

DXN News

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Station Test Calendar

WNTP	PA	990	Mar. 15	0000-0100
WHBC	OH	1480	Mar. 29	0300-0400

WHBC-1480 ... 550 Market Ave. So - Canton, OH 44702-2112 will conduct a DX test on Saturday morning March 29, from 3:00-4:00 a.m. ELT. The station will test with daytime power and pattern, carrying their regular Fox Sports Radio talk programming and interspersing Morse code and sweep tones. Reception reports may be sent to Director of Engineering Dale Lamm/NX8J by several means: You may submit a report via the station's Web site by clicking on this link: <<http://www.whbc.com/pages/1418821.php?>>>. You may submit a report directly to Mr. Lamm by sending an E-mail to "DLamm [at] WHBC.com" Recordings in mp3 or wav format as proof of reception will be accepted. You may send postal reports to Mr. Dale Lamm, Director of Engineering, at the above address. Audio files in mp3 or wav format will be accepted. If you only have cassette recording capabilities, please contact Jim Pogue (KH2AR [at] comcast.net) for special instructions. **NOTE:** All requests for postal verifications must be accompanied by return postage in order to receive a reply. Many thanks to Mr. Lamm for agreeing to conduct this test. Jim Pogue - KH2AR [at] comcast.net; www.dxtests.info, IRCA/NRC Joint BTC Coordinator.

From the Publisher ... Via Glenn Hauser comes the sad news of the death of NRC member John Sgrulletta, Mahopac, NY. John was a very active member of several DX organizations.

Welcome to the smallest DXN in history. What were we thinking? Two Musings are on hold; keep 'em rolling in, please!

We do have some good news ... thanks to re-

turning member Dave White volunteering, the position of "DX'er's Notebook" is now filled by Dave. Dave is also working on some other needs that the club has, so watch for more.

One more DXN to go before we start skipping weeks ... see below for the publication dates.

NRC Pittsburgh '08 ... Host John Malicky has nailed down the room rate @ \$75.00 for 1-3 people per room; call 1-800-465-4325 to make a reservation (mention the NRC, of course). More details to follow, including the Pirates game he's lining up for us to attend.

Unfilled positions ... We're still in need of volunteers for the following positions, as described in detail in V73, #27, the June '06 DXN: one or more persons to edit future NRC publications; a "DX Targets" editor; several editors to take over languished columns; finally, a DXN publisher, by June 2008..

DXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 75

24.	Mar. 7	Mar. 17	28.	June 6	June 16
25.	Mar. 21	Mar. 31	29.	July 11	July 21
26.	Apr. 4	Apr. 14	30.	Aug. 8	Aug. 18
27.	May 2	May 12			

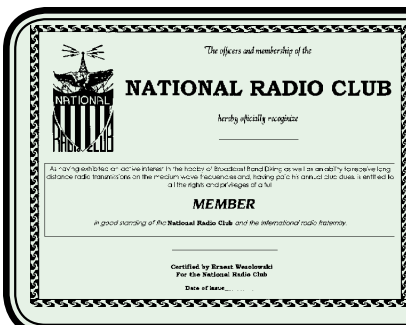
DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News

50 years ago ... from the March 8, 1958 DXN: The DX broadcast for our club from WIDU-1600 on 3/3 was described as "wonderful" from editor Ernie Cooper, Brooklyn, NY, with the Mayor of Fayetteville and the Exec. Sec. of the Chamber of Commerce speaking live on the program.

25 years ago ... from the March 21, 1983 DXN: Michael A. Sapp reviewed the GE 3-5280B Superadio-Cassette.

10 years ago ... from the March 23, 1998 DXN: The publisher noted that subscriptions to DXN had dropped from a high of about 820 a year previous by 90 and that contributions also had fallen off.



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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old Call

New Call

Missing this week

CPs ON THE AIR

1220 KM2XVL TX Huntsville - U1 170/11 at N30-43-07 W95-31-40.

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1420 NEW CA Crescent City - CP granted for U2 1000/250 from two towers at N41-44-56 W124-11-51.

