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Saturday May 10th 2008: I was originally going to make these pages Transatlantic DX only, but FMDX and TVDX crept in as well. All recent logs will be included on the latest logs and comments pages. This will save chasing through pages of this web site, for anyone who likes to read logs.

The last few days here have been reasonable considering we are more or less in mid May already.

0400: 950 CKNB, 920 CJCH, 890 WAMG, 870 WWL, 830 WCRN, 800 FF mixing with VOWR but no ID, 770 WABC, VOXM 590, 620, 650, 740, 560 KIX, 600 CBC, 700 WLW (VY WK), 730 CKAC, 750 SS (NOT CBC), 1010 CFRB (VG), 1080 WTIC (VG), 1100 WTAM (VG), 1130 WBBR, 1140 CBC, 1190 WLIB, 1200 CFGO, 1250 AD IN MANCHESTER BUT NO ID, **960 MULTI CALL AND QRG** (A sports station, but did not include the usual "All part of the Zone" id. Did sound a wee bit like WEAV)

0300: 1700 KVNS, 1580 CKDO, 1550 CBC, 1520 WWKB, 1510 WWZN, 1480 WHBC, 1390 WEGP, 1390 EASY 99.1, 1060 WBIX, 1010 WINS, 930 WBEN

0200: 1420 AVR Country, 1400 CBC, 1190 WLIB

Friday 9th May 2008:

0300: 1390 WEGP, 1400 CBC, 1480 WHBC, 1510 WWZN, 1520 WWKB, 1650 RADIO SHALOM, 1660 WWRU, 1700 KVNS

0400: 1390 WEGP, 1700 KVNS, 1660 WWRU, 1650 RADIO SHALOM, 1560 RADIO DISNEY, 1470 WLAM, 1400 CBC, 1370 WDEA, 1140 CBC, 1130 WBBR, 1010 CFRB, 920 CJCH, 1190 **Radio Revolution Cuba** (Think this is right, recorded hf end of mw, so no lf Cubans to check against. Think I hear this id on one of the Cuban networks.)

Thursday 8th April:

0200: 1650 Radio Shalom, 1540 CHIN, 1450 WENJ, 1390 WEGP, 1180 WHAM, **930 RADIO NEWFOUNDLAND/ CJYQ** (1st log in months @ 0202!!)

0300: 1660 WWRU, 1520 WWKB, 1510 WWZN, 1430 CHKT, 1400 CBC, 1200 TEAM 1200, 1180 WHAM, 1060 WBIX, 1010 CFRB

0400: 560 CHVO (VG), 590 VOXM, 600 CBC, 610 F BUT NO ID, 620 VOXM, 640 CBC, 650 VOXM, 660 WFAN, 710 VOXM, 750 CBC, 780 CFTR, 800 VOWR, 820 TBN, 830 WCRN, 850 WEEI, 870 WWL, 920 CJCH, 1010 CFRB, 1080 WTIC, 1100 WTAM, 1110 WBT, 1130 WBBR, 1140 CBC, 1150 F TK (NO ID),

Wed 7th May:

0400: 1700 WJCC, 1660 Relevant Radio, 1670 WVVM, 1620 WDHP, 1540 CHIN, 1520 WWKB, 1400 CBC and WOND (inc WGYM 1580 id), 1390 WXTC

Tues May 6th 2008: A bit of a mix up with the recordings this am. 2 things.. The first was self inflicted. I made a mess of editing a text file, changing freq and times of the recording at 0400Outc. Second and main problem was my PC clock jumped by an hour for some reason, and as a result file names etc were wrong. Wasn't as good as yesterday, but here we go.....

0300: 1360 WDRC, 1390 WEGP (VG), 1400 WOND (just found id from this one on 26th Feb), 1470 WLAM, 1540 WDCD, 1660 WWRU, 1140 CBC, 1010 WINS, 920 CJCH.

A FEW COMMENTS: May started off, perhaps understandably, a little slow DX wise. MW TADX is usually seen as a winter hobby. But thanks to the Perseus recording capability, and Matthias Zwoch auto hotkey timer, I do not have to get up during the very narrow dx window we have at this time of year. I usually set the timer for 0200, 0300, 0400, and at the moment 0430 and 0500. It is getting a little late in the year for even 0500 here at these latitudes. I stopped recording 0600 in early April.

OLDER RECORDINGS: I have also been checking my older recordings, and found a couple of interest from a very active DX morning. The morning in question was 25th March. I have now added to the list of logs, **1060 KYW Pittsburgh**, another station with a K callsign on the wrong side of the Mississippi, a personal first, and **1230 WHUC Hudson NY**, another personal first. On 26th Feb I had **WOND 1400 @ 0100**. Possibly a first this season for me. Just after I wrote this, I noted the same ID on WOND 1400 at 0300 on 6th May!!! Also noted an id of **WDCW (now WFBL) on 1390**. This was on an old ID tape from 17th Jan 1995. I think even if the MW band was completely blocked by DRM in a couple of years time, I still have years of dxing time left with the old recordings!!!

WHERE IS CJYQ: Paul C has reported hearing CJYQ recently. I had not heard it in such a long time, yet other NFLD stations are still regular. CFBC seems to be heard regular and uninterrupted by all but WBEN. I checked the web page of Radio Newfoundland and found it gone, and wondered if so had the once powerful 930. But Paul has logged it, so I guess it is still on air. But why has their web stream gone, and why is the signal way down on usual??

CBC MONCTON 1070: Just had a nice e mail back from the transmitter engineer at CBC Moncton. The mystery CBC signal on 29th April was indeed from CBA. They were asked to make a few tests. "This will probably be the last time you hear CBA", the engineer told me.

Monday 5th May 2008: 0023 930 CFBC (No sign of CJYQ),

0200: 1650 WHKT, 1520 WWKB, 1480 WHBC, 1470 WNY, 1440 WHK, 1430 WENE, 1290 WKBK, 930 CFBC

0300: 1500 3WT, 1470 WNY, 1430 WENE, 1400 CBC, 1390 WEGP (VG), 1370 WDEA, 1360 WKAT (used to hear the classical mx sometimes here, but never had a call id till today!), 1140 WQBA / CBC, 1100 WTAM, 1130 WBBR, 1080 WTIC, 940 CINW, 930 CFBC

0400: 560 KIX, 590 VOXM, 600 / 640 CBC (no ids today), 650 VOXM, 660 WFAN, 710 WOR, 730 CKAC, 740 VOXM, 770 WABC, 800 VOWR (no id today, but very strong/ loud), 850 WEEI, 880

WCBS, 890 WAMG, 920 CJCH, 970 WZAN, 1010 CFRB, 1020 KDKA, 1050 WEPN, 1080 WTIC, 1090 WBAL (Squeezed and id from the splatter, not a great catch but still there behind the UK crud), 1110 WBT, 1130 WBBR, 1170 WWVA, 1180 WHAM, 1290 WKBK, 1310 WLOB, 1350 ESPN (again no ids today)

Not a bad log for May. Some stations very good this am, some pretty poor.

3rd May 2008: 0300: 920 CJCH, 1060 WBIX, 1190 WLIB, 1390 WPLM, 1470 WNYX (5000 Watts of Democracy id),

1st May 2008: Leaving the timer tonight with Latin ewe connected instead of the North American beverage. Heard a Radio Nacional station or something on 1390 @ 0430. Unsure of proper id.

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30th April 2008: Update 1600GMT. My SS on 1320 was **Radio Apolo, Venezuela**. Some very nice IDs were in there.

Antenna Complaints: I find it curious that my dx neighbour, Paul C can bring in Latins with good signals when I hear only mush here. Paul is about 20 miles away although on the coast. Maybe that is what I lack. My North American beverage of 500m or so works very well. But Latin and Central America has been generally poor here compared to Paul's amazing results. I haven't the direction for a similar length of antenna on 6 foot poles for LA, so I am going to have to make do with what I have. BUT.. BUT.. The thing that I don't understand, is that I am sure I used to have regular signals from Latin America on MW in the 80s, with much more random shorter wires, than the current set up.

In recent weeks I have been trying both a small EWE and a beverage of sorts for Latin America. I have to say that initial trials have been disappointing.

An ewe beat the short (120m roughly) beverage by a mile. I am not convinced that the beverage itself isn't acting as a kind of ewe. Could it be so, due to the excessive height I have to have it at to have it run at all in that particular direction, in which case the coax is fed at the wrong end!! Maybe I should try a lump of coax from the other end, and earth it like a large ewe.

CJYQ GONE???: Is the well heard CJYQ 930 off air?? I have not heard it this month, and the Radio Newfoundland web domain is up for sale!! Anyone know better??

30th April 2008: I guess my last entry for April 2008. A rather good April in DX terms. Not much this morning though. All signals were rather weak, and fluttery. Couldn't determine if the mystery CBC was on or off. One log around 0430 was possibly PR, 1320. Unsure, and gonna have to listen again and exchange recordings on that one I think. My SS is very rusty!!

29th April 2008: CBC RETURNS: I had my usual automated recording during the night, and imagine my surprise when there was CBC 1070, with a signal which may well have been Moncton, which closed earlier this month. Was this a reactivation?? Has some young upstart responsible for the AM closedowns been given the boot, because someone has discovered the obvious penetration into remote areas of proper AM signals?? Was this Moncton?? I just couldn't find any up to date info on the web on this subject. Even the IRCA reported nothing on this... Suggestions anyone?? Seemed

to carry the full CBC radio 1 overnight stuff, rather than just CBC news. Noted at various times during the night. I also alerted my DX neighbour, Paul C, who verified the signals on his own overnight recordings. It has been suggested emailing CBC, but who gets the mail in a large corporation such as this?? The telephonist??. Just can't find any reference to the engineering dept at all on line.

Also heard was new one on me, 820 WNYC, with an id along with SS stuff, which I couldn't ID.

28th April 2008: Well here we are towards the end of April. I have not been very great at keeping the logs up to date on line this month, but here goes with a large update in freq order. Not all common stations heard are written down. WBBR is there almost every hour for example. Small typo correction on 30th. KKGW was listed as 1640. Should have been 1630.

12/04/08	0500	560	KIX
15/04/08	0500	560	CHVO
20/04/08	0400	560	CHVO
12/04/08	0500	570	CUBA
20/04/08	0400	570	CUBA
12/04/08	0500	590	VOCM 0458
15/04/08	0500	590	VOCM
12/04/08	0500	600	MIX CBC / CUBA
12/04/08	0500	610	MIX FF / UBA/ WIOD
22/04/08	2350	615	BEACON
12/04/08	0500	620	VOCM
12/04/08	0500	640	CBC
15/04/08	0500	640	CUBA
12/04/08	0500	650	VOCM
12/04/08	0500	660	WFAN
12/04/08	0500	670	CUBA
12/04/08	0500	680	WRKO
15/04/08	0500	680	WRKO
23/04/08	0400	680	CFTR 680 NEWS
26/04/08	0400	680	WRKO
12/04/08	0500	700	WLW
12/04/08	0500	710	CUBA
20/04/08	0400	710	WOR
12/04/08	0500	730	CKAC
15/04/08	0400	730	CKAC
20/04/08	0400	730	RADIO LIDER
12/04/08	0500	740	VOCM
12/04/08	0500	750	CBC (vy wk)
15/04/08	0500	770	WABC
12/04/08	0500	780	CFTR
20/04/08	0400	780	WBBM
12/04/08	0500	790	WAXY
20/04/08	0400	790	WAXY
26/04/08	0400	800	VOWR
12/04/08	0500	830	WCRN
14/04/08	0400	850	WEEI
12/04/08	0500	870	WWL (VG)
14/04/08	0400	870	WWL (VG)
26/04/08	0400	870	WWL (VG)
12/04/08	0500	880	WCBS
04/04/08	0300	920	CJCH
12/04/08	0500	920	CJCH

14/04/08	0400	920	CJCH
04/04/08	0300	930	WBEN
04/04/08	0200	930	CFBC
15/04/08	0400	930	CFBC
16/04/08	0500	930	CFBC
18/04/08	0500	930	CFBC
20/04/08	0400	930	CFBC
26/04/08	0400	930	CFBC
04/04/08	0300	940	CINW
12/04/08	0500	940	WINZ
20/04/08	0400	940	WINZ
12/04/08	0500	950	CKNB
12/04/08	0500	960	THE ZONE WEAV
15/04/08	0500	960	THE ZONE WEAV
20/04/08	0500	970	WZAN
22/04/08	0400	970	WZAN
04/04/08	0300	990	CBC
20/04/08	0500	990	CBC
04/04/08	0300	1010	WINS
12/04/08	0500	1010	WINS
12/04/08	0500	1010	CFRB
14/04/08	0400	1010	WINS
15/04/08	0500	1010	WINS
16/04/08	0300	1010	CFRB
20/04/08	0500	1010	WINS
20/04/08	0400	1010	CFRB
22/04/08	0500	1010	WINS
22/04/08	0400	1010	CFRB
12/04/08	0500	1020	KDKA
15/04/08	0500	1020	KDKA
12/04/08	0500	1050	ESPN NY
18/04/08	0500	1050	WEPN
04/04/08	0300	1060	WBIX
04/04/08	0300	1070	CBC
04/04/08	0200	1070	CBC
21/04/08	0200	1070	CHOK
04/04/08	0300	1080	WTIC
04/04/08	0200	1080	WTIC
12/04/08	0500	1080	WTIC
26/04/08	0500	1080	WTIC
12/04/08	0500	1100	WTAM
15/04/08	0500	1100	WTAM
16/04/08	0300	1100	WTAM
20/04/08	0500	1100	WTAM
04/04/08	0200	1110	WBT
12/04/08	0500	1110	WBT
15/04/08	0400	1110	WBT
15/04/08	0500	1110	WBT
20/04/08	0500	1110	WBT
04/04/08	0300	1130	WBBR
12/04/08	0500	1130	WBBR
15/04/08	0400	1130	WBBR
20/04/08	0500	1130	WBBR
04/04/08	0200	1140	CBC
12/04/08	0500	1140	CBC +SS
14/04/08	0300	1140	WQBA
15/04/08	0500	1140	CBC

20/04/08	0500	1140	CBC
20/04/08	0500	1160	WYLL
04/04/08	0300	1170	WWVA
12/04/08	0500	1170	WWVA
15/04/08	0400	1170	WWVA
18/04/08	0500	1170	WWVA
04/04/08	0300	1180	WHAM
15/04/08	0500	1180	WHAM
16/04/08	0300	1180	WHAM
12/04/08	0200	1190	WLIB
22/04/08	2355	1190	RADIO AMERICAS
26/04/08	0400	1190	WLIB
18/04/08	0500	1250	WEAE
22/04/08	0500	1250	WEAE
04/04/08	0300	1290	WKBK
14/04/08	0400	1290	WRNI
16/04/08	0500	1290	CJBK
18/04/08	0500	1290	WRNI
19/04/08	0500	1290	CJBK
20/04/08	0500	1290	CJBK
21/04/08	0300	1290	CJBK
20/04/08	0500	1300	WOOD
18/04/08	0500	1310	WLOB
20/04/08	0500	1310	WLOB
21/04/08	0300	1310	WCCW
12/04/08	0500	1320	CJMR 0459
17/04/08	0300	1320	WGVM
20/04/08	0500	1320	WILS
26/04/08	0500	1320	WGVM
12/04/08	0500	1330	WRCA
14/04/08	0400	1330	WRCA
15/04/08	0400	1330	WRCA
18/04/08	0500	1330	WRCA
22/04/08	0400	1330	WFNN
26/04/08	0400	1330	WRCA
12/04/08	0500	1350	ESPN no id
22/04/08	0400	1350	ESPN no id
16/04/08	0300	1360	WDRC
18/04/08	0500	1360	WDRC
19/04/08	0500	1360	WDRC
22/04/08	0500	1360	WDRC
04/04/08	0300	1370	WDEA
04/04/08	0200	1370	WDEA
16/04/08	0500	1370	WDEA
18/04/08	0500	1370	WDEA
19/04/08	0500	1370	WDEA
22/04/08	0500	1370	WDEA
26/04/08	0500	1370	WDEA
16/04/08	0500	1380	CKPC
04/04/08	0300	1390	WEGP
04/04/08	0200	1390	WEGP
10/04/08	0501	1390	WPLM
12/04/08	0300	1390	WXTC
04/04/08	0200	1400	CBC
26/04/08	0500	1400	CBC
15/04/08	0200	1410	WPOP
22/04/08	0500	1410	WPOP

