (**RKS-NC**)
  - WEOK NY Poughkeepsie 2/8 1920 Atop frequency with Spanish music and SS female announcer, who must have forgotten to drop station to its 106 watt night signal. (TF-NH)
- **1400 WDWS IL** Champaign 2/6 1100 ToH ID: "News Talk 1400 and 93.2 FM WDWS" into usual News-Talk and promo for Chicago White Sox baseball. (JI-IN)
- 1420 WIMS IN Michigan City 1/21 1806 Brokered talk show, ID as "1420 and 95.1 FM." (RKS-NC)
- **1440 WMAX MI Bay City** 2/11 2200 Call ID and mention of Bay City/Saginaw. Ad for EWTN App. Good at times with WHKZ. New. **(HJH-PA)** 
  - **WFNY NY Gloversville** 2/16 1656 Oldies and local weather, mentioning "the weather is going to be nasty for the next day or so", WFNY ID and into Santana's "Black Magic Woman". (**RKS-NC**)
- **1450 WHLL MA Springfield** 2/14 1916 Spanish rap music, mixed with WWRI and an unidentified talk station for about ten minutes. New here. Call stands for "Hall" from the station's sports format days the Basketball Hall of Fame is located in Springfield. **(TF-NH)** 
  - WNBY MI Newberry 1/24 1800 ToH ID: "1450 WNBY, Newberry's information leader" into ABC news and C&W. (JI-IN)
  - WLEC OH Sandusky 2/17 1811 Over the graveyard jumble with promo for Cleveland Cavaliers basketball "on Erie County's home for the Cavs, WLEC" into Joni Mitchell's "Big Yellow Taxi". (MKB-ON)
- **1470 WBOM CT Meriden** 2/3 1925 R & B stuff in clusters, mixed with and over WLAM and others, station's directional night pattern across New Haven and LI Sound from four towers is seldom heard here. **(TF-NH)**
- **1500 WGHT NJ Pompton Lakes** 2/3 1706 "True Oldies Channel" and WTBQ ID into CBS News. **(RKS-NC)**
- **1510 WLAC TN Nashville** 2/11 2130 Talk, Dave Ramsey real estate advice, WLAC weather forecast, ID for "1510 WLAC" promo for an interview program at 7:00 AM on weekdays and 11:00 AM on Sundays, ad for LifeLock, station is heard infrequently here. **(TF-NH)**
- **1530 WVBF MA Middleborough Center** 2/6 1955 Somebody reading (to the visually impaired) way atop frequency (on four watt night signal?), ID for "Talking Information Station". **(TF-NH)**

1540 WJJT

TN Jellico – 1/26 0700 – ToH ID: "FM 105.9 AM 1540 WJJT" into Southern Gospel tunes. I used Linrad's Diversity Reception and a SDRPlay RSPduo to null out KXEL. (JI-IN)

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VA Sandston – 1/24 1915 – "Ultra 94.1" slogan, Spanish Contemporary Hits. KXEL nulled out using Linrad Diversity Reception. (JI-IN)



+++ - 2/15 2140 – Alone with weak signal for about 10 minutes, with lively Spanish music, before fading, leaving nothing on the frequency, only station on 1540 listed in the log with a Spanish format in the eastern half of the US. The station's EIGHT watts night power took a long trip to NH from suburban Richmond, VA! (TF-NH)

1580 WXGT

**OH Columbus** – 2/8 0000 – ToH ID: "Playing the greatest hits of the 50's, 60's and 70's, WQCD Delaware WXGT Columbus...My 92.9" into oldies. (**JI-IN**)

+++ - 2/7 0202 - Creaming CKDO-Oshawa with Badfinger's "Day After Day" and "My 92.9" slogan. // to a weaker 1550 WQCD Delaware, OH which was under CBEF-Windsor. (NjW-ON)

**CKDO ON Oshawa** – 2/9 0421 – "So Far Away" by Carole King. "Playing the Greatest Hits of All Time, CKDO" slogan. Good. (**JK-WV**)