ACTIONS

890 KJME CO Fountain - CP granted for 4500/550. [That was quick!]
950 WPEN PA Philadelphia - Nighttime auxiliary facilities of N3 3800 granted.
1100 WZFN MN Dilworth - CP granted for U8 50000/440 CH 22000.
1400 WBAT IN Muncie - Coordinate correction to N40-33-42 W85-41-28.
1490 KGBA CA Heber - CP granted to move here (from Calexico) with U1 500/500 at 32-44-32 W115-33-11.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

980 WHAW WV Weston - Licensed for U1 1000/50, WHAW has a CP for U1 25000/49. This request is for U1 25000/47.
1100 WISS WI Berlin - Licensed for D1 1000/0, WISS holds a CP for D3 11000/0 and an STA for D1 500/0. This request is for D1 2500/0 CH 1600.

APPLICATIONS

910 WSBA PA York - Coordinate correction to 39- 59-57/76 -44-43.
1150 KRMS MO Osage Beach - Applies for U1 840/55.
1230 NEW HI Mililani Town - Applies for U1 1000/1000.
1240 WMFG MN Hibbing - Applies for U1 490/490.
1450 NEW WA Waterville - Applies for U1 1000/500.
1450 NEW WV Dunbar - Applies for U1 1000/1000.
1460 KKOY KS Chanute - Coordinate correction to N37- 41-18 W95-28-12.
1560 WTOD OH Toledo - Applies for a CP Mod for U7 4300/2 CH 4300.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS

830 KOTC MO Kennett - Amends their application to move to Memphis, Tennessee to D1 10000/0.
1400 NEW UT Vernal - Amends their application for a new station to U1 1000/1000.

APPLICATIONS REINSTATED

1250 NEW AZ Many Farms - Application for new station, changing from 1250 to 1260 with U2 1000/250.

APPLICATIONS DISMISSED and RECONSIDERATION REQUESTED

570 WAAX AL Gadsden - Application to change their City-of-License to Mountain Brook, Alabama with U4 4000/840.
1590 NEW VT Essex Junction - Application for U2 50000/320.

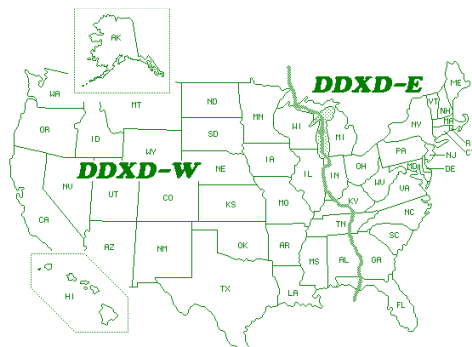
HEAR AND THAR

- Silent: KDUN-1030 Reedsport, Oregon,
- Off due to storm damage, but back on: WMRO-1560 Gallatin, Tennessee, with syndicated AC and frequent *Magic 1560* jingles.
- Thanks to Russell Curry, Wayne Heinen, Jerry Starr, and Dave White.

Domestic DX Digest

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DDXD-West Issue

FROM THE VAST WESTLAND

- ▲ If you are first reading this via the printed, mailed version of *DXN*, Daylight Savings Time has already returned for another year. We use the twice-a-year changeover to remind readers of how we keep logging times in DDXD-West. All loggings that appear in DDXD-W must be reported in Eastern Local Time, or ELT. That means reporting them in Eastern Daylight Time when it is in effect and Eastern Standard Time the rest of the year. For most of us, this is a seamless process: the difference between Eastern Time and our local time remains constant year round. However, there are exceptions. In those areas that do not observe Daylight Savings Time, the difference increases by one hour during the DST period.
- ▲ This week we have the pleasure of welcoming **Richard N. Allen** of Perry OK to the fold. Richard comments: **"I'm returning to medium wave DXing after about a 15-year hiatus and there have been numerous changes-- many for the worst."** Ah, yes, the Brave New World of DX! We welcome and appreciate your participation, Richard, during this challenging time for our hobby. Please keep us posted on what you are hearing!
- ▲ Believe it or not, next week's *DXN* is our last weekly of Volume 75! If you are reading this via the printed version, the deadline for next week's DDXD-W (#75-24) has already passed. The next two issues (down from three in past years) will be biweeklies, and then we move on to the monthlies for the remainder of the volume. DDXD-W Deadlines for these two issues: #25 3/20 and #26 4/3, for e-mail received by 1300 ELT and snail mail received in that day's USPS delivery. For the last time this season, CUN7! **73 Bill**

