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CPC Test Calendar

WSUI	910	Jan. 9, 1995	0100-0130
KTNS	1090	Jan. 9, 1995	0800-0900
KUAW	1570	Jan. 15, 1995	0501-0530
WPWA	1590	Jan. 16, 1995	0000-0030
VVWI	1000	Jan. 16, 1995	0200-0300
KUAW	1570	Jan. 16, 1995	0501-0530
KICY	850	Jan. 21, 1995	0530-0600
WXRS	1590	Jan. 21, 1995	0000-0030
KSYG	1010	Jan. 23, 1995	0315-0330
CFRY	920	Jan. 30, 1995	0100-0130
WAMR	1320	Jan. 30, 1995	0130-2:00
KIYW	910	Feb. 6, 1995	0500-0530
WWOL	780	Feb. 11, 1995	0200-0400
KNZZ	1100	Feb. 12, 1995	0300-0330
KGYN	1210	Feb. 13, 1995	0200-0230
WREN	1250	Feb. 14, 1995	0100-0200
KERR	750	Feb. 20, 1995	0200-0230

KICY-850 - P. O. Box 820 - Nome, AK 99762 will conduct a DX test between 5:30 and 6:00 am EST Saturday, January 21. The test will include Morse code ID's. Power will be 10 kW using a non-directional antenna pattern. Reception reports may be sent to Mr. Tom Guillian, CE. Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.

From the publisher ... As usual after the Christmas vacation, we had a ton of DX loggings sent to the editors, which meant that I had to take a page away from Musings to get it all in. We'll try to get caught up in the next two weeks.

The recent hike in postage rates add only about \$18.50 per issue, so unless we hear differently from NRC treasurer Dick Truax we can assume that, once again, we can absorb the rate increase without increasing dues. The new rates do not affect non-U. S. A. rates. Thanks to you who continue recruiting new members and purchasing items from NRC Publications, the NRC will remain financially very stable.

Last call for Ernie Wesolowski's Third Annual Fremont, NE DXpedition January 27-29. Reservations must be in by January 16, and only 11 guests will be able to join Ernie. Contact him at (402) 330-7758 for more information.

Dave Schmidt again will represent the NRC at the 1995 Winter SWL Festival in Kulpville, PA March 16-18, and I'm sure he'd be happy for other NRCers to join him at the NRC booth. Contact Dave for more information if you plan to attend the Kulpville event.

We've also received two notes from NRCers interested in taking over the ANARC rep position for the NRC. Any others who may be interested should contact board chairman Ken Chatterton (address on back cover).

Speaking of that back cover, we're still receiving renewal checks here in Topeka when they should be directed to Ron Musco in Connecticut. As Mr. Tact says, "It's your choice" whether you'd like to renew on time by sending your renewal check to him at least three or four weeks in advance of your expiration date, or chance missing out on one or more issues of DXN by waiting until the last minute to renew, or by sending the check to Topeka!

Publications ... Phil Bytheway was kind enough to send me copies of the two new IRCA Almanac updaters (see p. 17 for ordering details). Although the print is too small in the slogans list, the two updaters are nicely printed and chock full of information, and the price is definitely right.

DXChange ... Guy Kudlemyer - 5669 D Street - Springfield, OR 97478-5414, (503) 741-3670 has a set of DX Monitors from September 5, 1981 to the end of December 1994, all in good to excellent condition, yours for the cost of packing and shipping ... Roger Giannini - 316 N. Park, #13 - Springfield, OH 62702, (217) 793-8275 "midnights give or take an hour 10 am-2 pm call collect" (? - pis) wants a RACAL RA-17, model C-12 or C-12. It can be in repairable condition but cabinet must be in good to mint condition.

Welcome to these new members: Mark Ryan, Randolph, VT; Rich Hackett, Palo Alto, CA.

DX Time Machine

From the pages of *DX News*:

50 years ago ... from the Jan. 6, 1945 DXN: Members were anticipating the DX program from WAGM-1450, scheduled for January 14. New all-nighter WWDC promised to stand by.

25 years ago ... from the Jan. 3, 1970 DXN: Jay Murley, Newport Beach, CA explained how a person with ten left thumbs could still construct a loop to null locals. The process included emptying a case of beer ... Big George Kelley reported that the WRYT test was a "smashing" success.

10 years ago ... from the Jan. 7, 1985 DXN: Jim Renfrew, Rochester, NY logged country #39 with Switzerland-1566 ... Tony Fitzherbert profiled WEEG-880.

AM Switch

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old call	New call
540 WGTO FL Pine Hills	WWZN
680 KLDY WA Lacey	KBRD
1060 WNOE LA New Orleans	WLNO
1460 KTNP TX Lubbock	KBZO
1490 WJRB FL Bradenton	WYMZ*
1510 WSSH MA Boston	WNRB
1540 KNNT MO Kennett	KBOA
1590 KSUV CA McFarland	KJAZ

*WJRB-1400 is silent; new calls may signal its return.



AM 1210 - FM 98.3
Alton, Wyoming 83110

APPLICATION FOR NEW STATION

840 WA Colfax: 10000/280 U1

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

560 CFOS ON	Owen Sound: to 1610 kHz (expanded band), powers/antenna not specified
650 KSTE CA	Rancho Cordova: day power to 25000 watts (this is somewhat mysterious as we show their day power as already being 25000 watts?)
690 KSTL MO	St Louis: add 18 watts night, antenna to U1
970 WJMX SC	Florence: day power to 10000 watts
1320 WDER NH	Derry: day power to 10000 watts
1570 WBEE IL	Harvey: day power to 2000 watts

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

950 KJR WA	Seattle: powers to 50000/50000, relocate transmitter site
1100 KCCF AZ	Cave Creek: day power to 50000 watts

OTHERNESS

540 CJSB ON	Ottawa: station ceased operations 12-8
630 KIDD CA	Monterey: silent station is ON THE AIR
680 WCAW WV	Charleston: CP for 10000/250 is on
760 WCHP NY	Champlain: "CP" for night operation on 750 kHz is actually just an application, it was never granted but is still pending, remove the "CP" notation as well as the "AP Day 25000" from the WCHP 750 entry in the new Log. WCHP is now 25000 D3 on 760 kHz with App for 230 N3 on 750.
920 WKYD AL	Andalusia: CP for 5000/40 U1 is on
990 WTMM VA	Richmond: station is SILENT
1020 KFFR AK	Eagle River: station is SILENT
1120 WBNM GA	Gordon: silent station is ON THE AIR
1150 CJRC PQ	Gatineau: incorrectly reported to be silent, station is still operational
1190 WMRE PA	Hughesville: silent station is ON THE AIR and rebroadcasting WRAC-1400 Williamsport, PA
1220 KBET CA	Canyon Country: this is now the city of license, the city of Santa Clarita no longer exists
1220 KRGO CA	Fowler: silent station is ON THE AIR
1230 KCBN NV	Reno: CP for 820/820 is on
1240 KRAL WY	Rawlins: this is correct call, we typo'd it as "KRAK" in Issue #12 Otherness
1400 WXAL AL	Demopolis: CP for 790/790 is on
1400 WNEX GA	Macon: station is SILENT
1450 WCOX AL	Camden: station is SILENT (it was reported that a disgruntled employee trashed the control room and toppled the tower at WCOX, taking both the AM and FM stations off the air)

1480 WKGF FL	Arcadia: station is SILENT
1490 *App ON	Tillbury: application for new station DISMISSED
1520 WHRF MD	Bel Air: silent station has new owners and is expected to return to the air
1580 WDMF TN	Knoxville: silent station is ON THE AIR
1590 KJAZ CA	McFarland: station is SILENT (this is only temporary pending a sale)

THANKS: Ed Krejny, Gilles Michaud, John D. Bowker, Shawn Axelrod, Wayne Heinen, Will Loman, George Spelvin and MSJ

The FCC is about to take its holiday vacation so we will not have an AM Switch next week but we'll be back in Issue #16. As we enter this into the computer it is 11 PM on Christmas Eve. Although this will reach you after the holidays have past we want to thank each of our contributors for their faithful support and wish all NRC members the best for 1995.

73 and Good DX *Jerry Starr* Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman



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12/3/94

Mark Burns
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Greetings Mark

On this Saturday afternoon I'm completing work that wasn't finished earlier. One being your report. I'm listening to your tape as this is being written on the engineering office computer.

I hereby officially acknowledge your reception of WFAW on November 5, 1994 between 1915 and 1945 CST.

You indeed had a good signal. This is helped some by the directional characteristics of our night signal. Enclosed is a copy of the engineered night signal pattern. We actually increase signal fourfold in your direction at night.

I'm returning your tape and \$1.00. It is our policy to acknowledge DX's as time permits. You folks are getting few and far between. Your report was only one this quarter. In the past I usually receive many more.

Best wishes and Happy Holidays

Sincerely

Clifford J. Groth
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The NRC is growing - and you can help.

More members in the NRC means a larger *DX News* ... and more features and services for all members. You can help your club grow: just send the names and addresses of potential club members to the NRC - P. O. Box 5711 - Topeka, KS 66605 and we'll send them a current copy of *DX News*. You could start with your local AM stations' personnel! Spread the word - the National Radio Club is on the grow!

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DDXD-West

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- Walt says they (Wright City, Missouri) are late receiving their first snowfall. Hah! My aching back says we've gotten more so far than all of last year here. He also inquires about the number who report via electronic means vs the "old fashioned" way. It differs from week-to-week, but on the average it runs about 60% postal, 40% the fast way. Bill says that while listening for both the KGLE-590 and the KFJM-1370 tests, he heard other stations under both conducting their own maintenance checks. And asks *what are the odds of this happening?* Anybody else hear this oddity? Frank grieves missing the WGY and WPPI (Dec 10) tests, as he didn't find out in time. Hey, Frank. Both were advertised in the Dec. 5th Issue of *DX News*. At least in mine, hi. Neal says *the wind chill at his parking lot DX point is 10 degrees. Which is where we start to separate the men from the boys in portable DXing. Haha.*
- Good results from recent DX Tests are in. Thanks to our CPC!
- The Fall (August-October) book for the Los Angeles Market saw only two AMers in the Top 10. KFI-640 came in third while KABC took ninth. Picked up that, along with a few other items off the Internet.
- Since we've had a two-week break, it's back to the grindstone. Lotsa great catches have been reported so far this season, and we've got a few months of opportune DX time left to garner more. So keep those reports coming in. Welcome to all the new members! Those of you who live in the Central, Mountain and Pacific Time Zones and west, this is the spot on your dial for reporting your DX. Let's hear from you!

REPORTERS

- BD-WI Bill Dvorak Madison GE Superadio III barefoot [Bill, has WTMJ cranked up their 50 kw day rig, yet? - Ed.]
- WB-MO Walt Breville Wright City R-1000 + 40' wire
- FA-ID Frank Aden Boise modified FRG-7, modified Radio Shack TRF, Sony SRF-42 AM \$ Waikman + 45' lw N-S, 180' L-longwire, 4' box loop
- BBMcC-TX BB McClurkin Irving Kenwood R-2000 + Radio West Loop
- JEL-MO J.E. Lewis Kansas City ATS-803A & 202 barefoot
- RS-MO Rocky Stone Hollister
- NAP-AL Neal Perdue Madison ICF-30SW
- DE-MO Dennis Elya Jefferson City Superadio III or Delco ETR
- KGS-BC Gray Scrimgeour Victoria ICF-2010 with unamplified loop or * carradio
- TR-IL Thomas Reiser Chicago ICF-2003 with built in antenna
- AM-NE Atsushi Masamune (Seattle, WA) DXing in Omaha ICF-7600G with Panasonic RD9170 Loop
- SA-MB Shawn Axelrod Winnipeg ICOM R-70 w/filter mods and PLAM board + 4' box loop or 100' lw
- HLH-CA Harry Helms, AA6FW San Diego Drake R8, Hammarlund HQ150, Sanserino two-foot loop, Radio West loop
- BW-MB Barry Wasylik Winnipeg R-7 + Kiwa Loop
- GS-TN George Smith Decherd Superadio II with internal antenna
- JW-OR Jack Woods Waldport Lowe HF225E, ANL-1 Outdoor Loop, Martens Loop
- RD-IA Rick Dau Iowa City R-1000 + Radio West loop
- Internet Various reporters on the Internet
- Ed-ID Editor Meridian