04/04/08	0200	1420	CKDY
21/04/08	0200	1430	CHKT
15/04/08	0200	1440	WHK
21/04/08	0200	1440	WHK
22/04/08	0500	1440	WHK
04/04/08	0300	1450	WENJ
16/04/08	0500	1450	WENJ
20/04/08	0500	1450	WENJ
22/04/08	0500	1450	WENJ
04/04/08	0300	1460	WHIC
12/04/08	0200	1470	WNYY
15/04/08	0200	1470	WNYY
22/04/08	0500	1470	WNYY
26/04/08	0500	1470	WNYY
04/04/08	0300	1480	WSAR
12/04/08	0200	1480	WHBC
14/04/08	0500	1480	WSAR
15/04/08	0200	1480	WHBC
19/04/08	0500	1480	WHBC
20/04/08	0500	1480	WHBC
20/04/08	0500	1480	BBC WS
22/04/08	0500	1480	WHBC
22/04/08	0300	1480	WSAR
26/04/08	0500	1480	WSAR
08/04/08	0500	1500	WWWT
20/04/08	0500	1500	WLQV
04/04/08	0300	1510	ZONE
04/04/08	0300	1520	WWKB
22/04/08	0300	1520	CHIN
04/04/08	0300	1540	CHIN
18/04/08	0500	1540	CHIN
19/04/08	0500	1540	WDCD
04/04/08	0300	1550	CBC
22/04/08	0300	1550	CBC
04/04/08	0300	1560	WQEW
16/04/08	0500	1560	WQEW
26/04/08	0500	1560	WQEW
04/04/08	0300	1580	CKDO
17/04/08	0500	1580	CKDO
22/04/08	0500	1580	CKDO
20/04/08	0300	1610	CHSL LV LATINO
04/04/08	0300	1620	WNRP
17/04/08	0300	1620	WDHP
14/04/08	0500	1630	WRDW
21/04/08	0200	1630	KCJJ
21/04/08	0300	1630	KKGM
04/04/08	0300	1640	WTNI
17/04/08	0500	1640	WTNI
22/04/08	0500	1640	WTNI
22/04/08	0300	1640	WTNI
21/04/08	0200	1650	KCNZ - THE FAN
22/04/08	0500	1650	CJRS
26/04/08	0300	1650	WHKT
26/04/08	0500	1650	WHKT
16/04/08	0500	1660	WQLR
20/04/08	0300	1660	WQLR
22/04/08	0300	1660	WWRU

26/04/08	0300	1660	WWRU
14/04/08	0500	1670	WVVM
21/04/08	0200	1670	WTDY
22/04/08	0500	1670	WVVM
26/04/08	0300	1670	WVVM
14/04/08	0500	1680	WLAA
21/04/08	0200	1680	WDSS pres not CA
22/04/08	0500	1680	WLAA
22/04/08	0300	1680	WLAA
04/04/08	0300	1690	WMLV
15/04/08	0200	1690	CHTO
22/04/08	0500	1690	CHTO
22/04/08	0300	1690	CHTO
14/04/08	0500	1700	KVNS
15/04/08	0200	1700	KVNS
17/04/08	0500	1700	KVNS
17/04/08	0300	1700	KVNS
20/04/08	0300	1700	KVNS
21/04/08	0200	1700	KVNS
22/04/08	0500	1700	WEUP
26/04/08	0500	1700	WJCC

APRIL 2008: Well it really is April now. I know I said in January that it was like April on the bands, but here we are, really in April. A rather chilly early April here in Scotland. So much for the global warming myth!! I know the lovely autumn colours always signify mw dx season, and Christmas trees in the windows should still mean good dx. But it would be nice to have a bit of warm sunshine here again!! Would also be nice to have some decent logs to boast about. Nothing of note here since late March, when the band was good.

MW CLEAN UP: In the last few weeks, there has been a bit of a clear out on the band. Both this side and the other side of the Atlantic. RTE left the MW band frequencies of 567 and 729kHz. Belgium has vacated 540, 1188, and 1512. On a blacker note, I noted 1422 using the dreaded white noise/ DRM about 0200 one morning recently. I hope this is not a sign of things to come.

On the other side of the water, 1320 CKEC left the air, and 1070 CBC Moncton also signed off for good. Both these channels offer new and exciting dx opportunities for European DXers, as they were both dominant on their channels.

HISTORICAL FM ANTENNA: I am about to change my FM antenna from a 4 element to an 8, on a rotator, ready for this years sporadic e dx season. I have been given THE antenna that the first known transatlantic FM dx signals were heard through. DX neighbour Davie Hamilton from Cumnock moved house recently, and told me if I could get up on the roof and take the antennas down, I could have both the band 1 and the band 2 antennas. I am not sure if it was Paul Logan in Northern Ireland or Davie that actually picked up the first TADX FM signals. I wasn't by the radios that day, but had been in the previous days!!! AHHH!! Transatlantic FMDX... amazing... but true!! (Was that 2002?)

GRAMAPHONE MAN: I recently visited an old boy here in Ayrshire who has quite a collection of old 78 records, which includes the early PATHE records, which play from the inside out. I never knew of their existence. I will upload a couple of images, and maybe a video clip in a couple of days.

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March 31st: Added a couple of audio clips for inspection, to the Perseus audio page. These are WATR, and WJAS hopefully. Just require a second opinion.

Last few nights have been a dead loss dx wise. Simply nothing to report.

March 28th 2008: Catching up on logs from most of March here. I still have to trawl through loads of PERSEUS files yet....There have been a few logs recently. Even some personal firsts!! This last couple of weeks has seen some super strength signals from across the Atlantic. A lot of very strong signals around!!!!

TEST TONES ON 783kHz: May I take this opportunity to question the comments recently about the so called test tones on 783. Can no one tell the difference these days between a het and a test tone. A tone would obviously be heard either side of the main freq, and not only on one side of the freq only. There is a station on about 782kHz, prob Syria according to reports, causing a het to the Euros.

26th March (Wednesday):

0200: 1390 WXTC (Heaven 13-90), **1500 WLQV** dominant, 1510 The Zone, 1520 WWKB, 1540 CHIN / WDCD mix, 1550 CBC, 1440 WJAE

0300: 930 WBEN, 1230 WCMC Wildwood, 1320 CJMR, 1440 WHK, 1450 WENJ,

0400: 1160 WYLL, 710 WOR

0500: 970 WZAN, 870 WWL, 850 WEEI, 800 CKLW, 950 CKNB

0530: WGAN 560

0600: 940 Montreal, 860 CBC F, 830 WCRN, 850 WEEI, 800 CKLW, 760 WJR, 730 CKAC, 660 WFAN, 640 CBC, 600 CBC, 590 VOXM, 620 VOXM, 580 CFRA, 560 KIX, 920 CKNX, 1020 KDKA, 1070 CBC, 1080 WTIC, 1120 KMOX, 1130 WBBR, 1140 CBC, 1170 WWVA, 1290 CJBK

Also note that Radio Moscow's / Vo Russia transmitter on 1323 at 0600, 10s before has hidden CW, just LF of the carrier.

25th March (Tuesday):

0400: Good Time Oldies 1320 stn.,. WATR, id in the mud. Need 2nd opinion but pretty sure!!, 1250 Unid ESPN sounding like ESPN Charleston. (In fact on listening further, WEAE).

0500: Unid W station 1320 W?R?, poss WATR again, 1280 WFAU

0600: 610 WIOD, 660 WFAN, 680 WRKO, 640 CBC, 600 CBC, 700 WLW, 730 CKAC, 760 WJR, 750 CBC, 850 WEEI, 890 WANG, **980 WOFX**, 990 CBC, 1020 KDKA, 1050 WEPN, **1060 KYW**, 1100 WTAM, 1120 Amazing splatter on channel from WBBR!!, 1130 WBBR like a local, 1170 WWVA, 1140 CBC, 1160 WSKW / espn, **1230 WHUC**, 1290 WKBK AND WHIO, 1310 WLOB, 1330 WRCA

0630: Coast 96.7 christian stuff. Poss associated with WDCD.

0700: 1290 WRNI, 930 WBEN, 930 CFBC

22nd March (Saturday):

0300: 1440 WHK, 850 WEEI, 830 WCRN, 1540 WDCD, UNID 1320 with CNN radio news toth.

0400: **1320 WJAS tent**. I have managed I think to extract this ID from here. Will add up on line maybe tomorrow for other opinions. ?? ALSO CJMR id

0500: 1300 WOOD 0458 just before DRM began.

0600: 590 **WEZE Boston**. Personal first on a difficult channel.

20th March (Thurs):

0300: 1430 WENE, 1550 CBC, 1540 CHIN, 1570 BOOMER, 1580 CKDO, 1370 WDEA, 1360 WDRC, 1290 WRNI, 1180 WHAM, 1140 CBC, 1080 WTIC, 1010 WINS, 890 WAMG, 880 WCBS, 1480 WSAR

0400: 560 KIX, 660 WFAN, 750 CBC, 780 CFTR, 800 FF, NO ID., 840 WHAS, 850 WEEI, 930 WBEN, 940 MONTREAL, 970 WZAN, 1010 CFRB, 1130 WBBR, 1200 CFGO, 1180 WHAM, 1310 WLOB, 1080 WTIC

0500: 1170 WWVA, 1010 CFRB, 970 WZAN, 890 WAMG, 730 CKAC, 660 WFAN, 600 CBC, **560 WGAN**,

0530: 940 MONTREAL, 710 WOR, 1320 Unid with web site, todayschristianmusic.com. Poss CJMR.

0600: 1330 WRCA, 1290 WRNI, **560 WGAN**

19th March (Wed):

0400: WLOB 1310, WHAM 1180, WOR 710

18th March (Tues):

0200: CHIN 1540 Exc, WHAM 1180, WBIX 1060, WWL 870

I noticed the Garnock Valley FM is on air 87.9. RSL.

March 17th (Mon): St Patrick's Day, and the band was more lively..

0500: WZAN 970, WEEI 850, KIX 780, WLOB 1310, WRCA 1330 inc like poss French

0600: WABC 770, 990 cbc, 1070 CBC, 1080 WTIC, 1170 WWVA

0630: WEGP 1390, CJCH 920 Such a superb signal, WCRN 830 really loud and clear signal, WWL 870, CFBC 930, WINS 1010, WTIC 1080, WBT 1110 SUPER, WPHT 1210, 1130 WBBR SUPER.

0700: WWVA 1170, CKDO 1580, CBC 1140, CBC 1070, WEPN 1050, **980 WOFX Troy new one for me**, CKNB 950, WCRN 830

A few nights where tha band was poor, TBN and a few common East Coasters....

11th March: Band condx not wonderful, but managed to hear last day of CKEC. I have yet to hear an announcement on any of these stations to the effect that the long time MW signal will close on such and such a date.

0400: 1390 WXTC, 1370 WDEA, 1320 East Coast FM, CKEC last day, 920 CJCH.

0600: WFBL 850, TBN 820

8th March :

0400: WWL 870, 1020 KDKA, 1070 CBC

0500: WCRN 830, VOWR 800

0600: WCRN 830, CINW 940, WWL 870, WTIC 1080, WBT 1110

0700: WAMG 890

March 10th 2008: It is almost the time of year to catch up on the logs from the winter months, and complete the logbook. I feel I could have written this at the head of the page last month, and have been reasonably accurate. The band conditions this year so far have been rather disappointing, after the earlier very good DX season in Autumn 07.

PERSEUS RECEIVER: I am lucky enough to have grabbed a PERSEUS SDR receiver at the right time when there was one available in the UK. Now there seems to be a backlog, due to lack of available off the shelf components. This I fully understand, and though frustrating to dxers who ordered in december, I think their wait will be worth while. Because of the Perseus files, I have a lot of files still checked only quickly, so I may have elusive rare ids hidden waiting to be discovered.

LA LOGS: My dx neighbour, Paul C has generally much more success hearing Latin and Cental/ FL stations than I do, even with my due west beverage. I will make it a premier job to try and install an antenna specially for LA, for the up and coming spring/ summer season. I seem to recall in the 80s I had a lot of success dxing LA/ CA with much more modest antennas. I may try and remember exactly the antennas used then.

PERSEUS TIMER: Mattias Zwoch has developed a superb timer. It is a little fiddly to set up, when working in the dark, like I was, but I got the jist of it. Now I can click on a text file, to allow the PERSEUS to record at the top of the hour in the middle of the night. Each text file is named 0100, 0200 etc. So therefore with a few mouse clicks, the PERSEUS will switch on and record in the middle of the night.. Superb. This very early dx window was always one of my drawbacks of summer MWDX. Now I have no more excuses!!

DXING ON CHEAP TRANSISTORS: I am bemused by web pages and magazine articles that have appeared recently in connection with dxing on cheap trannys!! I personally am forever trying to improve my DX shack, not go in reverse. Of course dx can be heard on a tranny, especially on the frequency allocations of your own area, eg 9khz steps for euros, or 10khz if living in the Americas. Selectivity factors on cheap trannys certainly make life more difficult, but split channels are certainly not impossible. True it would be more difficult hearing for example 1520 WWKB in Europe on a cheapo, compared to say an NRD, or for that matter a PERSEUS.

Radio Jackie North was a Liverpool pirate which used to run relatively low power. In the very early 1980s, I used to enjoy showing some dx friends stations like Radio Jackie North on a tin pot tranny, by sitting it next to a loop/ long wire combo. The loop fairly helps with the selectivity. What I am saying is that dxing on a "junk" portable is not a new thing. But I for one prefer to operate my real receivers thank you. Maybe I am missing something, and should go round to the local council tip, and have a rummage around for an old transistor...hi.

What happens with modifications and upgrades?? ? Do you modify it to make it even worse??

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Notable logs now in bold.

Tuesday 26th February: I have found some time to check logs of 0100 on 26th Feb from a Perseus file. Stations of note are as follows: 1400 WOND (Newstalk 1400 1580 WGYM and 1400 WOND.), 1250 JOY 12-50 ids, 1160 WYLL, 1410 WPOP, 1300 WOOD, 1190 WOWO

SUNDAY 24th FEB 2008: Common East Coast station WBIX 1060 had a good signal with their DX TEST on Sunday morning UTC, hrd here just before 0700UTC, including power down at 0700. Click the PERSEUS AUDIO page for the rather good quality audio clip.

THURSDAY 21st FEBRUARY 2008: Added some recordings to the DOWNLOAD page. IRISH as well as OFFSHORE RADIO.

Last night, the lf part of the spectrum was lively This mornings logs include on 1290 WKBK Keene dominant at 0730. MMFM announced 91.9 and 1540 via CHIN also at 0730. The id caught me out for a while. 1270 WTSN. (yesterday I noted CJCB on 1270) I have some other common logs to catch up on. Found another **WWJ Detroit 950** log. This time for 31st Dec 2007 0855utc.

SATURDAY 9th Feb 2008: The band was very lively when I was tuning around at 0200ish.. and in the morning.... A few logs.

830 0134 WCRN
870 0805 WWL
880 0805 WCBS
970 0805 WZAN
1020 0134 KDKA
1100 0805 WTAM
1110 0136 WBT
1130 0800 KWKH
1180 0134 WHAM
1180 0800 WHAM
1190 0139 WLIB
1230 0100 WCMC
1250 0200 WEAE
1290 0800 CJBK
1300 0200 WJMO
1310 0100 CIWW

1390 0800 WEGP
1440 0155 WHKZ
1450 0100 WENJ
1540 0100 WDCD
1560 0100 WQEW
1600 0101 WUNR

Tuesday February 5th 2008: Heard some stuff this morning. Overnight I recorded 540 pres CBC, which was coming though at bed time. Yet to check recording. At 0800 I have noted so far 680 WRKO, **730 Radio Lida Columbia**, Unid LA sounding on 580, dont think PR. (Tnx to Paul C. for listening!!)

Monday February 4th 2008: Monday night, many of the common Canadians coming through at 2200 . 560, 590, 600, 610, 620, 650.

I was listening/ trawling through some recent PERSEUS files just in the last little while, The night in December when BIG L was off air, and WEGP 1390 was hammering in, I discovered a good id from **1290 WMBF Binghampton** at 0000 on 7th Dec 2007. (Night of 6th through 7th). This is a personal first. Glad I haven't deleted the large .wav files. Clip in PERSEUS audio page. Other logs: 31st Dec 0700 **1620 WNRP FL**, 29/12 **KRJO 1680 @ 0800**, v poor but id all the same. 31st Dec 0930 **WLW id on 1170**. (Via 1170 WWVA??)

Saturday February 2nd 2008: Not much in the morning at just after 0800. WFNA was good on 1660, but all in all, pretty poor.

Friday February 1st 2008: Heard a new station at 0800, a personal first. **950 WWJ Detroit**. A good id is included from CKNB which faded out at exactly the right time. Also noted 970 WZAN, and 930 CFCB, but band not as alive as yesterday. AVR 1420 had a good peak, 0848.