Reporters

- GH-IL** **Greg Harris, Park Forest.** Icom R75 / Quantum loop or Realistic DX350 / ferrite rod antenna.
- GH-KS** **Gary Houdek, Munden.** GE Superadio.
- JW-CO** **John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge.** Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
- RNA-OK** **Richard N. Allen, Perry.** WiNRADiO G313e, 21-meter longwire.
- SA-MB** **Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg.** ICOM IC-R70, Drake R8, 4 foot unamplified box loop, Quantum loop, 155 foot outdoor wire, 100 foot indoor wire, MFJ 1026 phasing unit.
- WH-CO** **Wayne Heinen, Aurora.** Drake R8B, N/S Flag, E/W Flag, Modified 4 foot NRC Altazimuth loop, 15 foot vertical whip, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo w/2 BUF-F amplifiers, Mini-DXP5, DX Engineering RPA-1.
- WW-MO** **Woz Wozniak, Saint Louis.** Grundig Satellit 800 and Quantum QX Loop Plus.
- Ed.-WI** **Your editor, Madison.** Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.

Station News

- 660 KFAR AK Fairbanks.** Was forced off the air 2/21 when a fire damaged its transmitter, according to Radio Netherlands' Media Network website (thanks to **Glenn Hauser** for posting info on this on the IRCA listserv). First word was that the station hoped to be back on the air as early as 2/25. However, as of our 2/29 deadline the *Fairbanks Daily News-Miner* (which first broke the story) had not reported on its return and the station's own live webstream seems to be disabled. So, the on-air status is currently unknown to DDXD-W. **(Ed.-WI)**
- 1700 KBGG IA Des Moines.** Thanks to a 2/22 post by "Doc" on the AMFMTVDX listserv, we learned that KBGG was stunting, ex-SS, continuously playing Queen's "We Are the Champions" in an endless loop. Doc contacted the station, and all they would say was that a new format would be revealed in the next few days. The new format has since been revealed and with it the significance of the song selected for the stunting, as you will note in the below logging. **(Ed.-WI)**
- 1700 KBGG IA Des Moines.** 2/28 1039. ESPN Radio programming. ID: "ESPN Seventeen Hundred the Champ, Iowa's sports talk radio." Readable signal until about 1100. **(RNA-OK)**

DX Tests

- 1060 WBIX+ MA Natick.** 2/24 0000-0200. Overall reception and signal strength were barely audible. QRM was severe while the QRN was moderate. The propagation was

severe to extreme also. QRM from the following stations in order of severity: KYW Philadelphia PA; KRCN Longmont CO; WLNO New Orleans LA; XEEP Mexico City, Mexico; and WQMV Waverly TN. Rats, no *Todd Rundgren* music; even the XYL stayed up for the first half hour of this one (we're both big fans)! No voice IDs or music of any kind. Morse code IDs heard at 0004 and 0132, Morse code ID and sweep tone heard at 0151. Very difficult conditions here at my QTH in Saint Louis. Great thanks to BTC **Jim Pogue** and to WBIX Chief Engineer **Grady Moates** for a very difficult and extremely challenging (but enjoyable) DX test! This one really had me using my skills in order to pull it out of the hash. New **(WW-MO)**

1060 WBIX MA+ Natick. 2/24 0031. Poor signals under KGFX and KRCN. Heard Morse code signals at 0031 with tones. NEW! **(SA-MB)**

1060 WBIX MA- Natick. 2/24 0000-0015. Tried for, did not hear and soon gave up. The station is in the null of local adjacent WTSO 1070 and sometimes I can hear KYW through WTSO's IBOC, factors which gave me at least a sliver of hope that I might hear this one. No such luck tonight-- nothing popping through the IBOC wall. Judging by the success that Midwest DXers had in hearing this one, I cannot help but feel that six months ago before WTSO turned on the buzz I would have heard it. **(Ed.-WI)**

Presumed, Tentative, UnID

1580 UNID 2/29 0200. End of a talk show with woman talking. Went to the ToH mentioning. "Heaven 1580." "Operations manager of Heaven 1580" gave an announcement at 0202. Mixed with XEDM. **(WH-CO)**

Regular DX Loggings (times in ELT)

620 CKRM SK Regina. 2/27 0231. "Home of (missed) Country Music 620 CKRM" by a male announcer. Very strong, overrode WTMJ. Was using the Realistic DX350. **(GH-IL)**

630 CFCO ON Chatham. 2/23 1840. "CFCO" female-sung jingle ID and good oldies music. Strong signal, overrode KJSL. **(GH-IL)**