**1590 WALG GA Albany** – 2/16 2330 – "Talk radio 1590 WALG" ID and Fox News Radio. Another one running day power. **(RKS-NC)** 

WHPY NC Clayton – 2/21 1800 – Fair with local WSMN Nashua cancelled; Bible reading and ID, "You're listening to Fellowship Christian Radio WHPY 1590 AM Clayton, North Carolina." New log. (BC-NH)

**1630 KCJJ IA Iowa City** – 2/8 0705 – Out of CBS News, "your Iowa City weather on the Mighty 1630" into local weather and oldies. **(MKB-ON)** 

**1650 CINA ON Mississauga** – 2/12 2140 – Asian music, alone on frequency with 680 watts. **(TF-NH)** 

**1690 WVON IL Berwyn** – 2/18 2210 – Several WVON IDs audible in mix of several stations on the frequency. Talking about Al Sharpton. (**JK-WV**)

# **Unreported Stations**

No stations were reported to  $\overline{DDXD}$  in this issue for the first time since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000). We hold at 159 currently licensed, full-power AM stations in the United States and Canada which have not been reported to DDXD during this time. The last full list was published in issue 91-18 in July and electronically in a recent  $DXtra\ News$ .

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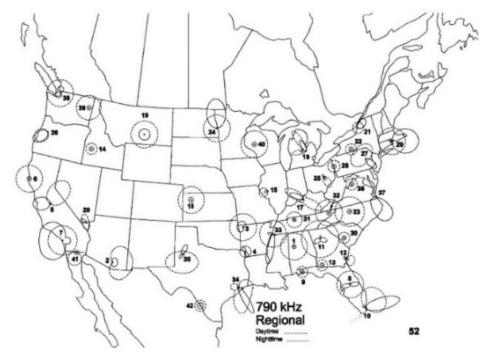
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# PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 550 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Pinar del Río FEB 22 0648 Wobbler interference to U.S. pileup, sort of like wind whining rapidly. Now similar sound against WWL on 870, where the wobbling had been much slower. Nothing on 1040 now. [Hauser-OK]
- 590 **MEXICO** XEPH México, CMDX FEB 20 0600 With local WEZE Boston cancelled; choral national anthem, presumed XEPH. [Conti-NH]
- MEXICO XECPR R. Chan Santa Cruz, Felipe Carillo Puerto, Q.Roo FEB 15 1133 Local level at tune-in with an amusing instrumental Mexican cover of 'Ghost Riders In the Sky' then slogan ID, calls into a Mexi-tune. Then shockingly a very long, canned English ID voiced by a young lady with a very, very heavy accent over a steel pan music bed, with slogan ID and mention of the station physical address (not fully copied, but portions seemed to match Emiliano Zapata 77229, Felipe Carillo Puerto, Quintana Roo). Close to the Belize border, so no doubt there's less a Mexican vs. Belize/Caribe Miskito desire here. I drove solo rental car not too far north of this town ages ago, but the speed bumps and Mexican soldiers with M-16s and my crappy Spanish detracted me from going much beyond, much as I wanted to go to Belize. [Krueger-FL]
- MEXICO XEFZ, Radio ABC Deportes, Monterrey, NL FEB 19 1033 Slogan ID, ad for something in U.S. dollars, into Mexi-tunes. [Krueger-FL] FEB 20 0733 ID break in Mexmusic: "XHGBO, 92.1 y 660 Monterrey, ABC Deportes." Did not hear true MW call mentioned, XEFZ. FEB 22 0700 Full ID for XHGBO 92.1 and this time I do also hear MW ID as XEFZ 660, ABC Deportes, Monterrey. [Hauser-OK]
- unID FEB 21 0733 Spanish in mixture, can copy only a partial FM frequency starting with 91. No fits in IRCA Mexican Log; and there is only one USA 660 Spanish in NRC AM Log, Oregon. [Hauser-OK]
- 730 **MEXICO** XESOS *La Ranchera*, Agua Prieta, Son. FEB 12 0559 "La Ranchera" during brief XEX fade; briefly fair; Son. #3. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 760 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Guane//Mayarí Arriba FEB 22 0500 Under WJR; instrumental national anthem parallel 640 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- MEXICO XEERG Ojo de Agua, NL FEB 10 0754 For the record, still extreme distortion interfering with KQCV. I first reported this on SEP 17, 2024, as unID, soon traced to XEERG as I explained then in great detail. [Hauser-OK]