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Celtic Music Radio has started on 1530 here in Scotland, but I think I could still DX 1530 when the band is good.

Thursday 31st January 2008: Well I guess this is the last entry for this month. Quite a good morning, though all of the expected stations.... no odd or unusual stuff., except maybe Texas 1630. Chicago espn was coming in on 1000 from time to time. A list of the PERSEUS logs below. There were many more common stations on the band, which was quite lively, and gives a little inspiration. Inspiration to try the new version of the PERSEUS software, which can record a massive 800kHz. Almost there. MW band runs from 530 to 1700, therefore the 800kHz records more than half!!! Watch my Perseus pages for results as soon as the software is released. I will upload some photos of Celtic Music Radio shortly as well.

0834	840	WHAS
0900	880	WCBS
0900	940	CINW
0900	950	CKNB
0834	960	WEAV
0826	1060	R EDUCATION
0834	1100	WTAM
0834	1110	WBT
0911	1120	KMOX
0931	1120	KMOX
0834	1140	WQBA
0900	1300	WOOD
0800	1310	CIWW
0800	1360	WDRC
0900	1360	WDRC
0800	1390	WEGP
0900	1510	WWZN
0900	1520	WWKB
0800	1570	CFAV
0800	1620	WTAM
0800	1630	KKGM
0800	1640	WTNI
0800	1650	CJRS
0800	1660	WCNZ

0800 1700 KVNS

Tuesday 29th January 2008: Had a few stations on the band at 0800 this morning. Band was very depressed, and as a result so was I!! But on listening to the PERSEUS file from 0800, I realised there was a new station (personal first), **WBSM, New Bedford, Ma, on 1420**. Tnx Paul C for checking file. WJAB 1440 was heard at 0805 but at 0800 on 1440 something sounded nothing like WJAB. Very difficult copy. Will have to make audio clip for second opinion. I also had ids from CKDO 1580, 1390 WEGP. Common stations heard on 1510, 1520, 1540. Also had the station that plays past toth on 1600 with SS type mx.

Celtic Music Radio down in signal strength due to aerial damage in the recent storms. Still on air though.

Wednesday January 23rd 2008: It is two whole weeks since I made an entry in these pages. The main reason has been the continuing poor band conditions. In fact since the 10th Jan I have not even made any logs, bar a few scribbles on 14th when 560 CHVO was heard, as well as WRKO 680, CKAC 730, WAXY 790. All I seem to be hearing are the common East Coasters, and even at that, the signals are well down compared to earlier in the season. In the early evening (the 2000 - 2200 slot) where the low freq Canadians have been regular this winter, I have been hearing virtually nothing. Fellow dxer in Ayrshire, Paul C had a couple of interesting FL stations on a morning I was not by the receivers, but we both agree it is more like April or May than mid January. I hope the season hasn't come to an early close.

This morning I had some LF Canadians, eg 560, 590, 600, 610 etc. On the higher frequency end of the band, 1470 had a strong station in SS at one point, playing "musica Mexicana", which I assume may have been the common Mexican. 1600 had something on it. I had a chance to check around 1000, and was surprised by the late fade out. All that was audible was common stuff like 1130, 1140, 1520, 1300 but again weak although hanging on long past daybreak.

I noticed that RTE1 is still playing the old advert we used to hear on NOVA about 24 years ago, the "Bargain Town" tune. (Carry on down to Bargain Town, where the prices are only famous). Can only be good for MW dxers that they have decided to quit 567, in favour of the more powerful LW signal. They do cause me grief on 570, and to a lesser extent on 560. Seems there was a news report on RTE TV about Tullamore closing, on Monday night, inc vintage footage. Sadly I can't pick up RTE TV here on Satellite, because they do not allow their service to be viewed in this country. (Despite the BBC being in the clear)

Wednesday 9th January: Good 555 ZIZ ids @ 0004, and audio on 895, but no ids on the latter. 550 has a loop of FF ann, so I guess it is going off very soon. 580 had PR as well as Ottawa at 0100.

At last updated this site. Been a busy time.

Updated January 8th 2008: The logs have been neglected during the run up to Christmas, so here is a summary of what was heard from the New Year. Sorry for more of a scribble than a proper update. But all reasonable logs included.

Tuesday 8th January:

0800 1660 WWRU, 870 WWL, Unid c/c on 1380 0836. Thanks to Paul C on the chat box, JBC Jamaica on 700 ID @ 2300.

Monday 7th January:

The perseus came in handy for the Radio Rebelde ID. Noted on 4 qrgs.

0800 - 560 KIX 103.9 (EX CHVO/ VOXM), 600 Radio Rebelde, 610 Radio Rebelde, 670 Radio Rebelde, 710 Radio Rebelde, 750 CBC, 770 WABC, 780 KIX, 850 WEEI, 870 WWL, 880 WCBS, 890

WAMG

0830 - 740 VOCM/ AM640 mix, 560 KIX 103.9, 570 Radio Reloj, 0833 610 WIOD,

Saturday 5th January:

0000 - 1320 East Coast FM, 1540 CHIN, 1630 KCJJ,

0100 - 1670 WVVM, 1620 WTAW, 1650 WHKT, 1550 CBE

0200 - 1640 WTNI (0156), 1540 KXEL & CHIN

1620 also had love songs non stop, but no possitive ID on WWLV

0400 - 1630 KCJJ

Friday 4th January: 0854 and 0900 970 WZAN, 870 WWL, 1010 CFRB, 800 CKLW

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Recently gone, 960 CHNS, 630 CFCY, 950 CHER. I will keep this list at the top of the next few months logs as things change. Updates welcome. Remember in Scotland 1530 is allocated to Celtic Music Radio, hoping to start early new Year, so qrg may be more difficult.

Updated January 7th 2008: The logs have been neglected during the run up to Christmas, so here is a summary of what was heard from mid Dec until Hogmanay. Sorry for more of a scribble than a proper update. But all reasonable logs included.

Monday 31st Dec: 0016 1510 WLAC, Morning quite good, and brought a poor id on Manitoba 1250, heard classical // on 950, but faded at the id time. Had Perseus rec at a range so that both 1250 and 950 would be included. Other stuff heard.
1160 Chicago's Christian Talk, 1260 Radio Disney, 1290 CFRW MB, (good id @ 0900), 920 CKNX, 1050 ESPN NY, 1140 Miami Stn, 960 Lite 104.3,

Sunday 30th Dec: 0800 WHAM 1180,

Sat 29th Dec: Perseus files around 0800: 1630 KKGW, really good signal, 1650 kwhn, 1660 espn/ KRZI, 1690 WMLB,

Tues 25th Dec, Xmas Day: 2156 had 1360 WDRC, 1700 WEUP, 1700 KVNS, 1650 R Sahlom, 1620 WTAW logged later on.

Thursday 20th Dec: 0958 1140 LV Miami,

2150 1390 WEGP and WPLM, 2201 1470 WWNN FL, Unid SS shouting stn 1700. no id, prob FL.

Sunday 16th Dec: Had visitor, so Perseus was used and checked later.

0800 - 580 CFRA, 640 CBC, 780 KIX, 800 CKLW, 920 CKNX, 830 WCRN, 930 WBEN

0900 - 1100 WTAM, 1110 WBT, 1170 WWVA, 1280 WNAM, 1360 WYOS, 1390 WFBL (1st log this season)

1000 - 980 CRUISE, 1580 CKDO, 1300 WOOD, 1260 WMLK, 1250 WSSH,

Saturday 15th Dec: 0900 on Perseus. 1280 WFAU, 1180 WHAM, 1290 CJBK, 1330 WRCA, 1370 WDEA (never ided the station it mixes with sometimes), 1410 WPOP.

Saturday night was Radio St Helena night, and I enjoyed listening to the show. If truth be told, I had the best audio and signal combination from my HF225e, a great little set. 11092 USB

FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2007: Inc Thursday night. Noticed that CKEC New Glasgow is now calling itself East Coast FM. This signifies that the AM will be closed soon. According to one report I read, in about 3 months. The CKEC web site has been redirected to the new pages. As I said Monday, a sad end to a real old fashioned AM radio station. At the "WEGP DX window", before BIG L comes back on at 2200, I had a WPLM id on 1390, fading with WEGP. I was up till late, around 0330, although nothing startling was heard on MW. Too busy working on a PC. Because of my late night, I was ill to rise and missed dawn. Recorded only about an hour and a half with the PERSEUS, including 0900 and 1000. Had a chance to listen later on and the following good results were achieved. I have ids from 1360 WYOS / ESPN, 1360 WDRC Hartford, 1430 WENE, 1520 WWKB exc sig, 1300 Cleveland's Inspiration, 1290 CJBK, 1290 WRNI Providence, 1270 CJBC, 1270 WTSN (90% sure), I think iding as TSN. 1600 WWRL, 1230 WCMC Wildwood (70% sure), 1320 East Coast FM, 1480 WSAR Fall River, 1440 WJAB, which faded up on top of the jamming noise at the right time. Nothing new for me, but have some good IDs for the logs. The Perseus was recording 1200 - 1600. LF part of the band was gone during much of the time I was tuned in.

TUESDAY NIGHT, 12th Dec. Added about 20 audio clips to the PERSEUS pages.

TUESDAY MORNING 12th December 2007: High A and Ks make listening poor. Only common East coasters coming through.

MONDAY MORNING 11th December 2007 (inc SUNDAY NIGHT DECEMBER 10th):

I am being asked when to expect some audio clips from the PERSEUS rx on line. Soonest. The Perseus is like a PC. Doesn't save you time, but simply takes up your time!!! I will try and get some on line later tonight.

Something which will be missed on the dx bands when it moves to FM, and closes it's MW service, is CKEC 1320 New Glasgow, a real independent radio station, with real programmes. They were also heard airing a 1949 old fashioned type radio play on Sunday night. Not much of this type of real AM radio left. Also ided WDEA 1370, WFAU 1280 (Not by call, but ann 1450 and 1280), WLOB 1310, OLDIES 13-10, CBC 1550, WDCD 1540, CJMR the voice of the city ided again on 1320, 0100 WHIC NY, The station of the Cross 1460, (New for me). Recorded 1510 again overnight. Gonna have to playback some of these to check for ids.

Up by 0655, and 920 had CKNX dominant, Interestingly, Stornaway Coastguard was heard on 1743 with weather warnings. Band a bit noisy, maybe due to higher Ks earlier on. Also IDed this morning, 760 WJR, 1670 WTDY, 940 Montreal, and a chat show from David Letterman is it, on 670. No id, at the times I was tuned in. Had Classic Country BKV ID on 1470 at 0936 (WBKV as per logging yesterday), and WOOD 1300. Unknown CBS news on 1360 at 1004, sadly faded by id time. Also noted 1280 WNAM, 1080 WTIC, 1360 WDRC, 1170 WWVA, 1010 CFRB / WINS mix. The band never quite opened right up to the west this am.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 9th: Sat night was complete chaos, visitors etc, so no dxing, but managed up at 0834 and left the Perseus recording, and went back to sleep. After checking, I think I made the mistake of leaving the NRD connected to the same antenna as the Perseus, resulting in less sensitivity. By all accounts I made the mistake of not staying up and getting some dxing done. But heard the following more unusual / less common stations in the recordings. 1290 WMCS Greenfield, Milwaukee, WSSP WI 1250, and the best one for me, 1310 ESPN/ WCCW Traverse City, MI. All Great Lakes area. WOOD 1300 and WNAM 1280 also hrd. At 1100 I had WBKW 1470 also in WI, with CNN News. Late opening. Heard the familiar classical music style on both 950 and 1250 a lot recently. MB stns, but so far I have never had any ids. Well done to Paul in Troon for iding them both recently!!

SATURDAY DECEMBER 8th: (Late Friday night) Left 1390 WEGP on record, audible ECSS LSB, then changed to 1690, and finally according to the sleepy looking log, to 1300. Slept in, and missed the DX. Had KXEL 1540 at 0900, WOOD also at 0900, as was 3WT 1500. (Rec a Perseus file).

FRIDAY DECEMBER 7th: (Late Thurs night) heard 1310 WLOA, WBBR 1130 was rock solid at 0048, WRNI 1290, 1170 WWVA, 970 WZAN alone on the channel, full call id for WQEW 1560, full call ID for CHIN 1540, 1600 WWRL, 1300 WOOD at 0235, and at 0203 I had an unusual French speaker on

1410. Unknown source. A station which is like some kind of Asian chanting, or as a dx friend from Scotland and I say, maybe "INJUNS", on 1600. Again unknown source. WUNR?? WVON 1690, The Talk of Chicago hrd at 0254, and WEEI ided 850.

In the morning, I was ill to rise, after being up late, but tuned in at around 0745, and a lot of Latin sounding stations around. 960 still playing Lite 104.3, but AM can't surely have long to go. Radio Nacional id 580, prob Venezuela. WNAM 1280 ided 0830, AVR country 1420, Canadian, but no local call ids.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 6th: AT 0040, SS coming through on 930kHz, Unid toth on 620 mixing with VOXM. Must check. 790 WAXY, 830 WCRN, 730 CKAC, 1390 WEGP.

Thursday night, at 2151, I noticed WEGP was booming in on 1390. I sat on the channel waiting for BIG L coming back on. But it never happened. So the third Euro which is usually a blocker of dx, was off for a rest and giving us a rare chance of DX. It never came back until 0000. That was a nice break. 3 Euros off air in the one week is amazing. No IDs noticed from any other stations, although plenty present in the background.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 5th: Wed night at 2300 brought me an ID on a very difficult channel nowadays of 1210kHz. Former common station, WCAU, is now called WPHT, and just made it for an id at toth. WWVA 1170 was coming in, as was 1630 KCJJ.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 5th 2007: For the second night in a row a Euro was off air, noted at 0015 while tuning to 1380. The French QRM was off from 1377, leaving the freq clear for both CKPC, and former CKLC, now iding as "99 The Drive" (it may be 9-8-9 The Drive), which is the new station for their replacement FM service, signaling the closure of another Canadian MW stn. This time it is not not a powerful dominant station, but a regular none the less. I guess there was DX to be had in other parts of the spectrum, but I persisited with 1380, trying to ID the sports station that came up every now and again, Surely it will pop up during the night I thought. No such luck. Just as I turned in at approx 0220, the signal from France came back on, causing it's usual splatter. Therefore I had to nip back to the shack and change receivers, and decided to leave 1510 overnight, which included Roy Masters (Well heard in Europe from Radio Caroline).

I was using the HF225e to record the audio on 1380. The audio response / quality from that set is probably the best of all my receivers. When there was no 1380 left, I switched to the NRD545, which I can control from the house, and therefore check when I waken to see if the band is worth getting up for. Unfortunately this morning I was rather sluggish to get up, because of being up to about 3am. Band wasn't overly exciting at 0810 this am, but the stations did linger, and a very late fade out was noted around 1030. Just popped in now and then, as it sounded like common East Coasters on their usual channels, rather than the band opening up to the West.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 4th 2007: First contribution of the month due to the band conditions since late November. I was messing around in the shack, and tuned in around 0040. Heard 1680 Radio Disney, 1630 KCJJ, KVNS 1700 with new welcome English format.

Just as I was turning in for the night, I noticed BBC Radio Scotland off air. At 0116, I had a few IDs from WGY 810. The pres F stn was also present in and out. BBC seemed to switch on lower signal transmitter first, perhaps Burghead, and then followed by usual off the clock signal of Westerglen. Unusual to hear a silent period from this lot. Do they really need to relay another station during the night I wonder?? Think on the money the BBC could save by switching off 1341, 882, and 810/ 585 at night. Anyway, also logged WTDY 1670 Madison, 1200 WOAI, 1300 WOOD, 1300 Cleveland's Inspiration, WTIC 1080, 1160 WYLL. Have a couple of Perseus files to investigate at 0800 and 0830. AM - 1060 CKMX Calgary was only just heard with the Classic Country.

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A list of common dx stations looking to move to FM include: 560 CHVO/ VOXM, 610 CHNC/ Frenchy, 780 CFDR/ KIX, 920 CJCH, 960 CFFX, 1070 CBA/ CBC, 1140 CBI/ CBC, 1150 CHGM/ Frenchy, 1320 CKEC, 1380 CKLC, 1550 CBE/ CBC. 960 Kingston is already carrying the FM service, which usually signals that the end is coming!! Any more?? I may have seen somewhere that 550 CHLN French stn was going to FM??

Many of these are dominant on their channel, so their sign off will open the frequencies up for further dx.

Recently gone, 960 CHNS, 630 CFCY, 950 CHER. I will keep this list at the top of the next few months logs as things change. Updates welcome. Remember in Scotland 1530 is allocated to Celtic Music Radio, hoping to start early new Year, so qrg may be more difficult.