SPECIAL

- 610 KILT TX Houston - Now Sportstalk format (network unknown), according to my sports-fanatic son who lives there. Can any Houston member expand on this, such as network, etc? [Ed.-ID]

- 690 KSTL MO St. Louis - Has changed from southern gospel and German music to fulltime Black gospel. [Internet]
- 770 KCBC CA Riverbank - 12/21 1900 - Religious programs under KULL on 12/21 and 12/22 at 1900-1935. Steady, strong signal. Announces as *Gospel Radio for Northern California*, and there was a mention of Modesto. ex-KDEY/KPLA. (KGS-BC) [First report with new CLs - Ed.]
- 770 KULL WA Seattle - 12/18 1948 - I heard an announcement "now with more power." Has it changed power? (KGS-BC) [New Log says they had a CP for U4 50000 50000, so that MAY be on - Ed.]
- 870 KOWA NV Laughlin - Has been sold to Hefel Broadcasting Corp., who says they plan to return station to the air in early 1995 under an LMA agreement. Purchase price was reported to be about \$600,000. [Internet]
- 1010 KXYQ OR Portland - Began a new talk format on 12/12. Mornings will be sports-talk featuring the old KFX crew. Afternoons will have Open Line Talk with Dick Bogle, Jerry Dimmitt and Greg Kafoury and Bob Turner. [Internet]
- 1090 KEXS MO Excelsior Springs - 12/94 - Per station, they have a PSRA of 750 watts which they use from 15 minutes prior to LSR to LSR, then go to their regular 1 kw. I'm about 27 miles from them, and KAAAY just blows them away, year 'round. So I don't know how useful it is. (JEL-MO)
- 1310 WJRA AL Priceville - 12/19 - News network is USA. Add to Log. (NAP-AL)
- 1380 WKBQ MO St. Louis - Continues to simulcast WKBQ-FM (104.1, Jerseyville, Illinois rimshot) 100%. This contradicts a recent line item in the *M. Street Journal*. [Internet]
- 1530 KDSN IA Denison - Called station. DJ said the AM station is now on at night [Just received 13 watt authorization - Ed.]. After 1800, they simulcast with FM, which plays AC music. (DE-MO)

UNIDs and UNID HELP

- 690 KHEY TX El Paso - Is Rick Dau's unID in Issue 11. During my stay in Omaha over Veteran's Day weekend, I received it around LSS there. ID was 690 AM, *Cool Oldies*. (AM-NE)
- 760 UNID ?? - 12/4 0329-0358 - With WJR on OC, someone was heard here with AC from Chris Isaak and Rita Coolidge, among others. Never did stay in long enough for an ID, and Cuba and Colombia made it real difficult to hear at times... however, it seemed to loop N/NW. (RD-IA)
- 1210 UNID ?? - 12/11 1823-1930 - Someone here with satellite OLDies looping WNW/ENE. Always faded out at ID time and the top-of-the-hour ID was squashed by WGMP. I KNOW this ISN'T Guymon, Huron, or Afton. Ideas? (RD-IA)
- 1530 UNID ?? - 12/13 1955-2110 - With C&W music. With radio adjusted to null WSAJ, over and under unID SS. Suspected KDSN. WRONG! See Special. (DE-MO)

RADIO STATION KMAQ

BOX 940

MAQUOKETA, IOWA 52060

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 580 WIBW+ KS Topeka - 12/19 0100 - Poor, with a few code groups, under WILL and an unidentified station. (TR-IL)
- WIBW+ KS Topeka - 12/19 0206 - One lengthy CID in mess under nulled KMJ, nothing else IDable. New state. Thanks J. D. Stephens! (HLH-CA)
- WIBW+ KS Topeka - 12/9 0205+ - Under WGAC + 1 unID, with code only. (NAP-AL)
- 590 KGLE+ MT Glendive - 12/5 0306-0330 - Poor, with CIDs, the first of which was under and between loud TTs coming from an unID's station performing a maintenance test. QRM also came later from WOW and KFNS. (BD-WI)
- KGLEt MT Glendive - 12/5 0200-0210 - Not heard, unless this was them running a solid TT for 10 minutes. (RD-IA)
- 620 KGTL- AK Homer - 12/3 0530 - Listened for, did not hear. Only strong QRM from WTMJ. (BD-WI) Nothing heard. Had hoped this one would make it in KIDO-630's null. (FA-ID)
- 760 CKQR+ BC Castlegar - 12/11 0300-0600 - Heard one code ID at 0330 mixed in with oldies music. Good signal, at times, under KFWB. (FA-ID)
- CKQR+ BC Castlegar - 12/11 - Code IDs heard at 0305, 0317 and 0321. Under KTLK/KTKR, in WJR null. (BBMcC-TX)

- CKQR BC Castlegar - 12/11 0349-0414 - I MAY have heard this . . . possible CIDs at 0351 and 0406, and a version of *You Light Up My Life* (not by Debbie Boone) heard at 0356. HJA went off just after 0400, which made things a little easier; a report has been sent. (RD-IA)
- 760 CKQR+ BC Castlegar - 12/11 0303-0311 - Unn. CKQR was loud and steady, with Broadcast News followed by Good Time Oldies. One code ID heard. (KGS-BC)
- CKQR- BC Castlegar - 12/11 0300+ - Not heard. Only WJR here. (NAP-AL) Not heard, only WJR and some music that may have been them, but can't be sure. Have heard them many times before, but not tonight. (SA-MB)
- 790 WEAQ+ WI Eau Claire - 12/12 0245-? - Heard Big Band music, code and voice ID's . . . signal stayed on top after test . . . guess they've been there all along . . . dead tape recorder and not a battery to be found . . . oh well. (RS-MO)
- WEAQ+ WI Eau Claire - 12/12 0259 - Was almost ready to give up, when I heard code, followed by VID. Under WWKY and WMC. (DE-MO)
- WEAQ+ WI Eau Claire - 12/12 0230-0255 - Weak CID heard for a few seconds at 0252 under KFGO and CIGM. Didn't notice any difference when they were supposed to be non-directional. (BW-MB)
- WEAQ+ WI Eau Claire - 12/12 0232 - Popped through with code IDs. Had been one of my closest unheards. (RD-IA)
- WEAQ- WI Eau Claire - 12/12 0230+ - Not heard. Three or four unIDs there. (NAP-AL)
- 940 CJGX- SK Yorkton - 11/28 0100 - Listened for, did not hear. Only strong QRM from semi-local WFAW. (BD-WI)
- 950 WSPA- SC Spartanburg - 12/12 0330-0400 - Nothing heard. (FA-ID)
- 1150 WHBY- WI Appleton - 12/5 0100-0200 - Nothing heard. KAGO dominant. (FA-ID)
- 1330 WPPI+ GA Carrollton - 12/10 0515 - Weak-to-fair, with CIDs. (RD-IA)
- WPPI- GA Carrollton - 12/10 0500 - Not heard. Unneeded. WFBC-SC dominant. (NAP-AL)
- 1340 CKGF- BC Grand Forks - 12/11 0300-0600 - Used HQ-180 with MW-1 to monitor to see if anything matched CKQR, but unable to do so. In KTIK's null. (FA-ID) 0311-0401 - Absolutely no sign of being // to CKQR. Three stations; an unIDing station with sports talk dominated (KLKI?); another sports talk show next, then music (not GTOs). (KGS-BC) Not heard. Just the usual GY din here. Did hear a siren once(?). (NAP-AL)
- 1370 KFJM+ ND Grand Forks - 11/28 0200-0201 - Poor, with tail-end of CID, VID. Frequency was dominated 0148-0200 by loud TTs from an unID's station doing maintenance testing, and KFJM could not be heard until this [other] station went off. (BD-WI)
- KFJM+ ND Grand Forks - 11/28 0132 - Fair, with code IDs (RD-IA)
- 1460 KLTC- ND Dickinson - 12/6 0230-0300 - Nothing heard. (FA-ID)
- 1590 WGYJ- AL Atmore - 12/10 0100-0130 - Not heard. Too much KYOK. (BBMcC-TX) Too much splatter de WEUP Huntsville. I'll be glad to see them go to 1610! (NAP-AL) Not heard. Only WAKR and WONX. This is not my lucky frequency for DX Tests!!!! (SA-MB)
- WERA- IL Plainfield - 12/10 0430-0500 - Nothing heard. KPOZ dominant.(FA-ID) Too much splatter de WEUP Huntsville. (NAP-AL)
- KDEX- MO Dexter - 12/3 0105 - Listened for, did not hear. (BD-WI) 0100 - Not heard. Only KCNN, WONX and WAKR. (SA-MB)
- WVKO- OH Columbus - 11/28 0130 - Listened for, did not hear. (BD-WI)
- WTRW- WI Two Rivers - 12/4 0530 - Listened for, did not hear. (BD-WI) Nothing heard. (FA-ID) Not heard. Only KPOZ, WAKR and an unID station carrying Rush Limbaugh. (SA-MB)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 590 WJMS MI Ironwood - 12/5 0310 - Surprisingly strong with programming from the Interstate Radio Network; never heard here before, so my hunch is that this guy may have been running day power. (RD-IA)
- 650 CKOM SK Saskatoon - 12/14 0815 - Good with CLs, TC and PSA for an event at the Saskatoon Elks Club. (RD-IA)
- 760 KFMB CA San Diego - 12/20 0125 - Loudest ever heard, with local talk show (Eva Bean). Local-like signal for about 10 minutes. (KGS-BC)
- KTLK CO Thornton - 12/11 0247 - With ID, then into KOA program. (BBMcC-TX)
- WENO TN Nashville - 12/14 0748 - Good with DJ: *You're listening to a Tennessee Christian song on WENO*. (RD-IA)

- 860 CFPR BC Prince Rupert - 12/16 1016 - Good, with CBC News, Northern BC news and weather. Mentioned Vanderhoof and Prince George. (JW-OR)
- 890 WQIS MS Laurel - 12/14 0744 - Good with WQIS Laurel-Hattiesburg ID at possible sign-on. (RD-IA)
- 940 WMAZ GA Macon - 12/8 0721 - VID during newscast. Splash from local KLIK, with WMX, and over KIOA. (DE-MO)
- 1010 KSYG AR Little Rock - 12/3 0036 - Fair, with call-in talk programming. New for me for the CL change. (SA-MB)
- 1030 WBZ MA Boston - 12/18 0110 - With Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Tri-State lottery numbers. Seldom heard here late-night. (NAP-AL)
- 1050 CJSB MN Winnipeg - 12/4 0658-0703 - Good, through local WTSO splatter, with ID in FF, CBC FF News at 0700. (BD-WI)
- 1150 KWKY IA Des Moines - 12/3 0559 - Poor, on crowded frequency, with a no-SSB sign-on . . . *beginning another broadcast day of Christian broadcasting*. (BD-WI)
- KAGO OR Klamath Falls - 12/5 0100-0200 - Running Dr. Demento. Good signal at times. (FA-ID)
- 1220 WKNR OH Cleveland - 12/7 0230 - Poor, with call-in show evaluating sports cards, autographed balls, bats, etc. (GS-TN)
- 1360 WKAT FM North Miami - 12/19 0600 - Male in EE with legal ID, then woman in SS with announcement. Quite rare here. Poor in QRM. (NAP-AL)
- 1400 KQDJ ND Jamestown - 12/12 0643 - Good signal with the SSB and sign-on (new time for them). (SA-MB)
- 1410 KLEM IA Le Mars - 11/23 0659-0700 - Poor, through KGRN QRM, with no-SSB sign-on. (BD-WI)
- 1480 KMEM NE Lincoln - 12/4 0217 - NOS and VID. Over mucho others. (DE-MO)
- 1520 WOOO IN Shelbyville - 12/11 Midnight - Promo for *Partyline* program, legal ID, CNN News. In KOMA null. Last heard as WSVL. 250 watts. (NAP-AL)
- 1530 WRPM MS Poplarville - 12/6 0730 - C&W music. Sunrise edition of morning news show. Over WSAI/others. (DE-MO)
- 1570 WTAY IL Robinson - 12/11 0600 - Sign-on, at 0500 their time, with SSB, opening announcements, ID. 250 watts PSRA. Only heard once before. (NAP-AL)
- CKMW MB Winkler - 11/24 0352-0416 - Fair, with C&W, *Country Music Radio*, BN News at 0400, promo for *Country 1570*. (BD-WI)
- 1590 WAKR OH Akron - 12/9 0059 - With *Right here on WAKR*. Popped over the pack just long enough! (DE-MO)
- 1600 WSFN MI Muskegon - 11/24 0257-0315 - Poor-to-good, through KCRG QRM, with sports talk, *One-on-One Sports Flash* sports news at 0300. Slogan *The Sports Fan*. (BD-WI)