- 810.56 unID FEB 10 0440 - Het upon 810 WHB. No 9/kHz TA carriers audible now. Still there at 0735 UTC, 810.56 estimate. Nothing in mwoffsets this far off. Not there in daytime, 1940 UTC check. Tim Hall replied, "I had this signal in October at my Nevada-Utah border DXpedition. It varied from about 810.46 to 810.555, and was present on at least 4 of my wires, ranging east/northeast (Montreal) to southeast (Argentina). So far haven't noticed it on recordings after about 1000 UTC." FEB 11 0005 - Unheard direct, maybe too early. Still not around 0200, nor into several Latin American and U.S. SDRs. Still not by 0255 direct. Maybe sporadic, since Tim had it a few months ago. FEB 12 0708 - Unheard earlier, but by 0708 carrier weakly about 810.56 kHz. This time tried to DF it with the D808, got roughly 100/280°, i.e. slightly clockwise from east/west - that would eliminate Latin America, Bahamas, but inside U.S. or possibly West Africa, Southwest Pacific. Someone suggested Tokyo, far off my DF, and at 1700 UTC, Tokyo SDR had FEN on frequency. In next few minutes check SDRs in SC, GA, AL, MS and TN, and if any signal on 810, none way off. My initial FEB 10 log too early for anything from East Asia or Pacific. This not necessarily would come from any known 810 station. FEB 13 0300+ – 810.61 kHz mystery carrier search, direct once or twice an hour starting 0300, nothing until finally at 0658, measured as above slightly higher than previously. Then from 0700 hunting via various remotes, starting with Canary Islands – nothing. Nothing across southeast USA; FL, GA, SC, AL, TN. I suspected it's really coming from the opposite direction, so tried remotes in NM, CO, ND – nothing, until: Corinne #1, northern Utah! Of course the main 810 signal in the west is KSFO ex-KGO. This shows 30 Hz above 810.600, i.e. 810.63 kHz. Kept checking other remotes including WA until 0730 but not found and by then no longer heard direct. May have gone off again much earlier. Greg Hardison reported the 810+ anomaly on the Allenspark, CO SDR, but couldn't pull any audio peculiar to it. Suggested KBHB, Sturgis SD, U1 25000/60 watts. My previous bearing approx.

280° would have to be wrong. Or course that's more toward KSFO, which sounds normal on

810.00 kHz. It would have to be putting out a spur additionally on the plus side, but I doubt that. Due to KSFO dominance not many 810s in western USA: only CO, NM, SD, WA. FEB 15 0641 – Carrier audible again against 810.00 WHB, not earlier. DF roughly 100/280° to 105/285° from Enid. Utah #1 remote which heard it before is hearing it again, but not enough to lock onto it separately from KSFO. At final check direct 0705, more like 810.59 kHz. Greg Hardison and Ron Howard checked CO remote for KLVZ Brighton, found it not off-frequency, but could IBOC have something to do with this? FEB 20 0710-0748 – 810.58 hetting 810.00 WHB is back; had not heard it for a few nights since FEB 15. This on east/west long wire into NRD 545, but I can also detect it on handheld D808, tuned to 810 USB to DF: again approx. 100/280°, or slightly more clockwise. FEB 23 0430 – Carrier hetting 810.0 stations is in again, DF approx. 100/280° to 105/285°. At 0510 switched to Corinne, northern Utah SDR where it's also quite audible on 810.58; can't make out any modulation. I swiftly invited others to hear it via Utah; but Walt Salmaniw, BC and Mark Connelly, MA both reply they detect nothing direct. I still have it via Corinne at final check 0713 UTC. Probably domestic but unknown for sure. [Hauser-OK]