640 WHLO OH Akron. 2/23 1845. "Presented by (missed) on 640 WHLO" by a male announcer during a sporting event. Weak under WMFN. New. **(GH-IL)**

800 KXIC IA Iowa City. 2/28 0831. "You're with Iowa City's news and sports leader, AM 800 KXIC" by a male announcer. Fair signal. **(GH-IL)**

960 KMA IA Shenandoah. 2/16 0555. End of ESPN sports, then US National Anthem. "Good morning, you are listening to KMA Shenandoah, Iowa broadcasting on 960 kilocycles with a power of 5,000 watts. ABC news is next." KMA has the National Anthem even though the station is on the air 24 hours. **(GH-KS)** (Thank you, Gary; this no doubt solves my 960 unID in DDXD-W #75-17, when I heard the US NA while listening for CFFX's final sign-off message. **Ed.-WI)**

1060 WLNO LA New Orleans. 2/23 2329. "50,000 Watts, four states, we're New Orleans' most powerful Christian radio station, 10-60 AM WLNO." Moderate QRM and slight QRN with an overall reception and signal strength of good but with propagation being that of moderate. New **(WW-MO)**

1060 KRCN CO Longmont. 2/24 0015. Fair signals with talk programming and Radio Colorado Network IDs. NEW! **(SA-MB)**

1240 KALY NM Los Ranchos de Albuquerque. 2/28 0501. "This is KALY and KALY ??? Albuquerque" and Radio Disney programming. **(WH-CO)**

1250 KBRF MN Fergus Falls. 2/22 2212. High school girls' basketball just ending, Fergus Falls 53, Willmar 50 in overtime. "You're listening to Fergus Falls Lady Otter basketball on Good Neighbor Radio 1250 KBRF." Signal fair to good and in the clear. **(Ed.-WI)**

1290 KGVO MT Missoula. 2/22 1931. Local ads; then faded under KOUU and others; surfaced again at 1957 with more ads; legal ID at 1959:55 by male voice: "...NewsRadio 1290 KGVO Missoula. The more you listen the more you know. It's 6:00." Paul Harvey followed at ToH. **(JW-CO)**

1470 KUTY CA Palmdale. 2/22 2059. Out of SS music. "This is KUTY Palmdale" in reverbed accented EE with difficult to understand SS around it. On top and taped; they haven't been logged here in years. **(WH-CO)**

1480 KQAM KS Wichita. 2/23 0859. Kid with legal ID: "AM 1480 KQAM Wichita" then back to Radio Disney programming. Generally fair with fading. **(JW-CO)**

DDXD-East

REPORTERS

BC-NH Bruce Conti, Nashua - SDR IQ, WR-CMC-30, MWDX-5, 50 x 75-ft SuperLoop antennas east with remote variable termination and south 1150-Ω terminated.

DJ-PA David Jansky, Sunbury - CCRadio, Radio Shack loop

KK-VA Kraig Krist, Manassas – NRD-545, homemade 134 foot multiband antenna running NW to SE.
 DL-MD Dave Larrabee, Columbia - SDR-14 on a pair of DX Engineering Verticals through a Quantum Phaser. All recovery post-facto from I/Q file.
 IEN-GA Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - SONY SRF-59
 DP-HI Dale Park, Honolulu – station news
 MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundigs G5 & YB-400PE, Panasonic RF-2200

STATION NEWS

1020 KDKA PA Pittsburgh - Per website PBRTV.com, adds Dennis Miller weeknights at 0007-0300, followed by the "Midnight Radio Network" (formerly "Midnight Trucking Radio Network") until 0500. **(DP-HI)**
 1150 WTTT MA Boston - Per *Boston Globe* and website www.bostonradio.org, station owner Salem Comms. dropped conservative talk featuring Salem R. Network 1/28 and flipped to a SS contemporary Christian format, before switching again to a SS Christian talk and teaching format 2/04 as "Radio Luz." **(DP-HI)**
 1450 WTHU MD Thurmont – Per *Frederick News-Post*, station has been purchased by personnel of defunct Christian station WJTM and will switch to a Protestant format sometime in June. **(DP-HI)**
 1460 WZNZ FL Jacksonville - Per website ltradio.blogspot.com, station switched from Christian format to mostly liberal talk 1/14, featuring Bloomberg news, Jim Bohannon, Ed Schultz, Lou Dobbs and Thom Hartmann. **(DP-HI)**
 1600 WAAM MI Ann Arbor - Per Michiguide.com, new owner has added Bill Bennett weekdays 0606-0900. Station carries Fox News and has a conservative talk format. **(DP-HI)**