0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

- 540 CBK SK Watrous - 12/22 1412 - First daytime reception this season; phone calls from around the province, with Christmas greetings to friends and relatives in Saskatchewan. The signal was quite weak, and didn't last. (KGS-BC*)
- 1030 WXSS TN Memphis - 12/12 0851 - With GOS & CLs. New. (NAP-AL)
- 1280 WWOK IN Evansville - 12/12 0900 - Legal ID, local news. LSR at 0715! (NAP-AL)
- 1280 WMCP TN Columbia - 12/19 0857 - Legal ID after bluegrass REL music & news. Only heard previously during SSS. (NAP-AL)
- 1370 WDEF TN Chattanooga - 12/19 0907 - Local swap ads, mentioned // 92.3. (NAP-AL)
- WCCN WI Neillsville - 12/4 1247-1306 - Poor-to-fair with SMN NOS music, SNN News at 1300. (BD-WI)

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

- 540 KVIP CA Redding - 12/18 1920 - *Radio Bible Class* with ID at 1930, then *Hour of Decision*. CBK was weaker than usual. (KGS-BC)
- 570 KLIF TX Dallas - 11/21 1828 - Briefly atop channel with talk, ID. (WB-MO)
- KLIF TX Dallas - 11/25 1959 - Poor, with start of a Dallas Mavericks game. (BD-WI)
- 600 KTBB TX Tyler - 11/22 1921 - In good, with SID and ad for Quick and Easy Car Wash in Tyler. (WB-MO)
- 610 WZZK AL Birmingham - 12/11 1945 - Fair, with ads for 7-Up and Wendy's and into C&W music. (GS-TN)
- 620 WJDS MS Jackson - 12/12 1650-1710 - Booming in on new 170' N-S wire with Prime Sports Network, ID into Mutual News then overtaken by KWFT-TX. (RS-MO)

- 660 WBLX AL Fairhope - 12/7 1738 - Happy holidays from Solid Gold Soul. Over WFAN and KSKY. (DE-MO)
- 670 WYLS AL York - 12/8 1736 - Fair with DJ: That's our forecast from the National Weather Service on WYLS, then into Alabama Network news. No trace of KWXI when looped south. (RD-IA)
- 700 KGRV OR Winston - 12/18 1942 - Loud on 12/18 to 1946 with Bible Truth Forum, and 12/21 at 1909 with Christmas carols. First times at sunset. (KGS-BC)
- KSEV TX Tomball - 12/6 1827 - Fair, with Rush Limbaugh, several ads and gone at 1835. Evidently went to nighttime power [and antenna pattern directly away from you - Ed.]. (GS-TN)
- 740 WLWI AL Montgomery - 12/6 1934 - With NASCAR racing show, VID. Faded into KTRH. (DE-MO)
- 760 WURL AL Moody - 12/8 1745 - Fair, with full-data sign-off as Best in Southern Gospel Music. Then WJR took over. (GS-TN)
- KFMB CA San Diego - 12/17 1940 - Fair, with San Diego area news, local ads, frequent IDs, Friday afternoon traffic report. (JW-OR)
- 770 KJCB LA Lafayette - 12/18 1917 - Very good with mentions of Opelousas and Lafayette during DJ dedications. (RD-IA)
- 780 WLRM MS Ridgeland - 11/27 1749 - Fair with AM 780 ID and mention of Jackson. (RD-IA)
- 800 CHAB SK Moose Jaw - 12/6 2011-2032 - Through the Bible Radio followed by another REL program on CHAB's "evening of inspirational programming." Two nights later at the same time (2030), only CKOR with local news and a Utah Jazz BKB game (presumably KSOS). (KGS-BC)
- 810 KCMO MO Kansas City - 12/8 1750 - Fair, with Oldsmobile ad and ID KCMO Talk 810. Then back to phones. (GS-TN)
- 840 KDBS OR Eugene - 12/18 1957 - Local ads, slogan ID as AM-840, Eugene-BS-84 at 2000, then NBC news. KVEC soon covered it. (KGS-BC)
- 850 WYDE AL Birmingham - 12/11 1919 - Good, with call-in sports show and a good ID at 1920. (GS-TN)
- 910 WALT MS Meridian - 12/6 1813 - UC music, local ads, VID. Faded into KVIS. (DE-MO)
- 920 KARN AR Little Rock - 12/7 1715 - Fair with Southwestern Bell ad, promo for Rush Limbaugh, and into news and traffic. (GS-TN)
- KYFR IA Shenandoah - 11/30 1757-1759 - Fair, with Freedom Under Fire, Family Radio ID, KTRF legal ID. (BD-WI)
- WBCX LA Bogalusa - 12/6 1835 - C&W music and slogan: B-92. Local ads. Over KYFR. Usual KARN was gone. (DE-MO)
- 930 WSLI MS Jackson - 12/6 1743 - Fair, with ID as The Sports Radio Network WSLI. Credit card ad, and the call-in sports. (GS-TN)
- 990 KRMO MO Monett - 12/4 1756-1800 - Poor, with Kansas City Chiefs football vs Denver Broncos, ID // KKBL 95.9 Monett and KLRK 100.1 Cassville, MO. (BD-WI)
- KNIN TX Wichita Falls - 11/23 1816 - Good, with call ID and AM Stereo, Super Country Gospel. (WB-MO)
- 1010 WINS NY New York - 12/1 1956-2008 - Very good, with news format. Medical Journal with Lou Adler, ad for Radio City Christmas Spectacular. (BD-WI)
- 1030 WNTL MD Indian Head - 11/24 1654-1700 - Good, with BBC Newsline, announcement in EE and an unID'd language of ANA Network [whazzat? - Ed.] sign-off, station sign-off. (BD-WI)
- 1050 WLIP WI Kenosha - 12/2 1855-1910 - Poor, through local WTSO splatter, with race results, AP News at 1900, traffic, weather, slogan The Lip 1050. (BD-WI)
- 1060 WMCL IL McLeansboro - 12/7 1716 - With call-in auction for local businesses. Faded into KYW and WNOE. (DE-MO)
- 1080 WRES KY Louisville - 12/18 2300 - Legal ID, AP News. Earlier used News, 24 hours-a-day. Ex: WDJX. FYI, LVH-NC incorrectly reported this as WRQS in DDXD-E in Issue 9. I heard several clear IDs in checks over 2 hours. (NAP-AL) [AM Switch in Issue 8 (Nov 21) trumpets the CLs as WRES - Ed.]
- 1110 KRCC CA Roseville - 12/18 2330 - SS pop vocals and Christmas songs, Radio Capital, with call-sign ID at 0002. Sacramento ads. KBND often interfered. (KGS-BC)
- 1130 KAAB AR Batesville - 12/1 2218-2225 - Fair, with REC:AC music and slogan We're Arkansas' Number One Christian Station. (BD-WI)
- 1140 KNAB CO Burlington - 12/18 1826 - Weak under WRVA with "Colorado" heard during slogan ID between C&W songs. (RD-IA)

- 1170 KCBQ CA San Diego - 12/7 1940 - Good, with National City Auto Dealer ad, ID as San Diego's Good Time Music and into OLD. No usually-loud KLOK at this time. (JW-OR)
- 1190 KFEZ MO Kansas City - 11/21 1855 - Well atop channel, with NOS. (WB-MO)
- 1230 KMRS MN Morris - 12/1 1850-1854 - CLs heard twice during this time frame. KMHL-1400 also in well on this evening. (RD-IA)
- 1280 KNBY AR Newport - 12/8 1659 - Oldies off the bird. Some local ads, VID. (DE-MO)
- 1330 WFBC SC Greenville - 12/9 2203 - Fair, with ads for AT&T Phone Center and Sudafed, then weather. (GS-TN)
- 1340 WNBS KY Murray - 11/27 1759-1800 - Breakthrough on GY frequency with C&W music, legal ID as Home of (unreadable), this is WNBS Murray. USA News at 1800. (BD-WI)
- 1360 KHAK IA Cedar Rapids - 12/3 1751-1802 - Fair, with C&W music, ABC News at 1800. // 98.1 FM. Slogan: K-Hawk. (BD-WI)
- WAOZ OH Cincinnati - 12/12 2055 - Poor, with call-in children's show (Vote For Your Favorite Song) and The Brain Game (questions for children). (GS-TN)
- 1370 KAST OR Astoria - 12/16 1800 - Tuned in just in time to catch ID, then into national news. Last heard three years ago. Fair. (JW-OR)
- 1440 WDOW MI Dowagiac - 12/3 1857-1901 - Fair, with C&W music, legal ID not // FM. Slogan Michigan's Best Country. (BD-WI)
- 1450 WHTC MI Holland - 12/3 1842 - Atop briefly, with AM 1450 WHTC ID. (RD-IA)
- 1490 WKRO IL Cairo - 12/8 1851 - Your number one station for news in the tri-state region. Just popped over long enough at the right time. (DE-MO)
- 1510 KDKO CO Littleton - 12/4 1823 - Good, with ID as The Power Station, 1510 KDKO. (RD-IA)
- KMSD SD Milbank - 11/23 1844 - In for just a few seconds, but enough to hear two call IDs. (WB-MO)
- KSTV TX Stephenville - 11/27 1931 - Fair, with KSTV Country 105 ID during satellite C&W. Only 250 watts! (RD-IA)
- 1570 CKTA AB Taber - 12/5 1648-1700 - C&W heard early in the afternoon. Under, and with, CHUB. (KGS-BC)
- 1580 CBJ PQ Chicoutimi - 11/24 2248-2304 - Good, with FF conversation and music, CBC FF News at 2300. (BD-WI)

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD

//:parallel to :00: on the hour AC:Adult contemporary AP:Associated Press BBD:big band BRN:Business Radio Net C&W:country & western CCR:contemporary Christian radio CHR:contemporary hit radio CID:code ID CL:call letter EZL:easy listening EE:English FF:French GOS:gospel IRN:Interstate Radio Net LSR:local sunrise LSS:local sunset NBA:National Basketball Assn NFL:National Football League NPR:National Public Radio OC:open carrier POL:political PRI:Public Radio International PSRA:pre-sunrise authority PSSA:post-sunset authority QRM:man-made interference QRN:natural interference QTH:location PRI:Public Radio International REL:religious ROK:rock 'n' roll RS:regular schedule \$:stereo SID:singing ID SRS:sunrise skip SS:Spanish SSB:Star Spangled Banner SSS:sunset skip TC:time check TT:test tones UC:urban contemporary UPI:United Press International

DDXD-East NEWS AND VIEWS

Welcome to Richard Clark from Rockville, MD, who says "it is the first report of any type that I have sent to the DX News despite being an NRC member for almost 10 years! Well, better late than never." Good to hear from you Richard, hope it's not another ten years before your next report!

Several reporters mentioned in their reports that CJSB has actually pulled the plug; 540 is fun to DX again in the northeast!

Ray Arruda mentions that he received notice of the WSPA-950 test late, and wonders whether it could be rescheduled next season? Bob Tiara also mentions receiving the test info on WSPA late. And if you want to whet your DX appetite, jump to Bob's 760 logs...

Jean Burnell reports "There was a massive power outage that hit all of eastern Newfoundland from 12/8 to 12/11. Every St. John's station bit the dust at one time or other - VOWR (800) and VOAR (1230) seemed to be off for all of that period. CJYQ was off on 12/9 and 12/10. CBN (640) and shortwave station CKZN (6160) were off on 12/10. Two years ago when I last visited VOCM

the CE was very proud of the fact that the station had not been off for more than a few seconds since the late '60s. On the morning of 12/11 it was clear that they were having problems with their generator as the signal was conking out for 10-15 seconds every few minutes, but then they lost it completely by midmorning. The station was off for several hours, but, unfortunately, I could not extract anything useful on the bare frequency. If only their generator had croaked at night..."

Four letters received here Christmas Eve are being held until next week due to time and space.

I want to thank all of you for the very kind words throughout the year, and for all of your Holiday wishes. Just to make it an interesting Christmas here, our son, Davis, was born on 12/13/94, 6-1/2 weeks early. (Congratulations!! -pls) All are doing fine, although DX time seems to have slipped away...