- 840 **CUBA** CMHW *Doblevé*, Santa Clara FEB 22 0500 Over/under WHAS; choral national anthem, canned ID, "Esta es Doblevé..." [Conti-NH]
- CUBA *R.Reloj*, multiple locations FEB 8 0744 Wobbler and hardly any signal from WWL, as often the case, strange. U3 50/50 kW, as the main 870 clear channel station, could be U1, but to avoid wastage over the Gulf of Mexico is directional with null thataway, major lobes favoring east/west to the north side, and should own 870 at night here. FEB 12 0734 Wobbler vs very little signal from WWL, which if at full 50 kW blast would easily overcome it, like WHO can on 1040 kHz. FEB 20 0740 Wobbler vs WWL which now has a sufficient if not strong signal. [Hauser-OK]
- 950 **MEXICO** XEMAB *Globo FM 101.3*, Ciudad de Carmen, Camp. FEB 2 0201 Not logged here since 2021, now heard almost nightly battling KPRC. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 970 **MEXICO** XEJ *La J Mexicana*, Cd. Juárez, Chih. FEB 12 0736 Break in Mexmusic at tune-in, "Usted y La Jota Mejicana, 970." The usual one on 970 rather than flagship of *R.Fórmula*, XERFR which is twice as far. Note to editors: please do not "correct" my spelling. Mexico with a J is an alternative, and certainly fits with branding of this station. [Hauser-OK]
- 1000 **MEXICO** XETAC *R.Cañon*, Tapachula, Chis. FEB 12 0400 Full ID for 760 XEABC; fair under XEOY; Chis. #6. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 1040 **CUBA** *R.Mayabeque*, Güines FEB 10 0749 Wobbler under WHO, but not vs 870 WWL at the moment. Presumably the only listed, *R.Mayabeque*, Güines, 10 kW. I guess at local range it's a huge loss, no program modulation. [Hauser-OK]
- 1070 **GUATEMALA** TGD *La Voz de Occidente*, Quetzaltenango FEB 15 0200 List of events celebrating station's 78th anniversary, then TGD ID; good; Guatemala #5. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- 1141 **CUBA** unID FEB 20 0742 JBA het against 1140.0 stations, presumed to be from Cuba; it was once necessary to jam Miami's 1140. [Hauser-OK]

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# **INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**UNITED KINGDOM**: *TalkSport* has been granted permission from Ofcom to turn off seven of its 18 transmitters. The move will reduce its national AM radio coverage from 92% to 88.9% of the UK adult population. The transmitter sites to close are; Clipstone (Nottinghamshire), Duxhurst (Surrey), Lisnagarvey (in County Antrim, Northern Ireland), Lydd (Kent), Stockton (Durham/North Yorkshire), Southwick/Brighton (West Sussex) and Rusthall (Tunbridge Wells). Reasons given by *TalkSport* for these changes include declining listenership to its AM service as people turn to alternative platforms, considered against the ongoing viability of each transmitter site. The 11 sites which will remain are; Brookman's Park (Hertfordshire), Droitwich (North Worcestershire), Moorside Edge (West Yorkshire), Westerglen (Falkirk), Washford (Somerset), Fareham (Hampshire), Dartford Tunnel (Kent), Wallasey (Cheshire), Boston (Suffolk), Wrekenton (Newcastle) and Postwick (Norfolk). *TalkSport* will remain available nationally on DAB and other platforms. [radiotoday.co.uk, Medium Wave Circle fb group]

# Musings of the Members

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## Jon Pearkins, Edmonton AB

DX Openings have always intrigued me, especially since every one is different, or so it seems. The most recent example was February 18th just after midnight EST. The highlight was KTTH-770 Seattle WA with occasional fades, otherwise completely eliminating CHQR-770 Calgary AB with antenna East-West. Possible signs of them previously but nothing definite until now, with the syndicated The Mark Levin Show matching up to their web site Program Schedule.