DX TEST

1060 WBIX MA Natick – 2/24 0015 – under nulled KYW and fighting off occasional CHUM-1050 slop with "WBIX" (.-. -... .. -.-) code IDs, sweep tones and voice IDs mentioning NRC and IRCA. No Todd Rundgren songs noted. **(MKB-ON)**
 +++ -2/24 0000 - Mixing of KYW and other stations on 1060. CW and sweep tones at 0004, 0015 and 0030. CW included "DX WBIX MA". Also male talking about DX test. **(KK-VA)**
 +++ -2/24 0004 - Under co-channel from KYW copied NRC announcement, morse ID and swept tones. USB helped avoid 1070 IBOC. Single active whip, omni directional for this observation. **(DL-MD)**

PRESUMED/TENTATIVE/UNID

1530 unID -- 2/24 0000 - Good, over Fox sports; alternating tone and announcement, "CBS radio network channel 45." Likely WCKY on the fritz as there was no top of the hour ID from the Fox sports station. **(BC-NH)**
 1690 CHTOp ON Toronto – 2/21 0155 – Presumed in mix of several stations. Hearing Greek music (CHTO?), talk in English, country music and talk in Spanish. **(KK-VA)**

LOGGINGS

550 WKRC OH Cincinnati - 2/29 0500 - Good, over WDDZ; "55 WKRC Cincinnati. Now a 30/30 Fox news update on 55 KRC, the talk station." New log. **(BC-NH)**
 580 CFRA ON Ottawa - 2/24 1900 - Good, over WTAG; "Ottawa and the valley's voice for 60 years, you're listening to News/Talk Radio 580 CFRA," and local news. **(BC-NH)**
 710 WOR NY New York - 2/23 0600 - Normally a strong signal, unlistenable this morning due to HD hiss from 700 and 720 plus interference from 710 R. *Rebelde* Cuba. **(BC-NH)**
 730 WXTR VA Alexandria - 2/22 1639 - "Redskins Radio" slogan. Listened for 3 days and no call letters. Local ads for First Mt. Vernon Mortgage in Woodbridge, Original Steak House, and the Congressional Golf Course. ESPN fare except John Riggins Show, 4-7PM. **(DJ-PA)**
 870 WMTL KY Leitchfield - 2/24 1841 - Country music countdown. Decent signal with fades. Slogan "AM 870, The Moose". **(IEN-GA)**
 910 WBUZ PA Scranton - 2/23 1550 - IDs as WILK in the middle of the Rush Limbaugh Show. Nulled out much stronger WSBA in York, PA to get it. **(DJ-PA)**
 920 WTCW KY Whitesburg - 2/22 0000 - TOH ID in the middle of C&W music. Signal among 2 others - a jumble but the ID came through strong. 43 watts? I don't think so! **(DJ-PA)**
 960 WHYL PA Carlisle - 2/18 0600 - Good, over R. *Reloj* Cuba; "960 WHYL Carlisle," call sign jingle, and CBS news. **(BC-NH)**
 990 CBW MB Winnipeg - 2/23 2359 - "This is CBC Radio One, nine ninety in Winnipeg"