SPECIAL

- 550 WGR NY Buffalo - 12/19 0005 - Noted with ABC Information Network News. (DB-DE)
- 560 WHND MI Monroe - 12/18 1000-1100 - //Classic Rock FM sister WCSX with Sunday Morning Over Easy. No WHND IDs heard during simulcast, back to SS music at 1100. (TS-MI)
- 680.75 CKXG NF Grand Falls - 12/18 0510 - Noted off-frequency, as it still is at 2053 on 12/18. This left WRKO dominating 680.0. Frequency of CKXG was estimated midway between 680.8 and 680.7. This is a CW station (hence the slogan "Country Radio"), but, in contrast to what is in the NRC Log, it is not usually //a St. John's station, however 670 (CKXB) is always //680 (CKXG). (JB-NF)
- 810 WGY NY Schenectady - 12/18 0104 - Noted with ABC-I Network News. (DB-DE)
- 950 WBBF NY Rochester - 11/29 0951 - Fair with old standards, ID at 1000 "This is the memory station, AM 950 WBBF, Rochester" into CNN News, now dominant here days with CKBB gone. (MS-ON)
- 950 CKBB ON Barrie - 12/1 - Continuous tape loop no longer being aired this date. Frequency is now open in central Ontario! (RH-ON)
- 1030 WBG5 WV Point Pleasant - 12/14 1708-1715 - CW music, ID, ads, mentioned a Christmas luncheon to benefit fire department, quick sign-off at 1715. Decent signal battling partially nulled WBZ. (GM-VA)
- 1310 WDOZ MI Dearborn - 12/18 - First day as Radio Aahs, with legal ID at 2000 "Great music for great kids, WDOZ Dearborn-Detroit". Also known as "Detroit's new Radio Aahs". Change from soul oldies had been rumored for several weeks, ex-WMTG. (TS-MI)
- 1350 WSVY VA Portsmouth - 12/15 1816 - Strong in almost completely nulled local WNLK with UC Oldies program, ID at 1810 only as "AM 1350, FM 107.7, the original Oldies but Goodies Show," man taking calls from various women in Virginia cities. (DY-CT)
- 1410 CKSL ON London - 12/7 2145 - Reception varied from good to poor as CKSL was riding with two others on the frequency, simulcasting The Fan 1430 Toronto (CJCL). No ID heard but I am aware of this as CJCL has mentioned the simulcast before. (RH-ON)
- 1590 WGGO NY Salamanca - 12/13 1438 - Neil Diamond "Desiree," talk by male DJ, ID, into Beach Boys. Log lists as TLK; make that OLD. Over/under WCBG and WARV. (DY-CT)

DX TESTS

- 570 WMAM WI Marinette - 11/28 0100-0300 - Only Reloj. (DT-JAM)
- 580 WIBW KS Topeka - 12/19 0200-0230 - Weak code IDs barely audible under WCHS. Were they on night pattern? (SF-TN) ...One set of code IDs heard at 0223. Nothing else. A rendition of Anytime by Eddie Fisher heard at 0201 followed by some piano music faded rapidly after 0204...don't know who this was. QRM from WCHS with sports talk and WBIL with UC. (RT-NC) ...Nothing heard, just usuals WHP and WCHS. (DB-DE)
- 600 WFRM PA Coudersport - 11/21 0200-0230 - Only SS, likely Rebelde. (DT-JAM)
- 620 KGTL AK Homer - 12/3 0530-0630 - Nothing heard except for strong het and UNID talker. (JL-OH)
- 760 CKQR BC Castlegar - 12/11 0300-0600 - Test tried but not heard looking under WJR. (RA-MA) ...Not heard, just loud WJR and weak Radio Reloj. (DB-DE) ...Not heard. (SF-TN) ...Not heard, drat! (JH-NJ) ...No chance in a shallow null of WJR, but what the hey! If you have trouble falling asleep, 1/2 hour of the "great Voice of the Great Lakes" should do the trick! (JL-OH) ...Tried but no results. Didn't try 1340, I wonder

- why? (RT-NC) ...Tried several times 0400-0430, not heard, only usual WJR over CMDE and HJAJ. (DY-CT)
- 790 WEAQ WI Eau Claire - 12/12 0230-0300 - Nothing heard until about 0249 with male announcer and voice ID into Al Hirt music, then possible 1 kHz TT followed by other instrumental music. Code IDs around 0254, 0259. Mentioned test for IRCA at 0257. Poor-fair under WTAR but came up strong the last 5 minutes. (JL-OH) ...One code series made it through at 0254. One tentative short period of TT earlier in the transmission noted on replay of tape. New. Frequency dominated by WWKY, WAXY and an UNID with talk. Report sent. (RT-NC) ...Not heard, WLKW 35 miles to the west and very tough to null. (RA-MA) ...Not heard. (SF-TN)
- 800 KDDD TX Dumas - 11/21 0130-0200 - Only CKLW and UNID SS, 0155 PJB signed-on with SS program. (DT-JAM)
- 940 CJGX SK Yorkton - 11/28 0100-0130 - WINZ dominated with Reloj under them. (DT-JAM)
- 1150 WHBY WI Kimberly - 12/5 0100-0200 - Not heard. (SF-TN) ...Not heard. (JL-OH)
- 1200 WGNV NY Newburgh - 11/14 0000-0030 - Only WDCQ, UNID SS and UNID REL. (DT-JAM)
- 1330 WPPI GA Carrollton - 12/10 0500-0600 - Code IDs fair at peaks under WFBC. (SF-TN) ...Nothing until code IDs at 0513, 0522 each lasting 2-4 minutes. Fair-good under a dominant WSUD? (JL-OH) (WSUD? - db) ...Poor with code IDs, voice IDs and polka music. Heard Happy Birthday Sweet Sixteen by Neil Sedaka prior to their sign-on at 0501. Not sure if this was WPPI, but included in report. No sign of Dave Schmidt's famous tones. QRM from a stronger than normal WFBC, unnullable (is that a word?). (RT-NC) ...Test tried but not heard, just WWRV and others. (RA-MA) ...Not heard, just WWRV and WFBC. (DB-DE)
- 1340 WTRN PA Tyrone - 11/21 0200-0230 - Not heard, only sports talk, likely WPBR, and UNID OLD. (DT-JAM)
- 1340 CKGF BC Grand Forks - 12/11 0300-0600 - Not heard, double drat! (JH-NJ)
- 1370 KFJM ND Grand Forks - 11/28 0130-0200 - Talknet on WCOA, SS, all very poor. (DT-JAM)
- 1450 WVLD GA Valdosta - 11/7 0000-0500 - Not heard. (DT-JAM)
- 1460 KLTC ND Dickinson - 12/6 0230-0330 - Not heard. (SF-TN)
- 1490 KYCA AZ Prescott - 11/7 0230-0300 - Not heard. (DT-JAM)
- 1580 WVKO OH Columbus - 11/28 0130-0200 - Tried at 0150, only KCWW and UNID talker under them. (DT-JAM)
- 1590 WGYJ AL Atmore - 12/10 0100-0130 - Test tried but not heard, WAKR topping frequency this AM. (RA-MA) ...Nothing heard, just weak talk and mucho WKEN splash. Night pattern, right. (DB-DE) ...No sign of them. (SF-TN) ...Not heard, only UNID with Bruce Williams and SS. (JL-OH) ...Tried for, not heard. (RT-NC)
- 1590 KDEX MO Dexter - 12/3 0105-0130 - Not heard. (SF-TN)
- 1590 WERA NJ Plainfield - 12/10 0430-0500 - Good and clear, local, that's why! If you tuned in after 0443 you missed mentions of DX test. (JH-NJ) (John included the title of the song mentioned in the promo for the test, if you want to know it, drop me a line - db) ...Heard what sounded like a 1 kHz TT throughout the test but couldn't be sure if it was this or a het buried in the jumble. (JL-OH) ...Unneeded but tried for and not noted. (RA-MA) ...Not heard, just WAKR, oldies and a preacher in WKEN splash. (DB-DE) ...Not heard. I'm 0 for 6 on 1590 so far this season. (SF-TN) ...Tried for, not heard. (RT-NC)
- 1590 WTRW WI Two Rivers - 12/4 0530-0600 - Not heard. (SF-TN)
- 1600 WLLS KY Hartford - 11/12 0100-0130 - Only WPOM and likely WOKB, imagined I heard a second of code, but not enough to be sure. (DT-JAM)
- 1600 KOHI OR St. Helens - 11/20 0300-0330 - As usual WPOM and WOKB in battle, no sign of KOHI. (DT-JAM)

UNID AND UNID HELP

- 740 UNID Non-stop NOS music on 740 after CBL goes off. I suspect WMBL. (JR-NY) (Has been noted here also, I'm guessing WMBL or WMBG - db)
- 760 UNID RE: Brent Taylor's UNID FF here in No. 9, could be WCHP-NY, as they do have FF religion for Quebec. (MS-ON)
- 760 UNID RE: Brent Taylor's UNID in No. 9, the only FF station I have on my listing from Industry Canada (as the D.O.C. is now called) is CBSI-2 on this frequency. (SA-MB)

- 990 UNID RE: Dave Yocis' UNID in No. 6, if the time of 0005 is correct this should be CBW-Winnipeg as the vast majority of CBC AM stations sign-off at 0110 local time and 0005 Eastern is 0135 in Newfoundland. (SA-MB)
- 1030 UNID RE: Mike Hardester's UNID in No. 2, this could be WCTS-MN as they have been known to "forget to back off their power every so often. (SA-MB)
- 1310 UNID *Radio Aahs* format, no local IDs heard. This might be WIBA which I heard for a news break, but I couldn't be certain. (JR-NY) (Jim, see WDOZ report in *Special* - db)
- 1360 UNID RE: Russ Horton's UNID in No. 3, if it is a Canadian station has to be CKBC as they are the only GTO station on that frequency here in the Great White North. (SA-MB)
- 1570 UNID RE: The Editor's UNID in No. 9, WZCC-IN is listed as having a slogan "Inspiration radio" so it may be them. (SA-MB)
- 1580 UNID I have been getting Indian music for a half hour or so after WNZT sign-off. This station occasionally pushes in over the French Canadian. Is this WSRF? (JW-PA)
- 1580 UNID 12/15 1800 - Caribbean music, man with strong accent says program is from 6-7 p.m., gave phone numbers to call, ID as "1580 AM," who? (DY-CT) (Probably WSRF-FL - db)
- 1590 UNID 10/30 0400-0430 - While trying for KEAS test, station heard with *Talknet*, Dr. David ??, faded out on the hour breaks. May be either WVNA or WALG, any ideas? (DT-JAM)

0000 to 0800 ELT

- 540 CBEF ON Windsor - 12/11 0427 - CBC FF talk, classical music // 690 et al, fair with WLX off. (DY-CT)
- 560 CJKL ON Kirkland Lake - 12/10 0200-0207 - Good with "CJKL" ID by man at 0200, *Broadcast News*, ads. "Happy Holidays from CJKL, serving Kirkland Lake and area" into older CW song. New here. (RR-ON)
- 760 KFMB CA San Diego - 12/19 0247-0321 - Signal rolling in during WJR silent period, barely audible with WJR OC, "booming" in when OC off. New CA here and first CA this season. Seemed too strong to be 5 kw, maybe 50 kw is on? Before 0300 (0000 PST) they were playing "soft" jazz, after 0300 it was news. Looking for KGU...a pleasant surprise anyway during a very rare WJR silent period. Maybe this CA will verify. (RT-NC) (Congrats! - db)
- WJR MI Detroit - 12/19 0011-0230 - Noted with TT and OC, never completely off while I listened. Only *Radio Reloj* noted underneath OC. Guess I quit 20 minutes early! (DB-DE)
- WJR MI Detroit - 12/19 0140-0321 - Off air for transmitter maintenance. Off/on with TT, OC, assorted music. Came back on at 0321 with talk. Announced that silent period would be the last for a while...at least through 1995. (RT-NC)
- 790 WAXY FL South Miami - 12/12 0251 - Good with NOS, plug-in ID "WAXY South Miami, a Jefferson-Pilot Communication station wishing you a happy holiday season. New under this call, ex-WMRZ. (RT-NC)
- 800 CHRC PQ Quebec - 12/9 0753 - Noted in passing with FF talk at unusual time, local VOWR off due to power failure, SIO 253. (JB-NF)
- 850 KOA CO Denver - 12/12 0230-0310 - Local like in volume. The only reason I report this is the strength of the signal. No other west coast stations heard at this time, i.e. KFL, KSL, KNBR, KNX. (RT-NC) (And if you do find KSL, feel free to call me! - db)
- KOA CO Denver - 12/18 0025-0100 - Strong and very readable signal with several ID's for several periods of 3-5 minutes during this time span. News, talk, and road condition report for parts of the Rocky Mountains. First time catch after 20+ years of checking 850 from this QTH! 850 is almost always nearly dead here! Heard on the car radio. Also heard 12/18 0105-0115 on the Sony with strong and very readable signal again. Basically a repeat of the above. (RC-MD) (Congrats! - db)
- 910 CHRL PQ Roberval - 12/19 0112 - Good with FF talk with two men dominant over CKLY and others. (DB-DE)
- 930 CFBC NB Saint John - 12/9 0738-0800 - Many local ads, contest about Princess Diana, oldies music (slogan "Original oldies, CFBC"), weather at 0751, news ("CFBC, news talk of the town") at 0759:30. Local headache CJYQ off due to power failure: SIO 242. (JB-NF)
- 940 WMIX IL Mount Vernon - 12/11 0406 - Network news, ad, ID, into light pops, fair. (DY-CT)