END OF NOVEMBER 2007: I have had nothing worthy of note until the first week in December due to the band conditions.

Wednesday 28th November 2007 : Not much to report really, hence the quiet spell in the DX logs/ forum etc. Tonight, despite the seemingly quiet condx, low ks etc, the band is struggling to provide even the powerhouses. Last night was better. I still set the alarm early and check the band, but always too much Euro splatter, and poorish band. Can't get a chance to use the Perseus rx under HOT conditions. I should be going through my overnight recordings and banging a few more ids on my audio page, but seem to always find something else which distracts me. I have written my own personal observations on the Perseus SDR receiver, see the "receivers" link at the top of the page. This is in fact an ongoing project too.

Friday 23rd November 2007 : Well it has been a bit of a stormy week, propagation wise. Nothing worthy of note, except that luckily I recorded 1510 in the hope of a decent signal peak from KCKK, or even the elusive KAGY. Well I did by chance pick up on an announcement at just after 0200 on WWZN, 15-10 THE ZONE. It is in a slight fade but click here to listen to this. Mystery solved. **No KAGY log after all!!!** It was THE ZONE. Still not 100% sure what is said, but certainly answers the question. Thanks to Andrew Brade, Paul Crankshaw, and RV, for listening to the clip, and offering help, appreciated chaps. I think we all heard something different!! I for one would have lost money that that log was from a four letter K station, not necessary KAGY, but some days sounding very like it!! The programme heard is called the Bernard Lee Poker Show, and is listed on the web pages. <http://www.1510thezone.com/poker>

PERSEUS has arrived: I have just taken delivery of the new Perseus SDR receiver. This is the one with the 400khz bandwidth recording capability. I have started to make a review of the set, viewable by clicking here. It is my intention to add some audio clips and screen shots before the end of the weekend. What a superb DX tool, and now I need the band conditions to assist.

Tuesday 20th November 2007 (Inc Monday Night):

Added a CHAT box to the site, so if anyone is around in the mornings, they can keep in touch. If no one uses it, I will delete it, but could be a handy item.

Interestingly, the (unpredicted) rise in Ks again brought in **KRHW, Sikeston, Mo, 1520**, with it's classic country. Is this stn running higher power now?? Apologies for printing on the forum, 1510!!

Carelessness creeping in again!! Noted 0828 in a fade with WWKB. Also heard a good id from 650 WSM Nashville at 0800, 710 WOR, 1240 VOXM AT 0913, 680 mix of WRKO and Toronto. Had country on 790 at one point and before that around 0707, sports from pres WAXY. Left 1120 recording over, but haven't checked yet to see if the high Ks messed up the band. There has been something fluttering with KMOX from time to time. UPDATE: Had a quick flick through, but only KMOX heard...

Monday night, had WPTX Lexington Pk id at 2200, a good mix on 1500, no notable ids though.. Good TOTH at 2300 from 9-40 Montreal. Radio Boomer on 1570 at 2207, and later in the early morning shift, mixing with the French was SS from XERF, Call as well as Radio ???? (Name of a prog or slogan on XERF, not La Poderosa..??).

Monday 19th November 2007:

I have been leaving live dx tips on the forum at <<http://mediumwaveradio.org/forum/>>. I have had no one looking in yet and using it, but will continue to do so, if it is used. Comments??

Listened again to my 1070 unid which is on line. Def a CHOK id, which I never got the first time around. Straight after the music. Guess this will be common place soon when CBC goes off.

Quite good condx this am, but seemed to lack unusual ids. Sometimes the stations just seem to fade out within a few seconds of tune in, like the FM sporadic E. Last night I left 1510 recording the Irish prog on Boston 1510. Got one peak from KCKK, which was actually giving the details for North Colorado for 1570 KSXT. Still not had a peak like Paul C had, hi!! Guess I have managed to log a proper id, which is what counts.

At 0645 approx, the band looked like it was buzzing, and many frequencies were like graveyards. Oldies on 980, pres CKRU, but no ID. ESPN 1350 ided with full call WYOK at 0802, and Fox sports 1280 1450 and 97.5 = WFAU. CFRB booming in with their "bowell" programme!!

Had a mix with 1120 KMOX around 0830, although KMOX won. 1160 had a few stations. KOMO was in at 0906, mixing sometimes with Chicago, and an 8-20 CHAM id on 820 at 0913. WYLL id 1160 at 0926, and WJMO Cleveland on 1300, mixing with WOOD.

Sunday 18th November addition 2: I have added a few audio clips to, strangely enough, the audio clip page. Recent additions are in red. I do need a second and third opinion on the 1510 station, KAGY, as well as the country station which came in mixing with CBA Moncton, 1070. Poss CHOK, or KVKK. The latter id as double K, while CHOK ann their call letters as C-H-O-K?? Just listened again on Monday am, and a CHOK id is there for all to hear at about 4s, just after the music stops. C-H-O-K ?? AM....!!

Sunday 18th November 2007 (Inc Saturday Night)

Sat night, and Sunday morning were not as good as hoped, with the low indices, but the band not really opening up to the west. CHVO was in at 1919 just. Had an early id from 1420 country, AVR, = CKDY. No call id. Noticed a CBC Moncton full id on 1070 at 0000. Thought FM was the only thing publicised now, but there ya go. Fell asleep, but at 0705 had some rather good WJR ids. Stones music noted on 690 at 0709, but no ids. Also French on 550, but no call id noted. At 0730 there were LA ads, ie Louisiana, mixing with WBBR. NO ID at this stage. 1160 had a load of activity, and 0824 ID from CKNX 920 with a dominant fine signal, CJCH there later. There was company behind 1520 WWKB, but no ids. Had call id from WMKI Boston Radio Disney on 1260 at 0901, and also // 1460 at 0903. 1580 CKDO good 70s disco music 0905, and ids at 1024. CW on 950 at 0935, and ESPN 1410 iding as such. No call (WPOP), but their own unique web address was given, espradio110.com. I guess that has to do. Unsure if I have IDs on 1430 Toronto today or not. Superb signal at 0940 briefly, and a web address. Brother Stair heard both on 1510, and 1530 pres Cincinnati. At 1000, finally had great KWKH id on 1130. WOOD 1300, Unid english on 1570 0944, and the latest I heard 1520 WWKB was 1130, when I was looking for WIZZ signing back on... No sign of it though. Incidentally, tried the spec lab on the 1410 growl, and was surprised the number of carriers there...around 0905

Sat 17th November 2007 (Inc Friday Night)

Error/ typo on 2nd Nov. Radio Disney should read 1260, not 1280!!

Was up quite late Friday night, and as a result, knackered in the morning. On Friday night, CFMB 1280 was heard with loud Italian programming, and daytime antenna pattern. They were switching to night time pattern around 2115 or 2130, but carried on all night last night. You can tell, because it is as though they have just gone off. Just disappears here in Scotland. Even managed a few IDs.

On 930, CJYQ, CFBC and WBEN were all in the mush. Was there anything else?? It was hard to tell. Listened to 1510, and The Zone was really very strong and clear. Like a local. No fade outs unfortunately, to bring in whatever is behind it. As I said, up late mucking around, so left 790 on over. Not checked recording yet to see what, if anything is coming through. In the morning, I had 580 CFRA, 1300 WOOD, and something mixing on 1120 with KMOX. Little else of note except the usual power houses.

Friday 16th November 2007 (Inc Thurs Night)

Woops.. Errors creeping in. Noticed I had got carried away with 820 WBAP Fort Worth log a few days back. Listed it as Chicago!! Silly me.

Thursday night was one of those nights/ mornings again when I felt I should have had more to show for the time spent at the receivers. Two channels of interest were music on 790, country, as well as 980 around 2130. On the hunt for daytimers, but no ids. Too much Euro splatter. IDs from 730 CKAC, 1370 WDEA, 610 CHNC, and a bit later on, a strange one. Around 1130, and quite wideband, but no farther that say 1110, I had a weird terrible noise from time to time, centred around 1130 roughly. Hope a one off local thing, and not any silly digital traffic. I saw a comment on line about DRM, and how some engineers of some SW broadcasters have realised that AM and DRM are not compatible on the same frequencies. Well blow me down, they must be really well qualified to have made such a statement!!!

Noticed around 2340, 590 VOXM had company. No matter what I tried, I never seemed to hit the right time to find out what station it was. I left 590 on overnight record, but still nothing worthy of note. Had ids from 780 WBBM, 1110 WBT and at 0643 noticed country behind CBC. Thought I had an id around 0645 just before The Eagles, but on playback couldn't determine what it was. Sounded like Two K A M, or I thought maybe CHO-K AM but CHOK id as C-H-O-K, or at least on the web stream when there were live programmes a bit later in the day. There was religious music in the mix on 1140 at 1008, and other stuff coming in included 1270, 1420, but no ids on any.

Thursday 15th November 2007 (Inc Wed Night)

Wednesday night I had a good Radio Disney, Norfolk ID on 1650 around 2150, 1510 The Zone ids, but seemed to have less of a tendency to fade today, to bring out weaker farther West stations. Hearing KVNS on 1700, and fell asleep with 1700 recording overnight. Had some clear/ loud KLIF ids at various times, and a possible XEPE, with a mention in E of Mexico and California. On playback, it turned out to be a talk show and an interview, when both Mexico and Ca were mentioned. Now if I did not have a recording of that, I may have been convinced I had heard XEPE. This am there was company for WLW, & WJR on 700 and 760, but neither came up at the right times. 680 news Toronto, WCRN 830 and 1160 WYLL. Not so much else last night/ this am... Had to go out and miss any late fade out. Did manage a quick check just after 10, and had WOR on 710. Also something with nx on 1420, but no id.

Wednesday 14th November 2007 (Inc Tuesday Night)

Tuesday night I noted some music on 1490 for once, and not the usual graveyard growl.. Think there was an ID at 2200, ann 2 frequencies, but too weak. Suspect WBAE, so will monitor from time to time. Not ided this season yet. Echoy news on 1150 at 2200 caused I suspect by the 2 French

stations taking the same news bulletin, similar to the 920 effect.

Recorded 1560 overnight hoping to identify the background station, but euro splatter and high ks by night made the overnight just hopeless. Nothing worth keeping. Caught up on some sleep rather than getting up early, after checking the band and finding it a bit splattery. Possibly in error, because I finally ided the country music behind Buffalo, 1520 at just shy of 0830.

KRHW - 1520 AM Sikeston, MO, listed as 1.6kw. Not impossible I guess.

I am surprised by the above, when you look at the k's.

Had audio sample listened to by RV, and he confirms that Sundays log on 1510 seems to be **KAGY, Port Sulphur, LA**, also a lower powered station.

If I could only id the stations I hear behind 760 and 700.

I often wonder about the long coax feed to my main beverage, whether it hampers my dxing, and picks up a lot of Euro signals. I banged in another earth at the far end of the coax the other day, although I have noticed no difference in Euro splatter. Maybe I should try different resistors on the end while listening to say BRT, or NL at the back end of the antenna. I then of course get a morning like Friday, and think, WAH, the beverage is working just fine. Perhaps the brute force over ignorance law comes into being here. ie the sheer length, 500m even if the coax is around 200m to get me to the feed point where I can obtain a NW angle.

Tuesday 13th November 2007 (Inc Monday Night)

I guess the high Ks never helped during the night, but had a nice id from 560 WGAN at 0035. Not a lot to report. Usual suspects, though maybe I wasn't as intense at the dxing this am, due to the lack of farther west stations. A lot of dx around the graveyards though. At 0730, seemed to be carrier only of 610, (or a deep fade??) and had English with C/C coming through. No ids annoyingly. Maybe when the Frenchy moves to FM it will open up the qrg. Back strong music // 1150 at 0807. Country around 0820 on 1270, but no id, and a bit later a talk show. Difficult channel with the DLF. Checked the band bit later, and WEGP noted gd around 0931 as well as a carrier on 950, or very low audio like they sometimes have during ad breaks, but nothing of the background chatter ided. The white noise of the DRM so proudly broadcast on 999 causes some amount of grief on the channel. For once the white noise jamming on 1593 seemed to be off giving a log of WAKR 1590. Freq like a graveyard, but that was the only id that popped up through the growl.

Monday 12th November 2007 (Inc Sunday Night)

Not as exciting as it has been, but early on around 1930 I was hearing usual first fade in from NFLD, and East Coast. 600, 610, 590, 560, 1400 and maybe a few others. Good ID from KXEL 1540 AT 2358, and the start of IRISHRADIO.COM via Boston's The Zone 1510. I was too keen at one stage and restarted my recording for overnight and wiped the KXEL id, and the start of the Irish thing. Pity. Caught a WLQV id on 1500 at 0027, but seemed like someone turned the fader down just at the last letter!! Left 1510 recording overnight and managed to hear a very poor id from KCKK in the mud, about 0423ish. Other logs 1700 KVNS, 1630 KCJJ, 1660 Classical mixing, but never had an id on KS, 1160 WYLL, 1620 WTAW. 800 CKLW, 1550 CBE.

Had 940 on in the morning for a time looking for the dx test, but no chance. Too much Euro splatter, 940 Montreal, and the propagation was not very good compared to a few days ago. I kept falling asleep as well this morning, and I was asleep at the peak time. Too many late nights followed by early mornings, and that ain't talking about my social life!! Recorded 950 in morning, as had to do something more constructive again this am, and heard classical music fading in and out, but as usual with MB, no ids at the time of peak signal. No sign of KOMO on 1000 today.

Sunday 11th November 2007

Just had a chat with RV, who confirms my logging earlier of KAGY 1510. Def doesn't sound like KGA. Listed as a mere 1kw, although not impossible of course.

Had CFMB 1280 and a good strong signal at change of antenna pattern, Sat night around 2115ish. Decided to chill for a bit, and watch a film on the TV at 2105 Sat night, then was gonna do some dxing. Must have fallen asleep about 2200, and woke at 3am, fresh as a daisy, missed the movie and all, but stayed up till the dx was showing no signs of anything interesting anymore this morning. I have to say that I think considering the time I spent by the radios during the night, I don't have such a great log. Spending too much time chasing the background stations on powerhouses. (And getting nowhere)!!

Had 1st ID this year from WPLM Plymouth, MA, 1390 at 2200. Odd accented YL on 1500 at 2207, and mixing with the Navy football on 3WT. Not sure what channel was recording when I fell asleep, not checked yet, but woke around 0300. ID from WLAC 1510 at 0322. There was a very K sounding ID in the mix with WLAC and The Zone at this time. Sounds like KAGY first time around. Have to have another listen.

WLAC 1510 again at 0400, but Sporting News Radio / The Zone was really dominant. Religious music on 1500 at 0530, and I can't seem to check the barrage on 970 without a WZAN id. Nothing else seems to ID!! Had KDKA 1020 at 0705, WNAM poor id in mush at 0717, CJOY strong signal during music but id poor when it came around (1460), WWVA 1170 sat right on top of Euros again. I think my best log was WHWH Princeton on 1350 at 0848. Really in the mud, but the Princeton word came through, and I got the ID from a list. It is there when you know what it is. Can't recall seeing that one logged, but when I looked at the Sheigra 2007 list, it is noted as a UK first in those pages. Unknown if it was the same station, but country music kept coming through on 1350, and played past TOTH at 0900 during a good peak. Band rapidly faded not long after 0930, and was quite poor long before. No rare dx opening at 1000, so went back to bed, knackered!!

Saturday 10th November 2007 (Inc Fri night)

2103 had CFMB again, with the daytime pattern. Poss id in there. Left 1510 recording overnight to try for Paul's KCKK. at 0600 up and around, and heard WOAI Texas. 1520 caught my interest, as there was a country station coming through mixing with WWKB and sometimes dominant, but as ever, at the wrong times. This certainly caught my attention, and had to go out at 0730, so left on record all day till I returned. Had thought about leaving 950 on when I may get the chance of Manitoba and ESPN ids, ie chance of 2, but opted for 1520, and the possibility of one id. In the end there were none. Just dominant WWKB with occasional country fading in.

Friday 9th November 2007 (WHAT AN AMAZING MORNING!!)

Out for a time on Thursday night, but got back to the receivers around midnight. Arrow has a loop of anns now on 675. Let's hope they switch it off soonest, to stop the splatter to 670 and 680. Left 920 overnight. There were unid stations all over the place as the morning got going. This would probably qualify as being the best morning I have ever had MW dxing, as far as quality of dx signals go. Band wide open to the west coast, and very unusual stations coming through. There was even a station behind WJR 760, but when something is only in the background of a powerhouse, it is very difficult to ID. They never have a break from the long winded talks to even take a breath!!