I would not even have checked 770 if I had not heard KVI-570 Seattle WA with a strong signal on a frequency normally totally impaired by local CHAH-580. Most of the Seattle area stations had extremely strong signals, with one notable exception. KRKO-1380 Everett WA is usually unnullable but they were fairly weak, with KOTA-1320 Rapid City SD dominant.

Vancouver BC stations were weaker than normal but KEX-1190 Portland OR was all alone with no sign of CFSL Estevan SK, which normally dominates 1190 with little or no sign of KEX.

Which is why I am always on the lookout for unusual DX conditions where strong signals exist from small geographical areas. Sometimes very small, like my High Noon reception of both Nampa ID stations back in the late 1960s from Vancouver. No other usual stations were heard.

Finally, I should mention that DX Openings are bi-directional, in my experience. The best example of that was here in Edmonton in 2001 when KEX-1190 Portland OR was loud and clear on the car radio at High Noon one Winter Saturday, as well as the major Seattle stations. I e-mailed a Seattle DXer and he logged a lot of major Alberta stations, at High Noon his time, and even got CBK-540 Watrous SK. I'm still kicking myself for not checking for KFBK-1530 Sacramento CA.

On a different topic, but still related to KTTH, I had previously been skeptical of Male Talk being them, as they have a Null towards Calgary at night that translates into just over 500 watts. But it is a very tight null. Edmonton is both North and West of Calgary. A closer look at the night pattern tells me that an equivalent of more than 5 kW omni-directional is sent in my direction.

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Please see my full original, complete, unedited, uncondensed and undeleted MWDX reports for week of February 10-16:

https://groups.io/g/IRCA/topic/domestic lw mwdx to enid ok/111219859 245 FS, 305 RO, 346 YXL, 356 ODX, 365 AA, 379 DL, 400 AHQ, 407 HRU?, 660 KTNN, 660 KEYZ, 680 KFEQ?, 800 KQCV+, 810.6v unID, 870 WWL+, 1040 WHO+, 1670 VDJR, 1860 WA0RCR, 2598 VCP4, 2749 VCO.

https://groups.io/g/IRCA/topic/international mwdx to enid/111219949 800 XEERG+, 810.6v unID, 870 Cuba+, 970 XEJ, 1040 Cuba+, 1323v AM Italia.

They also are included in my all-band weekly roundups, primarily SW:

https://www.worldofradio.com/Hauserlogs.html.Until the next, Best of DX and 73 de Glenn

### Martin Foltz, Sarasota FL

Veries: none. I celebrated my third anniversary of moving to FL. Looks like a couple locals changed formats. 620 WDAE switched to Fox Sports Radio and 1150 WTMP switched to ESPN. WTMP has had 5 formats since I moved here. Update on the LED bulbs and noise. I have 5 sets of fixtures that have the chandelier LEDs in them; 2 are on dimmers and 3 on switches. The bulbs on switches are quiet. The bulbs on dimmers cause noise. Other difference is that the ones on dimmers have more bulbs (5 & 8 vs. 2 or 3). I unscrewed 4 of the set of 5 and the noise went away with 1 bulb. So, it's probably the dimmers. These LEDs are dimmable.

My Sony 2010 repair seems to be working, no issues. I head a new state, KSL in UT, and sent them a reception report. Station #100 reported from FL. Two nice emails from WBBR in NY. One forwarded my report to the guy in charge of "QSL cards!" Hoping for that one. 73's Martin

#### Remembering John Bryant

February 9 marked the 15th anniversary of the passing of John Bryant, a well-respected and admired member of the DX community. Many who knew him posted tributes online in the IRCA group online at Groups.io. Two well-known DXers, <u>Mark Connelly</u> and <u>Guy Atkins</u>, gave permission to have their remembrances re-posted in the Musings column.