- 1070 CHOK ON Sarnia - 12/18 0452 - Hockey promo, run-down of shows in town with telephone numbers "brought to you by Hometown Radio, CHOK". Under the massive CBA OC, deep fades, SIO 222. (JB-NF)
- 1120 KMOX MO St. Louis - 12/12 0215-0310 - Noted off air with OC. Two SS stations battling it out. No Oregon again!! Second week in a row KMOX has been off at this time on MM. (RT-NC)
- 1180 WHJM TN Knoxville - 12/17 0647 - Good with ID, GOS music. (MB-IN)
- 1260 WWDC DC Washington - 12/18 0143 - Oldies music, promo to tell advertisers about WWDC, and weather for DC and outside the Beltway. Good. (MJ-FL)
- 1330 WBTV VA Danville - 12/18 0059 - Oldies music and legal ID. Fair under WFBC for several hours. (MJ-FL)
- 1340 WYCB DC Washington - 12/11 0427 - Fair, came up with weather for downtown Washington into Gospel songs. New. (JH-NJ)
- WMBO NY Auburn - 12/11 0415 - Poor with oldies, ID "WMBO Auburn", quickly covered by WYCB. New. (JH-NJ)
- WSTJ VT St. Johnsbury - 12/10 0333 - ID heard in between oldies music. (HJH-PA)
- 1450 WOL DC Washington - 12/15 0700 - Promo for program, listen "if you're afraid of getting old and losing your mind," ID (mentioning // 1010), local news. Good on peaks. (DY-CT)
- 1480 WPWC VA Dumfries-Triangle - 12/15 0724 - CW song *How Do I Wrap My Heart Up For Christmas?* Then reverb ad, PSA with call letter mention, more CW Christmas music. Good, atop WKDM. (DY-CT) (Did you mean WZRC? - db)
- 1510 WSSH MA Boston - 11/6 0039-0102 - Good with lively SS music/vocals, also ballads. Man talking in SS, ID in EE and SS as "WSSH Boston", ex-WMRE. (RR-ON)
- 1550 WVAB VA Virginia Beach - 12/18 0130 - CNN *Headline News* in after CBE sign-off, probably not 9 watts! Has been noted a few times in the last week. (DB-DE)
- 1590 WAKR OH Akron - 12/11 0135 - Excellent, "The home of Sports Talk..." ID and OLD/AC, CNN News at 0200, over WERA. (BC-NH)

0800 to 1600 ELT

- 700 WCAT MA Orange-Athol - 12/9 1514 - Ads, local Christmas PSA's, ID good. (DY-CT)
- 830 WCRN MA Worcester - 12/12 1519 - *Yankee Kitchen* call-in show in CFJR null, ID, into REL 1600. Probably them on 12/8 2148 with REL competing with St. Kitts. (DY-CT)
- WWMO NC Eden - 12/12 1559 - Christmas music, ID by man, into GOS music, briefly over WCRN in CFJR null. (DY-CT)
- 900 WMVU NH Nashua - 12/12 1514 - Local ad, into talk program. (DY-CT)
- 980 WCAP MA Lowell - 12/9 1507 - Temperature in Lowell, ID, into network talk, good. (DY-CT)
- 1150 WMEX MA Boston - 12/9 1511 - SS music, "Once cincuenta, WMEX" ID over WCNX, good. (DY-CT)
- 1200 WKOX MA Framingham - 11/29 1556 - Fair, country music, promo for "WKOX morning news". ID at 1600 "The home of real country music, AM 1200 WKOX, Framingham-Boston". (MS-ON)
- 1220 WRIB RI Providence - 12/12 1500 - "AM 1220 WRIB Providence" ID, ad for *North Providence Medical Services*, over/under WXCT and UNID. (DY-CT)
- CJSS ON Cornwall - 12/9 1543 - Contest promo, ID, Eric Clapton, very good. (DY-CT)
- 1330 WASA MD Havre de Grace - 12/14 1543 - Ad for *Wild Goose Brewery* "right here in MD," *Furniture Plus* in Darlington, CW music, ID as "Classic Country 1330," dominant. (DY-CT)
- WEBO NY Owego - 12/9 1500 - Atop with ID, "Cuyahoga County's great entertainer, WEBO Owego." (DY-CT)
- WESR VA Onley - 12/9 1520-1530 - Coming in over several others like a local at times, IDs included "103 The Shore". (JB-MA)
- 1340 WNHC CT New Haven - 12/22 0850 - Briefly on top with ad for "J & S...Goods in New Haven". First time heard here. (DB-DE)
- 1490 WHAV MA Haverhill - 12/22 1553 - "You're listening to 1490 WHAV" into Jefferson Starship song, lost to WGCH, which is semi-regular here. (DB-DE)
- 1460 WEMR PA Tunkhannock - 12/12 1530-1545 - Playing CW songs with many IDs and a jingle "WEMR, your country station". (JB-MA)
- 1500 WSEM GA Donalsonville - 12/18 1543 - Poor under WTOP with ID: "AM radio is alive and well - WSEM and WBBK-AM". Their slogan would be more convincing if they weren't simulcasting. (MJ-FL)

1600 WKWF FL Key West - 11/19 1157-1230 - Is relaying WKIZ-1500 with OLD, many IDs as "WKIZ" and at 1230, before CBS News, "...WKIZ-WKWF". First U.S. station to be heard in daytime here! (DT-JAM)

1600 TO 2400 ELT

540 WLIX NY Islip - 12/3 1730 - Strong signal at times with program schedule at this time. ID "Long Island's Christian Radio, Christian 54 - WLIX". CJSB now off, suffered from QRM from WWCS. (HJH-PA)

WWCS PA Canonsburg - 12/3 1730 - Relay of old jazz program on BBC, no ID noted at this time. (HJH-PA)

WRIC VA Richlands - 12/12 1805 - ID after news, possibly the one with ABC News, "WRIC AM 540, playing your favorites from today and yesterday" into Glenn Frey tune. First time here, thanks CJSB! (DB-DE)

550 WJMW PA Bloomsburg - 12/9 1915 - Non-stop Christmas music, ID by woman DJ, mostly under WGR/WICE. (DY-CT)

560 CJKL ON Kirkland Lake - 12/9 2040 - Fair signal at times with oldies music. Many ads mentioning Kirkland Lake and ID as "AM-560 CJKL". (HJH-PA)

600 CFCH ON North Bay - 12/9 2132 - ID at this time "No one plays a bigger variety of music than CFCH". Weak-fair. (HJH-PA)

620 WVMT VT Burlington - 12/3 2330-2332 - Fair with male DJ giving local weather report, ID as "WVMT, your weather station", mixing with WRJZ. New state, #44! Last state needed east of Montana! (RR-ON) (Congrats! - db)

WVMT VT Burlington - 12/11 1735-1758 - GTO Magazine program, IDs. VT #2! (GM-VA)

670 WIEZ PA Lewistown - 12/9 1617 - Local supermarket ad, ID, good in WFAN sloop. (DY-CT)

720 WRZN FL Hernando - 12/5 1718-1746 - Music, many ads, IDs as "Sunshine 7-20 WRZN". Verie back stating they were on their day power a little longer than normal conducting transmitter alignments! (GM-VA)

WGCR NC Pisgah Forest - 11/30 1638-1657 - Gospel music, "Ringing in the Bells of Christmas" contest, *Freedom Under Fire* program. (GM-VA)

730 WPIT PA Pittsburgh - 11/30 1658 - Fair with talk show ending, musical bridge, ID sung out as "AM 73 WPIT Pittsburgh". (MS-ON)

740 WMBL NC Morehead City - 12/12 1600-1633 - News, many IDs as "Unforgettable 7-40", Christmas music. Mixing with WVCH and CBL, WMBG nulled. (GM-VA)

750 WBMD MD Baltimore - 12/14 1600 - REL program, ID as "Radio 75, WBMD Baltimore." (DY-CT)

760 WCHP NY Champlain - 12/12 1617 - Sign-off announcement by man, no SSB. (DY-CT)

770 WVNN AL Athens - 12/4 1732-1756 - *Rambling with Ramsey* vacation talk show (what's next?). WABC nulled, good signal. (GM-VA)

WLWL NC Rockingham - 12/14 1720-1730 - Fair with WVTV-3 simulcast news. (RT-NC)

790 WWKY KY Louisville - 12/14 1657 - "Talk 790, WWKY" into network talk, fair. (DY-CT)

WMC TN Memphis - 12/6 1735 - Fair with weather forecast, call letters, talk. Some WWKY QRM, new. (MB-IN)

WTAR VA Norfolk - 12/7 1758 - Fair with traffic report by male, "WTAR Newstalk 790 traffic", weather by female, no CIGM! (MS-ON)

840 WCTG SC Columbia - 12/11 1705-1715 - Gospel music, mention of *The quiet Hour* program, typical sign-off. Loud and alone. (GM-VA) (I'll bet they pack in the listeners with those quiet programs! - db)

870 WKAR MI East Lansing - 12/16 2025 - Fair with ID as "This is news radio 870, WKAR", *NPR News*, WWL on top by 2050. New. (MB-IN)

WFLO VA Farmville - 12/12 1659 - Into full sign-off, no SSB, very good signal. Irregularly heard here on SSS. (RT-NC)

910 WABI ME Bangor - 12/13 1641-1643 - Lengthy announcement about "WABI AM 9-10 and the Market of the Future", said 50+ age group is the largest buying group in America (I can't wait!). ME #2. (GM-VA)

940 WINZ FL Miami - 12/14 1730 - Weather, "News 940," into top stories mentioning Liberty City, "Winz news-time 5:30." Fair under CBM. (DY-CT)

950 WAKM TN Franklin - 12/15 1755 - Fair with ad for *Franklin Kubota*, local news, call letters. Lost to WXLW by 1800. (MB-IN)

WXGI VA Richmond - 12/7 1759 - Fair with country music selection by Conway Twitty, contest winner announcement, winner's prize was a meal at *Old Country Cafe*, could pick up voucher at WXGI's studios on German School Road, ID as "AM 950 WXGI". (MS-ON)

960 WRNS NC Kinston - 12/14 1727 - Community calendar read by woman, call and "95.1 FM" ID, fair-good in jumble. (DY-CT)

970 WFUN OH Ashtabula - 12/14 1613 - Local ads, "Your complete fun forecast," "Ashtabula County's number one oldies station," WFUN jingle, good in WWDJ null. (DY-CT)

980 WYFN TN Nashville - 12/16 2025 - Good-fair in LSB with REL sermon, ID as "Quality Christian programming for the whole family, WYFN, Nashville", Christmas music. (MB-IN)

990 WCAZ IL Carthage - 12/11 1740 - Fair, in/out with call letters, CW music, new. (MB-IN)

1000 CFLP PQ Rimouski - 12/12 1702-1711 - FF version of *Jingle Bells*, ID, jingle music. Loud and strong, gone at pattern change. (GM-VA)

1030 WFTK NC Wake Forest - 12/14 1630 - ID, promo, GOS music fair under WBZ. (DY-CT)

1040 WYFX FL Boynton Beach - 12/5 2115-2125 - Playing UC music with numerous "Foxy 1040" IDs. Several SS stations underneath, but fairly good signal. (JB-MA)