Around 0900, the band started to produce interesting signals, when KOMO and ESPN Chicago on 1000, and ESPN 950 began coming in, mixing with classical music. Not much work getting done this morning I decided. Had what is pres to be Southern Alberta on 1140, with Back to the Bible and other religious stuff. Would have liked to id this, but heard it in the past. They played past the toth of course at 1100!! At 1045 spent a disappointing time on 1180, hoping for an id, but got a time check -5, so more than likely just WHAM. And to cap it all as I said, 1140 played past 1100utc. This was high noon local time a couple of weeks ago!! Just after 11, band faded to almost nothing, WWKB 1520 being about the last. Had to leave the receivers just after 1100 anyway and go and do something more constructive..hi.

BY FREQUENCY

FREQ TIME STN DATE COMMENTS

670 0820 UNID 071109 Sporting News Radio. Pres Chicago, but no local id
 670 1027 KBOI 071109 Newstalk 6-70, KBOI ID wk, but readable. Boise, ID
 680 0655 WRKO 071109
 680 0831 UNID 071109 ID in mush not sounding like any norm stn. To check.
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 710 0956 KIRO 071109 Seattle, WA. WAH!!! Poor id in the ads, fade by toth
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 760 0952 WJR 071109 Exc signal and wx report
 770 1043 CHQR 071109 Calgary, ID
 780 0950 WBBM 071109 Chicago
 820 0853 WBAP 071109 Fort Worth, TX. Ads and id
 830 0533 WCRN 071109 Traffic
 840 0540 WHAS 071109 St Louisville, KY. From The Neutral Zone Studios
 850 0532 WFTL 071109 FI id
 880 0547 WCBS 071109 NY
 920 0040 CKNX 071109 WINGHAM, ONT, Dominant also at 0522
 920 0803 CFRY 071109 MB. Pers 1st
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Thursday 8th November 2007 (Inc Wed Night 7th Nov)

Radio Peking noted on 1521 at 1700 Wed evening. By 1938, fade in of 600 CBC, 590 VOXM, 1400 CBC. 650 had 2 stns, perhaps Greenland was looking in. Had top band on for a little time, 1963 roughly, or maybe slightly higher tonight, listening to the old timers network. Wednesday nights at 2100!!

Other IDs noted, 930 WBEN, 1010 CFRB, Frenchy 610, and at 2257 some rather good quality ids from WLNO New Orleans. Tried CHIN again 2303 and there was strong Chinese type lingo, but no ids. Stn in and out with CBC 1070. Guess this will be easier soon.

CBC left on from 2313 till about 0237 recording, shifting to 1470 at wake up 0237.

0600 wake up and start dxing. Ids of WAXY 790, 770 WABC, 650 VOXM with background country, 760 WJR, 1010 CFRB with a shockingly boring trailer, and ad for BRUNO'S, signal 50/9. 1050 CHUM, REM music on 1060. Sounded like VOXM id in distance between tracks. Maybe ESPN. Mistaken that before. Not checked yet. Frenchy on 550 at 0816 mention FM. Are they moving?? Poss id 0825. Difficult to ID this one. 700 WLW. 970 had SS, as well as unid like "The Zone". Maybe just WZAN. Everything that ids on 970 seems to just be WZAN. Anything else fades at the id time!! 1330 full id for WFNN The Fan.

A couple of comments. Is 950 sounding very much same old same old music wise?? Every time I hear it, seems to be like the 1250 station that plays the music that all sounds the same. Sounds like lonestar or westlife over and over again.

Does anyone notice how the Canadian propagation forecast is so often inaccurate?? Is it 50% guess work?? There is also seems to be a regular unpredicted sharp K rise around 06 as well, which can kill the band!!

Wednesday 7th November 2007

Never tuned in till a bit later tonight. Can't even remember why!!!

Stations all over the band when I tuned in. Multiple stns on various channels, inc 1510. Even 1120 had more than 1 station. Left 1250 on all night, but not checked recording yet.

Thought.. If I get one of the Perseus receivers that has been publicised on line recently, I bet will end up having a stack of unchecked hard drives full of dx.

Woke at 0637 and tried 1700, and heard KLIF with a good KLIF 570 id.

860 - 0659 Good Radio Canada ID, on Frenchy
750 - CBGY
730 - CKAC
540 - CBC Radio
960 - Kingston's Lite Rock
1160 - WYLL Chicago with good IDs 0759
1000 - KOMO 1000 WEST COAST DX!! Mix to begin with at 0803, but also exc at 0820

Paul C in Troon has a great KOMO recording made at 0830, while I was concentrating on trying for local id on 950

700 - Station behind WLW
950 - 0829 ESPN Which I pres was Seattle, but annoyingly no proper ID.

680 - 680 CJOB
1000 - ESPN Chicago 0840
1460 - CJOY in the mush 0846
680 - Some strange music mixing with 6-80 News - 0901.

(Can't seem to get Barrow audio stream to Win M.E.)

750 - Odd voice over at 0905, something like "One life at a time, all day long" Not CBC I don't think.

1480 - 0929 - BBC World Service relay, usually WGVU, Kentwood, MI.

Tuesday 6th November 2007

Had a CFBC id on 930 2250 Monday night UTC. Had a few things Tuesday UTC. ESPN ids on both 1410, and 1450, but no proper or close to proper IDs. Prob made a bad decision on recording 1160 overnight. Much splatter noted during the night. Channel active when started recording it.

0658 - 790 WAXY id as The Ticket

0730 - 1410 Some kid of SS and poss IDs. Needs investigation.

Fell asleep on the freq and never really had much of note after that today.

Monday 5th November 2007

Noticed my little contribution about the Luxembourg effect was well appreciated, and found it's way to Hard Core DX, as well as World of Radio.

Have had both CFBC and CJYQ Monday night on 930. And the usual predictable regulars. CFMB 1280 pres with Italian early on as well.

The weekend was a little on the hectic side again due to having a couple of extra weekend shifts. Next week may well be the same, and then I should have a little more time for my other interests. I have still been squeezing some dxing in at the same time though.

This morning I had only a few logs. AM 740 Toronto with the overnight jukebox, 1430 CHKT pres, but still don't have a proper ID on this one. Mixing with WENE, The Team. Chicago's ESPN on 1000 was fair at times, but not when giving an ID, as ever.. 820 had the Cuban time station/ radio station, Radio Reloj at 0736. Had sport on 1160, no id though, and WTIC had an Ozzy type voice, but was someone along with George on Coast / Coast!! Nothing grander...

When I turned in late last night, around 0220, the band was not that great. A lot of Euro splatter around. Therefore I couldn't understand why 680 was so free of splatter, and I could hear a pretty even mix of WRKO and 680 News Toronto. 670 was the same, so I tuned to Arrow, which had carrier only... on 675.. Odd. It would be nice if the Dutchies had a specific night in a month or something for maintenance, when we would know they would be off. Same goes for a lot of them.

Recorded 680 for the sake of it during the night, but looking at the waveforms, you can see exactly when Arrow came back on!! Don't think there is much exotic on the recording bar WRKO, 680 News, and Columbia.

Sunday morning 4th November 2007

Not listening Sat night, otherwise distracted, but listening by about 0700. Noted a few odds and ends. 970 WZAN again the station that always seems to id on the freq even though there are often more than that on the channel. 680 had WRKO and 680 news, 1020 KDKA, 1180 WHAM, 1310 oldies 13-10, WWL 870, UNID on 550 in english with ads, but faded. Not the first time I have had English here, but never ided yet. Would not have had this a few years back when the gods were on

549!! Left recording on 1420 when I went out about 0800, but came back not to find WIGG DX test, but just mush!!

Saturday 3rd November (Inc Friday Night)

"Your praise and inspiration station" WLIB was my first inspiring log on 1190 at 2239. Also WDEA 1370, UNID country mx on 790 2332, like Chinese on 1280 (CFMB's night pattern antenna??). How does that count if I was a QSL hunter, and the day and night antenna pattern. Heard a few days ago as though someone switched them off, changing pattern. That's the kind of directional antenna we need for receiving!!! Unid 1450 coast to coast at 0011, VOWR 800, but mixing with a French strn. Left 1450 on 0053 to wake up 0330, when changed to 980. No recording checked yet.

Spent a bit of time organising the overnight recordings, for this season, and converting to MP3s, so now this years so far will go on a DVD. Bahamas was in at 0600, but I think I missed the IDs on 1540. Not yet had a minute to check.

Friday November 2nd 2007 (Inc Thursday Night)

Before my observations, let me remind you that there is a public MW DX forum/ message board on Tony's mediumwaveradio web site. I have been posting these logs there too. A couple of other Scottish DXers are using the board as well.

<http://mediumwaveradio.org/forum/>

There was a great many stations and frequencies open once the band got kindled up, though it may have been sluggish to begin with. I noticed that while looking for daytimers early on, there was a lot of euro splatter around, but by 0000 things were looking better.

Had the Chinese station on 1430 again, and mixing with 14-30, The Team. Guess what.. No id on the Ethnic. 1490 had about s9 of graveyard hummmmm, but no real audio to talk about. Seem to have fallen asleep quite sharp tuned to 960 LITE 104.3, the new FM name for Oldies 960. This I guess suggests the AM switch off will be sooner rather than later. Log it while you can. (CFFX, Kingston, Ont)

I woke just before 0700, after switching off the alarm at 0600!! Band very much alive, so much so that I got up and came down to the shack. At 0700, there was a huge choice, and I wasn't awake enough to make a decent decision as to which TOTH I would go for. In the end 1100 WTAM was like a local, so I recorded an ID on that one. That reminds me, I must get some new audio clips on line. They are mostly still contained within the large .wav files from the overnight recordings.

0700 - 1100 WTAM Great powerful ID, as "THE BIG ONE" (I thought 1170 WWVA was the big one)
0705 - 1540 RAI ID from CHIN, but I still really don't count that as a proper ID. Not ided CHIN this year yet.

0726 - 680 "6-80 News", Toronto in a mix

0729 - 580 CFRA good IDs with stn behind, prob SS

Quite a few latin / SS stations around this time, including 760, 550, 1000, and some identified common Cuban frequencies.

0741 - 1260 Radio Disney, Boston. First time I have noticed it there this season, but no call IDs despite exc IDs at 0758 as well. 0800 - 1200 Wasted on powerful 1200 CFGO pres, with loads of 1200 Sports ids of various kinds, but NO call on the hour.

0802 - 990 Sports Radio ESPN 990, Team 990 Montreal ID, no CKGM id though. IDed again at 0841, The Team 9-90, Some Radio Station. This is the same catch phrase as CKLW, Windsor 800.

Ided 700 WLW and 770 WABC, and 1700 WEUP in the passing, though neither great signals at the time of IDs. Also note that 980 as a freq starting to come in, but nothing audible yet.

0825 - 1080 WTIC, and country music behind it. Thinking to myself about Martin's usual time for

logging New Zealand not far off!!..hi.. There was an English voice behind WTIC playing the said music, but the WTIC guys wouldn't give their tongues a rest even for a few seconds!! WTIC superb at 0800. Unfortunately nothing behind it.

0837, missed the bottom of the hour with this one and Coast to Coast starting. Surely not CBC, and surely not SS stn. VA??

At this time 1060 Mexico was strong. No id, but music very loud.

0839 - 990 Weather report like CBC, but wonder if I should have tried for this at TOTH to try and get a local ID, incase there was a signal from CBW, rather than CBY.

0925 - 800 Had a quick check of the band at 0925, last week that would have been 1025 local, and CKLW coming in quite well.

I note the unsociable Canadian with the boring old non stop music that all sounds the same is still putting in a good signal on 1250.

I can't help but think that the band as it was this AM would have been a dream to record 400kHz on the Perseus SDR receiver, which is a strong possibility for later this season.

Thursday November 1st 2007 (Inc Wed night)

I did wonder if the band seemed as though it is starting to pick up last night. Maybe that is wishful thinking. Hearing eg 1370 WDEA with a fair signal at 2255, and shortly after there were ads on ESPN 1410, WPOP, although no proper ID there. WRNI 1290 was quite good at 2340, for a peak which included an id. I fell asleep on 1320, but not had time to check the rec.

At 0700 the band was alive with a mix of English common East Coasters and Spanish. 550 had a strongish station with long winded talk/ poss preaching, mixing with a second station. ZIZ was booming in on 555, but only relays of the BBC. 1140 had an id from LV Miami, but rapid fade out this morning.

I was on the blower to a fellow dxer who alerted me to a report of the so called Luxembourg effect. I decided to reproduce an interesting article from an old book I fell in with a few years ago, and can be found here. For some unexplained reason, an old version of explorer didn't like the large image with the article. Try Firefox if you have any problems.

Finally I was reading on the web about the new Perseus SDR. WAHHHHHHHHH.. This is the technology we could only dream of even last year!! Recording 400kHz of bandwidth and playing back at your leasure, all the toth ids!!!! Guess who needs to stay out the pub for a few weeks!!!

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Wednesday 31st October 2007

Last day of logs on this page, and nothing very exciting to report from this end. Today is the last chance to hear the daytimers on their October sched. The band has been poorish in general here, and not much to report out of the ordinary this last few days.

The usual Newfoundland and East Coast stations come in at their local sundown, and sometimes the likes of 590 VOXM is like a local for a time. But this morning for example, at 0700, WTIC was mixing with the Euros, and not on top. A lot of Cubans, and a couple of unid stations were also heard. Thought I was gonna get my first id from 1210, on the old WCAU freq. Ad about Philadelphia, but Virgin began music at the wrong time. WDRC hrd on 1360, and unid carrying Fox Sports Radio on 1280.

Interestingly, I have heard through the grapevine that Martin in Northern Scotland has heard New Zealand on 1080 here in the UK. Amazingly there is no mention of this excellent log elsewhere on the web that I can see. It seems to be getting kept within the closed doors of the dx clubs. Well I can say that it is of 1080kHz "Newstalk 1ZB Auckland" 10kw, heard just after 1000 UTC. Well done on this superb piece of DXing. Martin has also heard 1500 KUMU from Hawaii.

Saturday 27th October 2007

Band seemed quite lively when I got up, but have a couple of extra shifts this weekend, and had to be out by 0630. Did note there was audio on 1230, which may have been usable.

Incidentally, I have updated the frequency table for this season as well over the last few days. Click [here](#) to view.

Friday 26th October 2007

Friday morning and evening not much better and nothing to keep me by the Radio.

Thursday 25th October 2007

Well as I typed up the extensive log for Thursday morning, the band was just about to take a turn for the worse. On Thursday evening 590 VOXM was coming in at 2021 despite the K4. By 2100 and onwards there was nothing at all audible on the band. By 2342, CKEC and VOXM were audible, but not much else. Band abandoned.

Thursday 25th October 2007 (including Wednesday Night 24rd Oct)

I still have a lot of back logs to catch up on. These band conditions are gonna turn me into a sleepless zombie.

Began listening 2054 when there is a window for 1390 and 1400 before BIG L signs back on air. 1400 CBC very strong, but I discovered I should have been on 1280, which was in Italian. Checked this on and off, and tried the WADO web stream, but nothing like it. WADO in SS. Turned out to be

CFMB, with a loud signal, but went on to it's night time antenna pattern at 2133 ish, and it was like someone switching it off. Gone... There was a trace of SS on the channel which would fit in with WADO, but can't be sure.

A lot of DX coming in early tonight.

2130 1060 WBIX Good ID as I tuned in

Quick note? I have asked this question in the past. What is the Indian sounding music, or certainly eastern, on 1629 european evenings. QTH?? Dutch pirate??? Balklands??

2139 - 1310 Oldies 13-10 wx. Good CIWW call id 2200

2143 - 1240 VOCM Network, inc lotto 649 ads. Remember this??

2216 - 820 CHAM Hamilton Ont id as Hamilton's Legend or similar

2248 - 1150 The other Frenchy that's not // 610 dominant.

2239 - 1250 Religion, unid

2343 - 1580 CKDO ..Spotted by "Davie", with sport. But this oldies station had sport!!

0330 - 1480 WHBC id on overnight rec

0500 - 900 Unid CW at TOTH. Poss _.. / _ _ / .. The first letter is tent. D M I ???

0615 - 1410 ESPN 14-10 ids, pres WPOP

0632 - 970 WZAN

0632 - 1460 CJOY id

0654 - 960 CFFX Kingston, Ont. Thought CHNS had switched back on, briefly 30/9, and in the clear. When jingle came on though, had well faded. This station is leaving AM, so log it while you can. Now ids as Lite 104.3, Kingston's Lite Rock etc.

0658 - 960 too much coffee, and had to leave the radio with 2m to the toth!! Checked 960 recording, and a pleasant surprise.

0700 - 960 WEAV The Zone. ID as 96.7, 1320, and 960. Good call ID

0711 - 1220 Sounded like religion, and later ads but Virgin always messed it up at the wrong time.