From Mark:

"Even though I have concentrated primarily on MW, I found all the John Bryant articles in Proceedings fascinating reads. The late '80s still had much to hear on shortwave, especially the tropical bands where back-of-the-barn peanut whistles proliferated throughout Central and South America, Africa, Asia, and the South Pacific. These stations offered a unique palette of entertainment possibilities in music, commentary, and religious content. There is little to compare in the current over the air broadcast scene. An expert on streaming would be needed to ferret out similar options now.

John had the knowledge breadth of a polymath or "Renaissance man." His specialty was architecture and much of his interest in that pointed to Asia. He knew Indonesia inside and outgeography, customs, food, music etc. This informed his reporting of the (then) many tropical band outlets in that region: stations considered highly prized catches by DXers around the world because of the cultural content and often very low power levels.

Despite having enough knowledge to teach doctoral level courses, John did not write in a "stuffed shirt" academic fashion. DXing on any band was a fun experience to him and the kid-like enthusiasm showed.

Fine receivers were savored for their industrial design merits, the look, the feel of the controls, the station grabbing qualities, and sound fidelity. Comparisons to fine cars, musical instruments, choice wines etc. enlivened the discussion.

As the shortwave scene started to falter, John threw his considerable talent into medium wave. His experiences with the Kaz Delta antenna and phasing units added much to the hobby's knowledge base.

The matching transformer tests he and Bill Bowers did are still often linked-to in antenna articles. He got the Ultralight thing going, then Gary and a number of others carried the torch from there.

One can only imagine how much more he would have given us over the past 15 years as online receivers, spectrum capture SDRs, new ultralights with DSP, and FSL antennas gained prominence. Sort of like 'what would we have from 15 more years of Buddy Holly if that plane hadn't gone down.'

As the outpouring of emails shows, John, you are missed. R.I.P. at that Hammarlund in the sky."

Guy responded:

"Mark Connelly mentioned the loss of Buddy Holly. Interesting you should make note of him, Mark, as Buddy Holly was John's most favorite musician! I learned of that during the long, long drive back to the States after the 2007 Haida Gwaii DXpedition. He had some Buddy Holly albums on his phone which we patched into my car's sound system. Ever the educator, John supplied historical and musical context to nearly every song as we passed waypoints such as "108 Mile Ranch" and "100 Mile House" along Highway 97 through BC.

Since then I always think of John when hearing a piece by Buddy Holly and the Crickets."

# And Mark replied:

"Great to hear of the appreciation of one genius, John Bryant, for another, Buddy Holly.

How would Buddy Holly have interacted with the many singers and groups coming after him, ones that paid homage not just by covering his material but adopting elements of his music and youthful outlook? Right away I think of Everly Bros., Bobby Vee, Tommy Roe, Beatles, Hollies, Searchers, Bob Dylan, Byrds, Tom Petty, R.E.M., Gin Blossoms, and a little known band from Wales called Really 3rds. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JoqzPKYoJmQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JoqzPKYoJmQ</a>, That one's straight out of Buddy's style book, 20+ years after his passing.

Buddy Holly would have created new material both adding to the repertoires of other performers as well as drawing in influences from them.

Back to John Bryant, he would also be adding to and drawing from the riches of others' work in his many spheres of knowledge. DXing would, of course, be one of them. How would he be using social media, something that was just barely out of the gate 15 years ago? I'd already mentioned new SDRs, ultralights, and antenna developments. He would be drooling over all the DXpedition reports - northern Scandinavia, Newfoundland, PEI, Lubec ME, Cape Cod MA, NV/UT desert, Rockworks, Grayland, Masset and so on. He'd be riding some of those king-sized auroras like the Silver Surfer. Things like identifying noise-plagued music audio with Shazam would have blown his mind. And don't even get me started on Co-Channel Canceller! He'd have that down as the greatest thing since sliced bread.

We're talking of two supremely talented lives cut short way too soon. There was so much more that could have been added to our world. But they both did a heckuva job while they were here.

Lubbock, TX and Stillwater, OK have reasons to be proud."

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