1060 WFLE KY Flemingsburg - 12/14 1701-1710 - CNN News, *Kentucky Network News*, ads for *Rick's Farm Center* "for your livestock herd," *Farmer's Stockyard*, "WFLE AM and FM" ID. Fair, mostly under partially nulled KYW. (DY-CT)

1120 WHTT NY Buffalo - 12/12 1622 - Presumed them with "Coming right up on Oldies 104" ID. (DY-CT)

1170 WACV AL Montgomery - 11/28 2050-2012 - *Alabama Sports Network*, IDs as "Talk Radio 11-70 WACV". WWVA partially nulled. (GM-VA)

WKZE MA Orleans - 12/12 1654 - "Oldies 104.7" ID, Cape Cod ads. (DY-CT)

1200 WCHB MI Taylor - 12/8 1655 - Mixing with WAGE, WGNV and others, strong on peaks with ID and jingle, then back to local talk show host who talked of proper refrigerator cleaning and methods of venting dryers. Previously heard on 1440. (HJH-PA)

1240 WGVA NY Geneva - 12/9 1601 - 50's music, "Good Time Oldies, 1240 WGVA" ID, into ABC news, good. First time I've heard that slogan on a U.S. station. (DY-CT)

1250 WMTR NJ Morristown - 12/9 1807 - Good, *News First* followed by *Community Connection* talk program, over WKBR and a strong het from Libya-1251. (BC-NH)

1270 WLBR PA Lebanon - 12/9 1636 - Local news, ad for graveyard headstones, many IDs. (DY-CT)

1280 WHTK NY Rochester - 12/12 1610 - *ESPN Sports Beat*, ads, "Don & Mike" promo, "Hot Talk 1280 WHTK" ID. (DY-CT)

1300 WKCY VA Harrisonburg - 12/9 1639 - Local news, ID as "News-Talk WKCY 1300." (DY-CT)

1310 WLOB ME Portland - 12/12 1700 - ID, *USA News* fair in mess. (DY-CT)

WSLW WV White Sulphur Springs - 12/5 1700 - Was listening to a jumble of 4-5 stations when a good clear "1310 WSLW, White Sulphur Springs" ID came through, nice surprise and new here. (JB-MA)

1320 WTKZ PA Allentown - 12/12 1720 - "You're listening to 13-20 talk, WTKZ, Allentown" then gone to WJAS, ex-WKAP. (DB-DE)

WGET PA Gettysburg - 12/6 2102 - Promo for award-winning news department, several IDs, good. (DY-CT)

CJMR ON Mississauga - 12/8 1726 - Ending religious program and into *Drinking and Driving* PSA, ID by woman. (HJH-PA)

1330 WESR VA Onley - 12/9 1610 - *Madonna Vogue*, ID, ad for boating shop, promo for *ABC Sports*, good. (DY-CT)

1340 WMID NJ Atlantic City - 12/8 1738 - Up over the din at times with Christmas music and a Perry Como tune, IDs. (HJH-PA)

1350 WOYK PA York - 12/16 1732 - Local news, ID, ad, good in WNLK null. (DY-CT)

1390 WDCW NY Syracuse - 12/8 1855 - Fair with WHOT, religious programming, male announcer giving call letters and into "Bob Phillips Ministry - Come Up Higher". (RH-ON)

WHOT OH Youngstown - 12/8 1900 - Fair with WDCW, male announcer with "Home of the Greatest Musical Memories of all Time - WHOT" into Simon and Garfunkel's *Bridge Over Troubled Water*. (RH-ON)

1400 WICK PA Scranton - 12/12 1748 - Elevator music, "Brightening your day on the only easy-listening station in town, WICK" ID, ads. Good in tight but deep null of local WSTC. (DY-CT)

1410 WPOP CT Hartford - 12/13 1725-1746 - News, talk, weather, many IDs. Strong over WDOV, KQV and others. (GM-VA)

WPOP CT Hartford - 12/17 1732 - Weather for Hartford and ID. Good with WDOV on a good night for reception along the coast. (MJ-FL)

- WDOE NY Dunkirk - 12/7 2204 - Reception was fair, mostly in the null of CKSL, but rising occasionally out of the din with pop AC and oldies into CBS News at 2200 and ID heard "We're your station for news, sports...WDOE". (RH-ON)
- KQV PA Pittsburgh - 12/7 1858 - Good with weather report for Pittsburgh and national weather from Weather Channel. ID heard as "News Radio KQV" then into CBS News at 1900...then gone! (RH-ON)
- KQV PA Pittsburgh - 12/9 1858 - Ad, "KQV News-time 6:58," fair with WPOP, several UNIDs. (DY-CT)
- 1440 WGIG GA Brunswick - 11/24 1900-1955 - News, Talknet with Bruce Williams, ID as "You are listening to WGIG...". Poor, interference from CMKU. (DT-JAM)
- 1450 WGPC GA Albany - 2142-2215 - OLD or EZL, news, mixed with WMVG. ID in part as "...WGPC...", also interference from WOCN in FF. (DT-JAM) (No date given - db)
- WMVG GA Milledgeville - 11/22 2204-2217 - AC, sudden break through WGPC, WOCN, ID as "WMVG...good time 1450...", poor. (DT-JAM)
- 1470 WPNC NC Plymouth - 12/17 1659 - Poor with sign-off giving power and address. (MJ-FL)
- 1480 WIST NC Charlotte - 12/17 2159 - Fair with nostalgic music and legal ID, into news. (MJ-FL)
- 1500 WGTT AL Alabaster - 12/17 1720 - Public service announcement for Toys for Tots and ID. Fair in null of WTOP. (MJ-FL)
- 1520 WKZQ SC Myrtle Beach - 12/14 1722 - Two Pearl Jam songs, "The superstars of rock, 101.7 WKZQ." To good peaks in WWKB null. (DY-CT)
- 1530 WRTP NC Chapel Hill - 12/9 1643 - ID, CW countdown, very good. (DY-CT)
- 1550 WNTN MA Newton - 12/16 1545 - ID in Italian, has French up to 1530. Good, atop channel. (DY-CT)
- 1570 WKDB MD Towson - 12/14 1536 - Ad for Disney show in Baltimore, other MD mentions, "Radio Aahs" ID. (DY-CT)
- WCLF TN Cleveland - 12/14 1705 - Fair with call letters, ad for Shirley's Flower Basket, weather forecast, CW music. (MB-IN)
- WYTI VA Rocky Mount - 12/11 1847-1900 - CW music, male DJ giving ID and local weather for Rocky Mount. Sign-off at 1858 including power, ID, frequency. Happy Trails by Roy Rogers at sign-off 1859-1900. New. (RR-ON)
- 1580 WSRF FL Fort Lauderdale - 12/1 2120-2145 - Playing 55 songs with male and female announcers speaking EE with heavy accents. Never heard the call letters, but they were taking requests on the phone number listed in the NRC AM Log. Also numerous mentions of events in Fort Lauderdale and Florida. (JB-MA)
- WSRF FL Fort Lauderdale - 12/9 2246 - Ads for local restaurants, nightclubs, Clarence Thomas jokes, alternative rock, good, briefly over CBJ. (DY-CT)
- WVVO OH Columbus - 11/29 1919 - Popping in while getting gas. (JW-PA)
- 1590 WPWA PA Chester - 11/29 1700 - Poor, ID by man through QRM as "This is WPWA? radio, Chester". I put the ? as the last letter sounded like a "Y" to me but WPWA is listed as new call. (MS-ON)
- WFTH VA Richmond - 12/13 1534 - Fair, occasionally atop with GOS music, ID, weather by male DJ. (DY-CT)

OTHER STUFF

- 1620 KPD581 CT Windsor - 12/11 1618 - In well with a lady representing the Connecticut DOT expounding the virtues and benefits of sharing the ride to work through car or van pooling or taking the bus. A phone number was given (1-800 842-2150 for a free car pooling map, or offer for a free ride on the Commuter Ride Fare van service. (TB-MA)
- 1620 KPD581 CT Windsor - 12/11 2135 - Good, female announcer on tape loop with info on ride sharing from the Connecticut Department of Transportation, over an UNID music station. (BC-NH)
- 1620.3 UNID NY Rochester? - 12/10 2238-2300+ - Someone relaying WKLX-FM, IDs as "WKLX Oldies 98.9", oldies music, local Rochester ads, request line. No pirate ID for relay, fair signal. (RR-ON)
- 1625 RFM NY Wellsville(?) - 12/18 0011 - Pirate station in well playing Rock, EZL and Pop music along with a phony silly story about a little boy who wanted cocaine and a public service announcement for the United Appeal For The Dead. ID in several different languages was given frequently as: "You are listening to RFM 1625, the very tippy top of your AM dial." An address of P.O. Box 452, Wellsville, NY, 14895 was mentioned several times for those wishing to QSL. He signed off at 0028. (TB-MA) (The Wellsville address is just a P.O. Box for mail, I believe - db) (Correct - it's a mail drop for a number of pirates - pls.)

REPORTERS

- RA-MA Ray Arruda, Acushnet, MA: HQ-180A, SX-122, Radio West and Palomar Loops
- SA-MB Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg, MB: (Thanks for the help, Shawn - db)
- JB-MA Jim Bagge, Springfield, MA: R-5000 with several longwires, Delco car radio
- TB-MA Tom Beaton, Manchester, MA: Drake R-8, Mini-MWDX 5X phasing unit, BUFAMP-1 Buffer/Amplifier Unit, 2-100' slopers
- JB-NF Jean Burnell, St. John's, NF: Sony 2010 with 2-foot box loop or Icom IC-R71A with 30-foot wire in attic
- MB-IN Mark Burns, Terre Haute, IN: Drake R-8, Quantum Loop, 80' longwire
- RC-MD Richard Clark, Rockville, MD: Alpine 7510 car radio, Sony ICF5900W, Quantum Loop
- BC-NH Bruce Conti, Nashua, NH: ICF-2010 with Kiwa filter upgrade, MWDX-5, 30-m longwire, 23-m southeast sloper
- SF-TN Steve Francis, Alcoa, TN: Realistic TRF
- JH-NJ John Hanz, Old Bridge, NJ: Panasonic RQ-V60
- HJH-PA Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre, PA: Superadio II, Superloop
- RH-ON Russ Horton, Mississauga, ON: Sony CFS-710S
- MJ-FL Mike Jeziorski, Crescent Beach, FL: Sony ICF-2010, Quantum Loop
- JL-OH Jeffrey Less, Toledo, OH: Panasonic RF5000A
- GM-VA Greg Myers, Virginia Beach, VA: Grundig YB-400
- JR-NY Jim Renfrew, Rochester, NY:
- RR-ON Robert Ross, London, ON: Collins 651S-1, Hammarlund SP-600, dipoles, longwires, vertical, homebrew diamond loop
- TS-MI Tom Sanders, Davison, MI: Sony 2010
- MS-ON Morris Sorenson, Scarborough, ON: Hammarlund HQ-150 with McKay-Dymek DA9, Panasonic RF-B65, GE Superadio II
- RT-NC Robert Tiara, Hendersonville, NC: R-5000, 24" amplified ferrite loop or many longwires
- DT-JAM Don Trelford, St. Anns Bay, Jamaica: Kenwood R-2000, MFJ indoor active antenna, NNW-SSW longwire (Don, your letter dated 11/28 came here one day before your letter dated 11/13, due to space I edited the October logs. Don did hear the WPIE-1160 and WGET-1320 tests - db)
- JW-PA Jim Weber, Lancaster, PA:
- DY-CT David Yocis, Darien CT: R71-A, Kiwa Loop
- DB-DE Dave Braun, Wyoming, DE: R-5000, Quantum Loop



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Here are the up-coming deadlines for your loggings to reach me: January 1, January 8, January 15, January 22, January 29. Stuff that reaches by Sunday via USPS or e-mail will always get in; reports arriving on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday have a diminishing chance of getting in, and may be held for the following week. Thanks for following the exact format shown below. This week's column was filed a week ahead of deadline due to my Christmas travel plans, so the next edition should be jam-packed with DX!

Bienvenu to Denis Picard, from Trois-Rivières, adding Quebec to our list of reporting provinces and states this season.

Ray Moore gets up early in the mornings to get some very interesting signals, so we'll start with his loggings first! By the way, Ray, complete information about your mystery station on 1557 appears under Station News.