0738 - 580 Wasted a good band, thinking I heard a station audio cut as I tuned in. Some kind of a play, like a BBC relay below the carrier. On reflection, prob a pice of music then into the play with a little lower audio than the music. Turned out to be CFRA anyway. Another station occasionally popped in mixing.

0801 - 1340 had audio, no ids, or even close, ads on 1220, and sports on 1330, all unids, 980 also opening now.

0830 - 1300 WOOD

0922 - Band still alive inc 1120 KMOX, ESPN 1530, 3WT 1500, Unid preacher below 3WT, and a quick check revealed band open at 0957UTC, almost 11 local. Next week the later openings will be easier to enjoy as the clocks change.

Wednesday 24th October (including Tuesday Night 23rd Oct)

I had an early fade in again tonight from Canada, and again trying without success for some daytimers. Caught out thinking I was hearing Guinea on 1295, but turned out to be an off channel Spanish station on 1295.5 I think it was.

Transatlantic, nothing exciting yet, although just had many all too rare ids at 2330 from ZIZ radio 555. Difficult in the mornings because it has only an overnight BBC world service relay. Tonight on the AOR, reception is very pleasant.

At just before 0000, had great id from WTNI 1640, and WHKT Portsmouth 1650, WSAR Fall River 1480. All three were solid signal ids.

More tomorrow. Have just got this main PC working again, after some motherboard problems. Electrolytics just dont last nowadays. Anyway, will be typing up these pages during dxing in the morning hopefully, if I am fresh enough.

During the night, had the following ids so far:

0017 - 1290 WRNI
0040 - 1310 Ads in Portland, but no WLOB id
0300 - 1670 WVVM Dry Branch. Viva ids in SS
0623 - 1630 KCJJ
0627 - 1520 English stn mixing with Buffalo
0658 - 940 Stn mixing 940 Montreal. CINW id 0700
0701 - 1360 WDRC Hartford ID in mix
0737 - 1180 WHAM and another mixing. no ids
0800 - 860 CJBC Radio Canada ID in FF
0852 - 1280 Sounding like a graveyard channel
0852 - 580 CFRA id in the passing
0855 - 900 CHML Hamilton, Ont ids
0859 - 1160 WCCS Homer City 99% sure of id. need a sound clip here to assist

0901 - 960 The id on this one caught me out but turns out to be Kingston's Lite Rock 104.3, which is the FM service of former oldies 96 which is closing it's MW transmitter. Of course very clear and strong during Dancing in the Dark, but faded on the jingle id voice over thing.

0904 - 1290 CJBK reg this week

1800 - 1557 WYFR Taiwan. Familiar Int sig at change over of the hour. OM in EE at 1758 preaching Jesus piffle.

Tuesday 23rd October (including Monday night 22nd October 2007)

As the A and K come tumbling down, the night started off looking rather interesting. The band seemed alive and stations coming through on many frequencies that are not available every night, certainly at this qth.

I keep trying for WGH Newport News on 1310, and there was a few stations on the freq at 2150. WGH not heard though.

BIG L again off air during the evening hours, and resulted in WEGP and the rabble in the background being in the clear, as was 1400. But ided only WEGP tonight.

Stations ided between last night and this am.. time order may not be the best but will have to do just now..

2156 - 1390 WEGP Big L off again.
2200 - 1400 CBC Radio Big L off
2235 - 570 CFCB pres with the VOXM network programmes. // 590
2240 - 1190 WLIB
2315 - 1290 CJBK
2325 - 1290 WHIO
2354 - 1650 Radio Disney, sounding like they have tweaked the optimod and power!!
2355 - 1610 Radio Voz Latinas, Toronto. Not sure of call, seen different ones noted. Good strength
0000 - 1690 CHTO id quickly in the passing
0004 - 1170 WWVA pres, later ided in the morning. well over the Euros at this time with heavy religion
0028 - 1540 CHIN pres, Chinese no id though
0030 - 1660 Relevant Radio FL
0100 - 1620 WTAW College Station tx
0105 - 620 Sports Network, Fox Sports below VOXM. FL??

Don't know what happened after this. Must have fell asleep on the moose, I had a 920 CKNX id at

one stage amongst CJCH, but the most of the night seems to have been on 770. Not a freq of choice, especially when BIG L off air.

0604 - 1020 KDKA

0614 - 740 Toronto's AM 740 dominant over VOXM Nwk. Oldies and Nostalgia

0629 - 1550 CBC Overnight ids

0636 - 560 Was VOXM carrier only (CHVO), or was I getting local QRM. Poss SS behind it.

0644 - 680 680 News Toronto

0650 - 1120 KMOX

0650 - 880 WCBS

0701 - 700 WLW

0715 - 860 Frenchy Strong

0731 - 555 ZIZ (BBC WS ids only)

0732 - 640 Toronto AM 640

0733 - 800 CKLW Windsor, Ont. Community News, and later ad for THE RIVER, 93.9 Rock station.

0800 - 1290 CJBK

0900 - 870 WWL ID

0930 - 1520 WWKB still hanging in.

A few times recently I have had the chance to check late fade out, and WWKB is last to leave. Used to always be 1130.

Monday 22nd October 2007

After a couple of weeks break in updating my diary of dx loggings, I am back on track. I have still been dxing, but became bogged down in some much needed DIY/ decorating. It was one of these situations, when doing a small painting job made the rest of the place look exceptionally shoddy, and as a result, it has taken me a couple of weeks to sort out!! A pain, but I am now able to sit down and relax, and update the logs. Looks like I am gonna upload these most recent logs first and then fill in the missing days as I complete my typing.

I have updated to 12th Oct and still working on it. So maybe tomorrow's update will include the rest of the missing dates, taking in the very end of September too. If it does I shall make a note at the start of the contribution.

Overnight, Sun into Mon I left 1060 and 1470 recording. 1470 was on the AOR 7030, while 1060 on the NRD 545. The NW bevergae was into the NRD, and a more due westerly beverage was in the AOR.

Very very sluggish this morning to get properly awake, and missed some dx I guess. Up too late last night messing around!!

Nothing worthy of note, but 1290 CJBK ided 0800, Exc WWL id on 870 at 0700, and ESPN 1450, no real id. 1370 pres WDEA, very strong and clear during music 0719, not ided though. Seemed to be a lot of stations on a lot of frequencies. O if only we could record the full mw band at the peak times....

WWKB still there on checking the band at 1010, ie 1110 local. Unfortunately nothing behind it.

Sunday 21st oct 2007

Overnight Sat night, came in from a rock night, and tried making sure the rx was recording 1290 overnight for a DX test from WIRL at 07 - 09. Nothing heard on checking, except a very weak id from WKBK, and BBC World service, which = WRNI. At some point during the night, I have music and someone talking about a new band from Belgium, and also an area code 561, which is FL, but could be a national ad. No decent IDs. And no DX test audible.

At 1700 I have 1521 Beijing, very strong, for once at the right time for the toth int sigs and ids.

Fade in early as the As and Ks tumble. Spent some time comparing signals with a local dx friend who has just strung up a beverage. And it works. CKEC New Glasgow was like a local at one stage, with the Ethnic stuff fading in and out at times.

Personal Comments: I guess the Ethnic will be easier to ID when CKEC goes off air. It will be sad in a way that a real independent station is going off MW, ie not one which broadcasts all the rotten network style talk shows. It will be interesting in another way though when these half dozen or so dominant stations here in Europe go off. Look at the channels it will free for further DX. 560, 1070, 780, 920, 1320, 1140. Each one with a dominant Canadian that is classed as a pest here. 960 is free here from the dominant CHNS, and the channel takes on similar properties to 1290 or 1300, with no one station particularly strong.

Saturday 20th October 2007

No dxing done late on Fri night, and up at 07 Sat and left the rx on 800kHz, where VOWR was coming in well. Not checked rec.

Friday 19th Oct 2007

Through the night Thursday into Friday, I ended up leaving 1470 and 1520 recording. Chaos here, so nothing checked yet.

Thursday 18th Oct 2007

Thursday evening produced some good signals from across the water.

At 2055, Greenland produced a 30 over 9 signal at one point. Usual splat from RTE here, but signal best hrd this season. Weird pips and tk etc at 2100, and yl mumbling away in their own tongue. (Maybe moaning about the cold..hi) Don't know if there was any sign of an id, but nothing jumped out at me.

At 2116, I noted that both 1390 and 1400 were both coming in well, and realised that BIG L had not come back on, after the Tirana/ TWR broadcast. Have they gone off permanently I selfishly hope to myself. A quick check of both satellite and web stream confirm still on.

Spent far too much time on both 1390 and 1400, and recorded some superb signals from WEGP, 25kw talk of the county. Nice CBC Radio 1 IDs on 1400khz as well, reminding us of the time when there was no Big L. Both frequencies were coming in well, with multiple stations, but only the 2 dominant stns ided at the right time. WEGP had a game, and ids were heard from WRKO which could be confusing. One ad could also cause confusion, especially on 1390. WPT is I believe World Poker Tourn.

Interestingly 2 separate dx friends hear their first TADX tonight, with WEGP!! One of my early catches as well, prob 1979!! (If you say it quickly it doesn't sound so long ago!!)

Other stations heard on Thurs evening.

1320 CKEC at 2220,
1290 WRNI id as 1290, 1230, and 102.7 FM at 2229
830 WCRA good id at 2343
1390 WRKO Red Sox Network id on WEGP
950 CKNB 0120 Fri.

Was going to leave both 1390 and 1400 on overnight, but by the time I went to bed, BIG L was

back on air!! Dash it..

Getting slow at keeping up to date with the diary and logs. Should have it updated by beginning of next week.

Around midnight UTC, (Wed night / Thurs morn) one of the regular 1290 stations, WRNI was coming through. Had an id on 1620 WTAW on the way past.

Left 1510 and 1290 overnight. Some signals on both channels need time to reinvestigate.

I was not very sharp this morning, but did log Relevant Radio 1660, mixing with ESPN. Pres Ga stn on 1690, id and mention Atlanta. Gotta check. Country music noted at 0820 on 640, not coming from CBC. Ad for Nancy Wallis/ Wallace show. Not checked out yet.

Wednesday 17th Oct 2007

Last night and this morning I seemed to be plagued by the old lack of IDs scenario, (compared to the the dx that seemed to be fading in and out).

Had IDs for the following.. 1540 WDCD Albany, @ 2301.

Left 1470 on AOR overnight, and fell asleep on 950 on the NRD overnight. Haven't played back to check for unusual stations yet.

Not such a good top of the hour at 0500, wasted on a channel that faded.

0504 - 920 I had an odd sounding id, poss just CJCH, but there were at least 2 stations on the channel.

0532 - 570 Radio Reloj was mixing with English voice and ads. Sadly faded before any ids, but seemed to go into country music.

0541 - 1620 produced KOZN, id as Omaha's ESPN.

0553 - 1500 had a few stations on the channel.

0557 - 550 had english stations in mix, one with coast to coast, but no ids.

0601 - 570 Greenland pres with the usual mumbling, and a wee tune type jingle thing.

0605 - 760 WJR ids

0606 - 790 Sportstalk, poss WAXY

0617 - 1540 Pres KXEL with Midnight Truckers n/w

0632 - 1160 had a kind of religious thing. also at this time a couple of stations on 1080, WTIC dominant.

0643 - 1630 Good IDs from KCJJ Iowa

Other stuff heard, Chicago ESPN good peaks on 1000, music on 790, news and sports on 990, but ids on none of them. Had some tent call ids on French stn on 550, requires recording playback.

Tuesday 16th October 2007

Knackered tonight, and left recording overnight on 1350. Had WYOK York at 2354, (mon), as well as country on 1470. Decided to leave 1350 overnight, and as a result, heard virtually nothing so far on checking.

In the morning, at 0530, tuned to 1290, and heard WHIO, Dayton, OH. New one on me. Good WAXY id at 0640 on 790, but kept falling asleep and missed a lot I think. The 1290 recording may be interesting when I get time to check.

Monday 15th October 2007

At the radios by 0517, live in person this am, and not lying in bed. WWL heard on 870, Roy Masters on 830, ESPN is on 1620, WBBR 1130 had station in background, inc an ESPN id at around 0545. IDed KFAN 1130 at 0800.

0602 - 630 Unid SS stn shouting ad at
0612 - 790 Country music on 790, no id
0647 - 1170 WWVA id
0649 - 1010 CFRB id
0703 - 650 WSN
0719 - 960 Oldies 96 ID
0755 - 1160 WYLL ids
0805 - 1300 WOOD Good ids and clips
0818 - 1500 3WT still station in a mix with 3wt 1500.

Sorry for the "scribbled" logs.

Saturday 13th October 2007

At midnight Friday night into Sat morning, I had an id from a more unusual stn on 1360, WYOS. Good signals on the new 1650 CJRS in FF. Left 1290 on overnight, hearing at least CJBK at 0500.

0529 - 1620 Pile up of stations on here, inc BBC, which = Virgin Isles I suppose.
0555 - 1050 CHUM ID
0600 - 580 CFRA (Canadians strong this am)
0615 - 550 French tk, but no id
0616 - 570 Greenland pres, Cuba behind it
0620 - 760 Exc WJR id
0622 - 830 Ridiculous parrot like ads on WCRN
0625 - 850 WEEI
0625 - 900 CKDH ads and wx. ID (Personal First)
0649 - 790 Barrage of stns
0650 - 750 Ads not sounding like CBC, turns out to be WSB Atlanta. (Personal First)
0656 - 990 Unid relay BBC WS, and at 0657 The new 9 90..... Montreal??
0700 - 920 CJCH with news and the slight echo from the second station with the same news.

Friday 12th October 2007

Not really wonderful DX, but a couple of amusing items on VOXM network. Firstly a local chap on a phone in on 620 (2339 Thursday night). The guy may have been half pissed or something, and talking and moaning about the local fishing industry. Anyone else hear the NFLD local accent?? There is so much of an Irish twang to it. At 0026 (Fri morn), CHVO 560 reported a dead bear on a road, just 30km from the Trans Canadian Highway. There are regular "moose on the road" reports. (A little different from the "moose" fellow Ayrshireman, Rabbie Burns wrote about, or indeed the one I often fall asleep on, whilst remotely tuning the NRD)

0111 - 1700 KVNS with SS and La Preciosa IDs

Left 1700 overnight.

0612 - 800 VOWR. Great signal, but the presenter was the "that was and here is" style, and no ids.
0622 - 970 WZAN good ids

Thursday 11th October 2007

At 0011 Thursday, had WCTY Cincinnati, Homer 15-30. Unusually clear at this time of night. Dominant over the Euros. Left on 1530 overnight, but band sort of crashed. Anthem type music noted on 940 at 0459 and SS tk. Punto Radio??? Need to play back.

Radio Peking / Beijing heard on 1521 at 1900.

Wednesday 10th October 2007 (Inc Tuesday Night 9th October 2007)

Surprised by a strong station on 1660, non stop SS sounding music. Heard well only on the westerly beverage, but mixing with other stuff on the NW antenna. Ided 2226 as La Gigantie, and Radio Voz Television was mentioned. I guess this would be my unid from 30/9/04, mwn nov 04. WGIT Canovanas, PR

Band quite alive, and stations heard around 2230 include WEEI 850, Radio Shalome 1650, WEUP 1700 at 0033.

Woke by 0430, and heard the following:

0430 - 1080 WTIC
0450 - 1460 Radio Disney // 1560 therefore WDDY Albany
0500 - 1360 WDRC
0523 - 1380 CKLC poor id in the mush

Others heard 1370 - WDEA, 1290 WKBK, 1290 WRNI, 920 CJCH, 555 ZIZ (BBC RELAY), 970 WZAN.

970 is a channel there often seems a pile up of stations, and WZAN is the one I always seem to catch the ID for.

Tuesday 9th October 2007 (Inc Monday Night 8th October 2007)

Band poor at night, but noted 950 CKNB, VOXM 590,

0635 - 570 Greenland
0640 - 770 2 stations fighting
0651 - 1420 CKDY pres. AVR country id

Other common powerhouses but nothing special on the band today.

Sunday 7th October 2007

CKEC at midnight, but band not great.

0400 - 1470 WLOA Farrell, PA, ann 940 and 1470
0405 - 1470 Sporting News Radio but from where?? UNID.

Sat 6th October 2007

0631 - 580 SS with ids .. have to check recording
0650 - 1670 SS jingles on 1670 , not checked IDs yet

Thursday 4th October 2007 (Inc Wed night 3rd October)

2246 Wed night, 560 CHVO Country vg signal. Record 560 overnight seeing as it is going off.

0536 - 550 SS on freq. Need to playback to see if anything there.
0546 - 1140 SS LV Miami WQBA. No call id
0548 - 960 Radio Reloj, Cuba. Time pips and all. ID too. //570

on 570 this am, Cuba dominant. WWL good 870, ZIZ good 555, 590 VOXM Vy strong, and country

mx on 790, mixing with sports. no ids.