- in the clear at the top of the hour, faded into co-channel moments later. **(DL-MD)**
- 1000 **WIOO PA Carlisle** - 02/17 1100 - Due to IBOC hash from Baltimore's 1010-WOLB recovery was made using USB. "...for another edition of Sunday Country Morning... AM fourteen eighty, WIOO Carlisle and WEOO Shippensburg." This ID was repeated 3 times just after the top of the hour. There was no mention of 1000 kHz. This may be due to the application pending for a move to 1010 kHz, 3 tower directional 5 KW before the Commission. **(DL-MD)**
- 1080 **WTIC CT Hartford** - 2/23 1900 - Connecticut Lottery ad and TOH ID. Good signal only to fade under WKJK in Louisville, KY. "WTIC, WTIC-HD Hartford". **(IEN-GA)**
- 1110 **WNAP PA Norristown** - 2/17 1900 - Under WBT; gospel music, "Gospel Highway 11" ID with mention of greater Philadelphia. **(BC-NH)**
- 1230 **WCMC NJ Wildwood** - 2/16 0600 - "You're listening to 1230 AM, WCMC Wildwood," and ABC news. New log. **(BC-NH)**
- 1240 **WSNJ NJ Bridgeton** - 2/16 0600 - "AM 1240 and 1440, WSNJ Bridgeton, WMVB Millville, Vineland... wsnjam.com." **(BC-NH)**
- WGBB NY Freeport** - 2/17 2000 - "You're listening to the station for information and inspiration, am1240wgb.com and 1240 WGBB Freeport." **(BC-NH)**
- 1250 **WAPZ AL Wetumpka** - 2/22 1900* - Montgomery community program, TOH ID, and sign-off message. Good signal with slight fades. "...studios of WAPZ." **(IEN-GA)**
- 1470 **WNY NY Ithaca** - 2/24 0000 - Good; Finger Lakes forecast, "Serving the Finger Lakes and the Southern Tier, this is your progressive talk radio station, 1470 WNY Ithaca," and CNN news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1480 **WHBC OH Canton** - 2/23 2358 - Fair; "...brought to you by ...Health Plan and News/Talk 1480 WHBC," then ID, "If you're talking about it, we're talking about it, News/Talk 1480 WHBC Canton, a member of..." and Fox sports news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1620 **WWLV IN South Bend** - 2/23 2359 - Good; promo, "...on your Notre Dame baseball station, ESPN Radio 1490, South Bend's Sports Center," and Fighting Irish baseball coverage. **(BC-NH)**
- 1650 **CJRS QC Montreal** - 2/27 0155 - "CJRS Montreal" ID by male, into news in EE. End of news with "Goodnight and shalom from Jerusalem", into "Howie ... Show" with an interview with a producer of "The Narrow Bridge". Overall poor for both CJRS and WHKT. **(KK-VA)**
- WHKT VA Portsmouth** - 2/27 0235 - usual Radio Disney programming, "1650 Radio Disney" slogan and kiddie songs. **(KK-VA)**
- 1660 **WFNA NC Charlotte** - 2/26 0155 - Mixing with Korean station (tentative WWRU Jersey City, NJ) with ESPN Radio. Male with ID as "Charlotte Sports Station 1660 AM WFNA". Also, "Live from Los Angeles All Night with Jason Smith" show. Overall poor. **(KK-VA)**
- 1670 **WVVM GA Dry Branch** - 2/23 0155 - Spanish songs. 0202 ID by male "WVVM". **(KK-VA)**
- 1700 **WEUP AL Huntsville** - 2/19 0055 - Mixing of stations. Spanish talk and Gospel music songs. 0130 male with "Your WEUP, the People's Station, from the classics to the contemporaries... variety in Gospel WEUP." **(KK-VA)**

International DX Digest

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Foreign DX Catches. All times are UTC

Transatlantic DX

- 183 **GERMANY** *Europe 1*, Felsberg (49°17'N 6°41'E) FEB 22 2316-2331 - Two or three men with discussion in French, played La Vi En Rose; no break at bottom of hour. Good! USB helps with grinder interference. Tailed off some toward 2330. [Frodge-MI]
- 189 **ICELAND** *Ríkisútvarpid*, Gufuskálar (64°54'N 23°55'W) FEB 22 2331 - Man and woman, discussion in Nordic language. Poor. 15 minutes prior there was no audio at all on 189 kHz. [Frodge-MI]
- 198 **ENGLAND** *BBC Droitwich* et al. FEB 22 2333-2351 - English discussion on Brit politics, Euro relations, NATO, etc. Good stretches. Interference from 200 HXF beacon. No listed BBC shortwave audible. [Frodge-MI]
- 639 **SPAIN** *RNE1 La Coruña* et al. FEB 25 0100 - Good, with synchro echo; Informativos parallel