Jim

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 1548 AUSTRALIA 4QD Emerald assumed, NOV 23 1134-1144 - Man and woman unintelligible in noise and splatter. Best TP this fall along with 774 and 738 kHz - all put in a carrier most every morning but there has been very little audio. [Moore-FL]
- 1557 MARSHALL ISLANDS assumed, NOV 17 & 18 1121-1151 - With good carrier 1121-1151 and was on verge of audio 1151 (LSR) on NOV 18. Managed to get 14 DF bearings the two mornings which averaged 283 degrees. True bearing to Majuro is 284 degrees. At that distance one degree equals 76 miles! [Moore-FL]
- 1566 UNID NOV 26 1135-1136 - After listening to 1575 kHz was tuning down the dial and was surprised by a good carrier on this frequency. I could get no null. Traces of music were audible 1135-36. By 1140 the carrier was almost gone. [Moore-FL]
- 1575 UNID - First noted with good carrier NOV 20 1117-1144 on a very disturbed morning. Usual TP carriers were absent. I could get no null. NOV 23 1121-23 carrier with no null, possible traces of audio 1137. NOV 26 1121- 1130 fluttery signal; perhaps shallow null at 356 degrees. Traces of voice and music 1128. Noted again NOV 30 1138-45 no null. DEC 4 1127-34 possible shallow null at 356 degrees. DEC 10 1115-55 possible shallow null at 354 degrees, definite man and woman voices 1134-37. This station and the one on 1566 are the only ones on which I have been unable to obtain a DF null out of thousands of bearings taken the past 15 months. [Moore-FL]

Ray speaks: "Strange goings on recently on 1575 and 1566 kHz enlivened an otherwise poor fall TP season here in the tropics. I make no claims regarding these stations. I have had fairly good audio on both frequencies in the past from Australia/New Zealand stations. However, I do not believe these were down-under stations this time because (1) they did not "sound like" down-under carriers but were reminiscent of the Urumchi, China, station which I logged many times in 1525 and 1521 kHz in the 1970's as did many other DXers in the Northeast, (2) on at least two of the occasions almost none of the usual down- under stations were coming in, (3) there were no nulls which is characteristic of trans-polar signals arriving via multiple paths."

(Ray, you carefully make no claims, but I wonder - given your observations - if you received India 1566 or Thailand 1575 over the top? A VOA W-94 schedule released OCT 17 (via Jean Burnell) shows the following on VOA Thailand relay 1575: 1130-1200 Burmese 1000 kW, 145 azimuth, 1230-1300 Laotian 1000 kW, 145 azimuth. The Voice of Free Asia also uses 1575 Mon-Fri 1030-1130 Thai, SaSu 1030-1100 Thai and 1100-1130 Malay. India 1566 (1000 kW) is also on during the times you mentioned, according to the WRTH 94. It has been reported in Europe with Switzerland 1566 now off the air. Anyone with a sophisticated a computer program may be able to give some additional insights regarding exact gray-line location on those mornings when you listened. By the way, a variety of articles in *Proceedings, DX Ontario* and the *NASWA Journal* in recent years show a pattern of signal enhancement when receiver and/or transmitter are on the gray-line. At the risk of over-simplifying, the edge of the signal- reflective atmospheric layer may concentrate signals arriving from different angles for a limited period of time. When the signal path is entirely along the gray-line amazing things can occur, albeit briefly. John Bryant and David Clark may have a more scientific explanation, but I can only give the theological explanation for your report: wow! - Jim) (Without adding too much to what you've noted, Jim, I can say that Rick Carr in Austin, TX, and I in SE KS heard the Korean on 1566 in 1980 -pls.)

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 531.97a TURKS & CAICOS, R.V.C., DEC 18 0208 - Reggae music fair with RVC running OC on 531.9 kHz. [Yocis-CT] DEC 18 0455 - Alleluia's, SS talk; loud. There's quite a "het symphony" here with ZLS - 526, CIAO/F9/TIS's - 530, Spain/Algeria - 531, T&C - 531.97, and Grenada - 535. [Connelly-MA] DEC 23 0540 - Still here! [Renfrew-NY]
- 535 Turks and Caicos, Radio Visión Cristiana DEC 5 0740 - Audio level constant; deep-voiced man in SS and some singing. 0802 announcement in EE partly audible; I heard "1330" and then the station faded. [Scrimgeour-BC] (first West Coast reception I've seen of this one - jim)
- 550 VENEZUELA YVKE Mundial, Caracas - DEC 6 0328-0332 - Good with man talking SS, jingles, many mentions of Caracas and IDs as "Radio Mundial, bells at 0332, mixing with WGR. [Ross-ON] DEC 18 0234 - SS music, talk by man (news?) on the half-hour, Mundial jingles, fair, atop channel. [Yocis-CT]
- 620 CUBA R. Rebelde - DEC 18 0238 - Baseball game strong in partial null of WVNJ. [Yocis-CT]
- 640 CUBA, DEC 14 0221 - In well with SS pop music than lady with several announcements, including a cartoon contest for kids. R. Progreso ID into a music show. [Beaton-MA]
- 650 COLOMBIA, HJKH Bogotá, DEC 13 0123 - Telephone talk by two men and Antena Dos ID. [Beaton-MA] DEC 18 0241 - SS instrumental music, "Antena dos" by man, SS vocal, good in WFAN-660 null, no sign of WSM. [Yocis-CT] DEC 18 0500 - loud & dominant with talk "Feliz Navidad con Antena Dos", then RCN mention & time pips. [Connelly-MA]
- 690 ECUADOR, HCJB, DEC 24 0515-0545 - No sign of HCJB Test, just CBF playing various versions of "O Holy Night" on top and Anguilla underneath. Three tones that could have been Morse code popped through around 0530, but they may have been part of "O Holy Night". Where's an aurora when you need it? [Renfrew-NY]
- 700 JAMAICA JBC Radio 1, Montego Bay, NOV 27 0736-0754 - Fair, man with RELG service and talk over/under WLW. Man with a Carib accent with phone calls from listeners. [Ross-ON]
- 740 UNID, DEC 18 0830 - A huge pile-up here, including domestics, Cuba, and somebody making the "tschew-tschew-tschew" sounds that I heard on 770 a few weeks ago, which Tim Hall identified as Fresnillo, Mexico. Is there an outlet from that same network on 740 at this time? [Renfrew-NY]
- 780 COLOMBIA R. Almirante, HJZW Riohacha - DEC 18 0246 - SS music, ID good, well over WBBM. [Yocis-CT]
- 780 VENEZUELA R. Coro YVMN, NOV 29 0333-0354 - Fair with SS ballads and talk in partial WBBM null. Finally caught R. Coro ID at 0354. [Sorenson-ON]
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES PJB Bonaire, NOV 29 0058 - Fair with SS talk, mentioning Quito, Ecuador, ID "Ésta es la ??? de Radio Transmundial", also mention of Bonaire and Netherlands Antilles, into musical bridge with guitar music, CJBQ nulled, no sign of CKLW. [Sorenson-ON]
- 830 ST. KITTS, T.B.N. Basseterre, DEC 18 0509 - excited southern-US-accented preacher speaking to a congregation in a large hall. Program was // 7510 and the signal was a bit under WCRN (which had a relaxed northern or west-coast preacher // WROL-950). With the duelling preachers, there was little hope for either CFJR or WCCO. [Connelly-MA]
- 840 CUBA CMHW Santa Clara, NOV 29 0330 - Fair in partial WHAS null with Cuban-style SS ballads and ID sung out. [Sorenson-ON]
- 880 VENEZUELA R. Paraguana, DEC 18 0653 - SS music program (lighter fare), with "en Paraguana, Ocho-ochenta" IDs; interference from R. Progreso in WCBS null; new. [Renfrew-NY]
- 895 ST KITTS & NEVIS Charlestown, DEC 16 0133 - In ok with many ads including Nevis Manufacturing Parts Unlimited, The Medical Center, The Mellrest Bongo Tree and an announcement for the arrival of Santa Claus! [Beaton-MA]
- 960 COLOMBIA CARACOL Magangüe, HJOP - NOV 29 0220 - Poor/fair in CFFX null, in and out with SS talk, Caracol net // 1170 kHz. [Sorenson-ON] DEC 16 2316 - Man with comedy, mucho laughter, "Colombiana" mentions, ads, very good. [Yocis-CT]
- 1000 COLOMBIA HJAQ Cartagena, NOV 29 0228 - Fair, with some CFRB splatter, talk by man in SS mentioned "de Colombia". [Sorenson-ON]
- 1020 TURKS & CAICOS DEC 16 0124 - In over KDKA with a religious show [Beaton - MA]
- 1040 BRAZIL R. Capital, São Paulo, DEC 3 2240 - Fast talking man in SS or PP, said "R. Capital at 2243; some mentions of Colombia and Venezuela (maybe a description of a soccer game between them), then another ID R. Capital an a pip at 2300. But at 2305 I heard mentions of Radio Tropical in less than 2 minutes and music was played at 2308. The signal, which was weak but uniform, began to fade shortly after, and was alone on frequency. I wonder what this R. Tropical is, and would be surprised catching Brazil on the ICF-2010

with the built-in antenna! [Picard-PQ] (Denis, R. Tropical is from Barranquilla, Colombia - apparently back in the last year or so after being off the air for some time. As for Brazil, I don't know. Brazil is possible from your QTH at this time, but I would think a good antenna would be required - Jim)

- 1040 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC R. Central, HION Santo Domingo - DEC 16 2312 - Clear ID by woman, talk by man, fair/good over another SS. [Yocis-CT]
- 1170 COLOMBIA HJNW Cartagena, NOV 7 0703-0717 - Talk or news, ID at 0715 as "La Hora Caracol", man and woman alternating reading, fair. [Trelford-JAM] NOV 29 0231 - poor/fair with Caracol ID and SS talk by man // 960 kHz. [Sorenson-ON]
- 1200 VENEZUELA R. Tiempo, YVOZ Caracas - DEC 15 0324 - Talk re futbol, IDs, fair under WKRL. [Yocis-CT]
- 1240 BAHAMAS ZNS2 Nassau, NOV 6 0103-0133 - REL/GOS, mention of Bahamas, poor with lots of interference. [Trelford-JAM]
- 1375 ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON RFO, DEC 4 0320 - Two men in FF talking about the photograph job, "France-Inter" news at 0328, "New Kid in Town" song at 0339. Fair signal, but severe QRM from WFEA/WXXI and CFDA-1380. [Picard-PQ]
- 1610 ANGUILLA The Valley, DEC 16 0105 - Good with ad for Photo Guns in St. Maarten, local & regional news into Showers Of Blessings show. [Beaton-MA]
- 1620 unID, DEC 18 0431 - SS talk by 2 men, mixing with PCH (Holland) CW utility station. [Connelly-MA]
- 1685 COLOMBIA, Mercaderes Beacon-MER, DEC 12 0233-0240 - Fair with MER repeated in morse code. [Ross-ON] DEC 13 0347 - Huge signal with probably worldwide coverage. [Beaton-MA] DEC 19 0450 - Weak, but readable, 6 code groups per minute. Anyone have an address for this one? I want to try to verify if before the extended band opens up. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1700 BRAZIL, Carajas Beacon-CR], DEC 13 0351 - Good signal and first Brazilian for me on MW! [Beaton-MA] (nice catch - Jim)