Wednesday 3rd October 2007 (Inc Tues Night 2nd Oct)

2251 620 VOXM had exc exc signal, and at 2308 there were 2 moose on the trans Canadian highway.

0000 - 1320 After a couple of years hearing it, finally ided CJMR in EE at toth
0005 - 740 VOXM network with Moose on the road reports

Good signals from the common Canadians. 780, 920, 560, 590, 620

Wake 0620, and get good WCRN id at 0622, and WCBS also gd at this time 880

Others heard in the morn, 970 WZAN, 1370 WDEA

Tuesday 2nd October 2007 (Inc Mon Night 1st Oct)

Overnight, left 820 on. at 0209 heard unid like Car. Beacon 1610. ??

0400 wake and change to 1660. Had ids from WFNA and WCNZ

0630 - 1420 AVR id again, = CKDY

0645 - 580 SS and freq mentions of PR. No id.

ZIZ carried BBC WS progs at 0700

Monday 1st October 2007

As I have already said, I was doing a lot of DIY at this time, and may not have had 100% concentration level on the radio and dxing.

Left Sunday thru Monday on 1680. Up at 0500, where 1080 WTIC was hrd, 960 Cuban inc annoying time signals. There was a station on 910 in SS at one stage, but no id. Finally left 820 on recording for a time. Not checked recording.

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Saturday 29th September 2007

Left overnight recording on 1660, wake at 0620 to find a noisy band. 2 stns on 670, like an echo, ie 2 Cubans. SS on both 630 and 730, and some other scribbles which I have obviously written when half asleep, and can't quite make out what it is!!!

Friday 28th Sept 2007 (inc Thursday night 27th Sept)

Band has the common LF Canadians at 2134, and CKEC VG at 2200, on 1320. Awake at 0300 to find the band very noisy. At 0553 excellent Relevant Radio IDs on 1660, as well as WJCC 1700.

Managed a VOAR id past Virgin' splatter on 1210, at 0607. Cuban time pips on 960, and SS announcements sounding like ids on 830 @ 0616. Not played back to try and id yet. SS also on 700 and 550. R Vision on 530 had a good id @ 0640.

Thursday 27th Sept 2007

I will start off by saying that I am leaving my logs on an almost daily basis on both the web pages of <http://www.tadx.mediumwaveradio.org>, as well as on the forum of mediumwaveradio.org. This as far as I can see is the ONLY public forum for MW DXers from here in the UK.

In the last couple of days I have had a couple of DXers visit. One fellow called in to have his NRD545 checked against mine, which incidently is working fine, and the other to have a look at how my beverage has been slung out, and terminated. So the walk last night served as checking the line for breaks as well, and I am happy to report everything is as it should be. It always gives the old enthusiasm a boost when discussing dxing with others of a similar interest.

The logs for over night are starting to look encouraging again. I began checking the band early, and was finding the Newfoundlanders coming in by 2110. Usual suspects, 930, 600, 590, followed closely by others, like 620 and 950 etc. I checked 1240 regularly, but found the freq virtually unusable due to persistent Euro splatter. Finally ided VOXM in the mush at 2230, which would be CKIM.

Overnight, I recorded 1080, or at least I seem to have. Woke up and that was the channel that was on!! At 0500 there was at least 3 stations on 1500. A possible SS id that faded up over Frenchy CKAC, at 0523. Need to check recordings. CKAC were iding good style at 0535. Had another Frenchy on 800, mixing with VOWR, and pres CKLW. (CHRC??) Excellent ID from WJR at 0532 on 760. Had a poor id for WOOD 1300 at 0035, and CJBK on 1290 at just before 0500. WLW 700 there too with a network show.

I was very surprised indeed to hear an English American voice behind BBC Radio Scotland at 0541, which is usually off the clock here. Had tried the phaser with Radio Scotland last night while my guest was here, and to my surprise, we reduced the signal dramatically. I always had assumed that because it was dual sited, it would never null, but there ya go!! This station heard at this stage with beverage only, made me crawl out of bed, a caffeine cuppa made, and amble down to the cold, miserable shack. After wasting so much time trying to phase out the beeb, with only moderate

success, it was almost TOTH, and I gave up, just for the day. I really need to do some work here. I have had it penciled in my jobs to do for about 10 years, to add small value tuning caps in // with the large value ones in the phaser. Like the old bandspread trick in older valve receivers, this would have a "fine" tuning effect. I haven't been using the phaser much. Like the ewe I slung up last season and the season before, the beverage alone hammers it. But in a tricky situation like this, I really must "blow the stoor off it".

At 0500GMT, I had an excellent signal and full TOTH id from WDEA 1370. Hear it so often with it's style of oldies, but not ided so far this season. CBC on top of the Euros on 540.

Cuba was present on 570 at some of the time, but something else from time to time beating. 670 was // 5025, as was 610 (Mixing with the frenchy) and 710. Superb peak on 680 news Toronto at 0611. 530 and 555 both coming in, the latter sounded like BBC relay. No id on either. First id this season on 580 CFRA this am, 0605. and Toronto Radio 640, at 0633. Had ids on the common Canadians on 650, 930, 780, 560 in the passing, and WCBS 880 at 0615. At 0616 CJCH was struggling against some opposition, but no ids noted. Ads on 1250, sounded American, but faded out before ID, if there was an ID. Sport on 1330, and country music on 1570 made me think of Winkler, but prob just the Frenchy, as I heard more rocky stuff a little later.

Fade out really was before 0700 here, with only a few stragglers left.

Wednesday 26th Sept 2007

First of all may I say that I have added to the end of my memory bank on the NRD 545, a frequency I often forget about. 555 ZIZ. I was even listening to it this past Saturday night, and forgot to mention it on these pages, so add ZIZ 555 to my list of logs for Saturday night, with a very respectable signal, although they played very unsociably past the top of the hour, which from memory was around 02UTC. I also noted them last night, very strong, at 0510. Trouble was it was a very long and boring talk on the German economy. How entertaining is that to an islander in the Caribbean?? Prob a relay of the BBC WS. I never had an ID Saturday either, but it is the only station on that freq in the world I believe. There is another split freq worth checking. Grenada, 535.

For the record, the memory channels on the NRD are 053 - 172 for the North American MW channels on AM, and 353 - 472 are memorised in either USB or LSB, whichever sideband in farthest away from the nearest Euro. (eg 1520 is LSB as Euros are on 1521). I make my overnight recordings on a PC, and note the time when the TOTH would be on the recording. In this way, in the morning it is easy to have a quick listen to top and bottom of the hour from the middle of the night.

I need to update my pages about the operating techniques, and receivers. I have made quite a number of alterations since the current article was written. If you are reading this on the mediumwaveradio.org forum, the link for my web pages is simply

< www.tadx.mediumwaveradio.org >.

The latest logs are available there as is the links page with station lists and solar indices etc. Both can be linked from the home page.

A few logs from last night.

Tuned in early, as it is getting towards the end of the month, and a good time to catch the daytimes, or the stations that dramatically reduce power at night. At 2140, the Newfoundlanders were already in, and strong on 930 and 590. 600 followed close by. 950 CKNB noted a bit after 2200, and an interesting one, 1240 what I think was VOXM network on 1240. This played some country music at 2225, and at exactly the time they were gonna id at 2230, the station vanished into a mass of Euro splatter. Further peaks during pres news, never brought any ids. I was so disgusted I never even saved the audio file. Maybe I should have, as there was quite a good peak around 2225.

At 2257 I noted a station on 760, but again plagued by Euro splatter. Was it NY Daytimer WCHP. I also had stations on 1310 at 2300, but no ids. Had common 830 WCRN, and the ethnic that is still

difficult to ID on 1430. Fell asleep on 960, but there are a few ids of OLDIES 960, CFFX London, Ont ids on the overnight recording.

Woke up at 0413 GMT, and find the band not alive, but OK. 1500 had a crumby talk show, 2 stns mixing on 1620, and 1130 NY had a superb signal, at 0439. Also logged 660 WFAN, ESPN 890, and 1420 at 0500 WHK Cleveland. Had the dreadful muisc station on 1250, the station that sounds the same every time you hear it, and also some easy listening on both 1330, and 1370. Not ided them yet.

Fell asleep again mid dx, but left on 1080, which brought in the second station on the channel, at least last nights second station. WPTS Florida.

Tuesday 25th Sept 2007

A few notes on Tuesday night as I type this up. Early fade in for many of the Newfoundlanders tonight. Maybe they have been there all along, and I have just tuned in later. 590, 930 both in well by 2140. At 2225 on 1240 I had a surprisingly good signal with music I am sure was // 590, but not 100%. At 2230, their TOTH, the signal faded into euro splatter just on the ID, and as I type, hasn't really come back properly. Typical. Still with it at 2248.

Well the month of September seems to have slipped past very quickly!! Last nights listening was not particularly notable. By 2300, many of the common stations were coming in, VOXM network stations on 620, 590, 650, and I am sure 570 was coming in //, but never had an ID, so that will have to wait to another day.

RTE makes 570 a very difficult channel here. Had ids on 880 WCBS, 950 CKNB, but while still trying to ID the Ethnic Canadian on 1320, I still have no IDs. Left recording on at 0155 on 1320, but played past TOTH. Woke again just before the alarm went off, at 0459, in time to hear a kind of an anthem on 1470. No notable ID, but haven't played back recording yet.

Had some IDs from 780 KIX, 1140 CBC, and WEGP talking about some guy from station WRKO Boston not providing a talk show due to a dispute. Clear at 0533. Music on 1370, like what WDEA would play, but the chatter at 0535 was not really usable.

Another station again below 1080 WTIC at 0545. Still no id on that one.

99% sure the ID I had on 1060 at 0615 was Radio Education de Mexico. Quite a good peak. Poor ids on WRKO 680, and ESPN 1000 from Chicago. The Cuban was on 570 with the time pips etc. That is about the night time logs.

Monday 24th Sept 2007

When tuning in at around 0000 UTC, 540CBC was on top of the Euros, but the band in general was noisy and poor. So much so, I never even left anything recording at that time. Awake at 04UTC, and had some poor WTIC ids on 1080. Still trying to find what was mixing with WTIC the other day, but no success so far. Had an ID on 1360 WDRC at 0403. I thought that the band sounded a bit noisy. The persistant rain never helps, giving a bit of a growl on the band from the power lines, but I think conditions were not that great anyway. Left recording on 1600, and fell asleep again. (I was a bit knackered, as I had been out on my pushbike a run, making use of what little clear skies we have had this summer. Typically I was absolutely soaked coming back home!!) I have played back 1600, and found a WWRL New York ID at 0500, after a long string of ads lasting over 5m.

I am a little confused about the times. The WWRL id may have been 06utc. My MSF clock in the bedroom I use when remote tuning, is always BST, so if I am half asleep, I may sometimes log the wrong time!!

Sunday 23rd Sept 2007

Some dxing done last night, but busy on the text chat to some dx friends. Band not as good as it has been in the last weeks. Was up to about 4am local time and thought I would stay up till dawn, but ended up setting the alarm for 6am local, 0500UTC, and guess what. Slept through the alarm!!

There were 2 stations on 580 at 0231, English on 1660, and a strange one on 1600, which included a definite ID of WCHL 1360. Maybe one of those talk shows saying which stations carried them, but sounded more like some kind of ad. Prob WWRL. Left 1080 on record at 0310 for the rest of the night, but heard mainly Euros, and a few WTIC ids. As I say, the band much depressed compared to a week ago. Also listenig to 555, ZIZ, but playing past the TOTH.

Saturday 22nd Sept 2007

No dx last night. A clue in the lyrics of the record from the great Frankie Miller.... Drunken Nights In The City.....

Friday 21st Sept 2007

Heard a few common Canadian and Eastern stations last night. Ided 1050 ESPN New York, and 710 VOXM network, and 930 CJYQ, before turning in. Band a lot noisier tonight, and a quick check on the a's and the k's showed why. Overnight left recording on 1470.

Listening by 0530, and a bit before. 920 CJCH was good, (Remember this one goes FM sometime too), and 750 CBC with Radio Australia. // 540 also good at this time. 570 had Cuba this am, and had powerful ids from WFAN 660. 680 news was mixing with a c/c station, and a sort of easy listening station. WTIC mixing with an as yet unknown station on 1080. Prob needs an overnight left on the channel. Sat on 1080 at 0600, but guess what. Only the more common WTIC came in!! IDed 710 and 740 VOXM, but on 710 Cuba was coming in and out as well. No ID but // 5025. Also on 710, a poor WOR id was heard at 0621, and Cuba again on 860, // 570 at 0623. VOXM 740 was powerful at 0628, but on the bottom of the hour, (their top of the hour in NFLD), there was slight splatter from Euros, but still a good rec. Unid SS on 640 at 0634.

Due to persistent rain, there was a lot of power line growl this morning as well. My beverage runs beneath power lines unfortunately, but that's just the way it goes.

That's it, not a very inspiring

Have updated my links page as well with some useful AM related links.

Thursday 20th Sept 2007

Update: The unidentified station on 1470 turned out to be WBKV, West Bend, WI. "BKV- Your Country Oldies".

I began listening at 2220, when CJYQ and some of the other common East coast Canadians were already in, and strong. Noted a strong VOXM id on 930!! By 2325 I had unid on 1600 for a short spell before fade out. The ethnic station was on 1320, which I left a recording overnight at 2345. Woke up at just scarce of 0400, so tried the radio, and WYLL Chicago was noted on 1160. Frenchy on 1570. I recall sometimes this used to be very strong and common place. May have been something in the mix with the fast cw style id. Have to check rec. 0512 I had 2 stations on 1620, a sports and c/c. A little later the sports station was ann as ESPN. Unsure which one this could be. I know KOZN listed as ESPN, but is there any more. Tried a quick google, but nothing else seems to come up. I am not so keen to take this as a proper id.

No call but no doubt KRND, WY, so I see this as an ID...1630 La Grande, at 0418. Again at 0425. Personal 1st I think from memory. ESPN heard on both 1640, pres WTNI, and 1660. The latter has at least 2, maybe 3 possibilities. KRZI, which I have hrd here, and likewise WQSN both possibilities. Also saw KOWB Fargo mentioned as an ESPN station on the web somewhere. Seemed dominant for a time at various checks, but no call.

An interesting one. Tune in to quick station id of sorts, on 1470 at 0428. The ID was only "Your country oldies station". I haven't listened back to rec yet to see if there is an ID which I missed. On 1150, WHBY Kimberley ided nicely at 0430, as did WTIC on 1080. Decided to get out of bed and go to the receiver at 0439, leaving country music on 940. Surely not Montreal?? There was poss SS on 940 at 0444. Need to check rec.. Again at 0456 ESPN and c/c on 1620. Still no calls.

Ads in Manitoba 0504 on 680 suggested the band getting good again. CJOB ids just after this. Good ids from VOXM 590 at 0510, CBC 1400 // 1140 at 0517. CKDO 1580 with oldies. 0530 on 1620, some kind of tune, but still no call on the elusive ESPN station.

Noted at 0535 the annoying QRM on 1670 I have had for the last while was not present, and stations were heard, no ids though. CBC 1550 carrying Radio Netherlands at 0536, and 0545 there was some weird music behind the Frenchy on 610. Hard to determine what type of music. Also an English station in the mess.

720 finally ided WGN Chicago at 0558 and 0600 behind the beeb. at 0605, there was sport on 1270, and ESPN ids, but nothing to say which station. Maybe just talking about ESPN?? Others hrd, 970 WZAN, 680 both WRKO AND '680 News', Toronto. Band about dead by 0703, but KMOX was hanging in there when other powerhouses were not.

I guess it will be a sleep after dinner tonight.

More.....

Wednesday 19th Sept 2007

I am putting these entries on the mediumwaveradio.org forum, as well as on these web pages. Strange though it may seem Tony, I remember commenting about the black text on the dark grey background on the forum many months back. I never gave it much more thought, until I was using firefox the other night, which for some reason displays nice white text on the grey background. Another software oddity..

Tuesday night I started to check the band before 2300, but found nothing. On checking later, I still found nothing, only Euro splatter. Forgot I was using another antenna to listen to 80m earlier in the evening, which is no use for North American MW stations. To cap it all, I was listening to some chaps on 80m trying to explain to another ham how to connect a bit of wire for an aerial into his receiver so he could pick up Swansea Sound 1170 on MW. Thats what I get for wondering how the fellow had managed to achieve the status of a radio ham in the first place!!