- 585, 621, and 657 kHz all good signals. [Conti-NH]
- 657 **SPAIN** RNE5 Madrid (40°28'N 3°52'W) FEB 25 0000 - Good; "Radio Nacional de España, Informativos." The strongest TA at this hour. [Conti-NH]
- 1030 **ARGENTINA** LS10 *Radio del Plata*, Capital Federal FEB 26 0255 - Talks; fair. [Bernardini-Italy]
- 1040 **BRAZIL** ZYK537 *R.Capital*, São Paulo FEB 26 0300 - Reports; fair. [Bernardini-Italy]
- 1060 **UNITED STATES** WBIX Natick MA FEB 24 0516 - I had no problem hearing the DX test on the DXTuner receiver located in Ilfracombe, England. Code ID's, sweep tones, and voice announcements came through fine. Clearly dominating the channel. Luckily I had Total Recorder up at the same time so I have mp3 audio of this at http://home.comcast.net/~markwalion/dx_audio.htm. I took a gif screenshot of the tuner interface to send along with the reception report. [Connelly-UK]
- 1070 **ARGENTINA** LR1 *Radio El Mundo*, Capital Federal FEB 26 0303 - Poor/fair strong fading. [Bernardini-Italy]
- 1190 **ARGENTINA** LR9 *R.América*, Capital Federal FEB 26 0306 - Talks, fair. [Bernardini-Italy]
- 1200 **BRAZIL** ZYK520 *R.Cultura*, São Paulo FEB 26 0315 - Music, poor, strong fading. [Bernardini-Italy]

Pan-American DX

- 530 **CUBA** *R.Enciclopedia*, unknown location FEB 24 1100 - Good, over CIAO; "Transmite CMBQ Radio Enciclopedia, desde la Habana, Cuba. La hora en la Habana, capital... las seis." Easy listening instrumental music. First time logged since the switch from *R.Cadena Habana* and *R.Rebelde* affiliations. [Conti-NH]
- 555 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** ZIZ Basseterre (17°19'N 62°44'W) FEB 25 0000 - Good; Trinidad vs. Jamaica football play-by-play, not parallel ZIZ streaming audio which was jazz instrumental music. [Conti-NH]
- 560 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Moa (20°40'N 74°56'W) FEB 23 1100 - Rustic folk music parallel 600, 670, and 710 kHz. 560 has been rather strong lately, often better than 600 and 670, maybe an upgraded transmitter. [Conti-NH]
- 970 **MEXICO** XEEZ *La Super Zeta*, Caborca, Son FEB 22 1302 - Noted call letter ID and "La Super Zeta" slogan followed by XE music on program "Reventón Norteño." Rough copy in the mix. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1290 **MEXICO** XEAP *Romántica 1290*, Cd. Obregón, Son FEB 23 0159 - Managed to hear call letter ID and "Ciudad Obregón" in interference, as well as "Romántica Doce Noventa" slogan. Poor in interference. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1440 **NICARAGUA** YNRM *R.Maranatha*, Managua FEB 24 0500 - Tentative with "Radio static crash, static crash Nicaragua," and then to religious programming. Heard two competing Spanish stations several other times later in week, *R.Victoria* and probably YNRM, but could never get an ID. [Allen-SC]

Contributors

- Doug Allen K4LY, Inman SC; Kenwood TS-850, Flag antennas, 53-ft vertical, 80 meter dipole, 130-ft inverted V, 90-ft east Kaz antenna.
- Giampiero Bernardini, Bocca di Magra (SP) Liguria, Italy; SDR-14, Perseus, Wellbrook LFL 1010.
- Mark Connelly WA1ION, Ilfracombe, England; DX Tuner.
- Bruce Conti, Nashua NH; SDR IQ, WR-CMC-30, MWDX-5, 15 x 23-m SuperLoop antennas east with remote variable termination and south 1150-Ω terminated.
- Harold Frogge, Midland MI; Drake R8B, 215-ft center-fed random wire, 85-ft end-fed random wire, 125-ft bow-tie.
- John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge CO; Drake R8, 4-ft box loop.

International News

- IRAN:** An off-channel station with Koran according to Mauno Ritola is Iran. Mauno writes: "I just checked and I noticed that it is Kerman, Iran, with *VOIRI* Arabic programme that has slipped to +1 kHz offset, exactly **1224.998 kHz**, parallel 1161 and 6065 kHz." [Karel Honzík, *mwoffsets*]
- IRELAND:** Various discussions indicate that the former *RTÉ* mediumwave site in Athlone, shut down in 2004, will be demolished for development. Furthermore regarding speculation that the former 612 *RTÉ* Athlone site might be reactivated by Christian broadcaster *Spirit*, Andy Green of Total Broadcast Consultants Ltd. wrote on the Broadcast mailing list (<http://lists.radiolists.net>) in November that a customer was building a new mast for AM - omnidirectional for use on 612 kHz, 100 kW. [Kai Ludwig, *ARC*]

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