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 549 ALGERIA Les Trembles, DEC 18 0453 - man in AA; in CFNB slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 585 SPAIN Madrid, DEC 18 0452 - piano & SS vocal // 603, 621; fair through WBNW slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 603 SPAIN Sevilla / Palencia, DEC 18 0451 - piano & SS vocal // 585, 621; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS Santa Cruz de Tenerife, DEC 18 0450 - good with SS talk, then piano jazz & nightclub-style SS male vocal, // 585, 603, et al. [Connelly-MA]
- 639 SPAIN La Coruna, DEC 18 0459 - fair with SS talk. [Connelly-MA]
- 684 SPAIN Sevilla, DEC 24 0508 - Fair, with AA-type chanting music. I just dialed down here for a second before the HCJB Test on 690. Not the kind of music I'd expect to find on this station, but who else could it be? Gone when I checked back at 0545. [Renfrew-NY]
- 729 SPAIN Oviedo, DEC 18 0503 - SS news // 738; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 738 SPAIN Barcelona, DEC 18 0503 - SS news by man & woman; fair through slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 756 SPAIN Bilbao, DEC 13 0436 - piano music, then SS talk; good. DEC 18 0442 - romantic SS vocal; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 765 SENEGAL Dakar, DEC 9 2202 - Great signal with man in FF talk and occasional brief instrumental music while he paused. [Beaton-MA] DEC 15 0443 - good with man & woman in FF. DEC 18 0506 - FF news interview; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 774 SPAIN synchros., DEC 18 0441 - rock guitar with group vocal; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 801 SPAIN Lugo, DEC 18 0507 - SS talk; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 855 SPAIN Murcia et al., DEC 18 0512 - SS talk, then classical guitar & plaintive vocal; excellent with WEEL-850 phased. [Connelly-MA]
- 873 SPAIN Zaragoza, DEC 18 0518 - man & woman in SS; to good peaks. [Connelly-MA]
- 882 CANARY ISLANDS La Laguna, DEC 14 2246 - Fair with man and lady in SS talk through WCBS slop. [Beaton-MA]
- 891 ALGERIA Algiers, DEC 13 2320 - AA male vocal with drums & violins; good with WBMA phased. DEC 18 0521 - political-sounding AA talk; excellent. [Connelly-MA] DEC 14 2243 - Excellent and throwing a big het on 890. Two men in AA talk than some music. [Beaton-MA]
- 909 ENGLAND, DEC 19 0132 - BBC EE talk; atop AA station & others. [Connelly-MA]
- 981 ALGERIA Algiers, DEC 18 0522 - Koranic a cappella male AA vocal; excellent, almost as strong as the blaster on 891. [Connelly-MA]
- 999 SPAIN Madrid, DEC 15 0028 - man in SS; good. [Connelly-MA]

- 1044 SPAIN San Sebastian, DEC 15 0056 - Fair with SS telephone talk. [Beaton-MA] DEC 15 0240 - rock music, then SS talk by man; to good peaks. [Connelly-MA]
- 1044 MOROCCO Sebba-Aioun, DEC 9 2146 - AA rap music with instruments [Beaton-MA]
- 1062 DENMARK Kalundborg, DEC 12 0526 - Joni Mitchell song; good. DEC 13 0502 - news by man in Danish; stronger than KYW-1060. [Connelly-MA]
- 1098 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, DEC 15 0324 - Good with EZL melody music, six pips at 0330 into SS talk by a man. [Beaton-MA]
- 1098 SLOVAK REPUBLIC Nitra, DEC 13 2330 - time pips, then a woman mentioned "Ceskoslovensko" and "Bratislava". Signal was good; well over Canary Islands (SS) at the time. [Connelly-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN, DEC 13 0459-0500 - SS discussion, 10 second classical music bridge, then pips & news. DEC 18 0530 - calm-voiced man in SS; very good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1134 SPAIN, DEC 18 0532 - SS talk; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1179 SWEDEN / CANARY ISLANDS, DEC 12 0521 - woman in Swedish evenly mixing with SER news in SS; the composite signal was massive and it totally demolished WHAM-1180. [Connelly-MA]
- 1215 ENGLAND Virgin R., DEC 13 0522 - "Stand" by R.E.M.; to good peaks. DEC 15 0021 - ZZ Top's "Gimme All Your Lovin'"; fair with some slop. DEC 17 0453 - "Drive" by R.E.M.; good. [Connelly-MA] DEC 23 0525 - In briefly with music and female DJ, too brief to be anything but tentative. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1314 NORWAY NRK Kvitsoy, DEC 15 0327 - Good with NN talk, lite pops (almost sounded C&W). Only TA with audio. [Yocis-CT]
- 1422 GERMANY (t), DEC 16 0434 - GG-sounding talk by man & woman; poor in slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA Duba, DEC 15 0311 - In like a local with man in AA koranic vocals. (Regardless of its huge power output, it's still a thrill hearing this station so loud and far away on mw !!!) [Beaton-MA] DEC 15 2143 - AA violins // 9870, fair. [Yocis]
- 1530 VATICAN, DEC 12 0325 - Good with man in unknown language into interval signal. [Beaton-MA]
- 1539 GERMANY Mainflingen, DEC 12 0512 - woman in GG, then light music; fair with some 1540 slop. DEC 16 0426 - man in GG; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1548 ENGLAND, DEC 16 0425 - BBC talk about Northern Ireland (// 5975); fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1566 unID's, DEC 19 0208 - a mystery here: a huge open carrier was here when checked from 0208 to 0210; a re-check at 0230 showed the signal to be gone although other high-end TA's hadn't changed much. Switzerland testing perhaps? (or Azores, Tunisia, or ???) Other stations' audios were noticed under the carrier when it was on, as it helped to push back the slop. One of the background audios sounded Islamic (maybe dawn-enhanced Iran). This would be worth re-checking. [Connelly-MA]
- 1575 unID (possibly UAE), DEC 19 0230 - AA vocal seemed to be mixing in with Spain & Italy here. The best Persian Gulf area propagation to the eastern US is generally from 0100 - 0300 UTC, although sunset receptions (2000 - 2300 UTC) at coastal sites are also possible. [Connelly-MA]
- 1611 VATICAN, DEC 15 0410 - Excellent with lady in an unknown language knocking the good doctor on 1610 for a loop! [Beaton-MA] DEC 23 0511 - Excellent with unknown language (WRTH 94 says Romanian) // 5882 kHz. Second time heard. Strangely, 1215 was only other audible TA in with this one. [Renfrew-NY]

Jim speaks: "Quiet conditions of late, which theoretically give us inlanders a chance at TAs. For once the theory worked in practice, on DEC 23, with reception of Vatican 1611, tentative Virgin 1215 and hets on 1422, 1341, and 1251, 891 and 621."

STATION NEWS

AUSTRALIA: 1PPP Canberra on 1620 was scheduled to move to 1125 kHz with a new 2 kW transmitter and a new call sign 1RPH on OCT 17, being the last of these stations to move in band. [Chris Rogers in *New Zealand DX Times* DEC 1994]

MARSHALL ISLANDS: Here's the facts about the 1557 mystery previously mentioned in these pages - B7RR "Micronesia Heatwave" is 10 kW on 1557, with address of P.O. Box 1, Majuro 96960, Marshall Islands. Transmission schedule in local time is 8 AM to 8 PM Monday to Saturday, 8 AM - 3 PM Sundays. Station Manager is Mr. Arden Sorimle. [Chris Rogers in *NZDXT* DEC 1994]

NEW ZEALAND: Radio Reading Service ZLXA Levin now using 4 transmitters 1930-0600 on 1602, 3935, 5960 and 7290 kHz. From 0600-0900 they are using 1602 and 3935. There is no broadcast on Saturday from 0900 to Sunday 0500. [A. Cushen in *NZDXT* NOV 1994]

VANUATU: The two new MW transmitters, each of 2 KW, are expected on air by the end of 1994 - one will replace the existing Port Vila 1125 sender, the other will operate from Santo, on 1179 kHz. [Chris Rogers in NZDXT DEC 1994]

UNIDS

Charles Taylor, an NRC member and VOA employee at the Greenville relay site, called to comment on Terry Krueger's report of Radio Marti on 1020 kHz. He points out that many things that get on the air from a transmitter site would not necessarily be known by the people opening mail in Washington (or even higher-ups). (As an example, I once heard VOA's Botswana relay during an initial transmitter testing period, but the QSL office denied my initial request because it wasn't listed on their frequency use schedule.) Charles explained that Greenville is sometimes on the air for testing purposes using VOA programs without anyone's knowledge in Washington. He says they try to do it when it will not interfere with other broadcasters. In the case of the 1020 reception, for example, it may be that someone in the military was playing around with an airborne or mobile transmitter for later use in Haiti or for expanded broadcasts to Cuba, and they were using a R. Marti feed. Officials at Marti, VOA or the military might not know anything about this; you would have to somehow connect with the person who actually turned on the transmitter. Thanks for your thoughts, Charles. An interesting subject!

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The 29th Conference of the European DX Council will take place in Denmark June 2-5, 1995. For information and registration form, contact: EDXC '95, PO Box 48, DK-5200 Odense V, Denmark. There will be a variety of speakers, plus activities for non-DXing family members.

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----- 1 more verie since the last epistle from here, and it comes from WRTG-1000 but only one thing, the stationary mentions WRTF on 1530 & 1000 and nowhere does the letter mention the call or frequency I reported. The signer said he's been interested in radio since he was 6 years old, he's been around a while, and mentioned some of the old time radio shows he enjoyed and remembered. I've written back to thank him for the letter, and to ask him to specify the calls and frequency. The verie total is now 4467. Both RAY ARRUDA & STAN MORSS called 12/5 to tell me that at long last, WCRN was on regular schedule, and apparently are going to be only a relay of Boston's WROL-950, gospel/right wing talk format. Of course, they're NSP & so say goodbye to any DX on 830. Apparently reports should go to WR01's address. DX down the week: 11/29 somebody on 1470 1:02AM mentioning the Family News Network faded up & atop and just as quickly, subsided, UNIDED. At sunset, unneeded WLAS-910 strong 5:06PM. 11/30 a man on 837, talking very excitedly for a whole hour, I suspect the Azores station. There was occasional cheering, pounding & shouting. 12/1 WCCO-830 heard 1:03AM, probably the last time I'll hear this old standby due to WCRN. This day on 837, no long-winded talker but NOS music noted at 4:44PM. 12/3 on 1500 3:57PM, mention of the Meadowland Stadium alerted me that needed WGHF was breaking through WTOP/WINF, but I didn't get enough for a report. Then, WURD 900 was rolling in with a very enthusiastic black minister at 4:48PM and held til 5:25PM for a report. Oddly enough, it was exactly 1 year ago to the day that I last reported this tough-to-verify station. 12/4 WWKB-1520 seemed to be carrying "the Road Gang" truckers show, 1:20AM. At sunset, 4:42PM on 930, someone with "Good Time Oldies" and the calls sounded like WCCL but nothing similar was listed in the new NRC log. 12/6 who is the Spanish tele-talker on 1490 all night, WADM perhaps? Log says they sign off at midnight. I tuned in WCRN-830 to get material for a report 3:50PM when they had a call-in cooking recipe show, they did not give a dual ID with WROL. Then at 4PM, a man evidently trying to copy Rush Limbaugh came on with a series of vitriolic comments. I soon tuned out, as he was ridiculing and insulting me & millions of other people. Then, I settled on 930 and wow, I was surprised to log CJYQ battling with WZNN & others, for a report! This 4:14-4:30PM. Forward - March!

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----- Happy New Year! Finally got around to updating my records for the past 10 years of mostly inactivity. New loggings include the Turks & Caicos Islands on 535 for the 11/21 DX Test that didn't show again but with regular Spanish religious programs. Return rate at 99%. Then on 11/28, WWLS-640 with sports talk, KSLR-630 with religion, WAAX-570 with CW music, all between 1:47-3AM. A mystery, KBUF ID noted on 1310 with Rush & Paul Harvey promo, could this be KFLA relaying KBUF-1030? On 12/2, I visited the Museum of Broadcast Communications in Chicago, very much worth visiting! (It's free!) My local KE70-1490 may be changing calls soon, they simulcast 92.3 now, rock format. KUSD-690 lost their tower recently when students drove a car into a guy wire, university plans to turn in the license. Its reported the government plans not to fund any public radio or TV which will save about \$300 million per year. Remember the Fremont, NE DX'pedition the last weekend in Jan., call me for late reservations (402-330-7758). Thanks to all who help with DX NEWS, its really appreciated here! 73's.

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----- The DX saga continues, the DX TEST from WNQM-1300 was easily heard 12/26 4-4:15AM with voice & code ID's, gospel music, equal to a strong WJFK at times, and a report was even sent, 1st one this season. And some unusual daytime conditions continue to be noted, with CKTY-1110 being noted as early as 2PM at a good level with WNAF phased out and the band from about 1300 up being jumbled up with sky-wave by 3PM! WLAN was noted on about 1392 for a week in early December, and WEDK topping the frequency with them over to far. Who is also off frequency on 1520 during the day, loops toward WTHE? Plans are in the works for attending the NASWA Winterfest in Kulpville, PA again this year, and I've been asked to sit in with the forum on verifying stations. I've been at the NASWA fests for the last 3 years and have enjoyed it greatly, a good second choice for those who can't attend the NRC convention. Many NRCers have been there before, and we hope a good number will be able to attend again this year. HARRY MAYO & myself have worked the NRC table in the past, and those who do attend should look us up. That's it. *DE*