When I had the beverage connected properly, 610 CHNC was very strong. The VOXM network was coming in, and had a good id on 590 at 2330. on 1130 WBBR was mixing with another station at 2342, which is early. Ottawa on 1200 was strong with sports at 2354. WLW 700 at 2356, with ids. I thought that a little early for this one at this time of year. Not a complaint. At 2358, CBC Radio 1 local id as 540 and 1400kHz, although heard on 600!! 640 CBC was also good at 0000.

I thought there was a lot of excessive euro splatter, noticable on 680 which hadn't been there the last few nights. At 0004 there were 2 station sharing 1510, and surprisingly Boston's "The Zone" was not the station carrying the sport!! The Zone carried a silly network programme with a typical rude talk show presenter. Alas I never managed to ID the sports station, even though I left 1510 on through the night. Woke up at 0223 and changed to 930, for the night recording.

Woke by 0502, when a good ID for WHK 1420 was heard, 880 WCBS, Frenchy on 730, 690 and 860, but no ids. 570 had Cuba, complete with the time signals and all. 830 WCRN good at 0552, and 890 ESPN id, quite good from WAMG, no call just ESPN 890 ids, with WLS way in the background. Annoyingly at 0600, there was a station mixing with CBC, which I only caught odd words, and couldn't id. 1080 WTIC Hartford booming in as was 1170 WWVA, with a weather report about 0605. WTAM id on 1100. There were 2 stations in the mix on 1080 at 0606, but couldnt id the 2nd one. At 0615 XEW 900 from Mexico had a nice peak. Unsure what was coming in on 710, if it was Cuba or Mexican. Never stayed long enough. By 0636, the whole of the VOXM network had gone. But I was hearing country music on 650 only, which turned out to be from WSM. So that was 2 of the less

common 3 letter call signs heard last night, and a Mexican. More later.

Tuesday 18th Sept 2007

The band was different again tonight, Monday night. I guess this is why we all love the MWDX. Never quite sure what is going to come through from night to night. Tuned in at 2350 to hear WRKO with a superb signal. This remained in and out with Toronto's 680 news overnight. (Recorded 680 overnight if you can call 3am to 545am bst overnight..hi. need a sleep after dinner tonight I suspect!!). CBC 600 had super signals and good ids at 0000, but not local ids. There seems to be local CBC ids at 0100, just before the news. With the various CBC stations closing, I have been trying to get recordings of them all, with as good a signal as possible. There was a fast talking advert or announcement at 0057 or so on 1550, and then the carrier seemed to be blank for a while. At 0100 I was pleasantly surprised by a CBC 1550 local ID. Only trouble was the ecss tripped out on the NRD half way through the id!!! Huh!! At 0100 the sports station On 1660 either played over the hour, or I had just missed the legal id. 1150 again in English with ads, but annoyingly fades out before an id. 1080 WTIC Hartford still strong over the Euros at times. On 1650 at 0203, KCNZ Iowa had id as The Fan, KCNZ..

After a wee bit sleep, at 0457 I heard english behind the BBC on 720, noted again at 0532, and poss had ads in Chicago, ie WGN. Need to listen again, and also closer to the recording.

1170 WWVA Wheeling, old favourite which sits on top of the Euros nicely sometimes. Heard it a few times, but first time stopped to ID it. Good wx etc 0505. 1280 had music at 0511, Spanish Eyes, and WNAM ided at 0511. Personal first, though had a tent log in 2006. There was classical music station mixing on 680. Maybe the Columbian?? Radio Vision Christianas on 530 was good this am as well, at 0525, though never waited for an id. Note in the log book at 0555.

BAND AMAZING!!!

If only I was able to record the whole band at that narrow window when the band is at it's best.

On 1000, again no sign of KOMO, but Chicago ads again. 990 CBC, 760 WJR VG ids, 1130 unid behind WBBR, 670 Sporting News Radio, pres WSCR Chicago. at 0620.

That's all so far...

Monday 17th Sept 2007

The logs for Sunday through Monday. Checked VOCM at 2345, and found 620 strong. Plenty ids and phone ins. The NFLD accent is a curious Irish sounding one when you hear the locals on the phone. On 1370 there were 2 stations mixing at 2357, none good enough to id. I tuned to X band which has been chocca this last few days, and find a mess on 1680. Something with ads in English for the National Guard and Viagra, which turned out to be WDSS MI. They ided as AM - 16-80, and there was a Radio Disney id in the mud. I thought Disney was a kids station?? Ads for joining the national guard, and viagra in English, or were there 2 English stations in the mix. Had good CJCH advert for a job at the station, there's a thought, english sport on 1150 (WKBY Kimberley is the normal english station I have heard here, changing place with the Frenchys), 620 VOCM network had an interesting moose watch during the road report. WEEI 850 had ads and one of those ridiculous disclaimer that no one can possibly make out. Recorded 1540 overnight, but haven't had the time to go through the recording. Most of the time till the Euro sign on, CHIN pres is dominant.

Pleasantly surprised by the band when I was rudely awakened by my old mobile, which I have now charged up and use as an alarm. It has a very loud tone and is always reliable. Noted Greenland with their usual mumbling talk, quite good on 570, and an english speaking yl on 580 which I never ided. 680 had a few stations, and I was also able to use the wide bandwidth, signals were so strong next to the euros. At 0518, I had the first id from CJOB Winnipeg. It was in again at 0530.

The band was kind of like graveyard channels on many regular freqs, suggesting there were other signals present. By 0548 570 had changed from Greenland to Cuba. There was def a station behind

WJR 760

On 780, instead of the usual KIX Country, WBBM Chicago was coming through in the clear. On 830 a very strong signal around 0558 had Roy Masters, but never managed to id due to a wasted toth tuning around for weaker stuff. What a pain!! Maybe WCRN, maybe WCCO. Not checked the web yet. On 1000 I had hoped for KOMO 1000, but had reasonable signals from WMVP Chicago with ESPN 1000 ids. No call ids unfortunately. Nothing else of note heard, but if CJOB is coming in with peaks like that, it can only be a good sign.

Sunday 16th Sept 2007

The logs for Saturday night and into Sunday are probably not as good as I had hoped for, I may not have stayed in otherwise!!. Anyhow there were a few stations identified.

First, after watching Independence Day again, I checked the bands at 2355, to find the whole band sounding open. Canadians all present around 950, inc IDs from 950 CKNB, 920 CJCH, and less powerful CFFX 960, oldies 96, London Ont, with call letter IDs at 2355 on UTC 15th.

"WEUP, The Peoples Station" ids heard on 1700 at 0058, along with a SS id which sounded very like KVAV or similar, pres KVNS in SS. Haven't checked the recording yet. The rest of the X Band had multiple stations except for 1670 which had just a noise.

Had a very powerful ID from CJRS Montreal on 16-50, both call, and as Radio Shalom. What does that mean. I recall hearing that when Israel Radio signed off. Is it Radio Goodbye?? Or even Radio Good'ay !!

KCJJ on 1630, Iowa City sneaked in at 0200 with a weakish ID, and at 0205 there was a sports game in progress on 1150. The two frenchys were both heard but not ided. Good id on 1110 WBT AT 0220. There were a few stations mixing on 1130, dominant obviously WBBR NY. What is presumed CHIN Toronto on 1540 with ethnic languages, but notoriously difficult to id, like many of the ethnic stations. 940 Montreal ided 0258, and 1700 WEUP again heard. I was ready to record TOTH on 1540 at just before 0300 as well, but the station on 1539 signed on, and caused such splatter, it was useless.

I seem to have recorded an unid frequency till about 0500, but difficult to decide which channel. SS dominant. Also at some point something signed on very close as well. I guess I fell asleep with the "moose" in my hand again !!!

At 0505, I had ids from KDKA 1020, CFRB 1010, CBC 990, WWL 870, VOXM on all channels, 670 Cuban // 5025, 660 WFAN, CBC 540, WZAN 970, and rarer now, but obviously not impossible, WEGP 1390 with good sig at 0531. 1430 WENE..The Team, Trinity b/c on 820, Unid sports on 1250, unid oldies on 1370, pres WDEA, and 1380 (is there still US, and Canadian or has CKLC gone to FM?? CKLC or WMYF).

By dawn I was getting quite loud GURRRRRing noise from power lines due to persistent rain here in Scotland.

Saturday 15th Sept 2007

The logs for Friday night and into Saturday are not quite what they could have been. I meant to be awake by about 0445, but never wakened till 0530. I tried to set the phone to go off. I think I will go back and use my old phone as an alarm. It was very reliable, and very noisy too.. Anyway some less common stations coming in, and the band is certainly opening up, and getting earlier and fade outs later. Let's hope NOT for a repeat of last years dead weeks.

Logged 890 ESPN at 2340, and also heard some silly safety adverts on VOXM 620 with very good signals. Never realised Canada and especially Nfld were subjected to all the same kind of dumb government propaganda we are bombarded with over here.

940 Montreal ided in the passing, at 2358, and same for CKNB 950, which has some very very strong peaks. The voice overs always seem not quite as loud as the music somehow.

The less common WBEN was in and out around 0100 on 930, and the old WQXR freq carrying Radio Disney was good around 0134. The ethnic station on 1430 was not iding; likewise the ethnic on 1320. WWKB can be one of the most powerful sounding stations from the States sometimes, and last night was no exception.

I left 1290 overnight, but ided the first station before falling asleep, WKBK Keane with a sports match at 0205. "Your local sports authority, WKBK" They seem to have lost the quick "WKBK-Keene" id, when call and city both sounded like part of the call.

A few times during the night, CJBK 1290 London, Ont ided as News Talk 12-90 and carried the dreaded Coast - Coast.

WCKY 1530 Cincinnati was coming through on top of the Euros at 0545, inc ads and sport. One slogan sounded like "the home of the thistles" , but on checking their web site, it is the home of the Bengals (Still sounds like thistles on playback, even knowing what you're listening for!!). The latest slogan "15-30 Homer" was being used. Doesn't sound very much like a whizz bang catchy slogan to me. . Bit like Radio Forth's short lived slogan, Max AM, or CHNS wonderful new name.. HAL FM!!

I had been working from the house via remote, on the PC while lying in bed, but got up around 0545 to try and get into the hotseat.

14-30 The Team, WENE, noted in the mix, and at 0602, WHAS 840 Louisville, Kentucky had a nice singing jingle.

760 WJR, and 1170 WWVA also coming thru, the latter with the usual truckers network. Surprisingly strong at 0612 was Radio Reloj on 570, complete with the annoying time signals through the programme. Must be awful being a local Cuban, trying to listen through that.

800 CKLW also ided at 0605, just after an advert which mentioned Lake Eyrie.

Friday 14th Sept 2007

The logs for Friday are non existant, mainly because I never woke up until the dx was over. I logged Relevant Radio FL, on 1660 at 0019, and am sure they were discussing/ talking about the station being sold, and leaving the AM band in FL. Left the rx recording overnight on 780, recording another station which is leaving the AM band in Canada, CFDR KIX country. Later on around 0610, I had some WBBM announcements in the clear, Chicago station. CFDR had full legal call id at 0600. That's as far as I have checked so far. Unknown if I am out this weekend, or gonna have a DX in!!! With the band working, it may be a good idea to spend some time at the receivers, but then again....I may have a thirst!!

Thursday 13th Sept 2007

At 0000, good id again from WPTX, Lexington Park on 1690.

Tonight I feel for the first time, there are more openings on the band than the last week. I am even hearing tk to the side of 1089, pres from WBAL. The once common signal is obviously still there, but alas the Euro is too strong. Hearing a strong SS speaker on 1610, well strongish, prob Toronto. NRD notch fairly cleans up the het on the freq.

Record overnight again 1320, as the Indian was coming and going with CKEC. No ids found yet. Woke at 0525UTC, to find the band buzzing.

1010 CFRB is tremendous at 0528 and so much so I can use real wide bandwidth to record the ID, which ann as Montreal's newstalk leader, CJAD 800, and CFRB Toronto.

990 CBC sat on top of the Euros with Radio Sweden, changing to Radio Australia at 0530.

860 Frenchy CBC was good but never ided it, and likewise Frenchy on 730. Something behind 730, but couldn't id the lingo even. .

830 WCRN quite good. 0532

680 Toronto's 680 news, peaking real good 0540, with unid in the background. Prob Boston. I could use the very wide bandwidth here too, on 680.

The less common stns on 1100, 1110 and 1120 were all in, and 870, 880, 660, 770, etc.

1170 WWVA pres, truckers prog, but never waited to id, not quite blotting out the Euros, but 1st log this season. 0545 for this.

1070 had some music below and sometimes equal to Radio Australia via CBC.

1000 I had Chicago's ESPN station, with BMW ad etc. No call ID, although it did fade right on the TOTH as they do. Noted fair at 0557.

By 0621 it was all starting to fade out, and just before fade out there was a good KIX Country id on 780, another station which is leaving us. There was a station behind this too, prob Chicago. 1140 had SS fighting with CBC. Frenchy on 550 quite good too but no id.

It seems a good September could be looming.

Wednesday 12th Sept 2007

At midnight UTC wed, CBC Moncton was superb on 1070. just after midnight CKNB 950 was also exceptional, and rec good ids and wx at 0115.

Had a good id from CBC on 640 at 0005. Also at this time were signals from the Frenchy on 610, and // 1150. Common East Coasters of CBC 1140, and Bloomberg 1130 coming in well, and the powerhouses on 1510 and 1520.

CBC again good on 540, sat on top of the Euros. Had ids from WCRN 830 at 0146, and by 0155 the elusive Indian was on 1320. They played past the toth!!

Later in the evening, at 2330, I recorded a really good CKEC 1320 id.

Tuesday 11th Sept 2007

Overnight, recorded CHVO for a bit then CBC 1070 for the rest of the night. Never woke up in time to hear the greyline.

Sunday 9th Sept

The overnight tonight is 1320. Trying to make plenty recordings of the stations which are leaving us shortly. 1140, 1070, 560, 1320.

Still no elusive ID from the Indian station on 1320 that fades in and out with CKEC New Glasgow. This is despite a nice fade in at the top of the hour one of the days. No doubt when CKEC goes off

AM, it will be the dominant station, and legal ids should be common place. What is more frustrating is that they do ID. Paul C played me a superb TOTH id last season!! It is getting to be like the Greenland saga. I have heard the station often since the 1980s, and have nothing I could call a station ID yet!! Just rambling talk!!

Saturday 8th Sept 2007

1140 left on overnight, at 0050. Wake 0515 and ESPN dominant rather than WLS on 890. Good IDs from 10 10 WINS.

Sunday 9th Sept

The overnight tonight is 1320. Trying to make plenty recordings of the stations which are leaving us shortly. 1140, 1070, 780, 560, 1320.

Still no elusive ID from the Indian station on 1320 that fades in and out with CKEC New Glasgow. This is despite a nice fade in at the top of the hour one of the days. No doubt when CKEC goes off AM, it will be the dominant station, and legal ids should be common place. What is more frustrating is that they do ID. Paul C played me a superb TOTH id last season!! It is getting to be like the Greenland saga. I have heard that station often since the 1980s, and have nothing I could call a station ID yet!! Just rambling talk!!

Friday 7th Sept 2007

Overnight left recording 960. Seemed more Spanish than English on many channels tonight. CBC noted on 540, 0605. Poss id on 670 stn. Yet to check the overnight.

A good Tropo on FM band to Eire, and hearing ICR on 105, Co Donegal, Mid West Radio 96.1, and Q102 on both 97.2 and 102.9 in // at one point. Other channels that come through during lifts here are 103.3 Highland Radio, Today FM on multiple channels including 100, 105.5, and 100.9. Also Radio NaGaeltachta on 102.7, Newstalk from Eire on 107.4, and 107.2. There were none of the pirates audible this time around. Some stations had RDS.

Thursday 6th Sept 2007

Left 1470 overnight, but haven't found anything too exciting, other than ESPN/ WLAM. A kind of easy listening music station was coming in and out at times. Good CHVO ids on 560 at 0103.

Read on the web somewhere that there are no longer any early morning German broadcasts on TWR 1467, which will be better for 1470 dxing.

Wed 5th September 2007

0000 1690 WPTX Lexington Park TOTH id

0012 830 WCRN Good ids,etc

0014 560 CHVO Still here good peaks and ids recorded for old times sake

Also good ids from CJCH 920, and very good peak at 0600 from WRKO 680.

Sadly it is all gone. In the morning I was mucking with the unsaved wav file, listening to some stuff, when I had a power outage just before saving!! The file was unrecoverable. Talk about bad luck!!! It was good luck though that there were no first time logs or rare west coasters. !!

So that was my first dx of the season and I have nothing to show for it!!! The WRKO ids were

particularly rare as it was alone on the channel. Lots more WRKO as it happened later on in the month....

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